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No Child Left Behind gets an F

Local teachers ask lawmakers to drop federal education bill

BY MELODY HANATANI | Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE The local teacher's union is rallying the troops as it gears up for a campaign against the No Child Left Behind Act, criticizing the bill as doing nothing but leaving students behind in its controversial dust.

Earlier this week, the Santa Monica-Malibu Classroom

Teachers Association announced a call to action for all teachers to demand that their representatives in Washington vote against a proposed reauthorization of the No Child Left Behind Act, which is currently sitting in the House's Education and Labor Committee.

It follows a similar announcement last week by the California Teachers Association, advertising a state-wide effort campaigning against the controversial piece of legislation. The reauthorization of the act is being co-authored by Rep. George Miller (D-California).

"We're getting to all teachers that have had to live with the unintended consequences every day," said Harry Keiley,

president of the Santa Monica-Malibu teacher's union.

No Child Left Behind was signed into law in 2002, pledging more funding to schools as well as placing more accountability on the individual schools and districts by way of yearly standardized tests. Many educators have come out in opposition to the act in the past five years, arguing it unfairly punishes schools that don't perform well on the tests, which they believe is not an accurate indicator of student comprehension.

In Santa Monica and Malibu, where students as a whole

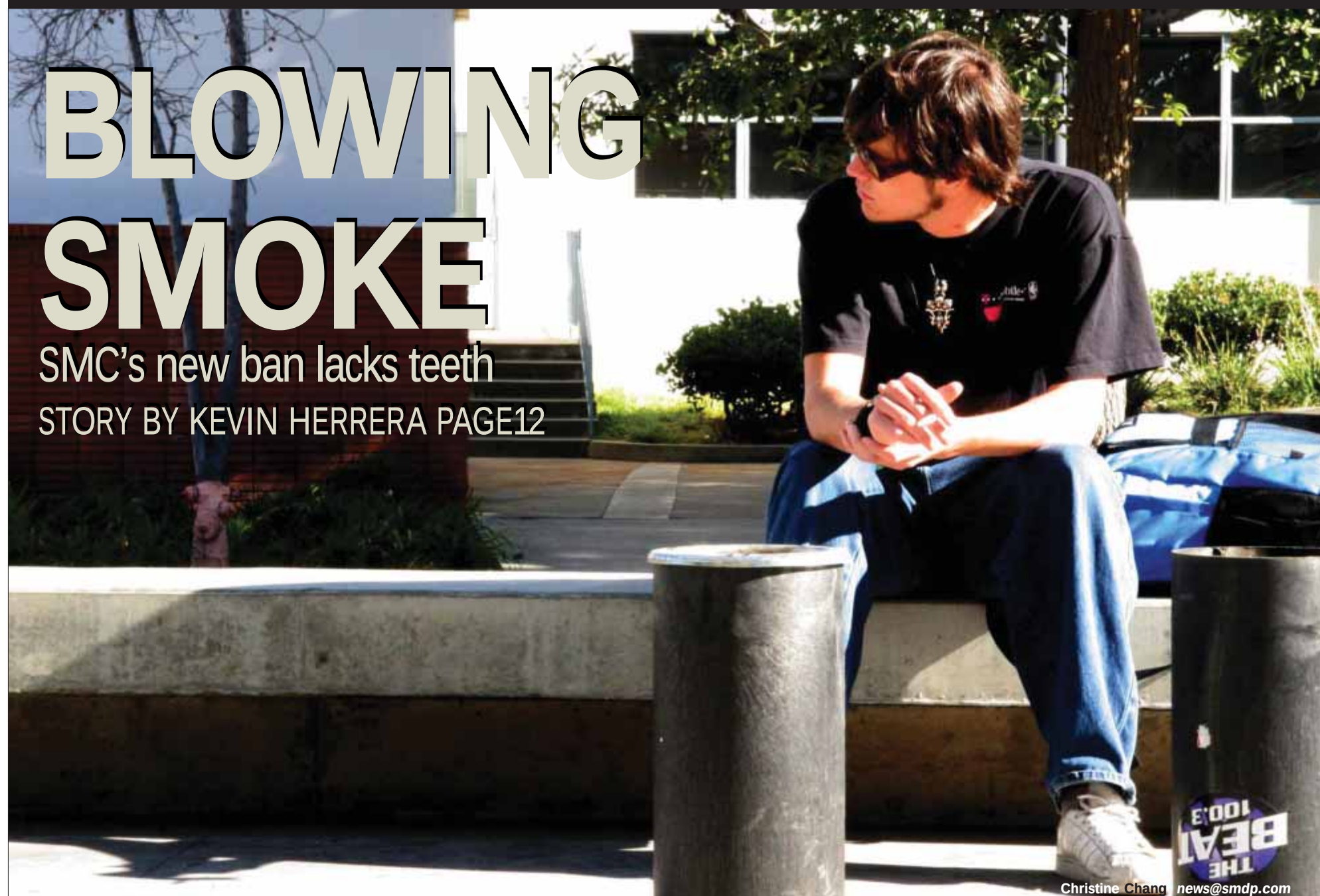
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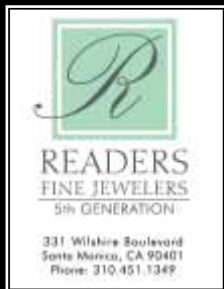
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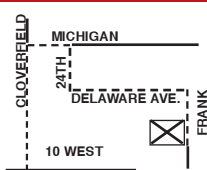
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“Are Men Necessary? When Sexes Collide,” by Maureen Dowd
will be discussed.

SPARK! an Evening of Storytelling

601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m. — 8 p.m.
“Spark Celebrates Six Years” features seven personal stories culled from
the best stories performed over the last six years at SPARK’s regular
monthly series at The Powerhouse Theatre. The event will be followed by
a reception with the cast and producers. Admission is free and open to
the public. Seating in the MLK Jr. Auditorium is first come, first served.
For more information, call (310) 396-3680, ext. 5.

‘Food for Thought’

1704 Montana Ave., 7 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.
Santa Monica Public Library and Co-Opportunity Market present “Pilates
Exercise and How It Can Benefit You,” with Eve Kerrigan, owner of Reform
School Pilates, as part of their “Food For Thought” series every month.

Computers course

601 Pico Blvd., 6:15 p.m. — 9:45 p.m.
The Regional Occupational Program is offering a low-cost computer class
in MS Office XP. The registration fee is \$50. Pre-registration is required.
Call (310) 395-9493, ext. 457 or 456 for more information.

Floral design and sales course

601 Pico Blvd., 6:30 p.m. — 9:30 p.m.
The Regional Occupational Program is offering a semester course on
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customer relations and basic business practices. The registration fee is
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The Santa Monica Laughter Club

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and promote a more positive mental attitude. For more information,
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‘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
nightclub. 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 and click the “Events” tab for the given day’s calendar.





READY FOR A DIP:

Members of Team Santa Monica perform seated dips at Santa Monica College's Corsair Field last week. The competitive swim club serves Santa Monica, West Los Angeles and surrounding areas.

Fabian Lewkowicz fabianl@smdp.com

Time to lose that baby fat

Schwarzenegger and Clinton join forces to combat child obesity

By the Associated Press

EL MONTE The former Mr. Universe and

ex-commander in chief joined forces Wednesday to combat childhood obesity.

Trailed by a detail of Secret Service agents, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger and former President Bill Clinton visited a Southern California school recognized for its rigorous physical fitness program.

The political odd bedfellows chatted with gym teachers in the school yard of Columbia Middle School in this modest

suburb east of Los Angeles. They looked on as students did circuit training and "street surfed" with waveboards as U2's "Beautiful Day" blared from a portable radio.

The Schwarzenegger camp said it marked the first time the men have appeared together in public since the former actor and world bodybuilding cham-

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Judge sets bail for O.J.

Simpson expected to return to Florida after posting \$125,000 bail

BY KEN RITTER
Associated Press Writer

LAS VEGAS A judge set bail Wednesday at \$125,000 for O.J. Simpson in connection with the armed robbery of sports memorabilia collectors at a Las Vegas hotel. His attorney later said he expected the former football star to be released within hours and return to Florida.

Simpson, standing in court in a blue jail uniform and handcuffs, furrowed his brow as the judge read the list of charges against him.

He answered quietly in a hoarse voice and nodded as Justice of the Peace Joe Bonaventure Jr. laid out restrictions for his release, including surrendering his passport to his attorney and having no contact with co-defendants or potential witnesses.

Simpson did not enter a plea.

Unlike his arraignment over a decade ago in the 1994 killings of his ex-wife and her friend Ron Goldman, when Simpson declared he was "absolutely 100 percent not guilty," he was subdued throughout the proceeding Wednesday.

"Mr. Simpson do you understand the charges against you?" the judge asked.

"Yes, sir," Simpson responded.

Attorney Yale Galanter said after the hearing that the \$125,000 bond was reasonable and had already been arranged for Simpson. He said Simpson would plead not guilty.

"We expect Mr. Simpson to be processed and released fairly quickly," Galanter said. "He's relieved. This has been a very harrowing experience for him."

Security at the courthouse was tight for the arraignment hearing. People entering the courtroom were screened by security officers and Las Vegas police with bomb-sniffing dogs.

The case has attracted a swarm of media, including Marcia Clark, who unsuccessfully prosecuted Simpson for the 1994 murders and was reporting for "Entertainment Tonight."

Simpson, 60, was arrested Sunday after a collector reported a group of armed men charged into his hotel room at the Palace Station casino and took several items that

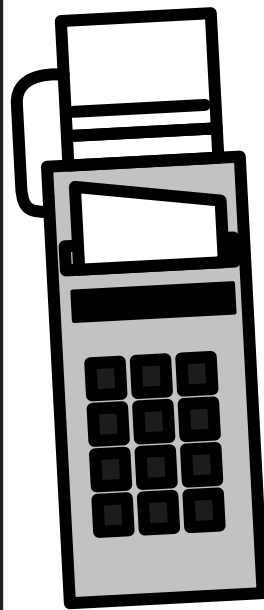
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR
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Cyclists are pedal-pushing their luck
Editor:

(Re: Alex Thompson's op-ed "Cops' chain reaction is bad for our city," Sept. 18)

What kind of law/code vehicle or bicycle allows blocking traffic so other approaching bicyclists may go through an intersection without obeying traffic laws (stopping)? Bicycling, as well as any vehicle, is a privilege to which laws of the road are set and should be obeyed.

I have seen bicyclists riding down a bike path that is only wide enough for one bicycle with other bicyclists riding four/five across, obstructing vehicle traffic.

I have seen bicyclists riding their bike down the sidewalk, putting pedestrians in great danger.

I have seen bicyclists not stopping at stop signs or stop lights.

I have seen bicyclists riding at night with no lights and reflectors, and wearing dark clothing.

I have seen bicyclists making a turn giving no signal whatsoever.

These are just a few things I have noticed about bicyclists and I am sure there are a lot more unlawful acts some bicyclists do that go unnoticed. Maybe there should be a written test and a license for bicyclists?

I enjoy riding a bicycle once in awhile myself, but to the best of my ability, I obey/respect the laws. Most of things that I have seen bicyclists do illegally have been in the presence of SMPD and they were given no citation. To me, this shows SMPD is giving bicyclists a lot of breaks.

Geno Schotte
Santa Monica

The selfish by the sea
Editor:

I'm proud to live in Santa Monica, but it's certainly not a case of my city, right or wrong. In visiting Mar Vista in past weeks, for instance, I felt uncomfortable, even embarrassed, to hear residents there complain about our close-fisted dog park policy. Now that the (Airport Dog) Park is open to all qualified LA County dogs, the City Council is touting its own big heart – without mentioning the income increase from park fees for the auslander dogs or the grabby policies behind such fees.

Santa Monica is a small city with an enormous commercial and property tax base, yet is relentless in squeezing revenue from resident and visitor – from 2 a.m. parking meters to overpriced pier rides. The city has long been running with the permit parking pack – another income boon (and a practice that a liberal city might have rejected as unfair to the rest of the people in the state who pay for our streets).

And they just keep coming. Recently, I inquired about admission to the Memorial Park skateboard facility only to find that, in order to test to see if my creaky joints could hold the turns, a \$15 registration fee was required – no tryout permitted, not even for the per-entry fee of \$5.

Yet it remains that despite these medieval revenue structures and despite our tax base, many Santa Monica parents wonder why the city continues to maintain a single overcrowded and often-troubled high school, with kudos to its grade and middle schools, some of the best in the nation.

Michael Jondreau
Santa Monica

It seems peace will never prevail
Editor:

I do not feel safe in my homeland, or Santa Monica! I am sad about that. I have always been for peace. I have, sadly, come to the conclusion, that it is not only impossible, it is unreachable in my lifetime, and then some. Peace will never prevail, and that is just an unhappy fact of living on the planet, in this time ... and, maybe forever.

Julia Reeves
Santa Monica



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Playing hooky on the High Holidays

IT'S ONLY SEVEN DAYS INTO 5768, BUT the Jewish New Year is already off to an inauspicious start for me.

I wouldn't exactly call myself a model Jew. Let's just say there isn't a strong chance God will ever have me carry on the tradition he started with Abraham and ask for the sacrifice of my firstborn on Mt. Moriah — and trust me, it's not just because I have no idea where it is or how much water I would need to pack for the trek.

Still, I make an effort to practice my own brand of Judaism every year. I light candles during Hanukkah, and on rare occasions, Shabbat. I eat macaroons and gefilte fish and ask and/or answer the four questions on Passover. I try to avoid consuming dairy products and meat at the same meal, or at least during the same course.

My crowning achievement on the Jewish calendar, though, always comes during the High Holidays, at which time I attend services on Rosh Hashanah and fast on Yom Kippur. I have an unofficial streak of never having missed a Rosh Hashanah service. That includes the semester in college I spent in Bath, England, and had to take a train to Bristol to attend a service in an elementary school classroom, because that was the nearest location of both a Torah and someone who could read from it (with a British accent, no less).

Growing up, I had a love/hate relationship with the High Holidays. I loved that they meant a few days off from school. They always seemed to coincide with an Indian summer, so I could lounge outside in the autumn sunshine until it was time to get dressed up for the company who would gather at my parents' house. Everyone would sit around chatting in the den until my mom served a big homemade dinner in the dining room. Afterwards, we'd go to synagogue.

I hated going to services. Up until I was 11 or 12, my parents begrudgingly allowed me to leave the sanctuary a few minutes after the start of the service to wreak havoc in the temple basement with the other kids in attendance. After a few hours, the kids would duck back in and sit down just before the service concluded, with the parents collectively shaking their heads in disapproval.

After my bat mitzvah, the expectation was for me to stay seated during services. Fortunately, as I got older, I managed to use the boredom that set in during services to numb me into a coma-like state. I would just remind myself — repeatedly — that I only had to endure it once a year.

Even though I now miss out on the best part of the holidays — being with my family — because I live a few thousand miles away, I still go to services every year. I even enjoy services (well, almost) because they

remind me of home. Attending is my way of staying connected to my family and giving a nod of respect and appreciation to my upbringing.

Until this year, that is. My High Holidays' attendance record came to an abrupt end last week, at which time I forgot about services. I panicked, but realized I could still redeem myself this weekend during Yom Kippur. I'd fast and go to services and all would be right in my Jewish world.

Except then I remembered I'd be in Louisiana during Yom Kippur for an LSU-South Carolina football game. While I wasn't there when it was being written, I didn't need a copy of the Old Testament to know that waving a purple and gold foam finger was probably not what God had in mind when establishing how to spend the Day of Atonement.

I HAVE AN UNOFFICIAL STREAK OF NEVER HAVING MISSED A ROSH HASHANAH SERVICE. THAT INCLUDES THE SEMESTER IN COLLEGE I SPENT IN BATH, ENGLAND.

But, my place in the Book of Life is not lost just yet. Kickoff is at 2:30 p.m. this Saturday, so I can go to services at the Beth Shalom synagogue in Baton Rouge (although due to construction, services are actually being held in the Baptist church next door) and then make it in time for the game. However, since I'll be fasting, I'll be the only one of the 93,000 ticket holders not sneaking a flask into the dry stadium. (Not attending the game is not an option. While Judaism is my religion, LSU Football is my husband's, and he only gets to pray in his temple once every few years when we make the trip down South.)

"Whatever you do," my dad pleaded softly. "Just don't eat a hot dog."

"You can't go to an LSU game and not eat a Tiger Dog," my husband's brother, an even more avid fan, exclaimed. "They're the best."

I suppose it doesn't matter now if the hot dogs are kosher.

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The Rand Stand

By Paul Hsieh

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'Single-payer' health care is anything but free of cost

MICHAEL MOORE'S LATEST MOVIE, "Sicko," sings the praises of the Canadian "single-payer" socialized medical system. Some Americans want a similar system implemented in the United States. Defenders of the Canadian system frequently claim that patients don't have to worry about money when they're sick — the health care is free. But is this really true?

No. First, it is ludicrous to think the system is free. Each citizen is forced to pay for his neighbors' medical care in the form of high taxes. (As a percentage of GDP, total taxation is 28 percent higher in Canada than in the United States.) The government, rather than individuals, then decides how that money is spent.

Even worse, in the name of "equal access" the government generally forbids patients from purchasing medical services outside of its system. Canadian law makes it difficult or impossible for citizens to spend their own honestly earned money on medically necessary care for themselves or their loved ones, even when both the doctor and the patient are willing.

To control costs, the government restricts access to crucial medical services via infamous waiting lists. This imposes a second, hidden, cost on patients: Their time.

According to the Vancouver-based Fraser Institute, "Canadian doctors say patients wait almost twice as long for treatment than is clinically reasonable ... almost 18 weeks between the time they see their family physician and the time they receive treatment from a specialist."

Because of the waiting lists, mortality rates for treatable conditions such as breast cancer and prostate cancer are significantly higher in Canada than in the U.S. A Canadian woman who discovers a lump in

her breast might wait for months before she receives the surgery and chemotherapy she needs, with the cancer cells multiplying rapidly as each week goes by. If she lived in the United States, she could receive treatment within days.

This tax on time is especially cruel because the burden falls hardest on the sickest patients, i.e., those with the least time to spare.

Consequently, Canadian patients routinely suffer and die while waiting for their "free" health care. The National Center for Policy Analysis notes, "During one 12-month period in Ontario ... 71 patients died waiting for coronary bypass surgery while 121 patients were removed from the list because they had become too sick to undergo surgery."

To guarantee "free" health care, a government must force the individual to pay for everyone else's medical care and limit his freedom to pay voluntarily for his own. With bureaucrats deciding who receives what, the individual is, therefore, forbidden from spending his money according to his own rational judgment (and the advice of his doctors) as to what's best for his health. When a government forces people to act against their own interests, it's no surprise that the results are misery and death.

Fortunately, Canadians are starting to recognize the problems inherent in "single-payer" health care and are taking very small steps towards limited private medicine. America must not repeat Canada's mistakes.

As P. J. O'Rourke said, "If you think health care is expensive now, wait until you see what it costs when it's free."

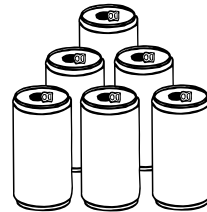
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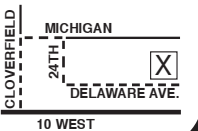
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Feds take first step to shut down park

BY GILLIAN FLACCUS
Associated Press Writer

SANTA ANA Federal authorities have taken the first step to shut down a mobile home park that shelters thousands of migrant workers after an inspection there found rampant health and safety violations.

In court papers filed late Monday, the U.S. attorney's office said it will ask a federal judge at an Oct. 15 hearing to close the park within 60 days unless improvements are made. The government will also ask U.S. District Judge R. Gary Klausner to immediately shutter all commercial businesses on the property and order the park's owner, Harvey Duro, to pay for restoring the site if it is closed.

Independent inspectors found sewage wastewater several inches deep, dead rodents, swarms of flies and animal feces at the Desert Mobile Home Park during a July spot check. They also found inadequate drinking water, a jerry-rigged electrical system, severe overcrowding and fire hazards, according to court papers.

The park is located on the Torres Martinez Indian Reservation in the fertile Coachella Valley, about 130 miles southeast of Los Angeles. About 4,000 migrant workers live there, but because the park is on tribal land, it is immune to local and state health and safety codes.

Alan Singer, spokesman for park owner Harvey Duro, said he hadn't seen a copy of the filing and couldn't comment on its specifics.

He said, however, that closing the park would be harmful to the community, which already struggles to find affordable housing for the thousands of migrant workers who flock to the area to harvest table grapes, dates, chili peppers and other crops.

"If the BIA were successful in having the park shut down, I don't think Riverside County or any state or federal agency would have any way to deal with the relocation of thousands of people," Singer said. "They're just unable to do it."

The conflict between the owner and the federal government began in the late 1990s, when local officials began cracking down on illegal trailer parks hidden away on county land.



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Alan Singer

Spokesman for park owner Harvey Duro

Duro, a member of the Torres Martinez Desert Cahuilla Indians, opened 40 acres of his land on the reservation to the migrant workers who were being displaced. With trailers in tow, the workers flocked to the new mobile home park.

Conditions worsened until 2004. Federal officials ordered numerous repairs after the facility was cited by the Environmental Protection Agency and the Bureau of Indian Affairs for alleged clean-water violations.

Hastert subpoenaed to testify in Cunningham's bribery case

BY ERICA WERNER
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON Former House Speaker Dennis Hastert, House Republican Whip Roy Blunt and 11 other members of Congress have been subpoenaed to testify in the trial of a defense contractor charged with bribing jailed former Rep. Randy "Duke" Cunningham.

All of the lawmakers said they would not comply, on the advice of House attorneys. The House general counsel's office is preparing to move to quash the subpoenas after failing to get a clear explanation of why the lawmakers' testimony is needed, according to the chief of staff of subpoenaed Rep. Darrell Issa, R-Calif.

The subpoenas were issued by attorneys for contractor Brent Wilkes, who faces trial Oct. 2 in San Diego on 25 counts of bribery, fraud, money laundering and conspiracy in connection with his relationship with Cunningham.

Cunningham, a Republican who represented a California district in Congress, is serving an eight-year prison term after pleading guilty in 2005 to taking \$2.4 million in bribes from Wilkes and others in exchange for millions of dollars in government contracts. As part of his plea

deal, Cunningham agreed to cooperate with prosecutors.

Wilkes' attorney, Mark Geragos, did not immediately respond to phone messages Tuesday.

In addition to Issa, Blunt, R-Mo., and Hastert, R-Ill., Geragos is seeking testimony from:

- Rep. Jerry Weller, R-Ill.
- House Intelligence Committee Chairman Silvestre Reyes, D-Texas.
- House Armed Services Committee Chairman Ike Skelton, D-Mo.
- House Appropriations defense subcommittee chairman John Murtha, D-Pa.
- California Republican Reps. Duncan Hunter, John Doolittle, and Jerry Lewis. Hunter chaired the Armed Services Committee and Lewis chaired the Appropriations Committee in the last Congress.

■ Republicans Reps. Peter Hoekstra and Joe Knollenberg of Michigan. Hoekstra chaired the House Intelligence Committee in the last Congress and Knollenberg chaired the House Appropriations transportation subcommittee.

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Tribe settles with school district over discrimination claims

BY JULIANA BARBASSA
Associated Press Writer

Christine Wilson remembers the way the father of her children, an American Indian of the Paiute tribe, was picked on at school in Bishop, the small mountain town where they grew up. But watching their daughters get roughed up and suspended unfairly told her it was time for real change, she said.

Wilson and the parents of another American Indian child, backed by the Bishop Paiute tribe, announced Tuesday they'd reached a settlement with the Bishop Union Elementary School District designed to end what families claimed was a pattern of discrimination that was driving Paiute children away from the school system.

"I grew up here, and saw the same thing then, how the Native American kids were singled out," said Wilson, 35. "I was seeing the same thing happen with my kids, how they start seeing themselves like they're not worth much, won't amount to much."

While school officials say the district did-

n't use discipline in a discriminatory way, "there's always room for improvement," said Superintendent Barry Simpson.

"We're going to be taking a look at all our procedures a little more closely," said Simpson.

All involved in the settlement, reached Sept. 12, agreed that avoiding a costly and divisive lawsuit was the best outcome for Bishop. The small mountain town of about 3,500 tucked into the folds of the Sierra Nevada and bordered by the Bishop Paiute Reservation is home to families who have been in the area for generations.

There was some fear of potential racially motivated backlash, said attorneys with the American Civil Liberties Union of Northern California.

Just months before the incident that pushed parents to seek changes from the district, a tribal member was charged with killing a white liquor store owner. Days later, letters that threatened to "kidnap, rape and dismember" Paiute girls in retaliation were found next to the tribe's day-care center.

Eight months later, in October 2005, when a police officer assigned to patrol Bishop's middle school confronted a 13-year-old Paiute boy for wearing a bandanna, there was still some residual fear in the community, attorneys said.

Virgin territory: Farmers seek changes in oil labels

BY SUDHIN THANAWALA
Associated Press Writer

MARTINEZ This fall, Tom Powers will harvest his olives and press them into oil — Alhambra Valley authentic extra virgin olive oil with a distinctive peppery finish.

But Powers and other California growers worry shoppers will never know what sets their products apart because of what they allege to be widespread mislabeling in the olive oil industry. They are petitioning the federal government to adopt the same familiar terms used by European producers: olive oil, virgin olive oil and extra virgin olive oil.

"This is really high quality stuff," said Powers, whose two varieties of Tuscan olives grow amid the dry, rolling hills of Contra Costa County, northeast of San Francisco.

The push for new standards comes at a time when olive oil production and consumption in the United States is on the rise. U.S. sales have doubled in the last decade as Americans look for healthier food options, and olive oil now accounts for about a third of all cooking oils used at home.

Oil produced in Spain, Italy and other Mediterranean countries are classified under international standards the U.S. has not adopted. Instead, the U.S. Department of Agriculture uses a 1948 classification system that defines olive oil as fancy, choice, standard or substandard.

The terms carry no regulatory weight in this country, so unscrupulous producers here and abroad can get away with branding olive oil bound for U.S. grocery shelves as extra virgin — the highest and most expensive grade — even if it is of lesser quality.

The California Olive Oil Council, an industry group, petitioned the USDA in 2004 to replace its outmoded classification

system and the agency expects to solicit public input by the end of this year, according to a spokesman. A final decision will come after that.

"When people go into a retail store and buy a gallon of extra virgin olive oil for \$12, they should question whether that's really extra virgin," said grower Don Della Nina, who sells a 375-milliliter bottle of his own, California-grown Olio Bello d'Olivo brand olive oil for \$14.

California growers also hope that by adopting the international standards they would eliminate cheap international competition, helping the state's producers increase their share of a U.S. market still dominated by European countries.

Officials with the Spanish, French, Italian and Greek olive oil industry organizations did not immediately return requests for comment via telephone and e-mail.

California is by far the leading U.S. producer. Olive oil production here rose from about 250,000 gallons in 2001-2002 to about 400,000 gallons in 2004-2005. And production is expected to roughly double over the next three years, said Paul Vossen, who studies olive oil at the University of California Cooperative Extension office in Sonoma County.

Among olive oils, extra virgin is king. To earn the classification under the international standards, the fruit must be picked before it becomes too ripe and pressed soon after without solvents, heat or intense pressure, according to Bruce Golino, a board member of the oil council. It must meet strict requirements for acidity.

Some instances of fraud involve lower-grade oils classified as extra virgin, but in the most egregious examples, cheaper vegetable oils are sold as extra virgin olive oil.

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The request for proposals may be obtained from the Human Services Division, City of Santa Monica, 1685 Main St., Room 212, Santa Monica, California 90401; by calling (310) 458-8701; TTY: (310) 458-8696; by e-mailing your request to danielle.noble@smgov.net; or by visiting the Human Services Division website at <http://www.smgov.net/hsd>.

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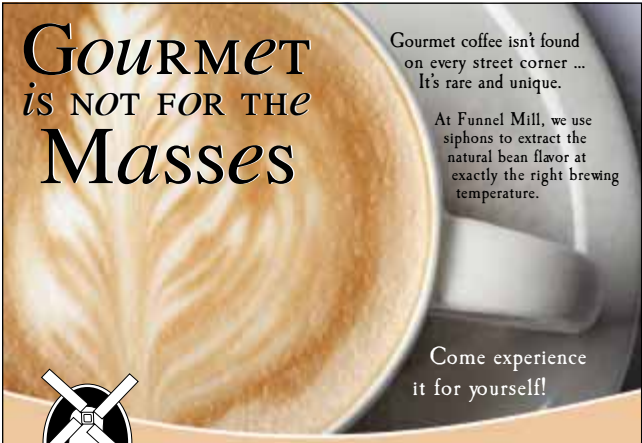
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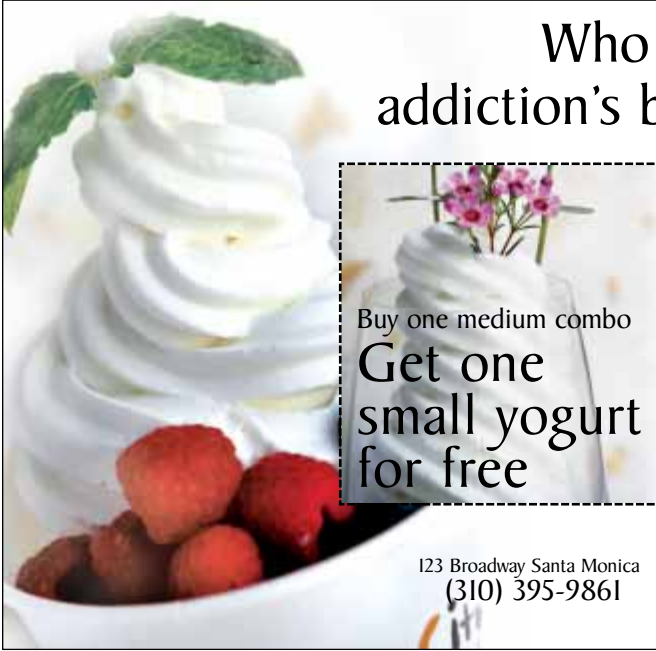
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Stock markets rise worldwide after Federal Reserve cuts key American interest rates

BY TOBY ANDERSON | AP Business Writer

LONDON European and Asian stock markets rallied Wednesday in the wake of Wall Street's surge spurred by the U.S. Federal Reserve's larger-than-expected interest rate cut.

Key market indicators rose 3 percent in France and more than 2 percent in Britain and Germany after even bigger gains in Japan and Hong Kong.

Investors cheered the Fed's decision on Tuesday to cut its benchmark interest rate by a half percentage point to 4.75 percent, a move aimed at keeping problems in the mortgage market from causing a recession in the U.S. economy.

"They did the right thing," Joseph Han, a strategist at Daewoo Securities Co. in Seoul, said of the Fed's aggressive cut. Many analysts expected a quarter-point reduction in the fed funds rate.

After Tuesday's rate cut, the Dow Jones industrial average posted its biggest one-day point gain in nearly five years — a surge of 335.97 points. In afternoon trading Wednesday, the index gained another 81.37 points to 13,820.76.

Britain's benchmark FTSE 100 rose 2.8 percent to 6,460.00. Germany's DAX gained 2.3 percent to 7,750.84 and France's CAC-40 climbed 3.3 percent to 5,730.82.

Earlier in Asia, Japan's benchmark Nikkei 225 stock index soared 579.74 points, or 3.7 percent, to close at 16,381.54 points, marking its biggest point gain in more than five years. Hong Kong's Hang Seng index jumped

977.79 points, or 3.98 percent, to 25,554.64.

Shares in India hit an all-time high, as the Bombay Stock Exchange's 30-share Sensex surged 654 points, or 4.2 percent, to 16,323.

Stock markets in South Korea, Australia and Singapore also advanced, although Chinese shares faltered.

Kaoru Yosano, Japan's chief government spokesman, welcomed the Fed's decision.

"They have reacted very quickly to the realities," he told reporters.

On Wednesday, the Bank of Japan decided to leave its key interest rate unchanged at 0.5 percent, as widely expected.



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The world's central banks like to show they are working together to maintain global stability, and the Bank of Japan would find it hard to raise rates at a time the U.S. central bank is cutting them.

Asian Development Bank President Haruhiko Kuroda said the U.S. rate cut will benefit Asia's emerging economies.

"It will definitely sustain the strong economic growth in the U.S., which is beneficial to emerging economies in Asia," he said in Manila at a news conference at a forum sponsored by the World Trade Organization.

Oil prices rose as well Wednesday as the rate cut lifted expectations growth will accelerate and increase demand for already tight crude and gasoline supplies.

Light, sweet crude for October delivery rose 64 cents to \$82.15 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange after hitting a new trading high of \$82.51 earlier.

Search for 'Lost Colony' continues

BY MIKE BAKER

Associated Press Writer

GREAT DISMAL SWAMP, N.C. After trudging for two hours through thick vegetation to a blurry mark found on Google Earth, George Ray started making up a song: "If you're lost, I'll find you tomorrow," he sang in a thick Southern drawl.

Or, perhaps, he'll find you four centuries later.

Ray is one of the many amateur archaeologists entranced by the Lost Colony — the 117 English settlers who disappeared from North Carolina's Outer Banks in the late 1500s, having left behind only a single clue to their fate. In all the years since, no one has

found much of anything else.

But there have long been stories told about a rotting boat in the Great Dismal Swamp, a national wildlife refuge that straddles North Carolina's border with Virginia. Ray's colleagues think the colonists may have passed through the swamp after leaving Roanoke Island. They studied satellite images until they found something that looked like a boat, then set out to find it.

But the search for the Lost Colony has confounded experts and enthusiasts alike.

Eric Klingelhofer, a Mercer University professor, is an archaeologist with a doctorate from Johns Hopkins. He helped uncover the English colony at Jamestown, Va.,

and is working with the National Park Service to conduct digs on Roanoke Island.

"This is one of the hardest archaeological puzzles imaginable," said Klingelhofer, who serves as vice president of the First Colony Foundation, a research team of archaeologists and historians founded three years ago to dig at Fort Raleigh on Roanoke Island.

Ray is a retired home builder from Durham who got his start as a member of the Lost Colony Center for Science and Research, a group comprised mostly of amateurs pursuing a variety of theories: that the colony left Roanoke Island for the southern Outer Banks, or North Carolina's interior.

U.S. private firms had little oversight in Iraq

BY RICHARD LARDNER | Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON The fog of war keeps getting thicker.

The Iraqi government's decision to temporarily ban the security company Blackwater USA after a fatal shooting of civilians in Baghdad reveals a growing web of rules governing weapons-bearing private contractors but few signs U.S. agencies are aggressively enforcing them.

Nearly a year after a law was passed holding contracted employees to the same code of justice as military personnel, the Bush administration has not published guidance on how military lawyers should do that, according to Peter Singer, a security industry expert at the Brookings Institution in Washington.

A Congressional Research Service report published in July said security contractors in Iraq operate under rules issued by the United States, Iraq and international entities such as the United Nations.

All have their limitations, however.

A court-martial of a private-sector employee likely would be challenged on constitutional grounds, the research service said, while Iraqi courts do not have the jurisdiction to prosecute contractors without U.S. permission.

"It is possible that some contractors may remain outside the jurisdiction of U.S. courts, civil or military, for improper conduct in Iraq," the report said.

Blackwater and other private security firms long have been fixtures in Iraq, guarding U.S. officials and an international work force helping to rebuild the war-torn country.

Prior to the March 2003 invasion, however, U.S. officials paid little attention to how prevalent these security firms would be in combat zones and the difficulties their presence could cause, according to Steve Schooner, co-director of the government procurement law program at George Washington University.

Collector questions recordings

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Simpson claimed belonged to him. He has been held since then in protective custody in a 7-foot-by-14-foot cell.

The Heisman Trophy winner was charged with kidnapping, robbery with use of a deadly weapon, burglary while in possession of a deadly weapon, coercion with use of a deadly weapon, assault with a deadly weapon, conspiracy to commit kidnapping, conspiracy to commit robbery and conspiracy to commit a crime.

"These are very serious charges," Galanter said. "He is taking it very seriously."

Authorities allege that the men went to the room on the pretext of brokering a deal with two longtime collectors, Alfred Beardsley and Bruce Fromong. According to police reports, the collectors were ordered at gunpoint to hand over several items valued at as much as \$100,000.

Beardsley told police that one of the men with Simpson brandished a pistol, frisked him

and impersonated a police officer, and that another man pointed a gun at Fromong.

"I'm a cop and you're lucky this ain't

Simpson and the two collectors. Riccio reportedly sold that tape to celebrity gossip Web site TMZ.com.



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Yale Galanter, attorney

LA or you'd be dead," the man said, according to the report.

"One of the thugs — that's the best thing I can call them — somebody blurted out 'police!' and they came in military style," Beardsley said Wednesday on NBC's "Today" show.

"At no time did Mr. Simpson hold any type of firearm at all," he said.

Beardsley also cast doubt on the authenticity of a recording of the confrontation made by Tom Riccio, the man who arranged the meeting between

"I do not believe that these tapes are accurate," Beardsley said. He said information was missing and the recordings should be professionally analyzed.

"Simpson confronted me, saying 'Man what's wrong with you, you have a turn-over order, you have a turn-over order for this stuff, man,'" Beardsley said, but he said that part wasn't on the tapes.

The Los Angeles Times reported that court records show Riccio has an extensive criminal history from the 1980s and '90s, including grand larceny in Florida,

possession of stolen goods in Connecticut and receiving stolen property in California. According to the newspaper, Riccio acknowledged his past in a telephone interview late Tuesday.

Riccio said he was not concerned with how his past might affect his credibility "because everything's on tape. That's why it's on tape."

He also said he had been promised some form of immunity by prosecutors.

The memorabilia taken from the hotel room included football game balls signed by Simpson, Joe Montana lithographs, baseballs autographed by Pete Rose and Duke Snider and framed awards and plaques, together valued at as much as \$100,000.

Two other defendants, Walter Alexander, 46, and Clarence Stewart, 53, were arrested and released pending court appearances. Stewart turned in some of the missing goods and Alexander agreed to cooperate with prosecutors, authorities said. A fourth suspect, Michael McClinton, 49, of Las Vegas, surrendered to police Tuesday.

Schwarzenegger, former President Clinton urge better fitness

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pion was elected governor in 2003.

Earlier this year, Schwarzenegger was named co-leader, along with Clinton, of the Alliance for a Healthier Generation, a partnership between the ex-president's William J. Clinton Foundation and the American Heart Association.

The men made a quick trip to the school's gym where students were busy lifting weights, running the treadmill

and cycling. They did not take questions from reporters.

Schwarzenegger, dressed in a gray suit and aqua blue tie, gave a boy some pointers on weightlifting.

"Remember to exhale," the governor told the student.

During an assembly attended by administrators, teachers and students, Clinton praised the school for the quality of its physical fitness program and urged other schools to follow its example.

"There are very few schools in America that have the

kind of physical facilities we saw in your exercise room," said Clinton, who wore a dark suit and magenta tie.

"I walked into that weight room today ... and I just was screaming inside, 'This is what every child in America deserves. And if we did it, we would turn this problem around in no time.'"

Schwarzenegger agreed: "You are doing really extraordinary work here to exercise and to eat well and stay fit ... and the rest of the country should do the same thing."

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Students slow to break the habit

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

SMC Smoking is proving to be a hard habit to break for students at Santa Monica College.

Even though a ban went into effect in July at all five SMC campuses, most returning students continue to light up in “the quad” and other high-traffic areas. Many smokers said they didn’t even know a ban was in place, while others complained about a lack of signage or brochures informing them about the change in policy. Most still adhere to the former rule, which prevented smoking within 25 feet of a doorway or open window.

“I didn’t hear anything about it,” said Will Greenwood, a freshman who has been attending classes at SMC since the summer semester.

“I hate smoking, so I think it’s a good thing to not allow it on campus, but I still see a lot of people doing it anyway,” said the 18-year-old Greenwood, whose parents smoked while he was growing up. “I’ve never tried it and I don’t want to have smoke going into my body. I ride my bike a lot and I’m very active, so the last thing I want is to have people smoking around me.

“(The college) needs to do more to remind people of what the rules are.”

Since the ban was approved this summer, college officials admit they were unable to add it to the students’ fall schedules, which were already being printed. College officials were also focused on the opening of new facilities, such as the Madison Music & Performing Arts Campus, according to Bruce Smith, SMC’s public information officer.

“We are still in the process of putting up signs,” Smith said. “We do have a couple of banners and temporary signs, but little by little, we are putting more permanent signs up and moving the old ones out.”

On Wednesday, several students put the blame squarely on the school, pointing to old no smoking signs that do not mention the campuswide ban.

Understandably, SMC police — at the direction of the board of trustees and the college president — are not issuing citations, but rather educating students about the ban and removing ashtrays, said SMCPD Chief Gary Gallinot.

“There are a lot of people who are still smoking because it is a relatively new policy,” Gallinot said. “We are taking the approach of education and voluntary compliance. We just try and remind the students that this is for their benefit by protecting their health.”



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WHAT A DRAG: SMC students smoke away last year on campus, a site that has changed little despite a new smoking ban enacted in July.

BOTTOMS UP, TOKERS

It was the students who pushed for the ban in the first place, voting overwhelmingly in April 2007 to make SMC smoke-free. Of the 2,222 who participated in the student election, 62.9 percent voted in favor of the ban, with 37.1 percent opposed. SMC has more than 30,000 students who attend the school each year.

Those opposed to the ban cited the low turnout for the election as reason enough to not move forward with the proposal, while those who supported it used the results to back their claim that students gave the board of trustees a mandate.

Jason Van Buren, president of Associated Students, which pushed for the ban, said he and others in student government are doing the best they can to spread the word that the ban is not “an iron fist from the top of the administration down.”

“This came from the bottom up,” Van Buren said. “This was a grass-roots effort from the beginning. The students are the ones who voted for it ... and in that same spirit, I think the efforts should be along the lines of a community effort.”

That may be the goal, but already there are differences of opinion within the ranks over enforcement. There are those like Van Buren, who believe a compassionate approach is the best way to go, while others believe stiff penalties and possible expulsion should be on the table.

“I hope tickets are written because there’s no point in having (the ban) if we can’t enforce it,” said Adel Morad, the student trustee for the college who acts as a liaison between the board of trustees and Associated Students. “What’s a ticket if you don’t have to pay for it?”

Judith Penchansky, the college’s dean of discipline, said it is ultimately up to the trustees, who have left the issue of enforcement open for the time being. There is no word yet if the trustees will push for fines.

As things stand, if a student is cited for smoking, the infraction will be treated like any other violation of the students’ code of conduct. If a student is issued a citation, they may receive a letter warning them about the ban and why it is in effect. Students would also be required to write a paper detailing their side of the story, Penchansky said.

If a student repeatedly breaks the law, they could be expelled.

“I think what we are doing now is reasonable,” Penchansky said. “It really is educational at this point ... Personally, I wouldn’t recommend fines. I think this is more about teaching the students about mutual respect.

“It’s more about health and education, not punishment.”

Educating the student body could prove to be difficult, given that the majority of students are between the ages of 18 and 21 and are more likely to brush aside warnings about the ill effects of smoking.

Mark Tucker is a good example. He knows smoking is bad for him, but the 18-year-old decided to pick it up anyway earlier this summer after he spent some time traveling.

“It was something to do,” Tucker, who is studying music at SMC, said about smoking. “I don’t really think we need a ban. There are no kids here. We’re all 18 and over, so I don’t really see the point.”

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Paul Scott (right) shows off his Vectrix electric scooter at the environmental festival during a recent Santa Monica Drive-In at the Pier event. The vectrix is freeway legal and can reach speeds of 60 miles per hour and travel up to 70 miles per charge. The onboard charger plugs into any standard electrical outlet. The scooter sells for \$12,000.

Teachers bashing Bush's schools bill

FROM NCLB PAGE 1

tend to score high, teachers complain that they spend too many hours preparing and administering the tests when that time would be better spent on instruction.

Keiley believes that fiddling with the bill and reauthorizing it would do nothing to change the existing problems.

Both House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and Miller have placed the reauthorization on the "fast track," according to the California Teachers Association, releasing the draft language two weeks ago. A vote could come to the floor as early as October, according to the association.

Sarah Braff, who teaches third grade at Will Rogers Learning Community, believes the biggest impact of NCLB is making teachers and children feel like failures, unable to measure up to the high standards set forth by the legislation.

"It doesn't show the amount of improvement in the child in a holistic way," she said. "It just shows how they did on a particular day on a particular test."

Braff, who has taught at Will Rogers for 19 years, estimates that she spends several weeks preparing for the test, administering the test and reviewing the results.

It's a similar case for Don Hedrick, who teaches social science courses at Santa Monica High School. For the 17-year teaching veteran, the spring is usually dedicated to preparation and evaluation.

"Everybody is a little bit wary and everybody is a little bit concerned and even apprehensive about tests," Hedrick said. "When the tests become an overarching theme, they have a big effect on the way we teach."

Hedrick said he intends to contact his local congressman, which in Santa Monica's case would be Rep. Henry Waxman.

Waxman released a statement on

Wednesday saying he believes it's important that teachers' concerns are taken into account in moving the legislation forward.

"The teacher's union has raised serious concerns about provisions in the discussion draft reauthorizing No Child Left Behind and its impact on the teaching community," Waxman said.

Both of the teachers unions — SMMC-TA and the CTA — criticize House Speaker Pelosi and Rep. Miller for failing to make any substantive changes in the reauthorization proposal.

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Nadeam Elshami, the spokesman for Pelosi's Washington D.C. office, pushed the finger pointing away from the congresswoman from San Francisco, saying she is neither leading nor heading the effort.

"The speaker agrees with the national consensus that No Child Left Behind is not fair, not flexible and not funded," Elshami said. "She looks forward to seeing the product from the Educational and Labor Committee."

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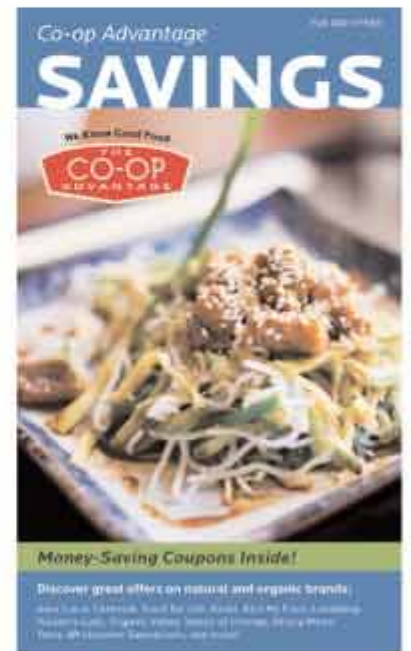
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Cassini Sweetheart

The Santa Monica College John Drescher Planetarium will present a special feature showing of "Cassini at Saturn," featuring the orbiting Cassini spacecraft's latest findings of the ringed planet, at 8 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 28.

The planetarium's popular monthly series of observing events, with a look at the moon, continues at 8 p.m. this Friday with "The Moons of Autumn." That presentation will reveal the best locations to place telescopes to observe the moon.

"Cassini at Saturn" and "The Moons of Autumn" will be preceded by "The Night Sky Show," which re-creates the night sky and provides the latest information on space exploration. The show starts at 7 p.m.

The John Drescher Planetarium, which features the Digistar projection system, is located on the second floor of Drescher Hall, 1900 Pico Blvd. Tickets are \$5 each or \$9 for the "double bill," with discounts for children and senior citizens.

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SANTA MONICA

Six years of SPARK gets its due

City Hall's Cultural Affairs Division is set to honor the contributions of the public library's long-standing SPARK storytelling series with an evening of storytelling on Thursday at 7 p.m. at the Main Library. "Spark Celebrates Six Years" features seven personal narratives culled from the best stories performed over the last six years at SPARK's regular monthly series at The Powerhouse Theatre. The event will be recorded for SPARK's debut CD, and will be followed by a reception with the cast and producers.

Since its beginning in 2001, SPARK has attracted audience members from across the Los Angeles area to its resident space at Santa Monica's Powerhouse Theatre. Each month, the producing team invites seven individuals to write and perform personal narratives (read: true stories from their lives) around a particular theme.

Over the past six years, SPARK's monthly shows have garnered a regular audience, some of whom have also appeared on the SPARK stage. Many have compared the series to NPR's popular radio program, This American Life.

The seven storytellers sharing their personal essays include Grant Albrecht, Joel Alpers, Tamar Brott, Ernessa Carter, Mike Lambert, Cheyenne Rothman and Ed Spielman.

The Main Library (Martin Luther King Jr. Auditorium) is located at 601 Santa Monica Blvd. (at Sixth Street) in Santa Monica. Admission is free and open to the public. For more information, please call Spark at The Powerhouse Theatre: (310) 396-3680 ext. 5#. To learn more about SPARK, e-mail sparkstories@gmail.com.

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Nobel Prize winner talks peace

Soka Gakkai International-USA's Culture of Peace Resource Center in Santa Monica will host a lecture with 1976 Nobel Peace Prize Laureate Betty Williams on Sunday, Sept. 23, at 1 p.m.

Williams and Mairead Corrigan Maguire were awarded the prize for their work in forming the Community of Peace People, a grass-roots movement to end the violence in northern Ireland. In the 30 years since, Williams has devoted her life to fighting against the injustices, cruelty and horrors perpetrated on the children of the world. She has called for the creation of safe havens for children endangered by war or social upheaval. The first such "City of Compassion" for children is now being built in the Basilicata Region of southern Italy.

In addition, the Nobel Women's Initiative (NWI) was established in 2006 by Williams and some of her sister laureates to attack the root causes of violence by spotlighting and promoting the efforts of women's rights activists, researchers and organizations working to advance peace, justice and equality.

Williams will give her talk at the World Peace Ikeda Auditorium (525 Wilshire Blvd.). All lectures are free and open to the public. The complete listing of lectures can be found at www.sgi-usa.org.

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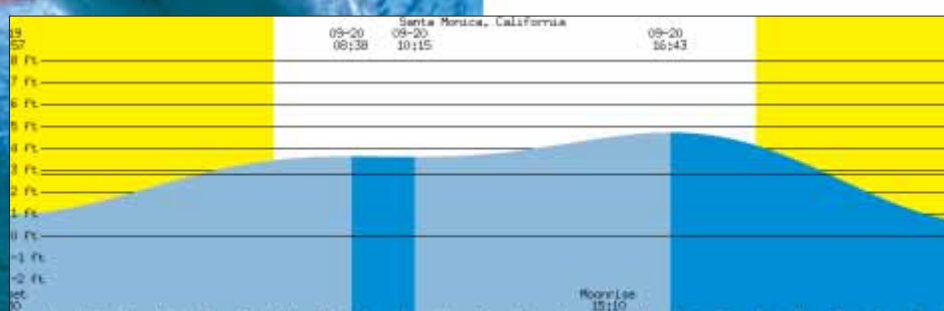
SWELL FORECAST (3-5 FT)

Today the SW will be fading to waist to chest as NW wind swell lingers for waist high stuff around west facing breaks. Conditions though are not looking great by any means. Rain is highly likely (currently 50% chance) and winds will almost inevitably pick up early onshore. Tide though once again remains at moderate depths throughout the morning.

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QUICK STATS
(for the last 28 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 -- 39 / ns

Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 7 / ns

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

LEGEND

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

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

ns -- no sample taken



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NCAA FOOTBALL

Trojans prepare for Pac-10 play

BY JOHN NADEL
AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES The most difficult part of No. 1 Southern California's schedule begins Saturday when the Trojans begin facing Pac-10 opponents.

The Pac-10 doesn't always get a lot of national respect, but USC has generally had a tougher time when facing league foes.

Last season, the Trojans beat Arkansas, Nebraska, Notre Dame and Michigan in the Rose Bowl by an average of 22 points per game. All but Nebraska finished in the Top 25, and the Cornhuskers barely missed.

Meanwhile, five of USC's nine Pac-10 games were decided by seven points or less, with two of them losses.

So far this season, the Trojans (2-0) have beaten visiting Idaho 38-10 before 90,917 at the Los Angeles Coliseum and then-No. 14 Nebraska 49-31 on the road last week in a game not nearly as close as the final score might indicate.

USC opens its conference schedule Saturday against Washington State (2-1) at the Coliseum, where the Trojans have won 34 straight games dating back to 2001. They beat WSU 28-22 in Pullman, Wash., last year.

"I think it's a statement about the quality of play in our conference," Trojans coach Pete Carroll said Tuesday regarding the close games against conference opponents last season. "It's also a statement about the continuity of the coaches being around, maintaining their systems and gaining from the competition against one another."

"We expect this to be very challenging, as is every game in this conference. You know, whether people on the outside recognize that or not, I don't really care. But we know what we're dealing with. This is a tough, tough road every single week. And Washington State, they're going to show you, they're a really good team."

The Trojans are shooting for an unprecedented sixth straight Pac-10 championship. They're 61-6 since the beginning of the 2002 season, including 37-4 against conference opponents.

Washington State coach Bill Doba feels the same way Carroll does regarding the strength of the Pac-10.

"Anybody in one of those (other) conferences want to jump in, they can certainly try. I don't care," Doba said Tuesday during a conference call. "I know Florida is good, so is LSU, but after what Oregon did to Michigan. ... and Arizona State is winning. There is just not a weak sister."

Pac-10 schools are 20-6 against nonconference foes this season.

The Trojans dominated the line of scrimmage against Nebraska, rushing for 313 yards on 38 carries. John David Booty passed for only 144 yards, but that didn't matter much.

"I think we caught them off-guard a little

bit," Carroll said. "We had some real advantages with the way they were flowing on the different things we did — gave us a chance to get the ball into the secondary. Then, the running backs did a great job.

"I really think it was more up front than the running backs in this deal. I don't mean to take anything away from them. The holes were really there."

No back carried the ball more than 12 times at Nebraska, and Carroll indicated that approach will continue.

"We're going to keep mixing," he said. "I think we're fortunate to have a lot of guys contributing. I'm not in any sense of urgency or feel impatient about having to make some decisions or declarations in all this. Right now, we like the way this is working out."

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Pete Carroll
Trojans coach

With that, he mentioned five tailbacks — Chauncey Washington, Stafon Johnson, C.J. Gable, Allen Bradford and Joe McKnight — who figure to play against Washington State.

In addition, Carroll praised the work of fullback Stanley Havili, who gained 52 yards on two carries and caught three passes for 22 yards at Nebraska.

"We're going to continue to work it to him, make you have to defend Stanley as well as the other guys," Carroll said. "Very versatile player that we're really having fun mixing stuff up to get him involved."

Carroll said he'd like the offense to become more balanced. USC has gained 527 yards on the ground and 350 through the air in the first two games.

"John David is doing a great job," Carroll said. "I'm disappointed we dropped the ball a little bit on offense. The ball is on the ground too much. We need to get the ball caught when we get our opportunities. I know that can be fixed and righted."



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Extra care`Good Morning America's' Roberts to begin chemotherapy for cancer

ROBIN ROBERTS, who had surgery last month for breast cancer, was to begin chemotherapy Thursday. Roberts, co-host of ABC's "Good Morning America," which airs from New York City, said during

Wednesday's broadcast that she would first go into work "and then head off for my chemotherapy." She announced on July 31 that she had been diagnosed with breast cancer. Roberts, 46, had surgery

Aug. 3 and returned to work 10 days later. Roberts, who grew up in Pass Christian, Miss., said after the successful surgery her doctors had determined that chemotherapy would be

the most effective form of treatment. That will be followed by radiation treatment. "I'll work as much as I can," Roberts said. "Part of the reason I am coming forward is in case you tune

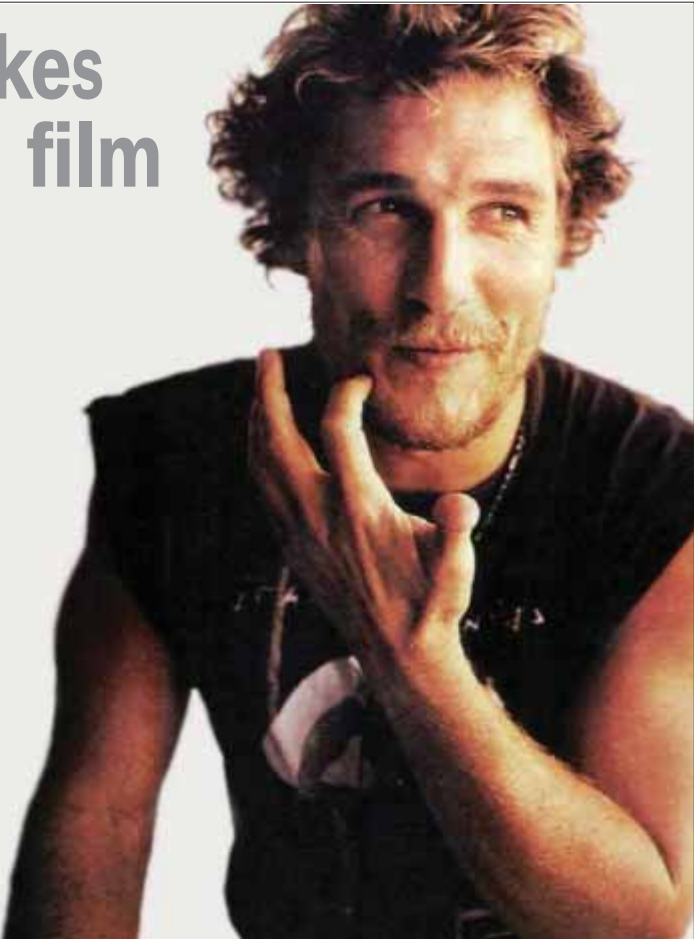
in and it looks like Kojak is sitting next to Diane (Sawyer), you'll understand why." Roberts thanked viewers, co-workers and guests for their well-wishes.

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McConaughey takes Wilson's place in film

MATTHEW MCCONAUGHEY is taking Owen Wilson's role in the comedy film "Tropic Thunder." Wilson dropped out of the DreamWorks movie after an apparent suicide attempt last month. "Tropic Thunder," which is filming in Hawaii, stars Ben Stiller, Jack Black, Robert Downey Jr., Nick Nolte, Bill Hader and Steve Coogan. Stiller is also directing. McConaughey, 37, has an uncredited cameo in the movie, his publicist, Nicole Perez, said Wednesday. "Tropic Thunder" is about a group of actors who gather on a remote island to shoot a big-budget war movie and are forced to become the soldiers they are playing. Ina Treciokas, publicist for Wilson, didn't immediately return a telephone message seeking information on the actor's recovery. Wilson, 38, was taken by ambulance to a hospital after police responded to a call from his Santa Monica home. The day after he was hospitalized, Wilson issued a statement asking for privacy.

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TIMBALAND ACTS

TIMBALAND is trying something new. The 35-year-old rapper-producer, who has collaborated on No. 1 songs for Justin Timberlake and Nelly Furtado, will appear on ABC's "One Life to Live" on Oct. 9, the network said Wednesday. "This is a new experience for me, I am looking forward to having a great time and sharing my music!" he said in a statement. Timbaland and Keri Hilson will perform the hit single "The Way I Are" from his new album, "Timbaland Presents Shock Value." Mary J. Blige, Erykah Badu and Chris Botti have also performed on the show.

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Author Upton Sinclair (1878)
Actor Gary Cole (1956)

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ You know what you are doing and understand how to mobilize others. Using your skills allows you to get ahead on a project. Investigate alternatives with sound knowledge of what you want. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ You might be more grounded than many signs. Right now you are like a mountain, impossible to move. Because of this, focus on your major concerns. Accomplishment is your middle name. Tonight: Let your mind wander to someone at a distance.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★ It might be impossible to do anything but what a partner or associate insists on. You might need to keep your feelings to yourself. You will clear out others' resentment through receptivity. Tonight: Let a conversation get as deep as need be.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Others know what they want and let you know it. Still, a strong conversation with your ideas could empower the situation. Approach someone with diplomacy. Tossing in a sincere compliment or two never hurts. Tonight: Look at many options.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★★ Your ability to defer and accomplish more than a Lion's share comes forward. Prioritize and leave your ego in the past, for now. Investigate a financial option that passes in your direction. You might need to rethink a decision. Tonight: In the whirlwind of life.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★★ You are right on, be it an emotional or professional issue. Your personality, thought process and creativity come to the forefront. Add a touch of magic where your life most needs that energy. Tonight: Start the weekend early.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ Your instincts home in on an important personal matter. Let go of problems and open up to a family member or trusted adviser. Together you'll come up with solutions that might surprise even you! Tonight: Buy a favorite munchie or two on the way home.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ Whether someone wants to hear your input or not, you decide to give it. As a result, much goes on, and you might hear opinions that you don't like. Aim for what is important and look at the big picture. Solutions appear. Tonight: Hang out with friends.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Step up to the plate, and you could be overwhelmed by the responsibilities, but at the same time, you could be taken aback by one of the benefits. Be willing to put yourself on the line and make a decision. Tonight: You deserve a treat.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ You are on top of your game. Many people note your ability to see beyond the obvious and make what you want happen. Listen to others and accept their praise. Tonight: Whatever puts a smile on your face.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ Though you're a generally extroverted sign, you will tend to pull back. In fact, if you can do a total vanishing act, all the better. A partner whom you trust works well with you. The two of you need to collaborate. Use this time well. Tonight: Not to be found.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★★ Meetings might be overwhelming, but at the same time they're important, as they point you in a new direction. Emphasize what you want. Your ability to network separates you from many. Use your skills. Tonight: Where people are.

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2:25, 4:55, 7:10, 9:40
Ratatouille (G)
1:55
The Brothers Solomon
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4:05, 6:45, 9:30

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1:50, 4:40, 7:25, 10:15
Brave One, The (R)
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12:00, 2:15, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30
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Quarters, The (PG-13)
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Cheese With (NR)
1:00, 3:10, 5:20, 10:00
In the Shadow of the Moon (PG)
1:50, 4:20, 10:00
King of California (PG-13)
1:30, 4:30, 7:10, 9:40

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

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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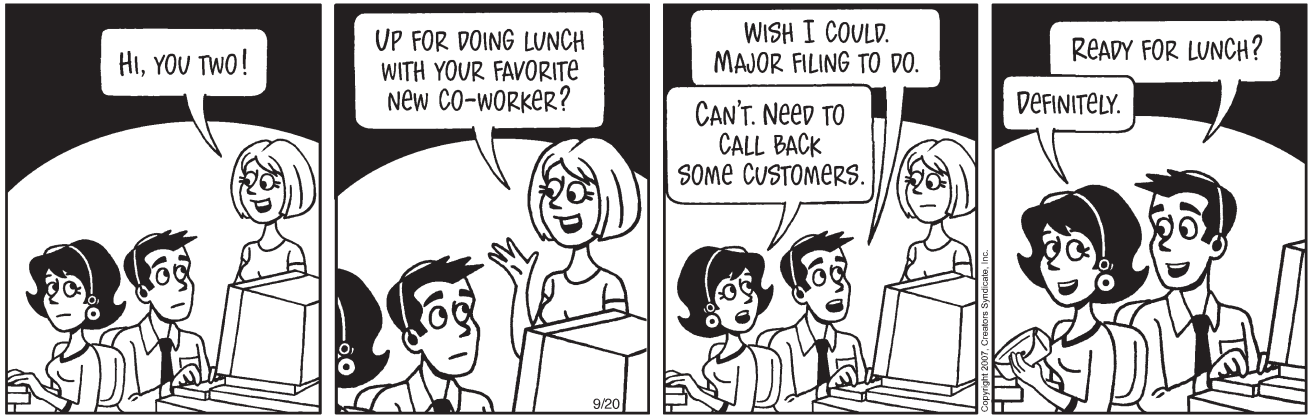
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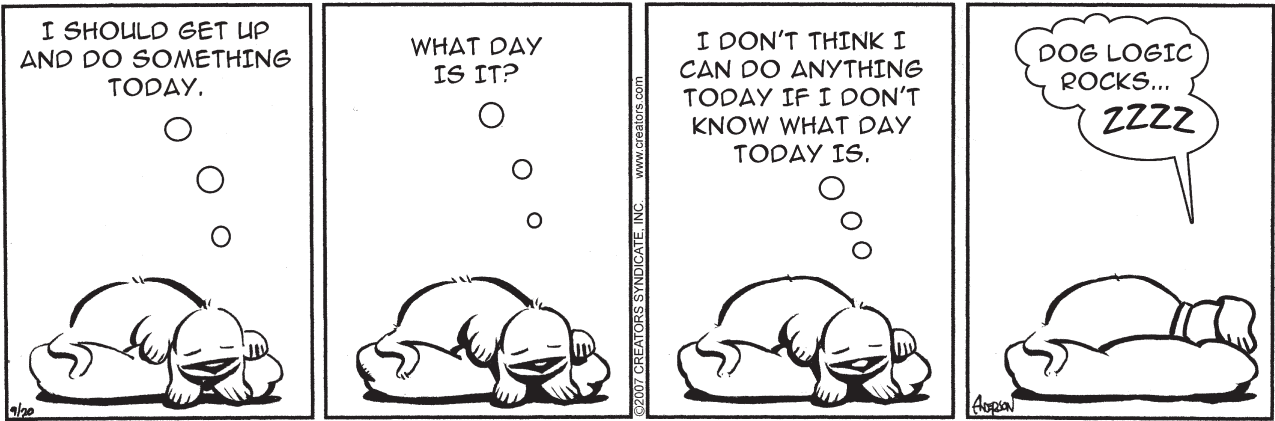
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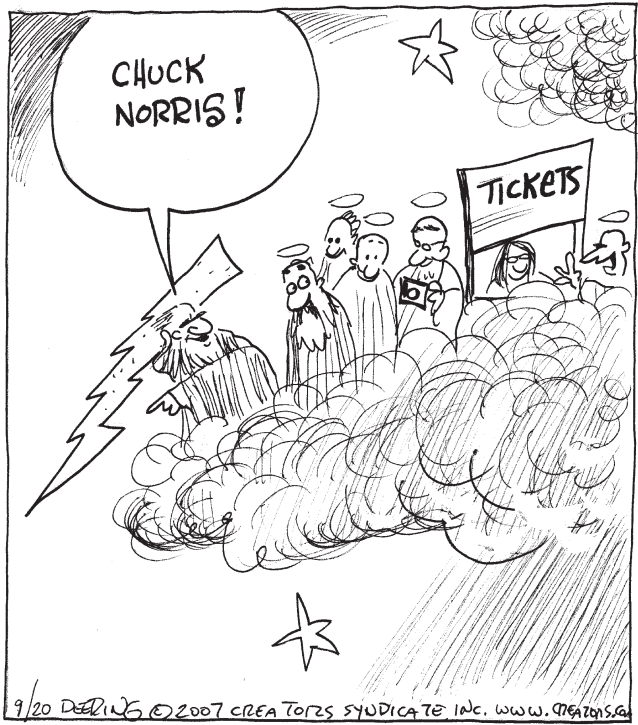
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- ACROSS**
- 1 Fountain order
 - 5 Roils
 - 10 Cheering loudly
 - 12 West Point student
 - 13 "Lorna —"
 - 14 Happened
 - 15 Band aid?
 - 16 Say inadvertently
 - 18 Distress call
 - 20 Wedding words
 - 21 Suit
 - 23 Buddhism branch
 - 24 Script unit
 - 26 Last letters
 - 28 Debate side
 - 29 Flag feature
 - 31 Circle part
 - 32 Class-room need
 - 36 Moored in a slip
 - 39 Apply
 - 40 Hilo hello
 - 41 Corpulent
 - 43 More recent
 - 44 Example
- DOWN**
- 1 Sir's counter-part
 - 2 Bakery output
 - 3 Odd
 - 4 Beige
 - 5 Jazz style
 - 6 Old salts
 - 7 Put on a pedestal
 - 8 Lives
 - 9 Trample
 - 11 Takes it easy
 - 17 Iris's place
 - 45 Lent a hand
 - 46 Stock holders

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Yesterday's answer

- 19 Private room
- 22 Pre-1917 Russia, e.g.
- 24 Rhine siren
- 25 Stylish set
- 27 Pitching stat
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- 30 Palmer's peg
- 33 Jacket material
- 34 German steel center
- 35 Staggers
- 37 Friend's pronoun
- 38 Knotty
- 42 Jazz style

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ **God Is Love:** (1) Charles Flowers, the director of the no-nonsense Christian camp Love Demonstrated Ministries, was arrested in August and charged with dragging a 15-year-old camper on her stomach behind a van after she either could not or would not keep pace on a morning run. (2) In August, Buena Park, Calif., Baptist pastor Wiley Drake acknowledged asking his congregation to pray for the deaths of two leaders of Americans United for Separation of Church and State because they had been calling for an IRS investigation of Drake for endorsing a presidential candidate (former Arkansas Gov. Mike Huckabee). Said Drake: "The Bible says that if anybody attacks God's people ... children will become orphans and wives will become widows."

■ About a dozen Islamic punk-rock bands toured the United States this summer, according to a June Newsweek report, with most using their music as a loud protest of both U.S. treatment of Muslims and the corruption of Islam by violent fundamentalists. Bands such as Diacritical, Vote Hezbollah and the Kominas (Punjabi for "bastards") describe their music with the term (loosely translated) "hard-core piety."

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1881 Chester A. Arthur is inaugurated as the 21st President of the United States.

1891 The first gasoline-powered car debuts in Springfield, Massachusetts, United States.

1942 Holocaust in Letychiv, Ukraine. In the course of two days German SS murders at least 3,000 Jews.

1946 The first Cannes Film Festival is held.

1962 James Meredith, an African-American, is barred from entering the University of Mississippi.

1969 John Lennon leaves The Beatles but does not make a public announcement.

1973 Billie Jean King beats Bobby Riggs in battle-of-sexes tennis match at the Houston Astrodome in Houston, Texas.

1979 A coup d'état in the Central African Empire overthrows Emperor Bokasa I.

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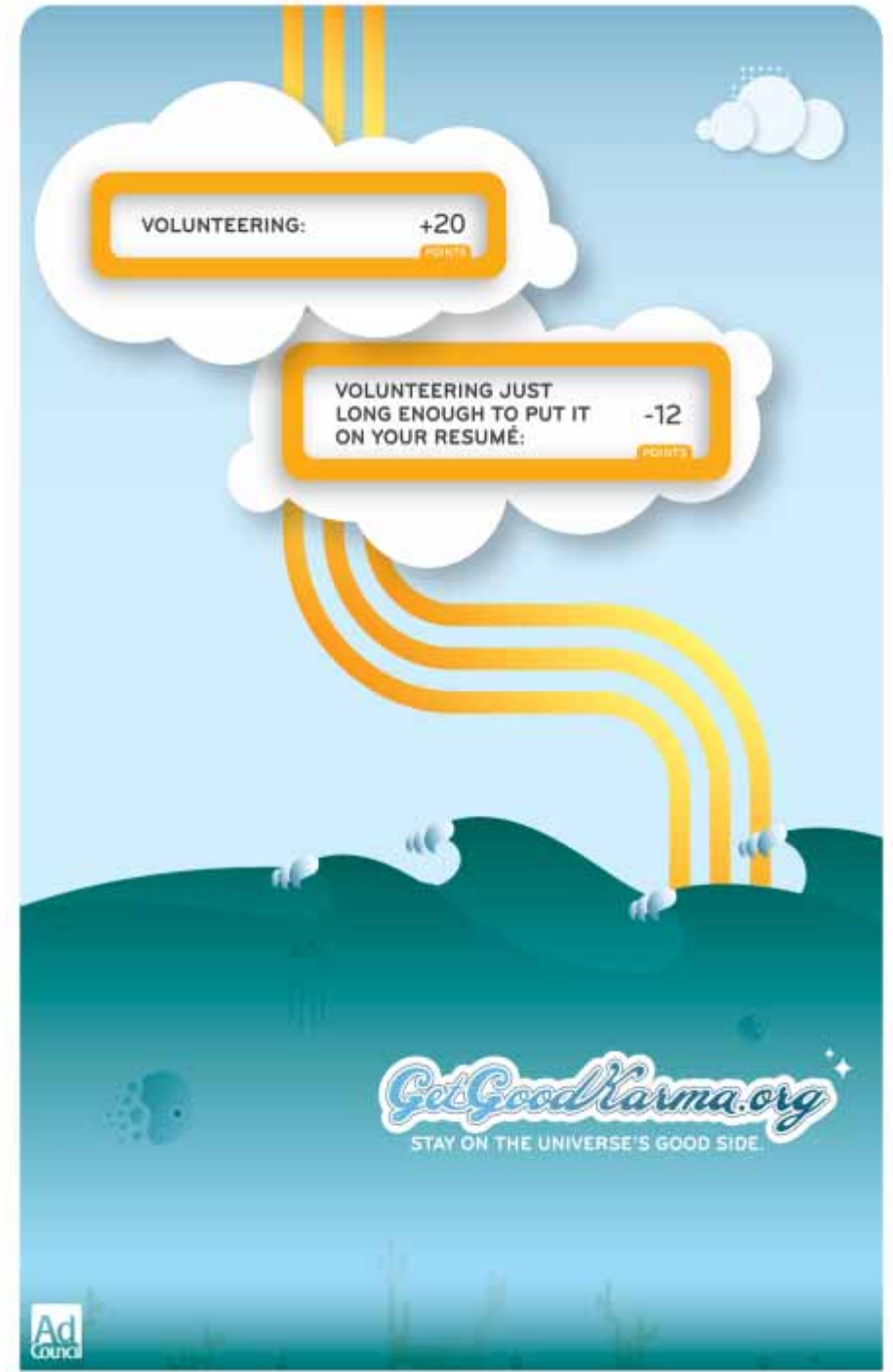
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