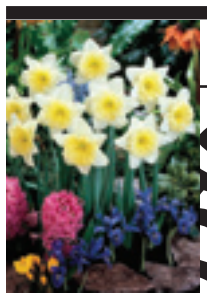
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THE ALL OF THE LIGHTS ISSUE

Rite Aid settles hazardous waste case, gives SMFD $6K

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor-in-Chief

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY The Santa Monica Fire Department is expected to receive $6,000 from drug-store chain Rite Aid as part of a multi-million-dollar court settlement in which some 600 stores allegedly mishandled and improperly disposed of hazardous materials.

Los Angeles Deputy District Attorney Daniel Wright of the Environmental Law Section said Tuesday that the Rite Aid

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NYC's Bloomberg launches European city competition

JENNIFER PELTZ
Associated Press

NEW YORK New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg is offering European cities millions of dollars to be government groundbreakers, tapping his personal fortune to extend his cities-as-civic-laboratories campaign overseas as the end of his own tenure nears.

The billionaire businessman-turned-politician invited about 600 sizeable European cities Tuesday to compete for 9 million euros — about $12 million — in prizes, from his personal foundation, for novel plans to improve urban life.

Santa Monica won a similar Bloomberg contest earlier this year.

The competition could signal how Bloomberg aims to maintain and broaden his impact on government after his 12-year tenure ends in December.

"I am a big believer in the power of cities

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Daniel Archuleta *daniela@smdp.com*

READY FOR HIS CLOSEUP: French artist Mathieu Briand walks through storage containers Tuesday on Santa Monica Beach that will become his '6:43 p.m.' exhibit for Saturday's GLOW. The project will ultimately be buried in sand with a ring of fire rising above it.

Get ready to GLOW

150K expected to attend event

BY AMEERA BUTT
Daily Press Staff Writer

SM PIER Imagine walking along the shoreline, south of the Santa Monica Pier, and finding yourself surrounded by a swarm of "interactive" jellyfish. Sculptures of the jelly fish will range in size, some more than 12 feet above the sand, and instead of stinging you, they light up as you walk by.

The installation is called "Swarm (The Gelatinous Bloom)" from artist collective Aphidoidea, and is one of many at GLOW, the all night cultural experience taking place this Saturday that will feature original commissions by artists that re-imagine Santa Monica Beach as a playground for thoughtful and participatory temporary artworks.

About 150,000 visitors are expected to attend. More than 100 artists from around the area and worldwide will partici-

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Courtesy City of Santa Monica

COLOR IN THE BALANCE: This rendering depicts Janet Echelman's 'The Space Between Us' for Saturday's GLOW. The work will be located where Bicknell Avenue meets the beach.

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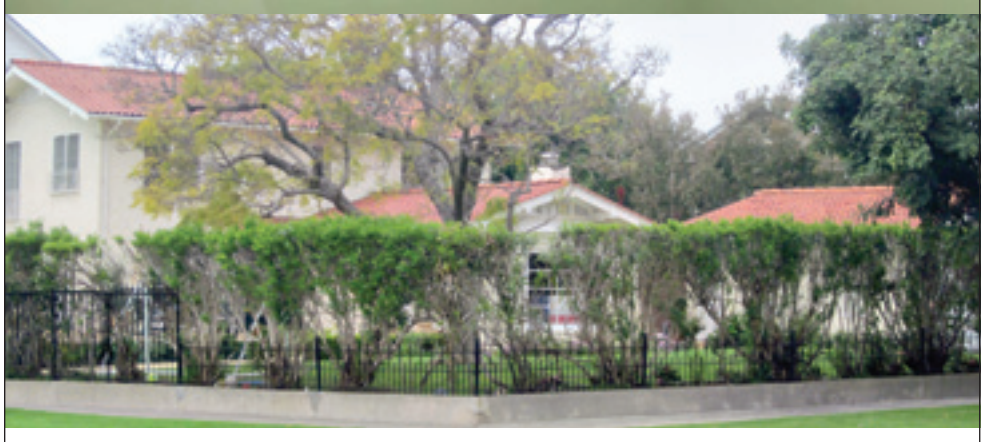
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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Wednesday, Sept. 25, 2013

Day at the market
Third Street Promenade
8:30 a.m. — 1:30 p.m.
Visit one of Southern California's finest Farmers' Markets for the freshest of the fresh. For more information, call (310) 458-8712.

Story time
Fairview Library
2101 Ocean Park Blvd.,
11 a.m. — 11:30 a.m.
Story series for children 3 to 5 years old. For more information, call (310) 458-8681.

Activist support
Santa Monica Friends Meeting Hall
1440 Harvard St., 6:30 p.m.
This special free Activist Support Circle forum will be an open round-table discussion on the importance of art in helping make better communities and a better world. For more information, call (310) 399-1000.

Congress report
Main Library — Room 601
601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m.
The Santa Monica Democratic Club will host Rep. Henry Waxman, D-Santa Monica, for a discussion on a potential attack on Syria, the pending budget deficit limit battle, immigration law changes and local issues regarding the Santa Monica Airport and Veterans Administration land development.

Environmental documentary
Main Library
Martin Luther King, Jr. Auditorium
601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m.
Check out "A Fierce Green Fire," a 2012 documentary covering 50 years of grassroots and global environmental activism. Following the screening of the 101-minute film, Academy Award-nominated writer and director Mark Kitchell will hold a discussion with Heal the Bay's Matthew King and Occidental College's Robert Gottlieb.

Thursday, Sept. 26, 2013

Family gaming
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3:30 p.m.
Come enjoy quality time with your family at the library. Play and "Kinect" with video and board games.

Garden eats
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m.
Learn how to grow food for your kitchen table with "Gardening for Geeks" author Christy Wilhelmi. In this presentation, Wilhelmi will demonstrate how to create the ideal growing conditions for vegetable gardening in Southern California, how to grow abundantly in small spaces and how to discover simple ideas for tasty meals that incorporate garden-fresh produce. A book sale and signing will follow the event.

Social media talk
Vidiots Annex
302 Pico Blvd., 7 p.m.
Come share your thoughts on social media — is it a blessing or a curse? Arrive, relax, snack, drink and meet interesting people with host Steve Stajich. Please bring a bottle of wine or preferred beverage and/or an appetizer to share. $10 donations are suggested for the Vidiots Foundation. For more information, e-mail pk.meyer@verizon.net.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

PICO BOULEVARD

CLARE Foundation launches advisory board

Santa Monica-based substance abuse treatment provider CLARE Foundation announced Tuesday the launch of an 11-member Medical Advisory Board.

The board comprises medically licensed addiction treatment professionals whose specialties range from behavioral neuroscience to addiction medicine research.

Board members will ensure that CLARE services meet the demands of healthcare reform, provide the organization with policy recommendations and lead the development and implementation of Conscious Recovery, a new outpatient program designed to offer services to middle-income clients.

"Conscious Recovery by CLARE is leading the way in helping people connect to their overall well-being by exploring how alcohol and drugs may be affecting their happiness in relationships, career, school, and health," said Dr. Diana Cho, the program's clinical director.

"Who you trust to help you face your challenges is important, and I'm excited to proudly carry on the CLARE legacy of providing an affordable place to turn on the Westside for compassionate care by professionals who understand that a comprehensive, supportive network – along with a warm and inspiring environment – can make all the difference in someone's life."

For more than 40 years, CLARE has provided affordable residential and outpatient treatment programs for men, women and children.

– GREG ASCIUTTO

What 95 percent certainty of warming means to scientists

SETH BORENSTEIN
AP Science Writer

WASHINGTON Top scientists from a variety of fields say they are about as certain that global warming is a real, man-made threat as they are that cigarettes kill.

They are as sure about climate change as they are about the age of the universe. They say they are more certain about climate change than they are that vitamins make you healthy or that dioxin in Superfund sites is dangerous.

They'll even put a number on how certain they are about climate change. But that number isn't 100 percent. It's 95 percent.

And for some non-scientists, that's just not good enough.

There's a mismatch between what scientists say about how certain they are and what the general public thinks the experts mean, specialists say.

That is an issue because this week, scientists from around the world have gathered in Stockholm for a meeting of a U.N. panel on climate change, and they will probably release a report saying it is "extremely likely" — which they define in footnotes as 95 percent certain — that humans are mostly to blame for temperatures that have climbed since 1951.

One climate scientist involved says the panel may even boost it in some places to "virtually certain" and 99 percent.

Some climate-change deniers have looked at 95 percent and scoffed. After all, most people wouldn't get on a plane that had only a 95 percent certainty of landing safely, risk experts say.

But in science, 95 percent certainty is often considered the gold standard for certainty.

"Uncertainty is inherent in every scientific judgment," said Johns Hopkins University epidemiologist Thomas Burke. "Will the sun come up in the morning?" Scientists know the answer is yes, but they can't really say so with 100 percent certainty because there are so many factors out there that are not quite understood or under control.

George Gray, director of the Center for Risk Science and Public Health at George Washington University, said that demanding absolute proof on things such as climate doesn't make sense.

"There's a group of people who seem to think that when scientists say they are uncertain, we shouldn't do anything," said Gray, who was chief scientist for the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency during the George W. Bush administration. "That's crazy. We're uncertain and we buy insur-

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Photo courtesy D. Ravat/USGS

BIG CRACK: **An earthquake detection system is currently undergoing testing.**

Governor signs quake warning system bill

ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES California Gov. Jerry Brown has signed legislation calling for development of a statewide earthquake early warning system.

The bill signed Tuesday directs the Office of Emergency Services to identify sources of funding for the system by January 2016.

General fund revenues cannot be used for the system, which has an initial estimated cost of $80 million.

The bill's author, state Sen. Alex Padilla of Los Angeles, says the system will provide critical seconds of warning for people to take cover, shut down critical systems and stop trains.

A prototype system connected to seismic sensors has been undergoing testing.

The system does not predict quakes. Rather, it uses the initial fast-moving waves from an occurring quake to calculate strength and to send alerts before slower but damaging waves spread.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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By comparison

Editor:

The article "Bringing home the bacon: Breakdown of highest-paid city employees," Sept. 14-15, was interesting on many levels. The size of the salaries for certain jobs [and] the staffing of certain departments [are some of] the many questions it raised for me.

One: Our city is able to pay salaries of over $240,000 a year to more than 20 people. Wow!

Two: This information was published on Sept. 14 and yet no letters have been published about it? Are our citizens that apathetic and don't care? I don't think so. Or is a salary of a quarter of a million dollars a year normal? Don't think so again.

Three: Second and third on the list [of] the top salaries are our city attorney and assistant city attorney at $294,000 and $295,000. Plus four deputy attorneys are paid over $244,000. ... They do not have any expenses as private attorneys do, do not have to worry about losing a client, etc. Another big wow. How many attorneys does our city have and what are the total legal costs just for all of them, never mind the staff and hiring outside attorneys?

Quick comparison: Attorney general of the U.S. salary is $199,700.

Four: Police department. There are three sergeants and an officer who all make over $240,000, as well as the chief of police and the deputy chief. The article goes on to say that those officers, sergeant and lower have overtime included in their amounts. Overtime for just the police department is $6.5 million a year. What percentage of total salary costs for the police department is this overtime is just one question that comes to mind. Perhaps there is a management problem in the staffing area.

Five: Fire department. There are five individuals from that department on the list, all of whom are at the management level.

I hope that this article is the beginning of a series on the costs of different departments in our city with some in-depth looks at comparisons to other cities. Or, it may be that I am a minority of one raising these questions.

Bob Wolff
Santa Monica

Not funny

Editor:

Your Lila comic on Sept. 23 has Lila on a Jewish dating site and one friend says, "But you're not Jewish." Lila answers and says, "So, I'll stretch the truth already. Is that so wrong?" Her other pal says, "Maybe she is Jewish."

The implication here is that Jews are all liars and cheats. Ha, ha. This may be funny to Hitler, or Mel Gibson, but I hope most people would find this offensive. I'm shocked your paper printed this racist garbage.

Martin Sampson
Santa Monica

Editor's note: The Daily Press would like to apologize to anyone who was offended by the "Meaning of Lila" comic strip that ran in the Sept. 23 edition of this newspaper. We regret publishing the cartoon and do not consider racism to be a laughing matter.



Room for a View

By Urban Sense

Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Pedestrians not welcome

DEVELOPMENT IN SANTA MONICA IS A hot topic, but if it is going to occur, it should be done well. We like our density low and our parking plentiful. How might this look?

The Santa Monica Office and Retail Business Park on Ocean Park Boulevard stretches from 28th Street to Centinela Avenue, has several owners and plenty of parking. Although the area has a lot of great amenities — workers can walk to two different banks, dine in several restaurants and have easy access to shipping facilities — getting there is difficult. The facilities are locked off on Ocean Park Boulevard by a low wall with a scarcity of pedestrian entrances. It begs to be enhanced into a more walkable, vibrant environment.

As a pedestrian, getting from one side to the other is awkward, treacherous at times and downright uncomfortable. Not only are pedestrians not welcome, but neither are food truck diners or cyclists due to the mega-block street layout, paucity of outdoor seating and tables, bike parking and the outmoded 1970s master plan. Now home to countless high-tech businesses with scores of young employees, large and small builders, developers, accountants, art and cooking school students, and nomad food trucks, the amenities bar needs to be raised. Although it sports restaurants on its property, they are on the edges and not among the mix of office buildings, which would create an energetic center. There is no communal meeting place or town square and it dies after dark.

Look at 28th Street south of Ocean Park Boulevard. It is really wide with copious, but sparsely used, diagonal parking and little traffic. There are no mid-street crosswalks. Getting out to the commercial district along the east side of 28th Street, one must navigate a very narrow sidewalk where two people can't fit walking side by side, or if coming from opposite directions someone has to step into the street. On the other side of this big divide is a water-hungry grass hill with no sidewalks so one must walk on a sloped grass hill; great for dogs, but not for people, especially in high heels.

Getting to the Wells Fargo from the Business Park is a chore. Crossing 28th Street going east, a pedestrian can either enter or exit through metal barriers meant to puncture rubber tires or on a small walkway, but the path ends abruptly and dumps one onto asphalt amidst a sea of parked cars. Inside the middle of the Business Park getting to the bank is as troublesome as it gets. One wades through a sea of cars, dodging motorists at times, and once near the bank, one must circumvent the rear end of parked cars as a space for peds is just another grassy knoll meant for grazing. Access from Ocean Park sports a well-beaten path up some ivy and down a drive-in teller asphalt driveway. Yikes. There is no real entrance from Ocean Park. The beautifully planted median strip actually locks one off, creating a barrier disrupting the grid.

Back in the '70s when this place was designed, it was laid out for cars, car access and parking — not people. The urban planning philosophy was uni-modal. Things have changed and now pedestrians and cyclists want their access and parking, too.

A dynamic contrast is the well-defined urbanistic Downtown. An evolving business center also, but a well-honed success. Real sidewalks are available that are wide and comfortable to walk on, stroll, or sit with welcoming street furniture. Office buildings and workers spill out and can easily access a variety of restaurants. Sure there is parking, but it does not visually dominate. Pedestrians are welcome, especially in the auto-free zone on the Third Street Promenade. There is housing and movies and nighttime entertainment. A great place to live, work and play.

So here are a few suggestions to enliven the Business Park:

City Hall should carve into those grassy knolls and make some sidewalks meant for two and give us some mid-street crosswalks please. Or better still, right size the street and narrow the roadway by creating generous sidewalks on both sides of 28th Street.

The owners need to create pathways to skirt the parked cars; it would be a delight. Also, include more seating for those who want to eat their lunches outside and enjoy the beautiful weather, and better define entrances to retail and offices off Ocean Park Boulevard in several places. Let's make this a real village and develop the street edge, not as burmed and thirsty grassy or groundcover barriers. More parking garages so we don't walk through parked cars or see them. And to really fantasize, what if we made this into a real city environment similar to that of Santa Monica at large. Build on that sea of parking to make an urban edge against the sidewalks with offices, restaurants and retail to service the existing workforce, and above that housing as needed that will make a vibrant 24/7 community.

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After the Bell

Merv Hecht
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Don't bond with your bonds, buy short term

MY FRIEND BILL SHOWED ME HIS managed investment account the other day. "While the S&P 500 is up 14 percent for the year, my account is only up 8 percent," he moaned.

When I looked at his account, I saw the main reason. Like most investment advisers, Bill's put 50 percent of his funds into bonds, and the other 50 percent into stocks and funds. The bonds had not gone up in value at all, and were producing about a 3 percent yield at best. So only 50 percent of the account was really in the market, and that 50 percent had actually outperformed the market a bit.

So why does anyone invest in bonds if they don't perform as well as stocks and funds? That's a debate that has been going on for a number of years. The rationale is that no one should put all their eggs into the market basket. If the market takes a real dive, you won't lose all your eggs.

In the good old days that was a pretty good idea because bonds were paying a return greater than inflation. Today it is more questionable. During the past few years bonds have been paying very low returns, and while that might be in line with what the government says is the inflation rate, it doesn't feel that way in the pocketbook. Investing in bonds over the last few years has not been very profitable.

And yet I do it. But I'm very careful about how I do it. Here's the potential problem. When interest rates are as low as they are now, the only projected future for them would be to go up. But as interest rates go up, the value of bonds goes down. That's because nobody wants your stinking 2 percent bonds if they can buy bonds just issued that are paying 3 percent. So your old 2 percent bonds become worth about $70 for every $100 dollars you paid for them.

Of course the saving grace for bonds is that unless the issuer goes out of business (another issue to discuss) upon maturity you will get back the amount you put in. If you think of bonds as a holding tank for some of your investment dollars, it's a pretty good idea. But the trick when interest rates are low is to only buy short-term bonds, say two to three years in duration. Then you know that you will get your money back in a reasonably short period of time, and the value of the bonds will not go down so much because the money is not tied up for very long.

Another consideration is the financial credibility of the issuer. The best issuer, of course, is the U.S. government. But they pay the least return since everyone knows that it is a safe investment — 100 percent guaranteed. If the U.S. government goes out of business, your money is no good anyway, so you might as well have bonds. Even confederate bonds from the Civil War now have historical value.

As you move away from the most secure, you go to corporate bonds, and you can move from really solid companies to less solid, inappropriately called "junk bonds." In fact, many are not junk, just not as safe as the best AAA companies. The junk bonds can pay much higher interest rates than government bonds or AAA company bonds.

Many investment advisers recommend only U.S. bonds because they don't think the increased interest rate warrants the risk. I feel just the opposite. I think that if you buy a short-term junk bond fund, or a group of bonds in diverse industries, so that your risk is diversified, the larger dividend is well worth the risk.

Then there are some alternative bond investments, such as municipal bonds, which are generally tax free and pay an even lower interest rate (but since the return is tax free, the net after-tax result is typically about the same) and BND, the stock market exchange-traded fund for bond funds. That's been moving down steadily in the recent past.

How to select a municipal bond is worth an article by itself.

One last point: the big advantage of bonds is that on maturity you get your money back. Remember, that's not really true when you buy a bond fund. So, while bond funds are an easy way to diversify, they eliminate that one big element.

UPDATE

I did it again. I thought that as soon as someone in the Middle East did a no-no and we were faced with hawks calling for another invasion, gold would skyrocket. But it didn't happen. There was a possibility that the U.S. would bomb Syria, but the gold buyers didn't seem to care, and they keep selling instead of buying. Isn't market prediction a wonderful science?

For information about **MERV HECHT** and more details on the strategies and stocks he writes about in this column, visit his website at DoubleYourYield.com.

The Q Line

Back to the drawing board

Planning commissioners say they would like the Bergamot Transit Village to have better design features, asking the developer to revisit their plans.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks:
Do you think developers should revisit their design or do you think the Planning commission is asking for too much?

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to shape the future," Bloomberg said in a statement to The Associated Press ahead of a news conference at London City Hall. He said the contest would spotlight "bold ideas which can take root in Europe and spread around the world."

Modeled on a Bloomberg Philanthropies contest that awarded $9 million to five U.S. cities this year, the European competition seeks ideas that solve problems or make government more efficient or citizen friendly.

It's open to cities with 100,000 or more residents in 40 countries. Winners of a 5 million euro grand prize and four 1 million euro awards will be announced next fall.

"Cities have a vital role to play in the recovery of struggling nations across Europe," Mayor Matteo Renzi of Florence, Italy, said in a statement. He and London Mayor Boris Johnson and Mayor Hanna Gronkiewicz-Waltz of Warsaw, Poland, joined Bloomberg at Tuesday's news conference.

Some other foundations give governments money to try new approaches in various areas. Still, "flexible funds for early-stage innovation are hard to come by in cities in the United States and Europe and around the globe," said James Anderson, who oversees Bloomberg Philanthropies' government innovation work.

In the recent U.S. version of the Mayors Challenge, the $5 million top prize went in March to Providence, R.I. Its project aims to improve poor children's vocabulary by outfitting them with recording devices if their parents agree to it, counting the words the children hear and coaching parents.

Providence officials say they hope to start working with families in January. White House officials are watching with interest, said Tom Kalil, a technology adviser to President Barack Obama.

Four other cities that won $1 million apiece — Houston, Philadelphia, Chicago and Santa Monica, Calif. — also are gearing up their projects.

As mayor, Bloomberg isn't shy about encouraging others to follow New York's lead on such new initiatives as trying to ban many eateries from selling super-size, sugary drinks. Meanwhile, he's borrowed bicycle-sharing and some other ideas from elsewhere.

Bloomberg's philanthropy, which he has said will be his focus after leaving office, counts promoting government innovation among its priorities.

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Corporation transported hazardous waste and disposed of it in local landfills during a six-and-a-half year period. The hazardous products allegedly discarded included pesticides, bleach, paint, aerosols, automotive products and solvents, pharmaceutical and bio hazardous wastes and other toxic, flammable and corrosive materials.

Rite Aid was ordered to pay more than $12.3 million to settle the civil lawsuit that was filed earlier this month by the district attorneys of L.A., San Joaquin and Riverside counties. In all, 52 district attorneys from across the state and two city attorneys joined the environmental protection lawsuit.

The case began with an investigation in the fall of 2009 by local environmental health agencies and expanded with a series of waste inspections at Rite Aid facilities and landfills across the state, according to the District Attorney's Office.

The SMFD is scheduled to receive money as part of the settlement because it is the agency in Santa Monica that conducts hazardous waste inspections, Wright said.

Under the final judgment, Rite Aid must pay $10.35 million in civil penalties and costs. Additionally, the Camp Hill, Pa.-based company must fund several environmental projects that further consumer protection and environmental enforcement in California.

Rite Aid will pay $332,000 in civil penalties and cost recovery to Los Angeles County environmental regulators and $1,325,000 in civil penalties and cost recovery to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office for the enforcement of consumer protection laws.

A permanent injunction prohibits Rite Aid from reinstating the illegal practices, Wright said. Rite Aid has cooperated with prosecutors and investigators throughout the case.

Wright said high turnover rates amongst employees may have been partly to blame for the lack of proper disposal.

Rite Aid will now use a scanner system that will tell employees if a substance is toxic and how to handle it. Stores will also be required to retain their hazardous waste in segregated, labeled containers to minimize the risk of exposure to employees and customers. It will also ensure that incompatible wastes do not combine to cause dangerous chemical reactions.

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ance."

With the U.N. panel about to weigh in on the effects of greenhouse gas emissions from the burning of oil, coal and gas, The Associated Press asked scientists who specialize in climate, physics, epidemiology, public health, statistics and risk just what in science is more certain than human-caused climate change, what is about the same, and what is less.

They said gravity is a good example of something more certain than climate change. Climate change "is not as sure as if you drop a stone it will hit the Earth," Princeton University climate scientist Michael Oppenheimer said. "It's not certain, but it's close."

Arizona State University physicist Lawrence Krauss said the 95 percent quoted for climate change is equivalent to the current certainty among physicists that the universe is 13.8 billion years old.

The president of the prestigious National Academy of Sciences, Ralph Cicerone, and more than a dozen other scientists contacted by the AP said the 95 percent certainty regarding climate change is most similar to the confidence scientists have in the decades' worth of evidence that cigarettes are deadly.

"What is understood does not violate any mechanism that we understand about cancer," while "statistics confirm what we know about cancer," said Cicerone, an atmospheric scientist. Add to that a "very high consensus" among scientists about the harm of tobacco, and it sounds similar to the case for climate change, he said.

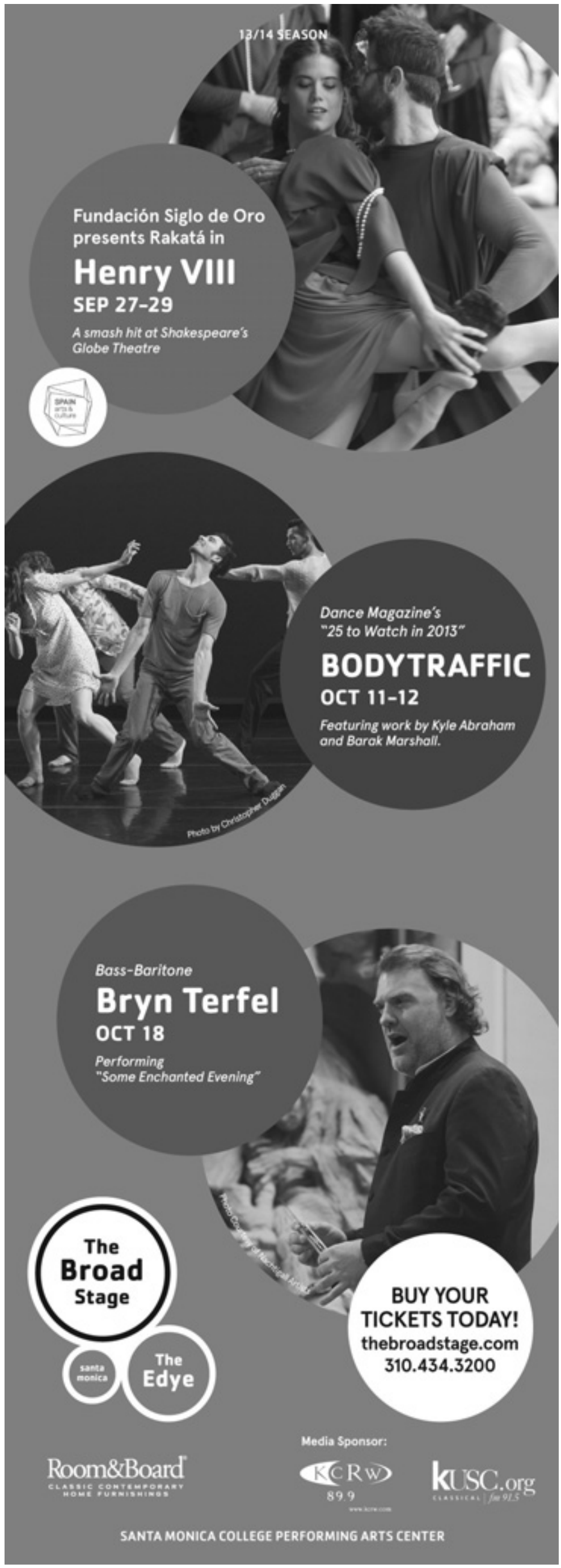
But even the best study can be nitpicked because nothing is perfect, and that's the strategy of both tobacco defenders and climate deniers, said Stanton Glantz, a medicine professor at the University of California, San Francisco and director of its tobacco control research center.

George Washington's Gray said the 95 percent number the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change will probably adopt may not be realistic. In general, regardless of the field of research, experts tend to overestimate their confidence in their certainty, he said. Other experts said the 95 percent figure is too low.

Jeff Severinghaus, a geoscientist at the Scripps Institution of Oceanography, said that through the use of radioactive isotopes, scientists are more than 99 percent sure that much of the carbon in the air has human fingerprints on it. And because of basic physics, scientists are 99 percent certain that carbon traps heat in what is called the greenhouse effect.

But the role of nature and all sorts of other factors bring the number down to 95 percent when you want to say that the majority of the warming is human-caused, he said.











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COMING SOON: French artist Mathieu Briand's '6:43 p.m.' exhibit for Saturday's GLOW will be buried in sand with a ring of fire rising above it. Inside will be projections of the surface of the moon.

GLOW

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pate in 15 site-specific, interactive art projects strewn around the iconic pier and beach from 7 p.m. to 3 a.m.

"This event is a reflection of our brand as a community, a community of artists, innovators," said Jessica Cusick, cultural affairs manager with City Hall. "It's good for our local businesses who we partner with and they stay open late and they all have specials."

There are other installations around the beach like a rotating stage from Steven Hull featuring a marionette show based on the short story "A Fragment from the Lives of the Conquistadors" by Tony White. The stage, situated behind the arbor in Crescent Bay Park, will display Hull's sculptures of conquistadors whose hands detach and become the animated marionettes.

The idea of a signature art festival emerged during the Creative Capital process, a year-long dialogue that resulted in a collective vision for the future of arts and culture in Santa Monica. GLOW, which started in 2008, was inspired from Nuit Blanche, a French creation that put art on display at night. The phrase translates to "white night," the French equivalent of an "all-nighter."

Officials thought GLOW would be a biennial event, but because it's such a large undertaking, it was switched to every three years.

French artist Mathieu Briand was on the beach Tuesday working on his installation, "6:43 p.m.," or the moment when the sun is setting. The project, which will be submerged in sand, is made up of six containers with a video projection of the face of the moon inside one of them. On the inside, there will also be a turntable that has a model of the landscape of the moon. Briand said the top of the container would have a ring of fire to symbolize the power of the sun long after it has disappeared.

GLOW will also include the first ever treasure hunt, where thousands of coins will be hidden in plain sight throughout the GLOW zone. The coins will be the size of silver dollars and everyone can take part and nab a coin for themselves. There's also a magic wishing well where the artist, Glenn Kaino, collaborated with a marine biologist to harvest plankton that will light up when people throw coins into the fountain, Cusick said.

GLOW, with a budget of more than $600,000, with two-thirds coming from private donors, focused on accessibility this year, Cusick said. The budget includes production costs, equipment rental, artist fees, security and transportation management.

This year, there are new, electric wheelchairs that people can check out to get to the two farthest projects on the sand and matting on the beach to easily walk on the sand, as well an access guide that can be downloaded online and tells visitors what to bring, how to plan and based on the disability, what to plan for, Cusick said. It's also the first time GLOW will have Braille programs available at each info booth.

Event coordinators have also beefed up the availability of Wi-Fi and cell signals on the beach so visitors can share their photos and access various apps. Some of the apps people can download include the KCRW GLOW Soundscape, which is an audio tour of GLOW hosted by KCRW disc jockeys, and artist Steve Boyer's Colorfields, which transforms your phone into an instrument of color and sound, activated by your presence in the Colorfields Zone, a 40,000-square-foot area of Santa Monica Beach.

When going to GLOW, officials said planning ahead is key for visitors. If you're taking public transit, visit the Big Blue Bus website for details, and for bike riders, there will be three, free bike valets set up throughout Downtown. Folks can also download the ParkMe app on their iPhones, which shows available parking spots in the city.

Extra police officers will be on patrol in key areas in the city where GLOW will be taking place, said Sgt. Jay Moroso, spokesperson for the Santa Monica Police Department.

Additional traffic service officers will be on hand to help control intersections and ease the flow of traffic and the Emergency Operations Center will also be staffed in case additional city or regional resources are needed.

Visitors should be mindful not to leave items in their vehicles, Moroso said.

Cusick recommended visiting the GLOW website for more information. The majority of projects will start installing on Friday morning.

"We are really excited," Cusick said. "I think it's going to be the best GLOW ever."

The opening ceremony will be 7 p.m. Saturday at the intersection of Ocean and Colorado Avenues.

For more information on GLOW visit glowsantamonica.org.

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Spring flowers planted in fall



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GET STARTED EARLY: Many of spring's exquisite flowers, like these tulips and primrose, are actually planted in the fall.

MANY OF SPRING'S EXQUISITE FLOWERS require advance planning, and irises, daffodils, freesias, and anemones are among them. Don't wait until you see them blooming in your neighbor's garden — it will be too late! Now's the time to plant in Santa Monica.

We all know those bulbs as spring flowers, but these classics are fall-planted. Because of that, nursery folks often call them "fall" bulbs.

Bulbs are very easy to grow and pleasant to plant. Guides from the Netherlands bulb growers say, "Dig, Drop, Done!" And it is almost that simple. Add a little bulb food to the "drop" part and the job's just about finished.

Your choices are many, including dainty to assertive flower shapes, just about every Crayola color, with heights ranging from petite "peekers" to tall, bold statements.

Bearded irises should be in everyone's garden. Nothing's easier or more spectacular. Modern hybrids bloom several times each year. Colors range from dreamy pastels to dramatic browns and blacks. The spear-shaped foliage is a great contrast to shrubs, annuals and perennials.

Daffodils are the quintessential spring flower. The cheery golden trumpet flowers (or white, even pink) can be petite or traditional-sized. Freesias are elegant and richly fragrant. Dutch irises are classic florist flowers. Why not grow your own?

For Mediterranean style gardens, plant ixia and sparaxis. You'll enjoy these unusual, low-water, low-care flowers for many years.

Tulips and hyacinths require chilling before planting. Place them in the refrigerator (not the freezer, and not near ripening fruit) until after the Christmas holidays, then plant. You'll have stunning cut flowers next spring.

If you plan for it, you can have ever-changing beauty from late winter through spring's last days. Devise a succession of colors, from pastels to bolds as the season progresses. Play with shapes and sizes. Contrast always works! Or if you love bouquets, plan a cutting garden.

More experienced gardeners may want to create interesting pairings with flowering shrubs and trees. Or plant bulbs in containers and over-plant with annuals for non-stop waves of blooms. Don't be afraid to experiment. Bulbs love the climate in Santa Monica and can always be moved to a new location if you have something else in mind.

With bulbs, size matters. The bigger the bulb, the more blooms you'll have. Buy only the largest Grade 1 bulbs. Small, inexpensive bulbs may not even bloom the first spring. Plant in groups of one kind and color; they look best in groups and masses. Better to buy fewer varieties and more of them.

Caring for bulbs is simple once a few basic needs are met. Bulbs need full sun to bloom their best, and they all require good drainage. With soil that is too soggy, they will rot and simply disappear. Feed them at planting time with a granular, organic bulb food to promote root growth and blooms next spring.

Once they're finished flowering, it's important to feed them again. The healthy foliage will allow the bulb to store energy for next year's blooms. Don't remove the leaves until they are yellow and easy to pull away.

DIG, DROP, DONE!

Planting bulbs is easy.

1. Dig a hole at the proper depth for each bulb type. Rule of thumb: two to three times the bulb's height. (If you're not sure, planting too deep is better than too shallow.)
2. Mix in bulb food at the bottom of the hole.
3. Place the bulb pointy end up in the bottom.
4. Fill hole with soil. Firm with your hand.
5. Water thoroughly once to settle the soil. Rains will water until spring.
6. Little winter rain like last year? Water once a month.

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Popular bathroom wipes blamed for sewer clogs

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BEMUS POINT, N.Y. Increasingly popular bathroom wipes — pre-moistened towelettes that are often advertised as flushable — are being blamed for creating clogs and backups in sewer systems around the nation.

Wastewater authorities say wipes may go down the toilet, but even many labeled flushable aren't breaking down as they course through the sewer system. That's costing some municipalities millions of dollars to dispatch crews to unclog pipes and pumps and to replace and upgrade machinery.

The problem got so bad in this western New York community this summer that sewer officials set up traps — basket strainers in sections of pipe leading to an oft-clogged pump — to figure out which households the wipes were coming from. They mailed letters and then pleaded in person for residents to stop flushing them.

"We could walk right up, knock on the door and say, 'Listen, this problem is coming right from your house,'" said Tom Walsh, senior project coordinator at South & Center Chautauqua Lake Sewer Districts, which was dispatching crews at least once a week to clear a grinder pump that would seize up trying to shred the fibrous wipes.

The National Association of Clean Water Agencies, which represents 300 wastewater agencies, says it has been hearing complaints about wipes from sewer systems big and small for about the past four years.

That roughly coincides with the ramped-up marketing of the "flushable cleansing cloths" as a cleaner, fresher option than dry toilet paper alone. A trade group says wipes are a $6 billion-a-year industry, with sales of consumer wipes increasing nearly 5 percent a year since 2007 and expected to grow at a rate of 6 percent annually for the next five years.

One popular brand, Cottonelle, has a campaign called "Let's talk about your bum" and ads showing people trying to wash their hair with no water. It ends with the tagline: "You can't clean your hair without water, so why clean your bum that way?"

Manufacturers insist wipes labeled flushable aren't the problem, pointing instead to baby and other cleaning wipes marked as nonflushable that are often being used by adults.

"My team regularly goes sewer diving" to analyze what's causing problems, said Trina McCormick, a senior manager at Kimberly-Clark Corp., maker of Cottonelle. "We've seen the majority, 90 percent in fact, are items that are not supposed to be flushed, like paper towels, feminine products or baby wipes."

Wastewater officials agree that wipes, many of which are made from plastic, aren't the only culprits but say their problems have escalated with the wipes market.

Vancouver, Wash., sewer officials say wipes labeled as flushable are a big part of a problem that has caused that city to spend more than $1 million in the past five years replacing three large sewage pumps and eight smaller ones that were routinely clogging.

To prove their point, they dyed several kinds of wipes and sent them through the sewer for a mile to see how they would break up. They didn't.

Those labeled flushable, engineer Frank Dick said, had "a little rips and tears but still they were intact."

The Washington Suburban Sanitary Commission, which serves Montgomery and Prince George's counties in Maryland, has also spent more than $1 million over five years installing heavy-duty grinders, while the Orange County, Calif., Sanitation District, in a single year recorded 971 "de-ragging" maintenance calls on 10 pump stations at a cost of $320,000.

Clogging problems in Waukesha, Wis., prompted the sewer authority there to create a "Keep Wipes out of Pipes" flier. And Ocean City, Md., and Sitka, Alaska, are among cities that have also publicly asked residents not to flush wipes, regardless of whether they are labeled flushable.

The problem got worldwide attention in July when London sewer officials reported removing a 15-ton "bus-sized lump" of wrongly flushed grease and wet wipes, dubbed the "fatberg."

The complaints have prompted a renewed look at solving the problem.

The Association of the Nonwoven Fabrics Industry, the trade group known as INDA, recently revised voluntary guidelines and specified seven tests for manufacturers to use to determine which wipes to call flushable. It also recommends a universal do-not-flush logo — a crossed-out stick figure and toilet — be prominently displayed on non-dispersible products.

The wastewater industry would prefer mandatory guidelines and a say in what's included but supports the INDA initiatives as a start. Three major wastewater associations issued a joint statement with INDA last week to signal a desire to reach a consensus on flushability standards.

"If I'm doing the test, I'm going to throw a wipe in a bucket of water and say it has to disintegrate," said Rob Villee, executive director of the Plainfield Area Regional Sewage Authority in New Jersey.

Nicholas Arhontes, director of facilities support services in Orange County, Calif., has an even simpler rule for what should go down the toilet.

"Only flush pee, poop and toilet paper," he said, "because those are the only things that sanitary sewers were really designed for in the old days."

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What to do when there's a mouse in the house



CAROLE FELDMAN
Associated Press

Eek!

Maybe you hear a rustling in your dog's food dish. Or spot droppings in the cabinet under the sink. Or come face to face with a mouse itself.

Besides the yuck factor, mice in the home pose a health risk, said Stuart Nichol of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

"We strongly encourage people at this time (of year) to rodent-proof their houses and try to prevent the rodents from coming in in the first place," said Nichol, chief of the CDC's Viral Special Pathogens branch.

As the weather turns colder, mice are "looking for a little bit of warmth" and a way to get inside, said Missy Henriksen, spokeswoman for the National Pest Management Association.

All they need is the smallest of holes, as small as a coin, to gain entry.

So a first step in pest management is inspecting your home for possible entry points.

Have the screens on the chimney, attic or dryer vents detached? Is the weather stripping around doors or windows worn? Has the putty come loose around air conditioning hoses, or where the electricity or cable wires go into the house? Is there shrubbery close to the house or ivy around the foundation and up the outside walls that mice can use to hide or climb?

"The most effective means of pest control is controlling the problem before it becomes a problem," Henriksen said.

Pest control technician Shane Flanagan usually starts with a visual inspection of the property to try to see where mice are getting in and where they might be nesting. He'll look in the kitchen and unfinished areas of the basement and attics. "All that insulation is perfect nesting for mice and (other) rodents," said Flanagan, who works for PestNow, based in Sterling, Va.

Then he sets traps. Placement is key: Mice run along walls.

"If you put them in areas where they're running, you'll catch them," said Flanagan.

For do-it-yourselfers, there are many kinds of traps available. There are the "old-school snap traps," as Flanagan calls them; peanut butter works as an effective bait. For the more squeamish, there are snap traps in a plastic housing, so you don't actually see the mouse when it's caught. You can also purchase electronic traps and glue traps.

Flanagan uses snap traps. When he returns to check them, "That gives me more of an idea of the population, how many we might have."

After removing any dead mice from the traps, he'll set up bait stations inside and out to try to prevent further infestations. He'll also try to seal up areas where he thinks mice are getting in and around the house. That might include putting copper mesh along the dishwasher line, a frequent way that mice get into the kitchen.

And he'll recommend that homeowners remove shrubbery or ivy close to the foundation, pulling it back at least 15 feet from the structure.

The CDC also recommends picking up pet food and water bowls overnight, using thick plastic or metal containers to store grains and pet food, and placing bird feeders some distance from the house.

"Pest control is based on science, not magic; remove the conducive condition, reduce the population and maintain it," Flanagan said.

Many pest control experts recommend against starting with bait stations. Dead, decaying mice can leave an odor, so it's important to know where they are so you can get rid of them.

Mice left unchecked can cause problems by chewing on electrical wiring and insulation.

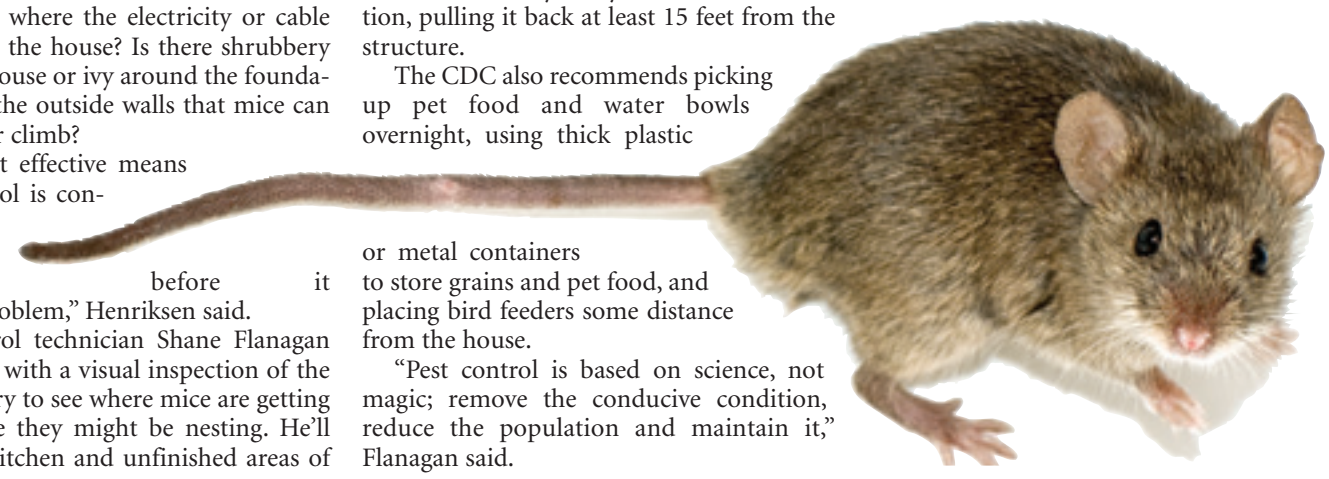
In addition, the CDC says mice and rats spread more than 35 different diseases globally.

Nichol said hantavirus pulmonary syndrome and lymphocytic choriomeningitis virus (LCMV), two viruses carried by mice, are associated with "particularly severe diseases." LCMV poses a particular risk to pregnant women because it can cause congenital defects in the fetus, he said.

"You don't have to have direct contact with the mice to get an infection," he said. "You can get it just from the droppings or the contaminated dust."

Safely dispose of any mice caught, and disinfect the areas where they've been. A bleach solution or Lysol-like spray works well, Nichol said.

"We all know whether we have in the past had rodent problems," he said. "If you've had that problem, get out ahead of it."



Stocks fall for a fourth day

STEVE ROTHWELL
Markets Writer

NEW YORK Wall Street couldn't shrug off doubts about the economy and government gridlock on Tuesday.

Mixed economic reports and concern about a government shutdown dragged stocks lower in the final half-hour of trading. They had been positive most of the day.

The modest losses extended the losing streak for the Standard & Poor's 500 index to four days. It was the longest run of declines in a month. The Dow Jones industrial average also dropped for a fourth straight day.

Investors struggled with conflicting news about the economy on Tuesday. One report showed that home prices in July rose the most in more than seven years. Another showed that Americans' confidence in the economy slipped in September.

Investors are searching for direction after the Federal Reserve's surprise decision last Wednesday to keep its stimulus program intact. They had expected a reduction in the Fed's $85 billion in monthly bond purchases. Investors are now parsing economic reports and comments from Fed officials to gauge the central bank's next move.

Some are also nervous about political gridlock in Washington. They were concerned that the federal government could shut down because Washington lawmakers appear to be making little progress in budget talks.

"A government shutdown starting next week is looking increasingly likely," said Jim Russell, a regional investment director at U.S. Bank. "That will not be welcomed by the capital markets."

But Brad Sorensen, director of market and sector research at Charles Schwab, thought that worries about a government shutdown would ultimately be short-lived.

"Investors are becoming a little bit immune to the games that Washington has started to play," Sorensen said. "Investors with a stronger stomach should probably buy the dip."

Stocks, for example, plummeted in the summer of 2011 as lawmakers wrangled about raising the debt ceiling. The market also sagged in October last year before the Presidential elections, on concerns that a divided government would be unable to agree on tax reform. Each time though, backed by the Fed's economic stimulus, the market came back stronger.

After falling 2 percent in October of last year, the Standard & Poor's 500 index rose for seven straight months, gaining 15 percent.

On Tuesday, the Dow closed down 66 points, 0.4 percent, to 15,334. The S&P 500 index fell four points, or 0.3 percent, to 1,697. The Nasdaq composite, however, edged up three points, or 0.1 percent, to 3,768.

Stocks edged lower in early trading before moving modestly higher in the late morning and afternoon. Those gains then fizzled out at the end of trading.

Phone company stocks were the biggest decliners among the 10 industry groups that form the S&P 500. Industrial stocks were the biggest gainers.

Before the market opened, a survey showed that home prices rose the most since February 2006. A revival in housing has been one of the bright spots for the economy.

In another key economic gauge, the Conference Board, a New York-based private research group, said that its consumer confidence index dropped to 79.7 in September, down from August's 81.8.

Consumers' confidence is closely watched because their spending accounts for 70 percent of U.S. economic activity. Confidence has grown since the Great Recession, but it hasn't hit a reading of 90, which typically accompanies a healthy economy.

They S&P 500 index is just 28 points below its all-time high reached last Wednesday, when investors were initially thrilled that the Fed extended its economic stimulus. Since then, the market has fallen each day as doubts emerge about the outlook for the economy, and budget negotiations.

In government bond trading, the yield on the 10-year Treasury note rose fell as investors bought bonds. The yield dropped from 2.70 percent late Monday to 2.66 percent, its lowest level in six weeks. The yield on the note is a benchmark for rates of consumer loans.

Among stocks making big moves:

• Software company Red Hat fell $6.20, or 12 percent, to $46.73 after it reported lower-than-expected quarterly billings and issued disappointing revenue forecasts.

• Carnival fell $2.86, or 8 percent, to $34.54 after the cruise ship operator warned revenue could drop more than its prior forecast.

• Applied Materials, a manufacturer of chip-making equipment, rose $1.45, or 9 percent, to $17.45 after it agreed to acquire a rival.

• Facebook rose $1.26, or 3 percent, to $48.45 after Citigroup upgraded the company's stock to a "buy" recommendation from "neutral." Facebook should continue to grow, helped by increasing advertising revenue contributions from its mobile website, Citigroup said.

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Surf Forecasts

Water Temp: **63.3°**

WEDNESDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** knee to thigh high occ. 3ft
Small SW energy; NW swell-mix potentially blending in at exposures

THURSDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** ankle to knee high occ. 3ft
Small SW energy; NW swell-mix potentially fades; new SW swell creeping in late

FRIDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to waist high
New SW energy picks up; NW swell-mix fades

SATURDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** thigh to waist high
Modest SW swell continues

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, 2013**

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

QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 4
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 8
- Number of wet days -- 8
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 33 / ns
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 0 / ns

The Beach Report Card is made possible by: simplehuman, LAcarGUY, SIMA and Grousbeck Family Foundation

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 Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Los Alisos creeks.		
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
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	D	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	ns
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	A	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	A	ns
Carbon 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
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon.	A+	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	ns
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ns	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.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua).	A+	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A+	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	A	ns
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	D	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.	A	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 DWW 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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Shaq shows Sacramento love as Kings' minority owner

ANTONIO GONZALEZ
AP Sports Writer

SACRAMENTO, Calif. Shaquille O'Neal spent the first part of the century smashing Sacramento's dreams of an NBA championship. Now he wants to spend the next part doing anything he can to build the Kings into a winner.

Declaring the new name of the city "Shaqramento," O'Neal began by taking steps in his size 22 shoes Tuesday to make amends to Kings fans for his past verbal swipes. The new minority owner of the Kings said he just wanted to rile up people and market the game when he called the franchise the "Sacramento Queens" while winning three titles with the Los Angeles Lakers.

"I apologize," O'Neal said. "If you see me around town, come give me a hug, give me a kiss. I'll do whatever you want."

The 15-time All-Star center promised to use the same brand that bullied Sacramento for years to bring positive attention to California's capital city.

O'Neal's larger-than-life personality did just that on his first day on the job. He attracted a crowd of about 75 reporters, with TV trucks fighting for the closest parking space outside Sacramento's suburban practice facility and about a dozen fans trying to sneak into the parking lot.

O'Neal said has no intention of being a silent investor. He wants to be a mentor to volatile center DeMarcus Cousins, give his input on basketball decisions and help the team build the NBA's first "indoor-outdoor arena."

O'Neal said he learned decades ago from Hall of Famer and friend Magic Johnson that endorsements "are good, but you want to own stuff." He declined to reveal his stake in the team but said joining an NBA ownership group "was always one of my dreams and aspirations," especially after retiring in 2011 after a 19-year playing career.

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1:30pm, 4:30pm, 7:30pm, 10:15pm

Lee Daniels' The Butler (PG-13) 2hrs 12min
1:00pm, 4:05pm, 7:10pm, 10:10pm

Short Game (PG) 1hr 40min
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Elysium (R) 1hr 49min
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Battle of the Year 3D (PG-13) 1hr 49min
1:40pm, 7:05pm

Battle of the Year (PG-13) 1hr 49min
11:00am, 4:20pm, 9:45pm

Family (R) 1hr 52min
11:00am, 1:50pm, 4:30pm, 7:15pm, 10:00pm

We're the Millers (R) 1hr 50min
11:30am, 2:15pm, 5:10pm, 8:00pm, 10:40pm

Prisoners (R) 2hrs 26min
11:35am, 3:15pm, 4:15pm, 6:50pm, 7:40pm, 10:25pm

Insidious: Chapter 2 () 1hr 45min
11:20am, 2:00pm, 4:45pm, 7:30pm, 10:20pm

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1:50pm, 4:30pm, 7:20pm, 9:50pm

Short Term 12 (R) 1hr 36min
1:55pm, 7:30pm

Salinger (PG-13) 2hrs 00min
1:00pm, 4:00pm, 7:00pm, 10:00pm

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HAVE SOME FUN TONIGHT, AQUARIUS

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ You naturally are drawn to the most unexpected situations. The question is: Which way do you go? The answer will emerge quickly, as you are not one for waiting. Tonight: Catch up on a friend's news.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Take a look at what is going on within your immediate circle. Understand what is taking place behind the scenes with a money matter. You might sense some deception. Tonight: Your treat.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ You'll beam in more of what you want in order to make a situation work. Fatigue might be the only obstacle preventing you from bringing others together to gain the support that you think you need. Tonight: Ease the pace a bit.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ Everyone has days when they don't feel quite up to snuff. Why would you be any different? Allow yourself to call out of work for the day. If you already aren't working, play it low-key. Take this time to revitalize and do what you want for a change. Tonight: Not to be found.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ You might want to see a situation evolve to a new level. It is your focused energy that will take it there. Be sure to take your time, and sift through each possibility to the same end. Trust yourself to find the most appropriate method to get there. Tonight: Share your ideas.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Visualize and create a better platform from which to work, whether you are a boss or an employee. You will find that your effectiveness will be enhanced, and others will respond in a more authentic manner. Tonight: Discuss a grievance with a wise family member or friend.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Your ability to gather the facts and see what is missing will help you as well as others. You'll weigh the pros and cons of an issue, but know that the outcome will be positive. You have time to fill in the blanks. Tonight: In the limelight.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Listen to news, and ask for a friend's perspective. You might opt to go along with this person's thinking. You could be surprised by the way events play out as a result. When allowed to wander, your mind will come up with amazing scenarios! Tonight: Togetherness works.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You could be taken aback by a situation that is developing. Maintain a sense of humor. You will be happier as a result, and you also will gain a new perspective with ease. Understand what is going on behind the scenes. Tonight: Listen to others' "war stories" of the day.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Your caring yet methodical manner creates change quickly. Realize what is happening within your circle of friends. Someone might be angry, and this person is likely to toss a boulder in your way. Do not take his or her reaction personally. Tonight: Ask, and you shall receive.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You will go directly toward a creative option that appears quite suddenly. Finding out what is workable could test your limits. You might be holding back your feelings, whereas someone else isn't. Do not engage this person. Tonight: How about some fun?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Being centered at home might be a higher priority than it normally would be, as much pressure seems to emanate from others' demands. You will make an effort to be responsive, but you are only human. Tonight: Stay anchored.

Wednesday, September 25, 2013

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

This year you remain open to the creative process. How you deal with new possibilities could change dramatically. Your ability to trust your knee-jerk reactions will lessen as you recognize that you are breaking patterns. Your choices will add to your quality of life. Your career will be demanding, but you have what it takes to succeed. If you are single, you could meet someone through your work or just by being out and about. If you are attached, the two of you need to pursue a common interest; the time to begin is now. GEMINI teases your imagination.

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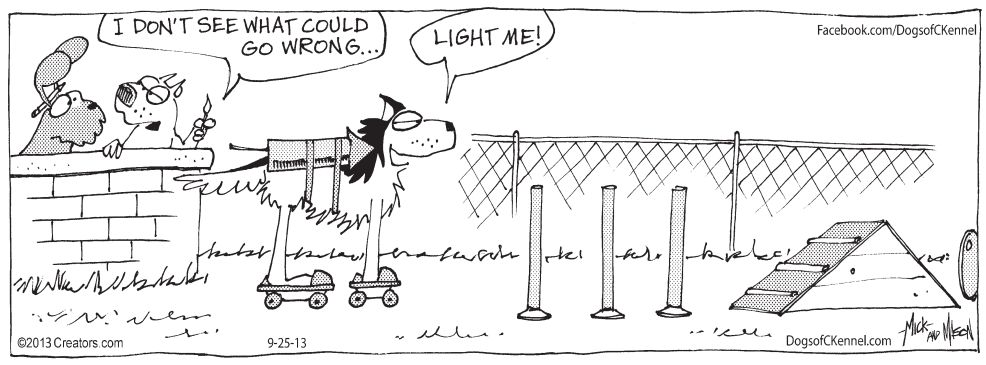
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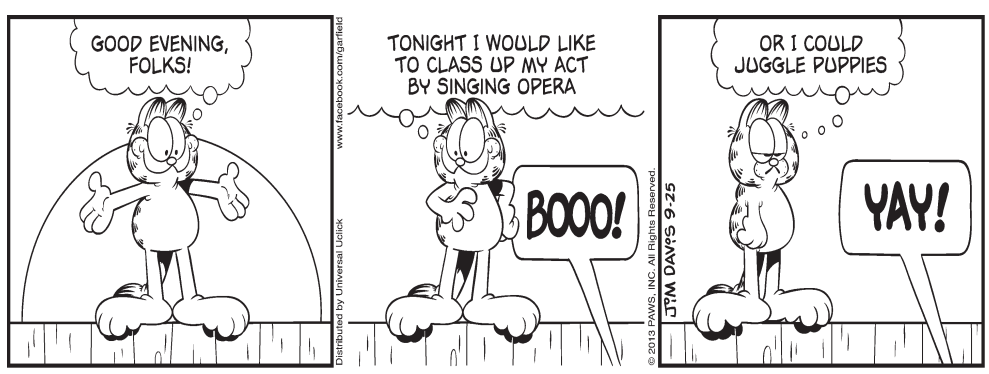
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Sudoku

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 ★★★

		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

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

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Tenor Carreras
5 Islands off Portugal
11 Line of symmetry
12 Comment
13 Sleep sites
14 Sort of
15 Compass dir.
16 Rider's strap
17 Prepared for prayer
19 Failure
22 Figure of speech
24 Music's Lena
26 Air pipe
27 Style
28 Trout homes
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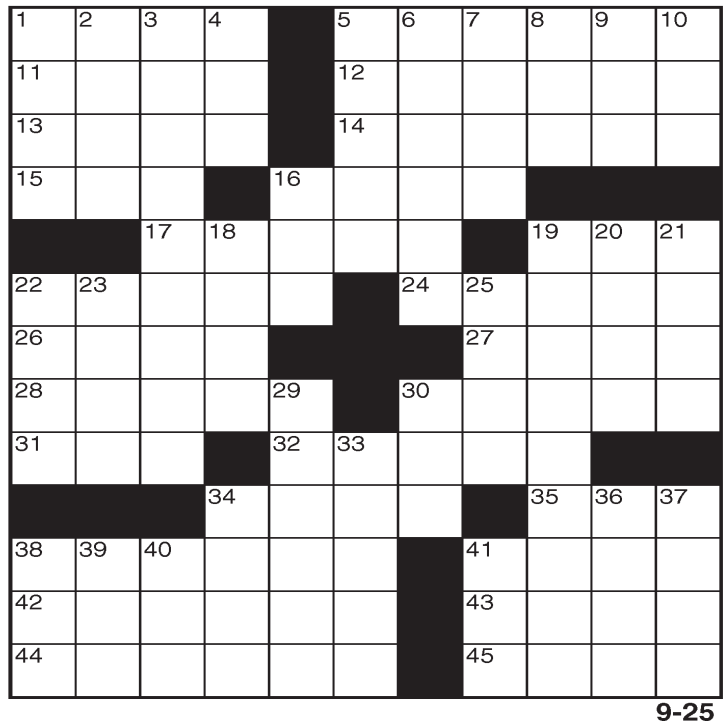
DOWN

1 Boxing moves
2 Clumsy ones
3 Heroes' helpers
4 Snaky shape
5 "The Tempest" sprite
6 High point
7 Mideast nation
8 Unrefined
9 Pitcher's stat
10 Sun setting
16 "Stand" band
18 Jot down
19 Old-fashioned field goal attempts
20 Computer menu choice
21 Glade grazer
22 Not active
23 Twofold
25 Poet Khayyám
29 Town center
30 By way of
33 En-couraged
34 Border on
36 Going rate?
37 Flag feature
38 Young fellow
39 Quarter-back Manning
40 Saloon supply
41 Old French coin

M	E	M	O	■	■	E	V	A	D	E
E	X	A	L	T	■	L	I	V	E	S
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Power#: 13
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MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 9/20
1 15 20 21 47
Mega#: 34
Jackpot: $M

SUPER LOTTO
Draw Date: 9/21
10 15 25 36 46
Mega#: 18
Jackpot: $M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 9/24
7 11 18 19 29

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 9/24
MIDDAY: 3 9 2
EVENING: 8 8 5

DAILY DERBY
Draw Date: 9/24
1st: 03 Hot Shot
2nd: 08 Gorgeous George
3rd: 11 Money Bags
RACE TIME: 1:41.08

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Outraged Jewish leaders complain periodically about Mormons who, in the name of their church, posthumously baptize deceased Jews (even Holocaust victims) -- beneficently, of course, to help them qualify for heaven. Church officials promised to stop, but in 2012 reports still surfaced that not all Mormons got the memo. Thus inspired, a "religious" order called the Satanic Temple conducted a July "pink mass" over the Meridian, Miss., grave of the mother of the founder of the Westboro Baptist Church, Rev. Fred Phelps Jr. -- posthumously "turning" her gay. (Westboro infamously stages small, hate-saturated demonstrations denouncing homosexuals and American tolerance.) Ten days later, Meridian prosecutors charged a Satanic Temple official with misdemeanor desecration of a grave.

■ Australia's chief diplomat in Taipei, Taiwan, said in August that he was suing local veterinarian Yang Dong-sheng for fraud because Dr. Yang backed out of euthanizing the diplomat Kevin Magee's sick, 10-year-old dog. Instead, Dr. Yang "rescued" the dog, who is now thriving after he patiently treated her. Magee's lawsuit claims, in essence, that his family vet recommended euthanization, that he had paid for euthanization, and that "Benji" should have been put down. Dr. Yang said the fee Magee paid was for "medical care" and not necessarily euthanization. (Benji, frolicking outside when a reporter visited, was not available for comment.)

TODAY IN HISTORY

1962 - The People's Democratic Republic of Algeria is formally proclaimed. Ferhat Abbas is elected President of the provisional government.

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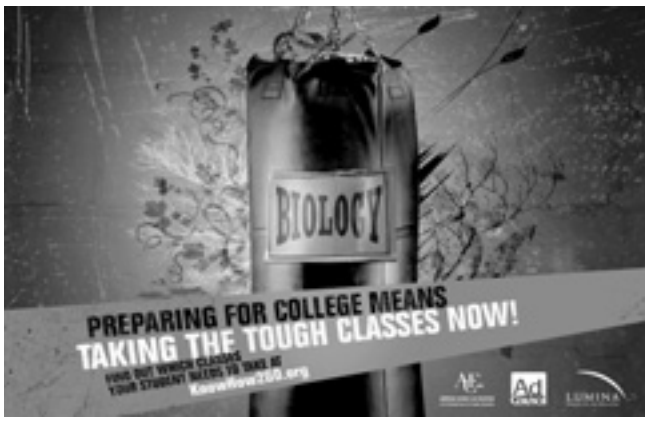
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