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Minimum wage ordinance could limit service charges

BY MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

The Santa Monica City Council is set to debate a local minimum wage ordinance on Sept. 29 and while there is growing consensus about the value of a $15 wage, the local restaurant industry is expressing concern with several provisions in the proposed rules.

Santa Monica has modeled its rules after the City of Los Angeles. Both cities propose a phased increase in wages beginning in 2016 and reaching $15 an hour by 2020. However, the Santa Monica rules include provisions still under debate in Los Angeles.

Restaurant owners said restrictions on the use of service charges are particularly onerous.

Traditional tips are the property of the employees and can only be distributed among front of house workers such as servers, bus boys and hosts. Back of house employees, like chefs, are prohibited from

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OPCC DONATION

File photos

OPCC has received a $15,000 grant to support victims of domestic violence. The Blue Shield of California Foundation announced the donation on September 25. The money is part of a group of grants to empower domestic service providers statewide. For more information on the funds and the two organizations, see page 5.

SMMUSD students celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month

Latino history highlighted as district works to close achievement gaps

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

Before a captivated audience last week, teachers and students at Edison Language Academy shared stories in English and Spanish. But their audience was nowhere near the Virginia Avenue elementary school.

That's because the local readers were using computer video software to connect with peers around the world for Global Collaboration Day, which promotes international student interaction.

The activity was also part of the Santa Monica-Malibu school district's celebration of National Hispanic Heritage Month, a federally designated period from Sept. 15 to Oct. 15 during which communities across the country honor the "histories, cultures and contributions of American citizens whose ancestors came from Spain, Mexico, the Caribbean and Central and South America," according to the Library of Congress.

Launched as a weeklong observance in 1968 and expanded to a month 20 years later, the event has been recognized in a variety of ways in local schools.

This year's celebrations in SMMUSD come after a controversial May festival at Will Rogers Learning Community, which some

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100 YEARS AGO:

Beach development plans unveiled

Editor's note: This monthly feature uncovers Santa Monica's history by compiling notable city happenings from a century ago. The stories are found in old newspaper archives.

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

Was Santa Monica designed to be a second Atlantic City?

That's how it was described a century ago as development along the beach gained momentum.

E.P. Benjamin and B.M. Moss began unveiling details about their plans for "a high-class amusement resort" along the Santa Monica coast between Pico and Wilshire boulevards, according to an article in Los Angeles Times archives.

Work crews "appeared on this part of the Crescent Bay beach and began to transform the entire topography of the ground lying between the Santa Monica municipal pier and Seaside Terrace, and extending back from the ocean promenade to the Ocean avenue viaduct," the article reads. "All Santa Monica saw and wondered."

The development followed Benjamin's purchase of former railroad property and was slated to include the widening of the ocean promenade and improvements along Appian Way.

A 200-by-700-foot "pleasure pier" was also in the plans for development, which aimed to create a "'second Atlantic City rather than a new Coney Island.'"

WATER BATTLE RAGES ON

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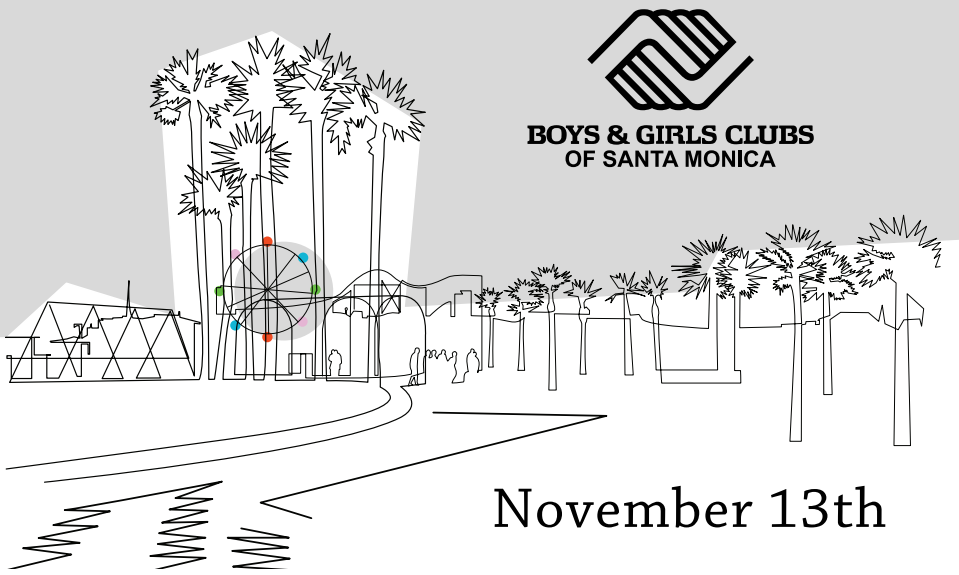
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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

September 26

Citywide Yard Sale

Residents and community organizations within the City of Santa Monica are invited to register and hold a yard, block or group sale at their homes, schools, churches, etc, with the permission of the property owners. For more information about the Citywide Yard Sale or to register online visit www.smgov.net/r3. You may also register over the phone by calling (310) 458-2223. Citywide, 8 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Michael Heralda's Aztec Stories

Nationally-known recording artist Michael Heralda, presents Aztec Stories. Heralda's engaging storytelling and musical presentation, based on the great Mexica/Aztec culture, incorporates oral tradition, narratives, poetry, and interactive music. Michael will demonstrate and share more than 45 hand-made, indigenous instruments and talk about themes of Mexica/Aztec knowledge. The presentation is for all ages and audience participation is encouraged. 1615 Ocean Ave., 10 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Hot Sauce Workshop with Chef Rachael Narins

In this hands-on class, Chef Rachael Narins will teach you all about working with chiles. The workshop will begin with a quick overview of chile varieties as we sample a few various hot sauces and discuss how they differ. Then we'll get to work, making three recipes (with lots of room for customization). Cost $45 + $5 cash material fee. Register at https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search/46534 or call (310) 358 - 2239. Palisades Park, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Annual Sidewalk Sale

Waterside, Marina del Rey will be hosting its annual Sidewalk Sale, featuring exclusive tenant promotions, live music and family-friendly entertainment. 4700 Admiralty Way, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Characteristics of Gifted Children

Dr. Barbara Klein, author of "The Challenges of GIfted Children," will share strategies for parenting gifted children, including how to identify key characteristics, finding the right school that will match your child's learning strengths and challenges, and dealing with social and emotional issues. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 2 - 3:30 p.m.

Banned Books Week Movie Screening: James & the Giant Peach (1996)

Tim Burton-protégé Henry Selick directed this sumptuous stop-motion animated version of Roald Dahl's classic children's novel about an orphan boy who escapes to New York City with the help of a few fantastical creatures. (79 min.) Main Library, Martin Luther King Jr. Auditorium, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3 - 4:30 p.m.

Beach=Culture: 'Fixtures,' a site-specific dance

Rebecca Bruno concludes her residency at the Beach House with a meditative new work set in the Courtyard and Garden. Dancers: Samantha Mohr and Rebecca Bruno; Costume Design: Lynn Ellen Bathke; Music: Sam Widaman. This work is set outside with some audience movement; wear sun protection and comfortable shoes. Saturday & Sunday performances will be followed by a talkback and discussion with the artists. Annenberg Community Beach House, Terrace Lounge, 415 PCH, 4 - 6 p.m. RSVP at http://annenbergbeachhouse.com/beachculture.

OPCC's 10 Under $20 Wine and Cheese Fundraiser

Curated by The Cheese Store of Beverly Hills, experts will service 10 delicious wines that are all under $20

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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Data breach for bus customers

The Big Blue Bus is alerting customers of a potential data breach related to the NextBus program.

Officials were notified on Sept. 25 of a data security incident at NextBus, the company that BBB works with in order to make predictive real time bus arrival information available to customers.

BBB said the breach impacted customers that created an individual account on NextBus.com and advised those customers to reset their password.

"On September 18, NextBus detected suspicious activity from an agency account and its IT experts worked quickly to minimize the issue. An unauthorized individual may have gained access to a database containing some account information of our NextBus agency customers and the riders that use NextBus services," said a BBB alert.

"Some of you may have created accounts on NextBus.com in order to customize the information you see on the website or on your smartphone. NextBus says that it does not collect or possess Social Security numbers, driver's license numbers or any financial information from its users and customers, including credit cards, so none of that type of information is at risk. However, NextBus highly recommends you reset your password on your account, especially if you use it elsewhere."

According to BBB, NextBus has disabled the compromised account, increased minimum password strength and blocked traffic to or from any suspicious Internet addresses.

They said customers should also watch for potential "phishing" scams related to NextBus. Officials said neither BBB nor NextBus would ever email to ask for personal or account information. Customers that receive suspicious communication or individuals who want more information can contact NextBus directly at support@nextbus.com or by dialing 1-877-NEXTBUS (639-8287).

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a bottle. All proceeds benefit OPCC. Cost $100 per person. Purchase tickets at http://www.opcc.net/. Address and other details will be provided upon RSVP. 6 - 9 p.m.

Cinderella Waltz

The play investigates the archetypal origins of Snow White, contrasting the familiar and charming Perrault version with the darker, more ancient and disturbing tale recorded by the brothers Grimm. Grotesque farce and romantic fantasy blend in a fairy tale for adults. Tickets are $23 general admission and $20 seniors/students. They are available online at www.morgan-wixson.org or by phone at (310) 828-7519. Santa Monica's Morgan-Wixson Theatre, 2627 Pico Blvd., 8 p.m.

traces pt. 2: an archive of uncovering

Opening reception of Lukaza Branfman-Verissimo's solo show with themes relating to the history of Santa Monica. Bring an object to share. Bolivar Gallery, 1741 Ocean Park Blvd., 8 - 10 p.m. Performance at 8:30 p.m.

September 27

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Mattel Party on the Pier

The 16th annual Mattel Party on the Pier benefiting Mattel Children's Hospital UCLA on September 27, at Pacific Park on the Santa Monica Pier is gearing up to be a fun-filled day. To purchase tickets or for more information on the event, please visit www.partyonthepier.ucla.edu/

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Handwork Hangout with Leslie Robinson

Bring your own accessorizing projects to get tips, or embark on something new. Some materials provided and others are available for purchase, or bring your own. Even if you have no idea what to make, you can learn some great handwork tips from Leslie and embark on a new craft. 1450 Ocean, 2 - 4 p.m. Enroll online for $2 off, or drop for $12 (please bring exact change) Register online at https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search?detailskeyword=handwork

Rooted America, community print & movement making

ROOTED AMERICA is a traveling residency chronicling a trail of rhythm, voices, movement and images, honoring the ways that sculptors, musicians, printmakers, theatre creators, choreographers, quilters and art-makers of all kinds are making their mark throughout the United States. For this event, all are welcome to learn about their "mobile residency" experience and gather to get a taste of creating dance with Suchi and prints using monotype and collograph techniques with Lukaza. As with all Camera Obscura Art Lab events, this is geared toward 18+, and depending on attendance, participants may come away with some choreography or a print. More info about their project at rootedamerica.tumblr.com. 1450 Ocean, 12 - 2 p.m., https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search/46526

Santa Monica Certified Farmers Market (Main St.)

The Main Street market hosts a variety activities including bands, a bi-weekly cooking demonstrations, arts and crafts, a face painter, a balloon animal designer as well as seasonal California grown fruits, vegetables, nuts, meats and cheeses. 2640 Main St., 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

September 28

Airport Commission Meeting

Regular meeting of the Santa Monica Airport Commission. City Hall, 7:30 p.m., 1685 Main St. www.smgov.net/Departments/Airport/Commission.

Social Services Commission Meeting

Regular meeting of the Santa Monica Social Services Commission. Ken Edwards Center, 7 p.m., 1527 4th St., www.smgov.net/Departments/CCS/content.aspx?id=31958

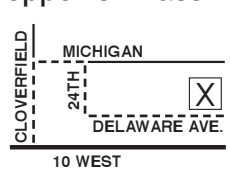
SAT Results Seminar with Kaplan

For students who took the September 19 SAT Practice Test with Kaplan at the Main Library, and their parents. Come to get your score report, and get some insider tips for improving your score on the actual test. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 - 8 p.m.

Bingo Night

Join organizers for an evening of fun. Bingo Night is a one of a kind event bringing members from the community for a night of entertainment and culture awareness. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd., 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

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The 'Race'

HELLO AGAIN, SANTA MONICA, THIS IS Bob Haddad, a Proud Registered Republican Santa

Monica Voter commentating on the Republican Race Debates from the Santa Monica

Daily Press. In our last League competition, on 09/16/2015, at the Ronald Reagan

Presidential Library, in Simi Valley CA, there were 16 major candidates competing for the Republican nomination for President in 2016, all but three of them have been United States Senators or State Governors at some point in their careers. The other three, Donald Trump, Carly Fiorina and Ben Carson, are overwhelmingly leading the Race. This GOP establishment for Republican nomination for President 2016, is turning out to be an extraordinary Strategic Race.

I have invited Russell Haddad, my son, to assist me in commentating on such a diverse talk of the town competition. Russell is also a Proud Registered Republican Voter and a veteran of competition, from Sports to Bespoke Clothing and Music to Voice Over

Acting. He represents all of us that wants the best Republican Leader to be the next President of the United States of America.

Thanks Dad, or I should say, Thanks Bob.

You are absolutely correct, this Republican Race, is starting to, not only fill the stands and leave standing room only, but everyone is on their feet cheering on a thrilling Republican Race. This is a record breaking spectator competition. As of 09/20/2015, the CNN/ORC Debate Poll shows Donald Trump is still controlling the 'Race' with 24% and making the other candidates chase him with all their strength. The crowd is in amazement as Carly Fiorina 15% is passing Ben Carson 14%, as she bids to try to catch Donald Trump, the leader. Bob, even though it is still early, this is an exciting Race that I can't take my eyes off.

Neither can I, Russell. I am also on the edge on my seat. As in any Race, the objective is to win, and Donald Trump is giving us a great performance. He is definitely the candidate that's hard to beat. Carly Fiorina is surging, as well as, Marco Rubio 11%, who is quickly passing Jeb Bush 9% and Ted Cruz 6%, as he knows that now is the time to kick it up a few notches. Russell, the pace of this Race is definitely being set by Donald Trump, even though the rest of the pack is trying to narrow the margin. The rest of the competition, Mike Huckabee 6%, Rand Paul 4%, followed closely behind by a surge from Chris Christie 3% passing John Kasich 2%, know they need to pick up the pace, but as of 09/21/2015 Scott Walker has conceded the Race, and dropped out.

As the Republican Race continues, stay with Russell and I as we go deeper into the strategies of each candidates on addressing the issues of Economy and Immigration, as well as, the continuing results of the 'Debate Race'.



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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide

SMMUSD Announces New Director of Classified Personnel

The SMMUSD Board of Education approved the appointment of Michael

Cool as the new director of classified personnel at its September 2, regular meeting. The SMMUSD personnel commission recommended Cool for the position following recruitment and interviews.

Cool will oversee the recruitment and hiring of classified personnel for SMMUSD under the direction of the personnel commission. SMMUSD currently has approximately 800 classified staff members.

Cool previously worked for Santa Monica College as the supervising personnel analyst since April 2014, where he coordinated, supervised and participated in the recruitment and selection program.

He also worked as a personnel analyst intern for both Bassett Unified School District in La Puente and the Inglewood Unified School District, and was a human resources analyst I for the Ventura County Community College District.

"I am very excited to take on the role of director of classified personnel here at SMMUSD," Cool said.

Although I am new to the district, I am familiar with the community. I previously worked in the Personnel Commission at Santa Monica College, and we enjoyed a close relationship with SMMUSD. I have received a warm welcome and I look forward to a smooth transition to my new home."

Cool received his Bachelors of Science degree in psychology from UC Davis and his Masters of Science degree in industrial-organizational psychology from Cal State Long Beach.

"Michael will be a valuable addition to our district leadership team," Superintendent Sandra Lyon said. "I would like to congratulate him on his new position."

- SUBMITTED BY GAIL PINSKER

Montana Ave.

Movie screening and panel discussion

Santa Monica's Office of Sustainability & the Environment along with American Cinematheque and Sustainable Works present a film screening and panel talk on September 30 at 7:30 p.m., arrive by 7:10 p.m. to guarantee a seat.

Damnation is described as a powerful film odyssey across America that explores the sea change in our national attitude from pride in big dams as engineering wonders to the growing awareness that our own future is bound to the life and health of our rivers

A panel discussion moderated by Connor Everts, Executive Director of the Southern California Watershed Alliance will follow the screening.

Panelist will include; Kim O'Cain, Water Resource Specialist with the City of Santa Monica's Office of Sustainability & the Environment, Jacques Leslie, Journalist and author of Deep Water: The Epic Struggle Over Dams, Displaced People and the Environment and Clark Stevens, Executive Officer of the Resource Conservation District of the Santa Monica Mountains and an architect specializing in habitat restoration.

There will be a prize drawing for over $450 worth of Patagonia merchandise

The event will be held at the Aero Theatre 1328 Montana Ave.

Free admission to Sustainable Works members, the first 100 Santa Monica residents and the first 100 High School and College students (with valid ID) who reserve their seats at https://damnation-screening.eventbrite.com.

Not a Sustainable Works Member or High School/College student? Please purchase tickets at http://fur.ly/O/damnationscreening.

- SUBMITTED BY GINA GARCIA

Citywide

OPCC receives $15,000 grant

Blue Shield of California Foundation has announced a grant of $15,000 to Ocean Park Community Center's (OPCC) Sojourn, California's second oldest continually operating domestic violence shelter, to support their capacity to provide critical services and shelter for survivors of abuse on the Westside of Los Angeles. These core operating funds offer the flexibility to respond to changes and challenges as they arise, so that vital community organizations like OPCC can continue to reach many of the most vulnerable Californians.

"It is a privilege partner with and support California's network of domestic violence service providers, including OPCC said Peter Long, Ph.D., president and CEO of Blue Shield of California Foundation. "Their role in the community is absolutely essential, and we are committed to ensuring they have the resources they need to continue serving domestic violence survivors and their families."

The Foundation understands the importance of unrestricted core operating funds, which can help domestic violence agencies cover important organizational costs during a time when public resources remain scarce.

"OPCC is incredibly grateful for the Blue Shield of California Foundation's generous support that will allow Sojourn to sustain its life-saving and empowering services for both women and children survivors of domestic violence," said John Maceri, OPCC's Executive Director.

This funding is part of a group of grants designed to empower California's domestic service providers and help them continue to make a difference in the lives of thousands of women, children, and families across the state.

Now in its 52nd year, OPCC (formerly Ocean Park Community Center) is the largest social services agency on the Westside of Los Angeles. A non-profit organization headquartered in Santa Monica, OPCC provides highly effective, fully integrated services to the most traumatized, vulnerable and needy members of our community-homeless individuals, victims of domestic violence, at-risk youth, indigent Veterans, and people dealing with severe physical or mental illness or substance abuse. It is the only West L.A.-based agency that offers a comprehensive system of care to solve the complex, multi-faceted problems of this diverse population.

As a result, it has the wide-ranging expertise and programs that enable them to tailor services to the needs of each person, however complicated those needs may be. OPCC offers seven core services that provide support in the areas of housing, domestic violence, physical health, mental health, life skills/wellness, income services and substance abuse. All are designed to improve self-sufficiency, restore dignity, and enable clients to be contributing members of our community, enhancing the quality of life for everyone.

For more information about OPCC, and to see how you can get involved, please visit www.opcc.org. To learn more about Blue Shield visit www.blueshieldcafoundation.org.

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California regulators on Friday restored ambitious rules to cut transportation fuel emissions 10 percent within 5 years, a decision that gives Gov. Jerry Brown a boost for his climate change agenda.

The rules further strengthen California's toughest-in-the-nation carbon emissions standards, but oil producers warn the changes could drive up costs for consumers at the gas pump.

The changes are expected to add a few cents a gallon to the cost of gasoline and diesel fuel in the state that already has some of the highest gas prices in the nation. The state estimates a typical commuter will pay an extra $20 to $24 in 2017, increasing to $52 to $56 in 2020.

"We are on a path to reduce our dependence on petroleum and this program is a key piece of that action," Mary Nichols, chairwoman of the California Air Resources Board, said ahead of the vote.

Brown, a Democrat, has vowed to intensify his fight against climate change after the oil lobby helped kill a Democratic legislative proposal earlier this month to slash statewide petroleum use by half in 15 years. The board is the state's top regulatory agency to enforce rules aimed at reducing air pollution.

Regulators voted 9-0 to re-adopt its low-carbon fuel standard, which requires producers to cut the carbon content of fuels 10 percent by 2020 to help the state meet its emission-reductions goals.

The program was initially adopted in 2009 but the reduction target has been frozen at 1 percent because of a court fight. Friday's vote allows the state to resume its program; modifies rules in response to industry concerns about price spikes; and gives companies more credits for using renewable hydrogen and other investments to reduce pollutants.

Supporters say the program is worthwhile because it will encourage greater use of cleaner biofuels and electric vehicles, which can be cheaper to operate than those powered by gasoline or diesel.

"This puts it back on track," Bill Magavern, policy director at Coalition for Clean Air, an environmental advocacy group, said after the vote. "We have other programs that address vehicle technologies and vehicle miles traveled, and this is the one that tells oil companies to reduce the carbon intensity of their fuels."

Oil producers counter that the rules are unworkable and too costly. They said the standard will impact consumers as the companies try to comply with the mandate or face being shut out of the market.

Catherine Reheis-Boyd, president of the Western States Petroleum Association, which represents oil companies, said the low carbon fuel standard jeopardizes the state's energy future and adds uncertainty.

"California motorists need to know what is coming and how these regulations will impact transportation fuels," Reheis-Boyd said in a statement.

Unlike other rules the state has adopted requiring cleaner-burning fuel or more fuel-efficient vehicles, the standard, first proposed in a 2007 executive order from then-Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, calls for counting all the pollution required to deliver gasoline, diesel or alternative fuels to in-state consumers — from drilling a new oil well or planting corn to delivering it to gas stations.

In addition to tailpipe emissions, it includes factors such as whether an ethanol factory uses coal or natural gas to power production or an oil rig uses diesel fuel to drill.

Regulators are targeting transportation fuels because California's roughly 30 million vehicles account for about 40 percent of the state's emissions — the largest source. The rest comes from generating electricity and industrial manufacturing, as well as commercial, residential and agricultural uses.

All fuels are measured against a baseline pollution standard. If a fuel falls above or below the baseline, it generates a credit or deficit that other producers can buy and sell to meet the target.

It's up to fuel producers to figure out how to meet the goal, whether by changing production methods, using ethanol or electric vehicles for transportation or buying credits on the market.

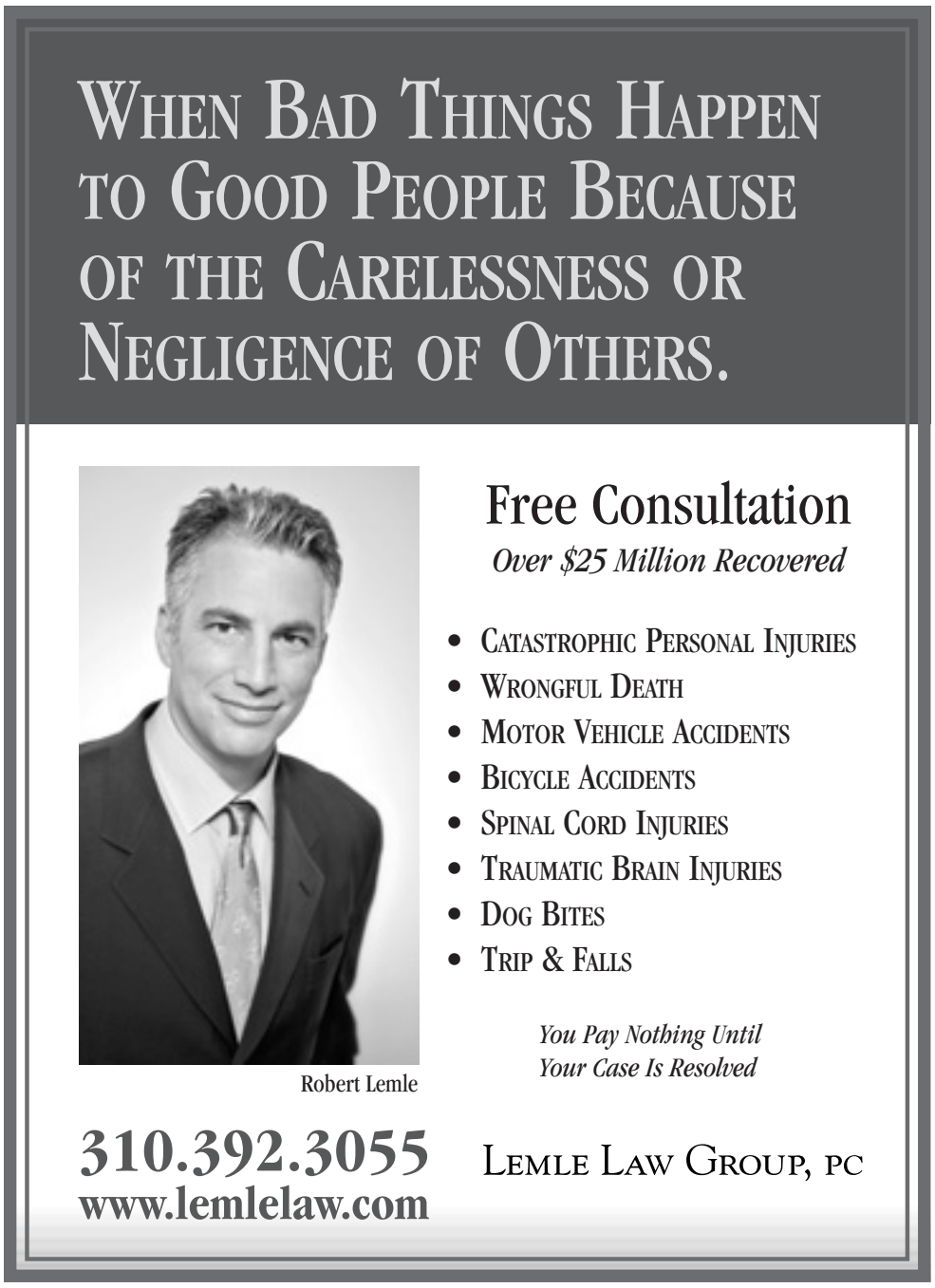
After the rule's initial adoption, out-of-state refiners and ethanol companies were among those who sued, arguing that transporting the fuels into California alone made them less competitive against in-state producers. They argued the law unconstitutionally limits interstate commerce.

The U.S. Supreme Court let stand a 2013 appeals court decision upholding the fuel standard.

Opponents continue to challenge the state's authority to regulate out-of-state production. Oil firms are also trying to block a similar standard enacted in Oregon, the only other state with a clean fuel standard.

Friday's move to restore California's program is not related to Volkswagen drawing international attention for violating separate federal and state rules that regulate emissions from vehicles.







HISTORY

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Think water is a big issue now? It was the subject of much controversy in Santa Monica a century ago this month.

The Santa Monica Water Company was resisting orders from the state railroad commission to supply water to the residents of the area east of 7th Street and north of Wilshire Boulevard, according to a Times article.

"The territory in question is a large one and not densely populated," the article reads. "There is a house here and there. The tract was until recently a bean field, but when it was subdivided, although the streets were paved and sewers installed, the water company did not lay mains."

The water company alleged that the revenue from potential customers in the area wasn't worth the infrastructure costs.

Meanwhile, voters in the city were preparing to consider bonds for the purchase of four privately owned water plants "with a view to joining them in one municipal system," the article reads.

VALUABLE FRUIT PICKED IN SANTA MONICA

The fruit of a rare and valuable plant was picked in Santa Monica a century ago this month.

The Feijoa sellowiana, also known as pineapple guava or guavasteen, was harvested from the Bartlette experimental gardens four years after being planted, according to a brief in Times archives.

The seed was commonly sold at a rate of $6 per gram, the equivalent of $141.57 in 2015 money, according to the federal Bureau of Labor Statistics. The seed was reportedly worth $2,500 per pound in 1915, the equivalent of nearly $59,000 today.

The first specimens of the fruit were brought to California in 1901, according to the brief.

"The fragrance of the ripened fruit may be said to be an indescribable combination of banana, pineapple and strawberry," the brief reads.

PICO EXTENSION PROJECT PLACED ON BALLOT

A slew of road bonds placed on a special election ballot by the county Board of Supervisors a hundred years ago this month included the extension of Pico Boulevard to the beach.

There were $2.85 million in road bonds up for voter approval, according to Times archives, the equivalent of about $67.2 million in 2015 money.

The proposed improvements included the completion of Pico Boulevard from Los Angeles to Santa Monica.

The estimated cost of the 4-mile project was $50,000, or roughly $1.18 million today.

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WAGE

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sharing in voluntary tips left at the table.

A service charge is a mandatory fee, often set at a fix percent of the bill. Service charges are considered the property of the restaurant and are distributed as the owners see fit. Some owners use the fees to cover items like health insurance and/or to equalize compensation among front and back of house employees.

In Los Angeles, the city council removed language related to the use of service charges and directed staff to conduct additional analysis. In Santa Monica, the minimum wage ordinance would limit who can benefit from a service charge.

"Santa Monica's Council directed staff to include language in the ordinance that ensures any service charge remains the property of the staff providing the service," reads the staff report. "The proposed ordinance includes language to this effect, drawn from the City of Los Angeles Hotel Service Charge Reform Ordinance. This provision does not affect a business owner's decision to use a service charge, but ensures that the charge is spent on the employees providing the service."

Mayor Kevin McKeown said the proposal is intended as a transparency measure, to prevent restaurant owners from somehow tricking customers.

"Listing a 'service charge' on a restaurant or hotel bill will make most customers believe they're tipping the servers and other staff. Keeping that money for the company, not passing that charge through to the workers, is something we may want to question as to ethics and appropriateness," he said.

Josh Loeb owner of the Rustic Canyon Family of Restaurants said he supports the wage increase but said the service charge rules make no sense.

"The minimum wage ordinance is a good thing," he said. "Everyone should make $15 an hour no-one is disputing that."

He said the service charges are listed on the menu and he has no issue with the city helping to craft the necessary language to inform customers of the fee. Loeb said customers are free to choose which restaurants they want to eat at and if they don't want to pay a service charge, they can find restaurants that don't use them.

However, to micromanage the service charge is actually counterproductive according to Loeb because replacing voluntary tips with a service fee actually equalizes pay among all employees, not just those the customer can see while the City's rules prevent the payment to back of house staff.

"We're replacing (tipping) with a more equitable paradigm," he said. "Consumers always have a choice and our intent is not to be malicious, but don't vilify the restaurant industry for trying to be creative."

He said a service charge is actually the most transparent option. Business could just raise prices but a service fee allows customers to see how costs are factored into their bill.

Hunter Hall with the Santa Monica Neighborhood Restaurant Coalition said some elements of the local rules seem to be unconnected to the issue of raising wages and could spoil what is an otherwise noble pursuit.

He said Santa Monica's rules could be in conflict with state law.

"Service fees should be the operator's decision," he said. "If you muddy the water between state and local rules all it does is create a breeding ground for animosity and litigation."

Hall said the city should follow the path of Los Angeles and pull the service fee issue from the rules.

"It just doesn't make sense for the city to use the small business community as a Guinea pig for this issue," he said.

Loeb said he'd also like Santa Monica to delay or possibly eliminate union exemptions to the minimum wage rules.

According to the staff report, the City Council has directed staff to exempt "employers whose staff are protected by a collective bargaining agreement. The proposed ordinance includes this requirement. Union supersession is already a condition of Santa Monica's living wage policy and some development agreements."

Similar rules were pulled from the City of Los Angeles language.

The staff report said business owners have said the union exemption creates a competitive disadvantage for non-union businesses, a concern Loeb and Hall echoed.

"To allow (unions) to negotiate around the minimum wage allows them to market themselves and get more union businesses," said Loeb. "It's a tool to incentivize unions and it puts some of us at a competitive disadvantage."

Hall said there's no good argument for the exemption other than politics and said the restaurant industry is more than willing to participate in discussions over the issues.

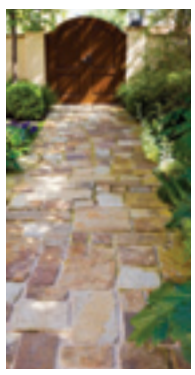
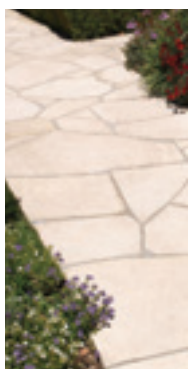
Staff has proposed the development of a working group with local businesses pending the results of the Council discussion Tuesday night.

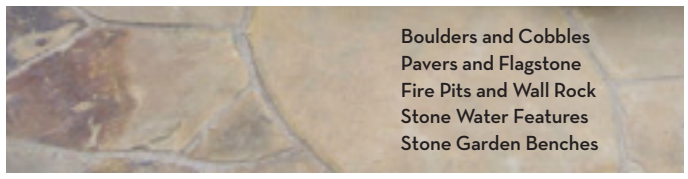
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Driver who killed newlywed on boardwalk gets stiff sentence

BRIAN MELLEY
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A driver who killed an Italian honeymooner and injured 17 pedestrians and peddlers when he barreled down the popular Venice Beach Boardwalk two years ago was sentenced Friday to 42 years to life in prison after a judge said his apology rang hollow and failed to take responsibility for his crimes.

Nathan Campbell, 40, a drifter from Colorado, was convicted of second-degree murder in the death of newlywed Alice Gruppioni, 17 counts of assault with a deadly weapon and 10 counts of leaving an accident scene.

Campbell spoke clearly and without emotion as he read a handwritten statement that said no words would ever express his sorrow for the nightmare he caused for so many on Aug. 3, 2013. While acknowledging he had caused emotional and physical trauma, Campbell said the "horrible accident" was unintentional.

"Every minute of every day I wish that the horrible things that happened on Aug. 3, 2013, had not," he wrote on yellow-lined legal paper. "I wish I could have stopped instead of panicking, causing pain to so many people."

Judge Kathryn Solorzano said the horror he inflicted was no accident.

"Everything you did on that date is criminal behavior," she said. "You had this deadly weapon that you were manipulating. All you had to do was stop."

Campbell was gunning for a drug dealer who ripped him off when he steered his dark blue Dodge Avenger around poles and accelerated through one of Los Angeles' top tourist attractions, Deputy District Attorney Victor Avila said in his sentencing memo.

"If not for sheer luck, more people could have been killed," Avila said. "Defendant created chaos and a scenario of great violence which to this date has not only traumatized the victims, but also witnesses who observed from a distance."

Witnesses heard a revving engine, and one man said Campbell was smiling as he picked people off, sending them airborne. There were screams of terror and cries of pain, but no one reported hearing a horn or any warning from the driver.

Campbell testified that he meant to shift the car into reverse and panicked when it went forward. Defense lawyer James Cooper III said Campbell had been drinking earlier in the day and that he swerved to avoid pedestrians.

Nancy Martinez used a cane as she hobbled to the witness stand at an August hearing to describe the lasting impact of her injuries. She said her life had been completely changed that day and she's no longer able to dance, run or work.

"It's been two years now, and I'm still in pain with the trauma," she said through an interpreter. She said she worried about going out, "fearful that I'll be hit again."

The first person injured in the rampage, Judith Fox, recalled how Campbell struck an ATM machine that came "flying through the air." It knocked her to the ground, and she banged the back of her head.

"I will forever feel that this person was on a mission to maim and kill innocent people," Fox said.

HERITAGE

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Hispanic parents criticized for downplaying its Cinco de Mayo roots.

The heritage month also follows the release of state test results that reveal wide performance gaps between Latino students and their peers, a hot topic as district officials work to improve equity in academic achievement.

On the new Smarter Balanced exams, the SMMUSD pass rate in English language was 48 percent among Hispanic students. That figure was 78 percent among white students and 83 percent for Asians.

Similar disparities were found in math, where just 33 percent of Latino test-takers in the district met or exceeded the standard. Those rates were 69 percent and 77 percent for white and Asian students in the district, respectively.

"Clearly, we must continue working to eliminate these gaps," state education Supt. Tom Torlakson has said.

Local Board of Education member Maria Leon-Vazquez said it's important for teachers to find "organic" ways to integrate cultural diversity into their lessons.

Leon-Vazquez, one of the first Latina members of the SMMUSD board, said student exposure to other cultures should occur not just during the heritage month but also throughout the rest of the school year.

John Muir Elementary School was scheduled to hold its sixth-annual celebration of Hispanic Heritage Month on Sept. 25.

"It's an opportunity for the community to get together and share their culture," said Irene Gonzalez-Castillo, the SMMUSD director of elementary curriculum and instruction.

At Will Rogers, students are researching Latinos who have made contributions in science, technology, engineering and math. They will share the knowledge with their peers, Gonzalez-Castillo said.

Roosevelt Elementary School students will read "A Chair for My Mother" as teachers infuse their lessons with an emphasis on character development, according to Gonzalez-Castillo. Children will also learn about Francisco Jimenez, a Mexican-American writer who teaches at Santa Clara University.

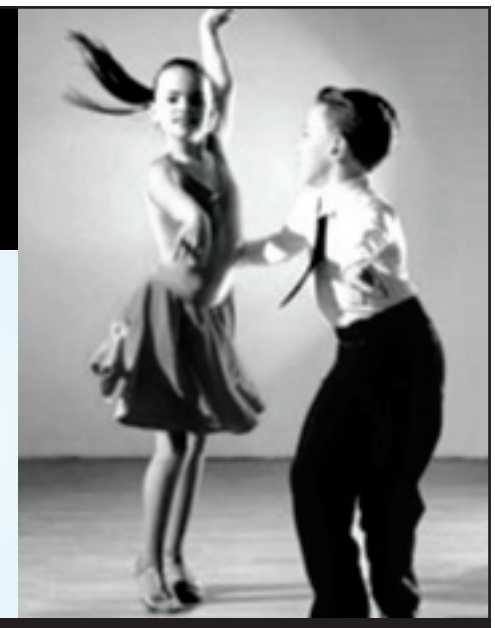
Students at Webster Elementary School in Malibu are conducting close readings of nonfiction articles, including one about a Cuban digital journalist and another about a Chicago school district's culturally diverse music program.

At Santa Monica High School, facts about Hispanic history and heritage were relayed to students earlier this month, according to student board representative Mirai Miura.

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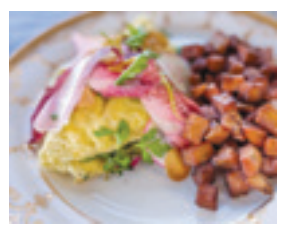




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Report recommends expanding SeaWorld killer whale tanks

JULIE WATSON
Associated Press

SeaWorld should be allowed to build a much larger facility for its killer whales, a state government report recommended Friday in a move that outrages animal rights groups that see it as a step toward breeding more orcas in captivity.

The staff of the California Coastal Commission made the recommendations ahead of the regulatory board's Oct. 8 meeting where it is scheduled to vote on SeaWorld's permit request for the $100 million expansion.

The staff recommends attaching nine conditions to the permit that include requiring SeaWorld to not house newly captured orcas at its San Diego location. The report states that while no orcas have been taken from U.S. waters since the 1980s, the new facility could "potentially create the incentive to commit such capture in the future, which would be an adverse impact to California's coastal resources and to a species of special biological significance."

Tens of thousands have written the commission about the issue. Many expressed opposition to the plans, calling the expansion a marketing ploy to boost its plummeting marine-theme park attendance and not address their belief that orcas should not be in captivity at all. Attendance has dropped since the release of the popular 2013 documentary "Blackfish," which suggested SeaWorld's treatment of captive orcas provokes violent behavior.

Some environmentalists fear the bigger facility will be used by SeaWorld to breed more orcas.

"This is not limiting them in any way. In fact, this would do the opposite," said Sara Wan, a former commissioner who now works as a consultant for the Animal Defense Legal Fund. "They could breed all the orcas they want with this facility and ship them all over the world."

As part of its expansion, SeaWorld proposes demolishing portions of its 1995 "Shamu" killer whale facility, which included a 1.7 million gallon pool. In its place would be a 5.2 million gallon pool and a smaller 450,000 gallon pool. There would be no changes to seating at the existing stadium.

SeaWorld says in its proposal that the orca population housed at the new facility would not significantly increase — which would meet one of the nine conditions recommended by the staff.

Under the other conditions, SeaWorld could not house any orcas captured in the wild after February 2014 at its San Diego location, with the exception of rescued killer whales approved by one or more government agencies for rehabilitation or deemed as unfit for release into the wild. And it could not use any genetic material from wild whales caught after February 2014. The conditions would only apply to its San Diego park, since the coastal commission only has jurisdiction over that location.

SeaWorld says it would agree to the conditions and has not collected a killer whale in more than 35 years. About 80 percent of the killer whales in its care were born at SeaWorld parks or other zoos. It houses 11 orcas at its San Diego park.

The project, called "Blue World," would open in 2018 if approved. It would reflect "more natural, dynamic and adaptable environments," the company said. SeaWorld also has promised to fund additional research on the animals along with programs to protect ocean health and whales in the wild.

"The proposed Blue World project will provide not only an expanded habitat for whales, but also new opportunities for researchers to conduct studies that will benefit killer whales and other cetaceans in the wild," said Paul Ponganis, a researcher at Scripps Institution of Oceanography.

The Orlando, Florida-based company said the renovations had been in the works for some time and were not in response to the documentary "Blackfish." SeaWorld says the animals are well treated and their shows help garner support for conservation.

The company's stock has fallen 50 percent over the past two years, and attendance at the original SeaWorld, in San Diego, has lagged behind its other theme parks. Legislators in California also proposed banning performances featuring orcas, which kept criticism of SeaWorld in the news. The company has blamed competition from other theme parks for its overall drop in attendance of about 2 percent.

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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: **75.4°**

SATURDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-3 ft** ankle to waist high
SW swell trends down. Minor windswell.

SUNDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-3 ft** ankle to waist high
SW swell trends down as minor SSW swell shows. Small windswell.

MONDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-3 ft** ankle to waist high
Small SSW swell. Small windswell.

BEACH REPORT CARD

NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous 30 days up to the ending date of: **January 12, 2015**

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

The Beach Report Card is made possible by: SMA Swain Barber Foundation

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

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
El Pescador State Beach, between Lachusa and Los Alisos creeks.		
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	B	A+
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	F
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	F	A+
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	F
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	F	A+
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A+	D
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	A+
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	A+	F
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	F
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	A	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	ns	F
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	F
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	A+
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A+	A+
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	F
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	B
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ns	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	B	F
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	B	A+

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

LEGEND
DRY -- each location is graded on an A - F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone
WET -- grades for days of recorded rainfall and the following 3 days
ns -- no sample taken

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CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF



Crime Watch is culled from reports provided by the Santa Monica Police Department. These are arrests only. All parties are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

ON SEPTEMBER 18 AT APPROXIMATELY 8:50 P.M.

Officers responded to a call of a purse theft that had just occurred at the Lobster Restaurant located in the 1600 block of Ocean Avenue. Upon arrival, officers spoke with the victim whom stated that she had placed her purse on the back of her chair, and as she got ready to leave the restaurant she noticed her purse was missing. As officers reviewed the CCTV surveillance footage, they noticed a second victim. While officers were responding to this call, dispatch advised officers in the field that the victim's phone was being tracked in the area of 4th Street and Arizona Avenue.

Officer's working the 3rd Street detail were conducting periodic checks at the Apple Store, when they heard the call come in of a purse stolen at the restaurant, and they recalled that once these thefts occur, suspects generally use the stolen credit cards in stores in the downtown area. An officer recognized two subjects, later identified as Manuel Bastias-Gutierrez, 28 of Van Nuys and Xiomara Salas, 31 of Van Nuys, as subjects from crime bulletins wanted for previous purse thefts. Upon seeing officers, Bastias-Gutierrez began to show signs of being nervous as he and Salas proceeded to exit the store. Officers detained the subjects and asked Bastias-Gutierrez if he had anything illegal on his person, he said no. Officers found stolen credit cards on his person and the suspects had also tried hiding other stolen cards in air vents at the store while they were being detained. An employee at the Apple Store told officers that earlier in the day, both subjects had attempted to purchase a laptop; yet the card they tried using was declined. Arrested were Manuel Bastias-Gutierrez and Xiomara Salas for burglary, grand theft, credit card fraud and conspiracy to commit a crime. Salas had an added charge of possession of false government identification. Bail was set at $3,000,000.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 379 calls for service on Sept. 24.

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

Living in a car 700 block of Washington 12:01 a.m.
Party complaint 1200 block of 11th 12:42 a.m.
Prowler 700 block of Copeland 3:59 a.m.
Person with a gun Ocean/Broadway 4:44 a.m.
Indecent exposure 2800 block of Lincoln 6:09 a.m.
Speeding 27th/Pico 6:42 a.m.
Found property 800 block of Palisades Park 8:43 a.m.
Battery 1500 block of Lincoln 8:44 a.m.
Bike theft 2400 block of Ocean Park 9:55 a.m.
Drinking in public 17th/Montana 10:30 a.m.
Vandalism 1500 block of Harvard 10:55 a.m.
Officer needs backup Ocean/Colorado 11:14 a.m.
Fraud 1500 block of 17th 11:18 a.m.
Juvenile annoying investigation Lincoln/Kensington 11:32 a.m.
Auto burglary 2500 block of Arizona 11:36 a.m.
Identity theft 2900 block of 4th 11:44 a.m.
Out of order traffic light Lincoln/Ocean Park 11:44 a.m.
Drinking in public 700 block of Wilshire 11:50 a.m.
Fraud 2400 block of 2nd 11:55 a.m.
Burglary 1200 block of 10th 12:05 p.m.
Fraud 200 block of Bicknell 12:16 p.m.
Traffic accident Centinela/Ocean Park 1:02 p.m.
Grand theft auto 1200 block of 6th 1:42 p.m.
Hit and run 3200 block of Santa Monica 2:03 p.m.
Fraud 1300 block of Pine 2:03 p.m.
Grand theft 100 block of Wilshire 2:06 p.m.
Petty theft 1200 block of 3rd Street Prom 2:20 p.m.
Violation of restraining order 800 block of 17th 2:25 p.m.
Battery 3100 block of 3rd 2:30 p.m.
Battery 1400 block of Broadway 2:50 p.m.
Traffic hazard 2nd/Marine 3:03 p.m.
Elder abuse 3rd Street Promenade 3:04 p.m.
Fraud 3000 block of Olympic 3:07 p.m.
Fraud 2800 block of Neilson 3:11 p.m.
Petty theft 1100 block of Montana 3:15 p.m.
Petty theft 600 block of Georgina 3:19 p.m.
Elder abuse 1100 block of 4th 3:27 p.m.
Traffic accident 1800 block of Santa Monica 3:45 p.m.
Assault 500 block of Olympic 4:11 p.m.
Grand theft 300 block of 23rd 4:20 p.m.
Traffic accident 2nd/Santa Monica 4:23 p.m.
Auto burglary 2000 block of Stewart 5:14 p.m.
Petty theft 500 block of Santa Monica 5:57 p.m.
Battery 2000 block of 21st 6:04 p.m.
Hit and run 1500 block of Ocean 6:12 p.m.
Identity theft 1600 block of Ocean Front Walk 6:32 p.m.
Speeding Neilson/Bay 6:40 p.m.
Auto burglary 1700 block of Ocean Park 7 p.m.
Traffic accident Cloverfield/Michigan 7:10 p.m.
Vandalism 1000 block of 16th 7:50 p.m.
Traffic accident 1800bl Wilshire 7:53 p.m.
Battery 1800 block of Cloverfield 8:04 p.m.
Indecent exposure 2000 block of Main 8:08 p.m.
Bike theft 200 block of Broadway 8:42 p.m.
Battery Ocean/Broadway 8:51 p.m.
Domestic violence 2200 block of Lincoln 9:49 p.m.
Battery 300 block of Santa Monica 10:09 p.m.
Domestic violence 300 block of Santa Monica 10:11 p.m.
Speeding main/ocean park 10:15 p.m.
Traffic accident 20th/Santa Monica 10:19 p.m.
Grand theft auto 1800 block of 20th 10:22 p.m.
Traffic accident 2200 block of Lincoln 10:22 p.m.
Vandalism 1000 block of 17th 10:23 p.m.
Drunk driving 2700 block of Santa Monica 11:01 p.m.
Petty theft 300 block of Santa Monica Pier 11:03 p.m.

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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Basic ideas
6 Put in stitches
11 Big singing group
12 Get up
13 More dreadful
14 Fosse forte
15 Offering a view
17 Atlantic catch
18 Flamenco cheer
19 Frat parties
22 Take home
23 Sign up
24 Boarded
25 Flight units
27 Recuperation site
30 Spanish dishes
31 "Mazel —!"
32 "That's it!"
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40 Bit of history
41 Out of style
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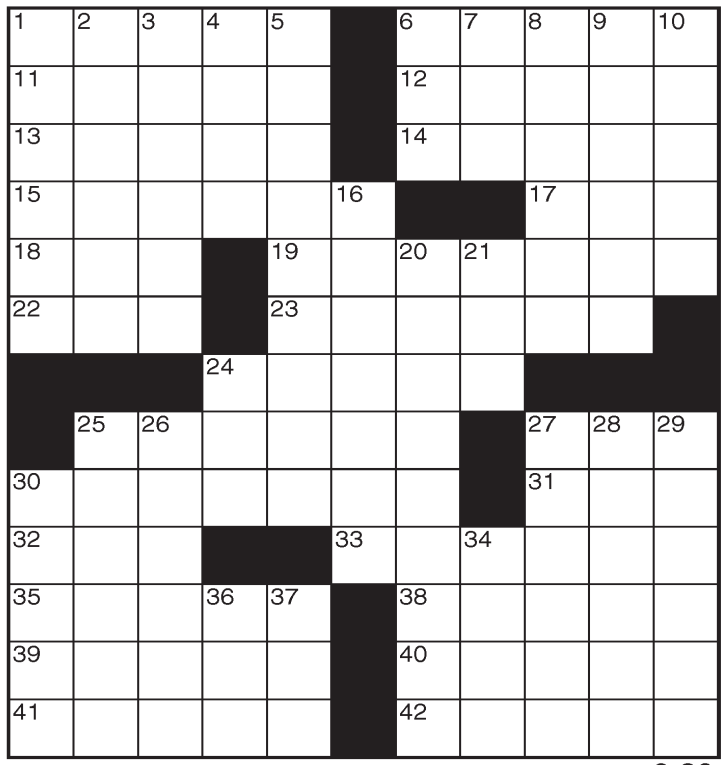
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1 Baptized boy
2 Eaves dripper
3 Parade site
4 New driver, often
5 Get a gusher
6 Blue
7 Pitching stat
8 Reacts to a sour note
9 Chaperone
10 Monopoly cards
16 Middle
20 Hardly mention
21 Collins ingredient
24 Lass
25 Much of Niger
26 Brewing need
27 New York's — Island
28 Packing a punch
29 Wards off
30 Showed nervousness
34 Place to put in
36 Dedicated work
37 Homer's neighbor

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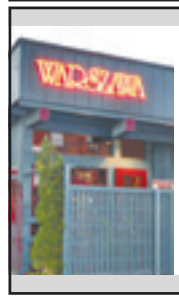
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Difficulty Level ★★★★

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

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

POWERBALL
Draw Date: 9/23
8 29 41 51 58
Power#: 5
Jackpot: 267M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 9/22
28 30 38 45 51
Mega#: 8
Jackpot: 31M

SUPER LOTTO
Draw Date: 9/23
17 25 26 30 44
Mega#: 16
Jackpot: 11M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 9/24
4 15 26 37 39

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 9/25
MIDDAY: 1 9 9
Draw Date: 9/24
EVENING: 3 3 2

DAILY DERBY
Draw Date: 9/24
1st: 10 Solid Gold
2nd: 05 California Classic
3rd: 09 Winning Spirit
RACE TIME: 1:47.65

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donnybrook
1. (often initial capital letter) an inordinately wild fight or contentious dispute; brawl; free-for-all

TODAY IN HISTORY

1981 - Baseball: Nolan Ryan sets a Major League record by throwing his fifth no-hitter.

1983 - Soviet nuclear false alarm incident, military officer Stanislav Petrov identifies a report of an incoming nuclear missile as a computer error and not an American first strike.

1984 - The United Kingdom agrees to the handover of Hong Kong

1997 - A Garuda Indonesia Airbus A300 crashes near Medan, Indonesia, airport, killing 234.

1997 - An earthquake strikes the Italian regions of Umbria and the Marche, causing part of the Basilica of St. Francis at Assisi to collapse.

2000 - Anti-globalization protests in Prague (some 20,000 protesters) turn violent during the IMF and World Bank summits.

2000 - The MS Express Samina sinks off Paros in the Aegean Sea killing 80 passengers.

2002 - The overcrowded Senegalese ferry MV Le Joola capsizes off the coast of the Gambia killing more than 1,000.

2008 - Swiss pilot and inventor Yves Rossy becomes first person to fly a jet engine-powered wing across the English Channel.

NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Spike's Tactical of Apopka, Florida, introduced its version of the AR-15 assault rifle this summer "designed to never be used by Muslim terrorists." Laser-etched on one side is a symbol of the Christian Crusades and on the other, language from Psalm 144. Spike's Tactical CEO Angela Register predicted brisk sales: "Men like to accessorize their guns more than women like to accessorize their outfits."

■ Egypt's notorious corruption apparently reached a new level of victimizing in the summer as Mariam Malak, one of the top-performing high school students in the entire country, not only failed all six of her final exams but received scores of "zero" in each. Her family, and a legion of supporters on social media, have demanded that the prime minister investigate, especially whether another student had paid to acquire Mariam's scores or whether Mariam was failed intentionally because she is of Egypt's Coptic Christian minority.

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We're the cure we've been waiting for

by Mikey Tittinger

Everyone's voice counts in America. And everyone can be an Activist, whether you're a presidential candidate or not even old enough to vote. Take the case of the 4,000% drug increase.

Earlier this week, the pharmaceutical company Turing announced they would keep the life-saving drug Daraprim — used in the treatment of cancer and AIDS patients — affordable. Was it a change of a heart on behalf of 32-year-old CEO Martin Shkreli? Well, yeah. But probably not because raising the price of each pill from $13.50 to $750 seemed cruel and detached.

It's probably because he became the most hated man in America overnight due to the outcry on social media. Even Hillary Clinton joined the shaming party on Monday, tweeting she would fight to put an end to drug "price gouging."

While Shkreli didn't specify just what "affordable" was in his estimation, he vowed to use any increased profits from the drug's sales to find new and improved treatments. Of course, in America, drug companies can charge whatever they want for medications they patent, a moral argument for another day. But the lessons in Turing's about-face show that Activism comes in many shapes and sizes.



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Pace yourself tonight, Libra

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ If you were open about how you feel, you would express a need to be more reserved. You might sense a situation arising around an older friend or associate. A child needs your caring, much more than you had anticipated. Don't spread yourself too thin. Tonight: Happy at home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ You'll want to meet up with a friend who can be somewhat unpredictable. You could find the adjustments you need to make to see this person a little tiring. Revise your thinking. You are choosing to be with this person, and you know the patience it requires. Tonight: Hang out.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Be aware of how you project yourself. Should you choose to be silly, you will draw more silliness toward you. If you choose to be grumpy, you are likely to attract other crabby people. A partner points this fact out to you. Make an adjustment if necessary. Tonight: A favorite place.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Reach out to someone you care about. You might not know what would be best to do about a request from a relative or neighbor. You know you should do it, but you don't feel like it. Know that the other party can sense your reluctance. Tonight: Go where you can listen to music.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You could feel as if someone is demanding too much from you. How you establish limits will be up to you. You can't let this person keep draining you, especially financially. Be willing to say "no" more. You will be happier as a result. Tonight: Add some spice to your evening.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Others will seek you out to share some wonderful ideas. You will need to say "no" if you have to pitch in past your comfort level. You might be unusually positive at the moment, but think in terms of the long run. Express a sense of humor in dealing with a problem. Tonight Out.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Your insistence to have a situation fit your specs could backfire when you least expect it to. Understand what is going on with a roommate, partner or family member. This person seems to want to resist your requests. A friend eggs you on in a new direction. Tonight: Pace yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ You might be too tired to continue down the present path. Rethink your plans. Allow more fun into interactions with those you enjoy. You'll recycle quickly when you learn to let go and relax. Someone will let you know how strongly he or she feels about you. Tonight: Playful.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You might not intentionally oppose someone, but you will anyway. Your priorities are so different from this person's that you can't seem to agree. Stay close to home, and allow others to come over and visit. You might need to revise your budget. Tonight: Get into a fun game.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You could be flooded by calls, visits and requests. Though you are overwhelmed, you might want to do something you enjoy with someone you always have a good time with. Weigh the pros and cons of what is being offered. Tonight: Togetherness feels great.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Be more open about your limitations. A loved one appreciates what you have to handle. This person understands what you deal with, and he or she will respond accordingly. You could be working through a problem in your mind. Get a second opinion. Tonight: Make it your treat.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Be aware of what others expect from you. You'll need to deal with their expectations, especially if they are not grounded. A friend means well, but he or she could become somewhat of a nuisance. Accept a loved one's gesture to pitch in. Tonight: Ask and you shall receive.

Weekend Edition, September 26-27, 2015

This year you often have wonderful ideas. You might want to see how grounded they are, though, before you proceed with them. Your instincts are particularly good, and you seem to home in on what others don't even sense. Be aware of what is not working in your life, and let go of it gracefully. If you are single, be careful with whom you choose to date. Someone could deceive you about who he or she is. If you are attached, the two of you benefit from going on getaways together. Your relationship needs to be valued. PISCES reveals everything to you.

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

Speed Bump
By Dave Coverly



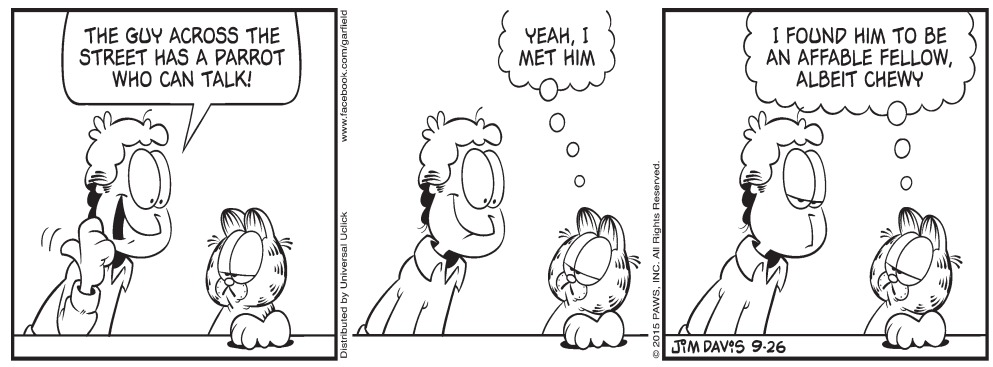
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