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THE LOTS OF NEWS ISSUE



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BUSTED? **Santa Monica Police place a suspect in Wednesday night's shooting into a squad car following an intense search in and around Sunset Park.**

Shooting victim ends up behind bars

SMPD officers arrest 18-year-old hours after being released from hospital

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY The victim of a gang-related shooting that took place Wednesday night was in police custody just hours after being released from a local hospital with a wound to the leg, arrested for interfering with a separate investigation into a gang member carrying a concealed weapon, police said.

The victim, and an 18-year-old resident whose identity was not released by police, was arrested Thursday afternoon after he allegedly refused to cooperate with officers who wanted information on a suspected gang member who fled the location when officers arrived. Police found the suspect hiding in a closet in a nearby apartment. A gun was also found nearby. Police said when the suspect ran from police he was fidgeting with his waistband as if he had a weapon.

Officers placed the man who fled under arrest for being a suspected gang member in possession of a concealed weapon. The victim in Wednesday's shooting was arrested for interfering with an investigation. Both were also booked with gang enhancements. A third person was arrested at the scene for outstanding warrants, said SMPD Sgt. Jay Trisler.

The arrests came just hours after the victim was shot in the leg along with a man in his 70s, who officers believe was an innocent bystander. That shooting occurred around 6:10 p.m. Wednesday near the corner of Seventh and Marine streets in the Borderline Neighborhood. Officers arrived to find the victims suffering from non life-threatening injuries. Witnesses said a white truck was involved.

Officers located the truck as it traveled northbound on Fourth Street onto Interstate-10 heading east. The driver refused to pull over. The pursuit ended when the suspects ditched the truck at the Centinela Avenue off-ramp and jumped down the embankment.

Armed with a helicopter, officers set up a perimeter that stretched from Bundy Drive south to Peal Street, and north to the I-10, Trisler said. Both suspects, 17 and 19, were apprehended within the perimeter by 10:30 p.m. No weapon was found. The suspects were booked for attempted murder. The juvenile was not eligible for bail. The 19-year-old suspect was identified as Salvador

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New wave of construction projects for SMC

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

PICO BOULEVARD The future of Santa Monica College holds a lot of construction and a series of brand new educational facilities when the dust clears.

The community college is in the process of updating an 11-year-old development plan to account for roughly a dozen projects that will take place at three campuses — Main, Performing Arts and Academy of Entertainment & Technology — over the next seven years, replacing aging structures and creating what officials believe will be an optimal learning environment for students.

SMC officials on Wednesday held the first of three community workshops on the update of the Career and Educational Facilities Master Plan, which the Board of Trustees approved in 1998, guiding several major projects including the expansion of the campus library, the recently completed quad, the new liberal arts and sciences buildings and the consolidated Student Services Center, which is currently under construction. There were less than half a dozen residents at the meeting.

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Taking on the big boys

Samohi travels to Valencia to face one of SoCal's top teams

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

VALENCIA If Santa Monica High School is going to improve its record to 2-2, it sure won't come easily.

Coming off a last-minute loss to rival

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Friday, Oct. 2, 2009

Movies by the bay
Santa Monica Pier
7 p.m.
The final installment of Movies on the Pier will feature the classic "Ferris Bueller's Day Off." This is a free event. Visitors are invited to free popcorn and bottled water if they visit the Verizon Wireless tent while supplies last.

Alt your lifestyle
Santa Monica Civic Auditorium
1885 Main St., 10 a.m. — 5 p.m.
The fourth annual Alternative Energy and Transportation Expo returns this year, offering a number of unprecedented presentations and cutting-edge vehicles for consumers to drive. The expo, which is free with $8 parking, features top speakers and noted exhibitors within the green and transportation industries. The expo showcases over 100 alt-fuel and ultra-efficient vehicles. Scooters, Segways, electric motorcycles, bicycles and more will be on hand. Low-speed and freeway-capable vehicles will be available for public "ride-and-drives" and for immediate purchase. Call (310) 390-2930 for more information.

Saturday, Oct. 3, 2009

Arts for all ages
Senior Center
1450 Ocean Blvd., 9:30 a.m. — 4:40
Join the Senior Arts Foundation and the City of Santa Monica for the Second Annual Senior & Family Intergenerational Arts Festival: Celebration of Life. The event will feature exhibitions, demonstrations and interactive workshops on everything from drumming to bookmaking to acting. Festival admission is free. Please call (310) 393-0701 x 21 or go to www.SeniorArtsFoundation.org for more information.

Youth photogs
McKinley Elementary School
2401 Santa Monica Blvd., 12:00 p.m. — 2:00 p.m.
Participants in the "Kids with Cameras" program will be displaying their work in a photo exhibition followed by a community conversation. The Santa Monica Bay Human Relations Council started the program to create an awareness of civic responsibility in the Mid-City neighborhood. Please call (310) 399-7049 or e-mail Fabian@FabianLewkowicz.com for more information.

Eco Fine Art Exhibit
L.A. Marler Studio and Gallery
3000-B Airport Ave., 12:00 p.m. — 8:00 p.m.
Drop by local artist Louise Anne Marler's studio to experience her "Oil is History" exhibit. Featuring conceptual junkyard photos, Marler explores how past methods of transport give way to a new era. The event is free, with eco-friendly merchandise available as well. Call (310) 449-4477 for more information.

Sunday, Oct. 4, 2009

Film time
UnUrban Coffee House
3301 West Pico, 5:30 p.m.
Before the National Day of Protest against the War in Afghanistan, come to the UnUrban Coffee House for a screening of "Rethink Afghanistan." Tickets are free, but a donation is requested at the door. Please RSVP at rethink.bravenewtheaters.com/screening/show/12855.

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

Leaving gas guzzlers behind

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

CIVIC CENTER Those who missed out on the federal "Cash for Clunkers" program have another opportunity to get their hands on vehicles that get good gas mileage at the fourth annual AltCar Expo at the Civic Auditorium Friday and Saturday.

Visitors to the free event will be exposed to the latest technology on the market, and some products that have yet to hit showrooms. There will be electric, hydrogen, biodiesel, natural gas, propane, plug-in hybrids and ethanol-powered autos and motorcycles on hand to test drive and purchase.

And you don't have to have a car to get there. A complimentary bike valet will be provided by the city of Santa Monica, the expo's sponsor. There will also be an emphasis on other forms of transportation, such as taking public transit.

"Our goal is to show that alternative fuels work and they are here now and we can start using them today," said Rick Sikes of City Hall's Fleet Management Division. "And whatever you use to reduce your use of petroleum, whether it be walking, biking, plug-in hybrid or taking public transit; there's something everyone can do."

Sikes said 86 percent of Santa Monica's municipal fleet, which does not include fire engines and police cars, runs on alternative fuels or are electric, demonstrating City Hall's commitment to sustainability.

The expo features major manufacturers like Honda, Toyota, General Motors and Ford (BMW is unveiling the E-mini, with City Hall leasing eight as part of a demonstration project), as well as companies just starting to get their fleets on the ground like Santa Monica-based Coda, which is planning to release its all-electric sedan in California next year.

"The goal [of the expo] is to let consumers know what we are about and where we are coming from," said Kara Saltness, marketing and communications director for Coda. "It's really showing off what we have and explaining the technology."

The four-door Coda sedan can be charged by simply plugging into a 220 volt outlet used for a washer and dryer. It has a range of 120 miles in the city and 100 miles on the highway, Saltness said. It takes about six hours to fully charge the vehicle.

With federal tax credits, the goal for Coda is to get the cost of their sedan down to the mid to lower 30s. Those interested can pre-

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PASSING FANCY: **Starting quarterback Matthew Partyka gets ready to throw during St. Monica's varsity football practice at Airport Park on Thursday afternoon. St. Monica has a record of 1-2 heading into Friday night's game against Lucerne Valley.**

HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL

Getting back on track

Following a loss, St. Monica goes for a win over Lucerne Valley

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

ST. BERNARD It has been a while since St. Monica could even contemplate a two-win season.

Times surely have changed for the Mariners who head into a matchup against Lucerne Valley at St. Bernard High School tonight looking for a second win in only the fourth game of the season. Quite a change for a team who spent the better part of the last four seasons searching for one win.

Both teams come into the non-league matchup nursing 1-2 records, but performance against a common foe has St. Monica in the position of favorite. St. Monica easily dispatched Animo Leadership 31-0 earlier this season. Lucerne Valley, on the other hand, lost to Animo 7-13 last week.

Those results give St. Monica Head Coach Larry Muno reason to be optimistic, but he knows better than to overlook this week's opponent.

"They do some tricky stuff offensively," Muno said of Lucerne Valley. "They have some good running schemes that are difficult to pick up."

Muno said he's impressed by Lucerne Valley's quirky offense that slightly favors the run over the pass.

"They are big up front and they present a problem," Muno said.

Lucerne Valley Head Coach Chris Klinger said that his offense resembles St. Monica's, but said that his squad has a long way to go before they can be considered as proficient as the Mariners' unit.

"We came and watched (St. Monica) play," Klinger said. "They like to throw the ball everywhere."

Klinger was particularly impressed with St. Monica junior quarterback Matthew Partyka and his ability to spread the ball around to a number of talented wide receivers.

"When you're looking at a team like them," Klinger said, "I didn't see any one weapon above anyone else.

"They have a strong corps of receivers."

That group of pass catchers, which includes Danny White and Kyle Farber, performed well in last week's loss to Laguna Beach despite the fact the Mariners were playing without leading receiver Sam Holguin, who broke his ankle the previous week and is expected to miss the remainder of the season.

Muno too sees the passing game as his team's best chance to win the game. He doesn't expect to tinker much with the

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Shining a light

Editor:

I've read the recent articles on the Saint John's Health Center. Thank you.

As the neighbors of Saint John's, my whole family has suffered a lot from its endless construction for a decade – the noise, air pollution, traffic problems and the bad toxic smells from their sewage systems. We wouldn't have bought our condo in the early 1990s if we knew what our "big neighbor" Saint John's would do.

On the hospital meeting held a few weeks ago, they told us the sewage system worked and they'd solved the problems, but in the evening of Sept. 23 (at around 9 p.m. or 10 p.m.) on the way to Interstate-10, my son and I smelled terrible smells between Arizona Avenue and Santa Monica Boulevard on 23rd Street. We went back home right away to call the phone number which was given at the hospital meeting for reporting their problems. But the operator of Saint John's said the hospital did not inform her anything about the sewage problems and she was not sure to whom she's supposed to report them.

What they've done to us made me feel strongly the hospital only cares about their business (money), not their neighbor's benefits.

I appreciate your keeping track of the Saint John's problems and reporting them. I especially like the columns by Kenny Mack who said what we, the neighbors and the victims of Saint John's problems, wanted to say.

Thank you, Kenny.

I'm looking forward to reading more reports on the problems.

Thank you, Daily Press.

Jennifer Yang
Santa Monica

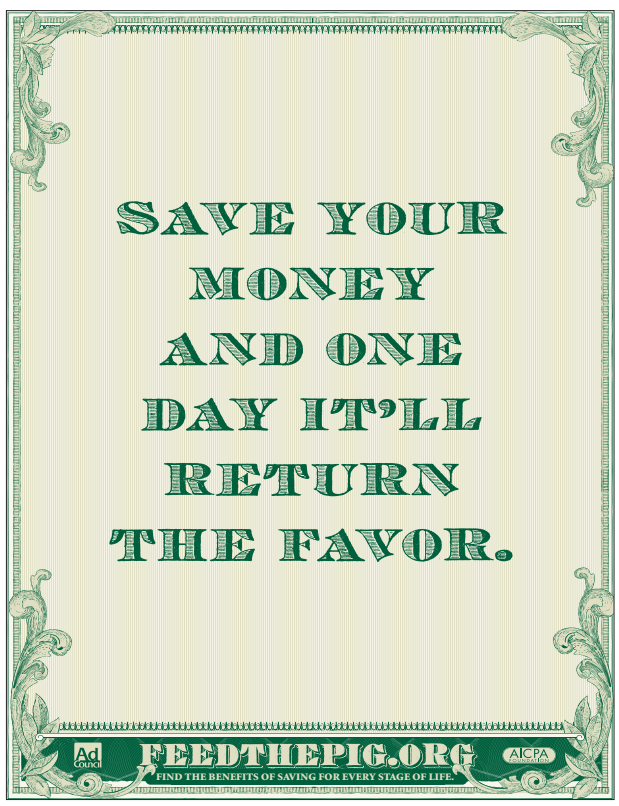
Speaking out against rants

Editor:

I completely agree with Ms. Myers' comments regarding your newspaper giving Steve "The Postman" Breen full page coverage of his right wing rants. Mr. Breen thinks of himself as the Santa Monica version of Rush Limbaugh. In my opinion, Mr. Breen is part of the problem in dividing our country. Mr. Breen has never commented about the rallies in which people showed up with signs showing Obama with a bone in his nose or a Hitler mustache.

I for the life of me do not understand why African-American Republican leaders such as Michael Steele and conservative writers like Mr. Breen do not speak out against this hateful behavior.

Norman Hensley
Santa Monica





The Soap Box

Bennet Kelley

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Vast right wing conspiracy returns

IN HIS "MEET THE PRESS" APPEARANCE earlier this week, former President Clinton indicated that the "vast right wing conspiracy" was alive and well under President Obama. Today's vast right wing (VRW), however, is a different breed than its predecessors.

For example, while President Kennedy, like Obama, was the target of virulent opposition which included a National Indignation Convention in his first year much like today's tea bag protests; this was limited to fringe groups such as the John Birch Society. What was once dismissed as the right wing fringe, however, would grow to dominate the Republican Party and the conservative media by the 1990s.

The fact that Clinton's statement came on the same day that a Facebook user posted a poll whether President Obama should be killed illustrates the increased intensity of the VRW's hatred of Obama as compared to Clinton. The VRW's resistance to change that has fueled hatred of past Democratic presidents has been turbo-charged by the nitroglycerine of American politics — race.

Republicans try to obfuscate the issue by falsely claiming that Democrats are unfairly labeling all opposition to President Obama as racist or are playing the race card because of Obama's declining popularity. In reality, the GOP's hypersensitivity over charges of racism stems from the party's dirty little secret — they have been playing the race card for 45 years.

Let's start with Joe Wilson (R-SC) who screamed "you lie" during President Obama's health care speech. Wilson also attacked mixed-race Essie Mae Washington-Williams as a liar when she revealed that she was the child of Wilson's former boss, the late segregationist Sen. Strom Thurmond — a fact confirmed by the Thurmond family.

Prior to entering Congress, Wilson was one of a handful of South Carolina senators who voted against removing the confederate battle flag from atop the state Capitol where it had flown since 1962 when it was raised as a symbol of southern resistance to federal civil rights efforts. Wilson defended the flag (which was hailed as a "white man's flag" when unveiled in 1863) as a symbol of an honorable cause which according to Texas' secession statement was a government "established exclusively by the white race, for themselves and their posterity [in which] the servitude of the African race [was] the will of the Almighty Creator."

When Wilson yelled out at President Obama during his health care speech it was not over whether there should be a public option or how to pay for health care — but over the relatively inconsequential question of whether it covered illegal aliens. This is the GOP's ploy to inject race into the debate since to them the term illegal alien is interchangeable with Hispanic or other non-white immigrants.

While it is true that Wilson apologized for his outburst, he later said that he did so because he was told to do so by House GOP leadership and would make no further apologies. Far from condemning an unrepentant Wilson, the GOP made him its new poster boy.

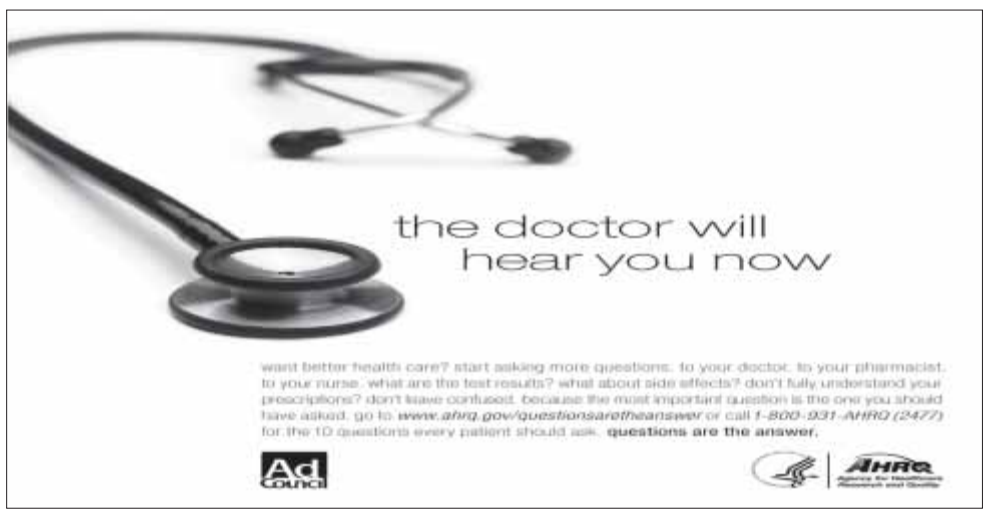
Wilson's statement comes in the context of a number of Republican officials or aides being caught comparing the president to a monkey or circulating racist images like the White House with a watermelon patch. Throw in the fact that every GOP president since 1964 got elected using the race card. Ronald Reagan began his fall campaign near Philadelphia, Miss. where four civil rights workers were killed in 1964 echoing the segregationist's call for "state's rights." President Bush the elder got elected through his infamous Willie Horton ad and his son got elected after his brother provided the margin of victory in Florida by improperly purging several thousand black voters from the voting rolls — and you get the picture.

Ultimately, whether Joe Wilson is a racist is irrelevant. What is relevant is that this behavior gives license to others to act in kind. View chatboards on sites such as LinkedIn or Facebook and you will see professionals openly calling the president "Obongo" or other racist names or even questioning whether this Harvard law graduate could read.

That is why the GOP's worst offense is not Wilson's disgraceful outburst but their shameful silence to the growing chorus of racist comments about the president and their refusal to condemn or even embracing town hall loonies alluding to acts of violence. The party of Lincoln would be wise to heed the words of its founder that "[t]o sin by silence when they should protest" is an act of cowardice.

President Clinton noted that the VRW's strength was waning given the country's shift towards a non-white majority population. The GOP, however, refuses to change course as it appears that after galloping on the tiger of bigotry for 45 years, the party does not know how to dismount without being its prey.

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Maybe Lincoln was wrong, you can fool the people

ONE IRONY OF THE TOWN HALL health care debates was that they weren't debates, they were shouting matches. In New Jersey, a paraplegic woman in a wheelchair tried to speak but an angry middle-aged man kept yelling at her. "It's some country," he said shamelessly, "when a woman in a wheelchair has more rights than I do."

During President Obama's recent address to the joint session of Congress, U.S. Rep. Joe Wilson (R-SC) spontaneously (?) shouted, "You lie!" (Apparently he thought it was Congressional open mic night.)

Before his episode, Joe's claim to fame was having voted to keep the confederate flag flying over the South Carolina Capitol.

At Joe's outburst, the disgust on Nancy Pelosi's face resulted in numerous Botox jokes. But let's not forget Pelosi's porcine predecessor, Dennis Hastert (who always reminded me of a character from "Da Bears" skit on "Saturday Night Live").

Denny once drove to a news conference about rising gas prices in a hybrid car. Afterwards however, and miles away, he squeezed his humongous tukkis back into his gas guzzling SUV (unaware that a local news crew was videotaping him — "Da Bears!").

While 65 percent of the people want public option health care, 100 percent of the lobbyists, insurance companies and politicians, all feeding from the same trough, want the status quo. So they invent "death panels" and label public option advocates socialist do-gooders. (When did "doing good" become bad?)

To suggest that we can't afford health care as we waste trillions in Iraq, is obscene. Forget that Medicare takes 3 percent in administrative costs while insurance companies take 30 percent, many people just hate the federal government. As a former federal employee, and in the immortal words of the Three Stooges, "I resemble that remark."

Back in my hippie days, I worked for the U.S. Forest Service driving a garbage truck in mountain campgrounds above Palm Springs. Having a bachelor's degree from UCLA, and a year of law school, my parents weren't exactly overjoyed with my career choice.

The truck was a 2-ton International Harvester with 10 speeds, a compactor and a hydraulic lift that raised the bed. Being a Jewish kid from L.A., this was the toy I never had.

On the weekends I patrolled the campgrounds in a pick-up with a red light and siren (more toys) looking for illegal campfires. I also checked to see that campers paid their daily $2 fees (deposited in the slot of a steel post).

If a camper hadn't paid, I always gave them a second chance. Without exception they would rush to the box while I continued on my rounds. Actually, there was one exception.

The heavily tattooed coupled included a forklift operator who resembled a white Mike Tyson, and his biker girlfriend, a poor woman's Cher. As there was still no envelope in the box, reluctantly I took out my ticket book. But "Cher" kept insisting that she had given "Tyson" the money. (I later discovered that he had pocketed it!)

As I began writing the ticket, in an eerily calm voice, he asked how much was it going to cost. Foolishly, I told him. A millisecond later his fist was in my chest and I noticed I was having trouble breathing.

In desperation, I bear hugged him to the ground as he was still flailing away. Finally Cher's screaming somehow shamed him into stopping. This put an end to this ugly incident, or so I thought.

To my chagrin, on Monday, the district ranger decided to prosecute the camper for "assaulting a federal officer." That meant I had to see this guy again, this time in federal court. (Naturally, my mother took the whole incident as an omen that maybe I would finish law school.)

Accompanied by his lawyer, Tyson wore an ill-fitting suit while Cher was dressed for church choir (forgetting the tattoos).

His "explanation" for punching me was that he had tripped, to which the Judge nearly spit out his coffee. He was sentenced to eight weekends in jail and a $1,000 fine. As we left the courtroom, he glared at me like Charles Manson glared at Vincent Bugliosi.

Six months later, I was standing in an unemployment line. (The Forest Service job was seasonal). I glanced two rows over and there was Tyson. I froze. Given what he had done over $2, I could only imagine what he'd do now.

I tiptoed out the back and called the unemployment office from a pay phone across the street. The female clerk thought the story was hysterical (hardly comforting) but did excuse me from showing up that day.

I still hold out hope there will be a public option health care plan. While Joe the Congressman, Limbaugh, Beck and other Republicans have been loathsome, thankfully Obama, a fan of Lincoln, hasn't had to bear hug anybody. On the other hand, maybe he should.

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The Q Line

Clipping declawing practice

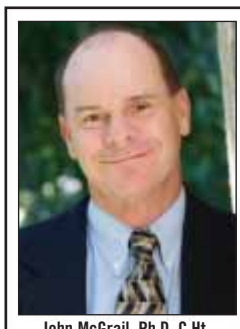
The City Council recently directed staff to draft an ordinance that would ban the veterinary practice of declawing cats.

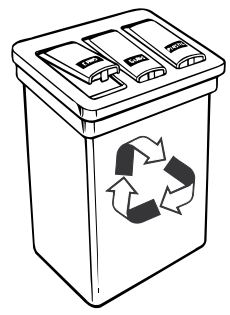
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CRIME WATCH
BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

Jealousy leads to drug bust

Crime Watch is a weekly series 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.

THURSDAY, SEPT. 24, AT 3:32 A.M.,
Santa Monica police officers responded to the 1500 block of Michigan Avenue regarding a report of a woman screaming. When officers arrived, they heard someone yelling and numerous people arguing from inside a residence. Officers knocked on the door and could smell the scent of marijuana coming from inside the residence. A person inside opened the door and allowed officers to enter. Officers said they saw a large amount of marijuana and cocaine in plain sight. The commotion was over some argument between two women. One apparently was flirting with the other one's boyfriend. Officers placed all five suspects under arrest for possession of narcotics. They were identified as Richard Diaz, 27, from Oklahoma; Stephanie Flores, 25, of Culver City; Nicole Macintyre, 25, of Mar Vista; Jessica Barta, 21, of Los Angeles, and Brian Jimenez, 25, of Santa Monica. Bail was set at $10,000 for each suspect except Jimenez, who was booked for possession with intent to sell. His bail was set at $20,000.

SUNDAY, SEPT. 27, AT 12:40 P.M.,
Officers on routine patrol in the 800 block of Cedar Street observed a man in the alley who looked suspicious. Officers made contact with the man, who appeared to be confused, police said. Officers allegedly located a glass pipe commonly used to smoke crack cocaine or methamphetamine next to the suspect, who was placed under arrest for possession of drug paraphernalia. He was identified as Cory Kronick, 49, of Thousand Oaks. His bail was set at $25,000.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 8, AT 9:37 A.M.,
Officers responded to the 100 block of Washington Avenue after receiving a report that a car was stolen. Officers collected information from the victim and on Thursday, Sept. 17 officers located the car in the 1900 block of Yorkshire Avenue. Information obtained during the investigation led detectives to a suspect. Officers said the suspect was involved in a residential burglary and was in possession of stolen property. The suspect, Raul Corcio, 18, of Santa Monica, was booked for grand theft auto, burglary, possession of stolen property and probation violation. His bail was set at $50,000.

FRIDAY, SEPT. 25, AT 1:05 A.M.,
Officers responded to the 700 block of Olympic Boulevard regarding a report of a fight in progress. When officers arrived, they observed two black males fighting. Officers asked the suspects to stop. The two continued. One of the men allegedly turned to the officers with an aggressive stance and fists clenched. Officers felt threatened and asked the man to stand down. He began walking toward the officers, who used a Taser to subdue the suspect, police said. The suspects were taken into custody. The first suspect was booked for public intoxication, fighting in public and resisting arrest. He was identified as Jason Proctor, 24, of Santa Monica. His bail was set at $10,000. The second suspect, Sean Proctor, 30, of Santa Monica, was booked for public intoxication and fighting. His bail was set at $500.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 22, AT 12:42 P.M.,
Officers responded to the area of 25th Street and Pico Boulevard – Rite-Aid – regarding a strong arm robbery. When officers arrived, they made contact with store security who said a man walked into the drug store and stuffed some Tylenol, two peanut butter bars and some cold sore gel into his pants before leaving the store failing to pay for the items, valued at $20.96. When security confronted the suspect outside of the store, he allegedly pushed them away and ran. Police picked up the suspect a short time later and he was placed under arrest for robbery. He was identified as Roman Araujo, 24, of Los Angeles. His bail was set at $50,000.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 22, AT 9:30 P.M.,
Officers responded to the Santa Monica Pier regarding a report of a fight in progress. When officers arrived, they made contact with the alleged victims who said they accidentally bumped into one of the suspects, causing a cigarette to fall from his hand. The three suspects began arguing with the victim and their two friends. A fight ensued, with the suspects allegedly punching the victim in the back of the head and kicking another in the buttocks. They were identified as a 16-year-old juvenile, a 17-year-old juvenile and an 18-year-old from Santa Monica named Demetri Dye. His bail was set at $500. The juveniles were cited out.

TUESDAY, SEPT. 22, AT 11:40 P.M.,
Officers observed a man riding a bicycle while pulling another, smaller bike with his left hand. Officers said the man was unsteady and wobbling on the bike. Officers stopped the bike rider and asked him where he got the smaller bike. The suspect allegedly told officers that he stole the bike after clipping the chain lock with bolt cutters. The suspect, Oscar Santos, 20, of Los Angeles, was arrested for possession of stolen property. His bail was set at $20,000.

WEDNESDAY, SEPT. 23, AT 4:16 P.M.,
Officers responded to the 600 block of Santa Monica Boulevard – Zveda Clothing – regarding an intoxicated man sitting on a couch inside the store. When officers arrived, they made contact with the man, who refused to leave the store. Officers placed the suspect under arrest and transported him to a local hospital for aid. As officers were escorting the individual to the hospital he allegedly stomped on one of the officer's feet and kicked the other officer in the groin. He was placed under arrest for public intoxication and assault on a police officer. The suspect was identified as Gregory Cloud, 55, of Covina. His bail was set at $20,000.

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The do-it-yourself recall

BY NOW EVERYONE KNOWS THAT TOYOTA, the world's largest carmaker, has announced the largest safety recall of vehicles in its U.S. history. With a lot of Toyota and Lexus cars and trucks in the Santa Monica area, let's take a closer look at what this recall really means.

The recall of 3.8 million Toyota and Lexus models is different from the norm in that the vehicle owners — you and me — are being told to make the "fix" by removing the driver's side floor mat which can get hung-up on the accelerator and race the engine.

According to the Los Angeles Times, "Last month, a San Diego man and three passengers were killed in a high-speed crash that the driver, in a call to 911 prior to the accident, said was being caused by a floor mat wedged into the accelerator."

RECALLS ARE THE BANE OF ALL CARMAKERS; THEY ARE EMBARRASSING, EXPENSIVE AND OFTEN REMAIN IN THE PUBLIC'S CONSCIOUSNESS FOR A LONG TIME.

Toyota said in a statement, "A stuck open accelerator pedal may result in very high vehicle speeds and make it difficult to stop the vehicle, which could cause a crash, serious injury or death".

The recall affects all 2007-2010 model year Toyota Camrys, 2005-2010 Toyota Avalons, 2004-2009 Toyota Prius, 2005-2010 Tacomas, 2007-2010 Toyota Tundras, 2007-2010 Lexus ES350 and 2006-2010 Lexus IS250 and IS350 cars.

If your vehicle is on that list, remove the floor mats on the driver's side — now — and do not replace them. Remove the mat even if you've had no problems with it or it appears to be securely fastened. Remember, we're talking about the floor mat on top of the carpet, not the carpet itself.

Toyota and Lexus may have their owners bring their affected cars and trucks to dealers, where perhaps a new mat will be installed or some other permanent fix will be available.

But for now, it's up to you to remove the floor mat, thus removing the danger.

Toyota and Lexus owners should start receiving letters about the recall as soon as next week. If you own one of the listed cars or trucks and for whatever reason don't receive a letter, don't make the mistake of assuming your car isn't involved in the recall.

Recalls are the bane of all carmakers; they are embarrassing, expensive and often remain in the public's consciousness for a long time.

In a recall done in concert with or at the order of the government, all owners of the affected vehicles must be contacted by the carmaker, a multi-million dollar proposition in itself, and all repair work must be done by authorized dealers at no cost whatsoever to the consumer.

To be honest, I can't remember another recall where vehicle owners were given instructions on how to remove the danger from their cars and told to do so immediately. Though it's different, to be sure, Toyota and the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration (NHTSA) must think this is a very serious problem which has to be rectified now, so I'm glad they're taking this unusual, even radical action.

A visit to the NHTSA Web site, www.NHTSA.gov, offers hours of entertainment for car nuts like me. But for the average person interested in the history of their car or truck, or a used vehicle they might be considering buying, the site lists every recall ordered in the past decade, and it's easy to use.

The site also lists Technical Service Bulletins, TSBs, which the carmaker sends to their dealers detailing problems which have not been deemed important enough to warrant a recall (at least not yet). These TSBs are often called "secret recalls" because the dealer will fix the problem only if the customer asks for it to be done. A visit to the NHTSA site can arm you with the ammunition to do battle with your dealer if there is a TSB issued about a problem you're having with your car.

Apart from visiting the NHTSA site (and bookmarking it if you think about cars more than five times daily), the best thing to do if you have any questions about this 3.8-million vehicle recall is to call your Toyota or Lexus dealer. Keep in mind they're going to be inundated with calls the next few weeks, so be patient with them.

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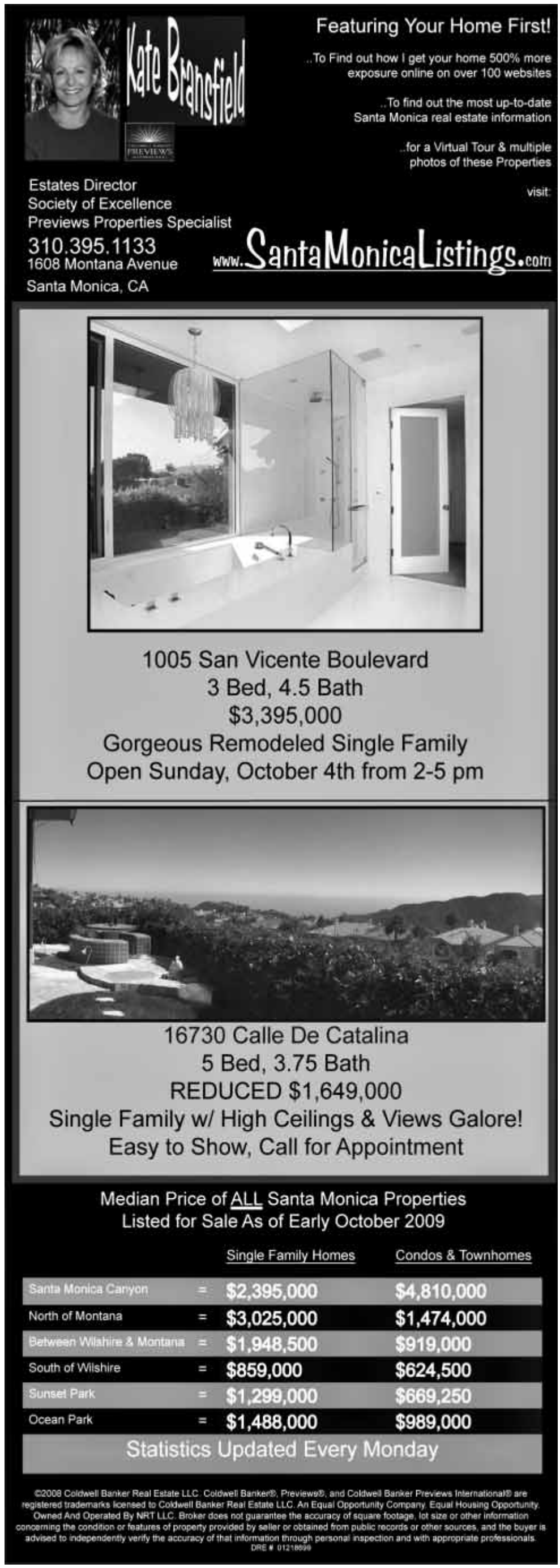
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DATE/TIME: October 5, 2009, 7:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Council Chambers, (wheelchair accessible)
Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street

PROPERTIES:

- ARB09-296, 1218 3rd Street Promenade: Restaurant
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STATE BRIEFS

LONG BEACH

Diesel emission reduction programs funded

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency says $26.5 million will go to projects to reduce diesel emissions in Southern California.

The goal of the programs announced Thursday at the Port of Long Beach is to cut types of air pollution linked to health risks that lead to hospitalizations, cases of asthma and lower respiratory symptoms.

The money will be used to replace and update diesel engines in school buses, big trucks, locomotives, construction vehicles and cargo handling equipment in the Southern California air basin.

The EPA says the result will be elimination of about 26 tons of particulate matter, 453 tons of nitrogen oxides and 920 tons of carbon dioxide emissions annually from more than 650 vehicles.

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SACRAMENTO

Concert take being given to help violence shelters

The musician Moby said Thursday he will donate the proceeds of three upcoming California concerts to help domestic violence shelters that lost all state funding in the budget Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger signed this summer.

Six shelters that temporarily house victims and their families have closed since Schwarzenegger used his line-item veto to eliminate their funding in July. Advocates say dozens more of the 94 agencies that received a total of $20.4 million in state money last year have scaled back services and cuts hours and staff.

"In the grand scheme of things, it's not a lot of money," Moby said about the cuts during a phone interview from Chicago. "But it's going to directly harm the women who benefit from these programs."

Moby, whose real name is Richard Melville Hall, said he hopes to generate $75,000 to $100,000 from dates in San Diego, Los Angeles and San Francisco from Oct. 12 through 15 to give to the California Partnership to End Domestic Violence.

"My mother was in a long relationship with a guy who was very, very abusive and at one point I had to stop him from stabbing her to death," Moby said.

Moby said he was about 9 at the time, and the boyfriend later returned with a gun and a baseball bat to destroy many of their possessions. It was one of a series of abusive relationships involving his mother, he said.

"The more I know about domestic abuse, I'm really grateful that it wasn't worse," said the 44-year-old, best-selling techno artist who is on a 13-month tour in support of his new album, "Wait for Me."

The state Legislature had voted to cut 20 percent from the Department of Public Health's Domestic Violence Program, which would have left $16.3 million. But Schwarzenegger wiped out the funding altogether when he sought to restore a $500 million reserve fund.

AP

LOS ANGELES

Judge: SoCal church must relinquish property

A judge has ordered a parish that separated from the Los Angeles Episcopal Diocese over the consecration of an openly gay bishop to relinquish church property by Oct. 12.

Superior Court Judge John Shepard Wiley Jr. issued his order Wednesday after the state Supreme Court declined to hear the case concerning what is now St. Luke's Anglican Church in La Crescenta.

St. Luke's leaders had appealed to the Supreme Court after a state appellate court affirmed Wiley's earlier judgment that the parish should turn the church property over to the diocese.

St. Luke's current rector, the Rev. Rob Holman, says the matter remains unresolved while the U.S. Supreme Court decides whether to hear a similar property case concerning another breakaway church.

The parish broke off from the diocese in 2006.

AP

LONE PINE

Earthquakes rattle California's eastern Sierra

A moderate earthquake followed by dozens of aftershocks rattled the eastern Sierra Thursday but no damage or injuries were reported.

The magnitude-5.0 temblor struck at 3:01 a.m. with an epicenter about 18 miles southeast of the Owens Valley town of Lone Pine.

More than four dozen smaller aftershocks including at least five that registered at magnitude-3.5 followed over the next five hours.

The quakes hit a rural area near Sequoia National Park about 180 miles northeast of Los Angeles.

Inyo County sheriff's dispatcher Faith Felton said she felt a slight tremor during the strongest quake.

Seismologist Susan Hough of the U.S. Geological Survey said the energetic aftershocks did not appear to be unusual.

"It looks to me to be a generic aftershock series," she said.

The seismic activity in the eastern Sierra came after powerful back-to-back earthquakes in Indonesia and the South Pacific earlier this week.

Those quakes were almost certainly unrelated to the California activity because they occurred days apart and over long distances, Hough said.

The last destructive quake to hit the Lone Pine area came in 1872, when a temblor similar in size to the 1906 San Francisco quake killed about 30 people and leveled nearly all buildings.

AP

RIVERSIDE

Complaint: 1981 triple murder was a hit job

Authorities say the triple murder of a Cabazon tribal official and two others in 1981 was a hit orchestrated by the tribe's casino director and financial adviser to cover up illegal reservation activity.

The allegations were contained Thursday in a felony complaint against James "Jimmy" Hughes, a ministry director arrested Saturday at the Miami-Dade International Airport on an outstanding warrant.

Alfred Alvarez, vice chairman of the Cabazon Tribal Council, was shot execution-style, along with his girlfriend and a friend, on June 29, 1981, in Rancho Mirage.

The complaint alleges Hughes conspired with the tribe's financial adviser, John Nichols, and others in the days before the murders and then shot them himself.

Hughes is fighting extradition to California.

AP

Coroner: Jackson was in good health

THOMAS WATKINS
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES Michael Jackson's arms were covered with punctures, his face and neck were scarred and he had tattooed eyebrows and lips, but he wasn't the sickly skeleton of a man portrayed by tabloids, according to his autopsy report obtained by The Associated Press.

In fact, the Los Angeles County coroner's report shows Jackson was a fairly healthy 50-year-old before he died of an overdose. His 136 pounds were in the acceptable range for a 5-foot-9 man. His heart was strong with no sign of plaque buildup. And his kidneys and most other major organs were normal.

Still, Jackson had health issues: arthritis in the lower spine and some fingers, and mild plaque buildup in his leg arteries. Most serious was his lungs, which the autopsy report said were chronically inflamed and had reduced capacity that might have left him short of breath.

However, according to the document, the lung condition was not serious enough to be a direct or contributing cause of death.

"His overall health was fine," said Dr. Zeev Kain, chairman of the anesthesiology department at the University of California, Irvine, who reviewed a copy of the autopsy report for the AP. "The results are within normal limits."

Kain was not involved in the autopsy. The full autopsy report has not been released publicly, but the AP obtained a copy.

Jackson died at his rented Los Angeles mansion June 25 after his personal physician, Dr. Conrad Murray, administered the anesthetic propofol and two other sedatives to get the chronic insomniac to sleep, court documents state. Propofol, normally a surgical anesthetic used in operating rooms, acts as a respiratory depressant and requires constant monitoring,

Murray told police he left the room to use the bathroom and phone records show he also made calls for 47 minutes around the time Jackson encountered problems. When Murray realized Jackson was unresponsive, he began frantic efforts to revive him, but Jackson never regained consciousness and was declared dead at the University of California, Los Angeles Medical Center.

The coroner's office announced last month that Jackson's death was a homicide caused by "acute propofol intoxication," with the other sedatives listed as a contributing factor. They said the standard of care for administering propofol was not met and the recommended equipment for patient monitoring, precision dosing and resuscitation was missing.

Murray is the target of what Los Angeles police term a manslaughter investigation. The decision on criminal charges will come from the Los Angeles County district attorney's office. Murray has been interviewed twice by police.

Except for a brief video posted to YouTube, Murray has not spoken publicly since Jackson's death, and his lawyer Edward Chernoff did not immediately respond to requests for comment Thursday. In the video, Murray said: "I told the truth and I have faith the truth will prevail." Chernoff previously has said nothing Murray gave Jackson "should have" killed him.

Jackson was declared dead a little more than two hours after paramedics were called.

Evidence of the desperate struggle to save the star was evident on his body. He had chest bruising and cracked ribs from CPR, and a mechanical device known as a balloon pump was inserted into his heart to try to restart it, according to the autopsy report.

Jackson's body was taken by helicopter to the coroner's office where the following morning Chief Medical Examiner Lakshmanan Sathyavagiswaran and Dr. Christopher Rogers carried out an extensive review and ordered a toxicology screening to look for drugs in his system.

Aside from propofol and the sedatives, the only substances found in his system were the local anesthetic, Lidocaine, sometimes used to numb injection sites and ephedrine, a commonly used resuscitation stimulant.

No other drugs — legal or otherwise — were detected, nor was any alcohol.

Kain said he was surprised that three other sedatives, known as benzodiazepines, were present with propofol. Anesthesiologists sometimes mix one "benzo" with propofol to help put a patient under, but using three increases the danger for the patient.

"People don't mix the benzodiazepines together because they interact with each other and increase the risk of respiratory arrest," Kain said, adding it was likely Jackson first stopped breathing and then suffered cardiac arrest.

The autopsy findings cut off a potential defense for Murray — that Jackson hid serious pre-existing conditions that increased the risk of death from the drugs he willingly took. Even if he did hide a condition such as his weakened lungs, a prosecutor could argue Murray should have detected the condition before administering drugs, said Michael Brennan, a clinical law professor at the University of Southern California who specializes in criminal defense.

"A doctor has some obligation to know what his patient's physical condition is," Brennan said. "The doctor is going to try to substantiate whatever the patient told him ... and not simply rely on a patient's descriptions of his physical condition."

At the time of his death Jackson was preparing for a series of comeback concerts in London. Rehearsals were rigorous and there were questions about whether Jackson would be physically able to hold up.

But aside from his lungs, the autopsy report did not identify any serious physical problems that might have limited Jackson's ability to perform. It also provided details about his physical state from head to toes.

He had a æ-inch scar behind his left ear and another apparent scar behind his right ear. He had a scar beside each of his nostrils and another, 4-inch scar on his right shoulder. He had a pair of additional scars about 3-inches long at the base of his neck and smaller scars on his arms and wrist. He also had a small scar near his navel and a 2-inch scar on the right-hand side of his abdomen.

Kain said most of the scars appeared to be from plastic surgery though others, like a scar on the knee, could have been from a medical procedure.

The medical examiner found numerous punctures on both arms and on a knee and ankle.

Jackson had several tattoos, all them cosmetic, including dark tattoos in the areas of both eyebrows and under his eyes, and a pink tattoo around his lips.

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JOIN US FOR A PROGRESS UPDATE ON THE EXPO PHASE 2 FEIR

The Exposition Construction Authority (Expo) invites you to a community meeting to provide an update on the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) for Phase 2 of the Expo Line project.

In February, Expo held three Public Hearings to obtain community input and receive comments on the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR). Over the past six months, the Phase 2 team has been working with agencies and stakeholders to address issues raised during the DEIR process. This meeting will provide an opportunity to share the latest findings and answer questions before the FEIR is finalized.

Planned Agenda for Community Meetings

Open House:	6:00 — 6:30 pm
Progress Update Presentation:	6:30 — 7:00 pm
Question & Answer Session:	7:00 — 8:30 pm

(Please note that there will be a time limit per speaker)

The format and information presented at these meetings will be identical, so interested individuals, organizations and public agencies are welcome to attend on any of the following days:

Monday, October 5
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For more information, please visit the project website at BuildExpo.org or call the Expo Hotline at 213.922.EXPO(3976).



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RIDING TOWARD SUSTAINABILITY: **Lead service technician Josh Tuski (center) of Brammo talks with the media about the new electric motorcycle the Enertia at the AltCar Expo media day on Thursday. The motorcycle has a top speed of 65 mph and costs just over $11,000.**

Alternative way to ride

FROM **CARS** PAGE 3

order at the expo.

"Santa Monica is a great place for us to be located because the city is already predisposed to (electric vehicles) and because of the city's stance on the environment and different technologies," Saltness said.

Brammo, from Oregon, is another company looking to make a name for itself at the expo. The company produces an all-electric motorcycle that resembles a Motocross dirt bike. Josh Tuski, a lead service technician for Brammo, said the motorcycles will be sold soon in the Los Angeles area at Best Buy.

"It changes your whole riding experience," Tuski said of the Brammo bike. "Since it is electric, it runs really quiet. You get one of your senses back when riding. You can hear what is going on around you, other vehicles, even talk to people riding next to you. It will create a new experience while riding. The whole purpose of riding a motorcycle is to get connected to what's around you.

"The silence helps."

Other exhibitors include Santa Monica Honda launching its debut as a natural gas Civic dealer and Ford's Fiesta, with its fuel efficiency delivering 40-plus miles per gallon. Plus the NEV (Neighborhood Electric Vehicle) 1930 Roadster will be on display.

There will also be panel discussions both days, with industry experts focusing on city fleets, how and where to charge electric cars and the feasibility of renewable energy technologies, both short- and long-term.

For Paul Pearson, a Santa Monica resident and electric car enthusiast, the expo is not only an opportunity to show off his latest creation — a truck owned by City Hall that is now electric instead of running on gas — it is a time to mingle with other "nuts" like himself who bring some flair to the expo with their zany rides.

Pearson, who was cited by city officials for operating his conversion business without a proper license (the charges were eventually dropped) and is now ironically working with City Hall, said the expo has changed dramatically over the years.

"In the beginning, there were all these wackos here," Pearson said with a smile, referring to electric vehicle pioneers and their strange creations. "Now you have major car companies. I'm one of the few wackos left. So it's changed a bit."

On Saturday morning, the Santa Monica NEV Club will have a tailgate party for members and those who are new to the arena. Refreshments are being donated by Whole Foods.

"It you are curious about electric, come on down, let's have some coffee and talk, meet others who drive electric cars every day and ask them questions," said Tom Beaulieu, who helped create the club with his wife after purchasing his own NEV.

Parking for the expo at the Civic Center is $8 for the day. For a complete schedule of speakers, exhibitions and energy panels visit www.altcarexpo.com or call (310) 390-2930.

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BUILDING UP: **Construction of the Student Services Center at the Main Campus is already underway. SMC officials are meeting with residents to discuss major construction projects.**

SMC begins update of facilities master plan

FROM SMC PAGE 1

Meetings will also be held on Oct. 7 at the Academy of Entertainment & Technology Campus and on Oct. 14 at the Business Building on the Main Campus, the latter of which will be a scoping session focusing on possible environmental impacts of future projects.

The community workshops come nearly a year after voters approved Measure AA, which will bring in $295 million through property taxes to pay for a series of construction projects that will be identified in the updated master plan. The measure was heavily opposed by residents of Sunset Park, the neighborhood in which the college is located.

The projects will be paid through AA and preceding bond measures, including U and S, which were approved in 2002 and 2004, respectively.

"The objective is to supplement the educational mission of the college," said Marty Borko, the principal of Gensler, an architectural design firm hired by the college.

The list of proposed projects for the Main Campus include the modernization of Drescher Hall, replacement of the Math & Sciences Building Extension, the beautification of the Pico Boulevard frontage, a new physical education complex and the replacement of Corsair Stadium.

"It looks like we're going to have to build a new stadium from the ground up," Greg Brown, the director of facilities planning for the college, said. "It's hard to retrofit the current stadium and bring it up to current code and current accessibility."

The Academy of Entertainment & Technology will see an addition to the existing lone building on campus, a new separate home for public radio station KCRW and the construction of a seven-level parking garage that includes two underground levels.

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The Performing Arts Campus is slated for a new educational facility on the Santa Monica Boulevard side, an expansion of the west wing and a seismic renovation.

The first project set to undergo construction under the proposed list is the expansion of the Academy of Entertainment and Technology Campus, scheduled to begin in the third quarter of 2010. The bulk of the projects will begin between 2011-13 with another wave slated for 2016.

"If a master plan could live a life of 10 years and provide guidance and direction for a 10-year-period, that's a good life," Borko said. "The college has done a good job in that 10-year period."

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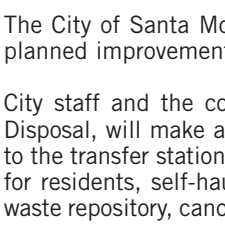
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The City of Santa Monica will be holding a Public Meeting to update the community on planned improvements for the Resource Recovery Center.

City staff and the consultant team, along with representatives from Southern California Disposal, will make a presentation about the public/private partnership and improvements to the transfer station and recycling facility. You'll hear about the one-stop recycling station for residents, self-haul green waste and recycling facility, improved household hazardous waste repository, canopy covered materials buy-back area, and consolidated transfer station.

Meeting Date & Time:
Thursday, October 15, 2009, 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM

Meeting Location:
Virginia Avenue Park – Thelma Terry Building
2200 Virginia Avenue
Santa Monica, California 90404

For further information on this project, please contact Michael Collins at (310) 434-2611 or michael.collins@smgov.net.

The Thelma Terry Building is wheelchair accessible. For special accommodations, including translation services, please contact Phil Tong at (310) 458-2205 or phil.tong@smgov.net three working days prior to the meeting. TTY/TDD (310) 917-6626.

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PROTECTING AND SERVING: **Santa Monica Police, along with the California Highway Patrol and LAPD, closed off entrances to Interstate-10 Wednesday night during rush hour as they searched for two suspects wanted in connection with a gang-related shooting.**

Bail for shooting suspect set at $1M

FROM **SHOOTING** PAGE 1

de la Cruz of Inglewood. His bail was set at just over $1 million.

Trisler said there is no evidence at this time linking the shooting to a stabbing last Friday following a Santa Monica High School football game against Venice. An Inglewood teen suffered non life-threatening injuries when he was stabbed several times as the crowd was leaving Corsair Field at Santa Monica College, where Samohi plays home games.

Both incidents are still under investigation and anyone with information is asked to contact Investigator Michael Bambrick (310) 458-8937 or Sgt. Ira Rutan (310) 458-8959 or the on-duty Watch Commander (24 hours) (310) 458-8427.

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Vikings looking for road victory

FROM **SAMOHI** PAGE 1

Venice last week, Samohi (1-2) heads to Valencia (3-0) to take on a team that is widely considered one of Southern California's finest.

"They are a heck of a football team," Samohi Head Coach Travis Clark said. "They have a good system going."

After watching game film on Valencia, Clark said it's easy to see that they like to run the ball. Junior running back Steven Manfro is the kind of back that is adept at both eluding and trampling would-be tacklers, he said. Running behind what Clark called a "sensational offensive line," Manfro has drawn the most attention this week during practice.

"They get after it," Clark said.

Samohi's Clark isn't the only coach who is impressed by what he sees.

Valencia's Larry Muir heaped praise on Samohi's offense, singling out quarterback Garret Safron and the Vikings' running game.

"They run the ball really well," Muir said. "Their short passing game is very good as well.

"They do a good job with short passes and then go over the top for big gains."

He's concerned with Samohi's mix of passes and runs and said that he has prepared his defense for both scenarios.

To stifle the running game, Muir will look to a defensive line that features defensive tackle Kevin Rush. With inside linebacker Rocky Maldonado in the mix, Samohi will have a tough time getting running back Brandon Taylor, who has emerged as a top offensive weapon in recent weeks, on track.

Clark said that developing a steady running game has been difficult considering that his offensive line is young, but feels that Taylor may have solved that problem.

After starting the season with a rotation of backs, Clark said that Taylor is distinguishing himself as a go-to ball carrier.

"Taylor is that guy," Clark said of the junior. "He's a young kid who plays hard."

While Taylor is expected to get the bulk of the carries, Clark will continue to give senior Shane Jones and sophomore Kori Garcia a few looks to mix things up.

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Help come tax time

And who said the taxman just came to take your money away?

The IRS wants to remind first-time homebuyers that there is still time to take advantage of the federal tax credit that provides up to $8,000 to those purchasing a home before Dec. 1.

More than 160,000 California taxpayers so far have taken advantage of the credit.

Here are 10 things the IRS wants people to know about this credit:

1. To be considered a first-time homebuyer, you — and your spouse if you are married — must not have jointly or separately owned another principal residence during the three years prior to the date of purchase.

2. You cannot claim the credit before there is a completed sale and purchase of the residence. The sale and purchase are generally completed at the time of closing on the purchase.

3. To qualify for the credit, the completed purchase must occur before Dec. 1, 2009.

4. The home must be located in the United States.

5. The credit is either 10 percent of the purchase price of the home or $8,000, whichever is less.

6. The amount of the credit begins to phase out for taxpayers whose modified adjusted gross income is more than $75,000 or $150,000 for joint filers.

7. The credit is fully refundable. A homebuyer with no taxable income, who qualifies for the credit, may file for the sole purpose of claiming the credit and receive a refund. The credit will be paid out to eligible taxpayers, even if they owe no tax or the credit is more than the tax owed.

8. The credit is claimed on IRS form 5405, First-Time Homebuyers Credit.

9. Taxpayers can claim the credit for a qualified 2009 purchase on either their 2008 or 2009 tax return. For those who have filed a 2008 return, a form 1040X, Amended U.S. Individual Income Tax Return can be filed in order to get a refund in 2009.

10. The credit for qualified 2009 purchases does not have to be repaid, as long as the home remains the main home for 36 months after the purchase date.

In other tax-related news, the IRS is extending a deadline for those with hidden offshore accounts to come clean without facing severe penalties.

The deadline to declare is now Oct. 15, 2009. There will be no further extensions, IRS officials said.

Under special provisions issued in March, taxpayers with these hidden accounts originally had until Sept. 23, 2009 to come forward. Those taxpayers who do not voluntarily disclose their hidden accounts by the new deadline face much harsher civil penalties, where applicable, and possible criminal prosecution.

IRS officials decided to extend this deadline after receiving repeated requests from tax practitioners and attorneys around the country following an influx of taxpayer requests.

In Southern California, taxpayers wanting to participate may also call the following phone number for the local voluntary disclosure coordinator: (714) 347-9226.

For more information on this and other key tax provisions of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 visit the official IRS Web site at www.irs.gov.

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Taking a shot of nature

If you love exploring the mountains with your camera, October may just be your month.

Through Oct. 31, the Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area will be holding its annual Spirit of the Mountains photography contest, giving regional amateur photographers the chance to have their work published and displayed.

Photos taken in the Santa Monica Mountains Zone will be eligible for submission into any of six different categories that include plants, animals, scenic pictures, people in nature and photos from amateurs age 12 and below. In honor of the recreation area's 30th anniversary there is also a category that recognizes capturing special park memories, such as family outings or historic photos.

All of the entries will be displayed at the National Park Service Visitor Center in Thousand Oaks from Nov. 14 through Jan. 31, though the winners will be published in the OUTDOORS, the National Park Service's quarterly calendar.

Both digital and film prints will be accepted.

For more information, as well as contest rules and guidelines, visit www.research-learningcenter.com/samo/photo/.

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Mariners goes to the air for offense

FROM **ST. MONICA** PAGE 3

offense and is going to let the team go as far as Partyka can take them.

St. Monica's passing game is formidable enough to make Klinger hope that the Mariners run the ball up the middle toward his team's most dominant unit. Middle linebackers Dylan Cooper and Ruben Navarro present a difficult challenge for any St. Monica ball carrier who decides to run at them.

Muno said he has no plans to run the ball any more than usual, but did admit that the size of Lucerne Valley's line and linebackers is something to reckon with.

"They run a unique defense that forces you to run the ball inside," Muno said. "It presents a problem."

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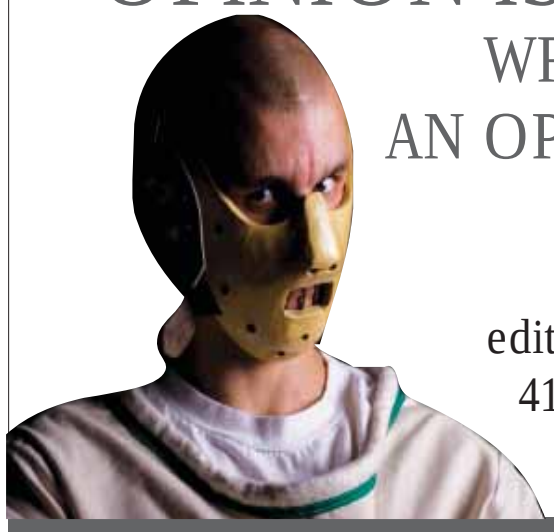
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BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: **Proposed Zoning Text Amendment related to number and type of drive ways required for parking lots and structures with more than 40 spaces, HVO (hazardous visual obstruction) mitigations, garage door width and number of maneuvers allowed to access required parking spaces.**

APPLICANT: City of Santa Monica
LOCATION: Citywide

The City Council will hold a public hearing to consider introducing for first reading the following proposed text amendments:

Modification of Article IX (Zoning Code) of the City of Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) Sections 9.04.08.12.060, 9.04.10.02.09, 9.04.10.08.070, 9.04.10.08.100, and 9.04.10.08.190, incorporating the provisions of Interim Ordinance 2200(CCS) in order to allow administrative approval of the number and type of driveways required for parking lots and structures with more than 40 parking spaces; revising the required width for garage doors on a two-car garage in the front one-half of a parcel from a maximum of 16 feet to a minimum of 16 feet; removing two references to speed bumps as a suggested element to mitigate the lack of providing an area clear of hazardous visual obstructions (HVO) next to driveways and streets where required; allowing up to 5% of required parking spaces, with a maximum of ten spaces, to be designed such that more than two maneuvers, but not more than four, are needed to access them; and requiring that residential garage door widths must be sufficient to allow access to enclosed parking in not more than two maneuvers.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, October 13, 2009 AT 6:45 PM**

LOCATION: City Council Chambers, Second Floor,
Santa Monica City Hall
1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

City of Santa Monica

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the City Council public hearing, or by writing a letter. Written information will be given to the City Council at the meeting.

Address your letters to: City Clerk
Re: Driveways and Related Provisions Text Amendment
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MORE INFORMATION
If you want more information about this proposed text amendment, please contact Elizabeth Bar-El AICP, Senior Planner at (310) 458-8341, or by e-mail at liz.bar-el@smgov.net. The Zoning Ordinance is available at all library branches, the Planning Counter during business hours, and is posted on the City's website at http://www.smgov.net.

The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. For disability-related accommodations, please contact (310) 458-8341 or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Santa Monica Big Blue Bus Lines numbered 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, and 10 serve City Hall.

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the public hearing.

ESPAÑOL
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Sun sets on Saturn

STEPHEN MANNING
AP Business Writer

WASHINGTON Charlie Eickmeyer says he was a fan of Saturn vehicles years before he was able to drive. Today he's in shock.

So were employees at Day Automotive Group in Pittsburgh when they read the news online that a deal to rescue Saturn had fallen through. And Mike Martin is left wondering how he can move the Saturns left on his lot or what to do with the employees at his Manassas, Va. dealership now that the brand is apparently doomed.

"It seemed like the deal was going through," said Eickmeyer, 34, who started following Saturn when he was 10 years old and now runs a Web site for enthusiasts of the brand. "I was really excited about the next chapter in Saturn's history."

The chapter was supposed to be a future under former race car driver Roger Penske with the novel approach of filling dealerships with cars made overseas and rebranded as Saturns.

Instead, the collapse of talks between GM and Penske Automotive Group Inc. this week likely means the end of the nearly 25-year-old brand, sending Saturn dealers like Martin and Day Automotive scrambling over what to do with their soon-to-be empty showrooms and leaving the company's loyal owners mourning the apparent demise of a company that built its reputation on customer care.

GM said it will cease making Saturns at plants in Kansas, Mexico and Michigan almost immediately, but will continue to honor warranties after Saturn dealers stop selling cars. Saturn owners can still get their vehicles serviced at GM's remaining dealerships once their Saturn dealer shuts down.

Saturn's future has been in doubt since GM said earlier this year it planned to phase out the brand by 2011. GM was shrinking to four brands as part of a deep restructuring. Just five days after GM filed for bankruptcy, Penske emerged as a possible buyer for Saturn. Wednesday, Penske backed out, unable to find another company to supply vehicles after GM stops making Saturns in two years.

So, more than 350 Saturn dealers expecting to hear about the closing of a deal instead are faced with shutting down their showrooms if they don't have a viable contingency plan. Thousands of jobs are in jeopardy. Dealers will have to figure out how to sell remaining vehicles to customers who may be skittish over the news that the brand will disappear. But they won't close immediately — GM gave dealerships until October 2010 to wind down their operations.

Many Saturn dealers have already been through difficult times recently, hit by a combination of one of the worst downturns in auto sales in decades and the uncertainty about the brand's future. In a clear sign of that pain, GM reported Thursday that Saturn sales were down 84 percent in September from a year ago. But about 13,000 jobs are still tied to Saturn, the vast majority of them at dealerships.

GM had a midday conference call with dealers to discuss the closures. Dealers said executives expressed shock and disappointment that the Penske deal fell through, but didn't provide much detail on the specifics.

The mood was grim Thursday at dealerships, where owners said they were blindsided by the news.

"This is nothing short of the bride running away at the altar," said Lou Gonzales, president and owner of the Saturn of Antelope Valley dealership in Palmdale, about 60 miles north of Los Angeles. "The millions of Saturn customers across the United States, I'm sure are disappointed. But they will not be left out in the lurch."

At Day Automotive, owner Bill Numrich said he planned to keep selling Saturns as long as he could.

"We still have a Saturn customer base that we have to service," said Numrich.

GM spokesman John M. McDonald said GM estimates it will take 4 months to sell the existing inventory of 12,000 Saturns. Dealers believe it could take longer, worried they will have difficulty selling a lame-duck brand to customers

Martin was weighing whether to run his lot as a used car business or shift his employees over to the Chevrolet dealership he also operates nearby. He has only about 25 Saturns left on his lot after the popular Cash for Clunkers program, but said he hoped GM would offer some generous incentive programs to help dealers sell out the cars that remained.

There are no plans to offer any special incentives to help sell remaining vehicles, McDonald said. Other brands that are winding down like Pontiac are still selling well without any extras.

Martin bought the Saturn dealership three years ago because he liked the product line of reliable vehicles with good gas mileage, like the Aura sedan.

"We had a lot of faith in Saturn," Martin said.

So did customers. Saturn was a meant to be a warm and fuzzy car company, one that invited customers to annual events at its plants and sent buyers birthday cards on the anniversaries of their purchases. It featured low-key showrooms and no-haggle prices, part of its "a different kind of car company" slogan. But the brand struggled to make money, and receded into the background as GM focused on higher profit SUVs and trucks.

Still, some buyers remained loyal to the end.

Frank and Erika Martin of Hampstead, Md., were looking to buy a new Saturn Thursday at Baltimore-area dealership even after hearing that the brand will end. They are already devoted owners — their grandson was born in the back seat of their first Saturn — and they e-mailed GM to try to convince the company to keep Saturn going.

They also credit Saturn with their lives. The 2007 Saturn Ion they were looking to replace was totaled three weeks ago.

"I completely credit Saturn with why we're not badly injured," Erika Martin said.

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Stocks begin fourth quarter on sour note

TIM PARADIS
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK — Stocks began the fourth quarter with their worst drop in three months after reports on the job market and manufacturing reawakened investors' pessimism about the economy.

The Dow Jones industrial average tumbled 203 points Thursday, while all the major indexes fell between 2 percent and 3 percent. The slide intensified in the final minutes of of the day, signaling that traders were growing nervous ahead of the government's key September jobs report due before the opening bell Friday.

Bond prices jumped as investors sought a safer place for their money.

It was the sixth drop in seven days for stocks and another reminder of how fragile the market's seven-month rally has become. The economic reports overshadowed a more upbeat assessment on housing and added urgency to questions about how strong the recovery really is.

"Fear is still very, very fresh in people's minds and the magnitude of the potential disaster that we had last September through March, I think still has investors pretty skittish," said Darell Krasnoff, managing director of Bel Air Investment Advisors in Los Angeles. "So our sense is that some bad news can shift sentiment pretty quickly."

The latest worries erupted when the Labor Department said new claims for jobless benefits rose last week to 551,000. Economists had expecting claims would be essentially unchanged at 535,000, according to a survey by Thomson Reuters.

The mood on Wall Street darkened when the Institute for Supply Management said its index of manufacturing activity in September fell rather than rose as analysts had expected.

The employment figures rattled investors already concerned about unemployment. Economists predict that unemployment, which stands at a 26-year high of 9.7 percent, will rise to 9.8 percent for September. Most analysts expect the rate to top 10 percent by early next year. Economists are hoping the pace of job cuts will slow, however. Employers are expected to have cut 180,000 jobs in September compared with 216,000 in August.

The monthly report carries more weight with investors because it is less volatile than the weekly readings.

Christian Bendixen, director of technical research at Bay Crest Partners LLC in New York, said recent economic numbers have reminded investors that a recovery will be a difficult process rather than an unbroken improvement.

"For the first time in a while they're coming in a little bit lower than expectations and I think that's scaring a few investors," he said.

The Dow fell 203.00, or 2.1 percent, to 9,509.28, its lowest close since Sept. 8. The drop was the biggest since July 2, when the index fell 223 points, or 2.6 percent, after the government said unemployment had risen.

The Dow shed 50 points in the final 10 minutes of trading. The late-day slide was reminiscent of the harrowing drops that buffeted the market a year ago as a freeze in the credit markets choked the economy and sent investors running.

Even with the drop, the Dow is still up 45.3 percent from a 12-year low of 6,547 in early March.

The broader Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 27.23, or 2.6 percent, to 1,029.85, and the Nasdaq composite index dropped 64.94, or 3.1 percent, to 2,057.48.

The Russell 2000 index of smaller companies fell 20.53, or 3.4 percent, to 583.75.

Five stocks fell for every one that rose on the New York Stock Exchange, where volume came to 1.6 billion shares compared with 1.8 billion Wednesday.

Bond prices jumped as investors sought safety, sending the yield on the 10-year Treasury note down to 3.18 percent from 3.31 percent late Wednesday.

Several economic reports this week have raised doubts about the strength of the recovery and whether the market rally should continue. Reports on consumer confidence and Midwestern manufacturing fell short of expectations.

The bad start to October came a day after stocks wrapped up a stellar third quarter. Both the Dow and the S&P 500 index gained 15 percent. It was the Dow's best quarter in nearly 11 years.

In other economic news Thursday, the Commerce Department said consumer spending surged by the largest amount in nearly eight years in August, even as personal income growth lags. However, with part of the advance in spending due to the government's Cash for Clunkers program, analysts were doubting it could be sustained.

Meanwhile, the National Association of Realtors said pending home sales in August rose 6.4 percent from July to 103.8. Economists surveyed by Thomson Reuters expected the index would rise to 98.6.

Marc Harris, co-head of global research for RBC Capital Markets in New York, said caution among many investors could prevent the market from getting overheated. He pointed to a recent RBC survey of more than 700 financial executives that found more than half expected a gradual economic recovery while few called for a steep rebound. That pessimism is keeping some investors from rushing into the market.

"Not everybody has jumped into the pool yet," he said.

Harris predicts trading will be volatile as questions about the pace of the recovery dog investors.

"We've forgotten the world that we were living through not long ago," he said. "People thought we were heading to zero on the S&P. I'll take a 1,029 any day."

The dollar mostly rose against other major currencies, while gold slid.

Light, sweet crude rose 21 cents to settle at $70.82 a barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange.

Overseas, Britain's FTSE 100 fell 1.7 percent, Germany's DAX index slid 2.1 percent, and France's CAC-40 lost 2 percent. Japan's Nikkei stock average fell 1.5 percent.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD BY THE SANTA MONICA ZONING ADMINISTRATOR ON APPLICATIONS FOR VARIANCES

TIME: **10:30 a.m., Tuesday, October 13, 2009**

LOCATION: Council Chambers, Room 213, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica

A Public Hearing will be held by the Zoning Administrator of the City of Santa Monica at the above noted time and place in regard to the following requests:

Fence Height Modification 09-0003, 632 Marine Street. The applicant is requesting approval of a fence height modification to construct a 69-inch high fence within the required front yard area. The fence is comprised of a 23-inch high lattice and cap on top of a 42-inch high solid wood fence and 4-inch high curb. In addition, a 57-inch wide pedestrian gate is proposed with the save overall height of 69-inches and a 90-inch high frame supporting the gate. Pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) Section 9.04.10.02.080, fences, walls, or hedges cannot exceed the maximum height of 42-inches within the required front yard, measured from the lowest grade. SMMC Section 9.04.10.02.080(e) permits a height modification to the height limitations in the front yard area, subject to approval by the Zoning Administrator. (Planner Lily Yegazu) **APPLICANT/ PROPERTY OWNER: Anthony O'Connell.**

Any person may comment at the Public Hearing, or by writing a letter to the City Planning Division, Room 212, P.O. Box 2220, Santa Monica, CA 90407-2220. Plans are available for public review at the City Planning Division. For more information, please contact the City Planning Division at (310) 458-8341. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 64009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the Public Hearing. The meeting facility is accessible. If you have any disabilities related request, contact at (310) 458-8341 or TTY (310) 458-8696 at least three (3) days prior to the meeting. Santa Monica "Big Blue" Bus Lines #1, #2, #3, #4, #7 and #8 serve the City Hall.

*Esto es un aviso sobre una audiencia publica para revisar applicaciones proponiendo desarrollo en Santa Monica. Esto puede ser de interes para usted. Si desea mas informacion, favor de llamar a Carmen Gutierrez en la Division de Planificacion al numero (310) 458-8341.

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA LANDMARKS COMMISSION

SUBJECT: Public hearings will be held by the Landmarks Commission on the following applications:

1301 Ocean Avenue, LC-09LM-006, Zoning: RVC (Residential-Visitor Commercial) District. The City Landmarks Commission will be conducting a public hearing to consider Landmark Designation Application 09LM-006, at 1301 Ocean Avenue (Shangri-La Hotel), to determine whether the commercial structure, in whole or in part, should be designated as a City Landmark. The Landmarks Commission will make a decision regarding designation based on whether the application, research and public testimony presented show that the structure meets one or more of the required criteria for Landmark designation. Applicant: City of Santa Monica Landmarks Commission. Owner: Indus Investments.

1047 Ninth Street, LC-09LM-004, Zoning: R2 (Low Density Multiple Residential) District. The City Landmarks Commission will be conducting a public hearing to consider Landmark Designation Application 09LM-004, at 1047 Ninth Street, to determine whether the residential structures, in whole or in part, should be designated as a City Landmark. The Landmarks Commission will make a decision regarding designation based on whether the application, research and public testimony presented show that the structures meet one or more of the required criteria for Landmark designation. Applicant: City of Santa Monica Landmarks Commission. Owner: Marina Belokamenskaya.

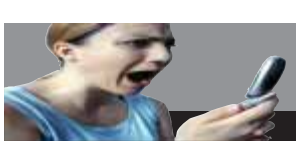
When: **Monday, October 12, 2009 at 7:00 pm**

Where: City Council Chambers, City Hall, Room 213
1685 Main Street, Santa Monica

Questions/Comments
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment on this and other projects. You or your representative, or any other persons may comment on the application at the Public Hearing, or by writing a letter addressed to Scott Albright, AICP, Senior Planner, City Planning Division, 1685 Main Street, Room 212, Santa Monica, California, 90401-3295. Or, you may contact Mr. Albright by phone at (310) 458-8341 or by email at scott.albright@smgov.net.

More Information
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Espanol
Este es un aviso de una audiencia publica para considerar la designación de una propiedad en la ciudad como un monumento histórico. Para mas información, favor de llamar a Carmen Gutierrez en la División de Planificación al número (310) 458-8341.


You make the call. We'll print the answers.
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SURF REPORT

Surf Conditions **Water Temp:** 70°

Swell Forecast

Wind swell is expected to increase slightly. We should also see SW build from the French Poly system mentioned in the synopsis above.

Long Range Synopsis

Chest+ waves around most south facing breaks.

Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica



BEACH REPORT CARD

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Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous four weeks up to the ending date of **September 22, 2009**

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QUICK STATS (for the last 28 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 1
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 1
- Number of wet days -- 0
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 40 / ns
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 4 / ns

The Beach Report Card is made possible by Goldhirsh Foundation, the James Irvine Foundation, simplehuman, Ford

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 Cerritos Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth	A+	ns
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth	A+	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechuza and Los Alisos creeks	A+	ns
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach	A+	ns
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth	A+	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth	A+	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private)	A+	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth	A+	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach	B	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.	A	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence	F	ns
Surfrider Beach (presech location)- daily	A	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east	B	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	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth	A+	ns
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	F	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	F	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain)	A+	ns

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Potrero 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
Marine del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower	A	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth	B	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain	A+	ns
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jetty)	A	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain	A+	ns
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain	A+	ns

LEGEND

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

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ALTERNATIVE SPORTS

Women's roller derby is back

JEFF BAENEN
Associated Press Writer

ST. PAUL, Minn. They wear lipstick, tattoos and roller skates and go by tough names like "Kim Jong Kill," "Shiv & Let Die" and "Mary Tyler Roar." They race around in circles crashing into each other while the crowd cheers.

Women's roller derby — a TV fixture in the 1960s and '70s — is back. Leagues such as the Minnesota RollerGirls have sprouted up around the country. Also, opening nationwide on Friday is the movie "Whip It," that's directed by Drew Barrymore and stars Ellen Page ("Juno") as a Texas teen who takes up the rough-and-tumble sport.

But this is not your mom's roller derby. Instead of the theatrics of old-school roller derby, which could resemble pro wrestling, the new skaters bring a tough, yet feminine attitude of pride and independence.

"I can wear bright red lipstick and go out and play because I want to look good while I'm hitting somebody or while I'm taking somebody out," said Lyndsay Trader, an education administrator who skates for the RollerGirls under the name "Mitzi Massacre."

Trader, who wore blue eye shadow and her red hair in pigtails for a bout in the Brawl of America, a division championship, said this new edition of roller derby appeals to her because "you can be tough and still feminine."

The Minnesota RollerGirls started in 2004 at a roller rink in suburban Minneapolis before moving a year later to Roy Wilkins Auditorium in downtown St. Paul. Tryouts are in the summer and the season starts in the fall. The RollerGirls averaged just over 3,000 fans a bout last season, RollerGirls spokeswoman (and skater) Lyndsey Lyford said.

Another Twin Cities roller derby league, the North Star Roller Girls, skates at the Minneapolis Convention Center and both leagues are part of the Women's Flat Track Derby Association (WFTDA), which has 78 leagues in the U.S. and Canada. There are about 400 roller derby leagues worldwide.

Skaters have to be at least 21 to join the Minnesota RollerGirls, who practice three times a week and play about once a month.

Unlike the derby star Raquel Welch portrayed in 1972's "Kansas City Bomber," today's skaters race on a flat track instead of a sloped one, are not paid and are not professionals.

The modern leagues are skater-owned and operated and many are nonprofit, as is the WFTDA.

But many rules are the same as the old-school game. Each team has a pack of five skaters on the track, including a "jammer" wearing a star on her helmet who laps the other skaters to score points. The players still zip around on four-wheel skates instead of modern inline skates. Although there are penalties for illegal hits, it gets physical.

"Crowds love big hits. They absolutely love them," said RollerGirl Hanna Belle Lector. Her real name is Jennifer Plum, a 29-year-old mental health counselor from Minneapolis.

"There's nothing like going and hitting somebody, having them hit the ground," Plum said, slapping her hand for emphasis, "watching people stand up and scream. It's fantastic."

Crowds also get close to the action. At September's Brawl of America, fans sat on the floor next to the track as the skaters whizzed by to the sounds of the Jackson 5's "ABC" and Wilson Pickett's "Land of 1,000 Dances."

"The crowd does get a jammer or skater in their lap from time to time," Trader said.

Trader, 27, has been a figure skater since she was 4, and a member of the Minnesota RollerGirls for about 4Ω years. She said she's "really not an aggressive person" but enjoys the athleticism of roller derby.

"There's not a lot of contact sport out there for women, and suddenly there is with roller derby," she said.

Erin Lusti, a RollerGirls captain and jammer who skates as Suzie Smashbox, grew up playing hockey — good training for a new sport that has given the 29-year-old a fractured spine, a broken foot and pulled and torn muscles.

"It's real like any other sport would be, that you would get a lot of injuries in. It's tough," Lusti said.

And while she likes the aggression of roller derby, Lusti takes pride in the team's charity work. Since their beginning, the Minnesota RollerGirls have donated close to $38,000 some of which came from leftover sales.

"We don't get paid to do what we do. We do it because we love it," Lusti said.

With its freewheeling style, modern roller derby gives women a different way to express themselves, said Bob Jarvis, professor of law and popular culture at Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

"They're doing it because it's fun," Jarvis said, "it builds camaraderie, it's a way to work off stress, but it's very niche."

On the Net:
Minnesota RollerGirls: http://www.mnrollergirls.com

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Krabat, 2 hr
Like It or Not, 1 hr 52 min
7:30

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 Third Street Promenade

Capitalism: A Love Story (R) 2hr 2min
1:15, 4;15, 7:15, 10:15

I Hope They Serve Beer in Hell (R) 1hr 45min
12:00. 2:30, 5:05, 7;45, 10:30

Jennifer's Body (R) 1hr 42min
2:40, 7:30

Love Happens (PG-13) 1hr 49min
1:45, 4:20, 7:00, 9:45

9 (PG-13) 1hr 19min
12:40, 5:15, 10:00

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

Capitalism: A Love Story (R) 2hr 7min
11:50, 3:10, 6:15, 9:20

Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs (PG) 1hr 21min
11:00, 1:30, 4:20, 6:45, 9:10

The Invention of Lying (PG-13) 1hr 40min
11:40, 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:15

Surrogates (PG-13) 1hr 29min
12:15, 2:45, 5;10, 7:40, 10:05

Toy Story & Toy Story 2 in 3D Double Feature (G) 2hr 49min
10:00, 2:00, 6:00, 9:55

Zombieland (F) 1hr 21min
11:30, 12:30, 1:45, 3:00, 4:30, 5;30, 7:00, 8:00. 9:30. 10;30

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

Bright Star (PG) 2hr 14min
1:20, 4:10, 7:00, 9:50

The Burning Plain (R) 2hr 5min
1:40, 4:30, 7:20, 10:00

The Providence Effect (PG) 1hr 47min
1:50, 4:40, 7:30, 9:55

Paris (NR) 2hr 24min
1:10, 4:10, 7;10, 10:00

Mann's Criterion Theatre
1313 Third St.
(310) 395-1599

District 9 (R) 1hr 53min
1:10, 9:10

The Informant! (R) 1hr 48min
11:30am, 2:00, 4:40, 7:20, 10:20

Inglourious Basterds (R) 2hrs 32min
12:00, 3:20, 6:40, 10:00

Fame (PG) 1hr 47min
3:50, 6:30

Fame in Digital Projection (PG) 1hr 47min
11:40, 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:10

Pandorum (R) 1hr 48min
12:30, 3:00, 5:30, 8:00, 10:30

Whip It (PG-13) 1hr 51min
11:20, 1:50, 4:30, 7:10, 9:50

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

Head home, Sagittarius

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★ Put this workweek to bed. An unexpected event might have you backtracking. If need be, be ready to start at square one. You might need to change plans. Do so without making it a big deal. Tonight: Get a good night's sleep.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Communication revs up, forcing your hand, especially in a meeting. You can't hedge any longer. The problem remains whether you are ready to commit, and what to do if not. Unexpected actions could cause a last-minute snafu. Tonight: Where the gang is.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Changing directions could be difficult, but events could cause you to rethink this decision or, rather, force your hand. If you feel negative, you might want to detach some and gain a perspective. Revisit this issue later. Tonight: A must appearance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Keep reaching out for others. Your humor and perspective might be needed more than you realize. It might feel as if someone is ignoring you, but in reality this person is on overload. Give him or her space and understanding. Tonight: Take off ASAP.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ An easy, solid approach works wonders. You might want to defer to the experts, or the seeming experts. Answers will come your way if you remain open. Your inner frustration could play out in a constructive manner, if you are willing to let go of a grudge. Tonight: Togetherness.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Confusion surrounds a personal issue. There is little you can do to change what is going on, but you can listen to someone who feels that he or she is very together. This person has the same objectives as you. When a surprise happens, don't question it; just accept it. Tonight: Say yes to an offer.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Dive into a project knowing that you would like to complete certain details, if not the whole thing. A boss could make demands that might not allow you to finish up details. Resist projecting negativity, even if you feel it. Let it pass. Tonight: Choose something relaxing, or join co-workers.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Always full of fun and levity, especially now, a friend could react. Be careful exposing a child or loved one to provocative issues. You don't want any more uproar in your life, or do you? Time will tell. Tonight: Party the weekend in.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ Deal with personal matters head-on. You might not be sure which direction to head in. The unexpected could toss you off center, but you will regain that centering. Don't allow a boss or higher-up to excessively dominate your life. Tonight: Head home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Communication buzzes; perhaps you need to address another person's issues. This person needs to push or express him- or herself differently. Avoid a snide comment. Someone at a distance encourages a trip. Think about how you feel when you're with this person. Tonight: Hang out with friends.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Curb a need to be possessive and have things your way. An unexpected development could impact your funds. Be aware of spending and necessary expenditures. A partner could be disappointed. Tonight: Take a look at your budget before heading out the door.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Your personality can melt barriers. Someone you enjoy seems to energize you at an unprecedented level. You have a sudden realization that could toss you and associates off center. Think carefully before making changes. Tonight: As you like.

Happy birthday

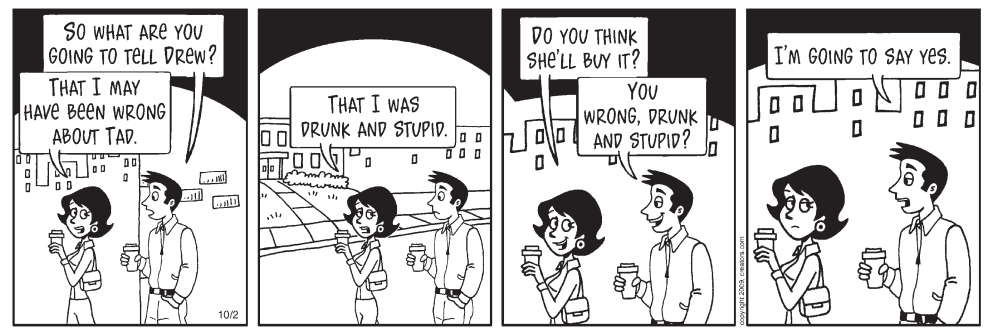
This year, you seem to demand a lot out of your daily life and work. You could be prone to some eccentric or far-out ideas, especially concerning work and health. Nothing replaces getting a doctor's feedback before plunging ahead. Consider different ways of handling a lot of stress, and start using at least one of them. Creative thinking proves to be key in balancing many different elements. If you are single, you could meet someone through your daily life, though this person could be emotionally unavailable. If you are attached, the two of you will benefit from taking a workshop together. Share more. PISCES can ease your path.

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

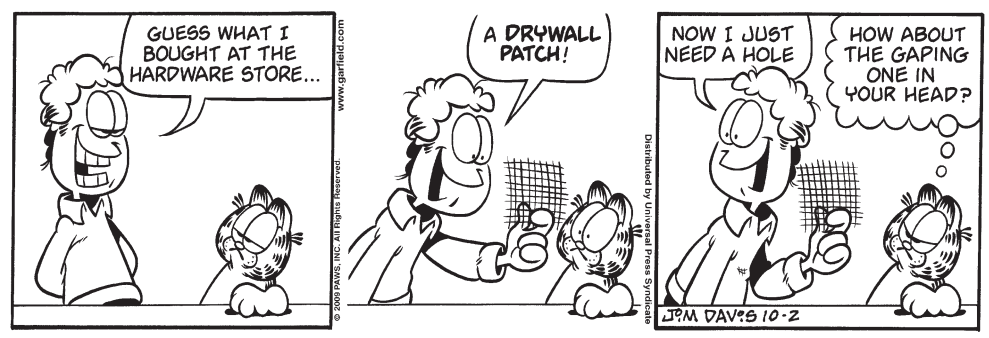
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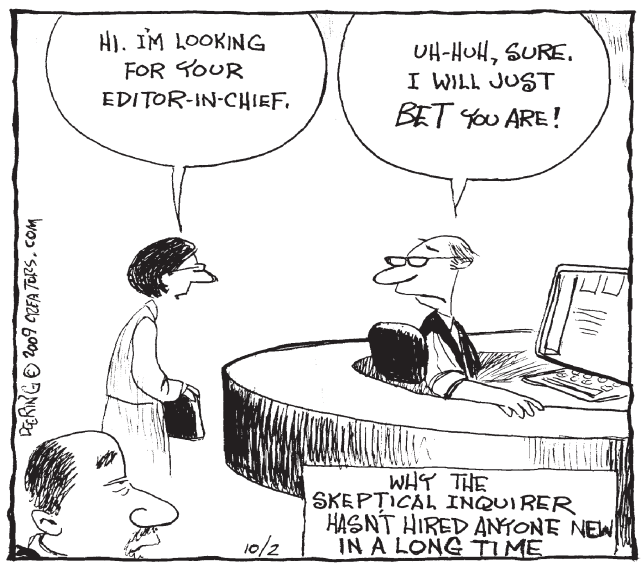
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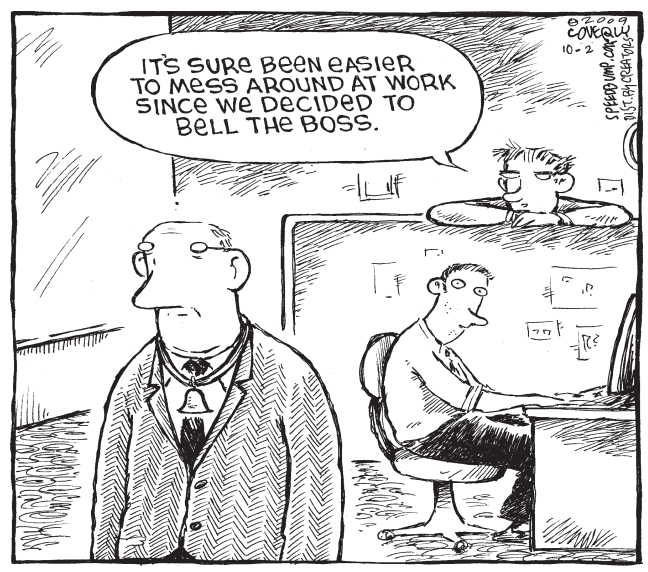
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Difficulty Level ★★★★

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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

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34 Give off
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37 Freeway exit
39 "You bet!"
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Two motorists inadvertently wound up in backyard swimming pools recently: In July, flat-bed truck driver Nicholas Sparks, 25, hauling two motorcycles and towing two trucks, learned that he could not also handle talking on one cell phone while texting on another and accidentally crashed into a house in Lockport, N.Y., ending up with his truck and part of his cargo submerged. And in Mesa, Ariz., in June, a 27-year-old man who had rigged a short sword to his steering wheel (aimed at his chest) and driven into a brick wall in an effort to kill himself, failed in the attempt when an airbag inflated, causing him to lose control of the car, swerve into a nearby home and plunge into the pool.

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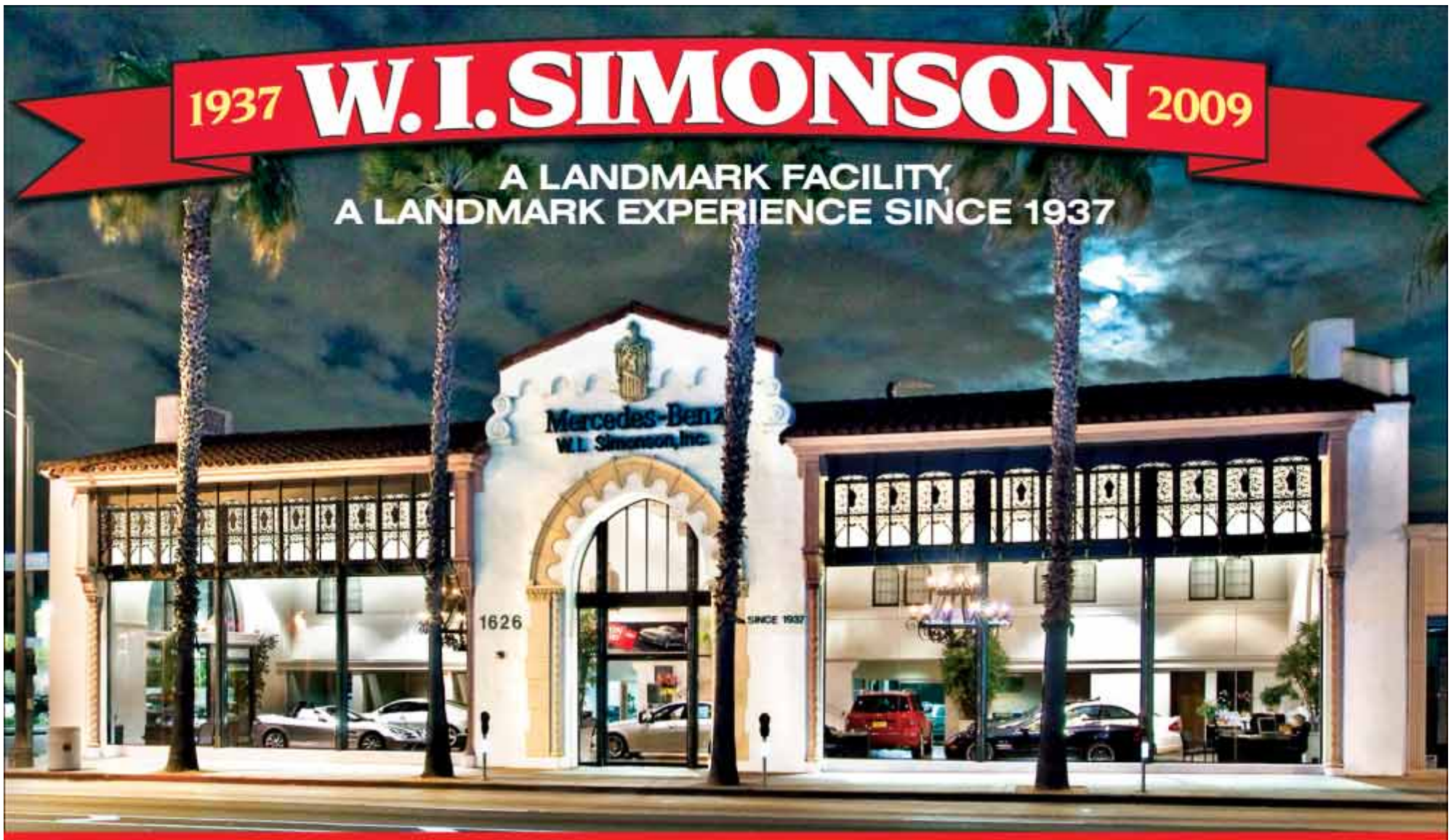
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