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Local schools compete to be trash-free at lunch

Edison, Will Rogers join nonprofit's sustainability challenge



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GREEN: Reusable lunch items are one way to reduce trash at local schools.

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

You're not going to find many plastic bags, paper napkins or one-use water bottles in students' lunch boxes at Edison and Will Rogers elementary schools.

The Santa Monica schools are participating in a yearlong competition between 22 campuses across Southern California to reduce waste during mid-day meals.

The fifth-annual Trash-Free Lunch Challenge is organized by Grades of Green, an environmental education nonprofit that aims to teach students about sustainability and eco-friendly lifestyle habits through a variety of school-based activities and initiatives.

The organization estimates that the participating schools will divert 225 tons of waste from landfills as a result of their efforts this year, an average of more than 10 tons per campus.

How? At Edison and Will Rogers, students will be encouraged to bring their lunches in reusable containers, drink from reusable water bottles and wipe their hands with cloth napkins. Children who buy or receive school lunches will also participate by recycling and composting.

A panel of environmental experts will evaluate waste reduction levels at the participating campuses and determine three honorees. The grand-prize winner will receive a $1,000 grant, the runner-up school will get $750 and the third-place campus will be awarded $500.

NBA All-Star Steve Nash and LA Galaxy

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Consent Calendar focuses on public transit

BY MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

It's a transportation heavy night for the City Council on Oct. 13.

Multiple items on the consent calendar focus on things with wheels including shared cars, bike sponsors and upgrades or maintenance to city vehicles.

The Council will consider a two-year pilot program with Zipcar to provide car sharing services in the city. City Hall would provide a minimum of 20 parking spaces for the program but would incur no financial cost. Customers will be able to use an online system

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Sales tax continues to grow

BY MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Sales tax revenues increased year on year for the first quarter of 2015, but the pace of growth at the county and regional level exceeded levels.

Receipts for the quarter were more than 3 percent higher than the same quarter last year but accounting for payment aberrations, actual sales grew by 1.2 percent between January - March of 2015 (the most recent dates available). Taxable sales rose 3 percent in Los Angeles County and 3.2 percent in the Southern California region.

Gigi Decavalles-Hughes, Santa Monica's Director of Finance said sales tax figures fluctuate based on

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SANTA MONICA TOP 15 BUSINESS TYPES

*In thousands	Santa Monica		County	HdL State
Business Type	**Q1 '15***	**Change**	**Change**	**Change**
Auto Lease	428.4	3.9%	18.3%	21.5%
Casual Dining	799.0	11.2%	5.8%	5.8%
Department Stores	— CONFIDENTIAL —		2.0%	2.0%
Electronics/Appliance Stores	519.4	9.8%	-6.1%	-0.4%
Family Apparel	561.3	2.1%	8.7%	9.8%
Fast-Casual Restaurants	223.8	25.3%	11.4%	12.9%
Fine Dining	336.8	14.3%	16.1%	16.1%
Home Furnishings	203.7	22.5%	12.5%	8.3%
Hotels-Liquor	237.2	1.1%	2.9%	9.5%
New Motor Vehicle Dealers	1,238.8	-0.4%	8.4%	11.1%
Plumbing/Electrical Supplies	164.3	-6.0%	5.7%	7.0%
Quick-Service Restaurants	232.4	13.4%	9.7%	10.5%
Service Stations	230.9	-28.1%	-21.8%	-21.9%
Specialty Stores	292.2	21.2%	8.4%	9.7%
Women's Apparel	172.3	-14.1%	-2.6%	1.7%
Total All Accounts	**$7,597.0**	**3.4%**	**3.8%**	**3.6%**
County & State Pool Allocation	**$984.5**	**6.3%**	**5.9%**	**1.1%**
Gross Receipts	**$8,581.5**	**3.7%**	**3.3%**	**3.3%**

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

October 10

Chili Roast

It's late summer and the chilies are ready for harvest. Join organizers for a southwest style chili roast at the Pico farmers market located in Virginia Avenue Park. Take these delicious chilies home and whip up something tasty or freeze them to use later. Virginia Avenue Park, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Free Paper Shredding & Electronics Recycling

Secure shredding services free of charge for Santa Monica residents (up to 25 file boxes per vehicle, 12"x17"x9") and all shredded materials will be recycled. Documents will be commercially shredded by trained, licensed and bonded document destruction specialists. City Yards, 2500 Michigan Ave., 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Second Saturday Free Craft Lounge with Angharad Caceres

Make a needle felted pumpkin - makes great Halloween décor or a thanksgiving decoration for the table. Cost: Free. Register at https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search/46487 or call (310) 458-2239. Palisades Park, 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Santa Monica Bicycle Expo

Largest consumer event in Southern Calif. held adjacent to the Santa Monica Pier. For more information visit Facebook: Santa Monica Bicycle Expo. 1550 PCH Beach Lot, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Star Wars Reads Day

Follow the force to this world-wide celebration of Star Wars and reading with crafts, games and more. Costumes encouraged. Ages 4 and up. Main Library, Children's Activity Room, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Salt Block Cooking with Chef Rachael Narins

Salt is the mystery ingredient in so many wonderful recipes. We will sample several types (and yes, water will be provided to wash it all down) and taste the amazing ways salt transforms everything from savory to sweets. In this hands-on workshop, Chef Rachael will teach you how to cook on a salt slab, make ice cream in no time, and how to preserve with salt. Cost: $30. Register at https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search/46535 or call (310) 458-2239. Palisades Park, 1 - 4 p.m.

18th St. Arts Center's 6th Annual BAM Fest

Contemporary art, music and California's finest craft beer. Benefits the 18th St. Arts Center, a Santa Monica 501(c)(3) non-profit. For more information call 310-621-0992 or visit www.18thstreet.org/bam. 1 - 5 p.m.

Spinning Greeting Card with Angharad Caceres

Use principles of paper engineering to create an interactive greeting card. This technique can be used as a fun standalone card, or built into a pop-up book. Spin the dial to change the card. Serious fun... Cost: $20 + $5 cash material fee. Register at https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search/47096 or call (310) 458-2239. Palisades Park, 2 - 5 p.m.

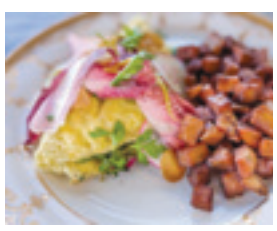
Comic Jam. - Put Yourself in the Frame

Ever wished you could pick the ending or a storyline twist for your favorite comic? Join us for this interactive author talk and comic jam, as celebrated comic artists Jen Wang, Becky Dreistadt, Sarah Oleksyk and Derek Kirk Kim discuss their work and how they got into the business. Then they challenge you to fill in the blanks on a few unique comic strips that they've created especially for this interactive fan art comic jam. A book sale and signing follows the event. Main Library, Multipurpose Room, 2nd

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Healing Crusade

A free, one-night Miracle Healing Crusade with international evangelist Wayman Mitchell of Prescott, Arizona. Mitchell has led healing crusades throughout the United States and abroad and prays for people with ailments ranging from sprained ankles to cancer. For further information, please call the sponsoring Lighthouse Church of Santa Monica, (310) 829-2767. Lincoln Middle School, auditorium, 1501 California Ave., 7 p.m.

Santa Monica Symphony Season Premiere

The Santa Monica Symphony returns to Barnum Hall for the premiere concert of its landmark 71st season. The evening's program opens with Rimsky Korsakov's colorful and exciting Capriccio Espagnol and concludes with Tchaikovsky's passionate and moving Symphony No. 6 "Pathétique". All Santa Monica Symphony concerts are free and ticketless. For more information, please visit: www.smSymphony.org. Santa Monica High School's Barnum Hall, 600 Olympic Blvd., 7:30 p.m.

Finding Rest in the Midst of Stress

Learn a variety of ways to calm the nervous system and bring balance between doing and being in life. Learn to apply simple and specific strategies involving breath, sound, movement, sensory imagination, acupressure, and tai ji/qi gong-based movement that can have immediate effects. 10 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. at First Presbyterian Church of Santa Monica, 1220 2nd St., $45. www.uclartsandhealing.net/ViewProgram.aspx?ID=431

The Dock Brief

In The Dock Brief, an unsuccessful barrister has been waiting for years to make a grandstand defense. He is overjoyed when he gets assigned to defend an innocuous little man accused for murdering his wife. Finally, he will have his chance to shine. However, in pleading his client "not guilty" the case may not quite go as planned. Opens at 8 p.m. on October 10 and runs Thursdays - Saturdays at 8 p.m., and Sundays at 3 p.m. through November 15. Tickets are $25 to $34. Pacific Resident Theatre is located at 705 1/2 Venice Blvd, Venice. Reservations: (310) 822-8392 or www.PacificResidentTheatre.com

October 11

LA Walk for PKD

Fundraising for a charitable foundation dedicated to fighting Polycystic Kidney Disease. For more information call 805-206-8771 or visit http://walkforpkd.org/losangeles. Beach Park 1, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Pier del Sol

Support Special Olympics with VIP Brunch from over 35 of L.A.'s top restaurants with games, prizes, music at Pacific Park. For more information call 562-502-1137 or visit www.sosc.org/pierdelsol. Santa Monica Pier, 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

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Handcrafting Lab with Leslie Robinson

Local hatmaker Leslie Robinson will be supervising collage, beading, knitting, sewing and other handwork activities while taking apart and repurposing vintage hats, working on new fascinators and other projects that mix modern and vintage material. Bring your own accessorizing projects to get tips, or embark on something new. Enroll at https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search?detailskeyword=handcrafting for $2 off, or drop in for $12 (please bring exact change). Palisades Park, 2 - 4 p.m.

Printmaking Lab with Zeina Baltagi

Laboratory for experimenting and printing with our 30"x48" Dickerson Combination motorized printing press. Printmakers with some experience are invited to sign up for printing time; bring your blocks or everything you need to work on them here; monotype, linocut, and other similar techniques will be accommodated. Please note that this is a lab, not a class. Prior experience with a printing press, either here at 1450 ocean or elsewhere is required. Drop in for $20 (please bring exact change). Palisades Park, 2 - 6 p.m.

Capture, conserve, reuse: A conversation with WaterLA

A discussion on water conversation will be led by Melanie Winter, founder of the nonprofit River Project, from 2:30 to 4:30 p.m. at Santa Monica Pier Aquarium. Winter's role in WaterLA is to coordinate staff and programs, push for policy change, write grants, provide technical review, and shape the program by leveraging her relationships to bring together NGOs, agencies and businesses to encourage communities and homeowners to retrofit their homes for resilience. RainReserve will also be on hand to educate the public about rain harvesting.

October 12

Zumba Craze with Minerva

Zumba is a latin-inspired, calorie-burning, dance-fitness experience. In this fitness party, you will burn more calories than you thought you could. Join us for a workout that is so much fun you won't even feel like you're working out. All fitness levels welcome. 1450 Ocean, 7:30 - 8:30 p.m. Cost: $83, Drop-In $12, register at https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search/45877 or call (310) 458-2239.

Landmarks Commission Meeting

Regular meeting of the Santa Monica Landmarks Commission, www.smgov.net/Departments/PCD/Boards-Commissions/Landmarks-Commission, 7 p.m., City Hall, 1685 Main St.

Email Basics

Learn what email is, and get hands-on practice with using email to send messages and attachments. Seating is first come, first served. Length of class is 1-1/2 hours. Beginner Level. For more information or questions, please visit the Reference Desk or call (310) 434-2608. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3:30 - 5 p.m.

Preschool Story time

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SMart Thinking

By SM a.r.t.

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Curb your D.A.s

NO, WE'RE NOT TALKING ABOUT District Attorneys, but rather the propensity of our planning staff to negotiate Development Agreements (DAs) with the owners of substantial chunks of our fair City. These agreements invariably allow development that goes beyond zoning restrictions, i.e. heights, setbacks, buildable area (FAR), parking requirements, and has a negative impact on our City, its residents, and their quality of life, in the name of "Community Benefits." In the process, the Zoning Ordinance, the Land Use Circulation Element (LUCE) and any resident-friendly Downtown Specific Plan recommendations will be sacrificed. Additionally, the sustainability of our infrastructure will be compromised, and require costly capital improvements.

Between 1984 - 2009, only eight major DAs were sought, by application. Since adopting the current general plan in 2010, the City staff have processed 61 DAs. Not one of these projects in the downtown area or along our boulevards is being designed within the zoning codes. By all accounts, there remain at least 30 more DAs in some stage of negotiation. Is this the City of Santa Monica envisioned in the LUCE?

Every DA application requires a minimum of seven public hearings in a two to three year process. The Hines project took seven years, in what should have been a 6 - 12 month process, provided they had adhered to the prevailing code requirements. It is an expensive and unfair process, and developers should be forewarned that they cannot negotiate beyond the existing requirements based on an expectation that they will be able to build larger (greater profit), by simply including some "community benefits." This process runs counter to good zoning policy and is often referred to as "spot zoning." Spot zoning is allowing special building rights on one site, that are denied to others within the same zone — unless they provide specific "public benefits."

One case is the particularly egregious, half a million sq. ft. multi-use development currently planned on City-owned property at 4th Street and Arizona Avenue. From my vantage point and experience, this is a project where the City has not exacted the maximum benefit for the use of our City-owned property. For instance, the City should retain the responsibility for developing and managing the sorely-needed subterranean parking, while leaving the majority of the plaza area as a tree-filled, "Urban Plaza." The remainder of the two-acre site could be leased for a much smaller-scaled development. This is just one of 30 DA projects in the process of being finalized. There are more that are currently under construction or in the building permit phase.

Another particularly egregious case involves the redevelopment of the Village Trailer Park property that involved the eviction of most of the low income tenants, some being relocated. The developer provided the City with $2.5 million in "community benefits" in the proposal. He had paid $5 million for the property plus some additional funds used to create a design package that was then presented to the City. His negotiations with staff eventually resulted in an approved DA. The negotiated entitlements were then "merchandised" (for want of a better word) to another developer for around $62 million. Here the City was terribly short-changed in its pursuit of "community benefits," and we suffered the loss of needed affordable housing.

These are just a few examples of what one might consider the "buying" of spot zoning.

I do not believe that the state legislature had this in mind when it empowered California cities and towns with the DA as a planning tool. Below is an excerpt from the law, and what was the intent.

(a) The lack of certainty in the approval of development projects can result in a waste of resources, escalate the cost of housing and other development to the consumer, and discourage investment in and commitment to comprehensive planning which would make maximum efficient utilization of resources at the least economic cost to the public

(b) Assurance to the applicant for a development project that upon approval of the project, the applicant may proceed with the project in accordance with existing policies, rules and regulations and subject to conditions of approval, will strengthen the public planning process, encourage private participation in comprehensive planning, and reduce the economic costs of development.

c) The lack of public facilities, including, but not limited to, streets, sewerage, transportation, drinking water, school, and utility facilities, is a serious impediment to the development of new housing. Whenever possible, applicants and local governments may include provisions in agreements whereby applicants are reimbursed over time for financing public facilities.

The lawmakers were looking to improve the development process from both a planning and an economic standpoint, for the benefit of the citizens of its communities, and not as a tool to enrich the real estate interests and the retirement funds for the City's employees. Note the line, "…in accordance with existing policies, rules and regulations."

So one must ask the question, why is the City Staff complicit in a process that threatens the quality of life for so many of our residents? Their actions subvert existing ordinances to the benefit of developers, and the international architects who design them.

Perhaps staff equates square footage to increased tax base and therefore job and pension security. Could they be so short-sighted? Or perhaps they simply don't live here and have no personal vested interest in how such intense development impacts the lives of those who do live here. This includes the aged, children, and those who find it more and more difficult to safely move through a town that is already too congested, as it swells daily to accommodate more than 200,000 workers and tourists.

Our new City Manager has wisely, and perhaps even courageously, suggested that enough is quite enough regarding the use of DAs. They encourage the over-development that is eroding the fabric and low scale of our beachfront community. Santa Monica is a regional gem that must be respected and protected.

Samuel Tolkin, Architect, for SMa.r.t.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide

Pink wiper blade sales to benefit breast cancer foundation

Two area oil change stations are selling pink wiper blades during the month of October to support breast cancer research, treatment and awareness.

Henley Enterprises, a franchisee of Valvoline Instant Oil Change, is donating a portion of wiper blade sales proceeds to the National Breast Cancer Foundation.

The campaign has raised more than $45,000 for the foundation over the last three years. The blades fit on most cars, trucks and SUVs manufactured after 2003.

"This campaign gives back to the communities in which we serve," franchise CEO Don Smith said in a press release. "The pink wipers are a highly visible product that many Americans can rally behind. The blades allow individuals who have been affected or know someone affected by breast cancer to show their support."

The Santa Monica service center is located at 1757 Lincoln Blvd. (between Pico and Olympic boulevards). Another service center is located east of Santa Monica at 11827 Santa Monica Blvd. (between Bundy Drive and Barrington Avenue).

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Main Library

Star Wars Reads Day at the Santa Monica Public Library

Read more, you must. Children and their families are invited to celebrate all things Star Wars and the joy of reading on Saturday, October 10, from 11 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the Santa Monica Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Boulevard. Star Wars Reads Day will include a book reading, crafts, games, trivia, refreshments, giveaways, and more. All activities will take place in the Children's Activity Room during this free event. Costumes are encouraged, for ages 4 and up.

For more information about this and other Library programs, visit www.smpl.org or call the Santa Monica Public Library at (310) 458-8600.

The Santa Monica Public Library is wheelchair-accessible. For special disabled services, call Library Administration at (310) 458-8606 at least one week prior to event. The Main Library is served by Big Blue Bus routes 1, 2, 3, 7, 8, 9 and 10. Ride your bike. Bicycle parking racks are available at the library.

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Santa Monica Pier

Join the Celebration at Special Olympics

Special Olympics Southern California invites residents to "Join the Celebration" at its annual Pier del Sol fundraiser on Sunday, October 11 at 10 a.m. at the Santa Monica Pier and Pacific Park.

Pier del Sol features Chef Alain Giraud's VIP Brunch with cuisine from 35 Los Angeles restaurants, including Maison Giraud, Melisse, Spago, Mistral, and Providence.

VIP Tickets are $150 each or $500 for five and include access to the VIP Brunch, unlimited rides, and 12 game tickets. Child VIP tickets are $50 (ages 5 - 12 and are only available at the door). General Admission tickets are $60 and include unlimited rides, ten game tickets, and a meal coupon for Pacific Park's food plaza.

The event will feature music, entertainment, all the rides and games of Pacific Park, and prizes. Attendees will have their chance to bid on fabulous silent auction prize packages from shopping sprees to local entertainment. Participants will also enjoy arts and crafts, karaoke, and cupcake decorating.

"Pier del Sol is a family, fun day for the community, our Special Olympics athletes, and supporters of our movement," said Bill Shumard, President and CEO of Special Olympics Southern California. "This year's theme 'Join the Celebration' embodies the inclusive environment that Special Olympics strives for, and we hope the public will continue to come out and enjoy the food, rides, games, and supporting Special Olympics at the historic Santa Monica Pier and Pacific Park."

Special Olympics will honor Joshua Grode, partner at Irell & Manella, LLP and a member of Special Olympics Southern California's Board of Directors, at the event. Grode has been a board member since 2012.

"The support and enthusiasm our Board of Directors brings to Special Olympics Southern California is extraordinary," said Shumard. "We couldn't be more grateful for the efforts of Joshua Grode, and all of our board members that go above and beyond to support people with intellectual disabilities."

The 2015 Honorary Chef for Pier del Sol is Chef Alain Giraud, of Maison Giraud in the Pacific Palisades. Chef Giraud is the inaugural honoree, and as the honoree, the VIP Brunch is named after him. He has participated at Pier del Sol since the inception of the fundraiser in 1997. Year-after-year, Chef Giraud has presented dishes that enlighten fundraiser attendees with French tradition infused with California's farm to table lifestyle.

Handfuls of celebrities and sports figures will visit the pier for the fundraiser, with Maria Shriver and Bobby Shriver attending as honorary chairs. Since 1997, Pier del Sol has raised nearly $8 million, benefiting and changing the lives of more than 19,625 Special Olympics Southern California athletes.

The presenting sponsors for the event are Wells Fargo and Westfield.

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California to phase out microbeads used in soaps, toothpaste

JULIET WILLIAMS
Associated Press

Gov. Jerry Brown signed legislation Thursday requiring California to phase out the use of microscopic exfoliating beads in personal care products sold in the state starting in 2020 to protect fish and wildlife.

The tiny plastic beads found in soap, toothpaste and body washes are so small that they are showing up in the bodies of fish and other wildlife after passing through water filtration systems without disintegrating.

Assemblyman Richard Bloom, D-Santa Monica, said his bill, AB888, seeks to drastically restrict all use of the non-biodegradable beads, which can contain various toxins.

"AB888 was carefully crafted to avoid any loopholes that would allow for use of potentially harmful substitutes," Bloom said in a statement Thursday. "This legislation ensures that personal care products will be formulated with environmentally-safe alternatives to protect our waterways and oceans."

A number of companies are replacing microbeads with natural substances such as ground-up fruit pits.

California lawmakers have attempted similar legislation before, but they met opposition from personal-care product companies. Amendments to the measure this year prompted many business critics to drop their opposition to California joining several other states in eliminating the so-called microbeads.

The microbead ban was one of several pieces of legislation Brown signed Thursday in response to concerns about environmental degradation.

He approved SB185 by Senate President Pro Tem Kevin de Leon, D-Los Angeles, which will require the state's two large public pension funds, the California Public Employees' Retirement System and the California State Teachers' Retirement System, to divest from coal holdings.

Brown also signed legislation giving state lawmakers two appointments to a powerful state regulatory board that has expansive authority to set regulations laying out how the state will achieve its aggressive emissions reductions target. Under AB1288, the state Legislature can appoint two members to the California Air Resources Board, expanding its size to 14. Currently, only the governor can appoint its members.

And Brown announced signing legislation requiring cities and counties to create a faster process to approve new charging stations, an effort to address a patchwork of regulations throughout the state that have slowed building.

His approval comes a day after he signed aggressive climate change legislation requiring California to get half its electricity from renewable energy sources within 15 years and to double the energy efficiency of existing buildings.

The Democratic governor also signed three oil spill protection bills, months after a pipeline leaked more than 100,000 gallons of crude on the Santa Barbara Coast. The measures call for pipeline operators to use the best spill-control technology, require annual pipeline inspections and require regulators to notify the state Legislature if caustic chemicals are used in a cleanup.

The bills were introduced after the Plains All American Pipeline ruptured underground in May, sending oil onto a beach and into the ocean. The oil spread more than 100 miles.

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Appointment to be made by City Council, Tuesday, November 10, 2015.

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REDUCE

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soccer player Omar Gonzalez visited last year's winning schools, according to a Grades of Green press release.

The City of Santa Monica is a sponsor of the program.

Grades of Green sees the lunch challenge as having an impact beyond the schools because the students can influence their friends, families and neighbors to make eco-friendly lifestyle choices.

This marks the first year of participation for Edison, which got involved after a school parent contacted Grades of Green. The organization then reached out to principal Lori Orum, who wanted to provide more enrichment for students in environmental sustainability.

Edison had previously partnered with the City of Santa Monica to compost food waste at lunch, and the school also had a student-led "green team" for years. But those initiatives faded when major construction began on the Virginia Avenue campus, a Santa Monica-Malibu school district site known for its dual-immersion language curriculum.

"We didn't have the ability to keep all aspects of our program in place," Orum said. "Now that the school is finished and we have an edible garden area on the horizon, we thought our systems could use a tune-up and our program could be expanded with some additional curriculum. I particularly liked the curriculum extensions and the emphasis on student leadership in the Grades of Green program."

For Orum, the lunch challenge complements the environmentally conscious amenities that highlight new facilities at the school. A campaign kickoff event is set for Oct. 21.

"The new Edison school has many features designed to reduce our carbon footprint, and the idea has always been to use the features of the school to teach about energy conservation and environmental stewardship," Orum said.

Orum said school officials are planning to expand sustainability programming as garden space becomes available in the coming months.

An attempt to reach Will Rogers principal Elizabeth Cochran was not successful.

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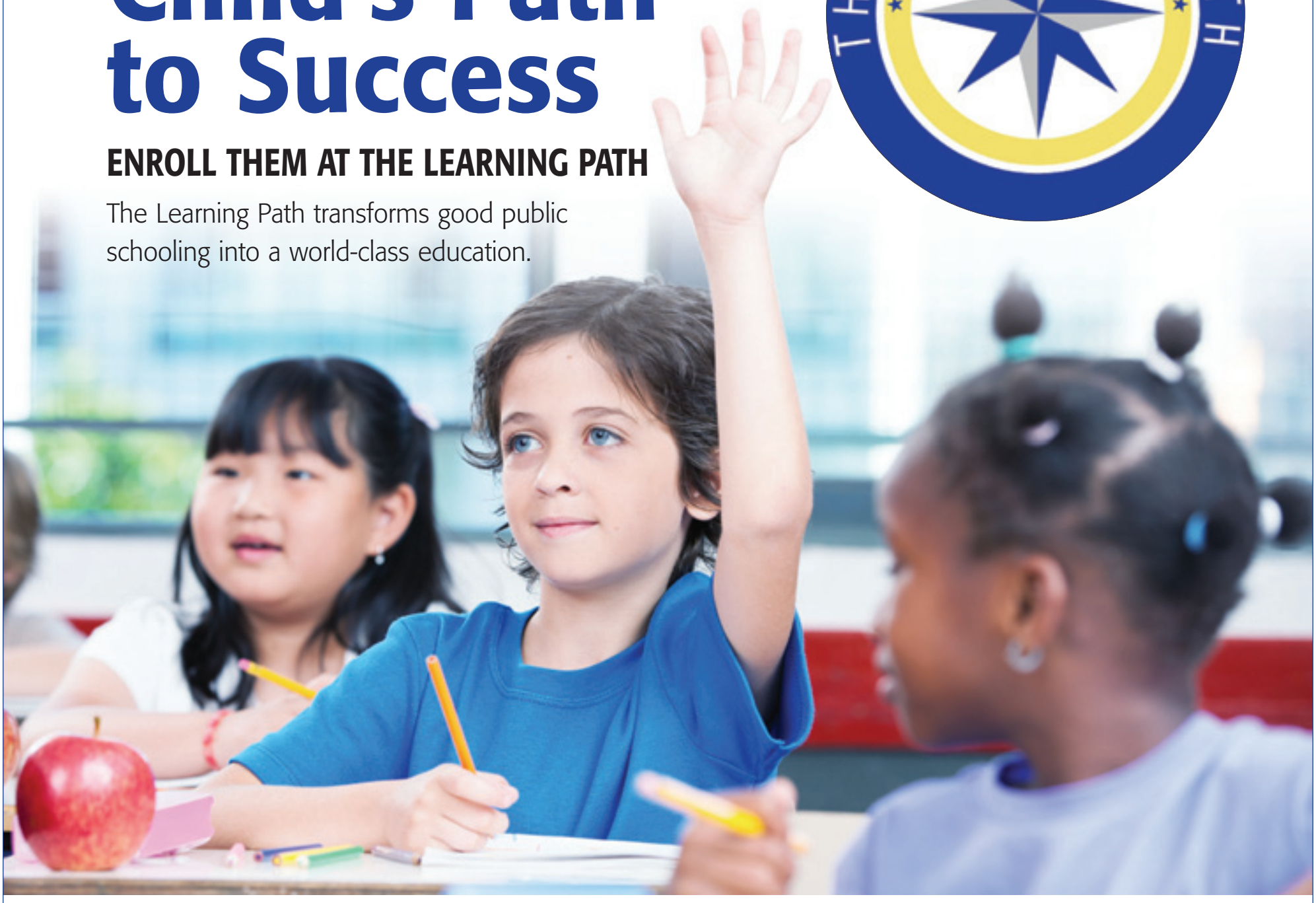
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to reserve a car for short, round-trip uses.

"Development of this program is an important tool in contributing towards a reduction in vehicle ownership to promote alternative transportation modes to achieve the City's

Land Use and Circulation Element (LUCE) goal of No Net New PM Peak Hour Vehicle

Trips - and the City's top Strategic Goal of establishing a new model for mobility," said the staff report.

The consent items include several vehicle related purchases. The city will spend $560,270 for three Compressed Natural Gas Aerial Trucks, $552,000 to convert two 2009 El Dorado National 30-foot buses from gasoline/electric power to compressed natural gas and $686,202 to purchase two Compressed Natural Gas Front Load Refuse Packer Vehicles.

Maintenance includes $293,636 for a three year contract to service and repair surveillance systems on buses, $521,812 to upgrade lighting at bus facilities and $3,700,000 for the purchase of Clean Energy Redeem Renewable Liquid Natural Gas (RLNG).

Also related to cars is an administrative item that requires the city to apply for and document grant funding that supports the Big Blue Bus.

Council will consider a seven-year, $38,231,376 contract with SP+ to manage parking operations.

The final transportation item would authorize the City Manager to execute an agreement with Hulu, LLC for the sponsorship of the Breeze Bike Share system for five years at the level of $675,000 annually.

Non-transportation items include a $407,000, five-year contract with Hinderliter, de Llamas & Associates.

"HDL conducts these audits by reviewing records from the California State Board of Equalization to determine if sales, use and transactions taxes collected by the State are being properly allocated to the City. The use of these services has recovered nearly $8 million in revenue for the City during the past 10 years (2005-2014)," said the staff report.

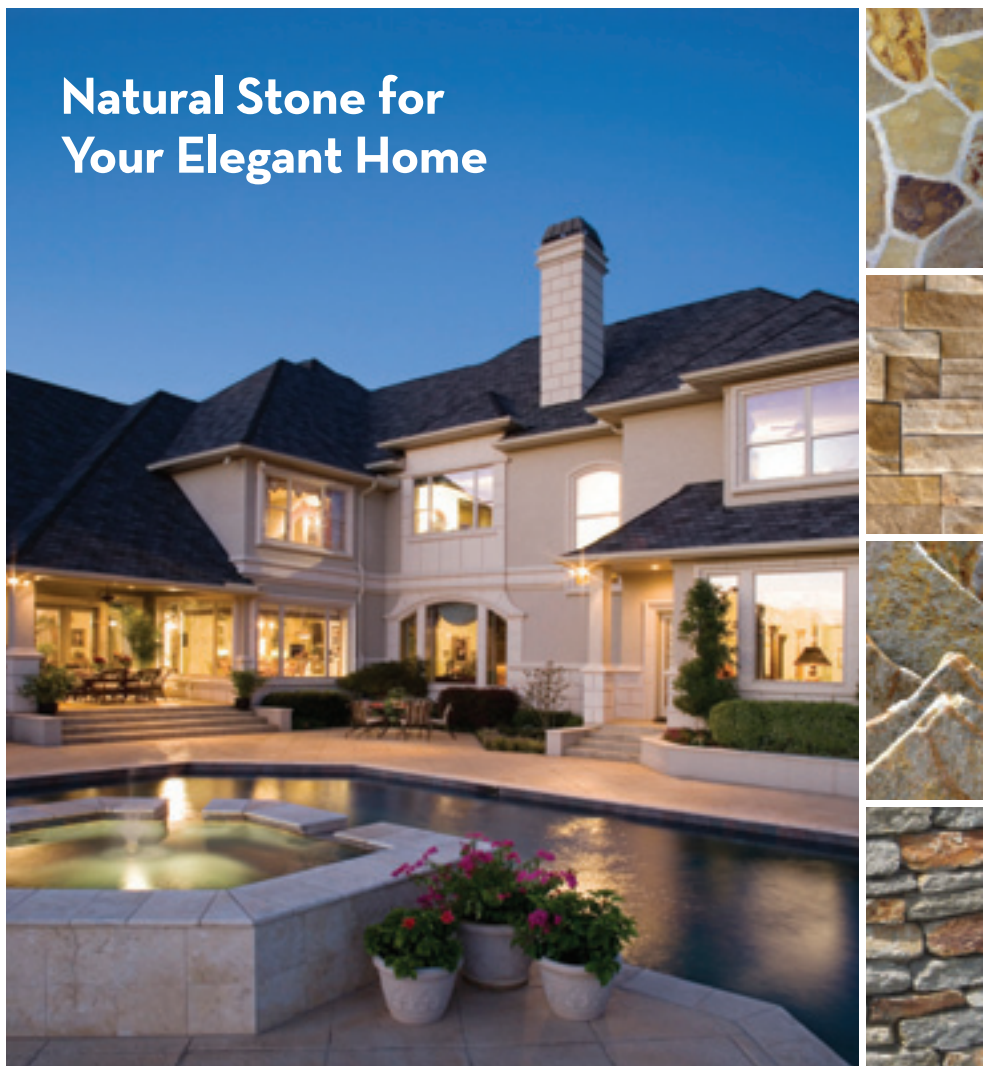
Several items relate to the City's water supply. Council will consider $555,000 for Reverse Osmosis Antiscalant Chemicals, $3,300,000 over a three-year period for Granular Activated Carbon replacement services at the Charnock Well Field, $536,824 for the manufacture and installation of the Storm Drain Catch Basin Connector Pipe Screens project and $211,500 over a three-year period for replacement of large (4" and above) water meters.

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DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 63 calls for service on Oct. 8.

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

EMS 1400 block of Ocean 1 a.m.
Carbon monoxide alarm 500 block of Hill 1:16 a.m.
EMS 3100 block of Pico 1:28 a.m.
Automatic alarm 2200 block of Wilshire 1:29 a.m.
EMS 2100 block of Delaware 1:35 a.m.
EMS 400 block of Broadway 2:36 a.m.
Injuries from assault Ocean/Santa Monica 2:38 a.m.
EMS 100 block of Colorado 3:10 a.m.
Trash/dumpster fire 5th/Broadway 3:23 a.m.
EMS 1200 block of Palisades Park 4:29 a.m.
EMS 300 block of Olympic 5:24 a.m.
EMS 2100 block of Delaware 6:06 a.m.
EMS 900 block of Pico 6:27 a.m.
EMS 3100 block of Highland 6:35 a.m.
EMS 300 block of Santa Monica Pl 6:52 a.m.
Flooded condition 500 block of 15th 7:18 a.m.
EMS 1900 block of 22nd 7:42 a.m.
EMS 1100 block of Arizona 8:28 a.m.
EMS 800 block of 10th 8:33 a.m.
EMS 2300 block of California 8:38 a.m.
EMS 3100 block of Ocean Park 8:46 a.m.
EMS 700 block of Santa Monica 9:27 a.m.
Automatic alarm 300 block of Santa Monica Pl 10:03 a.m.
Odor of natural gas 2100 block of Cloverfield 10:06 a.m.
EMS 4th/Olympic 10:09 a.m.
Request fire 4th/Olympic 10:09 a.m.
EMS 1100 block of 3rd 10:10 a.m.
Wires down 1000 block of Santa Monica 10:21 a.m.
EMS 1600 block of Franklin 10:39 a.m.
Haz mat 1400 block of 25th 10:48 a.m.
Automatic alarm 300 block of Santa Monica Pl 11:08 a.m.
EMS 1600 block of Ocean Front Walk 12:24 p.m.
EMS 1400 block of 7th 12:40 p.m.
EMS 600 block of Santa Monica 12:44 p.m.
EMS 1500 block of 2nd 1:21 p.m.
Assist LAFD 700 block of Rose 2:14 p.m.
Automatic alarm 900 block of Euclid 2:35 p.m.
EMS 1300 block of Franklin 2:38 p.m.
EMS 1400 block of Palisades Park 3:23 p.m.
Public assist 2800 block of Santa Monica 3:25 p.m.
EMS 1000 block of 5th 3:55 p.m.
EMS 1300 block of Wilshire 4:46 p.m.
EMS 400 block of Wilshire 5:11 p.m.
EMS 500 block of Washington 5:12 p.m.
Automatic alarm 300 block of Santa Monica Pl 5:42 p.m.
Automatic alarm 2000 block of Main 5:51 p.m.
Assist LAFD 600 block of rose 5:52 p.m.
EMS 2300 block of Pier 6:45 p.m.
EMS Lincoln/Santa Monica 7:06 p.m.
EMS 1500 block of 5th 7:26 p.m.
EMS 1600 block of Pearl 7:46 p.m.
EMS 2500 block of Santa Monica 8:10 p.m.
EMS 700 block of 9th 8:12 p.m.
EMS 2100 block of Delaware 8:15 p.m.
EMS 400 block of Raymond 8:29 p.m.
EMS 2400 block of Olympic 8:38 p.m.
EMS 1800 block of 17th 8:39 p.m.
EMS 600 block of Wilshire 8:53 p.m.
EMS 17th/Pico 10 p.m.
Haz mat 1600 block of 19th 10:11 p.m.
EMS 4th/Pico 10:12 p.m.

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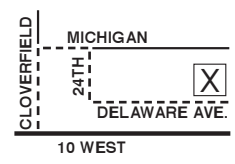

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many factors but over time, Santa Monica is on par with nearby agencies.

"It's not necessarily meaningful to make judgments based on a single quarter's results," she said. "Revenues in a particular quarter might be affected by many things such as one-time adjustments to revenues, seasonality, weather, the City's business mix, businesses moving in and out of the City, and various other factors. While revenues in individual quarters may either exceed or trail regional results, projections are that City revenues will trend relatively close to regional revenues over the next few years."

Despite the gap in growth, sales per capita in Santa Monica remains high at more than three times the county or state level.

When broken out by industry, most industries saw growth. Receipts from fast-casual restaurants, such as Chipotle, grew by 25.3 percent to $223,800, home furnishing receipts increased by 22.5 percent to $203,700 and specialty stores grew by 21.2 percent to $292,200. Casual dining, fine dining and quick-service restaurants all experienced double digit growth.

According to HdL Companies, the organization hired to conduct the analysis, restaurant figures were boosted by late arriving receipts from the prior sales period but new restaurant openings did add to actual sales.

"New retailer openings also added to general consumer totals but temporary adjustments inflated group gains," reads the report. "The food and drugs increase was consistent with regional trends."

Service stations saw the largest decline in sales, dropping 28.1 percent to $230,900. Women's apparel dropped 14.1 percent to $172,300. Plumbing/electrical supplies dropped by 6 percent to $164,300.

HdL said lower prices at the pump caused to the fuel and service station drop. A misallocated payment received a year ago caused the business and industry decline. Adjustments for business closeouts cut building and construction receipts.

Santa Monica's most profitable industry, new vehicle sales, saw a marginal decline of 0.4 percent to $1,238,800.

HdL said the auto and transportation group actually showed ongoing interest by consumers in buying and leasing new vehicles however a one-time tax payment last year impacted their growth figures.

Data from department stores remains confidential in Santa Monica due to the composition of the business community.

"Sales tax information on individual businesses is confidential per the State Revenue and Taxation Code," said Decavalles-Hughes. "In the case of department stores, the number of businesses included in the department store category in Santa Monica is small enough whereby the entire category is deemed confidential."

Gross receipts for all accounts and allocations totaled $8,581,500 for the first quarter.

Consumer goods accounted for 29 percent of revenue, auto/transportation was 23 percent, restaurants were 22 percent, pools were 11 percent, business/industry spending was 5 percent, food/drugs were 4 percent and miscellaneous industries made up 6 percent.

Sales tax is the largest source of revenue for the General Fund.

"Sales taxes are deposited into the City's General Fund and used for a variety of general services including police, fire, paramedic and emergency services, school and afterschool programs, library programs, programs for the homeless, parks and recreation programs, environmental protection and other general fund activities," said Decavalles-Hughes.

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The project will implement the following road reconfigurations:

- Michigan Avenue will become one-way westbound between Lincoln Boulevard and 7th Street
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El Pescador State Beach, between Lachusa and Los Alisos creeks.		
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	B	A+
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	F
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	F	A+
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	F
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	F	A+
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A+	D
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	A+
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 21572 Malibu Rd..	A+	F
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	F
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	A	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	ns	F
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	F
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	A+
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A+	A+
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	F
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	B
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ns	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	B	F
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	B	A+

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

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

Heal the Bay's Beach Report Card™ is based on weekly water quality monitoring data provided by the City of Los Angeles' Environmental Monitoring Division and the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services. Data is analyzed as soon as it is made available to us by the public agencies. Beaches are graded on an A-F scale based on the risk of ocean users becoming ill. Samples are analyzed for bacteria—enterococcus, total and fecal coliforms—that indicate biological pollution. A fact sheet detailing the exact methodology used in determining grades for each location is available from the office or on our web site. The report is not designed to measure the amount of trash or toxins found at local beaches.

The Beach Report Card is an indication of past water quality and is not a warranty of the current safety of those areas surveyed. Our lawyers are happy.

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CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF



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

ON OCTOBER 3, AT APPROXIMATELY 12:30 A.M.

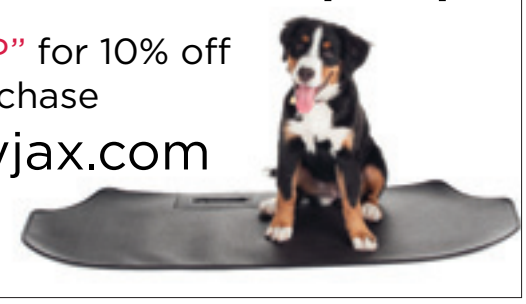
An officer was driving in the 2300 block of 2nd Street when he observed a male riding his bicycle without a headlamp on the sidewalk. Contact was made with the subject and the officer asked for his identification at which time he stated that he had his wallet stolen and verbally identified himself. When the officer ran a computer check with the name given, the DMV photo did not match the subject's identity. When the subject was confronted about this, he proceeded to tell the officer to do what he had to do and still refused to give the officer his name. The subject, later identified as Ade Greenidge, 23 of Santa Monica, was arrested for false identification to a police officer and for the municipal code violation of riding a bicycle on the sidewalk. Bail was set at $5,000.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 389 calls for service on Oct. 8.

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

Loud music 1400 block of 4th 12:23 a.m.
Grand theft auto 300 block of Ashland 12:33 a.m.
Traffic accident 2600 block of Main 12:44 a.m.
Petty theft Ocean/Broadway 12:46 a.m.
Traffic accident 3100 block of Pico 1:27 a.m.
Assault w/deadly weapon Ocean/Santa Monica 2:36 a.m.
Petty theft 3100 block of Wilshire 7:13 a.m.
Petty theft 300 block of Olympic 7:38 a.m.
Hit and run 1600 block of Cloverfield 7:47 a.m.
Death investigation 1900 block of 22nd 7:49 a.m.
Animal related incident 600 block of 24th 7:50 a.m.
Burglary 1100 block of 6th 7:53 a.m.
Battery 1700 block of pearl 7:58 a.m.
Identity theft 1700 block of Cloverfield 8:22 a.m.
Person down 5th/Broadway 8:23 a.m.
Identity theft 600 block of 16th 8:43 a.m.
Injured person 700 block of Santa Monica 9:26 a.m.
Hit and run 1300 block of Pico 9:26 a.m.
Identity theft 1400 block of 23rd 9:30 a.m.
Petty theft 1300 block of 2nd 9:40 a.m.
Petty theft 2100 block of Cloverfield 9:44 a.m.
Traffic accident 1500 block of Colorado 9:48 a.m.
Petty theft 1400 block of Ocean 9:56 a.m.
Traffic accident 4th/Olympic 10:08 a.m.
Petty theft 2500 block of Santa Monica 10:11 a.m.
Vandalism Cloverfield/Olympic 10:18 a.m.
Petty theft 100 block of California 10:24 a.m.
Elder abuse 1700 block of 17th 10:42 a.m.
Burglary 400 block of Lincoln 10:48 a.m.
Auto burglary 700 block of Adelaide 12:18 p.m.
Auto burglary 1900 block of Euclid 12:35 p.m.
Petty theft Ocean/Broadway 12:39 p.m.
Petty theft 1300 block of 3rd Street Prom 12:53 p.m.
Traffic accident Cloverfield/Santa Monica 12:55 p.m.
Fraud 200 block of Ocean 1:03 p.m.
Counterfeit money 300 block of Santa Monica Pl 1:05 p.m.
Theft suspect in custody 300 block of Colorado 1:17 p.m.
Elder abuse 1900 block of 17th 1:31 p.m.
Petty theft 1400 block of Lincoln 1:44 p.m.
Fight 500 block of Broadway 1:50 p.m.
Battery 6th/Broadway 1:52 p.m.
Auto burglary 1700 block of Appian 2:05 p.m.
Indecent exposure 1600 block of Main 3:08 p.m.
Petty theft 2500 block of Santa Monica 3:14 p.m.
Person with a 1400 block of 3rd Street Prom 3:17 p.m.
Traffic accident 24th/Wilshire 3:23 p.m.
Vandalism 700 block of Pier 3:26 p.m.
Traffic accident 23rd/Hill 3:28 p.m.
Sexual assault 1000 block of 4th 4:05 p.m.
Traffic accident Centinela/Ocean Park 4:24 p.m.
Petty theft 2500 block of Santa Monica 4:25 p.m.
Traffic accident 20th/Pico 4:39 p.m.
Hit and run 1400 block of Ocean 5:03 p.m.
Hit and run 14th/Pico 5:10 p.m.
Elder abuse 1200 block of 6th 5:21 p.m.
Auto burglary 1700 block of Appian 5:43 p.m.
Stalking suspect 2100 block of Virginia 6:09 p.m.
Battery 2500 block of Main 6:30 p.m.
Petty theft 1300 block of 3rd Street Prom 6:34 p.m.
Identity theft 1000 block of 19th 7:03 p.m.
Auto burglary 1700 block of Appian 7:22 p.m.
Auto burglary 1700 block of Appian 7:55 p.m.
Drunk driving investigation 3000 block of Airport 8:03 p.m.
Rape 1900 block of Pico 8:05 p.m.
Identity theft 1200 block of 10th 8:20 p.m.
Traffic accident 100 block of Pier 8:32 p.m.
Traffic accident 300 block of Pico 9:06 p.m.
Petty theft 800 block of 17th 9:13 p.m.
Armed robbery 2900 block of Ocean Park 9:18 p.m.
Grand theft 1600 block of 19th 9:48 p.m.
Petty theft 1600 block of 19th 9:55 p.m.
Vandalism 17th/Delaware 10:07 p.m.
Traffic accident 4th/Pico 10:11 p.m.
Speeding Lincoln/Olympic 11:33 p.m.

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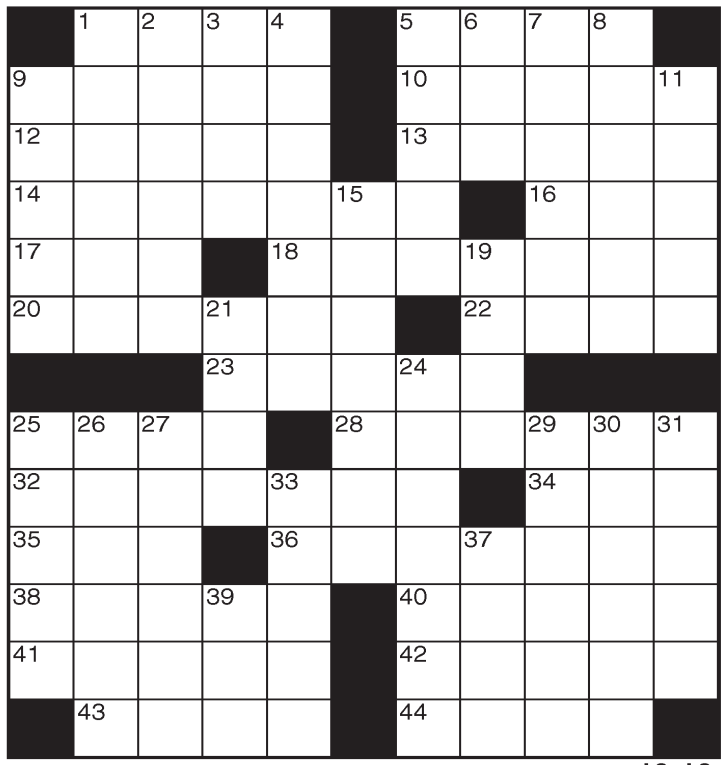
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Yesterday's answer

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

Difficulty Level ★★★★

	7		3		9			
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			2					
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	5			2			7	
8	1					6		2
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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

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

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POWERBALL
Draw Date: 10/7
18 30 40 48 52
Power#: 9
Jackpot: 60M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 10/6
17 58 63 64 66
Mega#: 13
Jackpot: 65M

SUPER LOTTO
Draw Date: 10/7
4 11 12 28 41
Mega#: 22
Jackpot: 15M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 10/8
3 23 24 25 36

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 10/9
MIDDAY:
Draw Date: 10/8
EVENING: 0 1 0

DAILY DERBY
Draw Date: 10/8
1st: 10 Solid Gold
2nd: 05 California Classic
3rd: 07 Eureka
RACE TIME: 1:46.98

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WORD UP!

tumescent 1. pompous and pretentious, especially in the use of language; bombastic. 2. swelling; slightly tumid. 3. exhibiting or affected with many ideas or emotions; teeming.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1970 – In Montreal, a national crisis hits Canada when Quebec Vice-Premier and Minister of Labour Pierre Laporte becomes the second statesman kidnapped by members of the FLQ terrorist group.

1971 – Sold, dismantled and moved to the United States, London Bridge reopens in Lake Havasu City, Arizona.

1973 – Vice President of the United States Spiro Agnew resigns after being charged with evasion of federal income tax.

1975 – Papua New Guinea joins the United Nations.

1980 – A magnitude 7.3 earthquake occurs in the Algerian town of El Asnam. Around 3,500 die and 300,000 are left homeless.

1980 – FMLN was founded in El Salvador.

1985 – United States Navy F-14 fighter jets intercept an Egyptian plane carrying the hijackers of the Achille Lauro cruise ship, and force it to land at a NATO base in Sigonella, Sicily where they are arrested.

1986 – An earthquake measuring 7.5 on the Richter scale strikes San Salvador, El Salvador, killing an estimated 1,500 people.

NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Actress Melissa Gilbert (a star of TV's "Little House on the Prairie"), 51, announced in August that she would run for Congress from Michigan's 8th Congressional District -- even though she is currently on the hook to the IRS and California for back taxes totaling $470,000. Gilbert, a former president of the Screen Actors Guild and member of the AFL-CIO Executive Council, promised that she (and her actor-husband) would pay off her tax bill -- by the year 2024.

■ Life Imitates the Three Stooges: In January (2009), inmates Regan Reti, 20, and Tiranara White, 21, who had been booked separately for different crimes on New Zealand's North Island and were handcuffed together for security at Hastings District Court, dashed out of the building and ran for their freedom. However, when they encountered a street lamp in front of the courthouse, one man went to the right of it and the other to the left, and they slammed into each other, allowing jailers to catch up and re-arrest them. (A courthouse surveillance camera captured the moment, and the grainy video was a worldwide sensation.)

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By Giive staff

For nonprofits, attracting eager volunteers and generous donors is challenging enough, but when a charity is exposed as a scam, it hurts everybody.

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Don't push too hard, Aries

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ Stay level despite surprises early in the day. You could feel abandoned in some sense. You will be in an enviable position, as you seem to be able to reset your schedule and mood with ease. You will notice negative feelings drift away as time passes. Tonight: Don't push too hard.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ You will be unusually playful compared to most people. Don't worry -- you'll find a playmate with ease. What you choose to do must be an activity you love. That type of excitement is what will draw in others. Tonight: You could become quite mischievous.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ You might be spending a lot of time at home, as you feel comfortable in this setting. Invite friends over later in the day for a spontaneous fall happening or party. Your attitude and easygoing nature might surprise some of your company. Tonight: And the party goes on.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You'll need to have a conversation with a friend in order to clear the air. How you deal with this person could be subject to change because of information that comes in. You might feel as if you are having a difficult time keeping a steady pace. Tonight: At a favorite spot.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You might be concerned about the costs of a trip or a special weekend. Verify the costs now, and if you are comfortable with them, go ahead. Do not create unnecessary tension in your life. You can always find an alternative. Tonight: Nothing needs to be formal right now.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ The Moon highlights you and draws quite a few admirers toward you. Handling this popularity could be difficult, especially if you are attached. Honor a changing situation with a family member who seems to be in an odd mood. Tonight: Create a special time.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Your ability to understand more of what is happening with a special friend is likely to emerge. This person might be more withdrawn than you have seen in a long time. Be understanding. Recognize that you handle personal matters differently. Tonight: Vanish.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Your situation is changeable. Your finances seem to be rather tight, but you still will manage to have a good time. Sometimes throwing yourself into a situation in which you aren't normally exposed can invigorate the moment. Friends surround you. Tonight: Go for it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ Pressure builds as a key person seems to need you and make demands. At some point, you will need to say when enough is enough and allow yourself to create some fun, personal time. Take a stand, and others will follow. Enjoy the position as leader of the gang. Tonight: Out late.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Reach out to a friend at a distance. Perhaps you will make plans to get together in the near future. You might have been considering a change of scenery anyway, so why not join this person for a mini getaway? You won't have to go far. Tonight: A new spot with new people.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You'll want to deal with a loved one on a one-on-one basis. As a result, you might draw a strong, unexpected reaction. You could be surprised by what comes up. Be smart and respect this person's point of view rather than create a struggle. Tonight: Add some candles and ambiance.

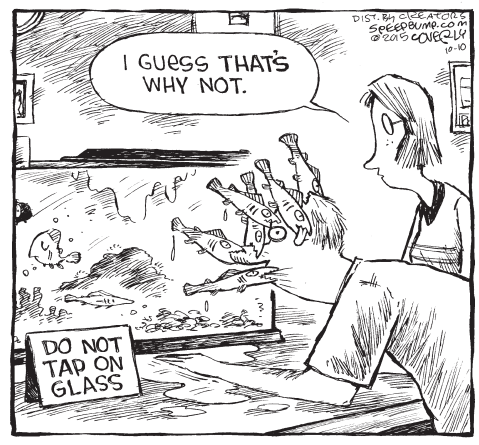
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Others seek you out. You have so many invitations heading in your direction that you could be overwhelmed. If money is an issue, say so, and others will help you find a way around the problem. Tonight: Go from one happening to another!

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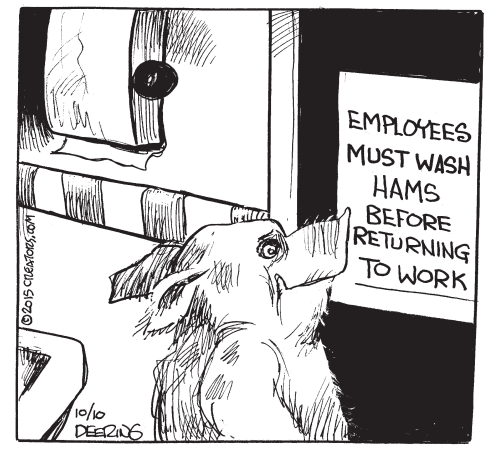
This year others find that you are more introverted than usual. You will be spending many hours pondering the decisions and direction of your life. You might decide to let go of what no longer serves you. If you are single, carefully check out someone new on the scene, as he or she could be very different from what you think. If you are attached, the relationship benefits from frequent getaways together. You can create the type of closeness you need to strengthen your bond. VIRGO is full of fun.

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

Speed Bump
By Dave Coverly



Strange Brew
By John Deering



Dogs of C-Kennel
By Mick and Mason Mastroianni



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