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No seconds for some schools

Parents send letter to board members requesting funding

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

SAMOHİ Parents concerned that students here will not be getting their fair share of

funding for new facilities and practice fields fired off a letter over the weekend to school board members and district officials asking for more money to be spent on the aging campus — where the vast majority of local kids ultimately attend.

Members of the Coalition for an Excellent SAMOHİ Campus argue that district staff's funding proposal "seriously shortchanges" the high school, which is in dire need of \$65 million worth of improvements — not the \$38.4 million tentatively

set aside by the district.

The letter was signed by parent and SAMOHİ PTA President Judith Meister; Elizabeth Gelfand Stearns, a parent and member of the Education Foundation for the Arts; and Laurie Lieberman, a parent and member of the Youth Athletic Foundation.

"Samohi's campus, which should be a source of community pride, matching the excellence of our students, teachers, administrators and parent volunteers, is instead an embarrassment, suffering from decades-

long neglect," the parents wrote.

"We recognize this means committing a disproportionate share of (Measure) BB funds to Samohi ... but we firmly believe that — as a matter of fairness and sensible district strategic planning — this is the right course to follow."

School board members are expected to vote on how to spend more than \$190 million this Thursday.

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Monthly Movie Classic: 'Harold & Maude'

601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3 p.m. — 4:45 p.m.

Free screening of the cult classic comedy starring Ruth Gordon and Bud Cort. All ages welcome. Seating is first come, first served.

Halloween Ha Ha

2601 Main St., 3:30 p.m. — 4:30 p.m.

The Ocean Park Library wants to show kids, ages 3-7, the humor of Halloween with some stories and a puppet show. Tickets are free.

Blow Dry Boot Camp

2920 Wilshire Blvd., 4 p.m. — 7 p.m.

It's time to enlist in the First Annual Blow Dry Boot Camp at Manu International Styling Salon. Refreshments will be served. This special event will benefit The American Cancer Society during National Breast Cancer Awareness Month. For more information, call (310) 829-2554.

Toddler Story Time for Twos

2601 Main St., 10 a.m. — 11 a.m.

This program is a weekly series of stories, songs and other activities for 2- and 3-year-old children. This program is free, but registration is required. Call (310) 392-3804 for more information.

Floral design and sales course

601 Pico Blvd., 6:30 p.m. — 9:30 p.m.

The Regional Occupational Program is offering a semester course on floral design. Instruction includes principles of floral design, basic sales, customer relations and basic business practices. The registration fee is \$50. Pre-registration is required. Call (310) 395-9493, ext. 457 or 456 for more information.

Wednesday, Oct. 17, 2007

Grown Up Fairy Tales Book Group

601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

The Main Library kicks off its new book discussion group, built around "Grown Up Fairy Tales," with a discussion of Gregory Maguire's "Confessions of An Ugly Stepsister," a re-imagining of Cinderella. All ages welcome. Group will meet in the Second Floor Community Room.

Meet other patients in the pits

2200 Santa Monica Blvd., 6:30 p.m. — 8 p.m.

The Neuro-Endocrine Tumor Center's Pituitary Patient Support Group is held bi-monthly at the John Wayne Cancer Institute. Tonight's speaker will be Pejman Cohan on "Understanding the Pituitary Gland — Improving Your Health." For more information, visit www.neuro-endo.org or contact Sharmyn McGraw at (949) 515-9595.

Peer counseling training

2125 Arizona Ave., 1 p.m. — 4 p.m.

The Center for Healthy Aging seeks volunteers, age 55 and older, to provide individual counseling to older adults experiencing emotional difficulties at the Center or in their residence. Tonight is the first of 10 training sessions. For more information, call Sheila at (310) 576-2550, ext. 373.

YMCA pumpkin patch

Sunset Boulevard and Temescal Canyon, Pacific Palisades, 3 p.m. — 7 p.m.
Pick a pumpkin, play on hay bales and hide-n-seek in the spooky woods at the Palisades-Malibu YMCA's pumpkin patch at Simon Meadow. For more information, call (310) 454-5591.

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.



First boomer applies for SSI benefits

BY **STEPHEN OHLEMACHER**
Associated Press Writer

WASHINGTON The baby boomers' stampede for Social Security benefits has begun.

The nation's "first" baby boomer, a retired teacher from New Jersey, applied for Social Security benefits Monday, signaling the start of an expected avalanche of applications from the post World War II generation.

Social Security Commissioner Michael Astrue called it "America's silver tsunami."

Kathleen Casey-Kirschling applied for benefits over the Internet at an event hosted by Astrue. Casey-Kirschling was born one second after midnight on Jan. 1, 1946, gaining her recognition as the first baby boomer — a generation of nearly 80 million born from 1946 to 1964, Astrue said.

"She's leading the way for her generation," Astrue told reporters.

Casey-Kirschling will be eligible for benefits after she turns 62 next year. She said she taught seventh graders for 14 years at a school near Camden, N.J., before retiring and volunteering for the Red Cross in Gulf Coast areas hit by Hurricane Katrina.

She and her husband have since moved to the eastern shore of Maryland near the Chesapeake Bay.

"I think I'm just lucky to be at the top of the boom," she said.

An estimated 10,000 people a day will become eligible for Social Security benefits over the next two decades, Astrue said. The Social Security trust fund, if left alone, is projected to go broke in 2041.

But Astrue said he is optimistic that Congress will address the issue, perhaps after the 2008 presidential election. President Bush had proposed changes in Social Security to create private accounts, but the proposal went nowhere in Congress.

Last week, Bush's budget director called the growth in Social Security, Medicare and Medicaid a "fiscal train wreck." The three entitlement programs make up nearly half of all federal spending, a share that is expected to grow.

A report issued last month by the Treasury Department said that some combination of benefit cuts and tax increases will need to be considered to permanently fix the Social Security shortfall.

Permission to party

Santa Monica Pier receives grant it plans to use on celebration

BY **KEVIN HERRERA**
Daily Press Staff Writer

SM PIER The party is just getting started.

Thanks to a \$100,000 "Preserve America" grant, the Pier Restoration Corporation is set to begin planning a yearlong celebration marking the 100th anniversary of the venerable Santa Monica Pier, which will take place on Sept. 9, 2009.

The funding, which came courtesy of the Department of the Interior's National Park

Service, will be used to plan a calendar of events and educational programs under the theme "One hundred years in the past, one hundred years in the future," which is expected to draw residents and visitors into the preservation efforts and celebration of one of California's most treasured historic resources.

City officials will also be looking to further promote the pier as a heritage tourism destination and increase its economic viability with possible plays, parades, concerts, reenactments of historic happenings and the expansion of the pier's walking historical tour and the opening of a small history museum on the pier.

"This is really exciting," said Ben Franz-Knight, executive director of the Pier Restoration Corp. (PRC), which manages

and maintains the landmark. "It is a recognition of our commitment to heritage tourism. The city of Santa Monica, many years ago, recognized that this is a great local resource that should be preserved, which is rare in LA, where not many things are allowed to age.

"Here, we are going to celebrate 100 years."

The grant requires matching funds to be generated by the recipient, and plans are already underway to obtain these funds through sponsorship, donations and other fundraising sources.

The grant application was a joint effort of the City Hall's Planning and Community Development Department, which adminis-

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EVERY MINUTE COUNTS

John Schillieri (left) gets to the point during his five-minute date with Susan Barr last Wednesday at the Border Cafe Bar and Grill. The two were taking part in a Rapid Dating event, during which singles have five minutes to speak to one another before moving on to the next eligible partner.

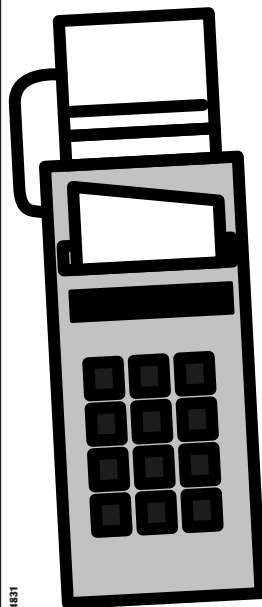
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DP reader feels cast adrift

Editor:

I have never seen (The Daily Press) print such a bloated, self-aggrandizing article as Thomas Bowden's "West is indebted to Chris Columbus" (Oct. 8). The man's attitude of "America is perfect ... can do no wrong," should surely provide him an interview for a Bush personal advisor.

I've long enjoyed your paper, but more articles like this will certainly bring on my last reading of it.

Roger Dekeyzer

Santa Monica

Reverse osmosis, anyone?

(Editor's note: The following is an open letter to the Santa Monica City Council)

Since I will no longer be drinking city water once it is fluoridated, will the city of Santa Monica pay for a reverse osmosis system for me to install in my home? Please inform me and all concerned residents of Santa Monica of any other viable options to reverse osmosis in order not to ingest poisoned water.

Why is Santa Monica going ahead with fluoridation before we have the final information from the state review on the latest scientific studies regarding fluoridation and the danger to infants who drink formula mixed with tap water?

Doris Stegall

Santa Monica

Rush to judgment was just more spin

Editor:

When I see Jeanette Henderson's name at the bottom of an Op-Ed, I know that pertinent facts will be left out ("Don't rush to judge 'politainers' – ever," Oct. 5). She must hope that the people who read her columns are less than informed. Here are a few facts that she conveniently left out.

Rush Limbaugh isn't just a "politainer." He is the go-to guy for the administration when they want to get their spin out. Vice President Cheney has appeared on Rush's show more often than any other show. In the last two years, I would say he's been on Rush's show more times than every other show combined. President Bush has been on the show quite often as well.

When Move-On placed an ad in the New York Times attacking Gen. Patreus, there was outrage from the GOP. Both houses of Congress passed resolutions condemning it. President Bush was beside himself. Limbaugh attacked soldiers who have been in the line of fire, including many who were actually wounded in battle, but they don't support the GOP line, which makes them fair game.

There is one thing that one can always be sure of these days when one reads an Op-Ed by a Republican. They will leave out facts that make them look like hypocrites. One day, people will stop bothering to give them a forum until they show they can be honest.

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What's the Point?

David Pizarra

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Outsider Arnold has gone inside

ON NOV. 17, 2003, GOV. SCHWARZENEGGER makes headlines by making good on a campaign promise to roll back the car tax. He came into office as an outsider, with a mandate from the people to shake things up, to do "the peoples work."

On Oct. 14, 2007, he signed in into effect an increase in the DMV registration fees and an increase in the smog abatements fees on new cars of \$8.

From the crusading red tape-cutter he was elected to be, Schwarzenegger has become a consensus builder, a middle-of-the-road functionary. He came into office with a groundswell of support, from all across the political spectrum, with high hopes that he would be able to effect vast and sweeping changes in the system of government.

I didn't vote for him. I don't find him to be a man of the people. I don't think he can relate to the majority of the citizenry, and consequently, I question whether he can adequately envision what we need.

His ability to garner headlines is singularly impressive. His ostensible motivations in doing so, not so much. For a man who was on the cover of Newsweek, and can travel throughout the world and be recognized, I don't see him using his fame to create a California that is ready for the future.

We have a massive need for an infrastructure overhaul. We have multiple, complex problems that need to be addressed. Our aging and ailing freeways are the tip of the mountain of what needs to be done. California's levee system is not in much better condition than New Orleans, and almost every expert expects a major earthquake to cause significant damage to a system that is responsible for protecting thousands of homes.

The governor has proposed a water plan that has some backing from industry, but what is needed is not just some lobbyists who think that they know what is right for the state. We need someone who is able to see the future and the solutions, but more importantly, we need someone who can make the public see the future and be willing to pay for the solutions.

Our prisons are severely overcrowded, and rather than taking a visionary stance on the root problems (a failed 'war on drugs' and mindless 'tough on crime' jingoism), the governor's response is to try to establish yet another commission to review sentencing guidelines, float bond measures to increase available beds and satisfy the prison guards union. All of which failed miserably.

Now this governor, a man uniquely positioned to speak about how the youthful use of marijuana does not lead to a lifetime of drug use and insanity, finds himself unable to address the public from the bully pulpit of fame and celebrity, probably because he would be inflaming the Republican fringes who he must now kowtow to, if he is to make his expected run for the U.S. Senate in a few short years.

In the movie "The Queen," there is a scene where Queen Elizabeth is on the phone with Prime Minister Tony Blair. He is desperately trying to explain to her what the public needs, and she, in her arrogance and from the posh surroundings of her castle, condescendingly tells him, that "no one knows the British people better than I do, or what they need."

At times, it seems to me that the governor, with his storybook life and traffic-stopping wife, flying around the globe on private charters and staying in the best hotels, simply cannot relate to the average Californian. I've seen the governor on the boardwalk, riding his bike, appearing for all intents and purposes like a man of the people. I've seen him get out of the state-issued SUV on his way to church. I've seen him driving his super expensive autos, smoking a stogie.

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What I haven't seen is the man who the people of California elected. The rebellious, rabble-rouser who was going to shake up the way we do business in Sacramento.

In California, politics is much like a snow globe — something will come along and shake it all up, but over time, it all settles back down and the bureaucracy goes back to doing business as usual.

Gray Davis was recalled, mostly over the car tax. It's what put this governor in office. It seems ironic that the man who wanted to change the system seems to have been changed by the system.

There was a time where I wanted to know Arnold Schwarzenegger. I still respect his business acumen, his legendary dedication to hard work, his embodiment of the ideals of what America stands for.

But who is he now? And, more importantly, who will he be tomorrow?

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High-speed project should be derailed

HIGH-SPEED RAIL SEEMS TO BE ALL THE rage with government planners, but taxpayers should be wary of the promises made by rail advocates.

In November 2008, voters will be asked to consider a \$9.95 billion bond to pay for a 700-mile high-speed rail system that would run from San Diego to Sacramento and the San Francisco Bay Area. But wait. The bonds would cover only about one-quarter of the estimated \$40 billion total cost. Officials have yet to identify where the other \$30 billion will come from.

If the high-speed rail system is anything like other major infrastructure projects, we can expect actual costs to be two or three times the estimated costs and ridership to be half that of the projections. Boston's "Big Dig" project and Los Angeles County's Blue Line light rail from downtown L.A. to Long Beach both cost three times more than promised. Will taxpayers be fooled again with low-balled cost estimates and inflated promised benefits?

Amtrak's high-speed Acela Express, which serves the popular Northeast Corridor from Washington, D.C. to New York to Boston, enjoys ridership of less than 3 million passengers per year. It serves a larger market than the planned California system, yet proponents ask us to believe that California's high-speed trains will carry over 100 million passengers a year by 2030!

In addition, the Los Angeles-San Francisco market is expected to be the system's largest revenue generator. The trip is expected to take about two hours by high-speed rail, yet you can get a cheaper ticket on Southwest Airlines and the trip takes only about an hour.

A high-speed rail system might be a cool thing to have, but is it really wise? The state's fiscal condition is steadily deteriorating. According to State Treasurer Bill Lockyer, California currently has more than \$135 billion of general debt authorized, including over \$42 billion in bonds approved by voters just last year. Now we are being asked for \$10 billion more, which is merely a down payment on the tens of billions the high-speed train system will actually cost.

When costs inevitably skyrocket and revenues aren't meeting projections, rail advocates assume taxpayers will be "in for a penny, in for a pound," and the government will keep dipping into our wallets for years to come. At a time when the state's recently-

passed budget already is projected to rack up a deficit of between \$6 billion and \$10 billion by June, Californians must re-examine state spending priorities and avoid such boondoggles.

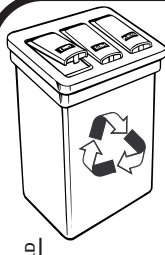
That same \$40 billion (or \$80 billion, as the case may be) would build an awful lot of roads to help relieve California's considerable traffic congestion problem. From 1977 to 2006, the state's population increased over 55 percent and the number of vehicle-miles traveled on state highways increased over 128 percent, yet the number of lane-miles built has increased only about 7 percent. No wonder congestion has increased so dramatically. This is simple supply and demand.

States like Texas that actually have expanded their road capacity have, not surprisingly, been successful at reducing congestion. High-occupancy toll (HOT) lanes, such as the Orange County toll roads, have also been shown to effectively reduce congestion and improve travel times. People have the option of paying for less-congested roads and tolls are adjusted according to traffic volume to keep them from getting as bogged down as the rest of the freeways.

In an op-ed published by the Fresno Bee in May, Gov. Schwarzenegger asserted, "Californians need and deserve a diverse array of transportation options." However, since money is not an infinite resource (despite our legislators' apparent views to the contrary), we must determine how our money will best be put to use. Having more transportation options just for the sake of having more options is not good enough. California could develop a new, innovative rickshaw network to provide travelers another transportation option, but that does not mean it would be a good idea.

If demand truly exists for a high-speed rail system in California, by all means, let the free market provide it. If a private company sees an opportunity and is willing to invest the time and money to try to make it work, it should be encouraged to do so without being bogged down by a lot of government red tape. If passengers are willing to pay the costs of such a system, that's great, but taxpayers should not have to pay for train welfare to subsidize others' travel expenses.

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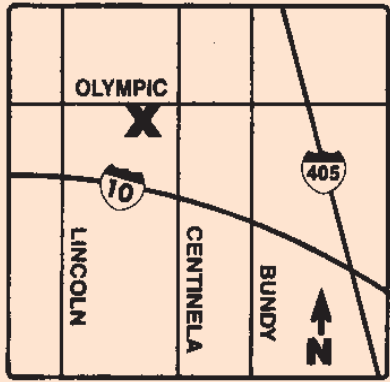
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The Q-Line

Sweet memories of the pier

As the Santa Monica Pier nears a hundred years in existence, it is no wonder that so many fond memories have been made there. Whether it was fishing with dad at the end of the classic wooden structure or high atop the Ferris wheel with your sweetie, everybody has a story to tell about it?

So this week's Q-Line question asks:

What is your most cherished memory of the pier? Remember, be candid

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Parents reach out for help

Those seeking support or advice can find each other in playgroups

BY MELISSA KOSSLER DUTTON
Associated Press Writer

When Anna Dasbach's daughter was a toddler, she joined a playgroup for children adopted from China because she wanted AnMei to meet other girls from her homeland. The other moms became a great support to Dasbach, too, as the Santa Cruz, Calif., mom navigated life as an adoptive mother.

She remembers talking with them about sleepless nights and stares from strangers.

"It was a help to know that other families were going through it," says Dasbach, 47, who still arranges play dates for 5-year-old AnMei with other Chinese girls.

Playgroups, long a loose fellowship of stay-at-home moms, are becoming more specialized as parents with particular interests look for friends and support. Relationships and play dates are forming on the basis of food allergies, religious beliefs and parenting styles.

The Internet has helped facilitate niche playgroups. Many groups develop Web sites to promote themselves and their events, and use e-mail to share information.

"Some parents benefit from having a

sounding board," says Jonathan Pochly, a child psychologist at Children's Memorial Hospital in Chicago. "It is helpful to know you're not the only person who struggled with this."

Jeannette Zell started a playgroup for working mothers because she needed week-end play dates for her children, 4-month-old Dylan and 18-month-old Austin. But she also wanted to mingle with other moms who juggle kids and jobs.

"I wanted it to be more than a playgroup," the Virginia Beach, Va., resident says. "I wanted to get 'mom friends' more than friends for the kids."

The group, which has gone to the zoo, the beach and a farm, recently held its first moms night out. The women met at a restaurant without their children.

"It's fun to meet someone where you can talk about something other than your kids," the 39-year-old says. "I wouldn't really understand just hanging out with someone because her kid is my kid's friend."

It's natural for moms to look for other women with similar beliefs and experiences, says Karen Deerwester, a parent educator and early childhood specialist in Pompano Beach, Fla.

"People are looking for relationships that are comfortable and nurturing for the whole family - not just the children," she says.

The Shalom Baby playgroups at the Lawrence Family Jewish Community Center in San Diego help new moms and dads make friends, says organizer Judy Nemzer.

Initially, they bond over questions like breast-feeding, teething and childrearing techniques. Eventually, members start socializing with their spouses.

"There's a lot of getting together with the dads," Nemzer says.

The playgroups have led to poker nights, soccer clubs and business relationships.

For Shauna Herman, of Post Falls, Idaho, her 2-year-old son's get-togethers with other children with food allergies allow her to relax with friends. As a parent of a child with life-threatening food allergies, she must be vigilant about potential dangers.

"We all seem to take the same precautions," she says of the group, which meets at a park.

The women pack safe snacks and wipe down the tables at the park before the children eat. They swap advice about eating in

restaurants, explaining allergies to their children and preventing allergic reactions.

Herman's son, Rylee, is allergic to milk, nuts, eggs and other foods. She's overheard older boys in the group talking about their allergies.

"The kids feel (the stress) as much as the parents," she says. "It's important for the kids to have that outlet."

In her daughter's playgroup, Karen Burtnett shares the worries and joys of parenting a child with Down syndrome.

"I think it's really helpful to have someone in a similar situation to relate to," says the Melrose, Mass., mother.

The group often discusses planning for their children's financial future, the benefits of different therapies, and strategies to help the children in the classroom. The parents also enjoy watching each other's children reach important milestones.

TIPS FOR STARTING OR JOINING A SPECIALIZED PLAYGROUP

The Associated Press

Tips for starting a specialized playgroup:

- Use the Internet to find and connect with local people. For example, www.meetup.com is a site that connects people with common interests; www.craigslist.com lets people post a free classified advertising their group.

- Find places where parents in a simi-

lar situation might go, and reach out to them there. Hang fliers at the pediatrician's office, gym or health food store. Advertise in church bulletins or newsletters. Attend events at the park or library that are focused on your interests and geared to parents and children.

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Mikaela Wessel (left) and Eleanor Winterer, both 6, (right) and Winterer's 2-year-old rescue dog Felix play in a pumpkin patch Saturday set up on the campus of SMASH (Santa Monica Alternative School House.)

Tales from the crib

Angie Wagner

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Trying to use the potty isn't so easy

MY 22-MONTH-OLD DOESN'T WANT TO wear a diaper anymore. Trouble is, she doesn't want to wear underwear either.

Nope, just naked is fine with her.

The problem is she is doing her business all over the house because she is not interested in using the potty.

It all started when she started watching my 4-year-old use the potty. She wanted to try, too, so she easily took her pants down, whipped that diaper off and sat down on the little potty I bought her.

But to her, it's only an activity, like coloring or playing with cars.

"POTTY POTTY!" she yells if I dare come toward her with a diaper.

She runs back to the potty and sits down. She thinks if she tries to use the potty, I won't mind if she is naked.

That's true.

Only she doesn't use the potty. She bends down and tries to watch for something to happen, but it never does.

So she gets up and runs around naked. And she is so happy and delighted with herself for doing so.

A few times she ventures onto the back patio and then comes running back inside saying "PEE PEE PEE!" She leads me back out and shows me that, yes, she did pee on the patio.

Ugh.

I hose down the patio and shoot the water at her, too.

A few days later, she is naked again, but now she pees on the kitchen chair. Never mind that the potty was just a few feet away. It's more fun to pee on the chair!

The good news is she didn't hit the carpet.

Now the game is trying to figure out how to keep the diaper on her. I try to put pants on her that she can't pull down, but that doesn't work. She is Houdini. She can get out of anything.

What about duct tape? Would that be wrong?

Next she poops on the carpet. What is wrong with this kid?

I try again to work with her on using the potty, but she is not interested. The wires are not connecting yet.

She is more interested in watching me use foamy carpet cleaner to clean up her mess.

I actually think I would rather go back to the days when she was messing her diapers all day long as a newborn. At least it was all contained in a diaper.

I try reasoning with her, but at 22 months, I'm not sure she is getting it.

"See, if you don't wear a diaper you have to use the POTTY! If you don't use the potty, you have to wear a diaper!"

I get a blank stare.

The weekend comes and so does more backward bathroom habits.

I'm in the kitchen when I hear the familiar rip of the plastic tab. Yep. The diaper is off again and she is running free.

I chase her with a diaper. She pees on the kitchen floor.

I wrestle her to the floor and finally get a diaper back on her.

A few hours later, my 4-year-old comes running to tell me that the baby still has her diaper on, but something is coming out of it.

I'm going to try to leave out the messiest details, but let's just say it was disgusting. Really, really disgusting.

I think the medicine my baby had been on upset her stomach.

So, yes, she still has the diaper on, but the mess is now on my bedroom carpet.

I start cleaning it up when I think to check her hiding place in the closet.

Sure enough there is more ... mess. But the worst is it's on the closet wall. I quickly recreate the scene in my head and see her putting her back up against the wall, then sliding down into her spot.

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Demand soars for joint health miracle

Special report brings national attention to an amazing molecule now reproduced in breakthrough joint pill available in U.S. drugstores

By G. W. NAPIER

UNIVERSAL MEDIA SYNDICATE

So, what would it be like getting older but feeling good?

Believe it or not there are people living this way and a major network news crew found them.

They live in a small village called Yuzurihara and seem to defy the laws of aging with their active lifestyle.

Doctors and scientists have discovered that their secret to an active lifestyle is a diet that increases their body's production of an amazing molecule called *Hyaluronate*.

Nobody can put it in a pill to make people live longer. But, scientists at PatentHEALTH, an innovative U.S. health care company, have successfully added this amazing molecule to a 'feel good' joint pill called Trigosamine®.

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"Using Trigosamine is like taking a can of oil and applying it directly to your joints," said Dr. Joseph Dietz, Director of Health Science, Research and Development for PatentHEALTH.™

And thanks to the luck-of-the-draw, readers of this newspaper are among those who can get it right now. That's because this area has already been assigned a toll-free Regional Health Hotline. But the catch is the hotline is set to close in just 72 hours.

"We recommend that those living in this area call now to get their share," said Valerie Moore, Director of the Regional Health Hotline.

"Right now, we're shipping out everything we have on a first-come-first-served basis. We may not be able to meet everyone's demands as word continues to spread across the country," she said.

Trigosamine's key ingredient is present in 'human joint oil', which is medically known as synovial fluid.

This fluid reduces friction in the joints allowing for effortless motion. It not only lubricates the joints but it also acts as a comfortable shock absorber.

"Synovial fluid is part of what allows young people to be highly active without having sore joints. But, as the body ages the production of synovial fluid declines which can force the joints to grind together resulting in nagging discomfort," Dr. Dietz said.

The Trigosamine supplement (pronounced *Tri-go-sa-mean*) combines *Hyaluronate* with the essential blend of glucosamine and chondroitin. This



■ STILL ACTIVE AT 86 YEARS OLD: Yuda Miya, 86, who lives in the region near the village of Yuzurihara, just loves to garden and she does it everyday. Researchers believe a special diet increases the body's production of a molecule called *Hyaluronate* to keep people in Yuzurihara active. Although no pill can promise a longer lifespan, an over-the-counter joint supplement has developed a proprietary formula featuring *Hyaluronate*. This pill, called Trigosamine, will be available in many U.S. drugstores.

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It was also announced at an American College of Rheumatology meeting that the combination of glucosamine and chondroitin showed promise among persons with moderate to

discovered in Japan's 'feel good village'

severe discomfort.²

"Even though there is no pill that can make you live longer, the clinical trials have been consistent. The essential blend like the one present in Trigosamine has been proven safe and is extremely effective for joint health," said Dr. Dietz.*

The tough part now is how to get it.

"Everybody wants it," said Moore.

"The first drugstores to get this formula couldn't keep it on the shelves," she said.

That's why CVS/pharmacy stockpiled the first available shipments. All the other drugstores may not get their shipments until later this year.

That makes the next 72 hours so critical for everyone living in the local area. Those who get through to the Regional Health Hotline before the deadline will get the Trigosamine supplement sent directly to their homes.

Otherwise, those who miss the deadline and everybody else living in other parts of the country may be hard pressed to get it.

So, even with the clock ticking local readers still have the advantage of being among those who can get their hands on this medical breakthrough. ■

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Here's how to get it

Until all pharmacies are fully stocked this national distribution of Trigosamine is being conducted on a state-by-state-basis. Those living in the states listed below with a star ★ next to it are authorized to have it sent directly to their home by calling The Regional Health Hotline now.

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■ **ALMOST GONE:** Demand in U.S. drugstores is soaring for the joint pill called Trigosamine. PatentHEALTH officials predict pharmacies will have to scramble to keep shelves fully stocked as shown in this photo reproduction. A special toll-free Regional Hotline has been set up for those unable to find it at their pharmacy. All consumers have to do is call 1-800-924-2109 to get Trigosamine shipped directly to their homes.

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City officials take extra care

Trees slated for relocation get special treatment

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Daily Press Staff Writer

DOWNTOWN Lost in the uproar surrounding the fate of the 50-plus ficus trees on Second and Fourth streets scheduled for removal or relocation is the destinations of the specimens in question.

The environmental activists trying to “save” the trees along the busy commercial corridors are up in arms because they feel the trees should remain in place, but they might be interested to know that a good number of the 31 specimens earmarked for relocation will be moved to other spots along the same two streets.

Some of the trees are due to be replanted at the Santa Monica Airport, while the remainder will be planted in areas throughout the city in need of a little extra shade.

The city's forester, Walt Warriner, said he isn't absolutely sure just which locations will be selected, needing to discuss the matter with residents living adjacent to the spots he has in mind.

“We don't want to say (where the trees will go) just yet,” Warriner said. “First, we go to residents, then we tell them our plans and what we are going to do. We are upfront about how much commotion is going to take place to put the tree there.

“As of yet, I haven't contacted the residents we are going to disturb with the relocations and it wouldn't be fair to divulge that information until we confirm that they are OK with it.”

One of the last major tree relocation projects the city embarked on was the Virginia Avenue Park redevelopment a couple of years back. Warriner said that more than 50 trees were relocated from the site to other parts of the city with little uproar or public dissent.

“The only people that can tell [that the trees were moved] are the people who have shade now that didn't before,” said Warriner of the previous relocations. “Virginia Avenue Park was done two years now. There was no

protests then. In fact, I remember an editorial in the Daily Press that said this was a case of the city getting it right.

“I don't see how that isn't the case now with this new project.”

In fact, the city has moved hundreds of trees over the past few years with little fanfare or public debate. Many of the trees recently relocated have found a home at various city-owned facilities.

“(Santa Monica) Airport has been a destination for many trees from throughout the city,” said Bob Trimborn, the airport's manager of operations. “We've been accepting trees for the past eight years now and they've been growing very vigorously. We haven't lost one of them.”

The survival rate of trees relocated by the city has been somewhere near 95 percent, according to official statistics. Warriner said that the city takes extra care when moving a tree from one spot to another and that usually the process takes no more than a couple of days to complete. He added that he uses a straight-forward criteria to determine which trees should be moved and how the task should be accomplished.

“First of all, let's not use the word ‘uproot.’ Something that is uprooted is just jerked out of the ground,” said Warriner. “These trees are being relocated. There is a lot of forethought that goes into it. We have to determine the situation regarding underground utilities below, as well as power lines above, before we make any move.”

He said that the first thing he determines when eyeing a tree to be relocated is gauging how best to remove it from the site without damaging the rootball. Once out, Warriner has to then determine what is the most appropriate method to actually move it to its new site, and whether it will actually make it to its new home in one piece.

The route selected plays a major role in his ultimate decision because many streets have power lines and existing trees that makes safe passage impossible.



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WAITING FOR THEIR HOME: Trees removed from the RAND Corp. grounds have a temporary home in the vacant lot adjacent to the think tank's headquarters on Main Street.

“On top of that, we have to decide what's the value of the tree versus the cost to relocate it. In some cases, a tree might be worth \$1,500, but it will cost you \$5,000 to move,” said Warriner. “If it is a healthy tree, and it costs less to move it than the value of the tree, I say ‘yeah, let's do it.’”

He cautions that the ficus trees from Second and Fourth streets aren't going to be housed temporarily.

“Once boxed up, we move it on the truck to where it is going to be relocated,” he added. “Sometimes it is quicker to box them up and store them, but we would have immediate plans to replant them. The whole process should never take more than a couple of days to complete.”

One of the few instances where the city has boxed trees destined to be saved is an empty dirt lot located between Main Street and Ocean Avenue, adjacent to the RAND Corporation's West Coast headquarters. Actually, the city purchased the lot from RAND and requested that the nearly 60 trees being removed from the site during the

think tank's rehabilitation efforts should be kept for future use.

“They are not really housed there,” Warriner said. “The trees were salvaged from the RAND property before the city bought the site. RAND boxed the trees up. Now we're going to plant most of them there. Some of the smaller ones (trees) are going to be put in parks and city streets.”

Andy Agle, the city's housing and economic development director, said that most of the Main Street site will be absorbed by “The Village,” a pending mixed-use project for which the city is currently finalizing plans. He said that most of the trees would be used within the public/private project, but some would be replanted in a planned green space also being considered for the key location.

“I do think there have been other instances where trees have been boxed, but this is one of the few cases that I can recall,” said Agle.

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ART COMES FIRST

(Far left) Artist Bracha Kronovet carves the figure of an adolescent girl from limestone on Sunday at Virginia Avenue Park during the 2nd Annual Pico Artists at Work event. (Above) A group of teaching assistants joke around while selling student ceramics at Santa Monica College. (Left) Students demonstrate glass blowing at SMC.

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Parents ask board for more funding

FROM SCHOOLS PAGE 1

District officials have been developing a spending plan since voters approved of Measure BB last November. The \$268 million bond, which passed with 67 percent of the vote, was necessary for the district to follow through with a lengthy, facilities master plan process, which took more than a year to develop. As part of that process, residents participated in various meetings where they charted out the future course of local schools.

School Superintendent Dianne Talarico defended the proposal submitted by staff, saying that it puts a greater focus on secondary schools, in particular, Santa Monica and Malibu high schools. The proposal also ensures that every school in the district receives a piece of the Measure BB pie.

"I believe that our high schools should be the flagships of our system and our communities, and I believe that the first amount of dollars we are putting into them represent about 30 percent of total funding, so I think that speaks to our commitment," Talarico said.

It is important for parents to remember that the facilities master plan is a 20-year process that will require more than a billion dollars to complete and Measure BB funding only provides a little over a quarter of that, Talarico said.

"We wanted to spread the money around to make sure everyone can make improvements, but we wanted to focus on the secondary schools because we wanted to bring them into the 21st Century and make them state-of-the-art facilities because students in those grade levels are handling more complex subjects," the superintendent continued.

There just isn't enough money to go around, school board members said, which is why it is important to make sure money is spent wisely. That may mean putting more dollars in Samohi while they are available.

School board member Jose Escarce said some of his colleagues have expressed concern about the amount of funding allocated to Samohi, hinting the shape of the funding plan could change Thursday.

"My own view is that the concerns expressed in the letter are quite legitimate, well founded, and there is no doubt that the board will listen carefully to the public and really consider if this is the allocation we want," Escarce said.

SHARE AND SHARE ALIKE

Under the current plan, the secondary schools would receive about \$105.9 million in renovations, while the rest would go to the elementary schools, with Edison Language Academy receiving the lion's share.

The language academy, which is currently comprised of a cluster of portable classrooms, would receive a new 650-student K-8 school, complete with a new playing field and playground.

The coalition is calling on the district to set aside funding for more parking at the campus or the adjacent Civic Center Parking Structure, a joint-use agreement with City Hall for a planned athletic field in the Civic Center, and possibly new athletic facilities.

That is on top of the projects already identified by staff, including demolishing the

business building and erecting an Applied Instruction Building in its place. The high school would also see new subterranean parking garage with tennis courts above, a new synthetic turf athletic field and a new outdoor plaza.

Oscar de la Torre, school board vice president, said that while everyone would like more money, the reality is that there just isn't enough. Samohi may be the largest school in the district, but there are others that have been doing without for far too long and need funding to be more competitive.

WE RECOGNIZE THIS MEANS COMMITTING A DISPROPORTIONATE SHARE OF (MEASURE) BB FUNDS TO SAMOHI ... BUT WE FIRMLY BELIEVE THAT – AS A MATTER OF FAIRNESS AND SENSIBLE DISTRICT STRATEGIC PLANNING – THIS IS THE RIGHT COURSE TO FOLLOW."

Coalition for an Excellent Samohi Campus

"Parents are justified in raising concerns about phase one because there are significant needs at Santa Monica High School that are currently unmet," de la Torre said. "But there is also the concept of fairness and that is something that needs to be debated. What is fair to someone who has been accustomed to having money is different compared to someone who has never had anything."

The disagreement poses a serious challenge for the school board and the district. In order to complete the master plan process, more bonds will have to be issued and approved by the voters. If they do not feel as if money is being spent wisely, they may make their feelings apparent at the polls.

Harry Keiley, president of the Santa Monica-Malibu Classroom Teachers Association, hopes it doesn't get to that point.

"At the end of the day, everyone is advocating for what they believe to be in the best interest of the children in Santa Monica, Malibu and our school district," Keiley said. "To get everyone to agree on how to best allocate the BB resources will be almost impossible. What we cannot allow to happen is for these differences to divide those of us dedicated to improving our schools and education our children."

"With any family, there will always be disagreement," Keiley added. "But it is how that disagreement is expressed that makes the difference."

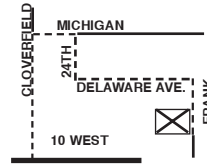
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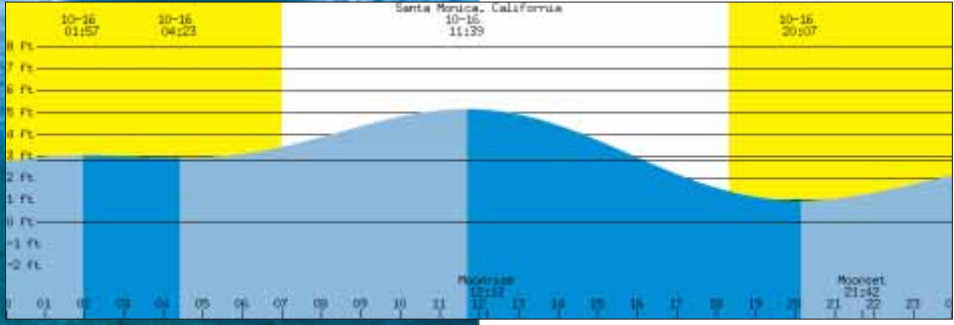
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Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 6 / 9

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

LEGEND

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

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

ns -- no sample taken



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OLD WOOD: The venerable Santa Monica Pier will be the site of a yearlong celebration to mark the landmark's 100th anniversary on Sept. 9, 2009. The city of Santa Monica and the Santa Monica Pier Restoration Corporation have been awarded a \$100,000 Preserve America grant to help market and stage celebratory events.

SM Pier begins planning for a major celebration

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ters the landmarks program; Housing and Economic Development Department, which oversees development of the pier; and the PRC.

In addition to events, PRC is looking to publish a history book on the pier, Franz-Knight said.

The PRC is looking for volunteers to give input on the celebration.

RIISING FROM THE SEA

When it first opened, the pier was nothing more than a place for folks to fish or take in the sunset. Then came Charles Loeff, a pioneer amusement entrepreneur who had built Coney Island's first carousel in Brooklyn and then opened a carousel factor nearby. Loeff saw the potential of the pier and, after lengthy negotiations with City Hall, started construction of a pleasure palace alongside the municipal pier, according to the PRC's Web site.

Loeff's pier featured the landmark Hippodrome building, which still houses a working carousel and will soon have an old-fashioned soda fountain in operation.

As arts and entertainment flourished in Santa Monica, so did the pier. In 1924, the vast and ornate La Monica Ballroom opened to become the site of some of the earliest national radio and television broadcasts. It also played host to throngs of dancers who came nightly to enjoy the big band sound, including "Western Swing," according to the PRC.

The pier's popularity continued to soar through the 1930s, but severe storms, heavy use and changing tastes began to take their toll. The Blue Streak rollercoaster was torn down in 1930 and the La Monica Ballroom closed down some 33 years later.

While the municipal pier continued to be owned and operated by City Hall, the Loeff Pleasure Pier had a succession of owners. In 1953, it was taken over by the city, which leased it to a private operator. Twenty years later, the City Council ordered the demolition of both deteriorating piers.

Outraged, residents fought back with a "Save Our Pier Forever" initiative. One of its objectives: Establish the pier as a Los Angeles County historical landmark.

In 1981, City Hall appointed the Pier Task Force — later named the PRC — to provide

management and oversee restoration, including stripping the famed Hippodrome building back to its original framework and reconstructing it piece by piece.

Although two fierce storms halted work in 1983, washing away 100,000 square feet of the ocean end of the pier, things began looking up for the pier when the Hippodrome and its carousel were designated a National Historic Landmark

In 1988, the Santa Monica Pier Development Program was adopted by the council. As part of the Development Program, a new concrete substructure was built, adding strength and stability to a pier that could now withstand violent storms. A variety of retail, food and entertainment outlets, as well as a police substation and a world class amusement park, were constructed on the pier to enhance the overall experience for a crowd that has since grown to roughly four million visitors a year.

Construction continues on the pier today, as City Hall moves forward with plans to build new restrooms and replace the deck. Divers were out Monday morning checking the pilings that hold up the pier to see what works better — wood or concrete, Franz-Knight said.

There are also plans to improve the pier access ramp, which is too narrow and getting too old to handle the large number of people who use it every day.

Franz-Knight said construction should be completed on the new restrooms by the time of the anniversary celebration, and he hopes that the pier access bridge construction will take place just after, so that visitors can enjoy the full beauty of the pier without being distracted by construction equipment.

A selection committee is expected tonight to make a recommendation to PRC and the council on which company should run the soda fountain. While Santa Monica is known for healthy, active lifestyles, Franz-Knight said he did not receive any bids from companies that specialize in organic ice cream.

"We did receive several proposals from those who were proud of the high butter fat content," Franz-Knight said, "which is what many people feel is the key element to really good ice cream."

After all, what would a birthday party be without ice cream?

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Going straight

Paris Hilton wants to shed her party-girl reputation

Meet **PARIS HILTON**, grown-up.
The 26-year-old socialite has vowed to change her party-girl image after serving a 23-day jail sentence in June for violating probation in

an alcohol-related reckless driving case.
“There are a lot of bad people in L.A. Before, my life was about having fun, going to parties _ it was a fantasy,” she tells Newsweek magazine in its

Oct. 22 issue, now on newsstands. “But when I had time to reflect, I felt empty inside. I want to leave a mark on the world.”
Hilton says she is now committed to using her

celebrity status for the greater good. Next month, she plans to pack her bags for Rwanda to bring attention to the African country.
“I’m scared, yeah. I’ve heard it’s really dangerous,” she says. “I’ve never

been on a trip like this before.”
Hilton, accompanied by a children’s charity called Playing for Good, will visit schools and health-care clinics.

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LED ZEPPELIN’S BACK

LED ZEPPELIN, one of the last major acts to resist digital distribution, are releasing their back catalog online.
Led Zeppelin said their songs, including “Communication Breakdown,” “Whole Lotta Love” and “Stairway to Heaven,” will be available from online music stores Nov. 13. The band is due to release a two-CD retrospective, “Mothership,” the same day.
“We are pleased that the complete Led Zeppelin catalog will now be available digitally,” guitarist Jimmy Page said in a statement Monday. “The addition of the digital option will better enable fans to obtain our music.”

AP

Peaceful experimentation

Lynch, on visit to Israel, encourages transcendental meditation

DAVID LYNCH, on a five-day visit to Israel to encourage transcendental meditation, met with Israeli President and Nobel Peace Prize laureate Shimon Peres.
“Lynch is one of the greatest directors of our generation and a giant artist on his own, and it is a great honor for the state of Israel to host you and listen to you,” Peres said Monday. “The whole of Israel recognizes your work and is proud to host you.”
The 61-year-old director, who has received Oscar nominations for “The Elephant Man,” “Blue Velvet” and “Mullholland Dr.,” is visiting Israel to encourage

transcendental meditation as a new approach to eliminating violence in schools and creating a peaceful world.
“Real peace is not just the absence of war, but the absence of all suffering, all negativity,” Lynch said at the Sam Spiegel Film and Television School in Jerusalem. “Change comes from within. From the first meditation, boom, you’re there.”
He started the David Lynch Foundation for Consciousness-Based Education and World Peace to promote transcendental meditation as a way to aid students in violence-ridden schools and bring about world harmony.

AP



Talks over dinner, Taurus

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

Happy Birthday!

Lady Luck is on your team this year, turning possibilities into probabilities. You will need to stay open in your dealings and remain optimistic. You are your thoughts, so with this concept in mind, try for positive thinking. Many people come to you, and no matter what, you always have the right answer or a kind word. You embody Libra diplomacy to the fullest. If you are single, you might change that status because you meet that special person through a friendship.



Born Today

Bassist Flea (1962)

Poet, playwright Oscar Wilde (1854)
Actor Tim Robbins (1958)

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★★ Any obstacles you encounter could become moot if you play your cards right. Creativity, goodwill and another’s determination can mix into a powerful combo. Let it all happen. Give up details; take in the big picture. Tonight: Try a new restaurant.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ Knowing when to give up control can make the difference between winning and losing. You get a great deal of support, insight and direction from a key partner. If someone reverses gears, don’t react. Tonight: Talks over dinner.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★★ Let others run with their ideas. What you believe might be important, but letting people see the end results of their brainy schemes might be more important when eyeing the big story. Tonight: So many invitations ...

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Emphasize what you can do as opposed to what you cannot. With a positive attitude, a lot will fall into place that you might not have thought possible. Someone really likes the way you express your caring. Tonight: Find relaxation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★★ A risk is not out of the question; though, as always, make sure you can handle a failure or loss. Your ability to warm up relationships and communicate earmarks your actions. A new friend could become much more. Tonight: Romp into the night.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★ Tension builds. This response might be a byproduct of what you think should happen. Your role in producing the end result is debatable. Step back and rethink your path. Are you making a lot of judgments? Tonight: Mosey on home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ You speak, and others listen. What more can you ask for? You have an audience, and one that wants to listen to your words. Express your feelings even if you might feel a touch bashful. Tonight: Hanging out is fun.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★ Recognize the possibilities. Your instincts will direct you as to which way to head concerning a risk. You might understand a lot more about potential repercussions than many. Honor feelings, yet remain sensitive to a family member. Tonight: In the thick of things.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★★ Take advantage of the present energy that tosses you into the limelight. Worry less; act more. Your ability to understand someone gives you an edge, which you might need. Tonight: Wish-upon-a-star time!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ Take your time, though you might feel as if you have a firm grasp on a situation. You might, but waiting and holding back wouldn’t hurt. More information comes forward when you least expect it. Tonight: Follow your own counsel.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★★ As the sign of friendship, you love people. It is because of your interest in others that much falls into place. Remain positive and open to different suggestions. A meeting might go much better than anticipated. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★ Enjoy letting go, and allow someone else to be in charge. Don’t even think you always have to step up to the plate. You actually might do someone a favor by waffling or deferring. Tonight: Touch base with an older relative.

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7:30
Coururer Tirelli (NR)
7:30

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1:45, 4:35, 7:25, 10:10
Feel the Noise (PG-13)
1:25, 3:30, 5:40, 7:50, 10:00
Lars and the Real Girl (PG-13)
2:00, 4:30, 7:10, 9:45
Tyler Perry’s Why Did I Get Married? (PG-13)
1:55, 4:45, 7:35, 10:20

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3:10 to Yuma (R)
4:20, 7:15, 9:50
The Assassination of Jesse James by the Coward Robert Ford, (R)
1:35, 5:00, 8:15
The Brave One (R)
1:40
Elizabeth: The Golden Age (PG-13)
1:15, 4:00, 6:50, 9:30
The Game Plan (PG)
1:50, 4:30, 7:00, 9:35
The Kingdom (R)
1:30, 4:25, 7:10, 9:45
We Own the Night (R)
1:20, 2:20, 4:10, 5:10, 6:55, 7:55, 9:40

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Eastern Promises (R)
1:00, 4:00, 7:15, 9:45
Into the Wild (R)
11:45am, 3:15, 7:00, 10:15

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FOURPLEX
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Darjeeling Limited, The (R)
12:30, 2:50, 3:50, 5:15, 7:40, 8:45, 10:00
The Jane Austen Book Club (PG-13)
1:15, 6:10
Lust, Caution (Se jie) (NC-17)
1:00, 4:30, 8:00
Sleuth (R)
12:30, 2:40, 5:00, 7:30, 9:50

MANN’S CRITERION THEATRE
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Across the Universe (PG-13)
1:10, 4:15, 7:10, 10:20
The Heartbreak Kid (R)
1:50am, 1:00, 2:40, 4:05, 5:20, 7:00, 8:20, 10:00
Michael Clayton (R)
12:00, 1:30, 2:50, 4:30, 5:30, 7:30, 8:30, 10:30, 11:30
The Seeker: The Dark Is Rising, (PG)
12:10, 2:30, 4:50, 7:20, 10:10

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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 Bronze (easiest) to Silver to Gold (hardest).

Difficulty
SILVER

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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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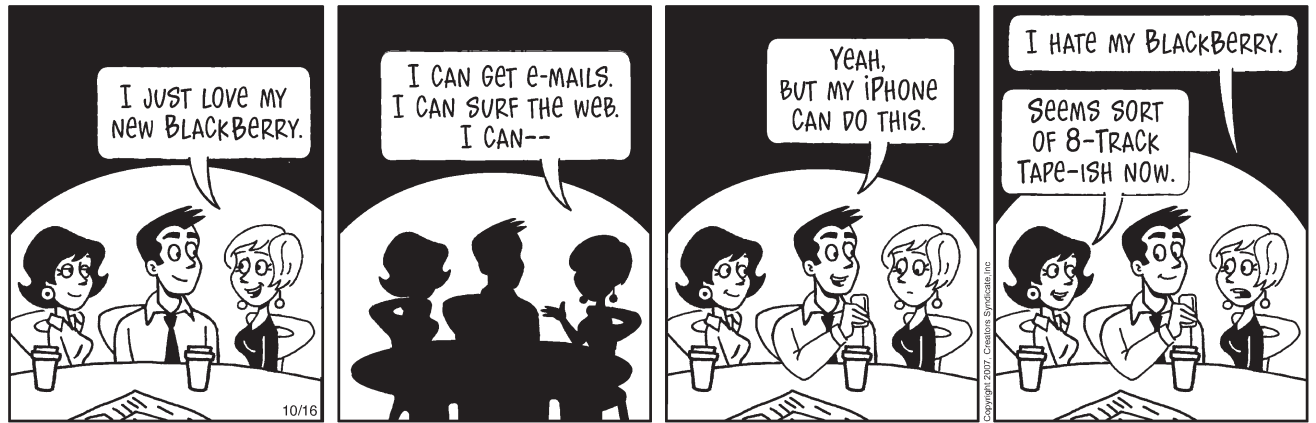
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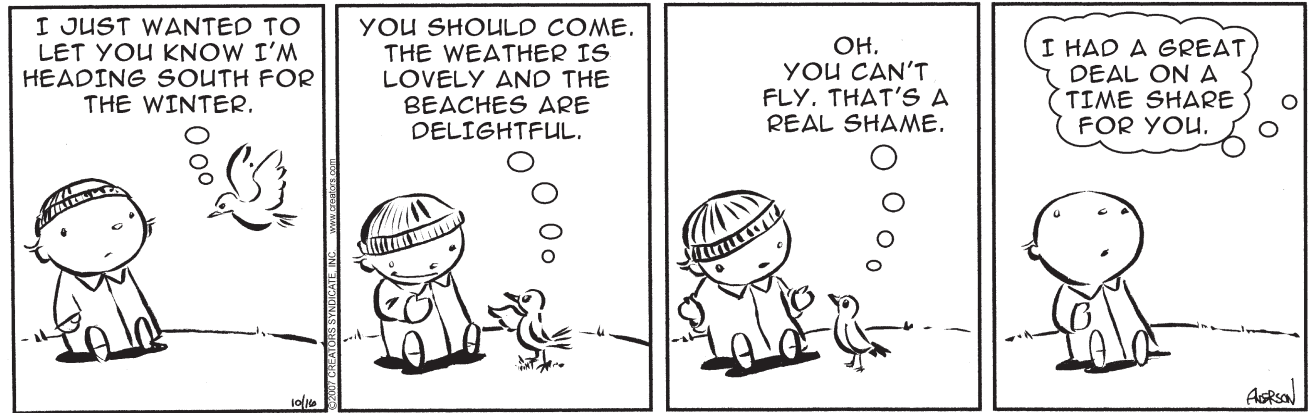
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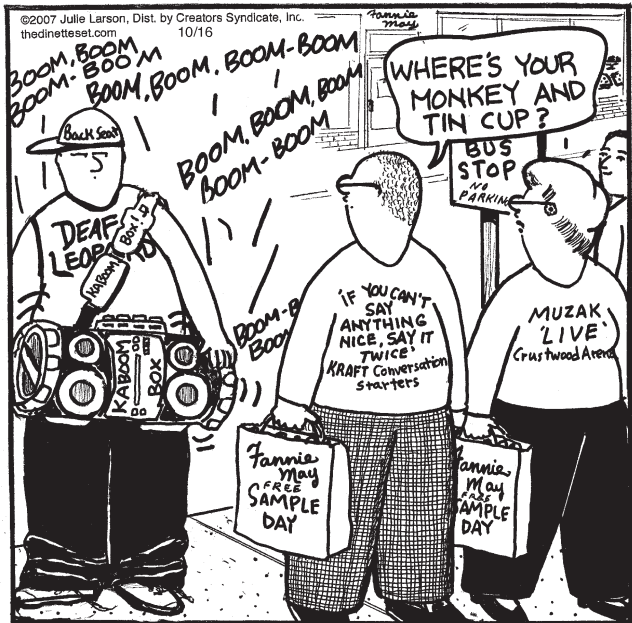


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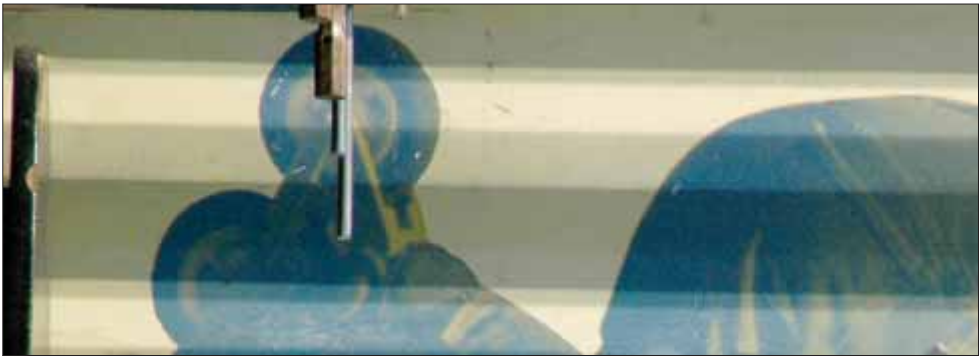


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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Cyclist Armstrong
- 6 Mine section
- 11 Poseidon's place
- 12 Winter quaff
- 13 Brooks & Dunn hit
- 15 Tennis match part
- 16 Director Howard
- 17 Antlered animal
- 18 Broadcast portion
- 20 Kick off
- 23 Musical closes
- 27 Mature
- 28 Goose egg

DOWN

- 1 Wimble-don hits
- 2 Farm chunk
- 3 Ship-shape
- 4 Paint container
- 5 Evasive maneuver
- 6 Like a vista
- 7 Question of method
- 8 Pinnacle
- 9 Young horse
- 10 Aquarium
- 14 Silent OK
- 18 Lent a hand
- 19 Seeped
- 20 Slugger's need

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Yesterday's answer

- 21 Swelled head
- 22 Under-stand
- 24 Lawn moisture
- 25 Gallery fill
- 26 Distress call
- 30 Rebellion at sea
- 31 Abutting
- 33 Golf goal
- 34 In — (lined up)
- 35 Used to be
- 36 Border
- 38 Vatican leader
- 39 April weather
- 40 Casino calculation
- 42 June honoree
- 43 Agent, briefly

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EVENING: 6 8 3

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3rd: 12 Lucky Charms
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Just when Internet newspaper sites appear to be gaining ground as replacements for printed editions, a 70-year-old woman identified only as Maggie told the Edmonton (Alberta) Sun in September that her paper edition of the Sun is a crucial part of her daily diet, literally. She eats it, in strips, and has, she said, for the past seven years because it tastes good. "I can't explain it," she said, and it was only when she recently experienced a blockage of her esophagus, and doctors found a ball of paper, that she revealed her obsession. Doctors cited by the Sun said that except for the blockage danger, newspaper eating is not unhealthy.

■ Too Puny for a Life of Crime: Keith Bellanger, 20, failed in his attempted burglary in Duluth, Minn., in September when homeowner Wayne Boniface, age 69, walked in and beat him up so thoroughly that Bellanger had all his clothes ripped off trying to get away. And in Bay Shore, N.Y., in September, a 32-year-old man wielding a tire iron, who was attempting to mug Bruce Ferraro, 74, on the street, was forced to abandon the job and run for it when Ferraro, after a struggle, took the iron away from him. (The mugger was captured by police nearby when his car stalled.)

TODAY IN HISTORY

1775 Portland, Maine burned by the British.

1780 Royalton, Vermont and Tunbridge, Vermont last major raid of the American Revolutionary War.

1781 George Washington captures Yorktown, Virginia.

1793 Marie Antoinette, wife of Louis XVI is guillotined at the height of the French Revolution.

1813 The Sixth Coalition attacks Napoleon Bonaparte in the Battle of Leipzig.

1834 Much of the ancient structures of the Palace of Westminster in London is burnt down.

1841 Queen's University is founded in Kingston, Ontario, Canada.

1843 Sir William Rowan Hamilton comes up with the idea of quaternions, a non-commutative extension of complex numbers.

1859 John Brown leads raid on Harper's Ferry, West Virginia

1869 Cardiff Giant, one of the most famous American hoaxes, is discovered.

1869 England's first residential college for women, Girton College, Cambridge, is founded.

WORD UP!

purblind \PUR-blynd\, adjective: 1. Having greatly reduced vision. 2. Lacking in insight or discernment.

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The assets being sold are generally described as: FURNITURES, FIXTURES AND EQUIPMENT, GOODWILL, LEASE AND LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS and is located at: 3709 BALDWIN PARK BLVD #0, BALDWIN PARK, CA 91706
The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: CENTRAL ESCROW INC, 225 W. GARVEY AVE, MONTEREY PARK, CA 91754 and the anticipated sale date is NOVEMBER 1, 2007
The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.
The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: CAHTY CRUZ, CENTRAL ESCROW INC, 225 W. GARVEY AVE, MONTEREY PARK, CA 91754 and the last day for filing claims by any creditor shall be OCTOBER 31, 2007, which is the business day before the anticipated sale date specified above.
Dated: AUGUST 20, 2007
MARCO CAMACHOBLANCA RIVERA, Buyer(s)
PCTS LA134736 SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS 10/16/07

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: LORNA S. CABAONG CASE NO. BP106665

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of LORNA S. CABAONG.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by PHILIP CABAONG in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that PHILIP CABAONG be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act . (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.)

The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on 10/29/07 at 8:30AM in Dept. 11 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code Section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

Attorney for Petitioner
ROBERT A. BROWN, ESQ.
LAW OFFICES OF ROBERT A. BROWN
1125 E BROADWAY #116
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Escrow No. 01023932CC
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NOTICE INVITING BIDS

Sealed bids will be received by the County of Los Angeles Department of Public Works, Construction Division, for the installation of signs and pavement markings under Project ID No. RDC0014635, Commuter Bikeway Signing Project Phase II, in the vicinities of South Gate, Lynwood, Santa Monica, Long Beach, and Temple City.

The bids must be submitted at the Cashier's Office, located on the Mezzanine level, 900 South Fremont Avenue, Alhambra, California 91803-1331, before 11 a.m. on Tuesday, November 6, 2007. The bids will then be publicly opened and read in Conference Room A or at the location posted in the main lobby.

The work shall be done in accordance with the Plans and Specifications on file and open for inspection at the County Board of Supervisors Executive Office and the Department of Public Works. The work is estimated to cost between \$70,000 and \$100,000 and shall be completed in 40 working days. The work requires a California Class A or C32 contractor's license. Prebid questions regarding the Plans and Specifications should be directed to Mr. Harry Cong at (626) 458-3111.

The bids must be submitted on the proposal forms included in the bidder's package of the contract documents, which may be purchased for \$15, if picked up at the aforementioned Cashier's Office, (626) 458-6959, Monday through Thursday between 7 a.m. and 5:30 p.m., or for \$19, if mailed, which includes postage and handling.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, or surety bond payable to County of Los Angeles in an amount equal to at least 10 percent of the bid to guarantee that the bidder will enter into the contract if it is so awarded.

All persons performing the work shall be paid not less than the General Prevailing Wage Determination made by the Director of Industrial Relations pursuant to the California Labor Code. Copies of these wage rates are available at the Department of Public Works. Furthermore, minimum Davis-Bacon Act Wage Decisions for this Project as predetermined by the Secretary of Labor (Federal) are set forth in the Special Provisions.

If there is a difference between the minimum wage rates predetermined by the Secretary of Labor and the applicable prevailing wage rates per the Director of Industrial Relations for similar classifications of labor, the contractor and its subcontractors shall pay not less than the higher wage rate.

The rate of compensation for any classification not listed in the schedule, but which may be required to execute the contract, shall be commensurate and in accordance with the rates specified for similar or comparable classifications or for those performing similar or comparable duties.

Bidders are advised that, as required by Federal law, the State has established a statewide overall DBE goal. This Agency's Federal-aid contract is considered to be a part of the statewide overall DBE goal. The Agency is required to report to Caltrans on DBE participation for all Federal-aid contracts each year so that attainment efforts may be evaluated.

The County hereby notifies all bidders that it will affirmatively ensure that minority business enterprises will be afforded full opportunity to submit bids in response to this invitation and will not be discriminated against on the grounds of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin in consideration for award of any contract entered into pursuant to this advertisement.

NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT FOR AFFIRMATIVE ACTION TO ENSURE EOE/EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY (EXECUTIVE ORDER 11246)

The goals for minority and female participation, expressed in percentage terms for the contractor's aggregate workforce in each trade on all construction work in the covered area, are as follows:

Goals for Minority Participation in Each Trade
28.3%

Goals for Female Participation in Each Trade
6.9%

These goals are applicable to all the contractor's construction work (whether or not it is Federal or Federally assisted) performed in the covered area.

The contractor's compliance with the Executive Order and the regulations in 41 CFR, Part 60-4, shall be based on its implementation of the Equal Opportunity Clause, specific affirmative action obligations required by the specifications set forth in 41 CFR, Part 60-4.3(a), and its efforts to meet the goals. The hours of minority and female employment and training must be substantially uniform throughout the length of the contract, and in each trade, and the contractor shall make a good faith effort to employ minorities and females evenly on each of its projects. The transfer of minority or female employees or trainees from contractor to contractor or from project to

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project for the sole purpose of meeting the contractor's goals shall be a violation of the contract, the Executive Order, and the regulations in 41 CFR, Part 60-4. Compliance with the goals will be measured against the total work hours performed.

The contractor shall provide written notification to the Director of the Office of Federal Contract Compliance Programs within ten working days of award of any construction subcontract in excess of \$10,000 at any tier for construction work under the contract resulting from this solicitation. The notification shall list the name, address, and telephone number of the subcontractor; employer identification number of the subcontractor; estimated dollar amount of the subcontract; estimated starting and completion dates of the subcontract, and the geographical area in which the contract is to be performed.

As used in this Notice, and in the Contract resulting from this solicitation, the "covered area" is the County of Los Angeles.

The bid must provide full disclosure of False Claims Act violations, labor law/payroll violations, debarments, and civil/criminal legal actions as provided for on the forms included as part of the proposal. Failure to complete these forms may result in a determination that the bidder is nonresponsive and/or not responsible.

The contract, if awarded, will be awarded to the lowest responsive and responsible bidder; however, the Board of Supervisors reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

A responsible bidder is a bidder who has demonstrated the attribute of trustworthiness, as well as quality, fitness, capacity, and experience to satisfactorily perform the contract. It is the County's policy to conduct business only with responsible contractors.

The successful bidder will be required to fully comply with all applicable State and Federal reporting requirements relating to employment reporting for its employees and comply with all lawfully served Wage and Earnings Assignment Orders and Notice of Assignment and continue to maintain compliance throughout the duration of the contract. Failure to comply may be cause for termination of the contract or initiation of debarment proceedings.

The successful bidder will be required to submit a faithful performance bond, payment bond, worker's compensation insurance, and liability insurance with the contract.

As provided for in Section 22300 of the California Public Contract Code, the contractor may substitute securities for any monies withheld by the Department of Public Works to ensure performance under the Contract or enter into an escrow agreement for payment of such monies to an escrow agent.

Each person by submitting a response to this Notice Inviting Bids certifies that such bidder and each County lobbyist and County lobbying firm, as defined by Los Angeles County Code Section 2.160.010, retained by the bidder, is in full compliance with Chapter 2.160 of the Los Angeles County Code.

Para mas informacion con relacion a esta noticia, por favor llame a este numero (626) 458-3118. Nuestras horas de oficina son de 7 a.m. a 5:30 p.m. de Lunes a Jueves.

The County supports and encourages equal opportunity contracting.

By order of the Board of Supervisors of the County of Los Angeles, State of California.

Dated October 9, 2007.

Sachi A. Hamai
Executive Officer
of the Board of Supervisors
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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF JANETTE MAY MILLER

Case No. SP007286
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of JANETTE MAY MILLER
A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Joseph E. Deering in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PRO-BATE requests that Joseph E. Deering be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This

authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on Nov. 9, 2007 at 9:15 AM in Dept. No. R located at 1725 Main St., Santa Monica, CA 90401.

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF GRACE HICKSON MUNN

Case No. SP007279
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of GRACE HICKSON MUNN

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by Heidi Sullivan in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PRO-BATE requests that Heidi Sullivan be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.)

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: HANS J. DECKER AKA HANS DECKER CASE NO. SP007284

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of HANS J. DECKER AKA HANS DECKER. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by CYNTHIA D. PARISH in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that CYNTHIA D. PARISH be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held on 11/09/07 at 9:15AM in Dept. R located at 1725 Main St., Santa Monica, CA 90401

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code Section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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