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Beating suspects fight extradition

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY A hearing has been scheduled to determine if two Arizona men suspected of brutally beating a Santa Monica resident should be extradited to Los Angeles County to face attempted murder charges, police said.

Bryan Scott Hale, 24, of Tempe, Ariz. and Brett Davis, 25, of Fountain Hills, Ariz. are fighting extradition and are expected to go before a judge on Oct. 26, said SMPD Sgt. Richard Lewis.

The judge will determine if there is enough evidence to proceed with the case. If so, the suspects will be transported to Los Angeles County via a private extradition company, Lewis said.

The men were arrested last Friday by Maricopa County Sheriff's deputies and are being held on $1,030,000 bonds.

"It isn't unusual for people to fight extradition," Lewis said. "Perhaps they're doing it so they can have more time to raise bail."

Typically courts look only at the extradition documents to see if they are in order and do not consider the merits of the charge.

The assault took place in the early morning hours of Sept. 22 on the 3100 block of Santa Monica Boulevard near Busby's bar. The victim, a 45-year-old movie producer, was working out around 2:20 a.m. with hand weights and sparring gloves when two men approached him from behind and beat him with his weights.

The victim suffered a collapsed skull, several brain bleeds, a broken jaw and back fractures, according to a press released issued by the Maricopa County Sheriff's Department.

While the victim is expected to survive, doctors said long-term effects from the beating are very possible, sheriff's deputies added.

Santa Monica police released surveillance video footage which showed two men running away from the scene shortly after the beating occurred. The footage was broadcast on local television news stations and fliers were posted at the corner of Berkeley Street and Santa Monica Boulevard asking for the public's help in identifying those responsible.

Santa Monica detectives were able to identify one of the suspects involved and notified authorities in Arizona, who conducted a surveillance operation and ultimately arrested Hale and Davis.

Police said the men were in the Los Angeles area working for an unidentified moving company.

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IN THE MOMENT

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Students perform during a comedy improv class at the Santa Monica Senior Recreation Center on Tuesday.

UCLA profs to study SMMUSD diversity

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

SMMUSD HDQTRS A pair of UCLA professors are seeking permission to use Lincoln and John Adams middle schools as laboratories to study the effects of racial diversity on students at urban middle schools.

The two campuses would be part of a 25-school, 6,000-student study designed by professors Sandra Graham and Jaana Juvonen — both developmental social psychologists with UCLA — that follows a group of children from sixth grade through eighth grade to see how their perceptions of race change during that time.

Juvonen is also the researcher behind Cool Tools, a program used by every school in the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District except Will Rogers Learning Academy to teach children how to relate and interact with their peers.

The two professors hypothesized that diversity decreases the perceived risk of being bullied, helps the formation of inter-

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Dressing dogs up for Halloween made easy

SUE MANNING
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES Pet owners love dressing up their dogs for Halloween. Only problem is, dogs don't always love wearing costumes. But there are some tricks you can use for those pets that don't think it's a treat to wear hats, boots, masks and coats for their owners' amusement.

If a dog is used to wearing clothes, costumes may not be a problem, said veterinarian Terry Marie Curtis, a clinical behaviorist for the Department of Small Animal Clinical Services at the University of Florida College of Veterinary Medicine.

Dogs accustomed to wearing snug items designed to calm anxiety — like Thundershirts, Anxiety Wraps or Storm Defender Capes — should be able to adjust to other types of clothing, she said.

But every pet is different. "Many dogs

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OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Wednesday, Oct. 19, 2011

Dog romp
Palisades Park
Santa Vicente Boulevard and Ocean Avenue, 6 p.m. — 7 p.m.
Bring your dog out for this new dog lovers group. It's a great opportunity to give your dog some exercise and for you to mingle with other owners.

Solar gardens
Working Village
212 Marine St., Unit 100, 6 p.m.
Learn about California's SB 843 "solar gardens" legislation. Expected to come up for a vote in January, the bill would allow renters and others who do not have an appropriate roof for solar to purchase or lease solar panels in a shared solar facility in the community and receive energy cost savings as if the panels were located on their own rooftops. RSVP at solargardens.eventbrite.com.

All films on deck
Santa Monica Place
395 Santa Monica Place, 7 p.m.
Part of the Movies on Deck series, watch "The Blind Side," the 2009 drama featuring Sandra Bullock, in a role that won her an Academy Award. Screening will occur on the dining deck, level 3. Cost: free. For more information, visit www.santamonicaplace.com, or call (310) 260-8333.

Thursday, Oct. 20, 2011

Workplace wisdom
Santa Monica College
1900 Pico Blvd., 11:15 a.m.
Speaker Gregory Wong, a labor law attorney, will discuss the legal issues around employee use of technology — particularly social media — as part of Santa Monica College's "Global Connections Lecture Series." Held at the Humanities & Social Science Lecture Hall 165, the free series included previous lectures regarding the competitive global job market. For more information, call (310) 434-4303.

All about Alzheimer's disease
Santa Monica Family YMCA
1332 Sixth St.,
1:30 p.m. — 3 p.m.
UCLA neurologist Verna Porter, M.D., will give an overview of the diagnosis, management and treatment of Alzheimer's disease, as well as a review of the normal aging brain.
For more information, call (310) 393-2721 ext. 129.

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CORRECTION

The Oct. 18 article "Investigation complete in Samohi wrestling case," should have stated that the Santa Monica Police Department turned over its investigation to the District Attorney's Office for review. Additional investigation was not requested.

LOCAL SPORTS ROUNDUP

Santa Monica football enters Western Division top 10

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

DOWNTOWN Santa Monica High School's football team has entered the Western Division top 10 for the first time this season, the CIF-Southern Section announced this week.

The Vikings are ranked No. 9 after spending the past few weeks listed amongst the others, just outside the top 10.

The ranking comes on the heels of Samohi's 28-15 win over Ocean League rival and defending champ Inglewood last week.

Also in the top 10 is fellow Ocean League member Culver City, which is currently ranked No. 7. Culver City has been ranked for most of the season.

Chaminade from the Mission League is again No. 1 on the poll.

SHEEN HELPS SAMOHI RAISE FUNDS

Actor Charlie Sheen will be the guest of honor at a fundraiser for Samohi's baseball team, which is scheduled for Nov. 19.

The third annual celebrity poker tournament and auction will be held at Santa Monica's Moose Lodge.

Sheen, who played for the Vikings during his days on campus, will be joined by former Major League Baseball player Kenny Lofton and current Pittsburgh Pirate Derrek Lee.

All proceeds will go to the Samohi team, which in recent years has upgraded its playing field with new turf and improved seating for fans with some of the money raised.

For more information, visit santamonicadiamondclub.org.

SMC FOOTBALL DOWNS SOUTHWEST, 56-34

Santa Monica College's football team routed L.A. Southwest, 56-34, on the road on Saturday.

The win improved SMC to 3-3 this season.

The Corsairs were led by running back Myles Johnson who ran for 202 yards and scored a touchdown and quarterback Alfonso Medina who was 22 for 38 passing for 327 yards and five touchdowns. Johnson also caught two passes for scores.

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TRIBUTE: **A memorial for Apple's late co-founder Steve Jobs has been installed in front of the company's store on the Third Street Promenade.**

Source: Apple stores to close for Jobs memorial

RACHEL METZ
AP Technology Writer

SAN FRANCISCO Apple will close its retail stores, including the Third Street Promenade location, for several hours Wednesday so those employees can watch a webcast of a memorial service for employees to celebrate the life of co-founder Steve Jobs.

That's according to a person familiar with the matter. The person was not authorized to speak publicly and spoke on condition of anonymity. The store closings were reported earlier by The Wall Street Journal and Reuters.

The memorial will be at 10 a.m. at Apple's Cupertino headquarters. Apple says it is a private event.

Apple isn't holding any public services for Jobs, who died Oct. 5 at age 56 due to pancreatic cancer. Jobs was a tech visionary who led the company as it launched such popular products as the iPhone, iPad and iPod.

Report: Home loan defaults jump nearly 26 percent

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN DIEGO Banks sent nearly 26 percent more default notices to California homeowners in the third quarter compared with the previous three months, stepping up actions against those with delinquent loans in what may herald a new wave of foreclosures, a real estate information service reported Tuesday.

There were 71,275 first-time notices of default issued in the nation's most populous state in July, August and September, DataQuick reported. By comparison, there were 56,633 default notices issued in the second quarter of the fiscal year — a three-year low.

"Obviously, some lenders and loan servicers have begun to plow through their backlogs of delinquent loans more aggressively," DataQuick President John Walsh said in a statement.

Most of the mortgages, home equity loans and lines of credit going into default are from 2005 to 2007, La Jolla-based DataQuick said.

Foreclosures weigh down home values and create uncertainty among would-be homebuyers who fret over prospects that prices may further decline as more foreclosures hit the market.

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Lions aren't wanted

Editor:

Morning commuters terrified on Interstate 405! (Bakersfield Californian, Oct. 2, 2011) Past headlines; Joggers killed on jogging paths! Missing pets found dead and consumed in and around the outskirts of the city! Why? Mountain lions ("State officials seeking tips on mountain lion killing," SMDP, Oct. 6)

Then there are organizations like the Mountain Lion Foundation, a dubious animal rights organization spawned as a result of California voters being duped by the bogus Proposition 117 called The Mountain Lion Initiative in 1990, and the National Parks Service. Both are taxpayer funded and totally oblivious to good stewardship of taxpayers hard-earned dollars. They think they can sustain a wild species like the mountain lion in the urban environment of Los Angeles and Orange counties that is so fragmented it appears unlikely it could ever be successfully implemented.

People don't want the lions! It's obvious! Every time one is spotted in Los Angeles, Orange County or anywhere else in this pansy state, it throws the residents into a panic and the news media into a frenzy! The article stated there is no shortage of lions anywhere on the planet except for when the Mountain Lion Foundations spews its propaganda and says there is! Trap the lions and get rid of them. They can't and won't make nice with one another so why fight it! Turn the area into an archery-only zone and control the deer population with that.

Then there's the National Parks Service. This is an organization that by Dec. 31, 2011, will have successfully killed off a herd of magnificent Roosevelt elk and Kaibab mule deer that have been on Santa Rosa Island for over 120 years. The reason is the Santa Rosa Island manzanita. Instead of fencing off 50 acres around where the manzanita grows to prevent browsing by the deer and elk and allowing all to survive and thrive, their solution is kill all these healthy animals for the plant. Now these geniuses feel that $11 million, $1 million per lion, should be spent to build an underpass under U.S. Route 101 that the deer and the lions will share and if they don't kill each other, maybe improve their gene pool. The Park Service is just perpetuating and compounding the problem.

Harold Staat
Bakersfield, Calif.

Wrong message

Editor:

As a urologist who has been caring for prostate cancer patients for more than 40 years and the founder and president of the Cedars-Sinai Medical Center Tower Urology Medical Group (which represents 11 board-certified urologists with 84,000 active patients), I was deeply troubled by the recommendation of the U.S. Preventive Services Task Force that healthy men should no longer receive prostate-specific antigen (PSA) blood tests as part of routine cancer screening.

Early detection is critical to the success of prostate cancer treatments; we've seen a nearly 40 percent reduction in prostate cancer mortality since PSA testing became commonplace for men over 50.

The new recommendation needlessly puts men in harm's way. All men should be able to make an informed decision with their doctors about prostate cancer screening.

Dr. Dudley Danoff
Los Angeles

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The Taxman

Jon Coupal

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Homeowners frightened by pending property tax bills

IT'S SCARY SEASON AGAIN, AND NOT because of the little monsters who will appear at our doors on Halloween. It's those property tax bills that are showing up in mail boxes across the state.

Fortunately, as a direct result of Proposition 13, which limits increases in a property's assessed value to 2 percent annually, most property owners have a good idea what their tax bill will be even before opening the envelope. Still, every year at this time, the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association reminds taxpayers to carefully examine their latest property tax bill. Although not common, assessors do make mistakes.

Taxpayers should understand the various charges and make certain that they are not being dunned for more than they are legally obligated to pay. The best way to check a tax bill is to have your previous year's bill handy for reference.

Checking the bill is especially important for those who bought their homes a few years ago at the height of the market. If the current home value is actually lower than the assessed value shown on the tax bill, the owner is entitled to file for a reduction in taxes.

Typically, the property tax bill will show three categories of charges. They are the general tax levy, voted indebtedness, and direct assessments.

GENERAL TAX LEVY

The general tax levy is what most people think of when talking about property taxes. It is based on the assessed value of land, improvements and fixtures. This charge usually makes up the largest part of the tax bill and it is the amount that is limited by Proposition 13.

Proposition 13, passed overwhelmingly by voters in 1978, established a statewide uniform tax rate of 1 percent of assessed value at the time of purchase and limited annual increases in assessed value to no more than 2 percent. From a practical standpoint, this means that once the base year value of your property is established, the general tax levy cannot be increased more than 2 percent each year. This allows all property owners to predict their property tax bills into the future and budget accordingly.

The best way to check to make sure that your current general levy of assessment is correct is to compare it with the previous year's bill. The increase should be no more than 2 percent unless there have been improvements to the property like adding a room to a house.

This bears repeating: Because of the current decline in property values in California, many recent homebuyers are entitled to a reduction in their property tax bill to an amount even lower than the tax would be on their home's Proposition 13 adjusted base value. Although the reduction is temporary — taxes will go up again when the property regains value — the savings are permanent.

If in doubt about the current value of your property, check sales of comparable homes in your neighborhood. If homes like yours are selling for less than the valuation on your latest bill, contact your county assessor and ask that the value and resulting tax be adjusted to reflect true current value.

VOTED INDEBTEDNESS

Voted indebtedness is made up of those bonds and per parcel taxes approved by the voters.

Local general obligation bonds for libraries, parks, police and fire facilities and other capital improvements are repaid exclusively by property owners. Because a minority of the population is required to pay the entire amount, the California Constitution of 1879 established the two-thirds vote for approval of these bonds. This assures a strong community consensus before obligating property owners to repay debt for 20 or 30 years.

Until the year 2000, local school bonds also required a two-thirds vote, but the passage of Proposition 39 — backed by a small group of wealthy Silicon Valley businessmen led by Reed Hastings of Netflix — lowered the vote to 55 percent. Because the 55 percent requirement guarantees that most school bonds will pass, regardless of merit, many homeowners are seeing a significant increase in the voted indebtedness column on their tax bills.

Less common than bonds are per parcel taxes. These are taxes on property ownership, not on property value. Under Proposition 13, they require a two-thirds vote and are also listed either under "voted indebtedness" if they are being imposed to repay bonds or under "other levies" if they are for operational expenses of a local government entity.

DIRECT ASSESSMENTS

Ironically, under the system in place for over a century, property taxes go into the general fund and are used for local services unrelated to property. For services to property, such as sidewalks and sewers, we pay extra. These charges are known as direct assessments.

Because of Proposition 218 — the Right to Vote on Taxes Act, placed on the ballot by the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association in 1996 — property owners must be given a meaningful say in approving new assessments. Before an assessment can be imposed, or increased, property owners must be informed in writing and be given the opportunity to cast a protest vote on the new assessment or assessment increase.

For more information regarding your property tax bill go to HJTA.org and click on "Frequently Asked Questions," then scroll down to "About Property Tax Assessments".

If you have a question about your property tax bill you should contact the office of your county assessor. It's your money and you have a right to be certain that your bill is correct.

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Life Matters

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If he pays, should I play?

DEAR NEW SHRINK,

I have two brothers. The oldest is 40 years old, gay and married. He asked my mom, her husband and me to join them in Palm Springs for two nights. He paid for my room and I stayed in the same hotel that he did. My parents stayed elsewhere. I did not enjoy the trip because he was controlling and strange.

The first day he asked me to go swimming, but I couldn't because it was that time of the month. On the second day, he called and told me that we would eat a late lunch, but he never followed up on it. I waited in my hotel room but ended up calling my mom because I was hungry and spent the day with her. We met my brother and his partner for dinner at 7 p.m. I was annoyed, but I didn't want to show it. That night he told me that he'd be up at 9 a.m. to help me check out of the hotel the next day.

The next day, he didn't wake me up until after 9:30 a.m. Later that morning, he dropped me off to meet my mom at her hotel. He told me that next time we should go swimming and to let him know whether or not I have my period. Then, when I got out of his car, he handed me $20.

A few weeks later, he texted me and invited me to go to Palm Springs again. I replied saying, "I don't want to go. I know that I won't enjoy myself if you are going to be controlling. Have fun." He texted and said "Good call."

Later this September, he texted me and said to "save the date. We are going to Disneyland to celebrate mom's 70th birthday." I texted back and said, "I'll go but I don't want a repeat of what happened in Palm Springs." He didn't reply.

I e-mailed him again to say, "I will go to Disneyland for one day and night. I'd like to have my own room." He wrote back and said, "I gave you $100 for your birthday. Check your bank account."

I talked to my mom and she said I could stay in her room for a night. I e-mailed him to confirm that he was still planning to pay for my ticket to Disneyland. He wrote back and said, "Canceled. Wait for further notice, thanks."

Now, I'm really annoyed because he is vague, involves everyone and then often doesn't follow through.

I am not sure how to respond to my brother? What should I tell my mom? I don't want to cause conflict between my mom and brother. And I won't call him because if he is in a bad mood, he hangs up, and if not that, he barely listens to me.

Should I tell my brother how awkward and rude he is? Should I tell him that just because he's paying doesn't mean that he can manipulate and control what I do?

Signed,
Annoyed and Angry

DEAR ANNOYED AND ANGRY,

First off, I know that you are very upset because I had to edit your question to fit this space, and it's still rather lengthy. So my answer will be short. (We have limited space in the paper.)

It is very difficult to know what the family dynamics are from your question alone. Clearly, you do not get along with this one brother but you didn't mention the other? Can you talk to him? Where is he in this picture?

You should be able to speak with your mother; perhaps it is a matter of how you speak about it. Perhaps you say something like, "He doesn't seem to care about me, I am feeling hurt, but don't know what to say to him?"

I don't think e-mailing him with your complaints is a good idea based on what you say here. If you could sit down face-to-face alone or in a family session, that might work better.

Often we attack others when we feel attacked by them. Honestly ask yourself if you have attacked him as well? Are you in a vicious cycle with him? How did it start? Or are you convinced he is just not that kind or into you?

The big question is whether or not you should allow yourself to be controlled because he pays for you. There are many who do this but I have yet to meet a single person who is happy when they allow themselves to be bought.

If you want to be healthy and happy, be true to yourself! Do not worry about causing family conflict unless in your heart you know that you are partly responsible. Your mother knows more that you think; talk to her.

Most importantly, take care of yourself.

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The Q Line

Seeing signs

New legislation allows the Big Blue Bus to add digital signs to the side of its busses. BBB officials say it could bring in up to $4 million.

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Do you think the new signs will be distracting or is it a good way for the local bus system to earn revenue?

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Monologist turns wit on smart phones

MARK KENNEDY
AP Drama Writer

NEW YORK Mike Daisey's new show may be the only one in town where you may stifle the desire to automatically switch on your phone after it's over. You may not even want to admit you have one.

What the monologist does over the course of two hours is make his audience deeply ashamed about the small, pretty devices we take for granted. In "The Agony and the Ecstasy of Steve Jobs," which opened Monday at The Public Theater, Daisey drops a bomb: Most smart phones and tablets are made in Chinese sweatshops.

"You need to know how it connects to you," he says, as always, from behind a desk.

Daisey, whose previous monologues include "The Last Cargo Cult" about the world financial crisis and "21 Dog Years," a light, autobiographical account of his tenure as an employee of Amazon.com, returns with a personal, poignant and passionate piece that stays with you many days after you've seen it.

Daisey splices career milestones of Steve Jobs and the transformation of Apple from a David into a Goliath with more personal stories about his own connection to the computer maker. Daisey confesses he has long adored technology and especially the "bulbous and fruit colored" products from Apple.

"I am an Apple partisan," he thunders. "I am a worshipper in the cult of Apple."

That makes his disillusionment even more profound when he discovers that Apple — as well as most manufacturers of smartphones, laptops and tablets — are put together by people struggling in inhuman working conditions.

His world changed when he saw four photos posted online taken by workers at a Chinese factory to test the iPhone but mistakenly not erased. People, he suddenly realized, were putting the sleek devices together, not robots.

"I started to think, and that's always a problem for any religion," he says.

Daisey traveled to the Chinese industrial zone of Shenzhen and interviewed hundreds of workers from Foxconn Technology Group, the world's largest electronics contract manufacturer. While he was there, Foxconn executives ringed their buildings with nets to discourage a rash of suicides. Daisey met very young workers whose joints in their hands were damaged because they performed the same action thousands of times a shift.

"Do you really think Apple doesn't know?" Daisey asks.

For its part, Apple says it has long required its suppliers to commit to a code of conduct and that its representatives visit suppliers to ensure that sweatshop conditions don't exist.

The outpouring of admiration for Jobs after the visionary's death hasn't changed Daisey's tone. The Jobs that he summons is a passionate designer but also a ruthless businessman — a Darth Vadar with laser death vision but also a Willy Wonka. Jobs was a unique man, Daisey says, but a "brutal tyrant," "the enemy of nostalgia" and "the master of the forced upgrade."

For Daisey, Jobs was also something else: "He was my hero," he says in a touching moment as he describes being bathed in the light of a laptop the night he learned of Job's death. "He was the only hero I ever had."

The piece is not just a guilt-inducing downer. There are moments of pure levity, as when Daisey discusses his hatred of having to sit through PowerPoint presentations and when he dives deep into his geekness: "There's nothing comic about Comic Sans," he says straightfaced about the much-maligned font.

The new work is well-shaped by Jean-Michele Gregory's direction and Daisey is mesmerizing in a stripped-down presentation. His desk, which includes his notes and a glass of water but no Apple devices, is cleverly put in front of a wall of scaffolding designed by Seth Reiser that is ringed with lights that turn on and off during his monologue. (They also smartly look broken when Daisey is talking about computer mess-ups.)

Daisey started work on his monologue some 16 months ago and he has taken it on the road, editing it as he goes. Jobs' death, he says, is not how he or anyone wanted the story to end. But Daisey says that what he learned in China can now never be unlearned and that his audience has been infected with the knowledge.

"Steve made his choice," says Daisey. "I wonder what you will choose."

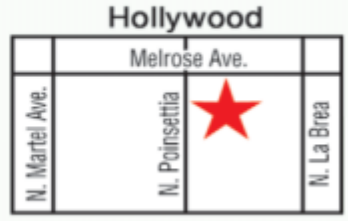
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LOS ANGELES

Officials approve jail measures to stop abuse

Los Angeles County officials approved two measures Tuesday aimed at tackling alleged inmate abuse by sheriff's deputies in the country's largest jail system.

One of the measures will see the creation of a seven-member oversight commission that would offer independent reviews of inmate complaints and look into the extent of inappropriate use of force in the jails.

"There has been a shattering of public confidence in the Sheriff's Department and the jails in particular," Supervisor Zav Yaroslavsky said.

Although the commission would have no legal power to compel Sheriff Lee Baca to act, it could draft recommendations that federal authorities may end up enforcing, said Yaroslavsky's spokesman, Joel Bellman. The jails already are the subject of at least one FBI probe.

Baca has come under mounting pressure in recent weeks following numerous reports he stood by while his deputies beat inmates, took bribes and covered up wrongdoings inside the sprawling jail system, which houses some 15,000 inmates.

Officials also approved several recommendations from Supervisor Gloria Molina. These include asking Baca to install cameras in the jails within 30 days, barring deputies from striking inmates' heads in most circumstances, and banning the heavy flashlights deputies carry that can be used as batons.

The Board of Supervisors drew some criticism itself, with several residents telling officials that shortcomings were partly the board's fault because supervisors had been aware of alleged problems for years.

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LOS ANGELES

Teacher loses job over anti-Semitic comments

Los Angeles school officials say a substitute teacher has lost her job after making anti-Semitic comments at a rally.

In a statement Tuesday, schools superintendent John Deasy condemned remarks made by Patricia McAllister at a protest rally last week.

In an Oct. 12 interview with Reason.com at a Los Angeles rally, McAllister said "Zionist Jews and the Federal Reserve" need to be run out of this country.

Deasy says that although freedom of speech is a protected right of public employees, the LAUSD can't set a good example for students while tolerating disrespectful, intolerant or discriminatory behavior.

McAllister worked as a day-to-day substitute teacher in the district.

AP

LOS ANGELES

Prosecutor to call for jail time for Lohan

A prosecutor is expected to recommend jail time for actress Lindsay Lohan after arguing that she is in violation of her probation in a theft case.

Los Angeles City Attorney's spokesman Frank Mateljan said the recommendation to be made in court Wednesday is based on Lohan's termination from a downtown women's shelter where she had been doing community service.

Lohan spokesman Steve Honig declined comment Tuesday.

Lohan is due in court Wednesday to update a judge on her probation progress.

A city prosecutor is overseeing Lohan's probation in the misdemeanor theft case filed after the actress was charged with taking a $2,500 necklace without permission. Lohan pleaded no contest in May.

The 25-year-old actress is now trying to complete the majority of her service with the American Red Cross.

AP

LOS ANGELES

Michael Jackson doctor's trial to resume

A judge says the involuntary manslaughter trial of Michael Jackson's doctor will resume today and defense attorneys will begin their case on Friday.

The judge said Tuesday that if the prosecution's final witness finishes his testimony today, there will be no testimony on Thursday. Defense attorneys for Dr. Conrad Murray say their witnesses aren't available until Friday.

The defense plans to call 15 witnesses, including the head of AEG Live, the company that promoted Jackson's planned series of comeback concerts. Other witnesses will include police detectives who have not testified, character witnesses and experts.

Jurors haven't heard any testimony since Thursday due to the schedule of a witness and to give defense attorneys time to investigate newly conducted tests to determine how much of the sedative lorazepam was in Jackson's body.

Murray has pleaded not guilty

AP

COLTON

Trains collide, scatter rail cars under interstate

Two freight trains collided beneath a Southern California interstate early Tuesday, scattering six rail cars along tracks near one of the nation's largest railroad yards.

The six Union Pacific cars were tangled on their sides under Interstate 10 in Colton, about 50 miles east of Los Angeles. One of the derailed cars struck a freeway bridge abutment, but state engineers determined no safety threat, Colton fire spokesman Tom Debellis said.

No injuries were reported. Nearby homes and businesses were not evacuated, but Colton High School and Wilson Elementary School, which are less than a mile from the wreckage, were closed for the day as a precaution, Debellis said.

Debellis said none of the five tanker cars containing corrosive ferrous chloride and asphalt was leaking. The sixth rail car was hauling automobiles.

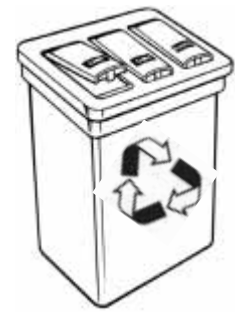
Eastbound lanes of the interstate in San Bernardino County were shut down more than four hours as a precaution. San Bernardino Metrolink commuter train service was disrupted, and streets were closed near the derailment at Valley Boulevard at 9th Street.

Crews so far put upright three cars carrying asphalt, grain and industrial lime, Debellis said. He did not know when the two cars containing ferrous chloride and the automobile-hauler would be lifted up.

"Those are the critical ones," he said. "They're taking their time and they're doing it right...safety comes first."

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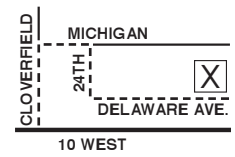
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Israeli soldier Schalit emerges from long captivity

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MITZPE HILA, Israel Gaunt and pale, Israeli soldier Gilad Schalit returned home Tuesday after more than five years in captivity, freed in a lopsided exchange for hundreds of Palestinian prisoners that could greatly complicate Mideast peace prospects and strengthen the Islamic militant Hamas.

The swap set off massive celebrations in Israel and the Palestinian territories, where crowds in Gaza called for more kidnappings of soldiers, chanting: "The people want a new Gilad!"

The 25-year-old Schalit's poor condition, a jarring appearance by masked Hamas men during his release and the prospects of a strengthened Hamas bode poorly for future relations between Israel and the Palestinians.

By winning the release of hundreds of militants accused in notorious suicide bombings of the Palestinian uprising a decade ago, Hamas reinforced its message that Palestinian goals are advanced most effectively through violent struggle, and not the moderate approach of diplomacy favored by Palestinian President Mahmoud Abbas.

"Israel was forced to pay the price," Hamas' supreme leader, Khaled Mashaal, boasted in a meeting in Egypt, where he greeted 40 freed prisoners who were immediately sent into exile under the terms of their release.

To Israelis, the return of a young man whose plight had become a national obsession brought a welcome lift. But for many, especially the family of victims who had lost relatives in Palestinian violence, it carried a bitter taste of justice denied.

After being hidden from public view since his capture five and half years ago, Schalit — the first captive Israeli soldier to return home alive in a generation — was whisked early Tuesday across Gaza's border by a group of armed Hamas militants.

A brief video released by Egyptian TV showed the young sergeant wearing a baseball cap and gray shirt, surrounded by Gaza militants with black face masks and green headbands who then handed him over to Egyptian mediators.

Before he was turned over to Israeli officials, Schalit spoke to Egyptian TV in an interview while masked militants milled around and Hamas' No. 2 leader, Musa Abu Marzouk, hovered nearby.

Israeli officials called the interview "shocking."

Looking wan and uncomfortable, Schalit appeared to struggle to speak at times, and his breathing was noticeably labored as he answered questions asked through an interpreter.

Stumbling over his words, he spoke in Hebrew of missing his family and friends, said he feared he would remain in captivity "many more years" and worried that the deal might fall through after learning about it last week.

At times, the questions seemed awkward and even inappropriate.

Noting that more than 4,000 Palestinians are still imprisoned in Israel, the interviewer asked: "Will you help campaign for their release?"

After a long pause, Shalit replied: "I would be really happy that (Palestinian prisoners) are freed, but they shouldn't go back to fighting Israel." Then he added: "I really hope that this deal advances peace and not more military conflicts and wars between Israel and the Palestinians."

Later, video released by the Israeli military showed Schalit being helped into a military vehicle for the crossing into Israel, then exiting after changing into a fresh army uniform with the newly promoted rank of sergeant first class.

Military officials said a physical exam had found him to be in "good" condition, though he showed signs of malnutrition; his father later said his son was suffering from shrapnel wounds apparently sustained during his capture as well as psychological scars.

In Schalit's hometown, the tiny village of Mitzpe Hila in northern Israel, thousands of people filled streets and rooftops to welcome him home, waving flags, uncorking champagne, singing and dancing.

"This is so exciting it warms the heart. No one could imagine such a happy ending," said Atalia Rosenfeld, a well-wisher. "It reinforces my faith in this country."

Schalit was captured by Hamas-linked militants in a cross-border raid in June 2006, then dragged to the Gaza Strip. He was kept in isolation, barred from having visitors and seen only once, in a scripted video released by his captors two years ago to prove he was alive.

Israeli pressure, including an economic blockade and a fierce military offensive in the weeks after his capture, failed to win his release.

Under Tuesday's agreement, Israel exchanged 477 prisoners — most of them serving life sentences for involvement in deadly attacks on Israelis. A second batch of 550 prisoners is to be released in two months.

In Mitzpe Hila, Schalit, who arrived on board a military helicopter, smiled and waved briefly to the crowd before ducking into his family's house.

Addressing the crowd, Schalit's father, Noam, thanked the Israeli public for years of support and said his son was healthy overall, but would need to recover from psychological and physical wounds.

"Naturally he can't be exposed to so many people because he was in isolation so many days and years and couldn't interact with people in his language, and all he could do was communicate with his abductors and guards," he said.

He said his son hadn't said much about his captivity, only that his treatment was poor at the beginning but improved in recent years, including sporadic access to radio and television.

The elder Schalit has become a ubiquitous figure in Israel since his son's capture, leading a highly visible campaign to keep the issue on the agenda. In the summer of 2010, he led days of nationwide marches calling on the government to press for his release, and for years he maintained a protest tent outside the prime minister's residence in Jerusalem.

The United States awkwardly welcomed Tuesday's release, with Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton saying the U.S. was pleased that Schalit's ordeal was over and that "he was held for far too long in captivity."

But Clinton and other U.S. officials avoided specifically addressing Hamas' part in the agreement or the merit of Israel's decision to free more than 1,000 Palestinians to secure Schalit's release.

The sense of joy upon Schalit's return was palpable throughout Israel, where military service is mandatory and the captive soldier had been collectively adopted as a national son. The country's media covered the event with special broadcasts throughout the day, and Israel's prime minister, defense minister and army chief lined up to hug Schalit upon his arrival at an air base.

But the joy was tempered by the knowledge that dozens of militants responsible for deadly attacks during the second Palestinian intifadah last decade were walking free.

Among them were the mastermind of a 2002 Passover suicide bombing that killed 30 people in a hotel, and a woman who lured a lovelorn Israeli teenager over the Internet to come to the West Bank, only to have him killed by waiting militants.

After meeting with Schalit, Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu said he understood the pain of Israeli families who have lost relatives in Palestinian attacks, but that Israel's history of doing everything possible to bring its soldiers home safely compelled him to act.

Israel has a long history of numerically uneven exchanges, though Tuesday's swap was the most lopsided and the first time since 1985 that it has brought home a soldier who was still alive.

The unequal terms of Tuesday's exchange only underscored the sense of a victory for the Iran-backed militant Hamas, which has ruled the Gaza Strip since 2007 and continues to be dedicated to Israel's destruction.

Those concerns were underscored by the celebrations in the Palestinian areas, where both prisoners and demonstrators called for more soldier kidnappings to bring home prisoners who remain in Israel.

"My happiness is indescribable," said Azhar Abu Jawad, who was celebrating the return of a brother who had been sentenced to life for killing an Israeli in 1992.

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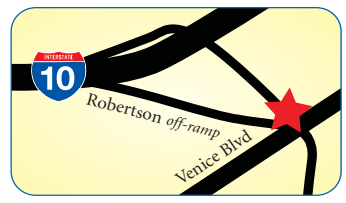


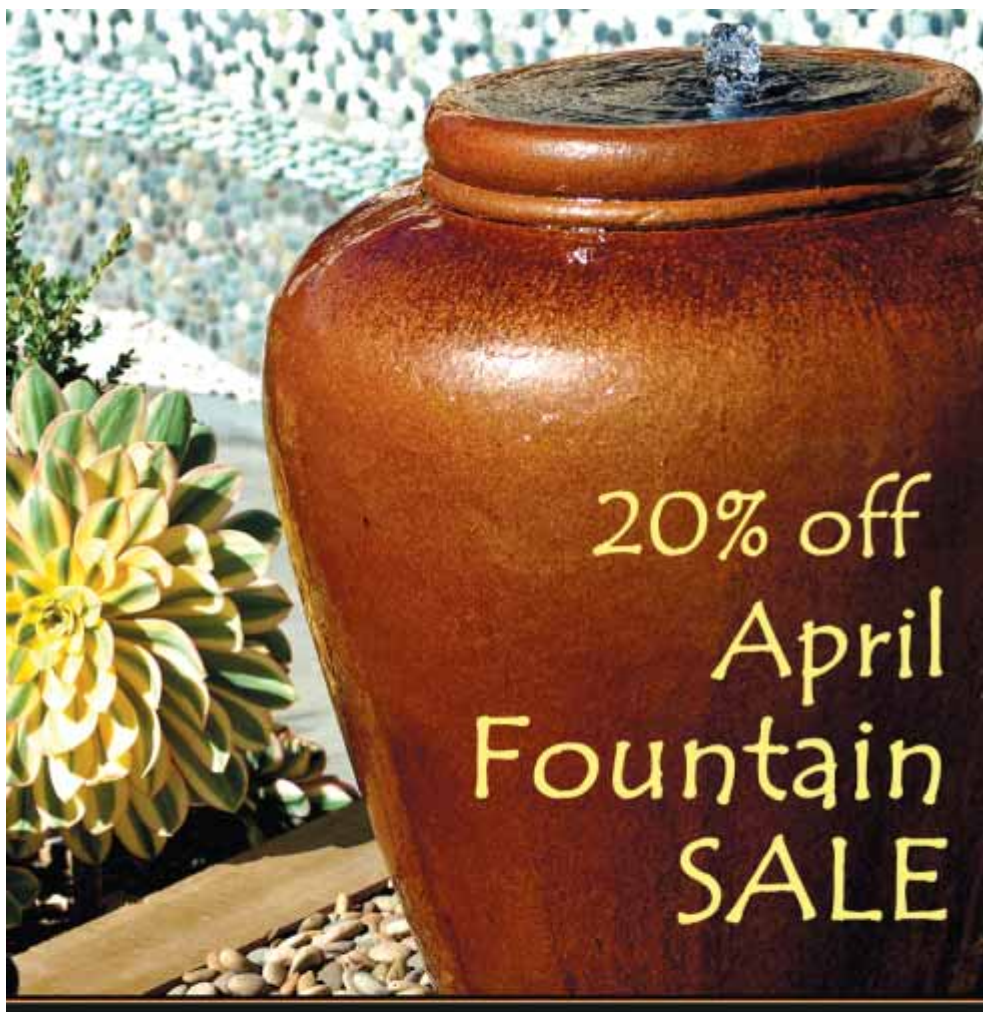
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DOGS
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hate things on their feet," she said. "This is true because it can alter how they perceive where they're walking."

Some dogs are used to booties, though, either because they live where the ground gets very hot or cold, or they are carried most of the time. "The smaller pocket pups are more likely to have 'dress up' in their experience because that's what mom has done since puppyhood," Curtis said.

For fussy dogs (and cats), try a starter costume consisting mostly of accessories, advised Reyna Jew, who buys dog and cat apparel, shampoo, travel products and carriers for PetSmart.

Try angel, fairy or bat wings, a pirate or witch hat. If that's still too much, there are bows that clip in the pet's hair, necklaces and decorative collars or bandannas made of Halloween-themed fabric.

Target offers 29 costume styles for dogs, including five rider styles (a stuffed character rides on the back of the pet) designed for larger dogs and 10 partial costumes for the pet that won't tolerate a full costume, said Kristy Welker of Target Communications in Minneapolis.

Options include items that attach to collars, like flowers and even Saint Bernard-style rescue barrels, said Welker. These won't upset animals who don't like wearing clothes, but they'll look like costumes to human eyes.

Target also carries three styles of T-shirts and three styles of pajamas, including prisoners and skeletons.

Costumes that cover a pet's head or include eyeglasses or masks may be a challenge. You'll have to see what your dog will tolerate, but don't be surprised if a mask or hat is repeatedly shaken or pawed off.

The most popular costume at PetSmart is the bumblebee, followed by the pumpkin and dragon, Jew said. Bat wings, hot dogs and a sheriff are Target's best-sellers. Pajamas are popular because they are comfortable, Welker said. At BuyCostumes.com, a raptor, bee and a dog-riding cowboy top the list.

No one sells full costumes just for cats but dog accessories will work. PetSmart also has 12 collars and scarves designed for and modeled by cats online.

Some pet owners want to dress like their pets or want to dress their children and pets alike. It's easy to mix and match many pet costumes with adult costumes from other stores, Jew said. For example, there are Superman and Batman dog costumes. An owner can easily get a Lois Lane or Robin costume, she said.

Target offers hot dog and banana costumes for both adults and pets, Welker said.

Pet costumes are made to go on easy, Jew said, and usually fasten with Velcro.

The best-selling size costume is medium, which usually fits a 30- to 40-pound dog. "The toy breeds are second up," Jew said.

One trend that's driving demand for pet costumes is the surging number of dress-up events for pets being staged by neighborhoods, cities, shelters, rescues, magazines, websites, pet stores, charitable organizations and other groups, including photo contests, pet parades and businesses inviting pets in costume to drop by, Jew said. PetSmart is among those sponsoring a costume contest, and you don't have to buy the outfit at the store to enter, Jew said.

As the holiday approaches, pet owners should keep a few things in mind. The American Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals warns that costumes should not limit an animal's "movement, hearing, sight or ability to breathe, bark, eat, drink or eliminate. And watch for choking hazards."

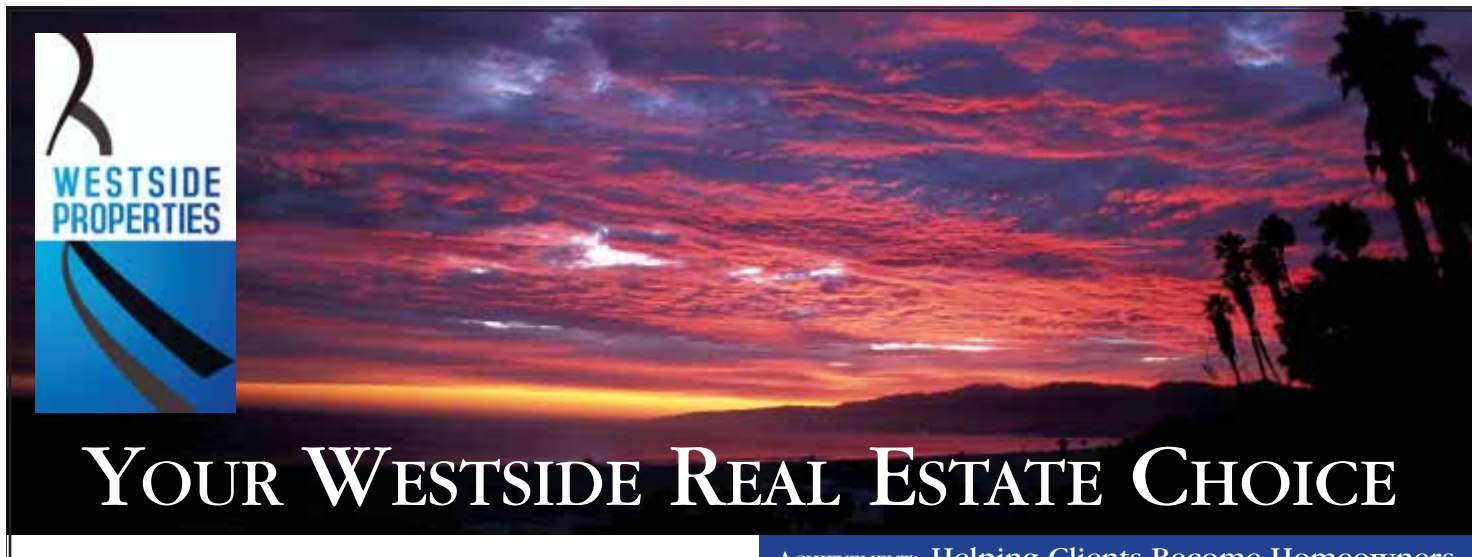
And, the ASPCA says, remember that chocolate is toxic for dogs, while the aluminum foil and cellophane in candy wrappers can cause serious problems for cats and dogs.

Dr. Justine Lee, associate director of veterinary services for the national Pet Poison Helpline in Minneapolis, said during Halloween week last year, calls about dogs that ingested chocolate increased by 209 percent over a typical week

All the activity and oddly dressed people coming and going may scare your pet, Curtis said. "I've worked with many dogs who are deathly afraid of cameras and the flash, so if their owners are doing a lot of picture taking around this time, then that could contribute to the overall fear, too," she said.

The ASPCA also suggests keeping pets away from doors when greeting trick-or-treaters and recommends against candles to light up pumpkins.

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racial friendships and aids in the development of a nuanced social identity.

"Because of where we live in an urban area, we're trying to understand how racial and ethnic diversity affects kids' social development," Graham said. "Kids are going to have to learn in this contemporary world how to get along with people who are different from them in a lot of dimensions."

The two schools appealed to the researchers not necessarily for their breadth of diversity, but for their different flavors of diversity.

Lincoln's student body is primarily Caucasian, with nearly 60 percent of its students identifying as white in the 2010-11 school year, but it has a sizable Latino population as well at 16.9 percent.

Less than 5 percent of students were African American.

JAMS, on the other hand, was 50.6 percent Latino, 32 percent white and 11.5 percent African American that year.

"We're looking at all the different kinds of combinations of diversity," Graham said.

If approved by the Board of Education, the two professors will get the project underway within one to two weeks.

Each participating student will get a 55-minute survey to begin. Data will be collected twice during the sixth grade year, and then once during seventh and eighth grade.

Teachers will also be asked to give behavioral ratings for students whose parents agreed to let them participate in the study.

The study comes with incentives. Participating teachers get $2 per student, which averages out to between $40 and $60.

Parents who return signed consent forms, regardless of whether or not they gave permission for their children to participate, will be entered in a raffle for a chance to win one of two $50 Target gift cards.

Students aren't left out of the fun. Each school will get three iPod products to raffle off to students with signed consent forms.

Lincoln and JAMS would be part of the final wave of schools to take part in the study. The two rounds that already started one and two years ago, respectively, showed a remarkable participation rate of 81 percent, Graham said.

"We've been ecstatic," she said. "Some schools say no, they're too busy, or they don't like the topic, it makes them nervous. But most schools approached have been very interested."

The goal of the study, which won grants from the National Science Foundation and the National Institute of Health, is to provide new research about the benefits of diversity to help defend against a recent trend in court decisions which have undermined desegregation efforts, according to a report to the school district.

In June 2007, the Supreme Court issued a 5-4 decision in a case called Meredith vs. Jefferson County Board of Education, which prohibited the use of "race-conscious policies" in the assignment of students to public schools in Louisville, Ky. and Seattle.

It's difficult to combat those decisions using existing research pointing to the benefits of a diverse educational climate because it suffers from some major flaws.

"Well, it's old," Graham said. "You're only going to convince policy makers if you have good research."

The emphasis in education is shifting more and more to neighborhood schools and a concept that parents should have control over what's happening in those schools, Graham said.

If those neighborhoods are segregated, the only way to get diverse schools is to have policies focusing on it, and that won't happen without foundational research, she said.

The Board of Education is expected to approve or deny the research at its meeting Thursday night.

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HOMES
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California homeowners who, using median figures, owed $19,198 on a primary mortgage of $331,333 and were eight months behind on payments, DataQuick said.

The median amount borrowers owed at the time the default notice was filed rose about 17 percent from the previous quarter and 27 percent from a year earlier.

"The gains likely stem from some lenders working faster last quarter to get caught up on their backlogs of long-delinquent loans," a DataQuick statement said.

On home equity loans and lines of credit in default, borrowers owed a median $4,576 on a median $70,055 credit line.

The foreclosure process can take nine months or more to complete.

Foreclosure activity began to slow nationwide last year after allegations that lenders were using abusive practices such as "robo-signing," or approving foreclosure paperwork without actually reading it.

The number of default notices in the third quarter of 2011 was down 14.4 percent from the third quarter of 2010 — before most of the delays began.

Major banks and attorneys general in all 50 states have been working on a settlement of the allegations but California Attorney General Kamala Harris announced last month that she would not agree to a settlement.

Harris said the deal was inadequate in a state where more than 2.2 million residents owe more on their mortgages than their homes are worth.

Poorer neighborhoods had more defaults than richer ones in the third quarter. Areas where the median sale price of a home was below $200,000 had 11 defaults notices filed per 1,000 homes. That compared with 2.8 filings in areas with median prices above $800,000.

Statewide, there were 8.1 notices of default filed per 1,000 homes.



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Stock market posts gains on reports of progress in Europe

DAVID K. RANDALL & MATTHEW CRAFT
AP Business Writers

NEW YORK Stocks rallied Tuesday on reports that Germany and France are moving closer to finding a fix for the European debt crisis.

The Guardian newspaper reported that France and Germany have agreed to expand a rescue fund. European officials are expected to take up the expansion along with a package of other measures at a meeting this weekend.

The Dow Jones industrial average rose 180.05 points, or 1.6 percent, to close at 11,577.05. It was another day of wild swings for the stock market. The Dow dropped as many as 100 points in the morning and soared as many as 255 points within an hour of the closing bell.

"The news out of Europe is taking fears of a 2008 scenario off the table," said Jeffrey Kleintop, chief market strategist at LPL Financial. The worry hanging over markets for months is that a default by a deeply indebted European government could set off a financial crisis similar to the one triggered by the collapse of Lehman Brothers in 2008.

The S&P 500 index rose 24.52 points, or 2 percent, to 1,225.38. The Nasdaq composite rose 42.51 points, or 1.6 percent, to 2,657.43.

The rally came in stark contrast to the previous day's trading. Stocks slumped Monday after the German government played down hopes that Europe's debt crisis would be resolved soon. It was the worst day for the major indexes since Oct. 3, when all three hit their lowest points in 2011.

Banks and homebuilders also pulled the stock market higher Tuesday. Bank of America Corp. jumped 10.1 percent after it beat earnings expectations for the third quarter thanks to accounting gains and the sale of a stake in a Chinese bank.

Goldman Sachs rose 5.5 percent, even after reporting just its second quarterly loss since going public in 1999.

There was also better news from the housing market, which has rattled banks since the real estate collapse.

A survey of U.S. homebuilders showed they are less pessimistic about the struggling market. The National Association of Home Builders said its index of builder sentiment rose from 14 to 18 this month, the highest level since May 2010. But any reading below 50 reflects overall pessimism.

Building company stocks jumped on the news. D. R. Horton Inc. and PulteGroup Inc. both soared more than 11 percent. Lennar Corp. jumped 9.2 percent.

Markets wavered in early morning trading after some disappointing corporate earnings reports and reports that France and Germany might not reach an agreement on additional support for Greece. An agreement between the two countries is seen as the bedrock for a rescue package that can pass all 17 countries that share the euro.

The ratings agency Moody's also said late Monday that the stable outlook for France's top-notch credit rating is under pressure. On Tuesday, that country's finance minister said that the economy will likely grow a rate of less than 1.5 percent next year. France is Europe's second-largest economy behind Germany.

The Greek government is widely expected to go through some kind of default or restructuring of its debt. If that process becomes disorderly, European banks could suffer big losses on Greek government bonds and that could spread overseas, jolting global credit markets.

Tuesday brought another full day of corporate earnings reports in the U.S. International Business Machines tugged on the Dow average, falling 4.1 percent, the most of any Dow stock by far. IBM reported quarterly revenue that fell short of Wall Street estimates.

UnitedHealth Group Inc. fell 2.7 percent after its third-quarter profit dipped. The country's largest health insurer by sales said medical costs climbed and more patients visited their doctors' office.

Coca-Cola Co. lost half of 1 percent after narrowly beating Wall Street's earnings estimates. Johnson & Johnson rose 1 percent after posting a 6 percent decline in third-quarter profit, roughly in line with analyst expectations.

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Cain assailed for tax plan during Republican debate

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Associated Press

LAS VEGAS Republican presidential contenders attacked Herman Cain's economic plan Tuesday night as a tax increase waiting to happen, moving swiftly in campaign debate to blunt the former businessman's unlikely rise in the race for the party's nomination.

Rep. Michele Bachmann of Minnesota led the assault moments after the debate began, saying Cain's call for a 9 percent federal sales tax would only be the beginning, with the rate rising later.

Former Sen. Rick Santorum wasn't nearly as gentle, citing one analysis that found that taxes would go up for 84 percent of the nation's households if Cain's proposal went into effect. "We're talking about major increases in taxes," he said, adding that a single person and a couple with children with the same income would pay the same tax under Cain's proposal.

Undeterred, Cain insisted the charges were untrue. He said he was being criticized because lobbyists, accountants and others "want to continue to be able to manipulate the American people with a 10-million-word mess," the current tax code.

Cain's proposal is for a 9 percent personal income tax, a 9 percent corporate tax and a 9 percent national sales tax.

The former pizza company CEO is the latest and unlikeliest phenomenon in the race to pick a rival for President Barack Obama. A black man in a party that draws few votes from Africans Americans, he had bumped along with little notice as former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney sought to fend off one fast-rising rival after another.

That all changed in the past few weeks, after Texas Gov. Rick Perry burst into the race and then struggled. However unlikely Cain's rise, Tuesday night's debate made clear that none of his rivals are willing to let him go unchallenged.

"I love you, brother, but let me tell you something, you don't have to pay a big analysis to figure this out," Perry said to Cain. "Go to New Hampshire where they don't have an income tax and they don't have any interest in one," he said, referring to the state that will hold the first primary early next year.

The debate was the fifth since Labor Day, and the last scheduled for nearly a month in a race that is fluid in more than one way.

While polls chart a series of rises and falls for various contenders — Romney remaining at or near the top — the schedule is far from set. Florida's decision to move up its primary set off a scramble as Iowa maneuvered to make sure its caucuses are the first real test of the race and New Hampshire works to protect its half-century distinction as host to the first primary.

Former Utah Gov. Jon Huntsman skipped this debate. He was in New Hampshire instead because he's boycotting the Nevada caucuses in the dispute over the GOP primary calendar. Nevada has scheduled its contest for Jan. 14, and Republican officials are pressuring Romney and other Republicans to join Huntsman's boycott if the state refuses to hold the caucuses later in the month.

Romney has so far refused to join the boycott, though the New Hampshire primary, traditionally the nation's first, is a must-win contest for him. In a conference call with New Hampshire supporters before the debate, he reassured Republicans there that he sees their primary as important.

Romney also used the call to preview the line of criticism against Cain, who has been near the top of polls for over a week and has been facing intense scrutiny, particularly over his tax plan.

"Most people in middle income categories will have their taxes go up" under that plan, Romney said in the call, and he said senior citizens would be hurt.

In that, he and Democratic President Obama agree. In an interview with ABC News, Obama said Cain's tax plan would be a "huge burden" on middle-class and working families.

Romney, too, expected challenges, including over how he plans to help the economy if he does become president.

He told the Las Vegas Review Journal's editorial board in an interview: "Don't try to stop the foreclosure process. Let it run its course and hit the bottom. Allow investors to buy homes, put renters in them, fix the homes up and let it turn around and come back up,"

Obama's campaign — increasingly focused on Romney as the likely Republican nominee — responded immediately. "Mitt Romney's message to Nevada homeowners struggling to pay their mortgage bills is simple: You're on your own, so step aside," spokesman Ben LaBolt said.



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Senators want ban on tobacco

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Associated Press

WASHINGTON U.S. senators and health officials are taking on a baseball tradition older than the World Series itself: chewing tobacco on the diamond.

With the Series set to begin Wednesday between the St. Louis Cardinals and Texas Rangers — a team that started life as the Washington Senators 50 years ago — the senators, along with health officials from the teams' cities, want the players union to agree to a ban on chewing tobacco at games and on camera. They made the pleas in separate letters, obtained Tuesday by The Associated Press.

"When players use smokeless tobacco, they endanger not only their own health, but also the health of millions of children who follow their example," the senators wrote to union head Michael Weiner. The letter was signed by Dick Durbin of Illinois, the No. 2 Democrat in the Senate, and fellow Democrats Frank Lautenberg of New Jersey, Richard Blumenthal of Connecticut and Senate Health Committee Chairman Tom Harkin of Iowa.

The senators noted that millions of people will tune in to watch the World Series, including children.

"Unfortunately, as these young fans root for their favorite team and players, they also will watch their on-field heroes use smokeless tobacco products," they wrote. Smokeless tobacco includes chewing tobacco and dip.

"It's going to be kind of hard to ban that," Texas Rangers pitcher Matt Harrison said. "They probably would have a big fight on their hands for that. ... They can hide it a little bit better, I guess — not be doing it in the dugout and showing it where kids can watch and stuff. But I think it's kind of like your own freedom. If that's what you want to do, then you do it."

With baseball's current collective bargaining agreement expiring in December, the senators, some government officials and public health groups want the players to agree to a tobacco ban in the next contract. A coalition including the Campaign for Tobacco-Free Kids, the American Academy of Pediatrics, the American Cancer Society and the American Medical Association has been pushing for one since last year.

"Such an agreement would protect the health of players and be a great gift to your young fans," the senators wrote. Durbin also sent copies of the letter to the player representatives for his home state teams, the Chicago White Sox and Chicago Cubs, as well as the representative for the Cardinals, a team that draws Illinois fans from across the river in Missouri.

Commissioner Bud Selig endorsed the ban in March, but the players union hasn't committed to one.

Weiner said in June that a "sincere effort" will be made to address the issue. Union spokesman Greg Bouris said Tuesday that since the issue is subject to collective bargaining which is currently taking place, it would be inappropriate to comment.

In Senate speech Tuesday, Durbin said, "Let's not let the health and safety of young baseball fans across America be a bargaining chip between the major league players and the owners. Let's win one for the kids across America."

The first World Series took place in 1903, but chewing tobacco in the sport dates well back into the previous century, when the habit was a popular pastime in American culture, not just on baseball diamonds. Players used tobacco juice to soften gloves, keep their mouths wet on dusty fields and doctor baseballs (the juice was part of the spitballer's arsenal until baseball banned the spitter in 1920).

Some baseball players interviewed by The Associated Press last month were receptive to the idea, but others viewed a ban as an infringement on their freedom. Baseball banned smokeless tobacco in the non-unionized minor leagues in the 1990s, and recent call-ups from the minors spoke of "Dip Police" who would come through clubhouses and cite players if they saw tobacco at their lockers, subjecting violators to fines.

The health officials from St. Louis and Arlington, Texas, asked that players in the World Series voluntarily abstain from using tobacco, in addition to calling for a permanent ban.

"The use of tobacco by big league ballplayers at a single World Series game provides millions of dollars worth of free television advertising for an addictive and deadly product," wrote Dr. Cynthia Simmons, the public health authority for Arlington, Texas, and Pamela Walker, the St. Louis interim health director. They said that with tobacco companies banned from advertising on TV, they "literally could not buy the ads that are effectively created by celebrity ballplayers using tobacco at games."

The federal Centers for Disease Control and Prevention says smokeless tobacco can cause cancer, oral health problems and nicotine addiction, and stresses it is not a safe alternative to smoking. Despite the risks, the CDC's most recent survey found that in 2009, 15 percent of high school boys used smokeless tobacco — a more than one-third increase over 2003, when 11 percent did.

Prior to last year's World Series between the Rangers and San Francisco Giants, Rep. Frank Pallone, D-N.J., called on the teams to tell their players not to use tobacco on the field or in the dugout.





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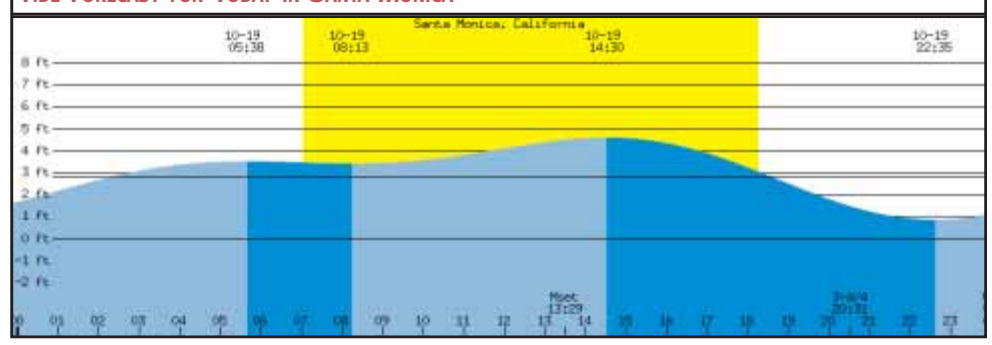
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Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	ns
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El Pescador State Beach, between Lechasa and Los Alisos creeks.	ns	ns
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	ns
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	D	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A	ns
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	F	ns
Solstice Canyon at Don Blacker County Beach.	F	ns
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Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A	ns
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	B	F
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Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A	ns
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Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	A+
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A	ns

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence.	A+	ns
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Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua).	A	D
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Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	ns

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Be mysterious tonight, Leo

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ Understand that everyone has different needs, and you are no exception. Adapt your environment so you are comfortable at work or at home. Pressure builds; deal with a difficult family member or roommate. Tonight: Know what you want.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★ Communication would flourish if others responded like you. An associate or co-worker could be cold and difficult. Let this situation work itself out. Follow your inner voice. Take a much-needed break midday. Tonight: Make calls, then decide.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ You might be a little self-indulgent right now, especially as you cannot seem to come up with the right idea. You have a way of solving problems that could be blocked for now. Be more aware of what you have to offer. Tonight: Your treat.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You could be all smiles, but you will see and experience the moods of others. You are not the type that cocoons when in a great mood. Don't let someone drag you down. Move on. Think positively. Tonight: It is your call.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Know when to back down and approach a situation differently. You could be taken aback by people and events. Take your time, knowing sooner or later solid options will appear. Only at that point and time can you make stronger decisions. Tonight: Be mysterious.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ You can be found where your friends are. Don't commit to spending more than necessary. Tension could build, as you really might want to join friends but cannot afford their plans. Worry less. An opportunity that suits you better will come along. Tonight: Where the fun is.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Take a stand. You know how to lead, but do others know how to follow? Don't push beyond your natural limits. Understand what is going on behind the scenes. Taking breaks is instrumental to keeping your energy high. Tonight: A must appearance.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Reach out for more information. If your instincts tell you that something is missing or a situation doesn't feel right, trust it. Pressure builds if you become too judgmental. Tonight: At a favorite blues or jazz spot.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Work with others individually. If you opt for a meeting with more than one person, you could be sorely disappointed. A friendship means a lot to you, though right now this person might not be honoring your feelings. Tonight: Visit with a favorite person.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ No matter what you do or what decisions you make, you simply aren't feeling like you are working in fifth gear. Defer to others and accept that there are some days that are better than others. An associate or loved one is only too happy to fill in. Tonight: Decide if you want to go out first.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Dive into your routine, and you will accomplish a lot. Stay on top of a difficult communication, perhaps involving someone at a distance. You could feel out of sync. Honor how you feel, and you will be a lot happier, now and later. Tonight: Squeeze in a nap if you have to be up late.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ You keep making up for others and their slight misjudgments or inability to complete a task. You have unusual energy and feel wonderful, as you seem to be able to support others in this manner. Tonight: Let off some steam with a loved one.

Happy birthday

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

This year your nurturing qualities emerge. Opportunities appear to be more visual and available to others. You might feel like someone is pushing you, but ultimately you control your own actions. Avoid negativity. You are ending a cycle, clearing out what is no longer relevant. If you are single, someone you meet could be demanding. Breaking this relationship could be difficult. If you are attached, share more of your outside world with your sweetie. CANCER can be annoying, as they can push hard.



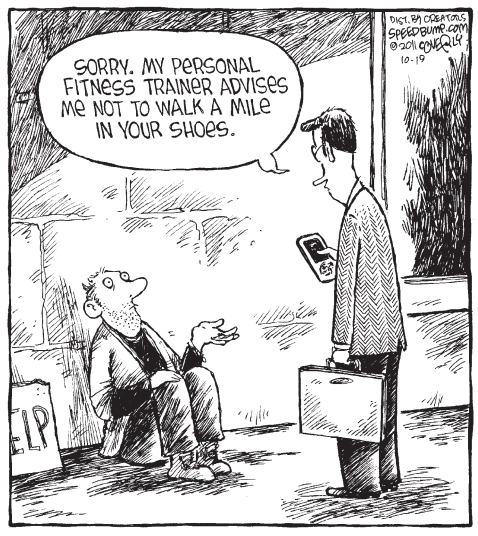
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Daniel Archuleta daniela@smdp.com

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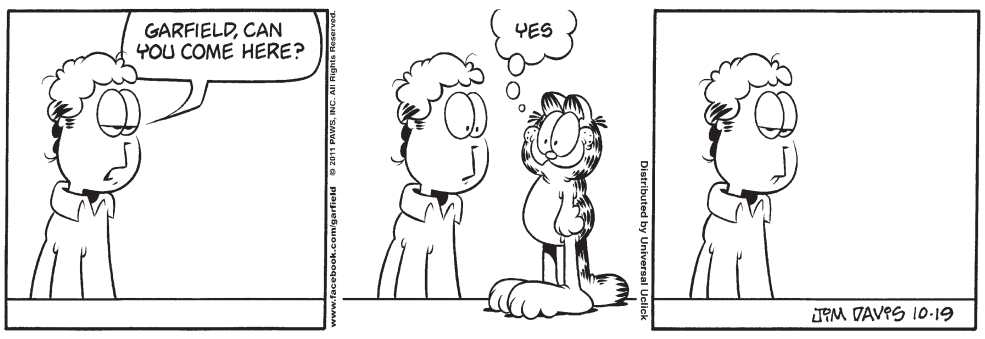
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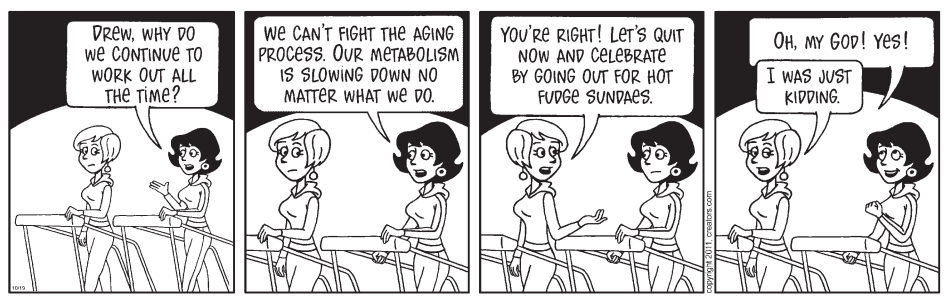
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Sudoku

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

Difficulty Level ★★★

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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

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

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15 Cupid's love
16 Employ
17 Brewery sight
18 Dawn goddess
19 Thought about
22 Singer Young
23 Pro votes
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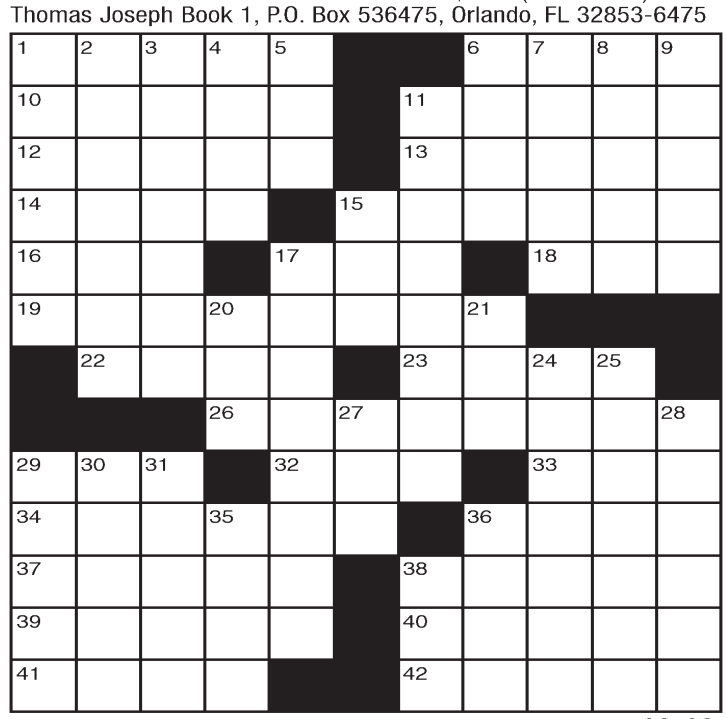
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3 Chisholm Trail end
4 Ske-daddled
5 Finger count
6 Gaunt
7 Tea party guest
8 Chip choice
9 Leg parts
11 Date exclusively
15 Golfer's goal
17 Speed
20 Dance maneuver
21 Color
24 Regal furs
25 Calendar quartet
27 Court
28 Formal
29 Gate part
30 Sun Valley setting
31 Kitchen gadget
35 Ball wear
36 Italian cheer
38 Sister of Jo, Amy and Beth

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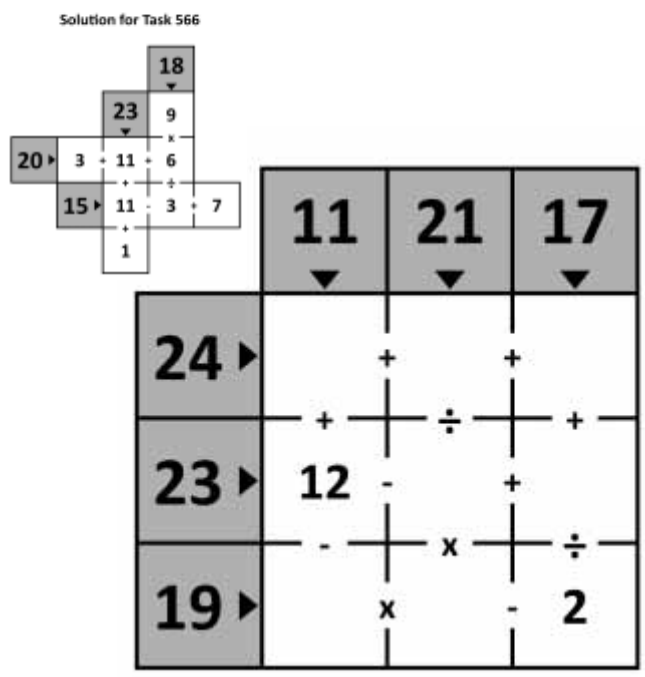
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ In 2009 Diane Schuler, with a 0.19 blood-alcohol reading (and marijuana in her system), drove the wrong way for two miles on a New York freeway, finally crashing into another car, killing three people and herself. In July 2011, her widower, Dave Schuler, filed a lawsuit against the state, alleging that the collision was the state's fault for not posting signs warning motorists like Diane Schuler that they were going the wrong way. (Dave Schuler's own private investigator told The Daily Cortlandt newspaper that he tried to discourage Schuler from filing the lawsuit, to no avail.)

■ "(My) client was devastated by what happened," said the lawyer for Jean Pierre in announcing Pierre's $80 million lawsuit in August against the city of Newburgh, N.Y. Pierre's estranged girlfriend had committed suicide by driving into a city lake, taking the couple's three small children to their deaths, also. In the time before he became devastated, Pierre had been arrested for failure to pay child support and for endangering one of his children (found wandering the street in freezing weather on a Super Bowl Sunday), and friends of his girlfriend told the New York Post that Pierre constantly abused her, including immediately before her final drive.

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1954 First ascent of Cho Oyu.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 11-110231
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: GOTNEXTGAME, 1732 AVIATION BLVD., REDONDO BEACH, CA 90278. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) CARLOS FLETCHER, LACANDAS FLETCHER, 2971 PLAZA DEL AMO #302, TORRANCE, CA 90503. This Business is conducted by: HUSBAND and WIFE. Signed: CARLOS FLETCHER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/04/11. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Pub. Oct 17, 24, 31, Nov 07, 2011 2011
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 11-112298
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SWEETY PIES & CAKES, 13210 FIDLER AVE., DOWNEY, CA 90242. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) ELVIA OLVERA, 13210 FIDLER AVE., DOWNEY, CA 90242. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: ELVIA OLVERA. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/06/11. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Pub. Oct 19, 24, 31, Nov 07, 2011
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 11-114535
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: YASEEN AUTO SALES, 3434 W. 6th ST. #201-E, L.A., CA 90020. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) AHMED ABDELMAGIED, 331 S. ARDMORE AVE. #124, L.A., CA 90020. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: AHMED ABDELMAGIED. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/12/11. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Pub. Oct 19, 24, 31, Nov 07, 2011
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2011109663 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 10/03/2011 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as INVENTURE, INVENTURE FUND. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: InVenture Capital Corporation 11639 Chenault St., Ste# 306 Los Angeles, CA 90049. This Business is being conducted by: a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)06/03/2011. /s/: Jennifer Chong. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 10/03/2011. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/18/2011, 10/25/2011, 11/01/2011, 11/08/2011.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 11-110453
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: LAM AUTO SERVICE, 7514 E. GARVEY AVE., ROSEMEAD, CA 91770. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) JOE C. LAM, MICHAEL LAM, 7514 E. GARVEY AVE., ROSEMEAD, CA 91770. This Business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Signed: JOE C. LAM. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/04/11. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Pub. Oct 19, 24, 31, Nov 07, 2011
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2011101578 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 09/19/2011 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as BETTER BIKES BY BEN. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: Benjamin Harrison Hambright 18641 Saticoy, #10 Reseda, CA 91335. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)08/18/2011. /s/: Benjamin Harrison Hambright. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 09/19/2011. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 10/19/2011, 10/26/2011, 11/02/2011, 11/09/2011.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
File No. 11-110559
The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: PATIO LANDSCAPE, 5858 MARTIN LUTHER KING, LYNWOOD, CA 90262. Full name of registrant(s) is (are) SABINO CHAVEZ, 5158 MARTIN LUTHER KING, LYNWOOD, CA 90262. This Business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Signed: SABINO CHAVEZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 10/04/11. The registrant(s) has (have) commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. NOTICE- This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or common law (See section 14411 et seq. Business and Professions Code) Pub. Oct 19, 24, 31, Nov 07, 2011
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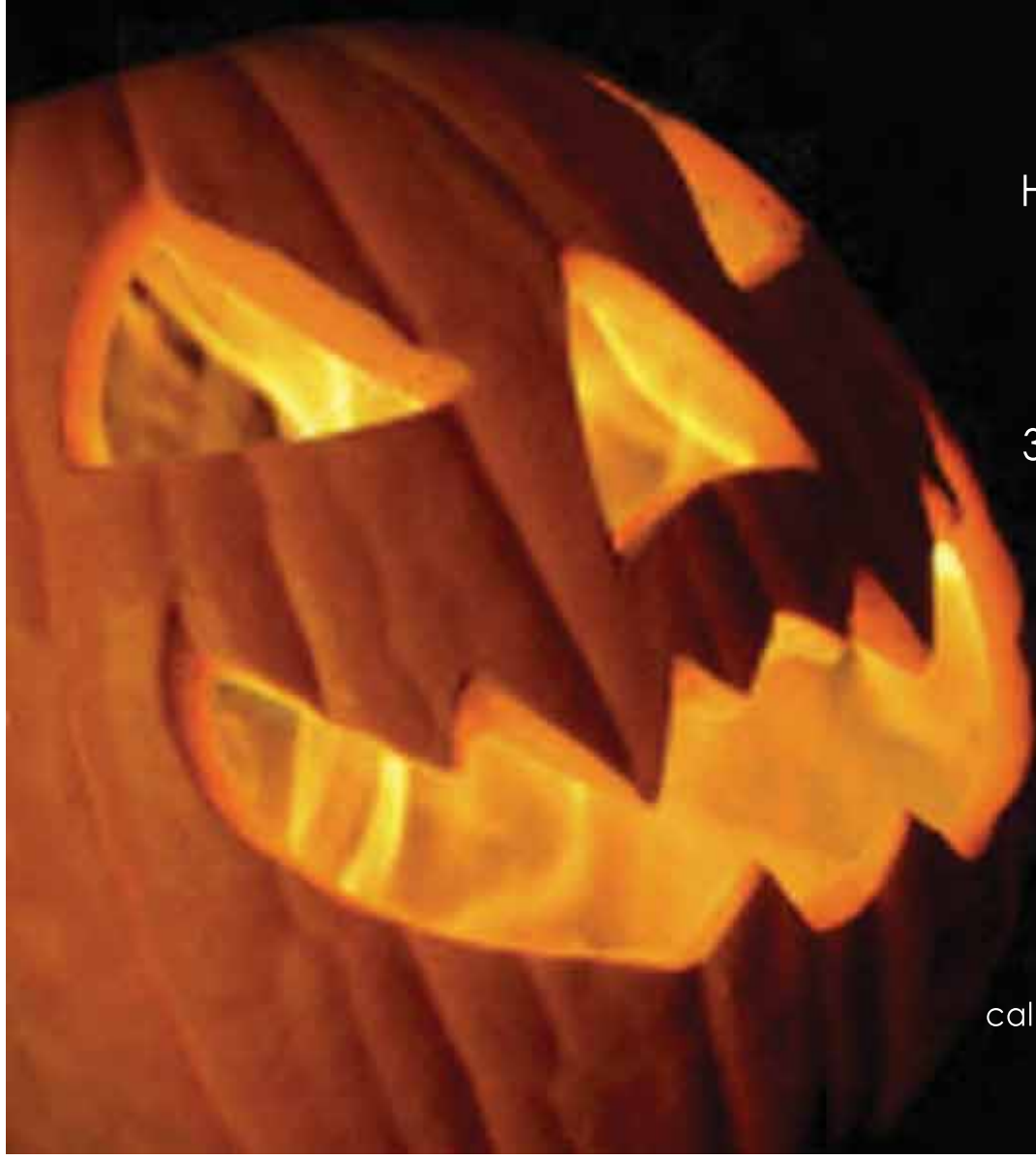
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