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DAY TWO OF SCHOOL BOARD HOPEFULS
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## Report provides insight on state of city's youth

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

CIVIC CENTER City Hall released a report this week focusing on the factors impacting young people in Santa Monica, data that will provide a jumping off point for a new joint initiative meant to help all Santa Monica youth thrive.

The Youth Wellbeing Report Card is the

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## Three longtime Wilmont board members resign

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

KEN EDWARDS CENTER Three long-standing members of the Wilshire Montana Neighborhood Coalition resigned from their positions Monday night, leaving the organization to an almost exclusively new board.

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HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS ROUNDUP

## Pacifica Christian retains top ranking

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

DOWNTOWN With just two games remaining, Pacifica Christian girls' volleyball has held on to the top spot in the CIF-Southern Section Division 4-A rankings, it was announced this week.

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Daniel Archuleta *daniela@smdp.com*

IN PROGRESS: **A man exits Chez Jay, which is currently surrounded by the construction site for the Palisades Garden Walk, on Tuesday.**

# Chez Jay parcel may shrink

## City Hall wants to put trash outside eatery, files appeal of landmark status

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

OCEAN AVE The landmark designation for the land around the Chez Jay restaurant is under fire from city officials who are trying to change the boundaries of the landmarked parcel to build a trash enclosure, restaurant supporters say.

Staff from the Public Works Department filed an appeal on Thursday asking to alter the landmark designation, which currently covers the entire parcel on which Chez Jay sits.

It would not impact the restaurant itself or the interior, which were identified in a consultant's report as historically significant.

Although the appeal hasn't yet been heard by the City Council, workers have already begun construction on the small building, which is expected to hold all of the trash from the restaurant, the Ocean Lodge Hotel and a park that is currently under construction, which is for now called Palisades Garden Walk.

Construction technically began during the summer and the department is exploring whether or not it has a vested right to move forward despite the designation, said Martin Pastucha, director of Public Works.

In a letter to city officials, land use attorney Kenneth Kutcher raised the point that there should be no construction during this appeal and that the landmark designation took affect immediately after it was approved on Oct. 8.

"The designation of the parcel was quite clear," Kutcher said Tuesday.

Unlike decisions of other municipal commissions, landmark designations take affect immediately, whether or not an appeal is filed. The idea is that a landowner may not want the designation and choose to file an appeal if it would stall the designation itself, giving them the leeway to make alterations.

"It's in place to bar exactly what's been happening," Kutcher said.

Construction on the small trash building began before the appeal was filed, and stopping it now would be unsafe, Pastucha

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# What's Up Westside

## OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

### Wednesday, Oct. 24, 2012

**Blogging 101**
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd., 4 p.m.
Learn what blogs (short for web logs) are, and how to create your own. Advanced level (requires proficiency with mouse and keyboard, and basic knowledge of the Internet and e-mail). Seating is first come, first served. For more information, visit the reference desk or call (310) 434-2608.

**Meet the chief**
Roosevelt Elementary School
801 Montana Ave., 6:30 p.m.
Meet Santa Monica's new chief of police, Jacqueline Seabrooks. Sponsored by a number of neighborhood groups, the meeting gives the community a chance to have some face-time with the SMPD's leader. For more information, call (310) 458-8474.

**Telling tales**
Vidiots
302 Pico Blvd., 7 p.m. — 10 p.m.
Arrive, relax, snack, drink and meet interesting people. If you want to tell a story based on the chosen theme, which is "supernatural," put your name in the hat. The first story begins at 7:30 p.m. For more information, visit www.vidiotsvideo.com.

**A night in Vegas**
Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel
1700 Ocean Ave.,
7 p.m. — 11 p.m.
Meals on Wheels West's Las Vegas Night will feature casino games and even an appearance by funny man Drew Carey. MOWW's annual fundraising event combines a fun filled social evening with fundraising to support the agency's food delivery to homebound neighbors and subsidies for those who lack the financial resources to pay for needed services. Cost: $75; $125 per couple. For more information, call (310) 394-5133, ext. 5.

### Thursday, Oct. 25, 2012

**Plastics and the environment**
Santa Monica College
1900 Pico Blvd., 3 p.m. — 5 p.m.
A panel of experts will discus the role plastic pollution has on the environment. The event takes place at the Theatre Arts Main Stage. For information, call (310) 434-3909.

**Chocolate makes a friend**
John Kelly Chocolates
1111 1/2 Montana Ave., 6 p.m.
Select wines from the Wine House in West L.A. will be matched with select John Kelly chocolates for a fun evening of tasting and conversation. Kelly and the Wine House will be on hand to talk about chocolate, wine and why they are two of the best things in life. For more information, call (310) 899-0900.

### Friday, Oct. 26, 2012

**So scary**
Santa Monica Place
Broadway and Third Street,
7 p.m. — 1 a.m.
During the month of October, the third floor of Santa Monica Place will be transformed into a hair-raising haunted attraction where the undead will possess three mazes: "The Infirmary," "Insomniac Clown Playhouse" and "Granny's Manor of Mayhem." Spectators can also enjoy food and merchandise vendors throughout the night to compliment the main attraction, which will consume 50,000 square feet of what's billed as deathly horrifying space. Cost: $24; $19 for students. For more information, visit paranoiahalloween.com.

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# ELECTION 2012 School Board Candidates

## Questions

**1. WHY ARE YOU RUNNING FOR THE SCHOOL BOARD AND WHAT DO YOU WANT TO ACCOMPLISH IF ELECTED?**

**2. WHAT DO YOU BELIEVE IS THE ROLE THE SCHOOL BOARD SHOULD PLAY?**

**3. WHAT WAS YOUR FAVORITE SUBJECT IN GRADE SCHOOL AND WHY?**

**4. PROP. 30, PROP. 38, OR NEITHER?**

**5. EVERYONE'S A CRITIC, ESPECIALLY A PARENT WHEN IT COMES TO THEIR CHILD'S CAFETERIA. HOW WOULD YOU RATE THE FOOD SERVED IN SANTA MONICA-MALIBU PUBLIC SCHOOLS?**

**6. WHAT'S YOUR POSITION ON CHOCOLATE MILK? THE SCHOOL BOARD HEARD FROM PARENTS WHO WANTED IT BANNED BECAUSE OF THE SUGAR. THE BOARD DECIDED TO LEAVE IT ON THE MENU AND GIVE PARENTS THE OPTION OF HAVING THEIR KIDS OPT OUT. HOW DID YOU VOTE (INCUMBENTS) OR HOW WOULD YOU HAVE VOTED IF ON THE DAIS?**

**7. WHAT IS THE RIGHT AMOUNT OF HOMEWORK FOR STUDENTS IN MIDDLE SCHOOL AND HIGH SCHOOL?**

**8. IF ELECTED, WHAT WOULD YOU DO TO CLOSE THE ACHIEVEMENT GAP? DOES IT COME DOWN TO SOMETHING AS SIMPLE AS MORE TUTORING AND AFTER-SCHOOL HELP, OR SOMETHING MORE SIGNIFICANT, SUCH AS NEW, CULTURALLY-RELEVANT CURRICULUM?**

**9. WHERE DO YOU STAND ON INTER-DISTRICT PERMITS? HOW MANY SHOULD SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED ISSUE EACH YEAR?**

**10. SOME RESIDENTS IN BOTH SANTA MONICA AND MALIBU HAVE CALLED FOR THE BREAK-UP OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT. WOULD YOU OR WOULD YOU NOT SUPPORT SUCH AN EFFORT IF ELECTED AND WHY?**

**11. HOBBIES**

**12. WHAT ARE YOU READING?**

**13 IF YOU COULD RIDE THE FERRIS WHEEL ON THE SANTA MONICA PIER WITH THREE PEOPLE IN HISTORY, WHO WOULD THEY BE AND WHAT WOULD YOU WANT TO TALK ABOUT?**

**14. WHAT WILL YOU DO TO ENSURE THAT OUR PUBLIC SCHOOLS ARE SAFE?**

**15. HOW CAN SCHOOLS CUT DOWN ON THE AMOUNT OF DROP-OFF, PICK-UP TRAFFIC? WHAT WOULD YOU DO TO CUT DOWN ON CAR TRIPS TO AND FROM OUR SCHOOLS?**

**16. WHAT'S THE RIGHT WAY TO ADDRESS THE PARKING PROBLEMS AT SAMOHI?**

**17. WHAT ARE YOUR PLANS TO HELP MAKE THE SCHOOL DISTRICT MORE SUSTAINABLE?**

**18. SHOULD THE SCHOOL BOARD PLACE ANOTHER PARCEL TAX ON THE BALLOT IN 2014 IF STATEWIDE TAX MEASURES FAIL TO PASS IN NOVEMBER? IF THEY FAIL, DISTRICT OFFICIALS ARE PREDICTING CUTS IN THE MILLIONS. WHAT'S THE BEST WAY TO DEAL WITH THE POTENTIAL DEFICIT?**

**19. DISTRICTWIDE FUNDRAISING IS NOT WITHOUT CONTROVERSY. WHAT ARE YOUR THOUGHTS ON THE DECISION TO MOVE TO DISTRICTWIDE FUNDRAISING? DO YOU SUPPORT THE MODEL OR FEEL THERE'S ONE BETTER?**

**20. WHAT IS THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF DISCIPLINE FOR A STUDENT WHO IS CAUGHT: BULLYING; WITH DRUGS OR ALCOHOL ON CAMPUS; SELLING DRUGS; FIGHTING; CHEATING; OR VANDALIZING SCHOOL PROPERTY?**

**21. WHAT ROLE DO YOU ENVISION PLAYING ON THE SCHOOL BOARD?**

**22. HOW WOULD YOU ADDRESS CONCERNS THAT THERE ARE RACIAL AND OR GANG TENSIONS AT SANTA MONICA HIGH SCHOOL?**

**23. WHAT ARE SOME THINGS THE SCHOOL BOARD COULD DO TO GET THE BUSINESS COMMUNITY ENGAGED IN FUNDRAISING AS WELL AS WORKING DIRECTLY WITH STUDENTS?**

**24. IF ELECTED, WOULD YOU VOTE TO CLOSE SMALLER SCHOOLS AND CONSOLIDATE TO SAVE MONEY?**



### SETH JACOBSON

- **NAME:** SETH JACOBSON
- **AGE:** 55
- **OCCUPATION:** PUBLIC POLICY ADVISOR/ EDUCATION ACTIVIST
- **NEIGHBORHOOD IN WHICH YOU LIVE:** MALIBU
- **OWN OR RENT:** OWN
- **MARITAL STATUS/KIDS:** MARRIED/THREE CHILDREN
- **IF YOU HAVE CHILDREN, DO THEY ATTEND LOCAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS?** JUAN CABRILLO, SECOND AND FIFTH GRADE; MALIBU HIGH SCHOOL, 12TH GRADE
- **EDUCATION: WHERE DID YOU ATTEND AND WHAT DEGREES DO YOU HAVE?** NEW YORK UNIVERSITY

**1. WHY RUN?**

We are running for school board to demonstrate that there needs to be an effort made to rethink and reimagine our school district. We believe that the district must move beyond the politics of neighborhood vs. neighborhood and to instead focus on each and every student's educational success, on eliminating the waste and redundancy in the district organization, and on essential class size reductions.

**2. ROLE OF BOARD**

I believe the board should limit itself to setting and monitoring policy, leaving the implementation of that policy to the superintendent. What I have seen is

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### MARIA LEON-VAZQUEZ

- **NAME:** MARIA LEON-VAZQUEZ
- **AGE:** 56
- **OCCUPATION:** COLLEGE ADMINISTRATOR, SANTA MONICA COLLEGE
- **NEIGHBORHOOD IN WHICH YOU LIVE:** SUNSET PARK
- **OWN OR RENT:** OWN
- **MARITAL STATUS/KIDS:** MARRIED/TWO CHILDREN
- **IF YOU HAVE CHILDREN, DO THEY ATTEND LOCAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS?** THEY ATTENDED SMMUSD SCHOOLS.
- **EDUCATION: WHERE DID YOU ATTEND AND WHAT DEGREES DO YOU HAVE?** SANTA MONICA COLLEGE, A.A. IN SOCIAL STUDIES; U.C. SAN DIEGO, B.A., HISTORY/CHICANO STUDIES; U.C. HASTINGS COLLEGE OF LAW, J.D.

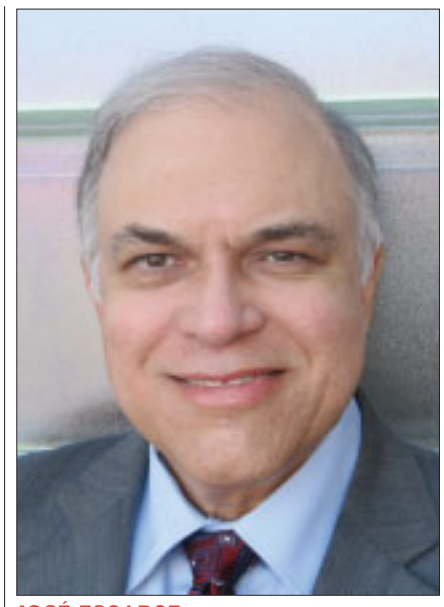
**1. WHY RUN?**

Bridging the gap: Putting into play my philosophy that all children irrespective of socio-economic, ethnicity, race, religion, gender, etc. will have the same opportunities at SMMUSD and choices as a senior in high school.

Budget/districtwide fundraising: Working collaboratively with all stakeholders in our district and the Santa Monica-Malibu Education Foundation in order to stabilize our budget locally. Strongly move forward districtwide fundraising and expanding our quest for out-of-district support.

Creating a culture of inclusion and

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### JOSÉ ESCARCE

- **NAME:** JOSÉ ESCARCE
- **AGE:** 59
- **OCCUPATION:** PROFESSOR, UCLA SCHOOL OF MEDICINE
- **NEIGHBORHOOD IN WHICH YOU LIVE:** NORTH OF MONTANA
- **OWN OR RENT:** OWN
- **MARITAL STATUS/CHILDREN:** MARRIED 30 YEARS/THREE CHILDREN
- **IF YOU HAVE CHILDREN, DO THEY ATTEND LOCAL PUBLIC SCHOOLS?** TWO CHILDREN GRADUATED FROM SAMOHI IN 2006 AND 2010; OUR YOUNGEST IS A JUNIOR AT SAMOHI.
- **EDUCATION: WHERE DID YOU ATTEND AND WHAT DEGREES DO YOU HAVE?** B.A. PRINCETON, M.A. HARVARD, M.D. AND PH.D. UNIVERSITY OF PENNSYLVANIA.

**1. WHY RUN?**

I am running for re-election to provide the vision, experience, and continuity in board leadership that our district needs at this crucial moment for public education in California. During my time on the board, I have stood for academic excellence and equality of opportunity for all students. However, there is more work to do. If I am re-elected, my priorities will be:

1) Maintain academic and arts programs while balancing the budget in difficult economic times.

2) Improve instruction by promoting teachers' and administrators' profes-

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## LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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### Downtown is a disaster

**Editor:**

I would like to ask your newspaper to do a thorough investigation and let the readers know who is responsible for destroying Downtown Santa Monica. The traffic is absolutely unbearable, there is no parking and micro-sized condos and apartments are going up everywhere. Middle-class dining spots, like Norms and Denny's, are being lost. Now we are losing traffic lanes on Ocean Park Boulevard for no apparent reason.

Meter maids are everywhere, and the meters don't give you enough time to take a walk, have dinner and coffee, and walk back to your car. We are being told to take the Big Blue Bus, but the few times I have tried have been terrible experiences.

Today it took me almost two hours to get from Venice to Santa Monica Boulevard and 20th Street because two No. 1 buses passed me, and the one that picked me up had an incident with a passenger who fell down and the driver stopped for an indefinite period until a supervisor could come investigate the woman's physical condition.

Did the voters of Santa Monica ever have a chance to decide whether they want Santa Monica to turn into Manhattan? Or do they not matter, only deep-pocketed developers and big spending tourists? Where oh where has the beautiful, sleepy little town of my youth gone?

**Miriam Jaffe**
Venice, Calif.

### You didn't build that

**Editor:**

I want to remind Kathie Ferbas ("Vote for change," Letters to the Editor, Oct. 16) and others it was Santa Monica that paid for and built the Santa Monica schools when Malibu was mostly vacant lots. Those schools we paid for are the ones Malibu residents subsequently sent their children to be educated.

**Helen R. McRoskey**
Santa Monica

### Happy customer

**Editor:**

I am writing as a statement of endorsement for Robert Kronovet. Since Mr. Kronovet has taken over as the landlord/property manager of my building almost a year ago, I have witnessed him solve problems with the building and deal with all renter issues in a timely manner. Mr. Kronovet listens to those of us who live here and addresses our concerns in a fair and honest way.

I have been a tenant at Fairburn Avenue for 19 years and am very happy with Mr. Kronovet as my landlord.

**Jane Perry**
Los Angeles

### Get a clue

**Editor:**

Rent Control Board candidate Robert Kronovet has further revealed himself as unfit for office, as if a Republican landlord claiming to protect renters had any credibility to begin with.

The official booklet of candidate ballot statements, which we all just received, is a place for forthright presentation of what one pledges to do for the public, if elected. But Kronovet promises fantasies of free and discounted street parking for residents, ignoring the simple fact that the Rent Board has nothing to do with those issues. And even if letting other people park on your street despite your preferential parking were a good idea, he cannot possibly deliver on what he's dangling before us voters.

This is either disqualifying ignorance or blatant pandering. Kronovet is either too clueless or too shameless to deserve my vote.

**Lily Houston**
Santa Monica

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## Meredith Pro Tem

**Meredith C. Carroll** — **Send comments to editor@smdp.com**

# The mothers in my life

"MOTHERS-IN-LAW AND DEAD FISH SHARE one very important quality," my husband Rick's mother says every time she comes to stay with us. "They both start to stink after five days."

Most mother-in-law tales I've heard would make me tend to agree. But my mother-in-law has enough self-awareness that she is totally the exception to the rule. She's also essentially the equivalent of photos of George Clooney and whoever is his girlfriend du jour — surprisingly fascinating and warmly welcome. She'll stay with us for seven days at a pop, and never once have I wanted to ship her out to sea to swim with the aforementioned fishes. If she came bearing the actual George Clooney (sans girlfriend), I'd happily extend the visit to 10 days.

It helps that she gives Rick and me endless hall passes when she comes to town. Like on Sunday when she let us go on a three-hour hike in the morning and then a dinner-and-movie date later that evening — and we returned home to our laundry folded, the dishes washed and half of our daughters in bed. It was the offer to cook supper for the next evening that made us willing to forgive the fact that the other half was not only not in bed nor in pajamas, but expecting that we all stay up to watch a movie and that the movie was not a movie at all but three continuous episodes of "Mickey Mouse Clubhouse," totaling 72 painful minutes.

We would have just settled for not being disturbed with a phone call when a crying child couldn't be consoled while we were out, but she already gifted us that a few years ago when Rick and I went away for the night for the first time since our older daughter, Petunia, was born, enjoying a blissful 15 hours without once needing to wipe someone else's butt.

It was blissful, that is, until Rick decided to call around 8 the next morning to check on how the night went only to learn that, apparently, it didn't. For the first time in her whole life Petunia spent every last minute bawling because she saved her first double-ear infection for the one time I had ever left her side.

My mother-in-law, bless her heart, didn't want to spoil our time away, so she spent every one of those minutes on the floor alongside Petunia trying to find a position where she would stop howling in agony, if not go to sleep.

There are countless things that made me fall in love with Rick, and one of them must have been his mom. I was quite sure of that the first time she served me a bowl of seafood gumbo with hot, crusty French bread on the side. But to be fair, I seem to have a thing for moms. Like my own (OK, especially my own), for instance.

Last week, my mom met my daughters and me in Denver for a few days and acted like it was no big deal when my younger daughter, Peony, 1, woke up in the hotel room at 4 in the morning and then again at 6. I'm used to walking around like a less attractive zombie (yes, there are degrees of zombie-ugly) due to an inhumane lack of sleep, but my mom just used it as an excuse to get some extra cuddling time in with Peony. My mom was also kind enough not to mention how I was inconsiderately breathing strep-throat germs all over the place, even if she did let me know that I snored more loudly than the sound of an airplane.

We spent our time in Denver touring butterfly exhibits and aquariums, with both of my girls overjoyed to have my full attention, but even more so that of their grandma. It didn't hurt that grandma also ignored my inhumane only-one-ice-cream-cone-per-day rule.

You'd think I moved 2,000 miles away from the only home I'd ever known to get away from my mom. After all, most people I know who moved away from home did it to get away from home — or what was inside their home anyway. But it's because of my mom that I didn't want to move away, as she has been the most profound beacon of love, adoration and support for my whole life.

If it weren't for daily phone calls, e-mails and occasional video chats — not to mention frequent cross-country flights and that she still lets me cuddle in bed with her despite the fact that my 40th birthday is rapidly approaching — I'd ship myself back permanently to where my mom is and make her let me sleep next to her bed on the floor in a sleeping bag just so I could be close to her. I'd even buy her a sound machine to drown out my snoring. On second thought, I'm her daughter; my snores should sound charming to her.

Thankfully I'm fortunate enough to have a mother-in-law and mom who come and visit (and let me come stay with them), reminding me that I'm home whenever I am where they are.

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## WILMONT
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Former Chair Valerie Griffin, Frieda Dubin and 18-year member Larry Isaacs chose to leave the organization after the neighborhood group's annual meeting Saturday in which eight people who had been kicked out of the organization in July were allowed back in and elected by acclimation to the board.

Griffin said Tuesday that she decided to leave the board after she came to the conclusion that the majority of the people who participated Saturday didn't care whether or not the amendment to bring back the eight nor the election were legal under the California Corporations Code.

Only four months have passed since that group took control of the previous annual meeting on June 9 and conducted an election that the old board declared invalid. The "Wilmont Rebels," as they dubbed themselves, continued to represent themselves as board members at other neighborhood group and public meetings.

"Not one of us who resigned could imagine trusting those people," Griffin said.

Griffin's resignation came as a surprise to board member and former "rebel" Jeanne Dodson.

She and other members of the board had received a letter from the attorney retained by the old board before the meeting Monday that warned that the Saturday actions that had reinstated and elected the eight formerly ejected members of Wilmont were illegal.

The only way to bring those eight people back on would be through a special meeting, wrote Becki Kammerling, the attorney.

"I thought we were starting all over again," Dodson said.

The new board, which includes the eight former rebels, two of the original board members and two others elected Saturday, will not hold a special meeting to affirm the elections, Dodson said.

Instead, the board first cut ties with Kammerling and now will focus on completing the transfer of Wilmont's assets and website and ensure that they are squared with City Hall. After everything is in order, the board hopes to tackle parking and other issues that face the neighborhood, Dodson said.

It's just a relief not to hit resistance anymore, she said.

"We've been through so much. All of us think that it might actually be over," she said.

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## ROUNDUP
FROM PAGE 1

The Seawolves have spent much of the second half of the season sitting at No. 1. The ranking would place them as the top seeded team in the playoffs with arguably the easiest path to the championship.

Pacifica Christian will be back in action on Friday at Liberty League rival Buckley. That game is on the road. The Seawolves wrap the season against Rolling Hills Prep next Wednesday, Oct. 31. That game is also on the road.

### SAMOHI V-BALL UNDEFEATED IN LEAGUE

Santa Monica girls' volleyball, sitting at No. 4 in the latest CIF-SS Division 3-AA poll, has swept through Ocean League play with one regular season game to go.

The Vikings are 7-0 in league as they prepare for a road trip to Culver City today. The game begins at 3:15 p.m.

Samohi completes the season at the Redondo Tournament this weekend.

With Samohi the likely league champ, the Vikings will host a home playoff game. The playoffs begin Nov. 5.

### ST. MONICA PLAYS PIVOTAL GAME

St. Monica football's playoff fate is on the line on Friday as the Mariners prepare for first place Salesian.

The Mariners trail Salesian by a game and a half at 1-1 in the Santa Fe League. Bellarmine-Jefferson is also in second at 1-1.

Salesian enters the game 7-1 overall and 3-0 in league as they attempt to repeat as champs.

Friday's game is at Salesian and begins at 7 p.m.

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## The Q Line

**Making a pick**

Santa Monica Mayor Richard Bloom is in the fight of his political life with Betsy Butler for the 50th Assembly District seat.

**So, this week's Q-Line question asks:**
Who will you choose on Nov. 6 and why?

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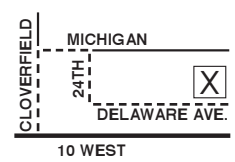


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## JACOBSON
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a board that micro-manages the school district when it should set broad, achievable goals and act to empower the superintendent, staff, and the various site leaders.

**3. FAVORITE SUBJECT**

Science and American history, particularly the Revolutionary War, where taxation without representation was the most important issue and one that is particularly appropriate in this campaign.

**4. PROPS. 30, 38**

Both, especially 38.

**5. QUALITY OF FOOD**

The elementary schools have improved their food offerings significantly in recent years. We have to develop a better effort in the middle and high schools.

**6. CHOCOLATE MILK**

The board should empower the superintendent and her staff to make the best decision for the children of the district. The board needs to keep very tight focus on the first order challenges of supporting and improving academic outcomes.

**7. HOMEWORK**

It's important that children find a balance in their lives. It's not how much homework, but whether they are learning.

**8. ACHIEVEMENT GAP**

Programs like quality pre-kindergarten and after school mentoring and tutoring can help level the playing field for children who are falling behind. Smaller classes make it possible for every child to get more individual attention from their teacher. Increasing both the number of teachers and their training and compensation will increase their ability to create the conditions each child needs to prosper. A punitive approach to testing will not help the children who are struggling in school. Most importantly, we need to look at the community issues and build a support network for all the schools, so children get the attention they need and the support that is best drawn from every element of the community.

**9. PERMITS**

It is impossible to get to grips with many crucial issues because there is simply no available data upon which to have thoughtful debate. Until that data is available, any statements about permits would be made without supporting facts. However, the controlling question of any discussion should be "What policy is best for the residents and children of our two towns?"

**10. DISTRICT BREAK-UP**

This is a fundamental element of our campaign for the Board of Education. The separation of the two districts will bring much needed funds to each independent district resulting in better fiscal balance, increased innovation, clearer focus and greater advancement in both districts.

**11. HOBBIES**

Thinking about ways to overcome the entrenched political machine in Santa Monica that wields unchecked control over how our schools are managed.

**12. READING**

Steve Jobs' biography.

**13. FERRIS WHEEL GUESTS**

Martin Luther King; ways to let go of my frustration at the unwillingness of the Santa Monica political machine to see that there is another valid perspective on how to build a world-class school district. Michelle Rhee; discuss new and creative ways to improve school site performance while embracing the needs of our teachers. Niccolò Machiavelli; help in understanding how our current school board operates.

**14. SCHOOL SAFETY**

We need to increase community engagement in school sites. Parent monitoring, school site governance programs, local involvement of faith-based organizations, after-school program enhancements, mentoring and getting the local community to better support each school helps facilitate a safer environment and brings parents back onto the campuses for assistance.

**15. TRAFFIC AROUND SCHOOLS**

Improve local transportation programs.

**16. PARKING AT SAMOHI**

Change the scheduling at the school to allow for staggered school starts, allow parking in the city lots and encourage ride sharing.

**17. SUSTAINABILITY**

Sustainability and fiscal prudence often travel hand in hand. Implementing sustainability best practices like gray water, solar power, solar water heating, and green building design can all be significant cost reducers. In particular, we should be using capital money to buy or pre-pay leases on solar panels at all our sites.

**18. PARCEL TAX**

Rather than proposing a $385 million bond for largely unspecified uses, we should have had a comprehensive effort to find broad-spectrum solutions to the financial woes of the district. The solutions should include creating an independent Malibu Unified School District, efforts to reduce existing administrative costs and a careful examination of Propositions 30 and 38.

**19. DISTRICTWIDE FUNDRAISING**

The board's conduct was a textbook example of how not to conduct policy. With its predetermined conclusion and widespread use of intimidation, the school board fractured the district and created animosities and scars which will outlast the tenure of the board members involved. As part of the Superintendent's Advisory Committee, I worked to find a compromise that worked for all the schools in the district. I supported the consultants' recommendation that no program should be introduced until the Santa Monica-Malibu Education Foundation has in place a fundraising mechanism that will allow it to raise the necessary funds. Secondly, no program should compromise any schools site's basic programs.

**20. DISCIPLINE**

These are all different learning challenges for the students involved. The guiding principle should be what best supports the life outcomes of the students. Our job is to support each child's success. Punitive behavior for its own sake is completely inappropriate in a pedagogical environment.

**21. YOUR ROLE**

Placing the main focus of the board and the administration on students' success and shaking up the status quo.

**22. TENSIONS AT SAMOHI**

Community involvement is the only way to address this concern. Bringing peer-to-peer programs to Samohi along with increased efforts by the board to encourage site-based councils can help direct this type

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# LEON-VAZQUEZ

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trust among all our families in the district, especially in our two cities.

**2. ROLE OF BOARD**

To look at the district as a whole picture and set policies that will meet the district's mission and vision. These statements say it very well.

**3. FAVORITE SUBJECT**

My favorite subject was mathematics because I was always intrigued by the unknown and trying various ways of solving the problem.

**4. PROPS. 30, 38**

I support both. At this point in the campaign, we can't use negativity in opposing either because voters will not vote for either.

**5. QUALITY OF FOOD**

I've actually eaten at our cafeterias. For cafeteria food, it is pretty good, especially the salad bar, which has fresh produce from the local farmers. Also the hamburgers at Samohi are great.

**6. CHOCOLATE MILK**

I voted to keep the chocolate milk. We serve non-fat chocolate milk, which in the whole picture does not add those calories that will cause obesity in district children.

**7. HOMEWORK**

Students need to have homework only to review new work and to reinforce what they were taught. Most students have five to six subjects plus PE so teachers should not give more than about 30 minutes per subject and teachers should coordinate so that the students don't have more than two tests or projects occurring and due at the same time.

**8. ACHIEVEMENT GAP**

I have been on the board for almost 12 years, and that is the issue that SMMUSD has tackled and tried many ways to close the gap through concerted support programs in math and language arts, tutoring and community programs. The difference is making sure all the adults in the district take a strong role in believing, caring, academically supporting and loving all our kids. If our students feel the love and the personal connection to this district, those traditionally underperforming groups will rise to the occasion.

**9. PERMITS**

Inter-district permits should be given to allow our employees in the district and both cities' children to attend our district schools. Preference, of course, should be to our residents of Santa Monica and Malibu and resident children should not be displaced from their home school.

**10. DISTRICT BREAK-UP**

I do not support the separation of the school district. I have stated this publicly in the couple of discussions the board has had. I believe strongly that SMMUSD, even before my time on the board, has taken care of all its students and there has never been a point where any of the two cities can say that the students have been short-changed. Malibu parents have never given the district concrete facts to support the break-up.

**11. HOBBIES**

Swimming and taking bike rides along the beach path.

**12. READING**

"Unfinished Business: Closing the Racial Achievement Gap in Our Schools," by Pedro Noguera.

**13. FERRIS WHEEL GUESTS**

Dolores Huerta, Jose Martí and Abraham Lincoln; their life experiences that led them to be the great persons that they became in history and how to close the achievement gap.

**14. SCHOOL SAFETY**

Involve our city agencies, SMC and our stakeholders to work with SMMUSD collaboratively as we review and establish safety measures for our district, then publicize safety as a community concern for all.

**15. TRAFFIC AROUND SCHOOLS**

Continue the education efforts to use public transportation, carpooling, biking, walking and working with both city governments to assist in traffic control at our schools during morning drop-off of students.

**16. PARKING AT SAMOHI**

Continue to dialogue with the city of Santa Monica and asking their assistance when we need to use the city lots for backup parking. Also, work with the city to assist us in setting up a carpooling system amongst our Santa Monica families.

**17. SUSTAINABILITY**

As we begin to upgrade our buildings, making sure that the improvements are sustainable. Work with the city to improve our recyclable methods so we can save money and energy. Use an environmental emphasis in our curriculum that would educate students and their families to make lifelong changes in preserving the environment.

**18. PARCEL TAX**

I will move the board forward with a parcel tax, accelerate negotiations with our three unions regarding work furloughs, delay the sale of any bonds until our operational needs are brought to some level of safety and raise hell with all the other school and college districts that will be in bankruptcy to bring some relief from Sacramento.

**19. DISTRICTWIDE FUNDRAISING**

I supported districtwide fundraising from the beginning. I will continue to support the issue and use my influence to make sure that as a district we move forward as planned and support the Education Foundation as the entity that will carry out the work for the district. I do believe that as a district we will be able to raise more funds than as individual schools.

**20. DISCIPLINE**

Our present school policies support a progressive form of discipline. The discipline policy in certain arenas was vetted with community input and we are always reviewing policies and making changes or additions where necessary.

**21. YOUR ROLE**

I will continue to bring a lot of personal history, knowledge and vision as a person of color where education gave me a choice to go to SMC but open many doors to higher education.

**22. TENSIONS AT SAMOHI**

The discussions have to be had in the community where historically the racial and gang tensions persist, i.e. Pico Neighborhood. The discussions have been taken up by the community of Santa Monica at-large and those community people in Pico are not participating.

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sional development.

3) Create welcoming and responsive school environments.

4) Strengthen intervention and honors programs.

**2. ROLE OF BOARD**

With community input, the board develops the district vision, direction and goals and holds the superintendent accountable for achieving them. The board also is responsible for developing and updating district policies.

**3. FAVORITE SUBJECT**

Mathematics. I enjoyed applying its abstract concepts to real-world problems.

**4. PROPS. 30, 38**

I support both Prop. 30 and Prop. 38 to prevent additional catastrophic reductions to K-12 budgets.

**5. QUALITY OF FOOD**

The goal of our meal program is to provide healthy, balanced and tasty meals to our students. Accordingly, the food we serve complies with our district wellness policy and meets or exceeds state and federal nutritional standards. I am proud that we offer an award-winning Farmers' Market salad bar program that gives children a choice of fresh fruit and vegetables every day.

**6. CHOCOLATE MILK**

I supported leaving non-fat, low-sugar chocolate milk on our menu with the option for parents to opt out of that choice.

**7. HOMEWORK**

In middle school, our 10 minutes per grade policy is a good one. In high school, however, students choose very different course loads. I support allowing high school students to choose their own academic paths, provided they are aware of the implications.

**8. ACHIEVEMENT GAP**

The achievement gap is a complex problem that requires a multifaceted approach, from support for low-income families with small children, to pre-school programs, top-notch instruction and high expectations in school, after-school and intervention programs and relevant curricula. It is also essential that we build on students' strengths and realize the importance of a school climate that respects and fosters success for all students.

**9. PERMITS**

Thanks to a change in our permit policy that I helped craft, permit students fell from 2,750 in 2002 to about 1,400 in 2008, as total enrollment dropped from 12,800 to 11,500. When state budget cuts began, however, we could no longer afford declining enrollment, and we modified our policy to maintain a stable enrollment and its associated revenues. I have strongly supported the approach we have taken to relieve overcrowding in our schools while coping with state budget cuts.

**10. DISTRICT BREAK-UP**

I support investigating the feasibility of creating separate school districts but will not take a position on separation until all the details are known. I would support separation if the analyses reveal that separate districts could provide an excellent education to their students and if the majority of residents prefer separation.

**11. HOBBIES**

Getting together with friends, walks with my wife, learning Turkish.

**12. READING**

"The Price of Inequality," by Joseph Stiglitz, and "Istanbul," by Orhan Pamuk.

**13. FERRIS WHEEL GUEST**

No answer provided.

**14. SCHOOL SAFETY**

I support our comprehensive approach to safety in our schools and will promote continuous review of our procedures and policies. Each school has a safety plan and our staff is trained to identify and deal with potentially unsafe situations. Our secondary campuses have safety personnel, and we have outstanding relationships with local law enforcement, which provide school resource officers. We provide counseling and referrals to students involved in unsafe behaviors or situations, and many of our policies address safety as well.

**15. TRAFFIC AROUND SCHOOLS**

We educate our students and their families about alternative ways to get to and from school including public transportation, and we strongly promote car-pooling.

**16. PARKING AT SAMOHI**

Parking at Samohi has been a long-standing concern for the board and district staff alike. We are addressing it in our modernization plan for the campus. We also continue to work with the city of Santa Monica to provide parking for our staff in city facilities.

**17. SUSTAINABILITY**

I strongly support our district's efforts to enhance sustainability. Our construction projects under Measure BB exceed sustainability standards. Additionally, we have installed energy-efficient lighting and several schools will soon have solar panels. Our schools recycle and use non-toxic products, and many of our buses run on natural gas.

**18. PARCEL TAX**

If both statewide measures fail, the board will have to work with staff to plan for the drastic cuts that will be required by an additional loss of $5 million in operating revenues. The only option open to school boards in California for raising operating revenues is a parcel tax. However, I will also work with community leaders to determine whether alternative local approaches are feasible and will continue to advocate for state-level solutions to this problem.

**19. DISTRICTWIDE FUNDRAISING**

I wholeheartedly support centralized fundraising. The challenge now for the board, administration and school community is to ensure that the policy succeeds in bringing in more resources and that the resources are used to maximize learning opportunities for all children.

**20. DISCIPLINE**

Consequences for disciplinary violations in schools should include not only punishment, but also education/counseling and opportunities for restitution. Additionally, consequences should be more severe for older than for younger children, for repeat than for first violations and for serious than for minor infractions.

**21. YOUR ROLE**

As one of the two most senior members of the board, I have a key role in providing experience and continuity in board leadership. Additionally, I will continue to advo-

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of activity. There is no better group than the parents to assist in finding a solution to this problem.

**23. REACHING OUT TO BUSINESSES**

Naming rights for the schools, the sports programs, and key programs. More importantly, true engagement between our schools, our students, and the business community would make for an enriched community and a more fertile environment for fundraising.

**24. CLOSING SCHOOLS**

Decisions on closing schools would be put off until the two districts are separated and an analysis of needs for each district is done.

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**23. REACHING OUT TO BUSINESSES**

We need to continue educating the businesses that we need their support via monies and internships for our students. With Career Technical Education developing support in our district, I will bring SMC and the business community to the table for more dialogue and to expose them to our many arts, athletic and academic events.

**24. CLOSING SCHOOLS**

No. I would look at ramping up districtwide fundraising and other sources of securing finances and preserve our neighborhood schools.

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cate passionately for excellence and equity, keep the board focused on work that is critical to our mission, interpret information on the performance of our students and programs for the board and bridge disagreements among board members and between board and staff.

**22. TENSIONS AT SAMOHI**

We take racial relations on our school campuses extremely seriously as a key factor in school climate and student safety and well-being. In the past year, we have redoubled our efforts to promote interracial understanding in our schools through professional development to enhance cultural competence, development of student leadership groups, reinvigoration of programs specifically aimed at improving racial relations and reconstitution of the Intercultural District Advisory Committee.

**23. REACHING OUT TO BUSINESSES**

No answer provided.

**24. CLOSING SCHOOLS**

Closing a school is traumatic to a community and can cause long-lasting damage. I would not vote to close a school simply to get through a temporary budget crisis.









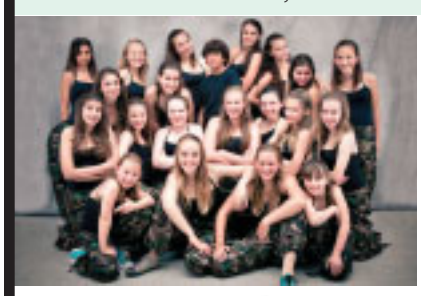
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GOING UP: **A city-contracted work crew was building a small structure behind Chez Jay on Tuesday.**

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said.

"We can't stop because of safety and liability concerns," Pastucha said. "To stop at this time with uncovered cells is an issue."

That means that the only thing holding the walls together is the grout between the blocks, leaving the structure weak, Pastucha said.

On the topic of the appeal itself, Pastucha believes that significant alterations to the back of the building in 2001 left little of the original structure intact. That year, the owner demolished a portion of a motel that was built onto the back of the restaurant, exactly where the enclosure will be, he said.

There were other ways to get permission to build on the landmarked parcel than appealing the designation, like a certificate of appropriateness, which Landmarks Commissioner Nina Fresco described as "not nearly so contentious."

"The reason the commission designated the whole parcel is to have input in the future adjacent development such as the park-facing outlet of the restaurant or other future expansions and alterations that could affect the context and thus the integrity of the restaurant," Fresco said.

In fact, the placement of the trash enclosure has been at issue for some time.

The Chez Jay team objected to its location, which is between the restaurant and the park. If the restaurant were to construct some kind of outdoor dining for park-goers, they would be faced with the trash enclosure, said Abby Arnold, who has been working with Chez Jay to create a business proposal for when City Hall puts the restaurant lease out to bid again.

"It's logical that you would want to put some outdoor dining opportunities on the outside of that building facing the park, and that's where they're putting the trash enclosure," Arnold said.

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## REPORT
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first major product to come out of the Cradle-to-Career initiative, an effort launched in March after 18 months of planning with 30 agencies, including City Hall, the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District and Santa Monica College.

It pulls together data on 38 different indicators of wellness and breaks them down into four main categories: Physical Health & Development, Learning & School Achievement, Social Skills & Confidence and Emotional Maturity & Mental Health.

The information comes from a multiplicity of sources, including surveys on children conducted in schools and police records.

The effort is unprecedented, said Sandra Lyon, the superintendent at SMMUSD.

"I've been in education for 25 years, and I've never been in any community with that many people saying, 'How can we share resources?'" Lyon said.

When it all came together, however, the report painted an occasionally unsettling picture of the challenges facing Santa Monica's young people.

According to the report, only 28.6 percent of kids are considered "very socially ready" to enter kindergarten, a number which goes up or down depending on which Santa Monica zip code the child hails from and what race they are.

That study, which was conducted with UCLA, showed disparities between kindergarteners across the board, with students identified as Asian, white or of two races generally posting higher "readiness" figures in the categories of physical health, ability to communicate, social preparedness and emotional preparedness than their African-American and Latino counterparts.

The report showed a consistent gap in achievement between the same students when it came to school subjects, and a similar problem existed between low- and high-income groups.

A quarter of district children reported a significant period of "extreme sadness and hopelessness" over the previous year and almost 30 percent said that they had used alcohol in the last month.

That figure was considerably higher for high school seniors, at 47.9 percent.

Although problems exist, Lyon called on people to view the report not as a definition of who Santa Monica's youth are, but how much work there is to do to improve their chances in the wider world.

Sharing resources and information to make that happen is the whole point of Cradle-to-Career, which strives to create a safety net to support community youth by coordinating the strengths of the 30 agencies involved.

In doing so, officials hope to achieve not only a better result for kids, but save money and time by addressing problems as a community rather than through smaller, less effective efforts undertaken by each of the groups individually.

That is near impossible when organizations with resources and programs work independently rather than combining their data and resources to accomplish the goal,

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# COMMUNITY BRIEFS

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY

## SMPD welcomes newest officer

Forget Kojack, the Santa Monica Police Department has Rambo.

Earlier this month the SMPD welcomed its newest member to the canine unit, a 2-year-old Belgian Malinois from the Czech Republic who goes by the name Rambo.

Rambo is currently attending an extensive training program with his partner, Officer Roberto Villegas, and will begin patrolling the streets in December. His day-to-day duties will primarily focus around patrol, but he will be cross-trained in explosive detection, police said.

Villegas is a veteran dog handler for the SMPD.

The Santa Monica Police Department began the K-9 program in 1976 and in 2009 employed a half-dozen dogs, some costing as much as $9,200.

– KEVIN HERRERA

CITYWIDE

## File police reports online

The SMPD is now accepting reports online for lost property, graffiti and all other forms of vandalism. The idea is to make it more convenient for people to report crimes, police said.

The reports are accepted online only under the follow conditions:

• The crime occurred or the property was lost within the Santa Monica city limits.

• The suspect was not seen or cannot be described.

• There is no physical evidence to be examined or collected, such as fingerprints or DNA.

After completing the report online, a report number will be provided and the report will be forwarded for review. If the report requires further information, a community service officer will attempt to contact the reporting party to discuss other options.

If the report can be accepted, and if the reporting party provides their e-mail address, an official copy of the final report will be automatically e-mailed to that person within approximately three business days, at no cost, police said.

Reports may be filed online at santamonicapd.org/crimereport.

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## Write a letter

Rep. Henry A. Waxman (D-Santa Monica) on Tuesday sent a letter to Michael Huerta, acting administrator of the Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), to encourage expanded use of unleaded fuels to reduce toxic lead emissions from general aviation aircraft, particularly in airports with close proximity to residential areas like Santa Monica Airport.

Although the FAA has committed to a replacement for leaded fuel by 2018, it may take 11 years or more to fully phase in a new fuel.

"General aviation fuel now accounts for half of the lead emissions in the United States," said Waxman, who is running for re-election in the newly-created 33rd Congressional District against Independent businessman Bill Bloomfield. "It is a major concern for residents living near the Santa Monica Airport. The FAA says it has a plan for a new fuel to be available in a decade or so, but there are unleaded alternatives available now for the vast majority of small aircraft. The FAA needs to do more to promote their use. We need to get the lead out today."

– KH

# YOUTH

FROM PAGE 10

said Jonathan Mooney, a nationally-recognized speaker and member of the task force.

"We need to break down these silos and create an integrated system that supports kids," Mooney said.

This intense focus on youth well-being emerged out of tragedy.

In 2009, Richard Manuel Juarez was shot and killed in Virginia Avenue Park, a victim of gang violence. The Pico Youth & Family Center and other community groups called for a response, which became the Youth Resource Team Policy Group in 2010.

Nearly two years of planning and work passed before the Youth Resource Team announced the creation of the Cradle-to-Career initiative at a conference at the RAND Corporation in March.

It's the kind of thing that Santa Monica is known for, a best practice that will be replicated in other cities and counties throughout the nation, said Mayor Richard Bloom.

"Welcome to an important beginning," he said. "It will lead to something extraordinary down the line."

How, exactly, the report card will proceed is still up in the air, said Julie Rusk, assistant director of the Community and Cultural Services Department.

Pulling the report card together involved borrowing staff from their regular tasks. A continuing effort may require more dedicated personnel, which takes resources that are scarce in city governments these days.

With those uncertainties, no one knows when an updated report card will be available as a check-up on the initiative's progress.

It will happen, Rusk promised.

Those interested in looking through the current report card will be able to do so this week at www.santamonicayouth.net

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**Surf Conditions** **Water Temp:** 68.0°

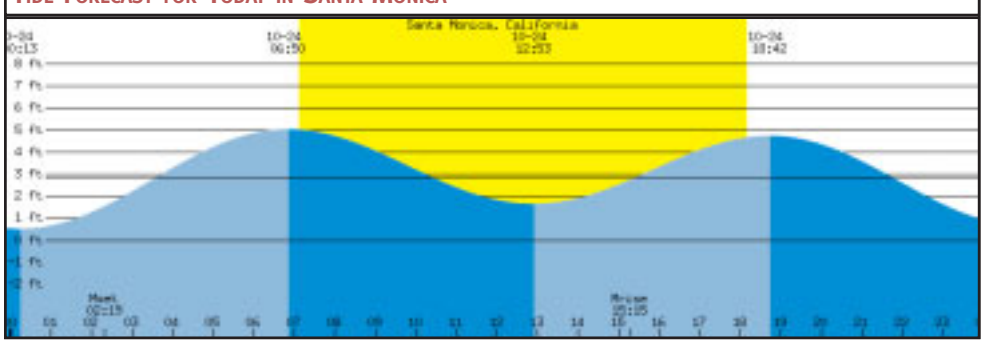
**Swell Forecast**

Waist high waves at most west facing breaks, but chest high at well-exposed west facing breaks.

**Long Range Synopsis**

West facing breaks are looking at waist to chest high waves.

**Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica**




BEACH REPORT CARD

## NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous 30 days up to the ending date of **October 17, 2012**

HEAL THE BAY - 1444 9th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401 - www.healthebay.org - brc@healthebay.org - 800 HEAL BAY

**QUICK STATS** (for the last 30 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 1
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 4
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 28 / 3
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 0 / 0

The Beach Report Card is made possible by: The Diller – von Furstenberg Family Foundation, Goodbrook Family Foundation, simplehuman, LAcarGUY, SBBA

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

| LOCATION | DRY | WET |
|---|---|---|
| Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth. | A+ | ns |
| Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth. | A+ | ns |
| El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa 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. | B | ns |
| Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach. | A | ns |
| Latigo Canyon Creek mouth. | A+ | ns |
| Solstice Canyon at Don Blocker County Beach. | A+ | ns |
| Puerco State Beach at creek mouth. | B | ns |
| Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 21672 Malibu Rd. | B | ns |
| Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence. | A+ | ns |
| Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily. | A+ | A |
| Malibu Pier - 50 yards east. | F | ns |
| Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon. | A+ | ns |
| Los Flores State Beach at Los Flores Creek (point zero). | A+ | ns |
| Big Rock Beach at 19648 PCH stairs. | A | ns |
| Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach. | A+ | ns |
| Tuna Canyon. | ns | ns |
| Topanga State Beach at creek mouth. | B | 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 17208 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain). | A+ | ns |
| Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence. | A | ns |
| Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain. | A+ | ns |
| Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain. | B | ns |
| Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua). | A | A+ |
| Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain. | C | ns |
| Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain. | D | ns |
| Santa Monica Municipal Pier. | A | F |
| Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain. | A | A+ |
| Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms). | A+ | ns |
| Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain. | A+ | A |
| Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain. | A+ | ns |
| Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain. | C | ns |
| Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain. | A+ | ns |
| Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south. | A+ | ns |
| Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St. | A+ | ns |
| Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower. | B | B |
| Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth. | A | F |
| Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain. | A+ | ns |
| North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach. | A+ | ns |
| Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of CBW jetty). | A+ | ns |
| Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain. | A+ | ns |
| Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant. | A+ | ns |
| Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain. | A | ns |

**LEGEND**

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

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

**ns** -- no sample taken

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# After dramatic spike, Chicago homicides show signs of slowing

**DON BABWIN**
Associated Press

CHICAGO When the city's gang war intensified last spring, shootings became so frequent they sometimes seemed like a ghastly game of tennis, with each senseless attack followed by a vengeful response.

The furious rate of the killing drew national attention and even invited comparisons between Chicago and some of the world's war zones.

But a closer look shows something else: The pace of homicides and shootings has slowed considerably as police step up their presence and residents challenge gang members for control of the streets. In at least one of the city's most notoriously dangerous neighborhoods, homicides have actually fallen.

"People are taking a stand, that we're not going to stand for it," said Lisa Williams, a member of a South Side block-watch group where residents installed their own surveillance cameras.

Back in March, the violence killed 52 people — more than twice as many as died in the previous March. For the first three months of the year, the number of deaths shot up by 60 percent, raising fears that authorities were losing control of some gang-dominated areas.

Police quickly put more officers on patrol and began an intelligence-gathering "audit" that helped them identify rival gangs. Residents took action, too, forming neighborhood watches and staring down passing gang members from outside homes.

Chicago still has a major problem with gangs and gun violence — something President Barack Obama acknowledged about his adopted hometown as recently as last week's presidential debate.

But the increase in killings has declined somewhat — to 25 percent above last year. And two recent months had fewer slayings than in 2011. Police have also noticed gangs inflicting more non-lethal "leg shots" in apparent recognition that fatal attacks bring more pressure.

The city is trying other measures as well, including demolishing dozens of abandoned buildings believed to be gang hangouts, revoking licenses from liquor stores believed to be magnets for gang activity and signing a controversial $1 million contract with Ceasefire, an anti-violence group that uses convicted felons to mediate gang conflicts.

No one is suggesting that Chicago has found a solution to its gang crisis, and no one rules out another tragic spike in the killings. In the coming days, the city is bound to reach another grim milestone when the number of homicides for 2012 surpasses 433, the total for all of last year.

But even after accounting for this year's spike in deaths, the number of slayings is still less than half the level of the 1990s, when 900 homicides a year was not uncommon. In more recent years, the total had leveled off around 450.

Still, Chicago has never achieved the same steep decline in homicides as other major cities. So far this year, Chicago has recorded about 100 more homicides than New York and about 200 more than Los Angeles.

City officials blame the bloodshed on changes in gang affiliations, including the splintering of established groups and the emergence of new rivalries. Other observers pointed to the unusually warm weather. It was the warmest March in Chicago in 140 years, and more people were outside mingling in every neighborhood.

Deadly shootouts continued throughout the spring and summer, with children and innocent bystanders sometimes caught in the crossfire. Yet only once more — in August — did homicides see a considerable jump.

Homicides were up by only three in June. Then they fell in July and rose only slightly in September before falling again in October.

Law enforcement experts say the results are evidence that the police strategy of learning about gang territories and rivalries may be paying off. Since conducting the audit of the city's gangs, authorities have identified dozens of gangs and gang factions they didn't even know existed early in the year.

At the height of the violence in February and March, there were sometimes "as many as four to six shootings in four to six hours, all based off of one conflict," Police Superintendent Garry McCarthy said in an interview.

Now, he added, "if gang member X gets shot at this location, we immediately know who is in his gang, what gang his gang is in conflict with, where the gang's turf is." Using that information, police quickly deploy their resources to prevent retaliation.

Police also have cracked down on drug dealing and put more uniformed officers on specific beats. Arrests of suspected gang members are up by about 5,500 this year, McCarthy said.

In addition, police have put gangs on notice that killings will trigger a crackdown for the smallest offenses. That message appears to have gotten through.

In Englewood, one of the city's most violent neighborhoods, homicides have fallen more than 40 percent this year. But the number of shootings has stayed flat, a possible indication that gangs are shooting to injure rather than kill.

An expert who has studied and written about Chicago's violence said it is too early to draw conclusions about a single year's worth of statistics. But he said the police audit strategy was "absolutely" correct.

"This is a huge step in the right direction," said Andrew Papachristos, an associate professor of sociology at Yale University.

Meanwhile, residents of some of the city's most violent and gang-plagued neighborhoods are writing down license plates of suspicious vehicles and stepping outside as a message to gang members and drug dealers that they are watching.

Between January and August, 294 block clubs were formed in Chicago to join the 463 that were in place last year, according to police.

"More people are outside on their block talking to each other, and that's very encouraging to me," said Michael Pfleger, a Roman Catholic priest and activist on the city's South Side.

Elce Redmond, a community activist on the West Side, has seen residents cleaning up vacant lots, planting community gardens and boarding up abandoned buildings to prevent gang members and drug dealers from getting inside.

Many neighborhoods are still plagued by a "no-snitch" attitude among residents who don't trust police, but cracks may be showing.

Emma Mitts, a West Side alderman whose ward includes some of the city's most violent neighborhoods, said she is receiving more notes from residents with information about drug dealing and other problems — a signal to her that residents want to clean things up even if they don't trust police.

# MOVIE TIMES

Aero Theatre
**1328 Montana Ave.**
**(310) 260-1528**

**Stars in Shorts (NR) 1hr 51min**
A collection of short films featuring some of the world's biggest actors
7:30pm
Discussion following the program with filmmakers Jay Kamen and Benjamin Grayson.

AMC Loews Broadway 4
**1441 Third Street Promenade**
**(888) 262-4386**

**Argo (R) 2hrs 00min**
1:00pm, 4:05pm, 7:00pm, 10:00pm

**Taken 2 (PG-13) 1hr 31min**
1:55pm, 4:35pm, 7:20pm, 9:45pm

**First Time (PG-13) 1hr 38min**
2:00pm, 4:30pm, 7:15pm, 10:00pm

**End of Watch (R) 1hr 49min**
1:30pm, 7:10pm, 9:50pm

**Least Among Saints (R) 1hr 45min**
4:15pm

AMC 7 Santa Monica
**1310 Third St.**
**(310) 451-9440**

**Hotel Transylvania 3D (PG) 1hr 31min**
1:45pm, 7:00pm

**Here Comes the Boom (PG) 1hr 45min**
11:20am, 2:00pm, 4:40pm, 7:15pm, 9:50pm

**Argo (R) 2hrs 00min**
11:15am, 1:55pm, 4:45pm, 7:45pm, 10:30pm

**Taken 2 (PG-13) 1hr 31min**
11:55am, 2:45pm, 5:25pm, 8:00pm, 10:25pm

**Paranormal Activity 4 (R) 1hr 35min**
11:15am, 12:05pm, 1:30pm, 2:30pm, 4:05pm, 5:10pm, 6:30pm, 7:40pm, 9:00pm, 10:00pm

**Perks of Being a Wallflower (PG-13) 1hr 42min**
11:30am, 2:20pm, 4:50pm, 7:25pm, 10:20pm

**Hotel Transylvania (PG) 1hr 31min**
11:25am, 4:20pm, 9:20pm

Laemmle's Monica Fourplex
**1332 Second St.**
**(310) 478-3836**

**Searching for Sugar Man (PG-13) 1hr 25min**
1:10pm, 3:25pm, 5:40pm, 8:00pm, 10:15pm

**Just 45 Minutes from Broadway (R) 1hr 48min**
1:40pm, 4:20pm, 7:10pm, 9:50pm

**Master (R) 2hrs 30min**
1:00pm, 4:05pm, 7:10pm, 10:15pm

**Mystical Law (NR) 2hrs 00min**
1:20pm, 4:10pm, 7:00pm, 9:55pm

AMC Criterion 6
**1313 Third St.**
**(310) 395-1599**

**Frankenweenie in Disney Digital 3D (PG) 1hr 27min**
1:50pm, 7:00pm

**Frankenweenie (PG) 1hr 27min**
11:25am, 4:25pm, 9:30pm

**Looper (R) 1hr 58min**
11:15am, 2:05pm, 4:55pm, 7:50pm, 10:30pm

**Sinister (R) 1hr 50min**
11:45am, 2:25pm, 5:00pm, 7:45pm, 10:25pm

**Alex Cross (PG-13) 1hr 41min**
11:30am, 2:00pm, 4:30pm, 7:15pm, 10:00pm

**Seven Psychopaths (R) 1hr 49min**
11:40am, 2:15pm, 4:50pm, 7:35pm, 10:15pm

**Pitch Perfect (PG-13) 1hr 52min**
11:15am, 1:55pm, 4:40pm, 7:25pm, 10:05pm

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

# Exercise tonight, Libra

**ARIES (March 21-April 19)**
★★★ You might be unusually quiet, as you are very much in your head. Strong feelings tend to permeate your day and drive your actions. You might feel a need to sort through the financial benefits of making one decision over another. Tonight: Not to be found.

**TAURUS (April 20-May 20)**
★★★★★ Zero in on what you want while timing is working in your favor. A friend or a meeting inspires you to be more open about making a dream a reality. You have a quality that encourages people to trust you. Tonight: Where your friends are.

**GEMINI (May 21-June 20)**
★★★★ Take a stand. Be as clear as possible about what is driving you, and know full well what feels right. A key person in your life demands your time and attention. Tonight: A must appearance.

**CANCER (June 21-July 22)**
★★★★★ You have emotional resonance, and if you follow your intuition, things will work out in the way you want them to. Reach out for someone at a distance who might feel a bit strange at times. Tonight: Wish upon a star.

**LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)**
★★★★★ Relate to an instrumental person in your life directly. This individual is imaginative and creative, but often not realistic. You might not want to have him or her as an active financial partner, as you could be setting the stage for trouble. Tonight: Visit over dinner.

**VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)**
★★★★ Continue to allow others to steal the spotlight. In your reticence, you will be noticed. You might want to take some personal time. Others are only too delighted to fill in; they also will have a better sense of what you have to handle every day. Tonight: Sort through invitations.

**LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)**
★★★★ You have an idea that might be difficult to explain in a way that others can understand. You just might need to go off and do it. Know that the expense or cost might be an issue. If so, look for a partner who understands your vision. Tonight: Squeeze in some exercise.

**SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)**
★★★★★ Use your imagination, and funnel your creativity into a fun Halloween project. Though sometimes your thoughts could be twisted or strange, they tend to pique others' interest. A discussion allows you to see yet another path. Tonight: Ever creative.

**SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)**
★★★ When you think about your domestic life, tension courses through your body. As a result, you could experience a low-level depression. Tonight: Follow your instincts with a purchase.

**CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)**
★★★★ You are likely to say what you think, and you'll expect someone else to understand the whole concept. Know that this might not be the case. Use your intuition when dealing with a relative or neighbor. Tonight: Change your mood. Go out.

**AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)**
★★★ You are not a sign that is dominated by a need for material items. You do, however, realize the need for money in the society in which you live. Inevitably, money slides through your fingers. Tonight: Do some price comparison.

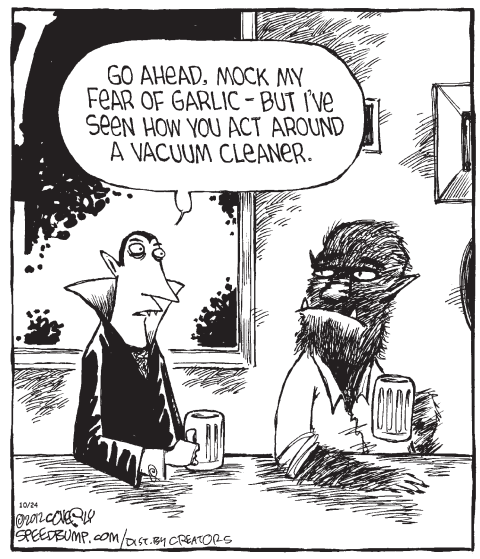
**PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)**
★★★★★ You beam and attract others, like honey attracts a bear. You might be taken aback by all the doors that open up for you. Follow your emotional sense in deciding what to do. Tonight: Whatever knocks your socks off.

## Happy birthday

This year others often find you to be inspiring, yet in your own mind, you might feel confused. If you follow your gut, you will land well. Some of you prefer a more logical approach, which could become an issue. If you are single, you possess a magnetic yet elusive aura that draws many toward you. You will have many admirers. If you are attached, the two of you connect on a deeper and more caring level, especially if you open up to your feelings more often. PISCES is as emotional as you.

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

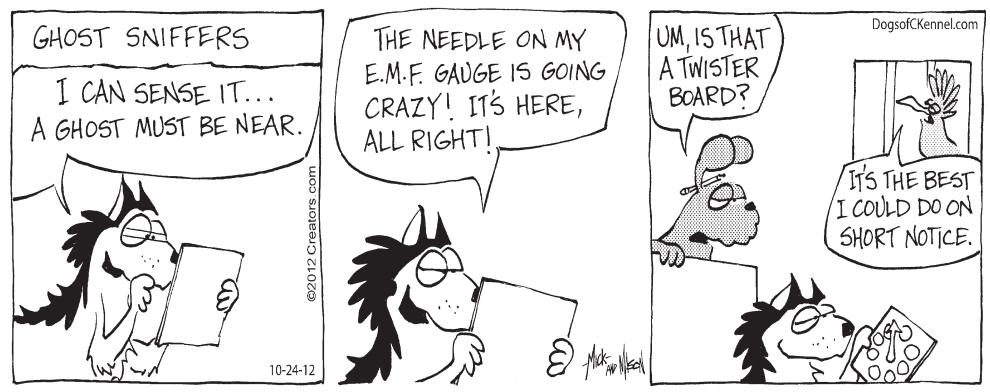
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By Dave Coverly



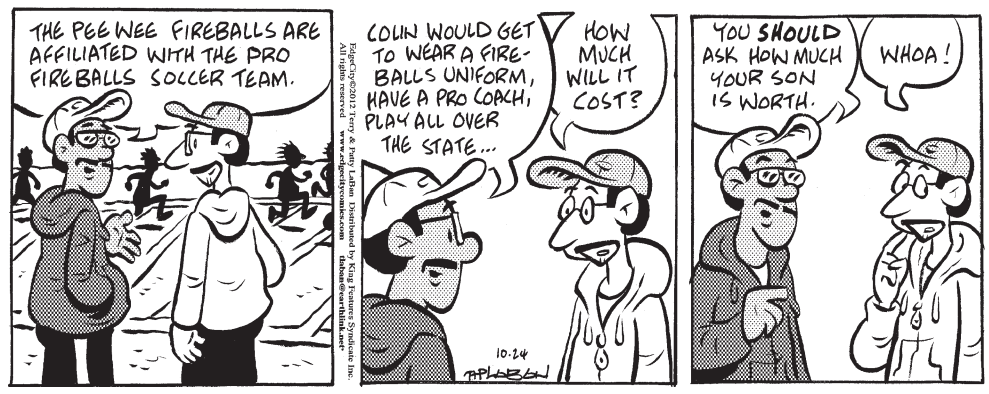

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By John Deering



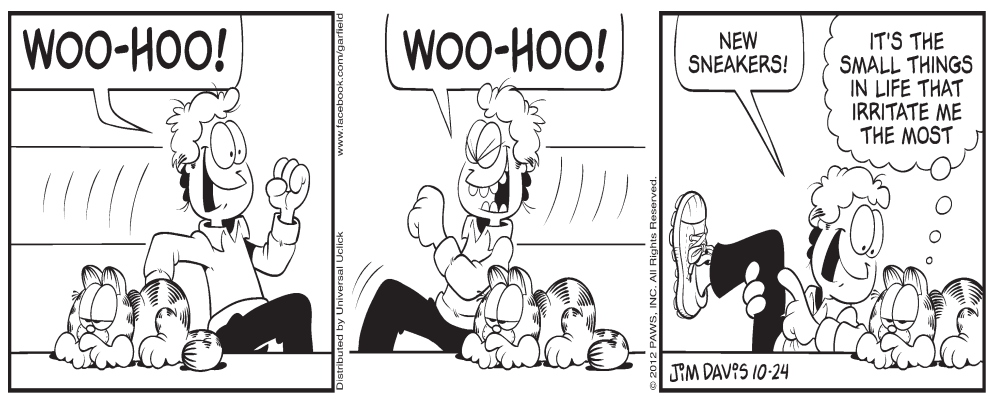

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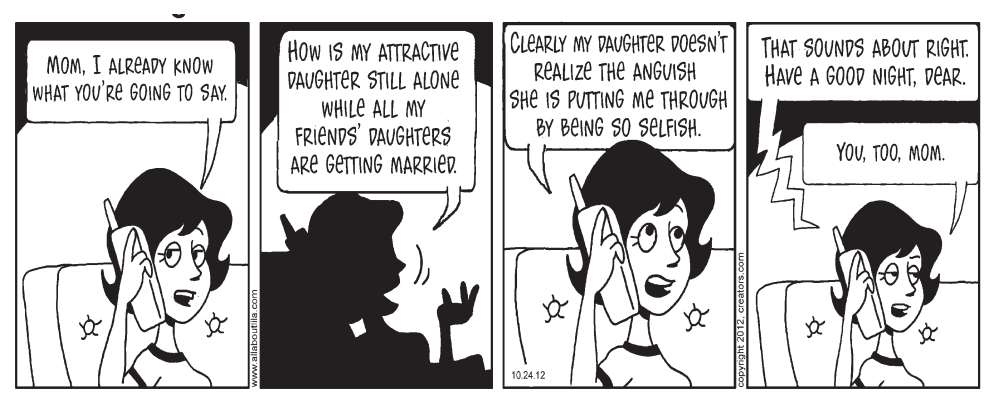

## Edge City
By Terry & Patty LaBan




## Garfield
By Jim Davis




## The Meaning of Lila
By John Forgetta & L.A. Rose



## 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

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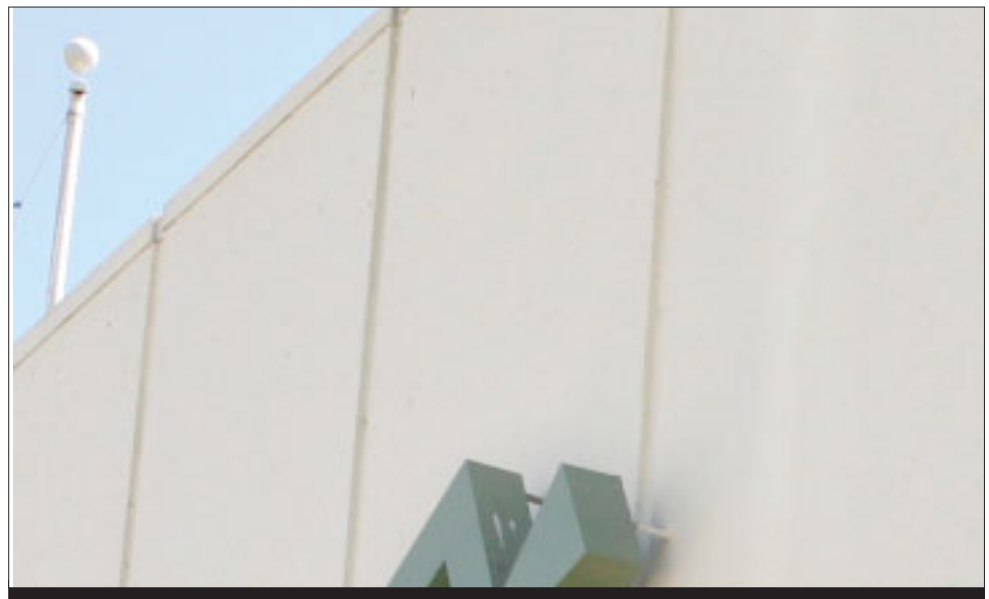
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## CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

**ACROSS**

1 Small workers
5 Throws away
11 Drench
12 Mercury, for one
13 David Cameron, for one
14 Traffic circle
15 Plus
16 Glib talk
17 Pol's concern
19 Cut down
22 Solitary sort
24 Elm offering
26 Notion
27 Longing
28 Citrus garnishes
30 Handed over
31 Burro
32 Partly: Prefix
34 Reunion attendee
35 "The Matrix" hero
38 "What a shame!"
41 Speech copy
42 Burning
43 "What — now?"
44 Physics topic
45 Regarding

**DOWN**

1 Nick and Nora's dog
2 Lunch hour
3 School no-no
4 Sun setting
5 Parsley serving
6 Spicy buds
7 Assess
8 Santa —, California
9 According to
10 Pig's place
16 Pickle buy
18 Substance
19 Robust quality
20 Keenness
21 Hoe target
22 Judy's daughter
23 Pindar poems
25 Shades
29 Town center
30 Purr producer
33 Subordinate to
34 Somewhat
36 Highway ramp
37 Painter Dix
38 Huck's pal
39 "Not — dare!"
40 Many a time
41 34-Across, in Mexico

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Draw Date: 10/23
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**DAILY 3**
Draw Date: 10/23
MIDDAY: 8 7 1
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**SANTA ANITA PARK**
Draw Date: 10/23
1st: 05 California
2nd: 04 Big Ben
3rd: 09 Winning Spirit
RACE TIME: 1:45.42

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## NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Habersham Funding of Georgia and its competitors make their money by buying terminally ill clients' life insurance policies for lump sums, then continuing to pay the policies' premiums so that they collect as beneficiaries upon death. The companies' business model therefore depends on those clients dying quickly; a client who outlives expectations turns the investment sour. Thus, according to an August report by the New York Times, the companies run extensive background checks on the illnesses and lifestyles of potential clients and employ sophisticated computer algorithms that predict, better than doctors can, how long a client will live. Supposedly, according to the report, the companies are nonchalant about erroneous predictions. No company, they claim, has an official policy of hoping for early death.

■ The ongoing feud between two Warwick, R.I., households has intensified, according to an August complaint. Kathy Melker and Craig Fontaine charged that not only has neighbor Lynne Taylor been harassing them with verbal insults and threats, but that Taylor has now taught her cockatoo to call Melker, on sight, a nasty epithet (which rhymes with "clucking bore"). "I'm 53 years old, and I've never been called

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**1954** - Dwight D. Eisenhower pledges United States support to South Vietnam

**1957** - The USAF starts the X-20 Dyna-Soar program.

**1960** - Nedelin catastrophe: An R-16 ballistic missile explodes on the launch pad at the Soviet Union's Baikonur Cosmodrome space facility, killing over 100. Among the dead is Field Marshal Mitrofan Nedelin, whose death is reported to have occurred in a plane crash

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To Whom it may concern:
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Type of License(s) Applied for: 47-ON-SALE GENERAL EATING PLACE Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control INGLEWOOD.
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County of Los Angeles, Northeast District, Alhambra Courthouse
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ALHAMBRA, CA 91801
The name, address, and telephone number of plaintiff's attorney, or plaintiff without an attorney, is: (El nombre, la dirección y el número de teléfono del abogado del demandante, o del demandante que no tiene abogado, es):
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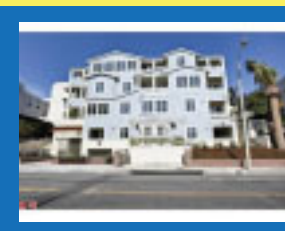
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