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THE WHAT'S WITH THE WIND? ISSUE

City Hall explores parking validation

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

DOWNTOWN Parking in public garages is expected to come at a higher cost soon, but shoppers hoping to stay longer hours without paying significantly more money might be able to do so with a new ticket validation system.

It's one of several changes that city officials are exploring as they develop a new parking rate plan for the City Hall-owned structures in Downtown, which will likely include higher daily maximum and monthly fees.

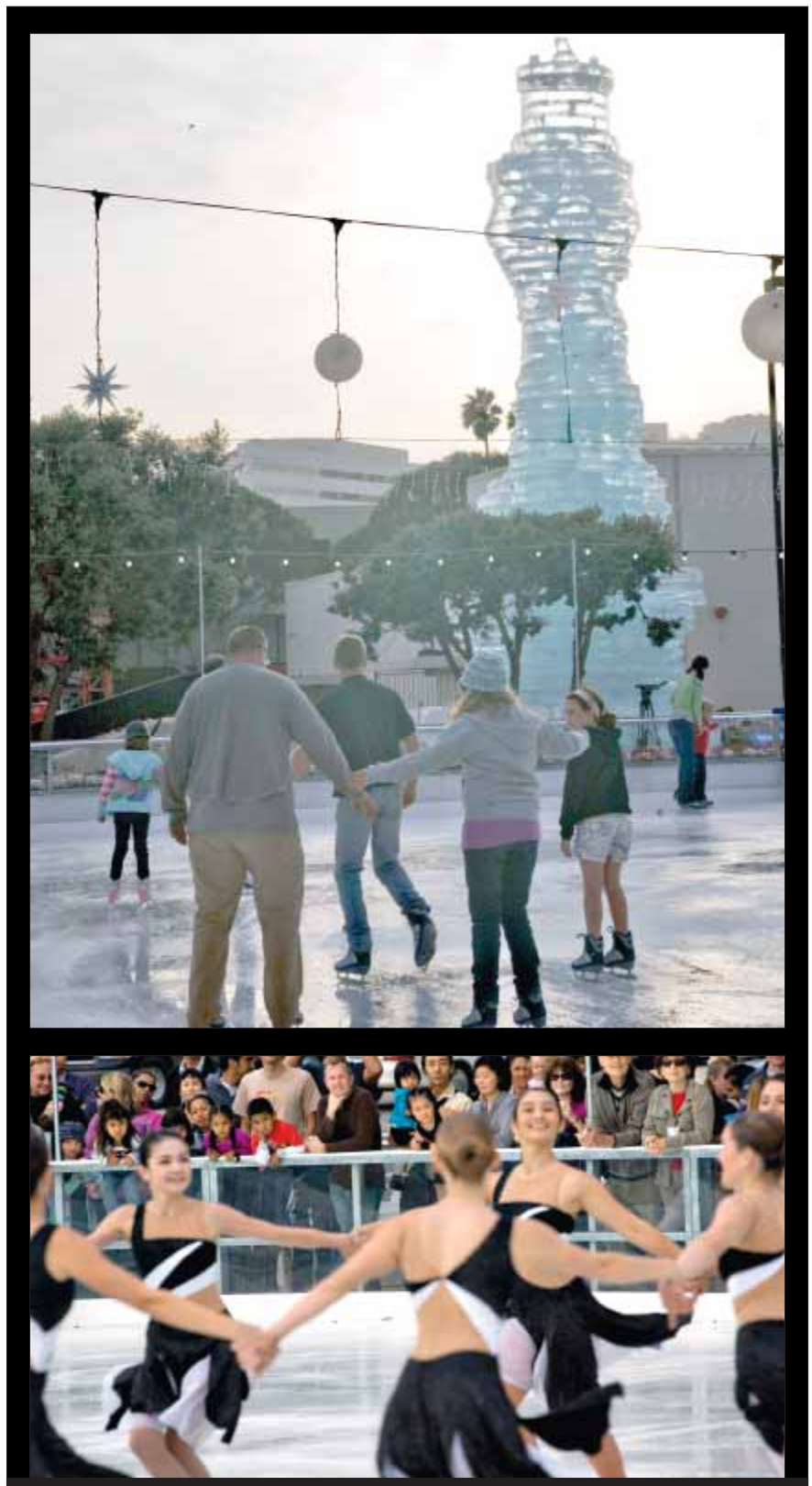
A working group led by Don Patterson, the business and revenues operations manager, and Sam Morrissey, principal transportation engineer, has been reviewing a recent study by Walker Parking Consultants that recommended rate hikes at the public garages as a way to alleviate the parking problem in Downtown by better distributing the occupancy of spaces.

After hearing a presentation by the consultant, the City Council in September directed its staff to develop a plan of action to institute some of the suggestions from the study, including raising the maximum daily rate from $7 to $9, the flat evening rate from $3 to $5, the monthly parking permits from $82.50 to $121 and reducing the existing two hours of free parking in Structures 1-6 and 9 to only one, charging $1 for the second hour.

The working group's plan would look at the cost to effect the changes, including staff and equipment-related expenses. A presentation could be made to the council in January. The group will also work with a new parking implementation committee created by the Bayside District Corp., a public/private management company that oversees Downtown.

"We are looking at basically using parking pricing so that parking resources can be most effectively managed," Patterson said.

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CHILLY FUN

Photos by Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

(Above) Crowds skate during the opening celebration of ICE at Santa Monica on Tuesday. (Below) Ice skating team Cal Gold perform during the opening festivities.

Study: Housing the homeless is cost effective

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

DOWNTOWN It might seem counterintuitive in an expensive real estate market but housing the homeless can cost taxpayers less than keeping them on the streets.

That's according to a recent study by United Way of Greater Los Angeles which followed four homeless individuals — including one from Santa Monica — as they transitioned to subsidized housing, finding that providing permanent shelter and supportive services for two years was 43 percent less expensive than the time spent in destitute the previous two years when emergency room visits and incarceration racked up costs in excess of $187,000.

The conclusion of the analysis supports findings from similar studies conducted across the country, recommending that more resources be dedicated to permanent housing for the chronically homeless.

"I think we have seen a shift here in Los Angeles and throughout the country where our providers are really focusing on permanent housing as a solution to homelessness, building the political will to shift funding sources so organizations have funding to provide permanent supportive and permanent affordable housing," Christine Marge, the director of housing and health for United Way, said.

The organization commissioned Housing Works, a nonprofit aimed at ending AIDS and homelessness, and researchers at USC's Center for Community Health Studies at the Keck School of Medicine, selecting four chronically homeless people who were placed in permanent supportive housing, learning about their background and evaluating their progress since leaving the streets.

The subjects include C.N., a 52-year-old white female, D.B., a 58-year-old white male, J.S. a 32-year-old Latino male, and J.W. a 61-year-old African-American man. Each coming from Hollywood, Santa Monica, South L.A. and Long Beach respectively.

They had been homeless for most of their adult lives, suffering through mental health

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Wednesday, Oct. 28, 2009

Living fearlessly
Santa Monica YMCA
1332 6th St., 7:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.
The conclusion of a six-week series of video talks by self-realization author Guy Finley, this class explores the true source of power that is required to live a truly fearless life. Admission is $3. Contact (310)266-9930 for more information.

The economics of being a woman
YWCA Santa Monica/Westside
2019 14th St., 6:30 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.
Learn about investments, portfolios, tax strategies and more in this first session of a five-week workshop designed to help women build wealth and establish financial stability. The $45 class fee includes dinner and materials. Call (310)452-3881 for more information.

Ballroom by the bay
Santa Monica Bay Women's Club
1210 4th St., 7 p.m. — 11 p.m.
Join us for free dance lessons, followed by dancing on our 3000 square foot floor. Waltz, fox-trot, swing, hustle and more - no partner necessary. Admission fee: $10. Call (310)487-0911 for more information.

Thursday, Oct. 29, 2009

What's new this week?
Fairview Branch Library
2101 Ocean Park Blvd., 1 p.m. — 2:30 p.m.
A free-wheeling review and discussion of the week's key news stories at home and abroad, moderated by Jack Nordhaus, occurring every Thursday through Dec. 31. Call (310)450-0443 for more information.

Preschool story time
Montana Branch Library
1704 Montana Ave., 11 a.m. — 12 p.m.
Bring your 3 to 5 year olds to enjoy this free story time. Call (310)829-7081 for more information.

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



Air quality alerts issued as winds slam SoCal

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES Blustery winds buffeted areas up and down California on Tuesday, whipping up dust and raising fire concerns.

Strong northerly winds developed behind a cold front that swept into Northern California overnight and headed southward, the National Weather Service said.

A low pressure system associated with the front was unseasonably strong, meteorologists said.

Gusts in northern Los Angeles County topped 50 mph, the weather service said. Swirling winds swept an urban potpourri of fallen leaves and fast-food wrappers across one downtown Los Angeles business plaza.

Dust and ash from the 250-square-mile Station Fire burn area in the Angeles National Forest darkened the sky over foothill suburbs northeast of Los Angeles.

Pasadena Fire Department spokeswoman Lisa Derderian said it appeared "almost smoke-like."

Blowing dust cut visibility in parts of the San Joaquin Valley and air quality alerts were issued in a half-dozen counties for particulate pollution. Airborne dust also cut visibility to as little as a mile in the state's southeastern corner.

Gale warnings or small craft advisories were posted along the state's 1,100-mile coast, and wind advisories or warnings were posted from Redding in the upper Sacramento Valley, about 195 miles north of San Francisco, all the way south to the Mexican border.

Red flag warnings of fire danger due to winds and low humidity were issued for the Santa Monica Mountains above the Malibu shoreline, the inland region east of Los Angeles, to the south throughout Orange County, and in southeastern desert areas.

A lower-level fire weather watch was in effect along western San Diego County south to the border.



PARTY FOR A CAUSE

Ray Solano *news@smdp.com*

From left to right: Cole Sprouse, Bailee Madison, Dylan Sprouse and Debby Ryan attend the Children Affected by Aids Foundation's 16th annual 'Dream Halloween' at Barker Hanger on Saturday. The event generated nearly $1 million for children impacted by AIDS.

Flu vaccine demand exceeds supply

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

COUNTYWIDE Los Angeles County public health officials, who have administered about 60,000 free swine flu vaccines since Friday, were urging people not included in priority groups to stay home for the time being.

Demand exceeds supplies, according to the county's top doctor, and people 25-64 years old without underlying health problems, over 65 years old, or not caring for an infant younger than 6 months old are being asked to defer vaccinations.

Dr. Jonathan Fielding, the director of the Department of Public Health, about a quarter of the doses set aside for the public health department have been administered so far. An estimated 5.5 million Los Angeles County residents fall into priority categories established by the Centers for Disease Control.

Those planning to line up for a vaccine at county clinics were urged to review the vaccination form, found in several languages on the department's Web site, www.publichealth.lacounty.gov.

Those in a priority group should bring in a completed form. Those not in a priority group will have to wait for a future clinic to receive a vaccination, Fielding said.

The priority groups are:

• Pregnant women

• Young people 6 months to 24 years old

• People living with or caring for infants under 6 months of age

• Health care workers and emergency service personnel

• Individuals ages 25-64 with health conditions that put them at higher

risk for flu-related complications.

Pregnant women are particularly susceptible to the H1N1 virus, with at least 28 dying nationwide from the virus. Those who are pregnant should get the Thimerosal-free, injectable version of the vaccine, as opposed to the nasal mist.

California is supposed to get about 20 million doses of the vaccine but has received less than 2 million so far because of production delays. The government hopes to have 150 million doses of swine flu vaccine shipped out across the country by December.

Of the 300,000 doses received by the county, about 220,000 have been sent to hospitals and private providers, while about 80,000 have been sent to public clinics.

While most of those in the priority groups have private insurance, according to Fielding, the county is not turning away those who would ordinarily seek private treatment under their insurance.

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The rules don't apply

Editor:

The governor's wife, Maria Shriver, has been in the news a lot lately, talking on her cell phone while driving in violation of California law, and even parking her car in the red zone, also in violation of the law.

While I haven't seen her driving and talking, those of us regulars who sit and have coffee at Peet's on Montana [Avenue] recently observed the first wife parked in a red zone on Montana, and when she was approached by a city parking enforcer who began to write her a ticket, [she] immediately began to berate the parking enforcer, screaming "Do you know who I am?"

I guess the rules are meant for those of us who aren't married to the governor or related to a Santa Monica City Council member.

Saul Cohen
Santa Monica

It's not Turkmenistan

Editor:

A few years ago the former president of Turkmenistan, the self-proclaimed Turkmenbashi (Father of All Turkmen) had an ice skating rink built in his desert capital city, Ashgabat. International ridicule followed: an ice rink in the desert was held up as an example of the hubris of a megalomaniac who squandered his nation's wealth on such folly.

[On Tuesday night] in Santa Monica the overnight low [was] at least 25 degrees above freezing. [On Tuesday] an open air public ice rink open[ed] amid much fanfare, including a promised record setter – world's tallest ice sculpture! Many cities in higher latitudes take some comfort from winter's chill by creating elaborate sculpture gardens of ice, gardens sustained by weeks – even months – of sub-freezing temperatures. Sunny Santa Monica will never be such a city.

But it would be unseemly to question the environmental impact of the open-air ice rink and the world's tallest ice sculpture. Only a humbug would call this use of water and the energy to sustain ice for weeks in our warm climate profligate. This is, after all, the most sustainable of cities, Santa Monica, not Turkmenistan!

Mark Humphrey
Santa Monica

How others see us

Editor:

The Nobel Peace Prize Committee selected President Obama for this year's Peace Prize because he reversed the isolationist, my-way-or-the-highway approach of his predecessor. That has been keenly felt in countries around the world and is construed as a major step toward international cooperation. For Americans to complain about it is a throwback to the very attitude whose demise the award is celebrating – that what we see is the only thing that matters.

Phyllis Elliott
Santa Monica





Word in Edgewise

Kenny Mack — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Delighted by the discourse

"THE DAILY SHOW" USED TO DO A segment called "Great Moments In Punditry" in which talk show transcripts were re-read by actors. It was funny because the actual arguments were too childish to take seriously — and because the actors reading the lines were children.

For grownups who care about politics, but don't care for partisan echo chambers boiling things down to "our side good, other side bad," there aren't many places to hear a fair and balanced discussion of the real issues.

Santa Monica College's beautiful Broad Stage was one such place on Sunday when it hosted the annual live version of KCRW's weekly political roundtable, "Left, Right & Center."

The show's genius is in its simplicity, though its appeal lies in the way it elevates the discourse without taking itself too seriously. Every Friday, Matt Miller, a smart, interesting person steadfastly in the center moderates as a smart, interesting person committed to the right (Tony Blankley) joins a smart, interesting person passionately from and of the left (Bob Scheer), and a smart, fascinating person (Arianna Huffington, the star of the show — though producer Sarah Spitz says no one is) described as "somewhere beyond, politically" in a discussion of the week's events. Miller, with a David Byrne-like consistency, opens by referring to the show as a "civilized, yet provocative antidote to the screaming talking heads that dominate political debate," and because of that provocative civility, the show is so popular that a quarter-million people download a dose of political sanity every month.

I listen religiously, though it takes me much longer than 30 minutes to get through the show. First, I'm usually taking notes; and when Bob and Matt start arguing, I have to rewind to get the details. I also rely on Tony for a relatively rational representation of the right's reasoning every week, and his input bears repeating as he is quite the cunning linguist. As Scheer told me, "If anyone can make a plausible argument for an implausible position, it's Tony." I used to be bothered by what I thought was Tony's condescension, but after meeting him I realized that he's just genuinely amused — as I would be if I found myself in a place where I believed I was right and just about everyone else was nice, but wrong.

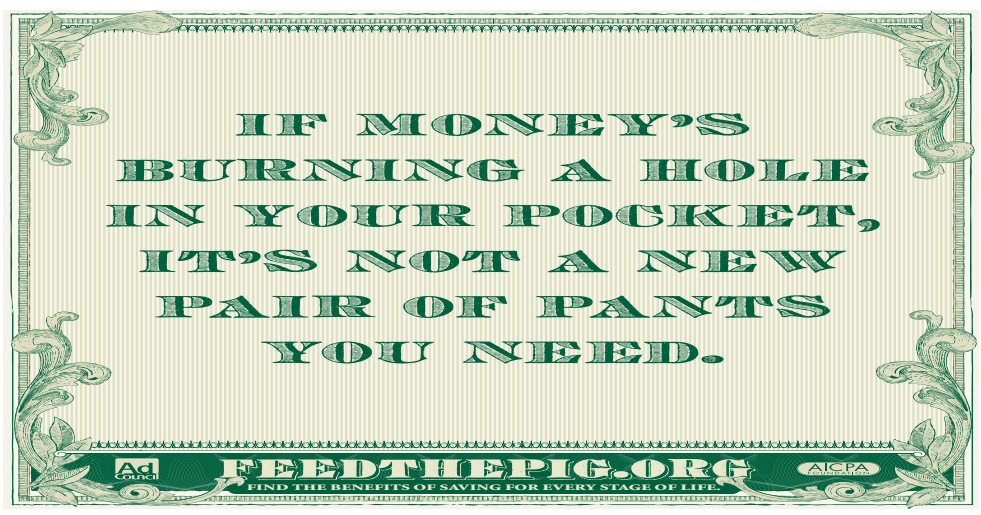
And the show takes me a while to listen to because my dear Arianna is still mastering the art of the spoken word in English. But her contributions are so good that it's worth taking the time. In response to the question I was lucky enough to ask Tony about FOX News, for example, she said, "It's OK to have any opinions we want, but we cannot have two sets of facts — and that's really the difference … . MSNBC has passionate opinions based on facts. So does the Huffington Post, incidentally." It's my question and I don't get in a plug for my column or my paper, but she gets one in for HuffPo — just as the show ended. You can't teach that.

When Matt told me he thinks "folks have come to see us as a kind of political talk version of a soap opera or sitcom, where each of us has a role that listeners understand," I remembered a moment before the show. Tony was receiving an Ambassador from the People's Republic of Santa Monica while wearing a contented grin, Bob and his wife were talking to some people, Arianna was totally engaged with KCRW's Ruth Seymour, and Matt was nearby with his family and some listeners. The actor Steven Weber (who, all due respect to D.L Hughley, was the best thing about "Studio 60") introduced himself to Matt and said, "I wouldn't have missed this for the world. Some of my friends are going to see U2 or watch the Yankees — talk about a no brainer."

I realized that these hosts may walk the halls of power, but they're regular people committed to coming back to our humble little public radio station on a college campus and letting us in on what's going on. It doesn't matter if Bob is in Cambodia during a civil war and has to find a Buddhist Temple or if Arianna is on a yacht in the Aegean Sea and has to call in on a satellite phone. The show goes on. And three of them live on the Westside of Los Angeles in the "30 Mile Zone" just like the rest of us. "LRC" isn't a soap or a sitcom, it's the best (first?) political reality show ever because these are real people. You might bump into Arianna at the Jamba Juice in Brentwood, catch Bob having sushi at the Hump, Tony having a drink at the Miramar, or spot Matt having fried chicken at the Ivy with his wife and daughter. As Matt perfectly describes it, the radio show is great because it's "a dinner party conversation." The live show was better because it gave us a chance to sit at the table.

The question is, will Arianna and Sarah join Bob, Matt, and Tony in making it a semi-annual event?

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Santa Monica From A to Z

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Happy over Halloween

"GO PLAY!" MOM WOULD INSIST AS THE screen door hit our backsides. She shoved us out the door and expected us to entertain ourselves until dusk while she caught up on (what we now unfortunately know) a ton of cleaning.

If you're like us, cramped into condos and apartments with a major thoroughfare for a front yard, you don't have the luxury of space. Although our tiny porches are stuffed with a sandbox, chalk, and paint, we still need to look outside the house to fill up our kids' days. Each week, we spend a lot of time out and about investigating interesting activities and fun things to do in town and wanted to share it with you with this column, named after our little ones.

For our first adventure, we decided to check out some pumpkin patches just in time for Halloween. "Pumpkins! I love pumpkins! I want to hug it," was Dashiell's reaction to pumpkins as a toddler. Now at the august age of 4, he's moved on to "selekins [sic], mummies, and freakensteins," but he still appreciates a good patch as long as it includes one of those bouncys." Two-year-old Zora loves anything her big brother is interested in and offers a "yea! Halloween!" whenever she sees a pumpkin.

At 18 months, Addison isn't too sure about Halloween, but she knows she loves to get out and about with her pals. She hands her mother her shoes and bangs on the front door saying "bye bye" until that door opens to her next adventure.

Despite the fact that there is not a hint of fall in the air, we all headed to Underwood Family Farms in Moorpark, a real working farm about an hour from Santa Monica. There is a whole fall festival extravaganza happening with pony rides, pumpkin patches, hayrides and games.

The 90 degree heat didn't stop people from coming. When we arrived at 10 a.m., the place was already hopping.

As soon as we got inside, Dash was determined to find a bouncy until he thankfully spotted the cow train. We were grateful for the much-needed breeze supplied by the turn around the pumpkin patch, even if it did knock Addison's hat right off her head.

Next it was time to satisfy Zora's love of animals with an informative animal show about her favorite farmyard characters. But afterwards we couldn't get excited about the petting zoo in the heat, and honestly the goats didn't look too excited to be there, either. On a cooler day, the chickens, lambs and goats would be fun to pet and the kids could feed the emus, turkeys and other exotic animals.

Afterwards, we found a spot under a tree and had some lunch and watched the pig races. A swarm of red ants interrupted our next event, Barnyard Tales, by attacking Addison's foot. Luckily, the Crosstown Cowboys Western band cheered her up.

Our day at the farm was not cheap. Admission is $10 per person over age 2 on the weekends, and many of the rides, games, and activities cost between $2 and $5 each. An hour's entertainment in the sizzling heat cost us $45, and that's before lunch!

Food selections were limited to fast food festival fare, so you may want to bring a sack lunch. A word of advice, if you are going to try your hand at the corn maze, don't leave it for last. After wending our way this way and that, we were just grateful to find our way back to the entrance before the kids melted down.

As Dash was still begging for a bouncy, we also tried the YMCA pumpkin patch in Temescal Canyon Park. The patch is surrounded by the Santa Monica Mountains, allowing you to connect a little with nature. The bouncy is also free, and the proceeds from the pumpkin sale benefit the Y. Honestly, the kids had just as much fun. Sometimes it's not about the big event and spending the big bucks, it's about keeping it simple and staying local.

YMCA Pumpkin Patch open Monday—Friday, 3 p.m. to 7 p.m., Saturday — Sunday, 10 a.m. to 6 p.m., located at the corner of Sunset and Temescal Canyon boulevards. Free parking.

Underwood Family Farms Fall Harvest Festival now through Nov. 1, open 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. every day.

Find more information, links, and details about Addison's, Zora's and Dash's adventures at smatoz.blogspot.com.

The Q Line

Lunch on four wheels

Downtown restaurant owners are concerned about the impact the food truck craze has had on their bottom lines, complaining that the operators of these trucks do not have to play by the same rules or pay the same taxes and fees, therefore creating an uneven playing field.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks:

Are you a fan of the food truck craze and do you think their presence hurts local restaurants and delis?

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Stocks mostly fall on uneven data

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AP Business Writer

NEW YORK Stocks mostly fell Tuesday as mixed reports on home prices and consumer confidence gave investors little incentive to step into the market.

Rising energy stocks and a decision by IBM Corp. to double its stock-repurchase plan propped up the Dow Jones industrials but the Nasdaq composite index slid after Chinese Internet search company Baidu Inc. warned its revenue could take a hit as it switches its advertising system.

Two stocks fell for every one that rose at the New York Stock Exchange.

Bond prices rose after strong demand at a government debt auction, signaling that investors are still seeking safety.

Stocks rose at the start of trading following a report that home prices in 20 major metropolitan markets increased for the third straight month in August. The Standard & Poor's/Case-Shiller home price index gained 1 percent in August from July.

However, the gains in home prices couldn't offset worries that consumers might not be in a mood to spend this holiday season. The Conference Board said its Consumer Confidence Index fell unexpectedly to 47.7 in October, its second-lowest reading since May. Analysts predicted a figure of 53.1.

While data on consumer confidence can be volatile, the dropoff still took some of the sheen off corporate profit reports for the July-September quarter, which have been coming in ahead of expectations.

"When I look at the consumer, I think that is the next big test," said Dave Hinnenkamp, chief executive KDV Wealth Management in Minneapolis. "We've passed a big test on the earnings front."

The Dow rose 14.21, or 0.1 percent, to 9,882.17. The broader Standard & Poor's 500 index fell 3.54, or 0.3 percent, to 1,063.41, while Nasdaq fell 25.76, or 1.2 percent, to 2,116.09.

Bond prices rose after a Treasury Department auction of $44 billion in two-year notes drew robust demand. That pushed yields lower. The yield on the two-year note rose fell to 0.94 percent from 1.04 percent late Monday. The yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note fell to 3.45 percent from 3.56 percent.

Stocks have fallen for most of the past week on worries about the economy. The Dow dropped 104 points Monday after a similar slide Friday. It was the first consecutive triple-digit loss for the Dow since mid-June.

The drops have come as a strengthening dollar pushed the prices of commodities lower. The dollar mostly rose again Tuesday but didn't dominate trading.

Analysts say the coming days could be choppy as traders look for fuel to extend the market's climb. The down days are welcome by those who say the advance has been too quick. The S&P 500 index is up 57.2 percent since March but down 3.1 percent from the start of last week when it closed at its highest level in more than a year.

The end of the month could also present hurdles. For many mutual funds, the last trading day of their fiscal year is Friday. Fund managers looking to minimize taxes for shareholders could sell some of their investments.

Investors are also looking to the government's first reading on economic output for the third quarter. The report on gross domestic product is due Thursday and could signal an end to the recession that many analysts have said is over, at least officially.

Joe Battipaglia, market strategist for the private client group at Stifel Nicolaus & Co. in Yardley, Pa., said recent economic data don't support arguments for a fast recovery in the economy, nor do they suggest a rebound would be weak enough to push stocks back down to the levels of eight months ago.

"We are in what I would call purgatory right now where the U.S. economy is rather limp," he said.

Crude oil rose 87 cents to settle at $79.55 per barrel on the New York Mercantile Exchange. Gold fell.

IBM, one of the 30 companies that make up the Dow, rose after it added $5 billion to its stock repurchase fund. The total now stands at $9.2 billion. The stock advanced 54 cents, or 0.5 percent, to $120.65.

The rise in oil after a three-day slide helped lift energy stocks and the Dow. Exxon Mobil Corp., which is slated to report earnings Thursday, rose $1.68, or 2.3 percent, to $74.91.

Baidu's American Depositary shares slid $49.31, or 11.4 percent, to $383.66 after it its warning about revenue.

Volume at the NYSE came to 1.4 billion shares, in line with Monday.

The Russell 2000 index of smaller companies slid 6.69, or 1.1 percent, to 586.99.

Britain's FTSE 100 rose 0.2 percent, Germany's DAX index fell 0.1 percent, and France's CAC-40 slipped less than 0.1 percent. Japan's Nikkei stock average fell 1.5 percent.


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Senate votes to take up jobless benefit extension

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WASHINGTON After weeks of political haggling, the Senate agreed Tuesday to take up legislation that would give people running out of unemployment insurance benefits up to 20 more weeks of federal aid.

Senate Democrats, saying that 7,000 people a day are exhausting their benefits, called on their colleagues to move quickly to a final vote. Republicans insisted they get a chance to offer amendments on the benefit bill and other issues.

Also in play was the possibility the bill would be used as a vehicle to extend another policy that has been central to the Obama administration's efforts to revive the economy: an $8,000 tax credit for first-time homebuyers.

The vote was 87-13 to bring the bill to the floor. Sixty votes were needed to pass that procedural hurdle.

The legislation would provide 14 weeks in extra financial aid for everyone exhausting their benefits by the end of the year, and another six weeks for those living in 27 states where the unemployment rate is at least 8.5 percent.

The White House issued a statement in support of extending benefits. "Helping unemployed workers is an effective way to boost the economy and an important part of the administration's broader efforts to move swiftly and aggressively to jump start job creation and grow our economy."

The House passed a less generous benefit extension more than a month ago, but Senate Republicans, at odds with Democrats over what amendments they can offer to the bill, have blocked Senate consideration.

As the Senate voted, Senate leaders were still trying to reach agreement on a formula to extend the homebuyer credit and whether it would be combined with the unemployment bill or brought up separately.

Various proposals are on the table, including one by Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., and Senate Finance Committee Chairman Max Baucus, D-Mont., that would extend the $8,000 tax credit through March 31. The value of the credit would then drop to $6,000, $4,000 and then $2,000 over the next three quarters. Another idea would extend the tax credit to home buyers who already own homes, as long as they have been in those homes for at least seven years.

Democrats are also mulling a plan to extend the ability of money-losing businesses to claim refunds on taxes paid during profitable times up to four years ago.

Republicans, meanwhile, were demanding that they be given a chance to offer amendments on federal aid to the beleaguered community activist group ACORN and on requiring that people receiving unemployment insurance be processed through E-Verify, an Internet-based system that employers use to check on the immigration status of new hires.

Democrats, in floor speeches and news conferences, have voiced frustrations at the delay. "If the American people knew that legislation to help jobless workers pay their bills and purchase necessities was being held up to score political points, they would be outraged," said Sen. Jeanne Shaheen, D-N.H., a leader on the unemployment benefit issue.

Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, D-Nev., calculated that in the three weeks that action on the bill has been stalled nearly 150,000 people have lost their benefits. "To say that I am disappointed is an understatement."

The states normally provide 26 weeks of unemployment benefits, with payments of about $300 a week. Since the beginning of the recession, the federal government has chipped in with added help, and the jobless in those states hardest hit by the economic downturn are now entitled to up to 79 weeks.

Supporters of another extension point out that up to 2 million people are going to run out of benefits by the end of the year and that despite some signs of economic recovery there is still only about one job available for every six job seekers. The unemployment rate is now 9.8 and is expected to top 10 percent before companies begin rehiring.

"A positive GDP is not the answer for people who are looking for work unsuccessfully," said Sen. Jack Reed, D-R.I.

MEDIA

DreamWorks beats 3Q estimates

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LOS ANGELES DreamWorks Animation SKG Inc. shot past analyst estimates in releasing third-quarter earnings Tuesday, saying its only release this year, "Monsters vs. Aliens," is off to a strong start in the home video market.

Analysts have been watching for clues as to how the beleaguered home video market is faring amid the recession. Industrywide, U.S. sales of packaged discs, including DVDs and Blu-ray discs, have fallen nearly 14 percent in the quarter, compared with the year-ago period.

DreamWorks Animation said "Monsters vs. Aliens" contributed $33.4 million in revenue and sold 4.6 million units since its Sept. 29 release on disc. Because it came out near the end of the July-September quarter, only part of the disc sales made it into the results.

The movie was given a sales boost by a 3-D vignette, "B.O.B.'s Big Break in Monster 3D," that sold in a special two-disc pack with sets of cardboard glasses for 3-D viewing at home.

Chief Executive Jeffrey Katzenberg called the premium package, which included "Monsters vs. Aliens" in 2-D, "a big, big success for us" especially in international markets.

But the movie had a poor showing in Germany and France theatrically, and the company decided against making a sequel, even as it soared past $380 million in ticket sales worldwide.

"We can do bigger and better and use that production slot for something we think has even greater potential to it," Katzenberg said.

In 2011, DreamWorks plans to release a "Kung Fu Panda" sequel and "Puss in Boots," followed by, in 2012, "The Croods," the third "Madagascar" movie, and "The Guardians."

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Feds: Chicago men planned to attack Danish newspaper

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AP Legal Affairs Writer

CHICAGO Two Chicago men who were schoolmates in Pakistan plotted terrorist attacks against a Danish newspaper that triggered widespread protests by printing cartoons depicting the Prophet Muhammad, federal prosecutors said Tuesday in announcing charges against the men.

David Coleman Headley, 49, traveled to Denmark in January and July to conduct surveillance on possible targets, including the Copenhagen and Aarhus offices of the Jyllands-Posten newspaper, prosecutors said in criminal complaints filed in U.S. District Court in Chicago. Tahawwur Hussain Rana, 48, helped arrange Headley's travel, prosecutors said.

Danish authorities said there could be more arrests.

According to U.S. prosecutors, Headley visited the newspaper's Copenhagen offices in January and told employees he represented Rana's business, First World Immigration Services, and that the business was considering opening offices in Denmark and might buy advertising.

While in Denmark, Headley asked Rana to watch for a follow-up e-mail from an advertising representative from the paper and to ask First World's Toronto and New York offices to "remember" him in case the newspaper called, prosecutors said. They said Rana corresponded with a newspaper representative and posed as Headley.

Prosecutors said Headley told FBI agents after his Oct. 3 arrest at Chicago's O'Hare International Airport that the initial plan called for attacks on the newspaper's offices, but that he later proposed just killing the paper's former cultural editor and the cartoonist behind the drawings, which triggered outrage throughout the Muslim world. He described his plans to contacts in Pakistan as "the Mickey Mouse project," according to the FBI.

The newspaper published twelve cartoons depicting the Prophet Muhammad in 2005. One cartoon showed Muhammad wearing a bomb-shaped turban. Any depiction of the prophet, even a favorable one, is frowned on by Islamic law as likely to lead to idolatry.

Headley, a U.S. citizen who changed his name from Daood Gilani in 2006, is charged with conspiracy to commit terrorist acts involving murder and maiming outside the United States. He could be sentenced to life in prison if convicted. He was arrested as he boarded a flight to Philadelphia, the first leg of a trip to Pakistan.

Headley and Rana are each charged with conspiracy to provide material support to a foreign terrorism conspiracy, which carries a maximum sentence of 15 years in prison. Rana was arrested Oct. 18 in his home.

Headley's attorney, John Theis, said he would have no comment. Rana's attorney, Patrick Blegen, said that his client "is a well respected businessman in the Chicagoland community."

"He adamantly denies the charges and eagerly awaits his opportunity to contest them in court and to clear his and his family's name," Blegen said. "We would ask that the community respect the fact that these are merely allegations and not proof."

Nobody answered a knock at the door at Rana's home on Tuesday. A phone listing for Headley could not be found.

Residents of Rana's North Side neighborhood, which is home to a large South Asian community and where Rana reportedly ran a grocery store and an immigration services office, reacted to news of his arrest with shock.

"He's a really nice guy," said Jalal Tariq, a 23-year-old waiter who said Rana was helping him with an immigration case.

Rana was scheduled to appear before U.S. Magistrate Judge Nan Nolan for a bond hearing at 10:30 a.m. Wednesday. Headley's bond hearing is set for Dec. 4 before U.S. Magistrate Judge Arlander Keys. Both men were in custody.

Jakob Scharf, the head of the Danish Security and Intelligence Service, or PET, called the alleged plot "serious" but said investigators didn't believe an attack was imminent. He said the alleged plotters considered various options, including using handguns and explosives, and that investigators seized footage of sites around Denmark ranging from the newspaper's offices to Copenhagen's main train station.

"We cannot exclude that there could be more arrests" in Denmark or other countries, Scharf said at a Tuesday news conference.

U.S. prosecutors said Headley was carrying a data stick in his luggage that contained surveillance video footage of sites in Denmark. They said Headley reported and attempted to report on his efforts to individuals with ties to terrorism overseas, including at least one with links to al-Qaida.

Headley and Rana attended school together in Pakistan, the FBI said in court papers. Headley posted a message on an Internet discussion site in October 2008 saying he resented the Danish cartoons and adding: "I feel disposed toward violence for the offending parties."

According to prosecutors, Headley told FBI agents after his arrest that he received training from a terrorist organization, Lashkar-e-Taiba, starting in 2006. Headley told agents he had worked with Ilyas Kashmiri, a Pakistani based terrorist with al-Qaida links, and that Kashmiri helped plan an attack in Denmark, prosecutors said.

He said he had surveilled the paper's offices in Copenhagen and Aarhus "in preparation for an attack to be carried out by persons associated with Kashmiri and Individual A," prosecutors said. They did not identify Individual A.

Headley told agents he "proposed that the operation against the newspaper be reduced from attacking the entire building in Copenhagen to killing the paper's cultural editor, Flemming Rose, and the cartoonist who drew the cartoon of the Prophet Mohammed with a bomb in his turban, Kurt Westergaard, whom Headley felt was directly responsible for the cartoons."

Headley also told agents that he conducted surveillance of Danish troops posted near the newspaper, believing they might be a quick reaction force in the event of an attack. He also said he surveilled a Copenhagen synagogue in the mistaken belief of one of his contacts that Rose was Jewish."

Westergaard, 78, said in a posting on the Jyllands-Posten Web site that he trusts the Danish security services to keep him safe, but that "it is scary to be threatened."

"I am an old man so I am not so afraid anymore," he said.

U.S. Attorney Patrick J. Fitzgerald said in a statement that "the public should be assured that there was no imminent danger in the Chicago area."

Publisher delays books by guru in sweat lodge case

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PHOENIX The release of two books by author and motivational speaker James Arthur Ray has been postponed in the wake of three deaths that occurred after a sweat lodge ceremony he led this month in northern Arizona.

Hyperion Books publicity director Marie Coolman said Tuesday that the December release of a paperback version of Ray's best-selling book "Harmonic Wealth" and a new hardcover title, "The Seven Laws of True Wealth," will be delayed until late winter.

She had no comment on what led to the decision.

The delay comes as authorities continue a criminal investigation into the Oct. 8 sweat lodge ceremony at a high-priced retreat outside Sedona, Ariz., that left three dead and nearly 20 others hospitalized.

Lawyers for several of the victims have said they plan to pursue lawsuits, although none have been filed.

Calls to Ray's spokesman, Howard Bragman, were not returned Tuesday.

Also Tuesday, U.S. Sen. Amy Klobuchar, D-Minn., asked the Department of Justice and the Federal Trade Commission to investigate Ray's Spiritual Warrior program. One of the victims was from Minnesota.

"People came from all parts of the country to attend an event which they believed would enhance their lives," Klobuchar said in a statement. "Instead, three people died, 18 were hospitalized and dozens more were traumatized. Mr. Ray neither enhanced their lives nor protected their safety."

Klobuchar asked the FTC to review Ray's marketing and advertising practices and also asked Attorney General Eric Holder to determine if any federal laws were violated.

Between 55 and 65 people took part in the sweat lodge ceremony that was the highlight of the five-day program at a private retreat near Sedona. Interviews with participants and law enforcement officials paint a picture of a two-hour period ceremony that degenerated into chaos as people became sick but were encouraged by Ray to remain inside for the entire time. An emergency call reported two people without a pulse and not breathing.

Kirby Brown, 38, of Westtown, N.Y., and James Shore, 40, of Milwaukee, died at a hospital the night of the ceremony. Liz Neuman, 49, of Prior Lake, Minn., died more than a week later at a Flagstaff hospital.

The lawyer for Neuman's family, Louis Diesel of Flagstaff, said he is preparing a lawsuit naming Ray. Ted Schmidt, the attorney for a southern Arizona woman who was badly injured, said he expects to file a suit as early as next week.

Schmidt and Diesel both discounted an extensive liability waiver the participants were asked to sign before the retreat began.

"The law hates those agreements and almost always find them not to be enforceable," Schmidt said. "Especially when you're trying to release somebody from your negligence."

His client, Sidney Spencer, was hospitalized for days with kidney and liver failure and respiratory arrest, Schmidt said. She was unconscious for more than an hour after being pulled from the sweat lodge and spat up blood when she regained consciousness.

A law firm in New York, Stone and Magnanini, is representing the family of Kirby Brown and is in discussions with several others involved in the incident, partner David Stone said. The firm is evaluating the legal issues and investigating the case.

Sheriff's investigators in Arizona's Yavapai County are treating the deaths as homicides but have yet to determine the cause. Ray has hired his own investigative team to try to determine what went wrong and vowed to continue holding seminars despite criticism.

"I have taken heat for that decision, but if I choose to lock myself in my home, I am sure I would be criticized for hiding and not practicing what I preach," he wrote on his blog last week.

Ray has become a self-help superstar by packaging his charismatic personality and selling wealth. He uses free seminars to recruit people to expensive seminars like the Sedona retreat that led to the sweat lodge tragedy.

He also markets his own line of self-help books, often pushing them to participants at his events.

Beverley Bunn, a 43-year-old Texas resident who participated in the sweat lodge ceremony, said Ray touted his new book at his retreat and asked everyone to buy multiple copies for family and friends so he could make the New York Times' best-seller list.

Palin makes at least $1.25 million in book contract

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ANCHORAGE, Alaska Former GOP vice presidential candidate Sarah Palin reported Tuesday that she has received at least $1.25 million for her hugely anticipated upcoming book "Going Rogue."

A disclosure statement released Tuesday discusses Palin's finances from Jan. 1 to July 27, when she resigned as Alaska governor. Palin says she received $1.25 million from publisher HarperCollins for the book.

The document only provides a partial picture of the book deal because it doesn't cover the three months she has been out of office. Palin doesn't elaborate on her book compensation, describing the $1.25 million figure only as a "retainer."

It's likely she will be make more money when it's all said and done. "Going Rogue" catapulted to No. 1 on Amazon.com and Barnes & Noble.com after HarperCollins announced in late September it had moved up the release date of 1.5 million copies.

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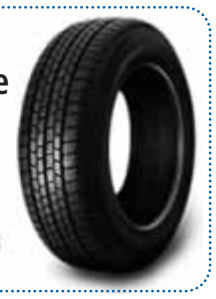
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More immigrants cite sexual orientation for asylum

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WORCESTER, Mass. For weeks, Nathaniel Cunningham and his boyfriend secretly lived together in rural Jamaica. They showed no affection in public and rarely spoke to neighbors.

Then one morning, Cunningham picked up a local newspaper with a front-page story under the headline, "Homosexual Prostitutes Move into Residential Neighborhood." His address was listed below.

For days afterward, Cunningham said an angry mob gathered on his lawn hurling rocks and bricks and calling them "batty boys" — a Jamaican slang term for gay. Eventually, the pair grabbed what they could and fled on foot. Cunningham said neither he nor his boyfriend were prostitutes — the slur was just another example of the abuse gay men faced in Jamaica.

The story was one of many that Cunningham, now 32 and living in Worcester, recently shared with a federal immigration judge in his successful bid to win asylum in the United States. And it's similar to other stories cited by a small but growing number of other gay, lesbian and transgender asylum seekers who are using U.S. immigration courts to argue that their sexual orientation makes it too dangerous for them to return home.

"I had no choice," said Andre Azevedo, 39, a transgender man from Brazil who recently won asylum and now lives in New York. "Where I'm from, heterosexual men practice hate crimes against us like a sport, and the police do nothing to stop it."

Since 1994, sexual orientation has been grounds for asylum in the United States. That's when former U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno ruled in a case that persecution based on sexual orientation could be potential grounds for asylum.

Until recently, those grounds have been rarely used and such cases represent only a fraction of all asylum cases.

But now immigrant and gay activists say more asylum seekers from the Middle East, Africa, Latin America and the Caribbean are citing sexual orientation as reasons for seeking asylum. Activists say the asylum seekers are escaping rape, persecution, violence, and threats of death from places where homosexuality is either outlawed or strongly, socially shunned.

Federal immigration law allows individuals asylum if they can prove a well-founded fear of persecution in their country of origin based upon race, religion, nationality, political opinion or membership in a particular social group. Those applying for asylum are already in the United States, legally or illegally.

No one knows for sure just how many have sought asylum on sexual orientation grounds. The U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services doesn't keep data on asylum cases won on that basis.

Still, last year Immigration Equality, a New York-based nonprofit group that helps gay clients with immigration cases, successfully won 55 asylum cases using sexual orientation as grounds, a record for the organization, said the group's legal director Victoria Neilson. That's up from 30 wins in 2007 and 27 in 2006, Neilson said.

And a Worcester, Mass.-based nonprofit group, Lutheran Social Services, has recently won five cases and is looking to help others.

"I think more people are finding out that this is an option," said Lisa Laurel Weinberg, an attorney with the group.

However, not all cases for asylum based on sexual orientation have been successful. For example, a gay Brazilian man who was married in Massachusetts and whose American husband remains in the state was recently denied asylum by the Obama administration on humanitarian grounds, despite pleas from Sen. John Kerry. Genesio "Junior" Januario Oliveira had originally requested asylum because he was raped as a teenager, but an immigration judge denied the application, saying Oliveira repeatedly said in the hearing that he "was never physically harmed" by anyone in Brazil.

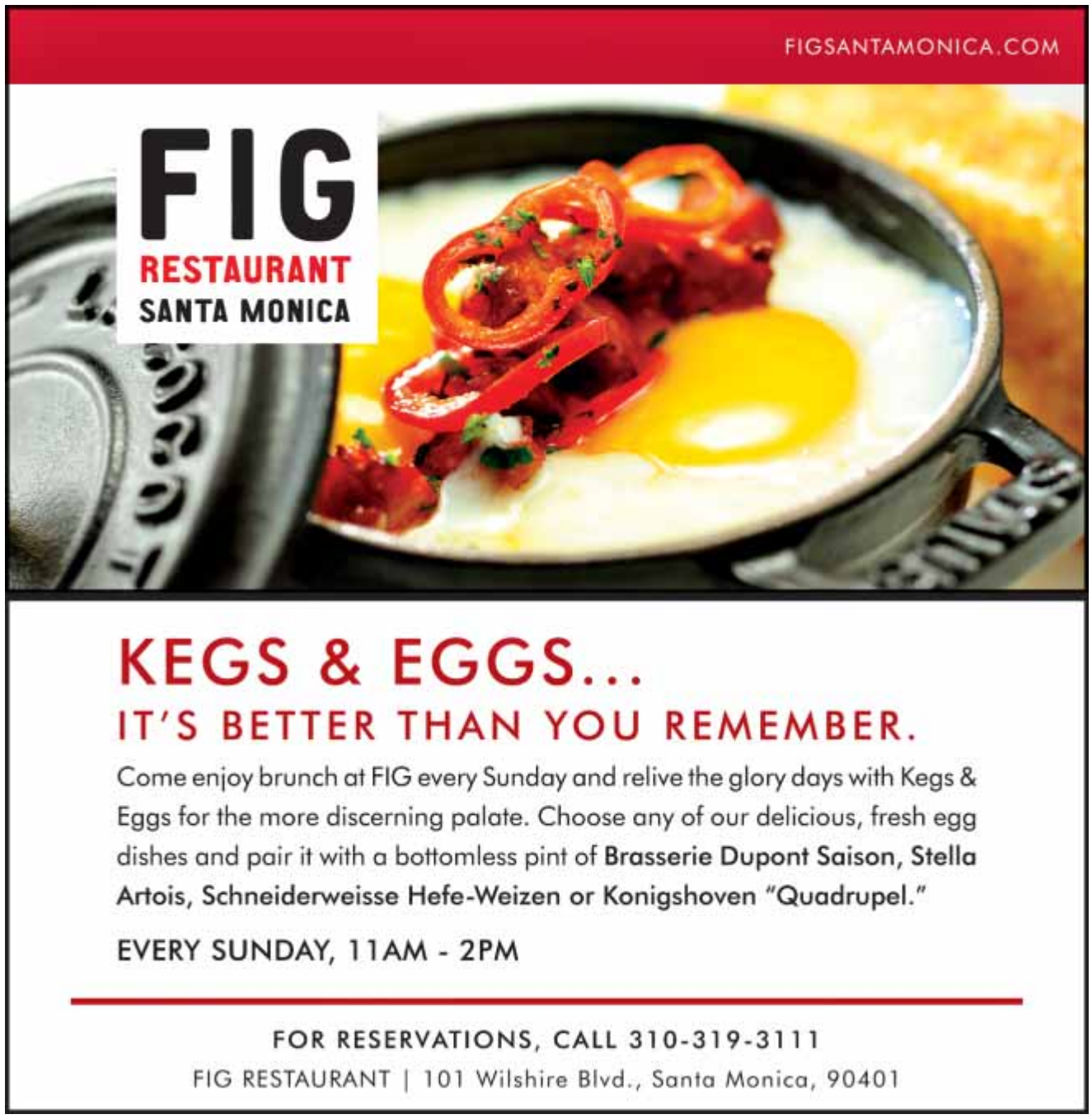
He was forced to return to Brazil in 2007.

Cunningham said he decided to file for asylum after working for a few years in the United States on a work visa. He conducted research online but couldn't find an immigration group to help him with the case. "One group said my case clashed with their Christian values," Cunningham said.

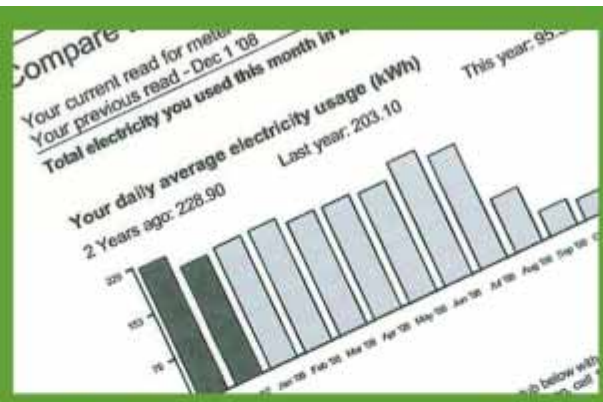
Many gay rights groups, he said, also had limited services for immigrants.

It wasn't until Cunningham connected with Jozefina Lantz, the director of immigrant services at Lutheran Social Services, that Cunningham gained support.

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Immigrants relive grim stories

FROM **ASYLUM** PAGE 10

To win, however, Cunningham had to revisit painful moments of running from mobs in Jamaica. Even the police would point him out for persecution, he said. In successfully arguing Cunningham's case for asylum, Weinberg also said Jamaica's sodomy laws banning sex between men and "dancehall" music — whose lyrics often advocate violence against gays — made life for Cunningham unbearable.

Cunningham won asylum in January 2008.

During his asylum hearing, Azevedo had to recall violent episodes in Brazil when he and a group of transsexuals were attacked in bars. He recalled a transgender woman set on fire. Each time Azevedo said he went to police about an attack or a threat, the officers didn't even bother to file a report.

"I had such a horrific experience," said Azevedo, who was granted asylum in July. "I was always in fear of being raped, maybe even killed."

After winning their cases, both Cunningham and Azevedo have become advocates for other asylum-seekers.

In Worcester, for example, Cunningham has helped a Lebanese and three others Jamaicans win asylum with the legal help provided by the Lutheran Social Services' "LGBT Human Rights Protection Project."



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Housing and counseling the homeless can reduce costs

FROM HOUSING PAGE 1

issues and abusing drugs and alcohol, living in and out of emergency shelters, sleeping under bridges and parking lots.

The study further analyzed the two years before the individuals moved to permanent housing, finding that two had gone through detox six times at a cost of $23,382, two had been hospitalized ($20,250), all had visited the emergency room a combined 19 times for health and alcohol issues ($7,885), all had been arrested at least once ($2,756) and spent time in jail ($8,545) while one served a 90-day prison sentence ($12,060).

In the two years since they have moved off the streets, only one has visited the emergency room at a cost of $830. None have been arrested or served jail time. One person did have a drug and alcohol relapse, requiring detox and rehabilitation at a cost of $6,002.

Comparing the two-years pre and post homelessness, the total costs came at $187,288 versus $107,032.

While the study found that providing housing is less expensive to taxpayers, it found an increase in one expense category — mental health.

"It is a positive finding because it shows that individuals are increasing their utilization of community-based mental health services, which ultimately leads to housing stability," Marge said.

The findings are also consistent with City Hall's own analysis in following eight individuals who were generating police and paramedic services in Santa Monica, costing about $30,000 altogether. After they were housed, the individuals did not generate a single call, Stacy Rowe, the human services administrator, said.

City Hall has also backed a similar housing-first approach, creating a registry of the most chronically homeless individuals in the city and housing more than three dozen of them in the past few years.

"These are the same people who create the cost to the system," Rowe said. "They are also people who have the most complicated situations but need intervention the most."

She added that city officials are always looking to expand housing opportunities, whether it's through vouchers or working with nonprofit housing developers. The city has also seen several permanent housing facilities pop up over the past year, including the opening of Step Up on Fifth and Daniel's Village, both of which are operated by Step Up on Second.

David Snow, executive director at Upward Bound House, agreed with the conclusions of the report, noting that the cost of a child to go through his program, which focuses on families, is about $12,000, a relative bargain compared to the overall cost to society of ignoring the problem.

"I think the challenge is recognizing this lack of investment now has significant future consequences," Snow said.

All four individuals in the United Way study are still housed in various locations throughout Los Angeles County, but the transition didn't come easily.

Some came in with the belief that the home would eventually be taken away, others struggling to live on their own for the first time. One person used her Social Security Insurance to pay for a care worker to stay overnight.

But the results have been positive.

All four have cut old ties and developed new relationships. One man, who was homeless for more than 40 years, volunteers with three food banks.

"He said that it has given him tremendous purpose in his life to have a volunteer position," Marge said. "He takes great pride in them."

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At-risk groups urged to get vaccine

FROM FLU PAGE 3

Because the private sector has very little vaccine, "we go ahead and treat them," Fielding said of those with insurance.

While a higher percentage of the available vaccine has been sent to private providers, only a very small percentage of doctors who requested the vaccine have received it.

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention has reported that 46 states are experiencing widespread outbreaks of the H1N1 flu.

Since the outbreak of the pandemic in April, more than 20,000 have been hospitalized and more than 1,000 people have died.

In Los Angeles County, 65 people have died since tracking for the flu began and more than 170 were hospitalized just last week, said Fielding.

Fielding said the outbreak at this point qualified as "moderately severe," but the difference is that the H1N1 virus has struck earlier and had a more dramatic affect on younger patients and pregnant women than typical flu.

In addition to limited supply, officials are seeing a greater than expected demand, due in part, Fielding said, to President Barack Obama's declaration of a national emergency.

"One of the problems is the unpredictability," of future supply and demand, Fielding said. "The current supply is certainly inadequate" and it will take a number of weeks for production to catch up with demand, he added.

The director said nearly 1,000 people waited in line at a clinic in Pomona and varying demand at other locations prompted county staffers to reallocate vaccines.

"This is unprecedented, and we can't really predict the demand at different sites," Fielding said.

More than 2,000 county workers were handling what Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky called the biggest public health mobilization since polio vaccinations in the 1950s.

Today's clinics will be open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. at:

• Acton Community Center, 3748 Nickels Ave.;

• Pomona Fairplex, 1101 W. McKinley Ave.; and

• El Camino College, 1111 E. Artesia Blvd., Compton.

A list of future locations and hours is available online at www.publichealth.lacounty.gov, or by calling the county's 2-1-1 information line.

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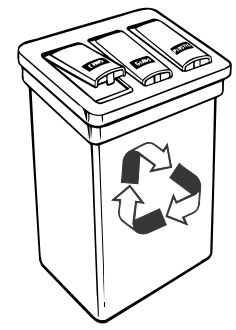
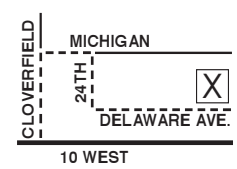
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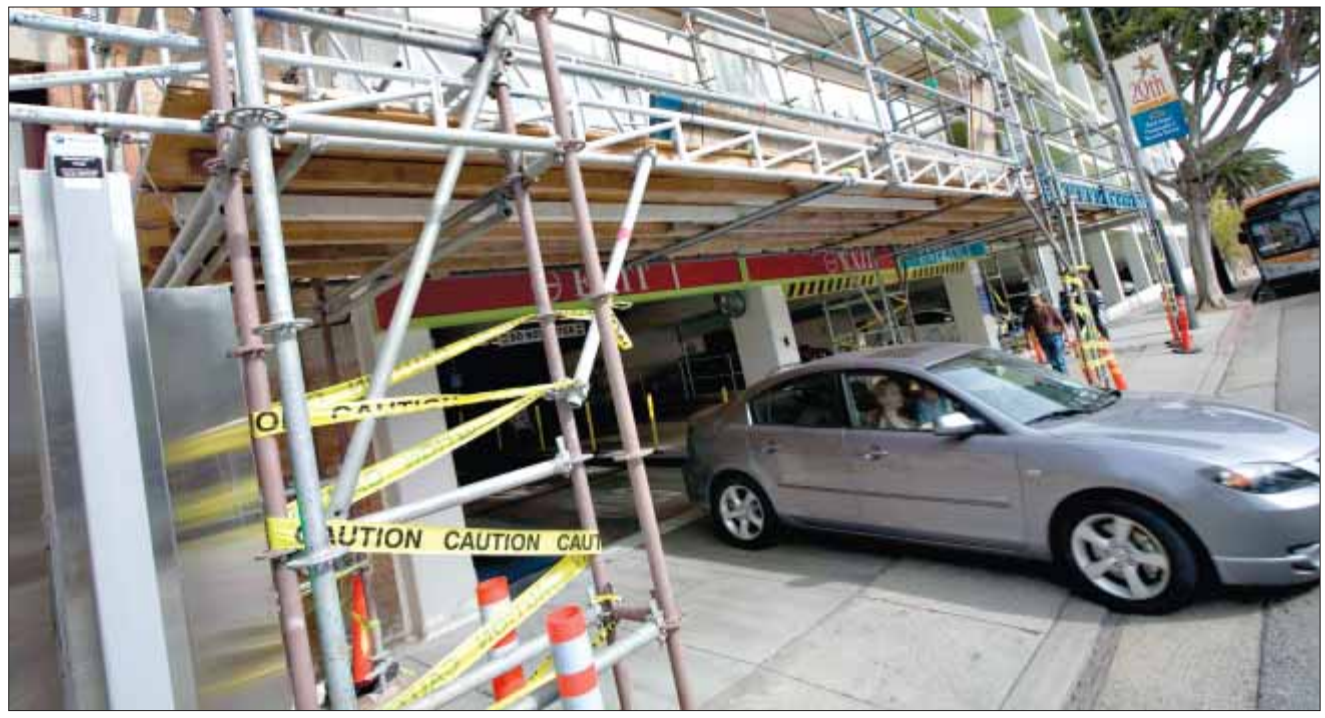
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PARKING CHANGES: **Cars drive in and out of Parking Structure 4 on Second Street Tuesday afternoon. City officials are exploring creating a validation program for shoppers and allowing downtown workers to park in structures off Second and Fourth streets.**

Churches concerned about proposed parking rate changes

FROM **PARKING** PAGE 1

The result could be a plan that makes recommendations that are slightly different from the Walker Parking Consultant study, though Patterson said he expects the rates to be fairly similar.

One of the more controversial suggestions from the study was to reduce the hours of free parking by 50 percent. During the council meeting in September, a Walker consultant said the current policy has allowed employees to park in structures for free, moving their cars every two hours and causing congestion.

"Any busy area where you have two-hour parking on the street you will see the employee shuffle, the two hour dance where every two hours people move their cars in order to take advantage of that convenience," Stephen Turoff of Walker Parking Consultant said at the time.

The recommendation has drawn criticism most recently from the Wilshire Montana Neighborhood Coalition (Wilmont), which sent a letter of opposition to the City Council on Monday, arguing that lowering the free parking would make it difficult for residents to patronize promenade businesses.

In the letter, the organization's President Jeanne Dodson suggests that city officials create a policy to address the problem of employees misusing the two-hour limit.

There's also the concern of how the change will impact businesses, especially gyms.

"You can't go in and take a class now and get out," she said. "You have to pay every time."

City officials are looking at tweaking the Walker recommendation, including possibly adding a parking validation system. In addressing the concerns of the lack of employee parking, Patterson said the group is also considering making the city garages in the periphery of Downtown, such as the Santa Monica Public Library, available to workers.

> **"WE ARE LOOKING AT BASICALLY USING PARKING PRICING SO THAT PARKING RESOURCES CAN BE MOST EFFECTIVELY MANAGED."**
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> Business and revenues operation manager, City Hall

There's also been some concern on how the rate changes would impact the local churches, including Saint Augustine by the Sea on Fourth Street.

Saint Augustine is located across from Parking Structure 1, which is frequently used by church-goers who visit in the evening for various activities, including choir rehearsal and the women's fellowship.

The issue for the church concerns raising the evening flat rate from $3 to $5. An Alcoholics Anonymous group also meets at the church.

"There is a psychological barrier," Rev. Hartshorn Murphy said. "One thing is people are used to the $3.

"When it goes to the $5 jump, our concern is people will say they can't be bothered."

Rates in Downtown were last adjusted in 1997. Even with the new rates, the Downtown shopping district would still fall below prices to park at nearby retail centers on the Westside — $22 maximum for Westfield in Century City and $24 at The Grove, according to the study.

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The newspaper coverage begins in October 1875, just three months after the first lots were sold in Santa Monica and continues through the city's incorporation, the building of local piers, the earliest road races and much more.

This project was funded by an LSTA grant administered by the California State Library. The Friends of the Santa Monica Public Library have generously pledged continuing support to make additional years of the paper available.

The Imagine Santa Monica (digital.smpl.org) Web site that includes the Outlook also contains thousands of historical photographs and images from the library's Image Archives. To learn more about these resources, contact the Main Library's Reference Department at (310) 434-2608.

MLB

AP poll: All DH or no DH?

BEN WALKER
AP Baseball Writer

NEW YORK DH or no DH in the World Series? Just decide, darn it!

Baseball fans want a clear-cut answer on the designated hitter dilemma that pops up every October. Whether they'll stay awake to watch the games this week, nearly half say no.

Those were the findings of an Associated Press-Knowledge Networks poll released Tuesday, with fans predicting the New York Yankees would win the championship and Alex Rodriguez would be voted MVP.

Cincinnati's Dan Driessen became the first World Series DH in 1976, and the issue has split baseball ever since. Fans seem equally fractured, except for this slight agreement: about three-quarters want an all-or-nothing solution.

The poll found 38 percent want no DH in the Series and 34 percent favor full-time use. Only 28 percent liked the current way — a DH in AL stadiums but not in NL parks.

No surprise, Philadelphia slugger Matt Stairs wants to keep it. He figures to get a few swings for the Phillies at Yankee Stadium once the Series opens Wednesday night.

"You're talking to a guy who has served as DH most of his career. I wish baseball would go strictly DH," Stairs said Monday. "But I think it makes it interesting knowing that you come in the ballpark like this, you have an advantage of having a DH, then all of the sudden your next series the pitcher has to hit."

Yankees manager Joe Girardi is fine with leaving things as they are.

"It's the only thing I've ever known, since I was a little boy watching baseball and staying up, you know, whether I was watching the Reds or the A's or all the clubs that I watched during the World Series, it's the only thing I've ever known," he said. "I actually kind of like it because I like the separation in the two leagues."

Major League Baseball did make one change for the Series this year, moving up start times to around 8 p.m. EDT.

But only 53 percent of fans said they would stay up late to watch them. And of the fans with children ages 6-17, just 42 percent said they'd let their kids stay awake to follow the action.

Other poll findings:

— 58 percent of respondents said they would only buy a World Series ticket for less than $100.

— More than half said all World Series games should be played at night.

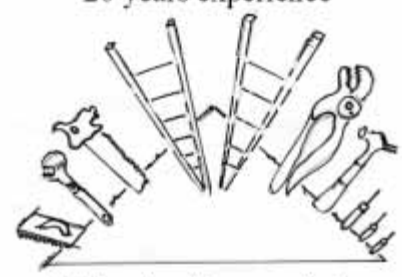
— Given a list of six choices for their favorite World Series moment, the top pick was Boston ending the "Curse of the Bambino" and winning the championship in 2004.

— 38 percent said the team with the best record should get home-field advantage for the Series, 37 percent said it should alternate between the AL and NL. Only 16 percent liked the current system, where the league that wins the All-Star game gets it.

By nearly a 2-to-1 ratio, fans picked the Yankees to beat the Phillies for the crown.

"I just hope that they're right," Yankees outfielder Johnny Damon said. "I think baseball is the toughest sport to predict. During the football regular season you can predict some things and in basketball, but postseason time it gets to be a little hairy."

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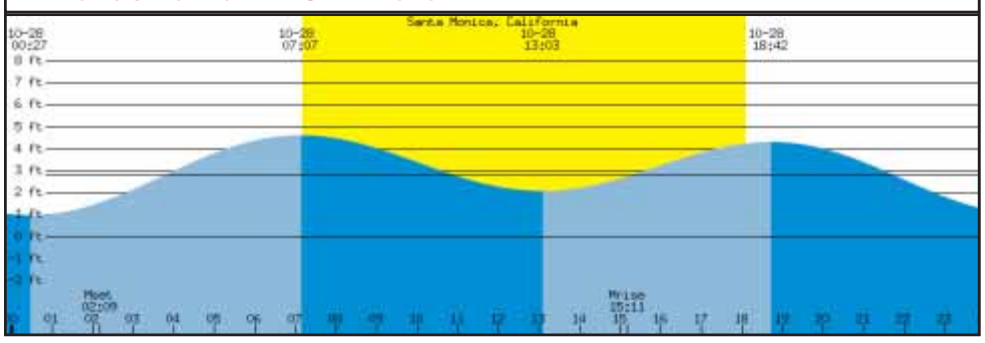
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Long Range Synopsis

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Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica



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Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Lachusa and Las Alisos creeks.	A+	A+
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	A+
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A	A+
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Solstice Canyon at Don Blacker County Beach.	A	A+
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	A	F
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	C	ns
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	A	C
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	F	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	A+
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	A+
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A	ns
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	A+
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	F
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ns	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	D	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 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+	A+
Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua).	A+	F
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A+	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	A+	ns
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	F	F
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	A	F
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A+	ns
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A+	F
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A+	A+
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	ns
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	A	A+
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	ns
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St..	A+	ns
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower.	A	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth.	B	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain.	A+	A+
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	A+	A+
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jetty).	A	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	A+	A+
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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SPORTS BRIEFS

MLB

'Dodgers' Jamie McCourt files for divorce

Jamie McCourt is filing for divorce from Dodgers owner Frank McCourt in Los Angeles.

A filing obtained by The Associated Press on Tuesday cites irreconcilable differences as the reason for the split. The McCourts have been married since 1979 and have four grown sons.

Frank McCourt fired his wife as the team's chief executive on Thursday, a day after the Dodgers were eliminated from the playoffs by the Philadelphia Phillies. Jamie McCourt's filing states she is seeking reinstatement with the team.

She also lists the Dodgers as a community asset that she partially owns. She is seeking $321,000 a month in spousal support if reinstated to her former position. If not, the filings state she should be paid nearly $488,000 per month.

ASSOCIATED PRESS

NBA

Clips' Griffin out six weeks

Blake Griffin is about to add patience to his repertoire of basketball skills while his broken left kneecap heals.

It's a vital quality for somebody trying to turn around the Los Angeles Clippers.

The NBA's No. 1 overall draft pick will be out for up to six weeks with the stress fracture, likely delaying his debut until mid-December — and creating one more reason to believe there's a curse on this star-crossed franchise.

"It's disappointing, especially when it happened, but I'm not going to feel sorry for myself," Griffin said Tuesday at the club's Playa Vista training complex. "Everybody plays with a certain amount of pain, but it is a fine line, because you do want to take care of your body and make it easier on yourself."

Less than 24 hours before the Clippers' season opener against the Lakers on Tuesday night, Griffin learned he'll be watching in street clothes. The former Oklahoma star won't be allowed back into practice until the fracture has healed in several weeks.

Griffin wore shorts and no knee protection while watching the Clippers' morning shootaround. He will undergo bone stimulation and special blood treatments that will limit his activities for at least a month, and he plans to swim for exercise.

Coach Mike Dunleavy believes the process will be frustrating, but hopefully instructive for a power forward whose relentless work ethic sometimes leads him to rush his recovery time and even play through pain unnecessarily.

"He needs to be more honest with his body and with our medical personnel," Dunleavy said. "There are times when he's telling us he's fine, he's good, and he's feeling some pain. ... He understands better the potential consequences now. Give us the information, and we'll decipher it and figure out what you should play through, but I think he understands now."

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Capitalism: A Love Story (R) 2hr 7min
1:25, 4:25, 7:30, 10:20

The Invention of Lying (PG-13) 1hr 40min
2:00, 4:35, 7:15, 9:45

A Serious Man (R) 1hr 45min
2:15, 5:00, 7:45, 10:10

Whip It (PG-13) 1hr 51min
1:40, 4:15, 7:00, 9:30

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Paranormal Activity (R) 1hr 39min
1:15, 3:20, 5:30, 7:50, 10:05

Astro Boy (PG) 1hr 34min
1:50, 4:20, 6:45, 9:10

Where the Wild Things Are (PG) 1hr 34min
12:20, 1:45, 2:45, 4:10, 5:10, 7:00, 7:45, 9:30, 10:10

Zombieland (R) 1hr 21min
12:10, 2:30, 4:45, 7:20, 9:40

Cirque du Freak: The Vampire's Assistant (PG-13) 1hr 48min
2:00, 4:30, 7:10, 10:00

Saw VI (R) 1hr 31min
12:00, 2:20, 5:00, 7:30, 9:50

Laemmle's Monica Fourplex
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Amelia (PG) 2hr 0min
1:40, 4:20, 7:00, 9:45

The Maid (La Nana) (NR) 1hr 34min
1:30, 4:10, 7:10, 9:35

Motherhood (PG-13) 1hr 30min
1:00, 3:20, 5:40, 8:00, 10:15

New York, I Love You (R) 1hr 43min
1:50, 4:30, 7:20, 9:55

Mann's Criterion Theatre
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Cloudy With a Chance of Meatballs 3D (PG) 1hr 21min
11:40am, 2:00, 4:40, 7:00

Couples Retreat (PG-13) 1hr 47min
3:50

Couples Retreat — Digital Projection (PG-13) 1hr 47min
11:30am, 2:10, 4:50, 7:30, 10:10

The Informant! (R) 1hr 48min
1:10, 6:30

Law Abiding Citizen (R) 1hr 48min
12:20, 1:30, 2:50, 4:20, 5:20, 6:50, 7:50, 9:20, 10:20

Michael Jackson's This Is It (PG) 2hrs 1min
9:00, 9:30, 10:00, 11:45

The Stepfather (PG-13) 1hr min41
12:10, 2:40, 5:10

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Just smile, Taurus

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ Play it low-key, and tune in to what others are saying. A partner is trying to communicate some basics. Are you ready to listen? Communication soars if you take some time to center. Tonight: Have a much needed discussion.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ You know what you want. If you slow down and step back, you could hear information that will open doors. Understanding grows if you remain open to feedback. Others see your responsiveness and become even more verbal. Tonight: Whatever puts a smile on your face.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Others assume you will take the lead on a project. If you honestly can say that someone has better ideas than you, let this person run the show. Be optimistic about a potential visit or trip. You are coming from a basic point of view. Tonight: Watch a movie.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Your creativity comes to the rescue one more time. Communication, especially involving brainstorming and loved ones, is about to become easier. A partner has a lot of feedback and interest in what you are up to! Tonight: Togetherness works.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Work directly with one person, not groups. A sequence of individuals just might fit the bill. In any case, a new connection or understanding becomes possible. Often, you hold back. Don't any longer. Tonight: Togetherness works.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Others need to dominate, and you are wise to allow them to. Otherwise, situations could become too difficult. Become more verbal about your needs and boundaries. You could get an immediate off reaction, but it won't last long. Tonight: Listen to the selection available.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Plug into work, whether you are up for it or not. You need to accomplish as much as possible. A child or loved one could be quite distracting. Let good vibes flow. You will connect on a far deeper level. Tonight: Know when to call it a night.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ If you decided to come up with answers and solutions, you will. Your ability to understand a family member or roommate helps create a greater ebb and flow. Understanding evolves. Tonight: Take a midweek break.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ If you can call it an early day or work from home, do. You could be overwhelmed by everything that someone is offering. Don't say yes or no. Consider your discomfort and what it might really mean. Tonight: Let it all hang out.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ What you say could be provocative, but it does start conversations. You might want to listen to a friend who has more to say than he or she has in a long time. Let someone show you his or her appreciation through a gift. Don't be shy. Tonight: Favorite spot, favorite people.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Be more aware of what you have to offer. You could be overwhelmed by someone's caring. Detach rather than have an inappropriate reaction. Know that you are deeply cared about. Tonight: Spruce up your wardrobe.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ You are all smiles and have an excellent sense of direction. You might want to reach out to an expert who can put the finishing touches on what you judge to be an excellent idea. Brainstorm to your heart's content. Tonight: Follow your instincts.

Happy birthday

This year, you are more verbal and creative than in many years. You also choose to reveal yourself more frequently. Your instincts work well for you, especially with family, home and real estate. You will probably add to your home in some manner, whether it's a new addition, a roommate or perhaps an actual addition to the house. If you are single, someone you choose might not be the person you think he or she is. Get into the full courtship ritual, and use this period to get to know any suitor well. Be careful, as someone you choose could be emotionally unavailable. If you are attached, the two of you will have a lot of fun together if you can get away. You will act like new lovers. PISCES is always fun.

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

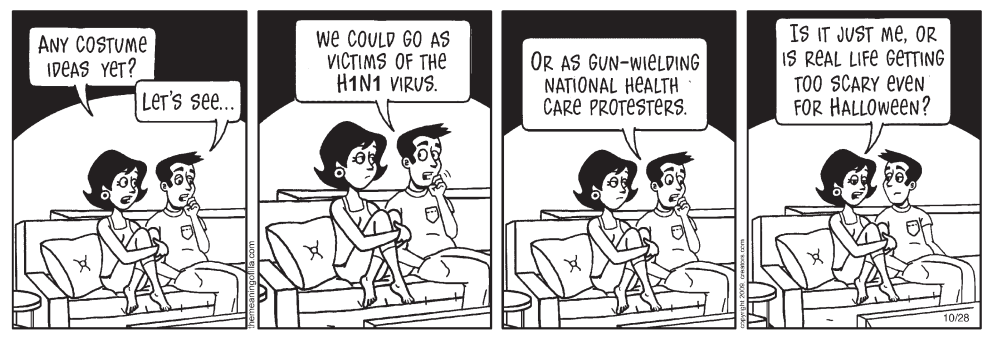
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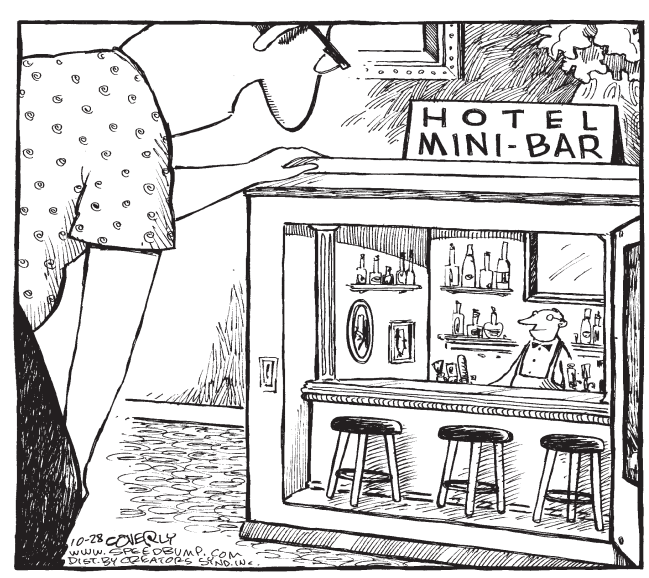
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Difficulty Level ★★★

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		5				2		
		8	4	6	7	1		

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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

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

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Paul Bunyan's blue ox
5 Vim
11 Steel ingredient
12 "Scarface" star
13 Rail or quail
14 Kind of band
15 Watering hole
16 Olympus group
17 Japanese port
19 Groceries holder
22 Blubbers
24 Diver's gear
26 Buffalo's lake
27 Valuable rocks
28 Gives for a time
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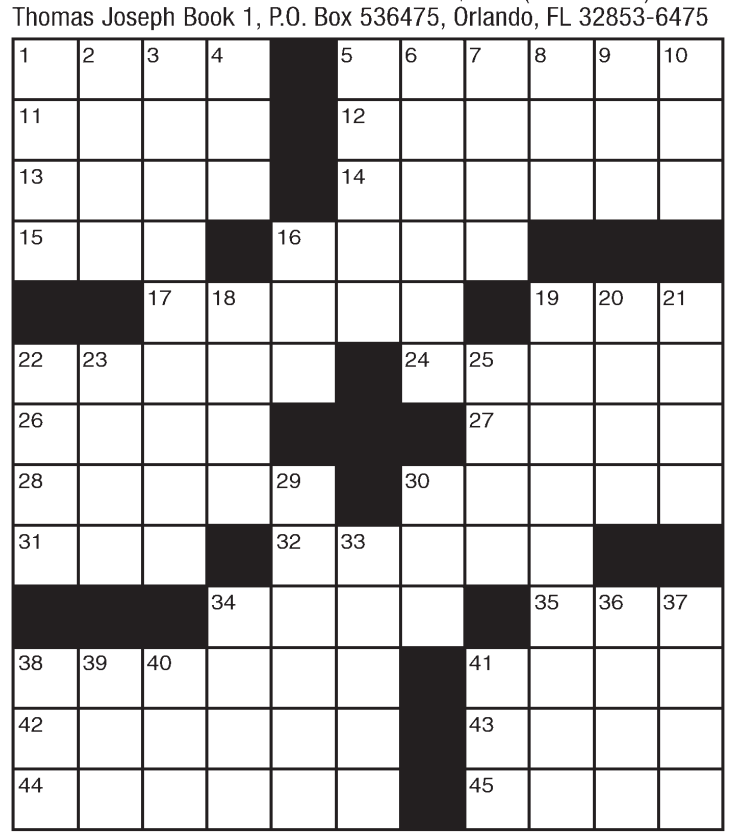
DOWN

1 Lettuce variety
2 Met solo
3 Some bank activity
4 Last part
5 Haunted house resident
6 Bamboo eaters
7 Frozen desserts
8 Crater part
9 — tizzy
10 Great weight
16 Methane, for one
18 Downhill glider
19 Mole activity
20 Aid illegally
21 Deep cut
22 Karate award
23 Region
25 Hen holder
29 Digging need
30 Ironically funny
33 Wide awake
34 Stash away
36 Hand cost
37 Well-behaved
38 Shade source
39 "The Matrix" hero
40 Pop
41 Through

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Adventure in the Bush: In June, after a monitored, endangered marsupial (a "woylie") was killed in West Australia, scientists set out to recover the expensive radio collar transmitter it was wearing, but as they approached the signal, a 6-foot-long python swallowed the woylie and collar. The scientists captured the snake, intending to wait for the collar to pass through, but poachers broke into the Department of Environment and Conservation's shelter and stole the python, surely intending to sell it. According to a June report in The West Australian, the scientists, aided by authorities, eventually picked up the radio transmissions again, arrested one poacher, and freed the snake from its impending life of captivity.

■ In a delicate, two-hour procedure at a hospital in Newport Beach, Calif., in September, firefighters carefully sawed off the inch-thick metal dumbbell-tightening ring into which a man had inserted his penis three days earlier. He told surgeons his plan was to lengthen the organ, to, as he put it, "make me the chief of my tribe." By the time he got to the hospital, his member was swollen to more than twice its normal size, and sawing the ring off (without cutting the skin) was the only way to save it.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1964 Vietnam War: U.S. officials deny any involvement in bombing North Vietnam.

1965 Nostra Aetate, the "Declaration on the Relation of the Church with Non-Christian Religions" of the Second Vatican Council, is promulgated by Pope Paul VI; it absolves the Jews of the alleged killing of Jesus, reversing Innocent III's 760 year-old declaration.

1970 Gary Gabelich sets a land speed record in a rocket-powered automobile called the Blue Flame, fueled with natural gas.

1971 Britain launches its first (and as of 2007, only) satellite, Prospero, into low Earth orbit atop a Black Arrow carrier rocket.

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