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THE BOO! ISSUE



SWEETS FOR THE SWEET

Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

Patient Ella Lopez, 6, reaches for candy with her mother Melissa King (left) during the annual Santa Monica-UCLA Medical Center's pediatric trick-or-treat festivities on Friday afternoon. The event gives kids who are ill an opportunity to celebrate Halloween.

Slate mailer group takes more barbs for campaign tactics

BY NICK TABOREK
Daily Press Staff Writer

DOWNTOWN The group Santa Monicans for Quality Government, which last week irked Santa Monica's cops and firefighters by sending out what the public safety unions said was a misleading campaign mailer, has come up with a new flier that is drawing criticism from the organization Community for Excellent Public Schools (CEPS).

The new mailer, which arrived in some Santa Monica mailboxes on Friday, asks potential voters, "Who does CEPS trust to protect our schools?" and features some — but not all — of the candidates the group endorsed.

The candidates included on the mailer are incumbents Bob Holbrook, Pam O'Connor, Gleam Davis and Terry O'Day. Left off the flier are CEPS endorsees Ted Winterer and Kevin McKeown.

"I'm not happy about it all," said Rebecca Kennerly, CEPS' chair. "If they're going to use our name, they need to use our [complete] endorsements, and they should, out of common courtesy, ask our permission."

While all the candidates listed on the flier were endorsed by CEPS, Kennerly said the flier could still confuse voters.

"It isn't that these are huge misrepresentations, but I don't appreciate the way they're not using the full picture."

While the flier clearly referred to CEPS, it mistakenly labled the organization the "Coalition" instead of the "Community" for Excellent Public Schools.

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Formerly homeless honored by community

BY MELISSA LEU
Special to the Daily Press



RUTH MCKNIGHT

DOWNTOWN Before she was homeless, Ruth McKnight was a victim of domestic violence. She had quit her job at a non-profit in downtown Los Angeles, because she said, "I couldn't keep going to work with bruises on my arms."

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Celebrating the Sharpie's versatility

BY LEANNE ITALIE
Associated Press Writer

Exhausted new moms use them to mark their twins. Doodlers on hyper-drive buy them to trick out their cars. Conan O'Brien morphed into one on Twitter, and Taylor Swift used one as eyeliner in a pinch.

It's hard to find someone — anyone — who doesn't love the hardworking Sharpie, excluding the loved ones of little wall-drawing Picassos.

Fans and fanatics are all over Flickr and YouTube showing off their collections of the endearing pens and a vast array of handiwork and Sharpie magic, but Glee's Dianna

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OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA AND SURROUNDS



Saturday, Oct. 30, 2010

Boo!
Santa Monica Playhouse
1211 Main St., 12:30 p.m., 3 p.m.
Save Halloween during this interactive musical comedy journey.
This event takes place both Saturday and Sunday.
For more information, call (310) 394-9779 ext. 2.

Tick tock the night away
Edgemar Center for the Arts
2437 Main St., 8 p.m.
Cabaret triumphantly returns! The longest running hit and critically acclaimed cabaret returns from the creators of the night of the black cat!
For more information, call (310) 392-7327.

Originals at the pier
Santa Monica Pier
Carousel Hippodrome, Daily
The Santa Monica Pier welcomes back United Cerebral Palsy (UCP) of Los Angeles, Ventura and Santa Monica Barbara counties to display an artwork collection in honor of October's National Disabilities Month inside the historic Carousel Hippodrome. "Originals" is an exhibition designed around the creative evolution of artwork it features, and the artists themselves.

Banned books
Ocean Park Branch Library
2 p.m.
Among the top 10 most frequently challenged books is the most widely read American novel To Kill a Mockingbird by Harper Lee. Join a discussion of this significant book and the enigmatic author as profiled in "MOCKINGBIRD:A portrait of Harper Lee," by Charles J.Shields. For more information contact Jamie Watson at (310) 458-8683.

Trick or healthy treat
Whole Foods
2201 Wilshire Blvd., 3 p.m.
Bring the kids in for some tricks and treats! Whole Foods will help families in making healthy and tasty alternatives to Halloween candy in a hands-on workshop and then decorating pumpkins in preparation for the big day.
For more information call (310) 315-0662.

Sunday, Oct. 31, 2010

Happy Halloween

Get painted
PAINT:LAB
2912 Main St., 1 p.m. — 4 p.m.
Face painting for you and your kids, just in time for Halloween.
Admission: $5. For more information, contact Oana Bogdan at (310) 450-9200.

Palloween
Barker Hanger
3021 Airport Ave.,
Join families and public safety officials for the 19th annual Palloween event. It's a safe and fun way to trick-or-treat. And it's free. For more information call (310) 458-8988.

Halloween hop
Montana Avenue, 3 p.m. — 6 p.m.
Montana Avenue will be hosting its third annual Halloween Hop. Kids of all ages will enjoy trick-or-treating all along Montana Avenue, plus all kinds of fun, spooky activities for kids including face painting, temporary tattoos, fortune telling, a doggy costume contest, and of course lots of candy! Many stores will also showcase special Halloween artwork in their windows created by local kids.

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.

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SHARPIE
FROM PAGE 1

Agron best summed up the Sharpie life in a blog apology over her saucy photos in GQ:

"I am trying to live my life with a sharpie marker approach. You can't erase the strokes you've made, but each step is much bolder and more deliberate."

Sanford Manufacturing Co., a Chicago purveyor of ink and glue, launched the Sharpie line in 1964, later becoming Sanford L.P. and part of the Newell Rubbermaid empire. Easily the market leader, half a billion Sharpie products were sold around the world last year.

"It's always been the jewel within the portfolio, but its roots were pretty functional," said a company vice president, Sally Grimes.

Now, Sharpies can be personalized, refilled and retracted. They come in keyring-ready minis, peelable grease colors for porous surfaces and shimmery silver for black ones. They can stand in for ball point pens with ink that won't bleed through paper, and for mechanical pencils with liquid graphite that won't break at the tip.

So what's the most unusual thing you've done with a Sharpie? Some ideas:

• One mom left the tiniest dot on the foot of one her newborn twins until she could tell them apart. Another writes her telephone number on the bottom of her kids' feet so they can whip off a shoe in case they get lost.

Grimes notes: While Sharpies are nontoxic, they're not recommended for use on skin. Also, they're not edible, though they're good for turning oranges into little jack-o'-lanterns for Halloween place settings.

Win mom of the year by printing out your child's favorite cartoon characters and tracing them on plastic bags. Fill in with Sharpie for the coolest sandwich look in the cafeteria.

• Amy Ekbom, 19, of Scituate, Mass., bought a basic white dress for prom and Sharpied away in bright pinks, greens and yellows. She did the same on her date's white suit. Ekbom earned a spot on the Sharpie blog for her handiwork last year.

• The Web's got a Sharpied Lamborghini and a Ford Fiero. It also has Travis Todd and his silver BMW. He's one of 20 members of the company's "Sharpie Squad," brand ambassadors with claims to fame. The Colorado Springs, Colo., lab technician detached the hood of his car and carried it into his livingroom for Sharpie-ing. It was his wife's idea.

After decorating the trunk as well, Todd sold the black-doodled car to a BMW dealership and is thinking about taking a Sharpie to the replacement, a silver Jeep. "My wife makes fun of me because everything in the house has something drawn all over it," he said. It took only two of Sharpie's opaque, oil-based paint markers to decorate the car.

• Enthusiasts of Cosplay, the performance art often influenced by Asian media like anime, can be dead serious about the wigs that help them transform into characters. Some hand-dye using Sharpies, a tedious process followed by a dunk in cold water to set the color. Others trade formulas online for extracting ink from Sharpie cartridges to mix with alcohol for a dunk. Cosplay.com has threads dedicated to the task.

• What about your own hair? One guy used a Sharpie to mask a gray patch in his beard.

• Grab a basic round Christmas tree ball and carefully detach the hook and metal thing at the hole. Cut a toilet paper roll longways and wrap it around a drill bit. Work the cardboard-encased bit into the ball's hole and fasten the other end of the bit to a power drill. Hold the drill with the ball attached in one hand, grab a Sharpie with the other. As the drill turns the ball, touch the pen to the ball for a swirly design as the ball spins.

• A guy once used a Sharpie for the pin of a trailer hitch after the losing the real one. He was hauling a large grill. Others color-customize golf balls and fishing tackle. They're also handy for opening wine bottles without a corkscrew (push in).

• Nothing says repurposed like a Sharpie. Reclaim an old lazy susan with a base coat from a paint Sharpie and a design with finer points, followed by a light spritz of sealer for protection. Or buy an inexpensive white lampshade and create a design.

• Darn, your hem's down and there's no duct tape in sight. Grab a stapler and have at it, covering the glittery metal with the right hue.

• Make your Xbox360 console or controller your own using the paint markers and finer points for designs.

• Professional tile maker Linda Ellett in Rock City Falls, N.Y., lays out large mosaic patterns by putting a piece of plastic over her design on paper for tracing. She then places the plastic over clay slabs and fills in the design with Sharpies, leaving an imprint so she knows where to cut and has a record of her colors.

Ellett did an artful series of biographical tiles called "Day in the Life," including one featuring her favorite Sharpie. The ode led her, too, to the company's official fan squad.

"I'm a two-termer," she joked. "I haven't met anybody who doesn't love Sharpies."

Mom Caves: updated rooms of one's own

BY KIM COOK
For The Associated Press

Roxanne Jacoby has a guest room in her Pennsylvania home that no guest has ever slept in. It's really her Mom Cave.

Outfitted with mementos and comfort items, it's the only room in the house she really calls her own.

"I've put in an alpaca throw, down pillows, a fan, my favorite scented candle, and a whole bunch of stuff that I want to read," says Jacoby.

It's not like she couldn't set all that up in a corner of the family room. But that "guest room" has an important feature: "I can close the door."

Many women — and not just moms — are taking over some of the fallow ground at home and turning it into a haven to pursue personal pursuits. They stake out an unused closet, basement nook or extra bedroom. Some use the space to work without interruption — they've got it all teched up with Wi-Fi, perhaps a TV. Others say none of that's allowed, just books and maybe a music player.

Lori Remien, a teacher in Evanston, Ill., took over an unused nook off her daughter's room when she needed a place to work on her National Boards exams a few years ago. "I went to Ikea and bought a comfy wicker chair, a plush red rug, some pretty black and white curtains. It's still a great retreat where I can watch the shows the rest of my family doesn't watch," she says.

New York designer Elaine Griffin embraces the Mom Cave concept and recently partnered with Homegoods in Manhattan to show some decor and space suggestions. She says, "A Mom Cave is where the woman who nurtures everyone goes to nurture herself."

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L.A. clinic owner, doctors charged in Medicare scam

BY GREG RISLING
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES Two doctors led a $5 million scam in which mentally ill homeless patients were paid $100 each for unnecessary treatments that were fraudulently billed to Medicare and Medi-Cal, Los Angeles prosecutors said Friday.

Drs. Rodney Barron, 58, and Eleanor Arthur, 72, were arrested Friday and along with five others charged with misdemeanor conspiracy, fraud and taking illegal kickbacks. If convicted, they each could face up to seven years in prison. All seven are scheduled to be arraigned Monday.

It wasn't immediately known if any of the defendants had retained an attorney.

City prosecutors said homeless people were recruited and taken in a van from various parts of Los Angeles County to RSB Medical Group in the San Fernando Valley. The so-called patients were given abdominal ultrasounds and had blood drawn, regardless of their condition. In exchange, they received $100, authorities said.

Investigators also said the blood was often dripped into open jars and packaged for sale.

The clinic allegedly charged the medical programs up to $1,000 per doctor for between 30 and 50 patients daily from December 2009 and June. Prosecutors estimate the scam bilked Medicare and Medi-Cal out of $5 million.

A message left at the clinic was not immediately returned. A recording said the office has been temporarily closed.

The charges were the latest in a string of patient recruiting scams that have cropped up in Los Angeles. Earlier this month, federal prosecutors charged more than 70 people accused of having ties to Armenian mobsters and trying to defraud Medicare of $163 million for services never provided.

Neurologist Zhiwei Lin was arrested last month for prescribing pain medicine to homeless people tapped to turn the drugs over to dealers.

Dr. Masoud Bamdad was sentenced to 25 years in federal prison in July for overprescribing prescription drugs. Authorities say homeless people were recruited in San Diego and driven to Bamdad's office to get prescriptions filled in exchange for cash.



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Scare tactics

Editor:

For the past several days my phone has been ringing off the hook with somewhat threatening calls from out-of-state callers about Measures Y and YY. They have been making false claims that our police and fire services will be cut if I don't vote for a sales tax to generate funds for our school district. I'm truly puzzled. What does police and fire service have to do with money for our schools? If our school district is so broke, why does it allow 1,200 out-of-district permit students? Sure proponents of permit students point to the fact that the state gives us $6,500 per pupil, but we spend $10,500 per pupil for a net cost of $4,000 per pupil or $4.8 million per year. If the schools are supposedly so broke and can't provide basic instruction, why in the world would the City Council even consider spending $57 million on a new Santa Monica High School athletic facility? How about spending it on teaching basic subjects and not raising taxes. If the Y and YY supporters spent as much effort trying to raise donations and come up with new ways to reduce expenses as they have on this shameless, dirty campaign, just think what they could have accomplished.

Jaime Gomez
Santa Monica

A supposition

Editor:

This is an open letter to all of you who are drinking the Measure Y Kool-Aid.

For years now we've heard the doom and gloom advocates tell us that if we didn't shell out more money for the schools here in Santa Monica, we'd lose the music programs, sports programs and all manner of other curricula offered to our kids. Like lemmings being led over the cliff, we marched to the polls and approved millions of dollars for school funding (K-12 and the college) only to be hit up yet again every couple of years.

Now we're being asked to approve a half-cent raise in the sales tax rate to "save our schools." But here's something to ponder ... the 800 pound gorilla, if you will: What's to keep Sacramento from cutting their contribution to our local schools by exactly the same amount that Measure Y will raise?

I think we need to find out if that supposition is accurate before we blindly add another tax burden, especially in this economy. I'd hate to find out that instead of helping our schools, we were led over a cliff yet again and only succeeded in funding some other Sacramento boondoggle.

Barry Barker
Santa Monica

Street sweepers just as bad as leaf blowers

Editor:

I have just finished reading the leaf blower enforcement law as published. I suggest that the city look to its own ... street sweeping operations. On my walks I have observed the amount of dust thrown into the air because the street sweepers have not used a spritz of water to contain the fallout. Thus, dust and dirt are thrown up to land back onto sidewalks, cars, etc. Perhaps they should discontinue the machines and use brooms instead.

Helen Porter
Santa Monica



On the Beat

NRO Adam Gwartz — **Send comments to editor@smdp.com**

Low-down on leaf blower enforcement

Q. I READ IN THE PAPER A FEW WEEKS ago that the law and the enforcement of the anti-leaf blower ordinance will be changing. What are the changes?

A. Recently City Hall updated the anti-leaf blower ordinance. Originally created in 1991, the leaf blower law has gone through several updates and revisions. The most current revision renews City Hall's commitment to effectively stopping the use of leaf blowers within the city. The revised law steps up enforcement activity, adds a training and education component, makes more people and/or businesses responsible for violations, and recognizes the primary problem with leaf blowers is the environmental damage they cause both from the tailpipe emissions and the dust they create. As before, both gas and electric blowers are illegal. In addition to the individual gardener/operator, now the landscape company employing the gardener, the owner of the property, the management company responsible for a property, and/or the homeowners association for a property will be warned or cited as well.

Currently the police department's average response time to a citizen complaint of a leaf blower is about 24 minutes. Typically when an officer arrives on scene the violator is usually done or gone. To improve effectiveness the primary responsibility of enforcement of the leaf blower law will shift from the SMPD to City Hall's Office of Sustainability and the Environment (OSE). All calls regarding leaf blowers made to the police department will be referred to OSE who will send an enforcement specialist. Even if the offending gardener is done or gone when they arrive, OSE will follow up with citations to the related property owners and landscaping companies. OSE personnel will track complaints and, relying on the fact that gardeners typically go to the same property on the same day at the same time, proactively go to locations where complaints have been received and intercept offenders. Police officers can and will continue to issue citations for leaf blower violations they observe, however, administrative actions to property owners and landscape companies will be handled and tracked solely by OSE. The police department and OSE will work cooperatively to address any enforcement problems that arise.

Education and training will become a significant facet of the revised enforcement. Education will include mailers included in appropriate city literature, an educational website, and leaf blower awareness training added to existing City Hall-sponsored gardener training classes. Water is not a good alternative to a blower. It's a huge waste of a precious commodity and it's illegal. Alternatives to blowers are wide push brooms, rakes, and manual leaf sweeping machines. Mechanical leaf vacuums are legal and becoming more and more commercially available.

When you observe a leaf blower violation, note the day, date, time, and exact address where the offense is occurring. Obtain a description of the person using the blower and the associated vehicle. Take a picture if possible. Immediately call or e-mail the OSE with the information (see below). If you call you may have to leave a message. All reports will be investigated. For maximum efficiency it is critical that the address where the offense is occurring is correct; even if the gardener is not present the owner or management company of the property can still be cited. Your personal information will be protected to the fullest extent of the law. If you chose to remain anonymous it may limit the swiftness and severity of remedial action that can be taken. Never confront or contact a gardener using a leaf blower.

City Hall's new comprehensive approach to the enforcement of leaf blower violations will result in cleaner air and effective, long-term abatement to their use. The key to making this work is prompt and effective reporting of observed violations.

Leaf Blower Hotline: (310) 458-4952.
e-mail: environment@smgov.net.
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COMMUNITY EVENT

Remember the Santa Monica Police Activities League (PAL) will be hosting their annual, "Palloween" event at Barker Hanger at the Santa Monica Airport. It is a great alternative to trick-or-treating and is much more fun. Admission is free. For more information see the SMPD website at www.santamonicapd.org.

CRIME PREVENTION TIPS OF THE WEEK

Over the past few months there has been a slight increase in the number of thefts from automobiles in Santa Monica. Most of the incidents involve unlocked vehicles. To protect your valuables:

• Lock your vehicle (even if you will only be away momentarily)!

• Remove all of your belongings from the vehicle.

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Who won next week?

THERE ARE SO MANY THINGS IN LIFE that we know are inevitable, but we still go through the motions and play things out. You have a blind date and in the first minute, you know it's not going to work out. Do you say, "Thanks, anyway" and walk away? Of course not. You waste three or four hours, and then walk away. Wouldn't it be better if it were acceptable for people to acknowledge things like that ahead of time, instead of waiting for the end?

At least two candidates for the U.S. Senate are apparently proponents of this philosophy and don't believe in waiting for the inevitable. In Nevada, Republican Sharron Angle and Democrat Harry Reid are neck and neck in the pre-election polls. So they are already working on their recount strategies.

Angle has taken the "why wait for the inevitable to happen" way of thinking a step further. She's asked her supporters to donate $80,000 to her campaign to help with legal fees to protest next week's election because of fraud and other illegal activities that haven't happened yet. She said, "Harry Reid intends to steal this election if he can't win it outright." Like with the blind date, Angle evidently knows what's going to happen before it happens.

This attitude is not as crazy as it sounds when it comes to politics. Certain things are completely predictable: Candidates will kiss babies, wrap themselves in the flag, and promise whatever they have to promise to get elected. They will say something stupid in the campaign, and then claim they were misquoted. They will accept campaign contributions from whoever wants to make them while decrying the idea of "buying" an election. And there will definitely be a guy in a beer-stained T-shirt at a campaign rally for them holding a sign that has a misspelled word on it — like "libirty."

Politics isn't the only arena where the inevitable is predictable. Sports is another one. You know that the Monday morning sports section will have more stories about athletes breaking the law than athletes breaking world records. A player fresh out of college who says, "I like the game so much, I'd play it for free" will hold out for millions of dollars. On the first day of the baseball season, we Cub fans know that the Cubs are not going to win the World Series. Why should we have to suffer through 162 games? Can't we just call the season over on day one?

When you water your plants outside, why not just soak your shoes first, instead of waiting for it to happen? When you take a vacation with the whole family, you know there's going to be at least one moment when everybody screams at each other. Why don't you start the vacation yelling at your family, get it out of the way, and then go down to the pool? When you're in a restaurant, don't bother wasting everyone's time by asking the waiter if the filleted fish really doesn't have any bones. Of course it has bones, and at least one of them is going to get caught in your throat.

SO IT'S QUITE POSSIBLE THAT SHARRON ANGLE HAS TAPPED INTO SOMETHING THAT RESONATES WITH ALL OF US: WHEN YOU KNOW HOW SOMETHING'S GOING TO END, JUST CUT TO THE CHASE.

So it's quite possible that Sharron Angle has tapped into something that resonates with all of us: when you know how something's going to end, just cut to the chase. However, if this movement really catches on, all politicians should be warned of a very real possibility. Even before they're elected, a Congressional committee will be formed to investigate the future illegal activities that they are going to engage in after the election. Why wait for the inevitable?

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Eventually, McKnight separated from the man who had abused her, but with no source of income and a baby on the way, McKnight was left in a difficult situation.

"I had to hit rock bottom," McKnight, 35, said. "When you hit that bottom, you have no choice but to do things differently."

McKnight has come a long way since her days on the streets. She's employed and has created a stable living environment for her 4-year-old daughter.

"Really all it takes is one person to believe in you and take an interest in you — to believe that you are capable of doing something that you can not see at the moment," said McKnight.

She was one of 25 individuals honored on Oct. 29 at the 15th annual Westside Shelter & Hunger Coalition's Celebrating Success Breakfast, an event recognizing the accomplishments of formerly homeless individuals and community organizations dedicated to alleviating the problem.

"Many of our honorees are people who have been scorned or shunned, and not recognized for a long time or ever at all. So it's wonderful to be in a room with 500 people acknowledging you as a person," said John Maceri, chairperson of the coalition and executive director of Ocean Park Community Center (OPCC).

"[Winning the award is] something I can't put in words. People had a standing ovation for us. Me, who was taking baths in the ocean two years ago, wearing the same clothes for five to six days. Me, who panhandled and wasn't a good mother," said Robin Higginbotham, 56, who was nominated by the CLARE Foundation, a community center for the homeless.

Two years ago, Higginbotham never imagined that she would love herself.

"I was busted and disgusted and couldn't be trusted," said Higginbotham, who has had a long history of alcoholism and family violence. "I can look in the mirror and say, 'I love you Robin,' … I could never do it before. I never thought I was worthy."

At the awards ceremony, Common Ground, a HIV community center, and Step Up on Second, a nonprofit center dedicated to helping mentally ill homeless people, were awarded $5,409 under the Marianne Dorn Memorial Dolphin Change grant.

"We are so happy to be able to continue to do this work," Maceri said. "[We] really feel honored to be part of a community that really does value the lives of all of us, including homeless people."

After losing her home in 2007, McKnight sought help at a maternity shelter in Venice, which eventually referred her to Upward Bound House. The organization provided her an apartment to raise her baby and case management services. Today, she works as the director of community affairs at the Los Angeles Center for Positive Change and rents a one-bedroom apartment, where she raises her 4-year-old daughter.

Tina Hill, a case manager at Upward Bound House, believes that McKnight sets an encouraging example.

"I'm just a bystander, rooting her on, being her biggest fan, just doing my regular daily job," said Hill, who was assigned to McKnight. "It's very moving, the fact that she actually did all the work."

In addition to the support at Upward Bound House, McKnight cites the desire to become a role model for her daughter as a primary motivation.

When her name was called in the last group of honorees, McKnight, in a red dress and flowers in her hair, spoke about how the support she received helped her finish her master's degree in clinical psychology and move into her own place.

"There is nothing like being able to walk in the world with your head held high … and to be in touch with one's dignity, regardless of where you come from, where you've been or where you're going," she said.

After the ceremony, McKnight was surrounded by attendees offering hugs and congratulations.

A woman who had waited patiently for McKnight's attention said, "You had my whole table crying."

For more information, westsideshelter.org.

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CAVE
FROM PAGE 3

It's different from the quintessential "man cave," where men do manly, messy and sporty things, often involving a recliner. Griffin notes, "Mom Caves are fun, frankly feminine spaces, and they're personalized."

Here's what you need for your Mom Cave: a place to sit, storage space, an area to do what you want to do, and room for occasional visitors.

"Organizing your stuff makes your space feel bigger. I love bookcases — you can hide in plain sight," says Griffin. Colorful boxes and file folders work well; group an array of favorite photos in fun frames on the shelves.

Griffin has a penchant for color — the mini-rooms she created for Homegoods were lively and welcoming. A reading corner with chaise and bookcases was painted vibrant fuchsia. A closet had been transformed into a tiny yet functional office, swathed in a warm caramel hue and accented with dramatic touches such as rattan lamps and black furnishings, including a chair with a nice wide seat.

No extra rooms available? Griffin suggests turning a stair landing into a mini-sanctuary using narrow console tables, a luxurious rug, and a couple of armchairs.

These spaces aren't exclusive to women with families underfoot; all ages appreciate what Virginia Woolf termed "a room of one's own." In her social circle of women age 60-plus, Barbara McDonald of Nova Scotia, Canada, says the "getaway room" is no longer needed but such a space still serves many purposes. "It's invaluable as a project room. Close the door and leave the mess for next time," she says.

Since you don't share it, you've got more freedom with the Cave to play with unusual wallpaper and accessories, create a Zen-like refuge or, like Atlanta-based Robyn Freedman, revisit your childhood room. Freedman, who runs a creative think tank, has even got a name for her space: the Hobbit Hole.

"My room's purple with green polka dots. It's got all kinds of silly things from my childhood — my light bulb collection, Dr. Seuss books and college letterman blanket. Lots of goofy stuff and everything makes me smile," she laughs.

And that, of course, is the best reason of all for a Mom Cave.

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The Q Line

Upset at the ballot box

With Election Day nearly upon us, we couldn't help but wonder if there was an upset in the making in the Santa Monica City Council races.

This past week, Q-line asked:
Which incumbent council member do you think is most vulnerable to being upset by a challenger? And if so, which challenger do you think has the goods to pull off a victory?
Here are your responses:

"IT IS A SHAME THERE AREN'T MORE challengers running. Anyone new couldn't do much worse than our current tax- and union-supporting incumbents. Santa Monica let's clean up our government as much as possible this election and get some fresh councilors into City Hall. Given their past performance, I wouldn't be comfortable if I were one of the incumbents. Cody, Wyner and Kronovet have my vote."

"PAM O'CONNOR IS MOST VULNERABLE to being knocked off the council. Ted Winterer is the challenger who deserves a seat. Vote for Ted and bring some new energy to the council."

"BASED ON WHAT I'VE READ ABOUT O'Connor and O'Day on smclc.net, they are both very vulnerable. Winterer and Hartley are the two challengers with the best chances of replacing them."

"I EARLIER WROTE ABOUT MY VIEW OF the most vulnerable council seat for the four-year term as being O'Connor and I meant to add that Winterer is the best qualified and the most likely to unseat her. For the two-year term I think O'Day should be the most vulnerable based on his opposition to the 2008 grass roots LUCE initiative that would have limited growth, expansion and traffic. His supposed credential as an environmentalist would be amusing if it were not so disheartening. I have been an environmentalist since before O'Day was born and have watched the movement degenerate, for the most part, into "empire building," where all that matters is creating a bloated, top heavy organization skilled at and dedicated to fund raising and little else. O'Day's (and side kick O'Connor's) support of developers, have all but gutted any real possibility of effective action to save Santa Monica, or the planet, any time soon. Removing them (and those like them) could give us half a chance at succeeding. I believe Susan Hartley has the strongest likelihood of unseating O'Day, and she comes to us with honest limited growth and environmental credentials, as well as a breadth of experience and skills unmatched by any of her rivals."

"THE MOST VULNERABLE INCUMBENT for a four-year seat is Pam O'Connor. Ted Winterer likely will replace her. The most vulnerable incumbent for a two-year seat is Terry O'Day. Susan Hartley likely will replace him."

"TED WINTERER IS GOING TO UPSET Pam O'Connor. Santa Monicans are on to Pam. We know she takes money from developers, then votes on projects they like and residents don't. We know our traffic has gotten worse because Pam is looking out for developers and ignoring residents. We're also on to Ted. We know he supports responsible growth and holding developers accountable for agreements they make with the city. We know he will look out for the best interests of residents."

"SUSAN HARTLEY WILL OUST TERRY O'DAY, the best friend developers have ever had. Santa Monicans are tired of Terry claiming environmental chops and doing everything he can to let developers exploit our city and bring an unlimited amount of traffic to our clogged streets. We know Susan will be a voice for residents, not for developers."

"IN THE FOUR-YEAR RACE, I THINK TED Winterer will replace Pam O'Connor. In the two-year race, I think Susan Hartley will replace Terry O'Day."

"NOT IN THIS ELECTION, BUT WHEN MAYOR Bobby Shriver is up for reelection he will most definitely lose. Mayor Shriver does not support Santa Monica schools. He sends his child to an expensive private school. He has publicly made statements against the important school funding measures Y and YY. He will lose to any challenger who runs against him in the next election cycle."

"TERRY O'DAY AND GLEAM DAVIS ARE the most vulnerable because our City Council appointed them without regard to the wishes of Santa Monica residents and ignored any attempted input from those residents. Susan Hartley and Robert Kronovet should make excellent replacements. Pam O'Connor has been on the council way too long and her loyalty to Santa Monica residents is suspect. She should be replaced by Ted Winterer."

"I BELIEVE TED WINTERER COULD UPSET Bob Holbrook and probably will."

"IT WOULD BE NICE TO SEE A CHANGE ON the City Council and if Pam O'Connor's tenure came to an end that certainly would be a healthy breath of fresh air on the City Council. There is a number of challengers who would bring a better perspective to the city."

"I AM HOPING THAT ALL INCUMBENTS will be upset by challengers but since I don't have that much faith in our voters I shall be happy if at least Winterer and Rubin are upsetters for four-year terms and Hartley for a two-year term."

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MAILER
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The group behind the flier employed a similar tactic in its earlier "public safety slate mailer," which made unauthorized use of the police and firefighters associations' logos and featured four of the groups' endorsees, but not McKeown, who also earned the endorsement of cops and firefighters.

It was still unclear on Friday who was financially supporting the group. The group has registered as a slate mailer organization with the Secretary of State's Office, but no financial disclosure documents were available by deadline Friday.

The group's president, Fred Huebscher, on Friday again declined to provide information about the groups' donors but insisted the organization had obeyed campaign disclosure laws.

A professional political consultant, Huebscher is managing the campaigns of Pam O'Connor and Gleam Davis.

A complaint about the group's financial disclosure practices filed by the group the Santa Monica Coalition for a Livable City this week was referred to the California Fair Political Practices Commission, according to City Hall.

The FPPC did not provide an update on the status of the complaint by deadline Friday.

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The Re-View

Merv Hecht

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Authentic dishes, ambiance that is tres Parisian

I LIKE A RESTAURANT WITH PERSONALITY, so that when I think of that restaurant a particular dish comes to mind. Nowhere is that more true than at Le Saint Amour in Culver City.

Yes, it's French. And I mean really French, like you can go there and not speak a word of English and do just fine, if you speak French. And if you look on the Internet you will see a lot of complaints about the staff being a bit haughty and unfriendly. That's very French. And yes, there is a varied menu with loup de mer (sea bass), steak frites (always the most popular dish in French restaurants, probably because of the "French" fries), poulet roti with spinach and mushrooms, salmon, moules and the ham and cheese "Croque Monsieur" that I lived on when I was a student in Paris. These dishes are made in the on-site kitchen by a couple of young men that love what they do.

But I've never sampled any of these dishes. I go to Saint Amour for one reason only: the charcuterie maison. Not only is it the best in town, it rivals that of many restaurants in Paris (that's as in France). The charcuterie is made by the owner Bruno Herve-Commereuc in his own kitchen, from which he supplies this restaurant, a few others, and private customers. You can buy it from his website, www.locharcuterie.com, and check out the restaurant at www.lesaintamour.com.

I start with the terrine de foie gras, with toasted brioche (I usually order extra brioche) and mesclun salad. The foie gras is as good as it gets, and the salad has a lively lemon dressing that contrasts well with the richness of the foie gras.

I move on to the assiette de charcuterie, an assortment of pates and terrines. There is usually a country pate, a lean pork rillette, and a chicken pate en croute. Each is delicious and has its own flavors.

I end with the Lyonnais sausage on a bed of warm lentils cooked in a port wine sauce. It's just like in Lyon, except the lentils are better.

Of course that's too much food for one person, but just right for two. And this rich flavorful food cries out for a good Rhone wine. My friend Harvey and I usually split a bottle of Cote de Rhone La Deveze ($10 by the glass, $37 for the bottle — so we save at least $3 by buying the bottle and get three glasses each). But there are other wines on the list that I have my eye on: a Gigondas from 2007, a Faugeres from 2000, and a Saumur Champigny Cabernet franc from 2006. In other words, there's plenty to drink, and this is one of the few restaurants in town where you can get a really good glass of wine for $10.

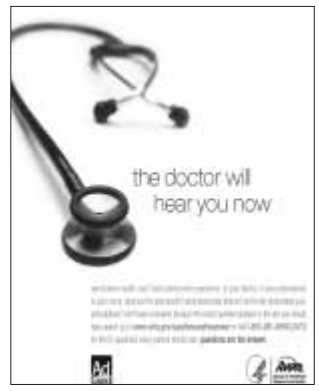
Although the interior is small and very plain, there is a lovely patio.

Our bill for this feast runs about $35 for the food, $37 for the wine, and $13 tip, total $85. It's a treat that I only allow myself once a month or so, for this many calories and this many dollars, but — as my doctor says — "living well and enjoying life is good for your health."

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School kids need to buckle up

MANY OF YOU HAVE KIDS RIDING school buses and a crash of one of the behemoths Monday in Los Angeles involved a fatality and raised many of the important issues facing communities with the big yellow buses and how to keep them — and the kids inside — as safe as possible.

Apparently a 17-year-old boy was driving a BMW when he hit and killed an elderly man walking in the crosswalk. He then swerved, ramming the school bus, which toppled onto its side. The teen and his passengers fled the scene but were apprehended a short time later. Twenty students suffered minor injuries.

Here are just some of the issues which came to mind immediately after hearing about the crash, and this first one should be raised by all parents, at the least:

1) The crash took place at one of L.A.'s busiest, most legendary intersections, First and Soto streets. Given our recent discussion here of the admitted failure by the city of Los Angeles of their red light cameras to either slow accidents or even raise money at equipped intersections, we should all ask: Were there cameras at this intersection? They could offer a non-debatable record of the wreck itself, which could include the BMW running the red light, hitting and killing the pedestrian and then flipping the bus. Or was the placement of red light cameras in this neighborhood decided on a political, not statistical basis, as the LAPD and L.A. City Council has already admitted? Seems to me all the parties involved should get inundated with questions like these.

2) Were there seat belts on the bus?

3) Why are school bus seat belts not mandated by the government in every state?

4) How can a 3-series BMW, the second-smallest sold in the U.S., flip over a much more massive school bus?

5) What are the roof crash and crush standards, rollover standards and other exterior wreck standards mandated for school buses and how can we compare them to standards for, say, SUVs and other full-size SUVs and/or large crossovers? And are these standards available in plain English, not government legalese?

There are many other questions I'm certain you can easily come up with and comments you'd like to make; please share them here and with your local school districts. Perhaps we can start a national movement, or at least a local dialogue about school bus safety.

Did you know there are school bus seat belts mandated by law in very few parts of the country, and those are always local rules?

To find out why, in a 2006 study, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration decided to not order them nationally go to www.nhtsa.org and search for "seat belt on school buses." It's information you may find very surprising and definitely interesting.

Then there's another report, coincidentally released this week, from the Washington Post as reported by the Associated Press: "School buses are safe enough without seat belts and students in many cases ignore a requirement to wear them, according to a study in Alabama released Monday that found the straps would save the life of about one child every eight years."

Millions of kids ride them every day and their parents (and most other people simply on the road) worry about the drivers, the buses themselves and of course, the safety of the students on-board. Yet we still see drivers blatantly passing school buses parked in the middle of the street, its red lights flashing, off- or on-loading students. Even the simple message about stopping when the bus' red lights are flashing has not gotten through.

In the world of transportation, protecting these kids should be among our top priorities. Even if the number of injuries and deaths is quite small, we should investigate to see if the buses could be made even safer. We all scream about what's going on in the classrooms around our country, and rightly so, but what about how the kids get to and from school as they ride these buses?

That's what's important. Right?

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Teen testifies about abuse at California torture trial

TERRY COLLINS
Associated Press

STOCKTON, Calif. A teenage boy who stumbled into a Northern California health club nearly two years ago almost naked with a chain shackled to his ankle testified Friday that a neighbor cut him with a knife, lit his pants on fire and beat him unconscious with a boxing glove.

In his first public appearance since then, Kyle Ramirez, 18, took the witness stand and described the abuses he said he suffered at the hands of defendant Anthony Waiters and others while being held captive from January to December 2008.

They "would just hit me. My back, my head. Basically everywhere," Ramirez testified.

Stunned jurors shook their heads as the teen gave his riveting testimony in San Joaquin County Superior Court.

Waiters, 31, is one of four people accused of torturing Ramirez and holding him captive in a Tracy, Calif., home. Waiters has pleaded not guilty to aggravated mayhem, torture, kidnapping and false imprisonment involving the teen.

Michael Schumacher, his wife Kelly Layne Lau and the teen's then-legal guardian Caren Ramirez have pleaded guilty to charges that included use of a deadly weapon and causing great bodily injury to a child. They could face at least 30 years in prison when sentenced Dec. 6.

Kyle Ramirez testified that shortly before Thanksgiving 2008, Waiters beat and burned him.

"They were all just laughing at me because I was trying to put the fire out," said Ramirez. The teen recounted other acts of cruelty, alleging Waiters once got a knife from the kitchen and cut his arm while Ramirez and Lau held him down.

"They cut my arm and poured bleach on it. It burned," he said.

Caren Ramirez then put salt and butter on his arm and it was later wrapped in clear tape, he said.

In another incident, Waiters burned him with a metal baseball bat that had been heated in the fireplace to which Ramirez was often chained, the teen testified.

He recalled getting hit in the head so much that his tormentors would use wax or super glue to stop the bleeding or close the wounds.

The emaciated teen managed to escape in December 2008 and run in boxer shorts to a gym behind the house where he was held.

He said he had unchained himself after getting Schumacher's 2-year-old son to get him a set of keys that Schumacher left around the house.

He said he escaped after Lau came home and caught him grabbing something to eat from the kitchen while he was unchained.

Kyle Ramirez fled after Schumacher and Waiters said they were going to kill him, "chop me up and throw me in the delta," he testified. He ran to the backyard, jumped on a trampoline onto a wooden fence, hopped over it and ran to the fitness center.

"I knew it was now or never," he said. "I thought I was probably going to die that night."

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Fiorina claims she and Feinstein are like-minded

TREVOR HUNNICUTT
Associated Press

MENLO PARK, Calif. Republican Carly Fiorina said Friday she would be a like-minded colleague of Democratic Sen. Dianne Feinstein if she unseats Sen. Barbara Boxer next week.

"We agree on more issues," Fiorina said in describing views she shares with Feinstein on water issues, trade and national security.

"On a whole host of issues, Dianne Feinstein and I, I am quite sure, will be very productive colleagues and I look very much forward to working with her," Fiorina said during a campaign stop with female supporters at the Sugar Shack candy store in the Silicon Valley city of Menlo Park as the race enters its final weekend. "The record is crystal clear on where Barbara Boxer has been."

Feinstein is a strong supporter of Boxer, a fellow Democrat, and has responded to similar remarks by Fiorina in the past.

She appeared with Boxer Friday at California State University, Northridge and said she differs with Fiorina on many topics, including "two huge seminal issues in this state" — a woman's right to choose and offshore oil drilling.

Fiorina opposes abortion and has said she would support overturning the Roe v Wade Supreme Court decision. Fiorina also has said she supports expanded offshore drilling in general, but in California favors allowing voters to decide whether to allow increased drilling along the coast.

Boxer added that she had voted "100 percent alike on every jobs bill" as Feinstein, and that jobs are what will define this election.

Over the summer, Fiorina drew a rebuke from Feinstein after suggesting the two would be able to work more productively together on water allocations to Central Valley farms and funding for veterans than Feinstein and Boxer have been able to do.

Feinstein said she has worked with Boxer to create jobs in California, defend a woman's right to choose and protect California's coast from additional offshore oil drilling.

"Let there be no doubt that I believe California needs Barbara Boxer in the Senate, now more than ever," Feinstein said at the time.

Feinstein is popular in California and is generally regarded as a centrist. She was campaigning with Boxer on Friday afternoon in Southern California.

Fiorina, the former chief executive of Hewlett-Packard Co., disputed a Field Poll released Friday showing Boxer leading her among likely voters, 49 percent to 41 percent. Fiorina called the Field Poll an "outlier."

"We have a whole set of internal polls, as well as a whole set of external polls, that say this race is very, very tight," she said. "It is very, very winnable and that it comes down in many ways to turnout."

Fiorina said Boxer receiving high-profile help in the campaign's waning days is a sign that the three-term incumbent is in trouble.

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Mob turncoat is sentenced in Big Apple to time served

TOM HAYS
Associated Press

NEW YORK Mobster Salvatore Vitale had a hand in at least 11 murders, including that of a fellow gangster in the fallout from the infamous Donnie Brasco case.

But he was spared a life term Friday, sentenced instead to time served after federal prosecutors said the admitted killer deserved a break for delivering a crippling blow to his brethren.

The evidence against the Bonanno organized crime family provided by the 63-year-old turncoat since his arrest in 2003 "has been devastating to the very Mafia to which he once swore allegiance, and particularly to the Bonanno family," prosecutors wrote in court papers.

Vitale admitted to 11 killings between 1976 and 1999. He pleaded guilty in April 2003 to racketeering conspiracy and murder-in-aid of racketeering, and has served nearly eight years behind bars.

At his sentencing, Vitale apologized to the families of his victims.

"I committed some really horrible crimes I'll always be ashamed of, and I pray for forgiveness," he said.

According to the government memo, Vitale has identified more than 500 mobsters and their associates across the United States and elsewhere. His cooperation, including testimony at six trials, has led to convictions of four Bonanno bosses — one a close friend and brother-in-law — and dozens of lower-ranking family members.

The memo says Vitale provided information on more than 30 gangland slayings. In three instances, the information helped investigators locate "the remains of at least three Mafia victims buried long ago."

The son of a Brooklyn dishwasher and baker, Vitale began his life of crime in the late 1960s after a stint in the Army. Over the next three decades, he was involved in a full menu of mayhem: murder, arson, extortion and hijacking.

He was rising through the Bonanno ranks when FBI agent Joe Pistone went undercover to infiltrate the group from 1976 to 1981, using the name "Donnie Brasco" — the basis of the Al Pacino-Johnny Depp movie. Once the family learned about the infiltration in 1981, Vitale and others were ordered to shoot and kill the family member who had sponsored the agent.

Vitale observed the oath of omerta — silence — until seven years ago, when he decided to plead guilty and cooperate. His lawyers say the decision put a target on his back.

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Jury recommends death in Fla. ninja slaying

MELISSA NELSON
Associated Press

PENSACOLA, Fla. A former karate instructor should be put to death for leading a group of men dressed like ninjas to rob and kill a wealthy Florida couple while their nine special-needs children slept or cowered nearby, a jury recommended Friday.

The jurors voted 10-2 to recommend that Patrick Gonzalez Jr. be executed for the slayings of Byrd and Melanie Billings. Their nine adopted children, who are between the ages of 5 and 12, all have special needs including fetal alcohol syndrome and autism.

Some of the couple's relatives appeared happy, though others showed no emotion when the recommendation was announced. Gonzalez had no reaction.

"The justice system has worked," Ashley Markham, the couple's adult daughter, said in a statement she read to the media. Markham is now raising the couple's other children.

Under Florida law, the final sentence will be imposed by Judge Nickolas Geeker, who must give the recommendation "great weight." Geeker will hear from attorneys again at a Dec. 9 hearing, though it could take up to three months for him to issue a final decision.

John Jan Gontarek, Gonzalez's defense attorney, said he was disappointed but hoped Geeker would not follow the jury's recommendation.

Earlier in the day, State Attorney Bill Eddins told jurors that Gonzalez continued to torment Melanie Billings after shooting her husband in each leg and in the head.

"He let her stand there and watch him shoot her husband down like a dog," Eddins said. "That is obviously cruel and unusual punishment."

He suggested that Melanie Billings' last thoughts before she died must have been whether the men would turn their guns on the children. The children were not hurt.

The jury of 11 women and one man convicted Gonzalez of two counts of first-degree murder and one count of home-invasion robbery late Thursday after half a day of deliberations. The jurors began considering their sentencing recommendation on Friday.

Gonzalez appeared in court in handcuffs, watched by six uniformed and armed deputies.

He had been subdued throughout much of the trial but became agitated during closing statements. He twisted in his chair, pointed at his attorney with his cuffed hands and was animated while whispering to another attorney.

After jurors left the courtroom and Gonzalez was being led away in handcuffs, he pointed his fingers at two photographers — one for True TV and another for the Pensacola News Journal.

"I cannot wait to say goodbye to you and to you," he said, according to the photographers.

Earlier Friday, Gonzalez told Geeker that he did not want his wife and mother to testify on his behalf. After conferring with his attorneys, he reluctantly changed his mind.

Gonzalez said he had been tried and convicted by the press and didn't want his relatives subjected to media scrutiny. Gonzalez asked that his family be allowed to testify without the media present, but Geeker denied the request, saying the trial was open to the public.

Pointing at Gonzalez, defense attorney Randall Etheridge asked jurors to spare his client's life. He said Gonzalez had done good things in the past, including teaching karate to young children and being a good father.

"A vote for life doesn't diminish his responsibility for what he did," Etheridge said.

He handed jurors a photograph of Gonzalez, his wife and their six children and then told the jurors that any one of them could make the difference between life and death for his client.

Gonzalez's mother, Terry Poff, asked jurors to "look into their hearts" when deciding their recommendation.

Poff said that her son was diagnosed at a young age with a behavior disorder but that he excelled at karate and quickly became a black belt. She said he struggled with a prescription painkiller addiction in later years.

His wife, Tabitha Gonzalez, testified that his addiction to drugs and alcohol changed his personality.







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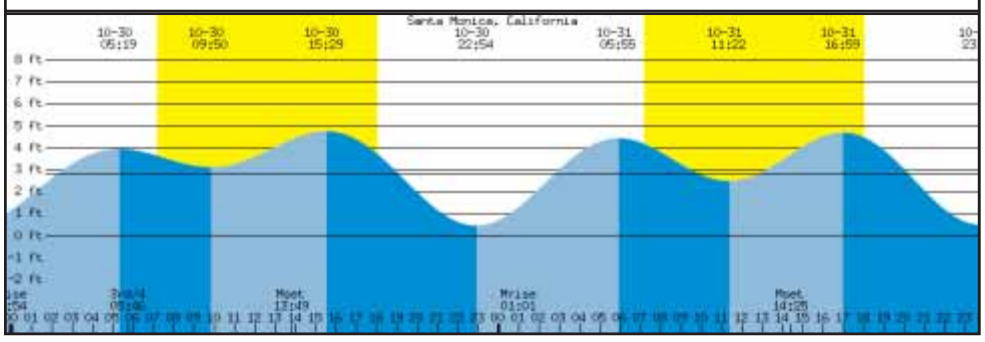
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Long Range Synopsis

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Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica



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- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 33 / 17
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 11 / 26

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

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

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

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NFL

Jackson reports to Chargers, signs tender

BERNIE WILSON
AP Sports Writer

SAN DIEGO Disgruntled Pro Bowl wide receiver Vincent Jackson signed his contact tender with the San Diego Chargers on Friday.

He's not eligible to play in the next three games, though, because of a team-imposed suspension.

By reporting now, he can serve his three games on the roster exempt list — he was placed there in a hardball move by general manager A.J. Smith — and then play in the final six games to accrue his sixth season toward unrestricted free agency. Coming off two straight 1,000-yard seasons, he'll be available beginning with a game at Indianapolis on Nov. 28.

Counting the six games he plays and the bye week, he'll earn $240,058 rather than the $3,268,000 he would have made had he signed his tender as a restricted free agent before the season.

Jackson, who stayed away for so long because he was unhappy he hasn't gotten a long-term deal, declined to speak with reporters.

In a statement issued by the team, he said: "It feels good to be with my teammates. I've missed football more than you can imagine. Right now I'm just looking forward to being able to practice and get back on the field. My only concern is doing whatever I can to contribute and help the team win. The future will take care of itself."

Smith didn't return calls seeking comment.

Smith has used the roster exempt list three times in an attempt to end contract stalemates. He put left tackle Marcus McNeill on the roster exempt list at the same time as Jackson. Smith used the same tactic on tight end Antonio Gates in 2005. Gates missed the opener, a close loss to the Dallas Cowboys that contributed to the Chargers missing the playoffs that year.

Jackson's original five-year contract expired after last season. But because this is an uncapped year, he would have needed six seasons to become an unrestricted free agent.

Unhappy over not receiving long-term deals in the offseason, Jackson and McNeill refused to sign their tenders as restricted free agents. Since they hadn't signed by June 15, the Chargers were entitled to offer them 110 percent of their 2009 salaries, essentially cutting $2.5 million off the tenders.

McNeill reported on Sept. 25. He served his three-game suspension and then agreed to a five-year contract extension through 2015 worth $48.5 million, with $24.5 million guaranteed.

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Nowhere Boy (R) 1hr 37min
4:30pm, 9:45pm

Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest (NR) 1hr 52min
1:20pm, 4:40pm, 8:00pm

Conviction (R) 1hr 47min
1:30pm, 4:20pm, 7:20pm, 10:00pm

You Will Meet A Tall Dark Stranger (R) 1hr 38min
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★★★★ The impossible becomes possible with the aid of a very caring friend or partner. Listen to your inner voice. Build your relationship without offending a very rough partner. Tonight: Make the most of the night. Someone would be happy to help you along.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ You might need to consider a family member more often and understand what is motivating him or her Sometimes you are more critical of yourself than anyone else. Confusion surrounds a partnership. Tonight: Entertain from your place.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Touch base with others. How can you get what you want if you don't put this desire out into the universe? You could be developing a new hobby or interest. Creativity comes from spending time with a kid or becoming more like one yourself. Tonight: Add life and controversy to the moment.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Be aware of what you are spending and the choices you are making. Sometimes you go overboard, and today could be a classic example. A family member could be much more demanding than he or she realizes. Tonight: Make it your treat.

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★★★★★ You know, just know, when you are on top of your game. Speak your mind and understand what is going on. Confusion surrounds a family member or a message. Confirm plans before heading out the door. Tonight: Whatever knocks your socks off.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★ You could be making mountains out of molehills. Be more easygoing than in the past. Expenses could get out of whack out of the blue. Listen to your sixth sense. Let your imagination play a significant role in making plans and jazzing up an interaction. Tonight: Vanish without letting everyone know what your plans are.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Focus on what is going on with your friends. You simply might have more choices than you would like. Invitations come in left and right. Stop being so hard on yourself and others. Tonight: Wherever you are, the action is.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★★ Understand that others demand an awful lot from you. You could be overwhelmed. Use your instincts with someone you look up to or need to pay attention to. Tonight: Out late. You cannot hide your plans all the time!

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Keep reaching out for someone at a distance. Some of you simply might decide to take off. Listen to feedback that heads in your direction. A friend could be nothing less than touchy. Tonight: Opt for something different.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Deal with a partner on a one-on-one level. Relate on a one-on-one level with a friend or loved one. You discover how very serious a boss or older relative can be. Don't allow this person's mood to get to you. Tonight: Get together with a favorite person.

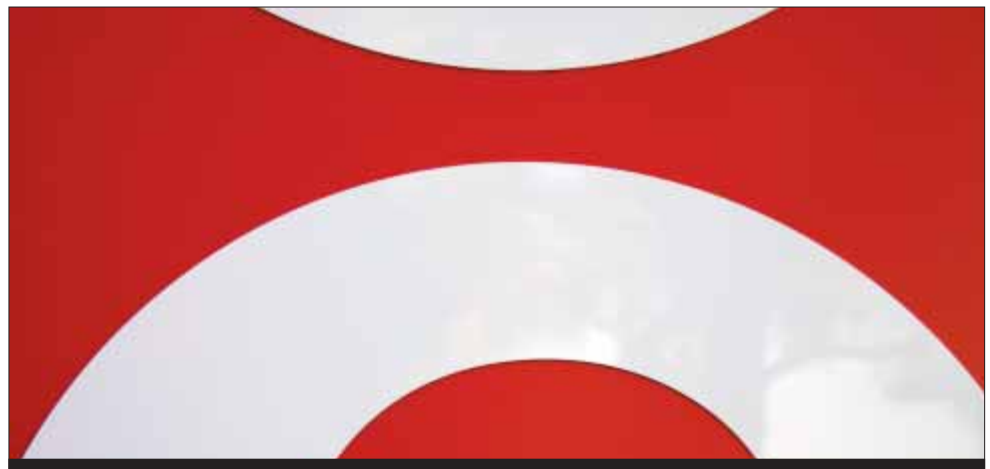
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Listen to feedback from others. You could be forced into a position where you must respond to someone very difficult. Worry less about what is going on. Take off at the last minute if you feel like it. Tonight: Sort through suggestions.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Take the next few days to rest up. Others seek you out, but it suits you to distance yourself from others and take your time thinking through an issue. Confusion surrounds a partner and plans. Stay centered. Tonight: Relax -- whatever you choose.

Happy birthday

This year, you will be more involved with your image and community. Your work could flourish to unprecedented levels. Spend time by yourself indulging. You often could get depressed or sad when alone. Develop a hobby or interest. If you are single, you probably will meet someone through work. Take your time getting to know each other. If you are attached, the two of you will be seen together much more. Be aware of what you can accomplish as a couple. LEO often doesn't hesitate to disagree with you. Careful -- or it could become the War of the Worlds.

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



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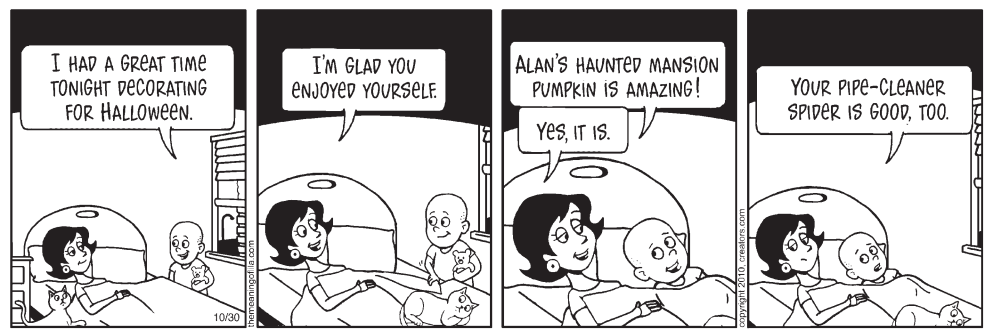
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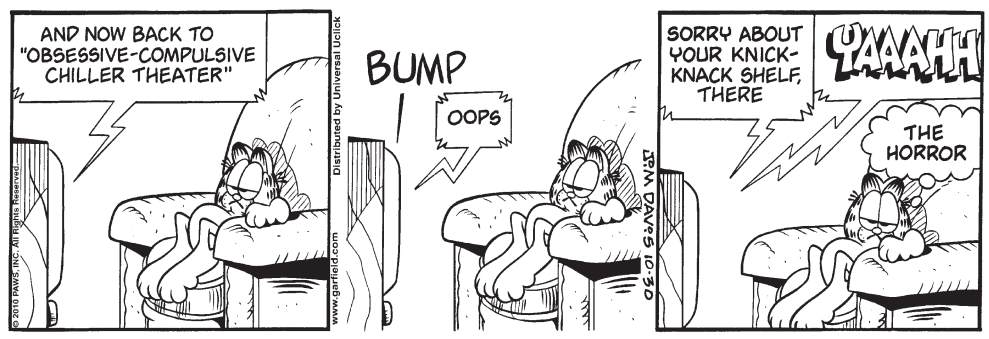
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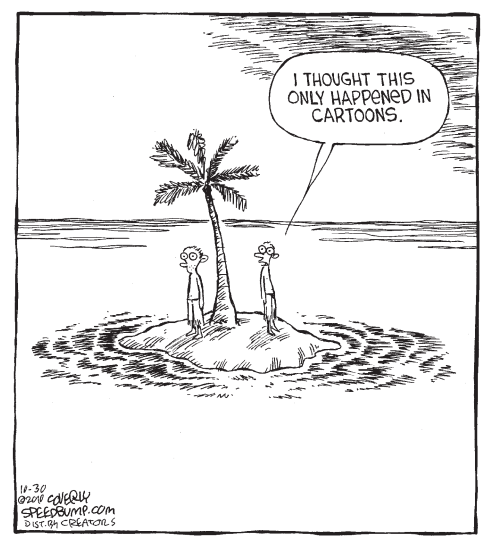
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Sudoku

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

Difficulty Level ★★★★

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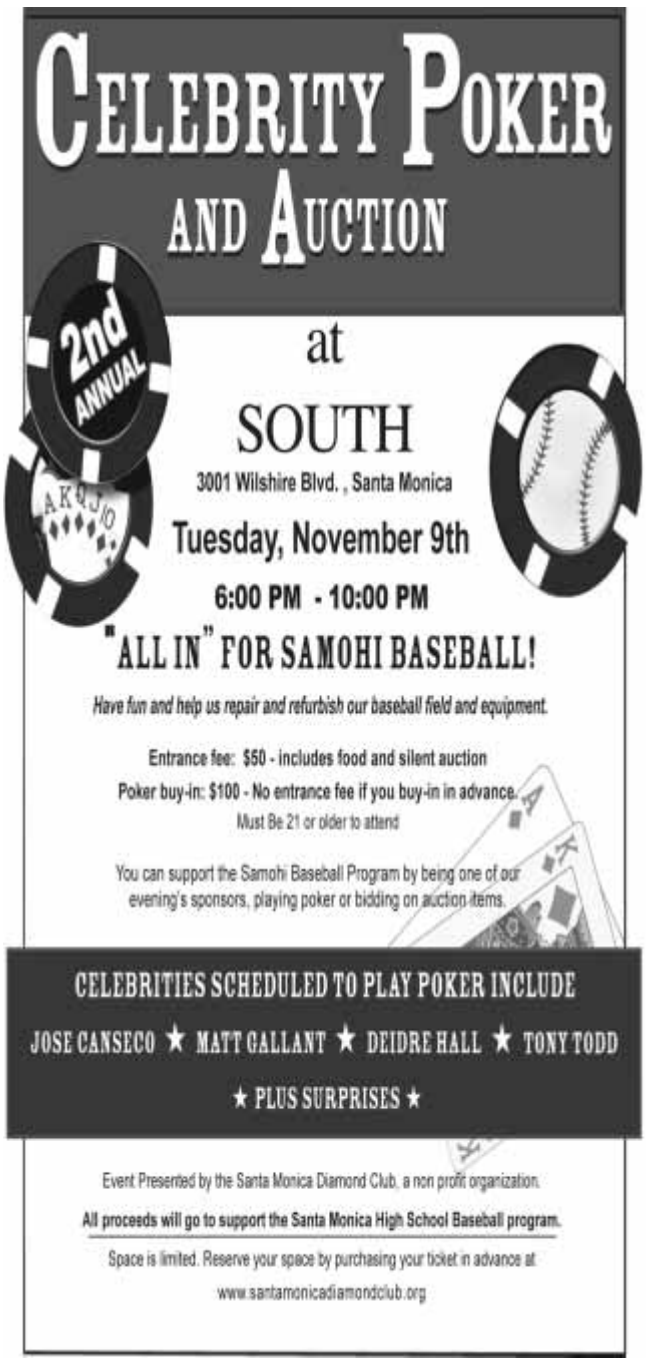
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GETTING STARTED

There are many strategies to solving Sudoku. One way to begin is to examine each 3x3 grid and figure out which numbers are missing. Then, based on the other numbers in the row and column of each blank cell, find which of the missing numbers will work. Eliminating numbers will eventually lead you to the answer.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Hallow-een choice
6 Brass band members
11 Talked and talked
12 Even a little
13 Confuse
14 Volcanic flow
15 Deliberate loser
17 Wk. start
18 Long time
19 Cham-pionship emblem
22 Retired plane
23 Teem
24 Make law
25 City section
27 Links goal
30 "The Naked Gun" star
31 Casino card
32 What's more
33 Prison camp
35 Stevens of 1960s TV
38 Skirt
39 Dupe
40 Become prevalent
41 Auto style
42 Hallow-een choice

DOWN

1 Barters
2 Hams' needs
3 Start a new paragraph
4 Gun creator
5 Quaint school attire
6 Woolen cap
7 Acting legend Hagen
8 Money collector
9 Marzipan base
10 List
16 Buyers' rewards
20 Court plea
21 Bonbon center
24 Sushi choice
25 — Mae
26 Protected, in a way
27 Sense of taste
28 Maine park
29 King's stand-in
30 Finger features
34 Declare
36 H look-alike
37 Director Howard

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13					■	14				
15					16	■	■	17		
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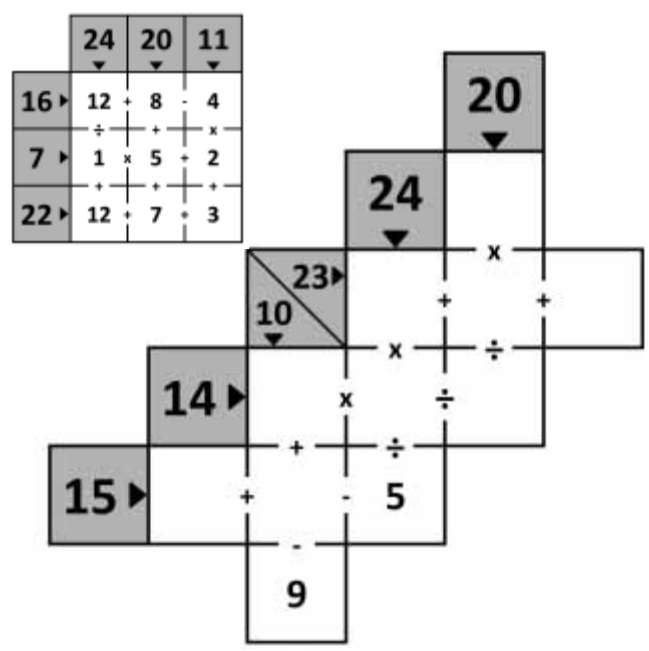
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ No Time for Disguises: Larry Shawn Taylor, 18, was arrested in Seattle in September, having been rather easily identifiable when police stopped him. Two victims had reported being robbed by a man with "GET MONEY" shaved into his haircut on one side and "GET" tattooed on his right hand and "MONEY" tattooed on the left. (At least Taylor did not claim that someone else must have had the same configuration.)

■ (1) A 49-year-old Bakersfield, Calif., doctor, whose relationship with her boyfriend was described as "on-again, off-again," was killed in August when, after he had locked her out of his house, she tried to enter by sliding down the chimney, where she got stuck and asphyxiated. (2) A 29-year-old man, in a group of 12 "ghost hunters" on a field trip in Iredell County, N.C., in August, was killed by a speeding train. The 12 were investigating a rumored "ghost train" that killed 30 people in an 1891 crash and supposedly returns every year on the anniversary date.

■ News of the Weird reported in December 2002 that Inga Kosak had won the first World Extreme Ironing Championship in Munich by pressing a designated garment over a course of several ironing stations (e.g., ironing in trees, in the middle of streams). An October 2003 Wall Street Journal story shows the "sport" growing in prominence. South African Anton Van De Venter, 27, broke the high-altitude record in August by ironing his national flag at the 20,000-foot summit of Mount Kilimanjaro, while nude, in freezing temperatures (quote: "I came, I saw, I pressed a crease"), and British diver Ian Mitchell sawed through ice in Wisconsin in March and submitted photos of himself in a wet suit "ironing" (with a Black & Decker Quick 'n' Easy) a shirt that was braced against the underside of the ice.

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