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THE HOMECOMING ISSUE



THEY MADE IT!

Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

Santa Monica Red Cross supporters join Miss Canada Shannon Lynn (left) and Olympian Christina Smith (center) after completing their first annual 'Ride for Red' bike ride from Canada to the Santa Monica Pier on Thursday afternoon. Lynn hopes to raise $1 million for the Red Cross.

Police searching for pair of sexual assault suspects

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY Santa Monica police are asking for the public's help in identifying two men involved in a sexual assault in which a woman was allegedly handcuffed, blindfolded and forced to hand over money, police said Thursday.

SMPD Sgt. Jay Trisler said a woman was walking east in the 2900 block of Ocean Park Boulevard around 2:30 p.m. on Oct. 26 when two men in a parked car grabbed her, handcuffed her and pushed her into the backseat.

The victim was driven around and sexually assaulted. She offered to give the suspects money from her wallet if they let her go, Trisler said. After taking the money, the suspects dropped her off in the parking lot

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SM City Council to consider campaign disclosure change

BY NICK TABOREK
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL The City Council on Tuesday is set to consider tightening Santa Monica's campaign finance disclosure rules, a step prompted by the election season activities of the group Santa Monicans for Quality Government (SMQG), which used money from development interests to back a slate of council candidates and resisted filing disclosure statements with City Hall.

The group, which received $41,000 in donations from developers Hines, Village Trailer Park, NMS Properties and a handful of other firms involved in the real estate business, sent out a series of "slate mailers" backing City Council candidates but argued it wasn't required to reveal its contributors to City Hall.

The identities of SMQG's donors were revealed the day before the election only after a complaint was lodged with California's Fair Political Practices Commission and City Clerk Maria Stewart actively solicited the group's disclosure documents. The group, which is registered with the California Secretary of State's Office, maintained it was not required to file statements with City Hall. It could have more donors who have not yet been disclosed.

At the request of Councilman Kevin McKeown, the council will consider whether to require all groups that make

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COLLEGE SPORTS

Former Samohi star Katz at home on road

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor



KATZ

PASADENA When Oregon State starting quarterback Ryan Katz leads his Beavers onto the field against host UCLA at the Rose Bowl on Saturday, he will have somewhat of a personal home-field advantage.

The former Santa Monica High School standout grew up in the Los Angeles region and expects to have more than 100

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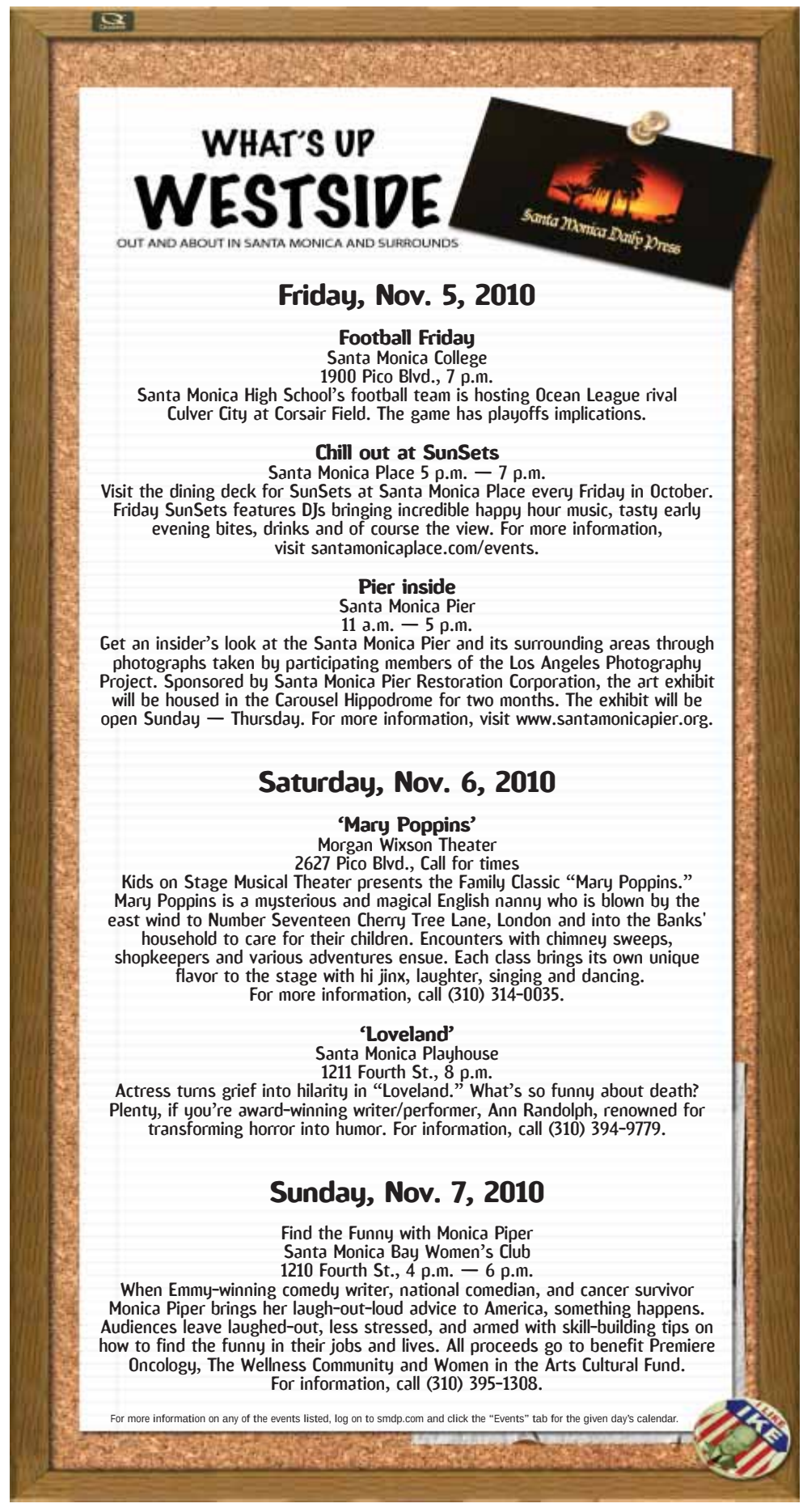
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Friday, Nov. 5, 2010

Football Friday
Santa Monica College
1900 Pico Blvd., 7 p.m.
Santa Monica High School's football team is hosting Ocean League rival Culver City at Corsair Field. The game has playoffs implications.

Chill out at SunSets
Santa Monica Place 5 p.m. — 7 p.m.
Visit the dining deck for SunSets at Santa Monica Place every Friday in October. Friday SunSets features DJs bringing incredible happy hour music, tasty early evening bites, drinks and of course the view. For more information, visit santamonicaplace.com/events.

Pier inside
Santa Monica Pier
11 a.m. — 5 p.m.
Get an insider's look at the Santa Monica Pier and its surrounding areas through photographs taken by participating members of the Los Angeles Photography Project. Sponsored by Santa Monica Pier Restoration Corporation, the art exhibit will be housed in the Carousel Hippodrome for two months. The exhibit will be open Sunday — Thursday. For more information, visit www.santamonicapier.org.

Saturday, Nov. 6, 2010

'Mary Poppins'
Morgan Wixson Theater
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Kids on Stage Musical Theater presents the Family Classic "Mary Poppins." Mary Poppins is a mysterious and magical English nanny who is blown by the east wind to Number Seventeen Cherry Tree Lane, London and into the Banks' household to care for their children. Encounters with chimney sweeps, shopkeepers and various adventures ensue. Each class brings its own unique flavor to the stage with hi jinx, laughter, singing and dancing.
For more information, call (310) 314-0035.

'Loveland'
Santa Monica Playhouse
1211 Fourth St., 8 p.m.
Actress turns grief into hilarity in "Loveland." What's so funny about death? Plenty, if you're award-winning writer/performer, Ann Randolph, renowned for transforming horror into humor. For information, call (310) 394-9779.

Sunday, Nov. 7, 2010

Find the Funny with Monica Piper
Santa Monica Bay Women's Club
1210 Fourth St., 4 p.m. — 6 p.m.
When Emmy-winning comedy writer, national comedian, and cancer survivor Monica Piper brings her laugh-out-loud advice to America, something happens. Audiences leave laughed-out, less stressed, and armed with skill-building tips on how to find the funny in their jobs and lives. All proceeds go to benefit Premiere Oncology, The Wellness Community and Women in the Arts Cultural Fund.
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CORRECTION

In a story about Metallica playing a benefit concert at Santa Monica Airport that was published in the Nov. 4 edition of the Daily Press, it should have stated the concert, which was invite-only, was scheduled to take place at Hangar 8.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY

Grant to fund traffic enforcement

In an effort to save lives and prevent injuries on Santa Monica streets, the police department will conduct several special traffic enforcement operations over the next 12 months, with funding coming from a $159,403 grant awarded by the California Office of Traffic Safety.

Special operations include driver's license/sobriety checkpoints, motorcycle safety details and crosswalk and red light stings.

"The Selective Traffic Enforcement Program (STEP) grant will assist in efforts to deal with traffic safety problems and reduce the number of persons killed and injured in traffic collisions," said Capt. Hector Cavazos.

Traffic deaths from all causes declined in 2009 in California by 10.3 percent from 3,434 killed in 2008 to 3,081 in 2009. The state recorded 950 alcohol-impaired driving fatalities in 2009, a 7.6 percent decline from 1,025 in 2008. However, DUI deaths remain at 31 percent of fatalities.

"Everyone in California should be heartened with these figures," said Christopher J. Murphy, director of the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS). "But as encouraging as this is, we can't let up on the efforts to encourage and enforce traffic safety. Thousands are still losing their lives or being severely injured on our roadways."

For a second year in a row, there will be several special motorcycle safety enforcement operations. Motorcycle fatalities have dropped in California, following a decade rise in deaths. In 2009, 393 motorcyclists were killed, a 29 percent drop from 2008 statistics. However, California remains one of three states that still leads the nation in motorcyclist deaths.

"More people are making it home safely and alive each day," said Murphy. "But to keep this trend going, we will continue to strive to meet our vision – toward zero deaths, every one counts."

DAILY PRESS

EASTSIDE

Help schools by eating out

The Daily Grill in Santa Monica is launching newly expanded hours in conjunction with a month-long fundraiser for the Santa Monica-Malibu Education Foundation.

Daily Grill General Manager Jensen Kumamoto said the restaurant will donate 50 percent of all food and soft beverage sales collected on Saturday evenings in the month of November to the nonprofit, which is dedicated to saving education programs in the cities of Santa Monica and Malibu. This particular fundraiser will support the drama departments at the two Santa Monica schools in need – John Adams and Lincoln middle schools. All interested in donating must print and show a special invitation found at www.smmef.org or www.dailygrill.com (on the Santa Monica location page) or print the invitation from the nonprofit's Facebook page.

"With continual budget cuts in California causing many arts programs to be reduced or eliminated, it's important that the private sector step in and show their support," said Linda Gross, executive director of the Ed Foundation. "We're delighted that Daily Grill reached out to us and we will be rallying the troops to show their support Saturday evenings in November and beyond."

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Morgan Genser *news@smdp.com*

READY TO LOWER THE BOOM: **St. Monica's Athena Nestoras (right) prepares to spike the ball against St. Bernard on Wednesday at St. Monica. St. Monica won the game in three straight matches; 25-6, 25-16, and 25-19.**

HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL

St. Monica finishes with win

BY PATRICK HOURIHAN
Special to the Daily Press

ST. MONICA The St. Monica girls' volleyball team played their last match of the season on Wednesday, never looking back after winning the match's opening point, sweeping the St. Bernard Vikings in three games: 25-8, 25-16, and 25-19.

Senior outside hitter Emily Fuentes brought the heat as she generated the loudest cheers from fans on all eight of her hard-hitting kills during the match. Senior co-captains Athena Nestoras and Cory LaGuardia also played well for the Mariners and have done a great job leading the St. Monica's nine seniors all season long.

Third-year head coach at St. Monica, Allison Rivera, went with an all-senior starting lineup. Which fit perfectly with the game's theme: it was Senior Night for the Mariners; a night for parents and fans of the soon-to-be graduating players to celebrate the success the team has enjoyed this year.

St. Monica looked dominant as they head into the California Interscholastic Federation Southern Section Division 4-AA playoffs, which are scheduled to begin next week. Playoff pairings will be released on Sunday.

"We will look to go far in the playoffs with so many girls graduating this year," Rivera said. "We are taking the postseason one game at a time but I think we will be solid."

After starting the season 6-0, the Mariners faced a few bumps on the road but

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HIGH SCHOOL GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL

Lighthouse eagerly awaits CIF-SS playoffs

BY PATRICK HOURIHAN
Special to the Daily Press

LIGHTHOUSE It's been a positive season for first-year Lighthouse Christian Academy head coach Stephanie Sommer as she led the girls' volleyball team to a 6-2 record in Coastal League play and a 12-4 winning record on the season as they once again are eligible for the California Interscholastic Federation Southern Section playoffs.

After switching during the off-season from the Harbor League, the Saints have proved they deserved the promotion to the more competitive Coastal League. The CIF-SS top 10 pollsters agree — they have Lighthouse ranked No. 7 in Division 5-AA, the only team in the league to end the season ranked despite trailing one team in the win column for the league's stand-

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Glossed over

Editor:

Your Nov. 4 article on the school board race completely ignored the real story of the campaign – that another "newcomer to Santa Monica politics," Laurie Lieberman, received more votes than any other candidate, including three incumbents ("Patel a surprise winner in school board race," page 1, Nov. 4). Granted that Ms. Lieberman received a wide range of endorsements from all around the community which obviously greatly benefited her campaign. But these endorsements were not simply handed to her as if she were entitled to them. Laurie earned this broad level of support through her long history of active involvement in our schools and our community, her ability to work with people of all points of view, and her intelligence and common sense. By all means, let's congratulate Nimish Patel on his success, but you do a disservice to your readers, to Laurie and to all of those who worked on her campaign when you simply gloss over her achievement.

Tom Larmore
Santa Monica

Returning to the status quo

Editor:

Postscript: If jobs are the number one issue facing the American workers, how is putting "do nothing" Republicans in charge going to help the situation?

President Obama and Democrats pushed through landmark legislation over the past 21 months and look how Americans rewarded them. Don't expect to see any needed legislation for the next two years with the GOP now controlling the House.

Americans turned their backs on change and returned to the status quo; they voted against their own good and well being, all the time knowing that Republicans are going to implement the exact same policies and programs that took us down a slippery slope during the Bush era.

Have Americans become simple minded and don't see through the lies and propaganda the GOP is dishing out?

Ron Lowe
Santa Monica

Time change

Editor:

Do you notice how dark it is in the morning? It's 7 a.m. and the sky is just becoming light. Commuters have to get up and dressed in the dark, then drive to work with the rising sun shining directly into their eyes, as groggy children stumble to school. It's unsafe.

It is six weeks before the Winter Solstice, the shortest day of the year, and six weeks since the Autumn Equinox, when days and nights were of equal length. Yet, our clocks still go by Daylight Savings Time (DST), which only benefits us between March 21 and Sept. 21, when there is more daylight than nighttime.

Congress decreed that DST be extended until Nov. 7, and Congress can correct this mistake. Let DST start when daylight surpasses nighttime, March 22, and let DST end when our days are shorter than night, Sept. 22.

Bruce Joffe
Piedmont, Calif.



Your column here

Lee Hamilton

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Why we're so polarized

FOR ALL THE POLL SWINGS, BREATHLESS analysis, and sheer uncertainty in the lead-up to Nov. 2, there is one thing you can say for certain about these elections: they did nothing to end congressional polarization. The two parties seem farther apart than they have been for decades — and appear less inclined to bridge that gap than I've ever seen.

The reasons for this are so numerous that I wonder if we can ever find our way out. Yet we can't begin to address the problem unless we understand it — and it is a problem, if you believe that our system of government should allow us to discuss rationally the issues that confront us without partisan bickering at every step.

The troubles are most obvious on Capitol Hill, where the political center struggles to survive. The leaders of both parties have made a cold calculation that they can accomplish more by not cooperating with each other than by striving to find common ground. The Republicans have rebuilt their political standing through unyielding opposition; the Democrats have notched their legislative goals by finding ways to short-circuit Republican involvement.

The power that has flowed to congressional leaders on both sides of the aisle over the past two decades has made it possible for them to polarize Congress in pursuit of electoral advantage. We have today a system that rewards politicians for conflict and confrontation, and encourages them to demonize opponents.

In recent years, many members of Congress have either come from the extremes of their party, or know that in order to win a primary or prevent a strong opponent in the primary, they have to appeal to the activist — and hence more immoderate — members of their party. They increasingly depend on an activist base for votes, money, and job security.

District lines drawn to boost the chances of one or another party don't help, either; they make it more likely that the real election will be in the primary, not the general election. The torrents of money that now flow into election contests help to exacerbate and intensify differences. These trends have seriously eroded the political center in Congress.

Meanwhile, the tone on Capitol Hill has grown more shrill. Where comity was generally the order of the day, now the two parties segregate themselves, driven by scheduling and preference. The plain truth is that Republicans and Democrats don't spend much time with one another, don't know one another nearly as well as they should, and so find it easier to take their cues from shoutfests and the blogosphere and demonize one another.

"Politics has become more moralistic from both left and right," Robert Samuelson wrote recently in The Washington Post. "Idealistic ideologues campaign to 'save the planet,' 'protect the unborn,' 'reclaim the Constitution.' When goals become moral imperatives, there's no room for compromise. Opponents are not just mistaken; they're immoral. They're cast as evil, ignorant, dangerous, or all three."

WE HAVE TODAY A SYSTEM THAT REWARDS POLITICIANS FOR CONFLICT AND CONFRONTATION, AND ENCOURAGES THEM TO DEMONIZE OPPONENTS.

What makes this perplexing — but also suggests some reason for hope — is that this extreme division is mostly at the level of political elites, not among the broad mass of Americans. As political scientists Morris Fiorina and Samuel Abrams wrote of ordinary Americans in 2008, "There is little indication of increasing polarization, namely, the middle losing people to both extremes. Rather, we see a largely centrist public drifting slightly rightward on some issues, slightly leftward on others, but with only very small declines … in the number of moderates." Of course, that very dynamic has led to rough parity between the two parties, which makes every election crucial and every vote in Congress highly politicized as they scrap for whatever advantage they can gain.

All of this is exacerbated by our now-constant media cycle, which pushes for immediate answers to a steady barrage of questions. Forced to take a position, politicians harden into them, lest they be accused of flip-flopping and defined in an unflattering light. Overall, the media has become more impulsive and less thoughtful, thriving on combat and shocking statements, not analysis.

One arena in which Americans do seem unambiguously divided is where they find their news. As far back as 2004, the Pew Center for People and the Press noted, "Political polarization is increasingly reflected in the public's news viewing habits." The situation has only grown worse over the last six years, which means that people are often making decisions based on entirely different "facts" presented to them by different news outlets that merely confirm their biases. Small wonder that it is getting more difficult for the politicians who represent them to find common ground.

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Laughing Matters

Jack Neworth

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A not so funny thing happened on the way to this week's column

COMEDIANS OFTEN QUESTION IF ANY subject, no matter how heinous, can be fodder for humor. For example, Hitler would seem out of bounds and yet Mel Brooks' "The Producers" is sold out on Broadway for the next 10 years. Forgive the blasphemy, but Adolph and the gang have been comedy gold.

I'll tell you what I don't see any humor in and that's heart attacks. Maybe that's because, last week, I had one. The bad news is, it was major. The curious news is that it didn't break my streak of 269 consecutive deadlines. (Whoops, perhaps a poor choice of words under the circumstances.) The good news is that I'm home and feeling fine (looking around for some wood to knock).

Last Thursday, I was at my doctor's, Gregory Cohen, internist, cardiologist and mensch. The office is on Wilshire Boulevard, just east of Barrington, and I was about to take a stress test. But my EKG was so alarming that Greg, whose face was almost white, insisted that I go to Santa Monica-UCLA Medical Center ER or, essentially I wouldn't have to worry about any more columns.

Inexplicably, I was in no pain. I was also perfectly calm (I, with a morbid fear of hospitals, from when I was 7 and my father, at age 40, had a heart attack).

My friend, Robin, had driven me to Greg's for the stress test. As the two of us raced to Santa Monica-UCLA, I kept thinking this couldn't be happening. It was beyond surreal.

One reason I wanted to write about this was to thank the many people who basically saved my life, Robin being just one. Considerably less noble, I figured that if I wrote the details in a column it'd spare me repeated telling. When people asked about the details, I needed to only say, "Check Friday's column."

The bigger reason, however, is that I wanted to impart the message into the cosmos, or whatever: please don't do as I did. Yes, I've worked out almost every day for the past 35 years, and assiduously avoided fats in my diet, but I also avoided doctors. So, odd as it sounds, I feel like I need to write this in case there's someone out there as weird as I am about doctors or hospitals. It's also a way to convey the immense gratitude I feel.

The scene at the ER was out of a movie with bodies hovering, undressing me, putting on the hospital gown and asking a battery of questions. Dr. Bawa's reassurance (as much as reality would allow) was of great comfort.

Going beyond the call of duty, that first night Robin slept in a chair next to my bed. But much of the next four days are a blur of tests, ICU machines and wearing hospital gowns exposing my derriere. Add the word, "bedpan," and I think it's safe to say that being in a hospital is among the less dignified of human experiences. One example was when my sister, Brenda, and my niece, Erin, came for a visit at the very moment I was bending over to pick up a magazine. I wish I could forget the view they got. I bet they do, too.

The day before Dr. Rave Dave (pronounced Dav-ay) performed an angioplasty, a difficult procedure that took 2 1/2 miserable hours. And yet I remember, Susan, a nurse with whom I traded jokes. Yes, I was apparently doing "shtick," even during a surgical procedure in the cath lab. There must be a 12-step meeting for that?

Everyone at Santa Monica-UCLA was remarkably courteous. I remember a few names but to the many that I've forgotten, I apologize in advance.

Alan, an RN; Seda, an RN; Eske, another nurse; Patsy, the charge nurse; Danielle, my first nurse; and an ICU nurse whose job, among many, was to take a six inch tube out of my leg, which was used in the angioplasty. (A feat that wasn't terribly pleasant for either one of us.) I'm actually glad I can't remember any more names or this would sound like an Academy Awards acceptance speech.

By the time this appears in print I will have had my first follow-up visit with Greg Cohen. I'd be lying if I didn't say I was nervous. After all, the last time didn't work out so swimmingly.

On the other hand I'm trying to open myself up to the notion that this horrific experience will somehow turn out to have been a blessing in disguise. So far, that's not been an easy sell.

Santa Monica-UCLA is scheduled to open their new hospital in 2011 where the majority of the rooms will be private. I wish I could have held out at least until then. It'd also be nice if soon someone designed a slightly more dignified version of the butt-exposing hospital gown.

So, how was your week?

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The Q Line

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Too much noise

The City Council has recently taken up the topic of noisy street performers on the Third Street Promenade. They are considering a change in law that would limit allowable decibel levels.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks:
Do you think that street performers are too loud, or do you feel that the council should lay off?

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IN ACTION: **Oregon State's Ryan Katz attempts a pass against Boise State earlier this season.**

KATZ
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friends and family in the stands rooting him on, a fact that eases the young signal caller as he makes his first college start in the area.

"It's definitely exciting," Katz said. "But, it's still a business trip. We're looking to win."

Ironically, UCLA was one of the teams seriously recruiting Katz out of high school and only at the last minute pulled out of the running. He knows a number of Bruins who were in that recruiting class, giving him yet another level of familiarity against UCLA.

He said he harbors no ill will against the Bruins, but did admit that the revenge factor plays a little bit of a role.

Katz, a redshirt sophomore, has started all seven games for Oregon State this season, leading the Beavers to a 4-3 record overall and a 3-1 mark in Pac-10 play. The Bruins come into the game 3-5 overall and a disappointing 1-4 in conference.

This will be Katz' second trip to the L.A. area in his time with OSU. Last year, the Beavers played USC at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum, but Katz was a backup who didn't get a chance to enter the game.

He said that experience was positive, but is glad this time around he'll be playing.

"Finally, my people will get a chance to see me play," Katz said. "This will be the first time a lot of them have seen me play since high school."

In his first season as a starter, Katz has completed 122 of 206 pass attempts good for a 59.2 percentage. He has also tossed 11 touchdowns and has rushed for a pair of scores.

Katz' role with the Beavers has grown as the season has progressed. Ranked No. 24 in the preseason Associated Press poll, Oregon State was led by the Rodgers brothers — James and Jacquizz — but has had to adjust to life with just one of the dynamic play makers. James Rodgers was injured earlier this season, taking away Katz' primary wide receiver. Since, Katz has had to step up to fill the leadership void.

"In a sense, it stays the same," he said, "but, I feel like it's my job to take on a leadership role to get our guys going."

The game is schedule for Saturday at the Rose Bowl in Pasadena. It will begin at 4 p.m.

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CRIME WATCH
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Crime Watch is a weekly series culled from reports provided by the Santa Monica Police Department. These are arrests only. All parties are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

TUESDAY, OCT. 26, AT 12:08 P.M.,
Officers responded to the area of Fourth Street and Broadway regarding a report of unknown trouble. When officers arrived, they made contact with the alleged victim who said she was leaving Parking Structure 5 when a man approached her car, opened the driver's side door and ordered her to get out. As she was getting out of the car, she failed to put it in park and the vehicle traveled across the street and struck a parked car on the other side of the road. The victim ran to a nearby business to call police and the suspect fled the location. Officers located the suspect a short distance away. The suspect was arrested for attempted carjacking and a parole violation. He was identified as Joseph Liberty, 35, a transient. He was not eligible for bail.

THURSDAY, OCT. 28, AT 3:20 P.M.,
Officers were on routine patrol in the area of 20th Street and Pico Boulevard when they saw a man walking in front of Burger King who they recognized from earlier contacts. The man had been warned to stay away from the restaurant. Officers arrested the suspect for violating a court order and for a probation violation. He was identified as Tyree Brown, 58, of Los Angeles. His bail was set at $10,000.

THURSDAY, OCT. 28, AT 3:20 P.M.,
Officers responded to the 200 block of Broadway (Nordstrom) regarding a theft suspect in custody. When officers arrived, they made contact with security who said the suspect entered the business and tried to return two shirts valued at $393 without a receipt. Officers were able to identify the suspect as someone who has a history of returning items without receipts and has two documented petty thefts from the company. As the suspect waited for the shirts to be returned, he walked around the store. The suspect walked over to the watch counter and allegedly placed a men's wrist watch in a bag. The suspect then went to the bathroom and exited a short time later. Security checked inside the bathroom and allegedly found an empty watch box. The suspect left the store without paying for the watch, security said. Security stopped the suspect and called police. Officers placed the suspect under arrest for burglary, parole violation, possession of burglary tools and receiving stolen property. He was identified as William Lee, 52, a transient. He was not eligible for bail.

THURSDAY, OCT. 28, AT 3:30 P.M.,
Officers responded to the 200 block of Broadway regarding a theft suspect in custody. When officers arrived, they were advised by store security that the suspect tried to steal a toiletry bag. Officers placed the suspect under arrest for petty theft with a prior and a parole violation. He was identified as Ronald Tolliver, 60, a transient. He was not eligible for bail.

FRIDAY, OCT. 29, AT 12:50 A.M.,
Officers responded to the area of Alley 2 in the 1200 block regarding a possible purse snatching. Further investigation revealed that the purse snatch was unfounded. However, the individual that was detained by police officers was arrested for public intoxication. The suspect was identified as Jose Jimenez, 27, of Los Angeles. His bail was set at $250.

FRIDAY, OCT. 29, AT 10:45 P.M.,
Officers monitored a radio broadcast that stated a witness reported a possible drunk driver near 11th Street and San Vicente Boulevard. As officers responded, dispatch said the driver had just pulled his vehicle into a driveway in the 1200 block of Georgina Avenue. When officers arrived they observed a man standing in the street looking at a vehicle that was parked with the engine running. The man advised officers that the driver of that vehicle had followed him all the way home. As officers were talking to the man, they observed symptoms of impairment. The officer asked the man to stay by his car as he went to talk to the driver parked in the street. The witness told officers that the man was weaving all over the road and struck the curb as he drove into his driveway. As officers were talking to the witness, the man started walking to his residence and entered it. Officers observed that as the man walked toward his residence, he was staggering. Officers attempted to contact the man, but he did not answer the door. The subject's wife, who was outside, was asked to get the subject. She came back with the man's driver's license. She allegedly told officers her husband was getting ready for bed. She went back in and the man came to the door. Officers talked with the man and could smell an odor of alcohol emitting from his breath. They also observed that his eyes were very red and watery and his balance was unsteady. Officers had the subject perform a series of balance and coordination tests. Upon completion of the tests, officers arrested the suspect, Courtney Conte, 54, of Santa Monica, for driving while impaired. His bail was set at $5,000.

SUNDAY, OCT. 31, AT 9:25 A.M.,
Officers were patrolling the alley south of the 800 block of Ozone Avenue when they observed two subjects sleeping in the alley. As officers approached to make a consensual contact, officers observed two baggies of marijuana on the bicycle seat that was adjacent to the sleeping subjects. Officers asked the subjects who the marijuana belonged to. One subject, later identified as James Trotter, 29, a transient, stated the drugs were his. Further investigation revealed that the suspect was in possession of a hypodermic needle that was in a glove he was wearing. Officers also found a backpack that contained videos, hypodermic needles, a DVD player and an iPod. A check of the DVDs revealed that they were from a rental store in Venice. The store advised that the DVDs were checked out but not by the suspect. Officers arrested the suspect for possession of marijuana, possession of hypodermic needles, possession of stolen property and a warrant. His bail was set at $1,010.

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political expenditures that affect Santa Monica elections to disclose their funding sources and expenditures to City Hall, regardless of whether they are local or statewide organizations.

"Right now, loopholes allow some special interest groups to file through Sacramento," McKeown said. "That thwarts the ability of local voters to know who really paid for messages deliberately designed to look like they came from trusted organizations, whose credibility is thereby hijacked."

On Tuesday, the council could, with a majority vote, direct staff to begin preparing a new financial disclosure ordinance. City Hall's legal staff would have to return to the council with a proposal before changes could be formally adopted.

The man behind SMQG, political consultant Fred Huebscher, said it was difficult to comment on McKeown's move because no details of a potential new ordinance are known.

But he said a rule requiring all organizations that pay for political materials that include Santa Monica candidates to file disclosure documents locally could have unintended consequences because numerous statewide groups that support local candidates could find it cumbersome to follow Santa Monica's financial disclosure rules.

"[Slate mailer organizations] are getting money all over the state. Are they going to have to [file disclosures in Santa Monica] because the slate happens to carry candidates in Santa Monica?" he said, adding that if the council considers a change to disclosure laws, it should look into a more comprehensive revision of its campaign finance rules, including possibly increasing the $250 limit on donations to council candidates.

Huebscher also said City Hall should, in the interest of fairness, place a cap on the amount of money a candidate can lend to his or her own campaign. By self-financing a campaign with a loan and then getting reimbursed after the election via donations, he said, under the current system a candidate can in effect disguise the source of a campaign's funding until after voters make their choice.

By deadline Thursday it was unclear whether those suggestions would be up for discussion at the next council meeting.

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SUSPECTS
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of a business on Pico and Sawtelle boulevards.

The first suspect is described as a male Hispanic, 40 to 45 years old, 5 feet, 5 inches tall with a heavy build, short dark hair, a beard, and wearing a white T-shirt and blue jeans. The second suspect is described as a male Hispanic, 40 to 45 years old, 5 feet, 8 inches tall, with a heavy build, bald with hair on the sides, a beard, and wearing a white T-shirt and a gold watch. The suspects were driving an older model, box-shaped, four-door sedan with tinted windows.

Anyone with information is asked to contact Detective Eddie Soto at (310) 458-8218, Sgt. Ira Rutan at (310) 458-8959, or the Santa Monica Police Department (24 hours) at (310) 458-8495.

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Activision's earnings more than triple

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NEW YORK Continued strong demand for the latest "Call of Duty," "StarCraft" and "World of Warcraft" video games helped more than triple Santa Monica-based Activision Blizzard Inc.'s third-quarter net income and pushed overall results well above Wall Street's expectations.

The company raised its outlook for the full year on Thursday, though its guidance for the current quarter was more cautious than analysts have been predicting.

"We generally like to take a very thoughtful view about the outlooks we provide," CEO Bobby Kotick said in an interview. Activision has a history of providing conservative guidance, then beating expectations.

He added that "Call of Duty: Black Ops," the sequel to the record-shattering "Modern Warfare 2," should be "one of the biggest launches of the year." He would not predict whether it'll outpace its 2009 predecessor. "Black Ops" goes on sale Nov. 9.

For the three months ended Sept. 30, Activision earned $51 million, or 4 cents per share. This is up from $15 million, or 1 cent per share, a year earlier.

Revenue climbed 6 percent to $745 million from $703 million.

The company's adjusted earnings of 12 cents per share handily surpassed Wall Street's estimates of 9 cents per share.

After adjustments to account for deferred revenue and costs related to games with online components, revenue was $857 million. On this basis, analysts polled by Thomson Reuters were expecting much lower revenue of $750 million.

For the current quarter, which is the video game industry's most lucrative period of the year, the company forecast adjusted earnings of 47 cents per share on revenue of $2.2 billion. Analysts have been expecting slightly higher results — earnings of 50 cents per share and revenue of $2.31 billion.

Activision did raise its full year guidance. The company now expects adjusted earnings of 74 cents per share on revenue of $4.45 billion. This is up from its earlier guidance of earnings of 72 cents per share and revenue of $4.4 billion, and roughly the same as what Wall Street has been looking for.

Activision's results came two days after the Supreme Court heard arguments over a California law that seeks to ban ultra-violent video games from being sold to minors. Lower courts have said the law violates minors' constitutional rights, and other states have struck down similar laws. A ruling is expected next year.

Kotick said his view is that video games, like any other form of media, are protected by the First Amendment. He said most of the justices appear to recognize that if you regulate video games, you'll also have to regulate books, movies and music.

Overall, game retail sales have been faltering this year, especially for games aimed at more casual players, such as music titles and the Nintendo Wii. Games on the iPhone and Facebook are also competing for people's attention. But the industry hopes this will change with the help of new motion controllers from Sony Corp. and Microsoft Corp. Microsoft launched its Kinect system Thursday.

Shares of Activision Blizzard climbed 17 cents to $11.80 in after-hours trading. The stock had closed up 18 cents at $11.63 during the regular session before earnings were released.

LIGHTHOUSE
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ings.

Two other league teams did manage to receive mentions as notables for the division in the polls — Rolling Hills and Vista Mar — but it is clear Lighthouse is favored to advance the furthest in the postseason.

Last season, the Saints went 10-8 and finished 5-3 in the Harbor League. They were eligible for the CIF playoffs, getting to the second round before being eliminated by Boron High School. Lighthouse now plays in the Coastal League along with New Roads and Wildwood high schools.

Playoff brackets for the CIF-SS volleyball playoffs, which start next week and run through the end of November, will be released Sunday. But there is no doubt Sommer will do all she can to have her girls prepared to make it even further in the postseason than they did last year.

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managed to end with a winning 11-4 overall record. They went 5-3 in league play behind regular season winners Serra High School from Gardena, whom the Mariners lost to twice this season.

The Mariners finished the season ranked No. 7 in the CIF-SS Division 4-AA polls, trailing No. 4 Serra. St. Paul of Santa Fe Springs just barely made the polls, rounding out the top 10 at No. 10.

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'The Pacific'

Here is the epic 10-part miniseries that follows World War II through the perspective of three marines battling from Guadalcanal to Okinawa and Iwo Jima. The mechanics of brilliant filmmaking — sound, cinematography, visual effects and editing — are on full display. Winner of eight Emmy awards, the miniseries comes complete on six discs with exclusive features that include profiles of the real marines portrayed as well as an inside look at the production. (HBO)

'Blue Mountain State' Season One

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'Beverly Hills 90210' The Final Season

The popular ensemble drama here in its 10th and concluding season about young adults growing up in Beverly Hills, follows the West Beverly group as they mature as college students, face new challenges and discover more about themselves moving into young adulthood. Relationships get complicated as each face life-altering decisions. Luke Perry and Tori Spelling are among the cast in this six-disc, 25 episode presentation that includes a feature — "The Final Goodbye." (CBS/Paramount)

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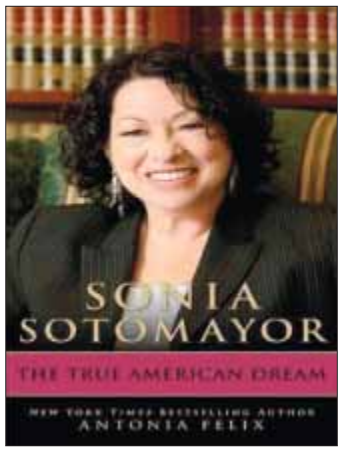


'Sonia Sotomayor: The True American Dream'

By Antonia Felix • Thorndike Press

She is our 111th Supreme Court justice. Her name is Sonia Sotomayor. But other than that, what do we know about her?

Every president wants to leave his mark on history by his choice of Supreme Court justices. A question to ask yourself, since so far President Barack Obama has packed the court with two women, where is the balance? Will our next choice be an Asian man or woman? Was Sotomayor an affirmative action nomination?



This book does not give a complete answer to the questions that can be raised. Why her? Is she the best qualified? What experience on the bench does she have that qualifies her for a position on the high court? What type of judge will she be? Author Antonia Felix attempts to help introduce this woman who is an enigma.

Felix condenses the early years of Sotomayor's life by recording she went to Princeton and Yale for her degrees "My days at Princeton were the single most transforming experience of my life," Sotomayor says then she goes on to explain, "It was at Princeton that I became truly aware of my Latina identity – an awareness that has shaped the course of my life."

One of her classmates at Yale remarked about her: "I was struck by her diligence in tracking down the most obscure references and on trying to steer an original and political course through thorny issues of constitutional interpretation."

The background data of her family is good. That is something that we all need to know. But even that doesn't explain who she is.

President Obama had a list of four females to choose from. Why did he pick this one? That is not explained either.

Felix includes in this book excerpts of speeches and some articles. She tries to present it in the genre of biography yet it reads like a cover letter of an application for employment. Not much is revealed. I understand that Sotomayor did not allow herself to be interviewed for the book. "Although I was not able to interview Justice Sotomayor," Felix reports in her acknowledgements, "my conversations with dozens of figures in her life have provided the core of this book."

Felix is a New York Times best selling author of 125 nonfiction books including biographies of former Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice, former Commander Gen. Wesley Clark, and first lady Laura Bush. She has the credentials to handle this subject.

This is a good beginning to what is needed to understand our Supreme Court justices. Let's hope that more is written about this women so that we can understand her more.

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SUBJECT: A Public Hearing will be held by the Planning Commission on the following:

Conditional Use Permit 10-007, 395 Santa Monica Place, The Market (Level 3). The applicant requests approval of Conditional Use Permit (10CUP007) to allow the off-sale and on-sale service and consumption of alcohol within The Market. The Market involves a 23,626 SF area with 21 vendor spaces providing a variety of specialty food and related products located on Level 3 of Santa Monica Place. The proposed hours of alcoholic sales and service are 10AM to 2AM, daily. Pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code Section 9.04.10.18.020 and 9.04.08.20.040 a Conditional Use Permit is required for the on-site sale and dispensation of alcoholic beverages and the off-sale of alcohol within the C3-C, Downtown Overly District. [Planner: Grace Page] **APPLICANT: The Macerich Company, Santa Monica Place. PROPERTY OWNER: Macerich Santa Monica, LLC.**

Conditional Use Permit 10-017, 123-125 Broadway. The applicant requests approval of a Conditional Use Permit (10CUP017) to allow the incidental on-site sale and consumption of alcohol within a new 2,066 square foot restaurant. Pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code Section 9.04.10.18.020, a CUP is required for the dispensing and sale of alcoholic beverages. [Planner: Grace Page] **APPLICANT: Buddha Boy, Inc.dba Thai Dishes on Broadway. PROPERTY OWNER: Bernard & Rebeca Appelbaum Trust.**

Conditional Use Permit 10-016, Variance 10-016, 2520 Second Street. Conditional Use Permit (10CUP016) to allow the operation and use of the "Shotgun House", a designated City Landmark, as a preservation resource center which will be relocated to this site and Variance (10VAR016) to allow modified building setbacks associated with the proposed placement of an accessory structure to house refuse and recycling storage. [Planner: Scott Albright, AICP] **APPLICANT: Santa Monica Conservancy. PROPERTY OWNER: City of Santa Monica.**

Text Amendment 10-001, R-3 District. Amendments to Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) Sections 9.04.08.06.020 and Table 9.04-1 to allow certain single room occupancy housing projects to be considered as preferred permitted projects in the R-3 Medium Density Multiple Family Residential District. [Planner: Tony Kim] **APPLICANT: Tom Hacker**. [Continued from October 20, 2010]

Tract Map 10-004, Variance 10-013, 2438 Ocean Park Boulevard. The applicant requests approval for a Tentative Parcel Map and Variance for the construction of a two-story, two-unit condominium building with an attached four-car tandem parking garage in the Boulevard Residential (BR) R3 Overlay District. The project includes multiple variance requests to reduce the required front and side setbacks, increase the maximum parcel coverage and allow compact tandem parking within the parking garage. Pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code Section 9.20.04.030, the applicant requests approval of Tentative Parcel Map 10TM-004 (No. 71319) to approve the airspace subdivision of one lot into two parcels in conjunction with a proposed two-unit residential condominium development. In addition, pursuant to SMMC Section 9.04.20.10.030(d)(1), the applicant may request a modification to the yard setbacks and parcel coverage when a parcel has a lot depth less than 90-feet or a lot width less than 39-feet. The subject property has a width of 24.5 feet. Furthermore, the proposed four-car garage requires approval of a variance to allow compact tandem parking. Pursuant to SMMC Section 9.04.20.10.030(b), modification of off-street parking requirements can be requested. [Planner: Lily Yegazu] **APPLICANT: Doug Merrill. PROPERTY OWNER: Javier Corral**.

WHEN: **Wednesday, November 17, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.**

WHERE: **Council Chambers, City Hall**
1685 Main Street
Santa Monica, California

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the Planning Commission public hearing, or by writing a letter or e-mail. Information received prior to the hearing will be given to the Planning Commission at the meeting.

MORE INFORMATION
If you want additional information about this project or wish to review the project, please contact the Project Planner (310) 458-8341. The Zoning Ordinance is available at the Planning Counter during business hours or available on the City's web site at HYPERLINK "http://www.smgov.net" www.smgov.net. The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. If you have any disability-related accommodation request, please contact (310) 458-8341, or TYY Number: (310) 458-8696 at least five (5) business days prior to the meeting. Santa Monica "Big Blue" Bus Lines #1, #2, #3, #4, #5, #7, #8, #9 provide service to the City Hall. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the Public Hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the Public Hearing.



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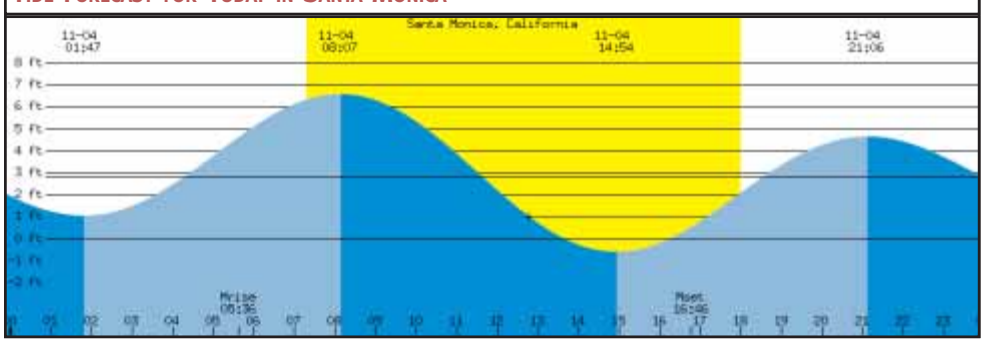
Swell Forecast

Looking like a chest to at times head high day around most all west facing breaks.

Long Range Synopsis

Should see WNW swell come ashore in the head high range for most west facing breaks, with some overhead pluses at standouts.

Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica



BEACH REPORT CARD

NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous 30 days up to the ending date of **October 27, 2010**

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

QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 1
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 4
- Number of wet days -- 11
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 33 / 17
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 11 / 26

The Beach Report Card is made possible by: The Diller – von Furstenberg Family Foundation, Grousbeck Family Foundation, simplehuman, SIMA, Carlson Family Foundation, Inc.

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

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Los Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Seguit 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 Don 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 fences.	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 zero).	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+
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
ns -- no sample taken

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NCAA FOOTBALL

UCLA's Neuheisel remains confident

BY GREG BEACHAM
AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES Rick Neuheisel was well aware of his reputation, and he wasn't proud of it.

Although few doubted his coaching abilities, Neuheisel realizes his name became synonymous with sneaky dealings and sloppy player discipline during the first two stops in his mostly successful career at Colorado and Washington.

When Neuheisel returned to take over his alma mater's program, he resolved to do everything by the book at UCLA. No shortcuts in recruiting, no interviewing with NFL teams behind his administrators' backs, and no breaks on players discipline, even if it meant suspending multiple starters for violating even the smallest team rules.

And certainly no NCAA basketball tournament bracket pools.

"In my past, people have pointed at me and said maybe I was not as good at that as I should have been," Neuheisel said. "I'm on record saying there were times I should have been sterner. That has not been the case at UCLA. There are policies here to adhere to, and when they cross the line and do things that are inappropriate, it's important for them to know that there are repercussions."

Neuheisel apparently has stayed true to his vision of a squeaky-clean program in Westwood, as his list of suspended starters would attest.

Only problem is, now he's having trouble with what most consider the most important aspect of his job: winning.

With three straight losses killing the good feelings from a three-game winning streak that included two wins over ranked teams, his Bruins (3-5, 1-4 Pac-10) are mired in eighth place in the Pac-10 for the third straight season of his tenure.

UCLA's passing game has been awful, and its defensive struggles despite a wealth of talent put heat on defensive coordinator Chuck Bullough. When Oregon State (4-3, 3-1) visits the Rose Bowl on Saturday, Neuheisel realizes the Bruins must finish the season with a flurry of upset victories just to reach a minor bowl game for the second straight season.

"I'm an eternal optimist, and continue to be so, and I'm never going to change," Neuheisel said. "When you pour yourself into something and you don't get the expected result, and you don't quite attain what you were there to fight for, there is a disappointment in that."

Neuheisel left behind dozens of NCAA violations and two years of probation when he jumped from Colorado for a big-money contract at Washington in 1999 after winning three bowl games in four years with the Buffaloes.

Neuheisel then won the Rose Bowl in his second year with the Huskies — he's still the only active Pac-10 coach who has won the conference's big bowl game, he notes — before his legendarily messy firing. After a stint in the NFL, Neuheisel landed his self-described dream job back at UCLA and vowed to keep it clean.

"Coach Neuheisel and the coaches run a tight ship, no joke," said receiver Josh Smith, who served a one-game suspension last month. "We know what they expect of us, and when we mess up, we know there's consequences. That's how it is."

UCLA suspended Smith and F-back Morrell Presley for one game Oct. 12, while receiver Ricky Marvray and offensive tackle Sean Sheller were hit with one-game suspensions Oct. 25. Three freshmen were dismissed in June after getting arrested. Offensive tackle Mike Harris was suspended for the season opener, and four other players were suspended for a game last year, all for violating rules.

Neuheisel said he isn't allowed to comment on the reasons for the suspensions, but the coach pointedly hasn't contradicted numerous reports his players were suspended for positive drug tests.

"You find out the reasons, even though we're not allowed to talk about it," Neuheisel told reporters. "It's about addressing the issues and making sure you're going to solve the problem."

Neuheisel also said the Bruins have "increased the amount of supervision" that resulted in the rules violations, refusing to go into specifics about increased drug tests or extra screening.

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MOVIE TIMES

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

Double Feature
The Kids Are All Right (R) 1hr 46min
Sympathy for Delicious (NR) 1hr 41min
7:30pm
Discussion between films with actor-director Mark Ruffalo.

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 Third Street Promenade
(310) 458-6232

The Town (R) 2hr 5min
5:00pm, 7:55pm, 10:50pm

Life As We Know It (PG-13) 1hr 52min
5:05pm, 7:45pm, 10:30pm

Stone (R) 1hr 45min
5:30pm, 8:05pm, 10:40pm

Secretariat (PG) 1hr 56min
5:15pm, 8:15pm, 11:00pm

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

Due Date (R) 1hr 40min
5:30pm, 8:00pm, 10:30pm

Social Network (PG-13) 2hr 1min
5:40pm, 8:40pm, 11:35pm

Megamind 3D (PG)
6:15pm, 8:45pm, 11:15pm

Saw 3D (R) 1hr 30min
5:45pm, 8:10pm, 10:40pm

Jackass 3D (R)1hr 34min
5:20pm, 7:45pm, 10:15pm

Red (PG-13) 1hr 38min
6:20pm, 9:00pm, 11:40pm

Hereafter (PG-13) 2hr 6min
5:15pm, 8:20pm, 11:20pm

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

Welcome to the Rileys (R) 1hr 50min
7:40pm, 10:15pm

Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest (R) 1hr 52min
8:10pm

Conviction (R)
7:40pm, 10:10pm

You Will Meet A Tall Dark Stranger (R) 1hr 38min
7:50pm, 10:10pm

AMC Criterion 6
1313 Third Street Promenade
(310) 395-1599

Due Date (R) 1hr 40min
6:15pm, 8:45pm, 11:15pm

Megamind 3D (PG)
5:30pm, 8:00pm, 10:30pm

For Colored Girls (R) 2hr 14min
5:30pm, 8:40pm, 11:45pm

Social Network (PG-13)
6:20pm, 9:20pm, 12:05am

Red (PG-13) 1hr 38min
5:35pm, 8:10pm, 10:45pm

Paranormal Activity 2 (R)
5:45pm, 8:05pm, 10:25pm

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Order in tonight, Leo

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ A new beginning becomes more than possible if you relax with a child or loved one. Take a stand and share more of what you feel is significant. Whether you know it or not, you are a trendsetter. Tonight: Go with a loved one's or friend's idea.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Defer to others with renewed interest and better understanding. You might not be able to do what others can, as you come from such a totally different background. A trip or special occasion might need revising. Tonight: Listen to another's declaration.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You might think you can clear your desk and check off several projects. A partner or associate might need to revise his or her thinking about what is possible. Tonight: Visit with friends, or run some errands. Don't push.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ You remain a creative and dominating force, no matter where you are or with whom. If you can open your eyes, tossing previous judgments aside, you could see someone far differently. Tonight: Add some romance into your life.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You cannot bypass certain priorities or change directions suddenly. It appears that someone or a situation is like an extra weight to carry. You might not know which way to go. In this situation, step back and see what heads down the path. Tonight: Order in.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ Reach out for others, make calls and remain sure of what you desire. Someone close could be unusually demanding. Though you know what you want, let others add their own variations. Think in terms of teamwork. Tonight: Hanging out could point to a new friendship.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Your possessive side could cause a problem with a family member or a personal situation. You can change your course or decide to tame a personality trait with today's New Moon. Tonight: Don't go overboard.

SCORPIO (Oct 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ The New Moon promises many happy events if you can remain open and optimistic. A new start or resolution can occur if it's made right now. Use your disciplined mind to create your desires. Tonight: The world is your oyster. Now what?

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ You could be pushing your luck if you continue to be as outspoken as you have been in recent days. Take time off from your hectic schedule. You might wonder how much is enough. Now is the time for a personal resolution. Tonight: Vanish home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★★ You might have been waiting for an event or a statement. If it involves a long-term goal or friendship, make a decision to make it so. How you justify an expense might be OK, but be sure you can handle any consequences. Tonight: Where people are.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ You could be left holding the bag. Much goes on around you, making it nearly impossible to stay on a pre-ordained path. Your ability to flex is tested. However, you also might need to establish limits. Tonight: A must appearance.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ Don't hold back from exploring an option any longer, be it education or travel. You might be craving more knowledge and life experience. Why would you want to deny yourself this exposure? Tonight: Try walking a bohemian path.

Happy birthday

This year, especially in the next few weeks, scan your life and decide where you would like a new beginning. You have unusual strength and power to create and manifest in the next 12 months. Know what you want, then you will take the right course. Many of you simply might decide to exorcize a bad habit or start a diet. The chances for success are higher than in the past. If you are single, you radiate. Your intensity draws many admirers. Date until you find the right person. If you are attached, the bond easily could become one-sided, with your increasing charisma. Remember, a relationship is a two-way street. SCORPIO could be a soul mate.

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



MYSTERY PHOTO

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Girls and Sports

By Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein



The Meaning of Lila

By John Forgetta & L.A. Rose



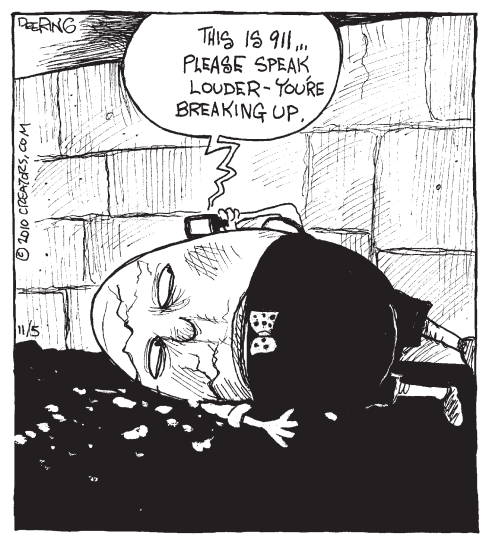
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By Jim Davis



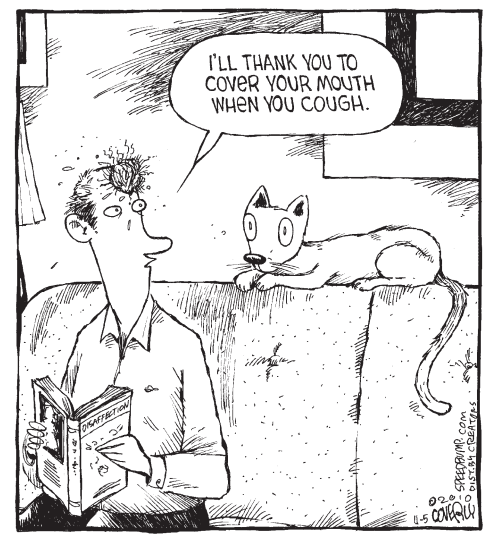
Strange Brew

By John Deering



Speed Bump

By Dave Coverly



Sudoku

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

Difficulty Level ★★★★

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GETTING STARTED

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

5	9	3	7	1	2	6	8	4
8	6	7	5	4	3	2	9	1
4	1	2	9	8	6	3	5	7
1	3	9	6	5	7	4	2	8
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Fill the tank
6 Observes Ramadan
11 Texas landmark
12 Cornhusker city
13 Childhood ailment
14 Dance record
15 Outback runner
16 Sign of error
18 Early hour
19 Boxer, e.g.
20 Asner and O'Neill
21 Musician Lofgren
23 "The Time Machine" writer
25 Printer problem
27 Happy companion
28 Sinful city
30 Humdrum
33 Snicker sound
34 Homer's neighbor
36 LAX guess
37 Frankie's co-star
39 Chess pieces
40 Puccini opera
41 Tire feature
43 Sing like Bing
44 Washer cycle
45 Barbera's cartooning partner
46 Collectible car

DOWN

1 "Now the competition is serious!"
2 Reunion group
3 British writer
4 Game caller
5 Offered
6 Sought food
7 City on the Skunk
8 American writer
9 Trisection parts
10 Jazz blowers
17 Squabble
22 Down in the dumps
24 High hit
26 Butte setting
28 Lady of Spain
29 Ran into
31 Relaxed
32 "Messiah" composer
33 Ship door
35 Raison —
38 Bus. sch. course
42 Disencumber

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Yesterday's answer

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CrossMath + × − ÷

• Fill the grid with the set of given numbers (1 to 12) to satisfy the Equa demands (7 to 24) in the shaded boxes. The Equa demands represent the sum of the digits that you will insert into the empty squares.

• Each horizontal row has one Equa demand to satisfy; each vertical column also has one demand to satisfy. Each empty square in the grid dictates the math operation (addition +, subtraction -, multiplication X, and division ÷) that must be performed to meet the demands.

• You must follow the given math operations for each square and you must make sure all the numbers satisfy the demands in the shaded boxes when connected in adjacent threes and calculated together from left to right, and top to bottom.

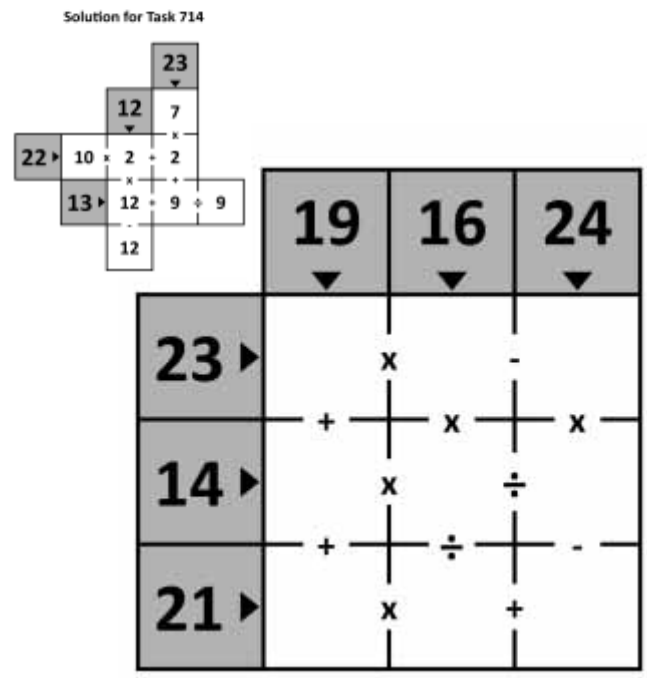
• The numbers you insert into the grid must satisfy the Equa demands both horizontally and vertically.

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Fill in the empty fields with the given numbers so when calculated together they satisfy all Equas in the gray boxes:

3, 4, 5, 5, 6, 6, 7, 7, 12

Solution for Task 714



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Fantasy 5: 6 14 26 31 38

DAILY 3: MIDDAY: 5 5 1 EVENING: 1 1 7

DAILY DERBY: 1st: 09 Winning Spirit 2nd: 07 Eureka 3rd: 01 Gold Rush RACE TIME: 1:43.01

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ (1) Mr. Hamen Vile was transferred from Gulgong Hospital in Australia, in August, to another about 30 miles away after Gulgong was discovered with dangerous levels of asbestos. Vile had lived full-time at Gulgong since 1952, when he suffered an accidental gunshot in the back. (2) Recently, MSNBC and The New York Times discovered that 104-year-old Montana copper-mine heiress Huguette Clark has cloistered herself for the last 20 years in an ordinary room at an unnamed New York City hospital. All of Clark's affairs are handled by an attorney who has almost no contact with her but oversees her three well-maintained estates in Connecticut, Santa Barbara (Calif.) and New York City, worth, respectively, $24 million, $100 million and $100 million.

■ Overconfident: (1) Xavier Ross, 19, passing by a piano at an art exhibit in front of the Grand Rapids, Mich., police station in October, could not resist sitting down to play a few notes -- and was arrested when officers recognized him from a recent home invasion case. (2) Selma Elmore, 44, was arrested in Lockland, Ohio, in October when she flagged down a police car to ask if there was an arrest warrant out on her. (Officers checked; there was; she ran; the warrant was minor; "resisting arrest" was more serious.) (3) Jason Williams, 38, was convicted in Maidenhead, England, in October of stealing a neighbor's window curtains, which he had immediately installed on his own windows -- in plain view of the neighbor's window.

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