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THE ELECTION FALLOUT ISSUE

BBB times improve, still behind goal

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Staff Writer

CITYWIDE Three in 10 Big Blue Buses were not on-time last fiscal year, according to BBB data, but timeliness improved slightly over the previous year.

In fiscal year 2013-14, 70.6 percent of buses were on time compared to 67.2 in 2012-13.

"This improvement was hard won and there is much room left for continued work in this area," Director of Transit Services Edward King said in a report to City Council. "Big Blue Bus is continuously analyzing the lowest performing routes for ways to improve their on-time performance including retiming, elimination of little used bus stops, rerouting, and signal prioritization."

Some routes, like the 6 and 10, are missing the mark almost half the time. The three most commonly used routes, 1,3, and 7, were on-time between 61 and 65 percent of the time. The fourth most used route, the Rapid 7, was on time less than 60 percent of the time.

Ridership declined 2.6 percent last fiscal year. Overall, there were 18.8 million rides taken on Big Blue Buses in 2013-14.

"This correlates to the reduction in the total number of operating service hours programmed and the service changes implemented during the year," King said. "These adjustments were made to offset the conditions created by inefficiencies. Efforts to bal-

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VOLLEYBALL VICTORY

Morgan Genser *editor@smdp.com*

The Santa Monica College women's volleyball team played West LA on Nov. 5. SMC won in 3 straight games (25-15, 25-8, 25-12). With the win SMC improves their record to 8-1 in conference and 16-5 overall. Pictured are Aybike Topuz setting up a teammates shot and Jene Price spiking the ball.

Mixed election results for SMRR, Residocracy

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL Tuesday's election was a test for two local political groups and yielded mixed results for both.

Santa Monicans for Renters' Rights (SMRR) is the city's largest political party. It has a strong track record of getting its candidates elected, so every year is a test of its strength.

Residocracy came onto the political scene earlier this year, taking the lead on a success-

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Measure R Passes in Malibu

BY MELISSA CASKEY
Special to the Daily Press

MALIBU The hard-fought Measure R campaign culminated late Tuesday night and into Wednesday morning, as the controversial chain store and development ordinance Measure R was passed with support from nearly 60 percent of Malibu.

Approximately 59.3 percent of registered voters who participated in Tuesday's elec-

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REDLINE PUBLIC REVIEW DRAFT

TOWNHALL MEETING

Please join the Planning and Community Development Department for a special evening with the Planning Commission at a **TOWNHALL MEETING** to provide comments on the Redline Public Review Draft Zoning Ordinance Update. At this event, please give us your feedback on this important project that implements the 2010 Land Use and Circulation Element.

WHEN: WEDNESDAY, NOV. 19 2014 at 7:00 PM

WHERE: LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL AUDITORIUM
1501 CALIFORNIA AVENUE
SANTA MONICA, CA 90403

Please join us to discuss:

- **YOUR COMMENTS AND CONCERNS:** feedback on the contents of the Redline Public Review Draft Zoning Ordinance is welcome.
- **PROCESS: & TIMELINES:** learn about the schedule for completing the Update and additional opportunities to provide feedback.

Your input will inform the Planning Commission as it reviews the redline version of the public draft.

For more information or to request disability-related accommodations, please contact 310.458.8341

Valet bike parking provided. Car parking available on-site. Big Blue Bus lines #2 on Wilshire Blvd. and #3 on Montana Avenue stop near the workshop location.

Esto es una noticia sobre talleres para planear el futuro de Santa Monica. Para mas informacion, llame a Peter James al numero 310.458.8341

http://www.smgov.net/Departments/PCD/Zoning/Zoning-Update/

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www.wiseandhealthyaging.org

What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

November 7

Navigating long-term care
Ocean Park Library Community Room
2601 Main St. 2 p.m.
RSVP to Debbie Debber or Patricia K.D. (310) 821-8121

The Last Night of Ballyhoo
Saint Monica Cantwell Auditorium
1039 7th St. 7 p.m.
The Saint Monica Catholic High School Performing Arts Department is proud to present this Hilarious Romantic Comedy from Alfred Uhry, author of the acclaimed "Driving Miss Daisy". Tickets available at the door. Parking entrance is on California Avenue. Admission: $10-15.

Wine tasting
Jeanie Madsen and Hamilton Galleries
1431 Ocean Ave. 7 - 10 p.m.
Join us for an evening of the best Cognacs, Ports, and Wines. Drink by the ocean and feast your eyes on the most beautiful artwork while knowing you are supporting a great cause. All the proceeds benefit Cystic Fibrosis Foundation. Admission: $25.

November 8

Curesearch walk
Crescent Bay Park
2000 Ocean Ave. 8 a.m.
Join organizers as they celebrate and honor children from the Los Angeles area who have been affected by children's cancer. This very special day will include music, food, and fun activities for the entire family.

Pacifico Show
Santa Monica Pier
200 Santa Monica Pier 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.
Historic J is pleased to announce the introduction of our first Southern California event, Pacifico. Set at the iconic Santa Monica Pier in Santa Monica, California, attendees will be able to enjoy a day of Japanese classic cars right on the ocean with beautiful weather, great music, delicious food, and classic car shop vendors. $10 General Admission.

Fairview Knitters
Fairview Branch Library
2101 Ocean Park Blvd. 3:30 p.m.
Knitting, conversation, and tea at the Library. Everyone welcome!

Lye Gift Soaps with Angharad Caceres
1450 Ocean
2 - 4 p.m.
Learn to make bar soap from olive, coconut, and other oils, aromatics and lye. Use safe kitchen chemistry to make versatile holiday and hostess gifts, and explore different wrapping and decorative techniques to make your gift soaps stand out. Cost: $20 + $15 cash material fee to instructor. View and Register for classes at http://ow.ly/oZGSg or call (310) 458-2239.

Clash of the Titans: The Milky Way and Andromeda Galaxy
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd. 2 - 3:30 p.m.
In 4 billion years, our galaxy and its nearest neighbor will collide. UCLA Astronomer Dr. R. Michael Rich discusses what such an event will look like and what will remain, as well as his work with massive CCD camera arrays which help determine the future of our galaxies. Presented by the Friends of the Santa Monica Public Library.

SAT Practice test
Pico Branch Library
2201 Pico Blvd. 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.
See where you stand by taking the NEW SAT Practice Test presented in collaboration with C2 Education. 10th to 12th grade. Register by calling 310-458-8684 or online at http://www.c2educate.com/southern-california-events. Don't forget your pencil and calculator.

Felted Flower Pins with Sara

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For help submitting an event, contact us at
310-458-7737 or submit to editor@smdp.com

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Downtown

Student hackathon for community college students

Santa Monica's Cross Campus tech hub and event venue will be hosting a weekend long hackathon testing some of the brightest minds from across the country. As the first student hackathon for community college students in the nation, over 200 students will compete in HackCC, which is proud to be part of Major League Hacking (MLH) powered by DELL. MLH helps put on over 50 hackathons across North America and the UK every year giving students unique chances to create, innovate and network with leading edge technology and expert mentors.

A hackathon is the best way to flex coding muscle and show how well you code, build, and innovate (it is not a place to hack into computer networks or do anything illegal). Students from community colleges all over the country will stay up (or not!) for 36 hours with a team building and coding the best apps and robotics they can come up with. Each team is not only competing for prizes and drinking tons of Red Bull, they are learning from each other and building truly unique and exciting products. You don't have to be a genius to join; you only have to have a creative mind and passion to build.

Hackathons have been increasing in popularity over the past decade and have enriched the lives of those who attend. Unfortunately, most of them are centered around the lives of university students while community colleges have lacked a true hackathon to call their own. That's where Hack CC comes in. They are creating the first hackathon for community college students to exhibit their skills and talents. It is the first hackathon to really encourage those who may have thought they weren't good enough to compete in a hackathon.

The event begins Nov. 7 with opening ceremony at 9 p.m. and hacking begins at 10 p.m. There will be sponsor workshops Nov. 8 from 9:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Hacking ends at 10 a.m. on Nov. 9 with an expo from 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Demos and judge deliberations will be from 2 - 2:45 p.m. with closing ceremonies at 3 p.m.

To register or for more information visit visit http://www.hackcc.org.

– EDITED BY MATTHEW HALL

Los Angeles

Postal Service gears up for the holidays with 7 day package delivery

The Postal Service has kicked off the holiday shipping season by announcing it will be delivering packages seven days a week starting Nov. 17 through Christmas Day, including in the greater Los Angeles area, due to continued double digit package volume growth.

"The Postal Service ships more packages to more places than anyone else," said Acting Los Angeles Postmaster Ken Snavely. "During the holidays, we're raising the bar with enhanced tracking and Sunday delivery providing excellent service and reliability that only Santa can compete with."

The following local cities in the greater Los Angeles area are among those to be included in the Postal Service's Sunday delivery efforts: Los Angeles, Long Beach, Pasadena, Torrance, Irvine, Anaheim, Pomona, Glendale, Thousand Oaks, Van Nuys, Fullerton, Newport Beach, Santa Monica, Burbank and La Puente.

Sunday package delivery continues the commitment to provide customers superior service as the nation's mail carrier responds to the increase in package business stemming from the growth in e-commerce.

"Every household in America relies on us to get their packages in home for the holidays and we take great pride in taking on that responsibility," said Snavely. "We're prepared to do whatever it takes to delivery for our customers."

Due to continued e-commerce growth and improvements to its Priority Mail product line, the Postal Service is expecting double-digit growth in its package business this holiday season, likely in the range of 450 to 470 million packages. That equates to roughly 12 to 14 percent growth over the same period last year.

"This is truly our season at the Postal Service, it is crunch time," said Snavely. "We have stepped up our game to ensure America that USPS can be counted on to deliver their cards, gifts and letters in time for the holidays."

For expected delivery of holiday mail and packages by Christmas, the Postal Service recommends keeping the following mailing and shipping deadlines in mind:

Dec. 2 - First-Class Mail International/Priority Mail International

Dec. 10 - Priority Mail Express International

Dec. 15 - Standard Post

Dec. 17 - Global Express Guaranteed

Dec. 20 - First-Class Mail/Priority Mail (domestic)

Dec. 23 - Priority Mail Express (domestic)

Consumers can avoid holiday hassles by visiting usps.com - the Postal Service's website that will help make mailing and shipping easier. Millions of customers will skip the trip to the Post Office altogether and take advantage of convenient online shipping this holiday season. Click-N-Ship and other online services allow customers to print shipping labels, order free Priority Mail boxes, purchase postage and even request free next-day Package Pickup.

The Postal Service receives no tax dollars for operating expenses and relies on the sale of postage, products and services to fund its operations.

– MH

Citywide

Santa Monica Police Department Awarded $330,000 in Federal Grant

The Santa Monica Police Department (SMPD) has been awarded a $330,000 grant from the California Office of Traffic Safety (OTS) for a year-long program of special enforcement and public awareness efforts to prevent traffic related deaths and injuries. SMPD will use the funding as part of the city's ongoing commitment to keep roadways safe and improve the quality of life through both enforcement and education.

Chief Jacqueline Seabrooks expressed her gratitude to the California Office of Traffic Safety for their continued support and commitment in promoting safe roadways in the community.

After falling dramatically between 2006 and 2010, the number of persons killed and injured in traffic collisions saw a slight increase in 2011 and 2012. Particularly worrisome are recent increases in pedestrian and motorcycle fatalities and the dangers of distracting technologies. This grant funding will provide opportunities to combat these and other devastating problems such as drunk and drugged driving and speeding.

"California's roadways are still among the safest in the nation," said OTS Director Rhonda Craft. "But to meet future mobility, safety, and sustainability objectives, we must create safer roadways for all users. The Santa Monica Police Department will be using these and other resources to reach the vision we all share - Toward zero deaths, every 1 counts."

Activities that the grant will fund include: Educational presentations, DUI checkpoints, DUI saturation patrols, motorcycle safety enforcement, distracted driving enforcement, bicycle and pedestrian enforcement, traffic enforcement operations, warrant service operations targeting multiple DUI offenders, compilation of DUI "Hot Sheets," identifying worst-of-the-worst DUI offenders, Specialized DUI and drugged driving training such as Standardized Field Sobriety Testing (SFST), Advanced Roadside Impaired Driving Enforcement (ARIDE), and Drug Recognition Evaluator (DRE)

Funding for this program is provided by the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

– MH

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Second Saturday Free Craft Lounge
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November 9

5K walk
Clover Park
2600 Ocean Park Blvd. 10 a.m.
Raise awareness & research funding for rare genetic syndromes Prader-Willi and Smith-Magenis. For more information call (310) 699-0627 or visit walk4sms.kintera.org.

Symphony concert
Barnum Hall, Santa Monica
601 Pico Blvd. 4 p.m.
Lynn Harrell, one of today's pre-eminent cellists, will make his NWS debut on this program. A consummate soloist, chamber musician, recitalist, conductor and teacher, his work throughout the Americas, Europe and Asia has placed him in the highest echelon of today's performing artists. He is a frequent guest of many leading orchestras. Tickets, priced from $29 to $102, are available by calling 1-866-776-8400 between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. Monday through Friday, 24/7 from the Symphony's secure web site at www.newwestsymphony.org; and at the respective concert hall box offices.

Fund Raiser for The Good Shepherd Shelter
Sonny McLean's Pub
2615 Wilshire Blvd. 4 - 9 p.m.
Sonny McLean's Pub is hosting a fundraiser, Luispalooza Inc, a non-profit organization is raising money for The Good Shepherd Shelter and the battered woman and their children they take in. The Good Shepherd Shelter has matching donations from other donors so these donors will match whatever is raised. There will be live music, Comedy, Raffles and Live & Silent Auctions. Donations at www.luispalooza.org

Mt. Olive's Interfaith Jazz presents Marcos Ariel & Justo Ammarlo
Mt. Olive Lutheran Church
1343 Ocean Park Blvd. 5 - 6:30 p.m.
One of the most exciting musical collaborations to take place recently is the duo of Keyboardist Marcos Ariel and saxophonist-flutist Justo Ammarlo. Mt. Olive hosts monthly jazz concerts called "Interfaith Jazz" that feature local musicians of prominence. The event is freewill offering and free parking and childcare are also available.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Opposed to sharing bikes

An open letter to the City Council:

I am a bike rider and huge advocate for bicyclist. However I hope that you do not approve bikeshare program. I recently used a bikeshare in London that really opened my eyes to all of the logistics and issues with such a program. I urge you to try a bikeshare before you make any decision on one.

Some of reasons I believe it is a bad idea in Santa Monica are:

$10.4M for 500 bikes = $20,800 per bike! For that kind of money you could buy everyone in Santa Monica a low cost bicycle

Bikeshares work well in dense urban environments like London. I continuously hear we are a small beach town and our residents care about cars/parking. Conversely London embraces density, tall buildings, public transportation and is anti-automobile - all things which are critical for a successful bike share program.

Most everyone who wants to ride a bike has one - even the homeless; you could offer low cost loans for people who can't afford one

Perry's and our bike center already provide bikes for those visiting and provide them a locations where the tourist are. I believe Perry's pays the City substantial sums to operate these and they would most likely go out of business.

Why would residents pay $15-25 per month or up to $300 per year when they could just go out and buy a bike?

Therefore I appreciate your looking to support cycling. More importantly invest the money into making cycling safer. A couple of dedicated cycling lanes would go much further to promoting cycling. Our very expensive bike center is already a good solution for our city

The only way I could support such a program is if you find a corporate sponsors willing to pay for 100% of the installation and even more importantly the daily upkeep of the system.

If you get some numbers on the actual cost per ride, I think you will see this is an extremely unsustainable idea.

Thank you.

Linda Fineman
Santa Monica



Laughing Matters

Jack Neworth

Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Cindy Crawford Wouldn't Stop Calling Me

DURING THIS PAST WEEK I RECEIVED FOUR phone calls from super model Cindy Crawford. Frankly, I don't even know how she got my number. I passed her once as she was going into Bobby Shriver's 3rd District Supervisor's campaign office and at 48, she's smoking. (And I'm not referring to cigarettes.) And yet, next thing I know she's calling me every five minutes. If I was only 10 years younger, 6 inches taller and owned a private jet, who knows?

Okay, by now it's obvious the aforementioned calls were "robo." This of course would explain that that when I flirted with Cindy it didn't have any impact. (Assuming that I did.) And yet, I still say four calls in two days? C'mon, she wants me.

This election season the excessive number of robo-calls annoyed everyone. (Except those who have a crush on Cindy Crawford.) One such call, however, that I enjoyed immensely was from Ethel Kennedy, Bobby Shriver's Aunt. She sounded terrific and for a few moments I was almost back in Camelot.

Another of these robo-rants was from right-wing radio talk-show host Dennis Prager whom I've always found unduly unctuous. "Hello, this is Dennis Prager," he said trying to sound sincere. "I've never made one of these calls before …" That's when I hung up. After all, I didn't want him to break his record. Prager was "roboing" on behalf of Elan Carr running for Congress who wound up, and I believe the technical term is, "getting his butt kicked" by Ted Lieu.

Before I get to how disheartened I was by the national elections (not to mention the Lakers' worst start in 57 years!) a few words about our just completed City Council race. First off, I think 14 candidates is absurd and wish there were a primary to narrow it down. That said, I truly admire the incredible effort these men and women expend.

For example, there were over a dozen Candidate Forums where each officer seeker gives their spiel (Yiddish for "sales-pitch") and has to answer questions from the moderator or panel. But because there are 14 candidates no one can really do it with specificity. (When I looked up "spiel" I also discovered that "glitch" is Yiddish. And yes, I definitely have too much free time.)

The top City Council vote-getter with 7,475 or 17% of the votes cast was Kevin McKeown who earned his 5th term. (Isn't it about time he become Mayor?) In second was Planning Commissioner Sue Himmelrich who reportedly spent $130,000 on her campaign and received 6,907 votes or about $20 a vote! Narrowly making it in 3rd was Mayor, Pam O'Connor who won her sixth term. (In 2018 Pam will have served 24 years, which would tie the record held by the recently retired Bob Holbrook.)

I was hoping perennial council candidate Jon Mann would at least receive 5% of the vote so he might qualify for the 2016 Daily Press Squirm Night. In the past he sits forlorn in the audience wearing duct tape in protest. But alas, Jon only got 1,180 votes or 2.67%, so I hope he has the aforementioned duct tape in safe keeping.

Personally I was rooting for the charismatic Richard McKinnon to come in 3rd and become a Council member. Tirelessly, he seemingly walked (or biked) door-to-door for months but unfortunately came in 7th. Santa Monica native and Parks and Recreation Commissioner, Phil Brock, ran an excellent campaign but came in 4th only 586 votes short of being on the Council.

Nationally, for me at least, the election was grim. Obama has created 10,000,000 jobs, unemployment is under 6%, the auto industry is thriving, Bin Laden and Kaddafi are dead, the stock market has tripled and gas is below $3. And yet apparently it's "time for a change." Good grief.

And now who will have the power? The same crowd whose President, in 2001, in response to a Presidential Daily Briefing, "Bin Laden Determined to Attack in U.S.", went on vacation. And on 9/11 when told "the country was under attack" he pretended to be reading "My Pet Goat." He sat there frozen in fear for a mind-boggling seven minutes. (You could almost hear him, "Daddy, help!")

Our fearless (feckless) leader then invaded Iraq to get rid of non-existent WMDs. (Saddam would have crushed ISIS as he hated Islamic Fundamentalists and vice-versa.) And as a parting gift he left us with the worst economy since the Great Depression. (Is that all?)

Yes, this party, which hasn't balanced a budget since 1969, will essentially be running the show for the next two years. Speaking of two years, I hope Cindy Crawford doesn't start calling me again. Unless, of course, this time she leaves her number.

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CRIME WATCH
BY MATTHEW HALL

Parks and construction sites vandalized

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.

ON OCT. 25 AT ABOUT 4:45 P.M.

Officers responded to the 1500 block of Palisades Park regarding a subject causing a disturbance. The subject was reportedly knocking down signs and possibly grabbed a woman's breast. Upon arriving on scene, numerous people pointed the subject out. Upon contacting the subject, he displayed symptoms of alcohol intoxication and became belligerent. The subject was taken into custody and while walking him to the patrol car, he turned and spit on one of the officers. The subject was placed into the patrol car without further incident. Robert Calderon, 33, of Santa Monica, had bail set at $20,000.

ON OCT. 28 AT ABOUT 11:30 P.M.

An officer observed a subject panhandling in the front of the Arco Gas Station located at 332 Pico Blvd. The officer made contact with the subject and advised him it was a municipal code violation to aggressively panhandle in Santa Monica per section 4.08.740(a) SMMC. The officer noticed the subject was wearing a large baggy shirt that covered his waistband along with oversized baggy sweatpants which could easily conceal a weapon. The subject was asked if he had any weapons on him and he said he had a knife in his pocket. While searching the subject, the officer removed a large fixed blade knife, with the sharp end pointed up, from his pocket. The knife was about 8 inches long and did not have a hand guard on it. The subject stated he knew he should not have it but it was for protection. Barron Troy Odom, 48, of Los Angeles, had bail set at $20,000.

ON OCT. 30 AT APPROXIMATELY 4:35 A.M.

Officers responded to the 600 block of Adelaide regarding a residential "Hot prowl" that had just occurred. The victim saw the suspect inside his house. Responding officers received information that the suspect was still in the area. A perimeter was established and the suspect attempted to escape the perimeter. He was taken into custody after a short foot pursuit and brief struggle. Donald Jake Sellers, 40, of Santa Monica, was denied bail.

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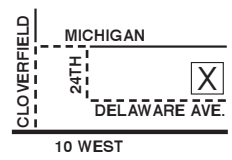


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BY MATTHEW HALL



WATCH
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ON OCT. 31 AT APPROXIMATELY 6:33 P.M.
Officers were dispatched to the Apple Store, 1415 3rd St, regarding a suspect Loss Prevention Officers had detained for theft. After talking to Loss Prevention, it was determined that the suspect was inside the store looking at Apple products, including a power adapter and an external hard drive. The suspect put the hard drive back and then walked out of the store with the $79 power adapter. The suspect quickly walked northbound on the 3rd St Promenade. He was detained at 3rd and Santa Monica by Loss Prevention and brought back to the store until police arrived. When officers arrived, they recognized the suspect as being the subject of approximately 50 calls for service for municipal code violations along the 3rd St Promenade. Leandro Arturo Carrasquero, 37, of Los Angeles, had bail set at $1,000.

ON OCT. 31 AT APPROXIMATELY 5:15 P.M.
A patrol officer saw a Dodge Caravan driving northbound in the 1300 block of Lincoln Blvd. The officer conducted a computer check of the vehicle and it showed the tabs on the car did not match the DMV information. A traffic stop was conducted and it was determined the driver did not have a license. During an inventory search of the car, the officer located several forged documents including a fake Department of Justice Permanent Resident Card, Social Security Card, and California Driver's License. The Driver's License number and social security number belonged to other people. The suspect admitted to all the documents being fake. He was arrested and the vehicle was impounded. Matthias Karl Pieler, 51, of Venice, had bail set at $20,000.

ON OCT. 31 AT ABOUT MIDNIGHT
Officers responded to JP's Bar and Grill, 1101 Wilshire Blvd, regarding an assault on a bartender. When officers arrived on scene, the victim/bartender was being treated by medics for a one inch laceration along her upper eyebrow which was still bleeding. Officers spoke with the parties involved and determined the suspect threw a drink glass at the bartender, striking her above the eye. The suspect had been drinking in the bar with friends and felt the bartender was being rude. Teresa Lopez, 30, of Santa Monica, had bail set at $30,000.

ON NOV. 1 AT ABOUT 10:40 A.M.,
Officers responded to the area of the light rail construction in the 1100 block of Colorado. A Traffic Service Officer reported seeing a subject ripping up the train tracks, removing items from the site, and throwing items in the street causing a traffic hazard. When officers arrived, the subject was walking northbound on Euclid and throwing dirt from a construction area. An officer asked the subject to sit down, but the suspect ignored the officer and muttered something to himself. When asked again, the suspect tossed a rock towards the officer, but the officer moved out of the way. The suspect began walking away and ignoring the officer, eventually walking into the street with oncoming traffic. The officer attempted to place the subject under arrest, but the suspect resisted. Assisting officers arrived on scene and they were able to take the suspect into custody. The suspect was originally booked as John Doe because he refused to provide his name. Kirk Johnell Douglas, 26, homeless, had bail set at $10,000.

NOV. 1 AT ABOUT 9:49 P.M.
An officer was driving eastbound in the 500 block of Broadway and observed a subject riding a bike without a headlight and on the sidewalk in the same block. These are a vehicle code and municipal code violations, respectively. The officer attempted to stop the subject using his horn, intercom, siren, and spotlights, but the subject ignored commands and continued east into the Von's parking lot. The subject got off his bike and locked it in front of the entrance to Von's. The subject refused all commands from the officer saying he did nothing wrong. Once additional officers arrived on scene, the subject was detained after a brief struggle. Once in handcuffs, the subject refused all commands and continued resisting. He was eventually placed in the back of a patrol car, where he calmed down. Joseph Jean Gilbert, 25, homeless, was held without bail.

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BBB
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ance the addition of new service hours were implemented to reduce overcrowding."

Everything will change for BBB with the opening of the incoming Expo Light Rail. Some routes will become more valuable and others won't be necessary.

Route 20, for example, which connects Downtown Santa Monica to Culver City, generates almost no revenue or ridership and when Expo opens its doors, the line will likely be eliminated. Currently the route costs BBB more than $20 per passenger.

Route 41, which recovers about 10 percent of its cost to run, is expected to see a dramatic increase in passenger loads because it connects Santa Monica College to the new 17th Street Expo station.

"In a typical year, service changes for poor performing routes (bottom quarter percentile) would have been recommended and implemented with some type of action or modification," King said in his report. "However, staff resources were focused on the Expo integration planning study. When timing of changes and analysis were taken into consideration, some route and schedule modifications were not recommended due to investment in operating expenditures for the short term before Expo integration begins."

The Rapid 12 is far and away the least subsidized route. It recovers about one-third of the money spent on it.

Overall, BBB recovers about 22 percent of its costs through farebox revenues.

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tion said "Yes" in favor of new restrictions on chain stores in Malibu and also declared they want to take to the polls on all major commercial developments measuring more than 20,000 square feet, according to figures posted after 2 a.m. on Wednesday by the L.A. County clerk and registrar. Nearly 41 percent of participating voters were opposed to the measure.

Malibu now becomes part of a handful of coastal towns in California that allow residents to take a stance on major developments, including Del Mar and Encinitas.

Preliminary results had been too close to call Tuesday evening because the clerk only posted absentee results. Finalized results did not go up until early Wednesday morning.

Finalized results (100% precincts reporting):

Yes: 59.27% (1,954 votes)

No: 40.73% (1,343)

Measure R proponent Rob Reiner released this statement early Wednesday:

"Last night's election result is a major victory for the residents of Malibu, all of whom now have a stronger voice over the future of our community. Measure R will help preserve the unique character of Malibu and combat increased traffic and the destruction of open spaces by giving voters a say on the 1.5 million square feet of commercial development currently planned in the heart of the city and on future development plans.

I would like to extend an enthusiastic thank you to all those who signed petitions to place Measure R on the ballot, who volunteered on the phones and the streets and, most importantly, who voted for this historic new law for our city."

Developers who campaigned against Measure R, including "No on R" campaign funder Steve Soboroff, have threatened to file suit against the constitutionality of the measure.

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ELECTION
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ful referendum of the controversial Hines development agreement. The next question: How well would the group's anti-development message fare at the polls?

Both groups backed incumbent Kevin McKeown and Planning Commissioner Sue Himmelrich and those candidates were elected by a wide margin. But none of the local political groups could get together on their third candidate.

SMRR supported Planning Commissioner Jennifer Kennedy, who placed sixth after the early election results.

SMRR candidates almost always go on to win election eventually. In 2010, now-City Councilmember Ted Winterer had the endorsement but missed election by less than 100 votes. In 2006, now-City Councilmember Gleam Davis had SMRR's backing but placed fifth in a race for three slots. Since 2006, these are SMRR's only council defeats and in both cases the candidates went on to win election.

SMRR co-Chair Patricia Hoffman said that Kennedy's showing was based in part on SMRR's wounded ground game. Unite Here! Local 11, a hospitality workers union, traditionally turns out tons of volunteers who go door-to-door on behalf of SMRR candidates. This year, they backed McKeown and former Planning Commissioner Frank Gruber. Gruber placed fifth in the election, one seat ahead of Kennedy.

"This year it was hard on all of us that the hotel workers, Unite Here, and we chose to have different candidates," Hoffman said. "We weren't able to get our message out as far as we would have liked to. With Jenn (Kennedy) running for office she couldn't communicate with us and be a part of our decision making team and she'd always been really good on the ground campaign. Our ground campaign was much less than it usually is."

Kennedy was backed following a vote from seven members of SMRR's Steering Committee. Gruber received the second-highest vote total at SMRR's membership convention - thanks in large part to votes from Unite Here members - but none of the candidates had enough votes to score endorsements so the question was posed to the Steering Committee.

"I wish that we had done a better job of getting Jennifer's name out there in front of the public because I still think that she's a really exceptional person that would make a truly fine council member," Hoffman said. "I'm sad about her not getting it just because I think she'd be so good for our city."

Hoffman said she wouldn't have done anything different during the candidate selection process and that she'd consider Kennedy one of her top choices in the next election.

The Daily Press reached out to Kennedy to see if she's considering a future run but did not hear back by press time.

Another big loss for SMRR was the failure of Measure H, which would have raised taxes on the sale of million dollar homes. A companion measure, HH, which passed, would have advised City Hall to spend that new money on affordable housing.

"I was gratified that the people of Santa Monica still registered their support for affordable housing with Measure HH," Hoffman said. "It would have been better if they had done so with their pocketbooks as well as their vote on H."

Hoffman said that measure was hard to explain and therefore hard campaign for. She said that it, like many issues on the ballot, was conflated with concerns about overdevelopment.

This was an area where SMRR and Residocracy differed. Residocracy's Advisory Board opposed Measure H.

"I think that Measure H was really about development and I think that development has been a main issue in this election," said Residocracy founder Armen Melkonians. "I think that the word got out to residents and the residents voted accordingly. I'm very happy that H did not pass in this election. It was also a property tax disguised as a measure."

Melkonians was also very happy with the results of the election.

Residocracy strongly endorsed Recreation and Parks Chair Phil Brock, who sits in fourth place after the initial election results.

"We picked up Sue Himmelrich as a pro-resident candidate," Melkonians said. "Phil came very close to unseating the mayor in a successful city, which is very difficult. As a grassroots candidate, I thought he did amazingly well. His voice resonated with residents and our grassroots movement."

Residocracy was active online and on the ground but spent far less money than the other political groups in the city.

"I think we learned a lot through the election," Melkonians said. "I think that we need to sit down with our board immediately and go over our lessons that we learned. We have to move that forward more effectively. But even for the first time, I think it was an amazing success for residents. I believe that in the next election cycle we can take a lot of what we've learned and move it forward in a more dynamic and effective manner."

The initial results from Board of Education election are very close, with second through fifth places being separated by just over 500 votes. As it stands, SMRR picked three of the top four finishers, with SMRR-endorsed incumbent Ralph Mechur being the odd man out.

Unendorsed Malibu schools advocate Craig Foster sits in second place.

"I'm going to be on tenterhooks until I find out what the outcome of the school board race is," Hoffman said.

Outgoing boardmember Nimish Patel, who announced earlier this year he would not seek reelection, is the only member of the current board who didn't win SMRR's backing.

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Big spenders, as usual, end up on top in election

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Associated Press

LOS ANGELES Statewide polling this summer found that most voters supported a ballot initiative to lift a decades-old cap on courtroom damages for medical negligence. The favorable opinions didn't last.

A multimillion-dollar torrent of negative advertising, mostly financed by insurance companies and doctors, doomed Proposition 46 on Tuesday, again affirming the power of deep pockets in California politics.

The winner on Election Day? Typically, it was the candidate or cause with the most money.

The battle over Proposition 46 pitted trial lawyers against doctors and insurers and became an example of how money can tip the balance in campaigns.

The committee opposing it banked roughly $60 million, most of it from insurance companies. That was more than six times the amount stockpiled by the losing side, which included trial lawyers and Consumer Watchdog, a Santa Monica-based advocacy group.

According to an analysis by MapLight, a nonpartisan group that tracks money in politics, six of the 10 largest donations to ballot propositions this year in California went to the committee opposing Proposition 46, including $10 million from the Norcal Mutual Insurance Co., more than $10 million from the Cooperative of American Physicians and more than $5 million from the California Medical Association.

The vanquished proposal also called for random drug and alcohol tests for doctors and for requiring doctors to check a statewide database before prescribing painkillers and other powerful drugs.

"It's always good to be on the 'no' side with money," noted Robert Stern, a campaign finance expert, since it's typically easier to persuade a voter to reject a proposition.

Gov. Jerry Brown, who easily defeated little-known Republican Neel Kashkari, spent virtually nothing promoting himself. But he did make frequent appearances on TV in commercials on behalf of two ballot measures he backed, Propositions 1 and 2, which voters also passed by wide margins this week.

As of mid-October, Brown's re-election campaign and his ballot measure committee spent a combined $14.5 million, with another $1.7 million in independent expenditures from outside groups.

The Brown-supported measures faced little organized opposition. Among Brown's biggest supporters for the ballot measures were Napster founder Sean Parker, who gave $1 million, venture capitalist John Doerr, who gave $875,000, and his union allies that gave millions more.

Kashkari spent $2.6 million in the general election through mid-October, bringing total spending on the governor's race and ballot initiatives to nearly $19 million.

In the nonpartisan race for superintendent of public instruction, spending exceeded $22 million, making it the most expensive election for a statewide office this year.

The California Teachers Association and its organized labor allies devoted more than $7.5 million in independent advertising to back union-friendly incumbent Tom Torlakson. The American Federation of Teachers, which usually leaves state races up to its affiliates, chipped in $550,000 to back Torlakson.

Meanwhile, deep-pocketed philanthropists and others made at least $10.7 million in independent expenditures on behalf of his rival, school reformer Marshall Tuck. They included the widow of Apple founder Steve Jobs, former New York Mayor Michael Bloomberg and other business and technology leaders.

The roughly even split on the amount of money spent was reflected in the final results: Torlakson won narrowly, 52 percent to 48 percent.

In general, the money follows the presumed favorite, but cash doesn't always deliver.

A surprise this year came in a Central Valley congressional district where unofficial returns show Democratic Rep. Jim Costa trailing dairy farmer Johnny Tacherra by a thin margin. Costa outspent his opponent about 3-to-1, and party strategists never targeted the race as one expected to be competitive.

Perhaps the best example of the limitations of big spending is Meg Whitman, who burned up $178 million, most of it her own money, in a failed bid to become governor in 2010.

Even when fundraising succeeds, it's not always decisive, especially if the other candidate is benefiting from an infusion of cash.

Outside groups poured more than $10 million into the suburban Sacramento congressional race between Democratic Rep. Ami Bera and Republican Doug Ose, a former congressman, making it one of the most expensive and competitive House contests in the nation. Ose was leading Bera on Thursday, but the race remained too close to call.



COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Santa Monica

Activision Blizzard tops estimates, lifts forecast

Activision Blizzard Inc., maker of the blockbuster "Call of Duty" video game franchise, said Tuesday that strong sales led to better-than-expected results for its third quarter and raised its full-year forecast. The stock jumped in after-hours trading.

Activision said sales of its "Destiny" and "World of Warcraft" games helped drive adjusted revenue up 78 percent in the three months that ended in September to $1.17 billion. That topped analysts' forecast for $991.8 million, according to Zack's, and last year's revenue of $657 million.

The company gained 7.4 million subscribers to 'World of Warcraft" during the quarter, ahead of its release of "Warlords of Draenor." The company also raised its full-year outlook as it prepares for sales of the latest "Call of Duty" installment which was released Monday.

Activision reported a quarterly loss of $23 million, or 3 cents per share, compared with a profit of $56 million, or 5 cents per share, a year earlier. Excluding one-time items it earned an adjusted profit of 23 cents per share, more than double the average 12-cent estimate of analysts surveyed by Zacks Investment Research.

Activision Blizzard said that it expects adjusted earnings of 86 cents per share for its fourth quarter on revenue of $2.2 billion. It now expects to earn $1.35 per share on revenue of $4.8 billion. That is up from its prior outlook of $1.29 per share on revenue of $4.7 billion.

Activision Blizzard shares rose over 4 percent to $20.80 in extended trading after the report. The stock closed earlier down 35 cents at $19.95. Its shares have climbed 12 percent since the beginning of the year.

- AP

Sacramento

California woman charged in studio fraud case

A California woman scammed investors out of millions of dollars with claims that she had Hollywood backing to build a movie studio complex, according to a federal indictment unsealed Thursday.

The 32-count indictment charges Carissa Carpenter, 51, with mail fraud, wire fraud and three counts of making a false statement to a government agent.

Carpenter began pitching a Northern California film studio in 1997 and claimed to have invested hundreds of millions of dollars of her own money in the project and to have support from influential Hollywood producers and directors, prosecutors said.

The proposed sites for the studio included Dixon, Lathrop and the former naval base on Mare Island in Vallejo.

Prosecutors said Hollywood figures had little or no involvement in the project and that Carpenter told investors that she had secured funding and needed bridge loans, even though no such funding existed.

Carpenter is accused of using the investor money to fund an extravagant lifestyle. She was arrested in Los Angeles on Wednesday.

Lauren Horwood, a spokeswoman for the U.S. Attorney's Office in Sacramento, said Carpenter did not have an attorney listed in records.

The indictment did not specify the Hollywood figures whose support Carpenter claimed to have.

Investors, firms that did work for Carpenter and municipalities lost more than $5 million in the project, according to prosecutors.

-AP

Los Angeles

Disney Pixar announce plans for 'Toy Story 4'

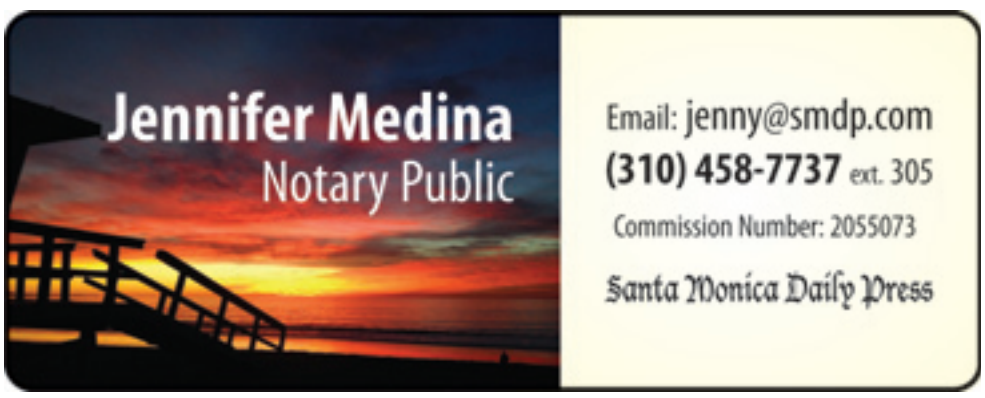
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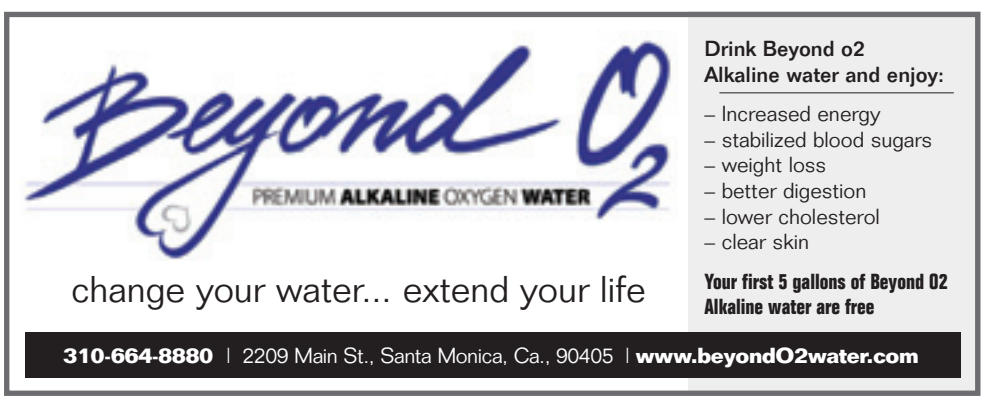
Disney Pixar announced Thursday it plans to produce "Toy Story 4," with a release date in June 2017.

Pixar chief John Lasseter will direct the film.

Lasseter directed the first two "Toy Story" films and says his team has come up with a new idea for the franchise that he can't stop thinking about. He says said the fourth "Toy Story" installment will "open a new chapter" in the lives of Woody, Buzz and their playful pals.

-AP







Active quake fault found at Hollywood development

ROBERT JABLON
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES A new state earthquake map on Thursday identified an active fault running through the proposed site of the largest planned development in Hollywood history, potentially complicating efforts to build the project called Millennium Hollywood.

The Hollywood fault is located on a portion of the site near the famed Capitol Records building and has moved in the last 11,000 years - the definition of active - but there is no way of knowing when it might break again, said Tim McCrink, supervising engineering geologist for the California Geological Survey.

"I think that it has the potential to produce a magnitude-6.5 or more earthquake," he said, adding that it would create an "economic catastrophe."

By comparison, the magnitude-6.7 Northridge earthquake of Jan. 17, 1994, caused 60 deaths, thousands of injuries and extensive damage in the metropolitan Los Angeles area.

The fault is identified on a final map produced by the Geological Survey. Its existence has long been known, but the map pins down specifics of its path for regulatory purposes.

McCrink said it would be illegal to build over an active earthquake fault and developers who want to build in quake zones on the map will have to perform detailed studies to ensure they aren't constructing anything over a fault.

Opponents of the Millennium Hollywood project have argued that it represents a seismic safety risk. The developer, Millennium Partners, wants to build 1 million square feet of hotels, offices, stores, restaurants and housing. Two proposed skyscrapers, of 35 and 39 stories, would dwarf existing buildings.

The City Council approved the concept last year, but the final say is with the city's Department of Building and Safety, which issues construction permits. The department can allow or ban the construction, order more study, or demand changes in the design.

The developer found an inactive fault in its own testing at the site, but McCrink said it is not the same as the larger, active segment of the Hollywood fault - although it is possible the two may be related.

Philip Aarons, a founding partner of Millennium Partners, said the developer will continue to work with the Building and Safety Department "to safely construct our project" and is finalizing its own report "that confirms there is no active fault on our site."

"We've said it before and we've said it again: Millennium Hollywood is steadfast in its commitment to building a safe project that conforms to the highest earthquake resiliency standards," he said.

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Modest SSW swell; small WNW swell-mix

SUNDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-3 ft** ankle to waist high
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MONDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-3 ft** ankle to waist high
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Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Las Alisa creeks.		
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A	ns
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A	ns
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A	ns
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	D	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	ns
Surfrider Beach (broach location)- daily.	A	A+
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	A+	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	ns
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	ns
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A	ns
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	B	A+
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ns	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain.	A	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain.	A	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua).	A	A+
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	D	ns
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	A	A+
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	A	A+
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A+	ns
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A	A+
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	D	ns
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	ns
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	F	ns
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	ns
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St..	A+	ns
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower.	F	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth.	ns	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain.	B	ns
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	A	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of CAW jetty).	A	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	A	ns
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	ns

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WET -- grades for days of recorded rainfall and the following 3 days
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1441 Third Street Promenade
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John Wick 1:41 (R)
8 p.m., 10:40 p.m.

Ouija 1:29 (PG-13)
7:15 p.m., 9:45 p.m.

St. Vincent 1:43 (PG-13)
7:50 p.m., 10:20 p.m.

The Book of Life 1:35 (PG)
7:30 p.m., 10:15 p.m.

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Big Hero 6 1:48 (PG) 3D
7:50 p.m., 10:30 p.m.

Big Hero 6 1:48 (PG)
7:05 p.m., 9:50 p.m.

Fury 2:14 (R)
7:15 p.m., 10:15 p.m.

Gone Girl 2:29 (R)
7:30 p.m., 11 p.m.

Interstellar 2:48 (PG-13)
7 p.m., 7:40 p.m., 10 p.m., 10:50 p.m.

Nightcrawler 1:57 (R)
7:10 p.m., 11:15 p.m.

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BE AVAILABLE TONIGHT, SAG

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Your creativity will soar, perhaps because the weekend lies ahead or because you are more willing to share your thoughts. You could be tired of having the same old conversation with a partner. Tonight: Treat a loved one to munchies.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ You seem to glow with enthusiasm and energy. You could feel intimidated by a very serious person in your life, but try not to let him or her get to you. Curb a tendency to use sarcasm as a defense mechanism. Be more open. Tonight: Enjoy the moment.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You could be dragging during the day, but by the time evening rolls in, you'll feel energized. You even might be able to let go of a hassle by then. You won't be able to resist having a good time with others. Tonight: Nap first, then head out.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ You'll want to get past someone's resistance, but despite all your efforts, you might not be able to. You could be more worried about this person than you realize. Continue to put your best foot forward. Tonight: Out until you are too tired to go on.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Take charge of a situation that could affect your public image. Remain serious, and focus on your intentions. Confusion seems to surround you in nearly every way, so be sure to confirm that you understand someone's message. Tonight: Expect to be out and about.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ A trip might tempt you to try a different approach. The risk you'll have to take could be worth it. Tap into your creativity, and you will know what to do. Follow your heart. You are likely to gain through some personal, private time. Tonight: Detach from the here and now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You could be taken aback by a partner or dear loved one. This person will be more than ready to handle a problem that you might have thought was yours. Let go of a tendency to worry too much. Tonight: Go along with someone else's suggestion.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You'll have reason to want to go along with someone's plan. You might have a lot to share, but it could take more time than you have. Postpone this meeting until later in the afternoon, when you have no time restraints. Tonight: Be spontaneous.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Pace yourself, and you will get a lot more done. You might be in a position where you are overemphasizing one characteristic of a situation and not considering the others. Tonight: Be available.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You will be amazed by how you'll have to back off a bit in order to get the positive reaction you desire. You could be confused as to why you will need to be more passive. Honor a change, but only if it is for the better. Tonight: Go for the moment.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Others will push hard for what they want, especially those involved in your personal life. You might want to walk away and get involved with a different project. Allow your mood to change among friends. Tonight: All smiles.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ You could be reaching out to someone at a distance who seems to be extremely touchy. Be aware that a partner might be extremely jealous or irritated. Proceed with care, as you won't want to deal with the fallout. Tonight: Head home early.

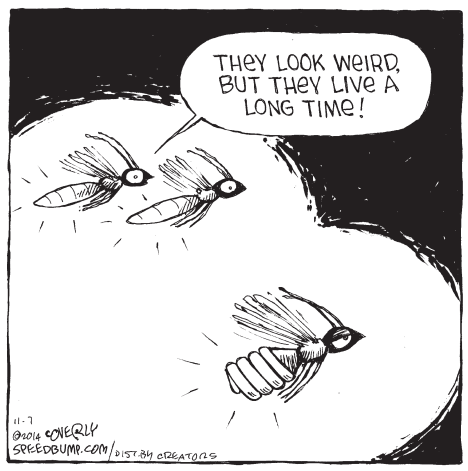
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This year you have the opportunity to grow and evolve in a new way. Your public image becomes more important because of a community commitment or your profession. You could be pressured by a need to present a stronger image, and as a result, you will do well in social situations. If you are single, you will meet someone quite dynamic outside of your immediate circle. By summer, you might witness a more serious involvement. If you are attached, you often restrain yourself around your partner. Try to be more present. GEMINI often annoys you!

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

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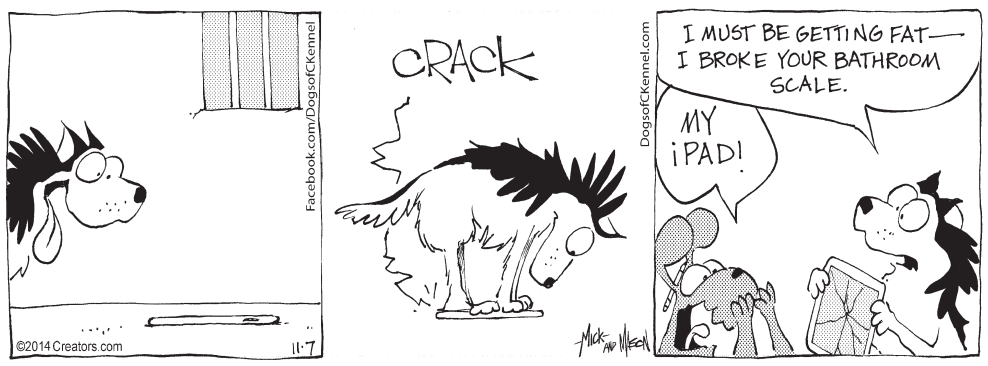
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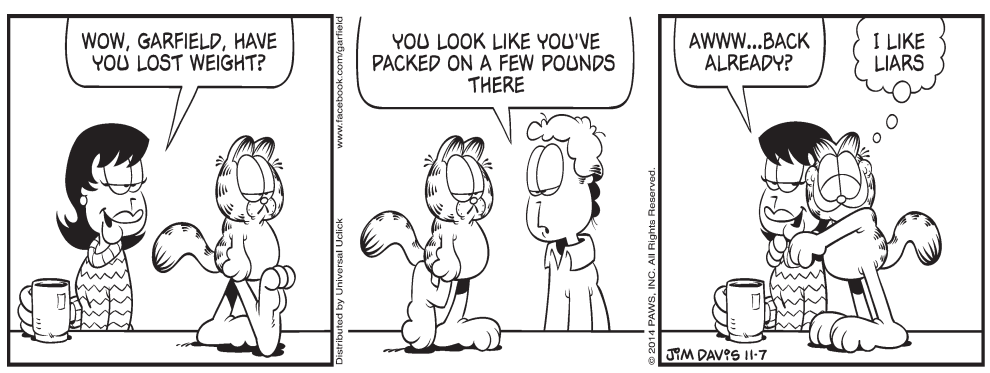
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Sudoku

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 ★★★★

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

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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

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

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 393 calls for service on Nov. 5.

BELOW IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE CALLS CHOSEN BY THE SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

Trespassing on the 1100 block of 7th St. at 12:42 a.m.
Vandalism on the 1300 block of Berkeley St. at 12:57 a.m.
Trespassing on the 300 block of California Ave. at 1:55 a.m.
Sexual assault on the 1300 block of 3rd St. Promenade at 4:18 a.m.
Elder abuse on the 2100 block of Ocean Ave. at 7:11 a.m.
Burglary on the 1800 block of Lincoln Blvd. at 7:13 a.m.
Trespassing on the 2700 block of Main St. at 7:16 a.m.
Traffic accident on the 3000 block of Ocean Park Blvd. at 7:29 a.m.
Burglary on the 800 block of Wilshire Blvd. at 8:03 a.m.
Trespassing on the 1500 block of 16th St. at 8:14 a.m.
Grand theft on the 1700 block of 4th St. at 8:41 a.m.
Grand theft auto on the 2100 block of 4th St. at 9:08 a.m.
Auto burglary on the 800 block of Yale St. at 9:28 a.m.
Vandalism on the 1700 block of Ocean Park Blvd. at 10:15 a.m.
Trespassing on the 1100 block of 17th St. at 10:16 a.m.
Theft of recyclables at 23rd and San Vicente at 10:25 a.m.
Petty theft on the 700 block of Broadway at 10:55 a.m.
Battery on the 1200 block of Marine St. at 11:43 a.m.
Burglary on the 2300 block of Pearl St. at 11:45 a.m.
Traffic accident on the 1900 block of Santa Monica Blvd. at 12:33 p.m.
Trespassing on the 1100 block of Pico Blvd. at 1:41 p.m.
Grand theft auto on the 1500 block of Lincoln Blvd. at 2:12 p.m.
Hit and run on the 1600 block of 7th St. at 2:42 p.m.
Battery on the 2600 block of Ocean Front Walk at 3:02 p.m.
Trespassing on the 3000 block of Santa Monica Blvd. at 3:21 p.m.
Petty theft at 11th and Colorado at 3:37 p.m.
Assault on the 2000 block of 20th St. at 4:07 p.m.
Petty theft on the 1500 block of Ocean Ave. at 4:19 p.m.
Petty theft on the 100 block of Colorado Ave. at 4:23 p.m.
Traffic accident at Cloverfield and Schader at 4:31 p.m.
Petty theft on the 1600 block of Santa Monica Blvd. at 4:36 p.m.
Assault at 14th and Pico at 4:55 p.m.
Traffic accident at Cloverfield and Pico at 4:56 p.m.
Grand theft on the 1500 block of Lincoln Blvd. at 5:19 p.m.
Battery at 3rd St. Promenade and Santa Monica Blvd. at 8:01 p.m.
Grand theft auto from the 1500 block of 6th St. at 8:49 p.m.



MYSTERY REVEALED!

Matthew Hall *matt@smdp.com*

Mike Strader identified the Mystery Photo as the rear entrance to the building at 2430 Main Street.

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Wild guess
5 Do the decks
9 Loose garment
11 Longs
13 Augment
14 Allow to flow
15 Negative link
16 Experience
18 Searches the river
20 Moose cousin
21 Work byproduct
22 Affectedly cute
23 Mayo buy
24 "2001" computer
25 Writer Cocteau
27 Poison
29 Pendulum path
30 Eyeteeth
32 Annoying
34 "East of Eden" brother
35 Bright beam
36 Cache
38 Market buy
39 Like some roofs
40 Aardvark's lunch
41 Cuts off

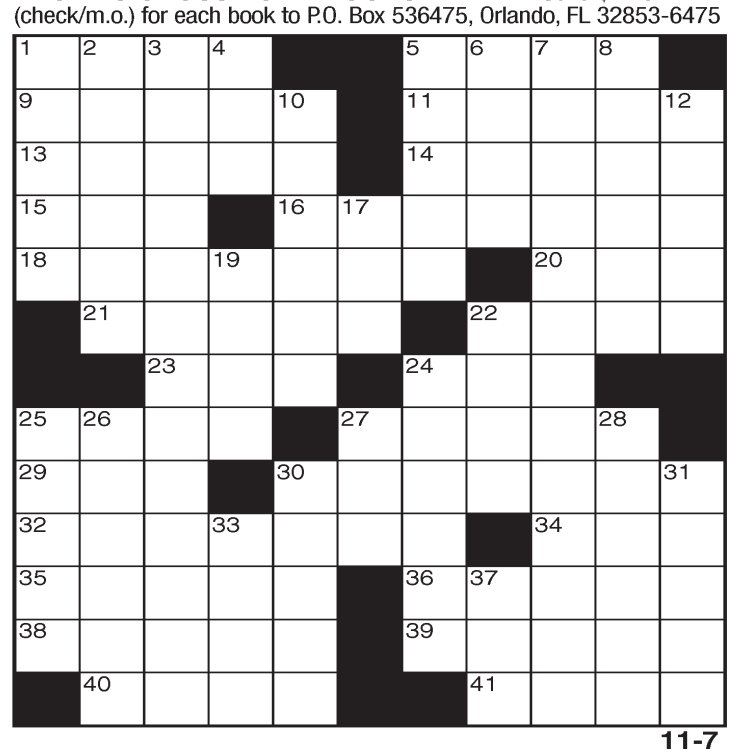
DOWN

1 Flea market unit
2 Henry VIII and family
3 Face on a twenty
4 Drill need
5 Taters
6 Cellar supply
7 "The Walking Dead" star
8 Darwin's ship
10 Tawny cat
12 Alarm trigger
17 Take in
19 College head
22 Curbside call
24 Upright
25 Lockups
26 Book boo-boos
27 Wool cap
28 Approached
30 Champagne poppers
31 Some coasters
33 Splinter group
37 Cinch



Yesterday's answer

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Draw Date: 11/5
2 11 19 21 42
Power#: 34
Jackpot: $203M

Draw Date: 11/4
9 15 24 39 41
Mega#: 1
Jackpot: $15M

Draw Date: 11/5
1 15 21 24 26
Mega#: 26
Jackpot: $12M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 11/5
7 20 25 27 29

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 11/6
MIDDAY: 5 1 4
EVENING:

Draw Date: 11/5
1st: 10 Solid Gold
2nd: 04 Big Ben
3rd: 06 Whirl Win
RACE TIME: 1:42.94

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Julian Assange, the WikiLeaks publisher of state secrets who remains holed up in the embassy of Ecuador in London, has signed on with an Icelandic licensing agent to sell Assange-branded high-end clothing, shoes and various household goods in India and much of Europe, and is negotiating to put his logo on apparel in Japan and the U.S. The agent told The New York Times in October that "WikiLeaks" and "Assange" "can be as big as Coca-Cola." A 46-page book sets out licensing standards (e.g., no tacky slogans, such as "We Steal Secrets") and includes the one approved Assange portrait (an "idealized line drawing" of him "gazing soulfully into what is presumably a better future," wrote the Times).

■ A Practical Use for Trigonometry: When a stampede killed pigs and induced sows' abortions on a farm near York, England, two years ago, the operator of a noisy hot-air balloon denied responsibility, referring to a court order keeping balloons 500 meters away. Using GPS coordinates and the location of dead pigs, a mathematics professor at York University (employing trigonometry, he said) proved that the balloon could not have been more than 300 meters away. After the professor "showed his work" on the problem, the balloon's insurer upped the settlement to almost four times its initial offer.

TODAY IN HISTORY

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1994 – WXYC, the student radio station of the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, provides the world's first internet radio broadcast.

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