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THE RESULTS ARE IN ISSUE

Assembly race too close to call

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor-in-Chief

CITYWIDE The race to represent Santa Monica in the 50th Assembly District was too close to call Wednesday as Mayor Richard Bloom was leading Assemblywoman Betsy Butler by a mere 218 votes out of more than 138,000 votes counted so far.

Officials with the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder's Office said 100 percent

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Rep. Waxman retains seat

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

DOWNTOWN Rep. Henry Waxman (D-Santa Monica) held off a challenge by a better funded Independent challenger to retain his seat in the U.S. House of Representatives, according to voting results.

Waxman captured 53.7 percent of the vote to Bill Bloomfield's 46.3 among voters in the 33rd District, which includes Santa Monica, Beverly Hills, Brentwood, Malibu and the South Bay to the Palos Verdes Peninsula.

Bloomfield, who had long been a player in the Republican Party, announced that he was running as an Independent as he tried to unseat one of the longest-serving members of Congress.

Despite being outspent by nearly $4 million, Waxman was holding a slim edge over Bloomfield as early results were released on Tuesday night. Once 100 percent of precincts were counted on Wednesday morning Waxman was declared the winner.

Waxman, the ranking member on the House Energy and Commerce Committee, previously held the seat in the 30th Congressional District, but redistricting created the new 33rd, which changed quite a bit from its previous geographic area. Chief among the changes was the addition of the South Bay area that stretches nearly to Long Beach.

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SMRR sweeps local elections in Santa Monica

Every candidate, issue backed by powerful political group won

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE Every candidate and measure backed by Santa Monicans for Renters' Rights found electoral victory according to early election results, leaving Santa Monica a one-horse town for the time being.

SMRR's four-person slate swept the City Council, all three incumbents won their positions on the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education and landlord Robert Kronovet was ousted from his spot on the Rent Control Board.

Three incumbents for the Santa Monica College Board were also backed by SMRR, but ran unopposed.

A hoarse but happy Patricia Hoffman answered her phone Wednesday morning.

"I think this is the first time ever that every position SMRR took and every person it backed has prevailed," she said.

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Daniel Archuleta *daniela@smdp.com*

GOING UP: **A construction work scales the structure of a future science and technology building on the Santa Monica High School campus on Wednesday. The project is funded by money raised through Measure BB, a school bond that was approved by voters in 2006.**

Schools buoyed by Measure ES, Prop. 30

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

SMMUSD HDQTRS Things did not look great for public education measures early on Tuesday night.

Proposition 30, a measure supported by Gov. Jerry Brown that raised income taxes on wealthy Californians and the sales tax on everyone, was limping along below the 50 percent margin.

Proposition 38, a rival measure by education advocate Molly Munger that raised taxes on Californians across the board, was looking much worse, and almost no results were available for Measure ES, a $385 million bond measure that would bring technology and safety measures to aging schools in the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District.

By Wednesday morning, however, it became clear that California voters and the Santa Monica-Malibu community had stepped up in support of public education, passing both Prop. 30 and Measure ES by comfortable margins.

According to the Secretary of State, Prop. 30 passed with almost 54 percent of the vote statewide, and Measure ES passed by over

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

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Movie time
Montana Branch Library
1704 Montana Ave.,
2 p.m. — 3:45 p.m.
Who doesn't love a cat in footwear? Catch this free screening of the animated comedy, "Puss in Boots." For more information, visit smpl.org.

It's in the mind
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd.,
7 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.
Learn how to identify normal changes in memory as we age, get tips on how to maintain and improve your memory and find out about the causes of memory loss during this lecture. For more information, visit smpl.org.

Chilly celebration
ICE at Santa Monica
1324 Fifth St., 6 p.m. — 10 p.m.
You're invited to celebrate the grand opening of ICE at Santa Monica, Downtown Santa Monica's outdoor skating rink. Be one of the first to take a spin on the rink. Mix and mingle with music by DJ Kelly Dlux and performances by synchronized skating team California Gold, and some of California's most elite skaters. Hosted by Randy Gardner and Tai Babilonia. For more information, visit www.downtownsm.com/ice.

Friday, Nov. 9, 2012

Friday is for games
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd.,
3:30 p.m.
Gamers are invited to the library to play XBOX 360 Kinect and, if you're into more old school pursuits, board games. Ages 4 and up. For more information, visit smpl.org.

Award winner
The Santa Monica Little Theater
2420 Santa Monica Blvd., 8 p.m.
Pulitzer Prize-winner "How I Learned to Drive" is a funny, surprising, and devastating tale of survival as seen through the lens of a troubling relationship between a young girl and an older man. This is the story of a woman who learns the rules of the road and life from behind the wheel. For more information, call (213) 268-1454.

Saturday, Nov. 10, 2012

Walk for a cure
Crescent Bay Park
Bicknell and Ocean avenues,
9 a.m.
The Alliance for Lupus Research is hosting Walk with Us to raise funds for the cure. Registration begins at 9 a.m. with the walk beginning at 10 a.m. For more information, visit www.lupusresearch.org.

Looking for crafts?
Santa Monica Bay Woman's Club
1210 Fourth St.,
9 a.m. — 1 p.m.
The holidays wouldn't be the same without arts and crafts sales. Kick off the season and do good at the same time. The Holiday Arts & Crafts Sale features holiday gifts from talented local artists with proceeds supporting Upward Bound House, providing housing for homeless families. For more information, visit www.smbwc.org.

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Voters reject pot dispensaries and growers

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SAN FRANCISCO California went against the green on Election Day as voters in San Diego County and Palo Alto nixed the idea of allowing medical marijuana dispensaries, and Arcata residents adopted a stiff new tax on electricity to push large-scale indoor pot growers out of town.

On the same day that voters in Colorado and Washington approved initiatives legalizing the recreational use of marijuana and Massachusetts became the 18th state to allow its use, the state that started it all took a dimmer view of the drug.

Voters rejected initiatives that would have paved the way for medical marijuana dispensaries to open and be taxed in the cities of Del Mar, Solana Beach, Lemon Grove and Imperial Beach. Existing laws in all four cities ban medical marijuana clinics.

In Palo Alto, 62 percent of voters in Tuesday's election rejected Measure C, which would have allowed three pot shops to open and imposed a 4 percent tax on their sales.

The measure would have reversed a 1997 ban on medical marijuana shops. City leaders opposed it despite the promise of additional revenue.

More surprising, perhaps, was the passage in Arcata of Measure I, which will require households using three times the normal amount of electricity to pay a 45 percent tax on their energy consumption.

The measure was aimed at growers who set up indoor marijuana gardens in residential neighborhoods.

Mayor Michael Winkler said the vote shows even though people in Arcata are pretty liberal about marijuana, they want the large indoor growing operations out of their neighborhoods.

If growers don't leave, Winkler says he will ask voters to raise the tax even more.

He also hopes to persuade neighboring communities to take similar steps.

Medical marijuana has been legal in California since 1996, when the state became the first to allow patients with doctor's recommendations to possess the drug. Marijuana remains illegal under federal law.

✉WHAT DO YOU THINK?
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OBAMA

Obama victory could have wide economic impact

ASSOCIATED PRESS

Upper-income Americans may face a tax increase. Auto fuel economy standards might be raised. Stocks of construction and engineering companies could benefit.

America's decision to re-elect President Barack Obama over Mitt Romney will affect all that and other elements of the U.S. economy and financial system from the health care law to the overhaul of financial rules.

At the same time, a gridlocked Congress will limit Obama's influence. Tuesday's election kept Republicans in control of the House. Democrats still control the Senate, but without a commanding majority.

Here's how Obama's re-election could affect key sectors:

ECONOMY

Obama has laid out some key themes for rejuvenating the economy: Extend Bush-era tax cuts for low- and middle-income Americans. Spend more to build and repair roads, bridges and other public structures. Provide targeted tax breaks to businesses.

Most immediately, Obama needs to persuade congressional Republicans and Democrats to reach a budget agreement to prevent the economy from falling off a "fiscal cliff." Without a deal, deep spending cuts and tax increases will start to kick in next year.

The combination of those measures could send the economy back into recession and drive the unemployment rate back up to 9 percent next year, according to estimates by the Congressional Budget Office. The rate is now 7.9 percent.

Analysts warn that Congress must break its stalemate for the economy to sustain its recovery.

"There will be a lot of brinksmanship, and that will hurt the economy and likely upset the financial markets," Mark Zandi, chief economist at Moody's Analytics, said Wednesday.

Still, the urgency of the crisis could "generate the political will necessary to get the deal done," Zandi said. And that could mean "much, much stronger growth" by 2014.

Others caution that even if the fiscal cliff is averted, the economy may continue to be hampered by slow growth, stagnant pay and modest job gains.

"Obama's re-election does not change the bigger economic or fiscal picture," Paul Ashworth, an economist at Capital Economics, said in a research note. "Over the next couple of years, the U.S. economy will remain saddled with an uncomfortably high unemployment rate and will struggle to grow by more than 2 percent a year."

The president has pledged to cut projected deficits by $4 trillion over 10 years. He says he'd do so in part by raising the tax on investment gains. He would also raise income tax rates for individuals who earn more than $200,000 and married couples who earn more than $250,000. And a minimum 30 percent tax would be imposed on incomes above $1 million.

STOCKS

Stock prices plunged Wednesday in the aftermath of the election. Investors appeared rattled by the impending U.S. tax

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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No respect for voting

Editor:

I just returned from voting at City Hall and was hugely disappointed to see that they did not stop the massive new Town Square construction for voting day. It was so extremely loud and disruptive that if I was a non-passionate voter I might have thrown my arms up and left. Imagine a measly wire fence separating me from a giant bulldozer, jack hammers and a lot of men in hard hats.

I find it not only to be a voting deterrent, but disrespectful to the most important day for our nation, state and city. Banks, business and all workers stop on Christmas Day, but not on voting day! If we shut down on voting day the way we do for Christmas people would have more time to volunteer, more voting places, more voting assistance and people could drive those to vote who do not have access. We treat voting day so blasé or even like it's a chore. I am so disappointed in Santa Monica City Hall today for not managing our voting day properly and respectfully.

Wendy Schmidbauer
Santa Monica

Thanks for the info

Editor:

Your election guide, particularly the interviews with the City Council candidates, was illuminating and a great public service. I'm new in town, and all I knew was whose yard signs I'd seemed to see the most – not a good way to be informed. The pat answers in the official voter guide weren't much help either. Your interviews gave me a much better sense of the candidates and made me feel confident in my vote – whether or not the candidates were well represented in the front yards of my neighborhood. Thank you.

Dan Pasquini
Santa Monica

No new taxes

Editor:

Joel Koury feebly attempts to channel Oliver Wendall Holmes while trying to convince us to pay even more taxes than the already excessive tax burden we now pay ("Protect public education," Letters to the Editor, Oct. 31).

Holmes never had to pay the kind of taxes we now do in California, so I doubt he would have been so willing to characterize them as the price we must pay.

California has the highest sales tax in the nation, we are tied with another state for the highest gasoline tax in the nation, California's income tax rate is the second highest in the nation, and California is near the top in the nation in property tax.

Just take a look at your Santa Monica property tax bill and try and figure out just how many extra local taxes and bonds we are already paying to support local schools and Santa Monica College, along with the other local special interest taxes.

Special interest groups like the public employee unions are the ones who propose, support and bankroll all these extra tax increase measures. It's not to help our school children, but to pay for high salaries and outrageous pension obligations.

We do not need to pay any more taxes. We already pay more than our fair share. No doubt Justice Holmes would concur.

George Kaplan
Santa Monica





Life Matters

JoAnne Barge & Katrina Davy Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Breaking up the monotony

DEAR LIFE MATTERS ,

I have been working for my current company for six years now. While I enjoy the work, I am starting to get bored with the day to day. I have explored other opportunities but feel a strong connection to my co-workers, company and environment. Other than looking for a new job, do you have any advice for re-energizing my day and getting back the excitement I used to feel driving to work in the morning?

Signed,
Bored Worker

DEAR BORED WORKER,

Focusing on the same tasks at work each day can certainly begin to feel unexciting, especially if you have been spending your time on these activities for a number of years. Finding little ways to break up the routine may provide the relief you are looking for while allowing you to continue in your current role at your current company.

You mention that you used to feel very excited about going to work in the morning. Other than the length of time in the position, is there anything else in your work or personal life that has changed? Try to think back to the moment or time you last felt excited about going to work. Spend time reflecting on things that have been going on for you since this first started. If you identify something in particular that is missing, brainstorm a strategy about how to bring those elements back to work or minimize the negative elements that are keeping you from bringing your excitement into the workplace. Have you lost pleasure in other things you previously found enjoyable? This may be an indication that something beyond your daily tasks is getting in the way of your happiness and a visit to your doctor or other medical professional may be in order.

Knowing that you enjoy your work environment and colleagues, perhaps you can find new ways to partner with others around the office. Joining a new task group or team can provide you with new ideas and insights into your current projects. Consider asking colleagues if there is anything you can do to assist on their projects or schedule a meeting to ask for their advice on something you are currently working on. Gaining a new perspective on your work may provide a new way of looking at things. If it is appropriate, consider having a conversation with your supervisor to see if there are new projects moving forward that you might be able to be involved with. Sharing your interest in taking on new responsibilities may lead to a new opportunity to develop your skills and share your expertise and provide you with something new to get excited about.

LITTLE THINGS LIKE DRIVING TO WORK A DIFFERENT WAY, TAKING A WALK DURING LUNCH OR EATING LUNCH IN A NEW LOCATION, OR LISTENING TO MUSIC DURING THE DAY MAY PROVIDE A LITTLE BREAK IN THE MONOTONY.

You might also consider spending time brainstorming strategies to an existing problem. For instance, if you feel there is a way to make a certain system or daily task more efficient, spend time working out solutions that would enhance the process. You may feel energized by having a new task and the prospect of improving something in the workplace might bring back the excitement you've been missing. Similarly, consider ways to make the repetitive tasks more exciting. For instance, you might try to make a personal best in your work or break up the more detailed tasks with brainstorming activities or planning tasks.

Finally, consider ways to break up your daily routine. Little things like driving to work a different way, taking a walk during lunch or eating lunch in a new location, or listening to music during the day may provide a little break in the monotony. If your role leaves you sitting in front of your computer most of the day, make sure to get up and move. Regardless of the work you are doing, sitting in one location all day long can certainly lead to exhaustion.

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Democrats gain supermajority in state Senate

DON THOMPSON
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES Democrats gained a two-thirds majority in the California Senate following Tuesday's election, bringing them close to the ability to pass tax increases without the need for Republican votes.

However, Democratic Gov. Jerry Brown quickly cautioned that he already has pledged to take any further tax hikes to voters, as he did with the temporary tax increases that voters approved on Tuesday.

It is the first time since 1965 that Democrats controlled a Senate supermajority, and the only time since California voters passed Proposition 13 in 1978, raising the legislative vote threshold to pass tax increases to two-thirds.

Democrats will control at least 27 seats in the 40-member Senate and are closing in on the two-thirds margin in the Assembly as well.

Not only did voters increase Democrats' dominance, they also approved Brown's tax increases with passage of Proposition 30. The combination is enough to reverse what have been constant cuts in services to stop budget bleeding and creates "an opportunity to begin a new and better California," said Senate President Pro Tem Darrell Steinberg, D-Sacramento.

"Enough is enough," Steinberg said in a telephone interview. "It's time to start anew and to live within our means but at the same time invest in the cornerstone of our future and of our economy, and that's education."

Senate Minority Leader Bob Huff, R-Diamond Bar, conceded that Democrats now will have unchallenged control in the Senate, but said that with that comes a "tremendous responsibility" to govern wisely. He pledged to work with the majority to help create new jobs in California.

One Senate race remained too close to call.

Termed-out Democratic Assemblywoman Cathleen Galgiani trailed Republican Assemblyman Bill Berryhill in the Central Valley's 5th Senate District, which includes parts of Sacramento, San Joaquin and Stanislaus counties.

However, even if she loses, Democrats will have the 27 votes they need to approve tax increases, pass emergency legislation, override governors' vetoes and change house rules while ignoring Republicans.

Assembly Speaker John Perez, D-Los Angeles, said he was confident that Democrats would gain the 54 seats they need for a supermajority in his chamber as well.

However, several races were too close to call and Assembly Minority Leader Connie Conway, R-Tulare, was waiting to see if her party would be sidelined in the lower chamber.

To gain a two-thirds margin, Democrats needed challenger Sharon Quirk-Silva to oust incumbent Republican Assemblyman Chris Norby in north central Orange County's 65th Assembly District.

They also needed Democrat Rudy Salas to prevail over Republican Pedro Rios in the Central Valley's 32nd Assembly District, which includes parts of Kern and Kings counties.

Democrats had slim leads in both races.

The last time either party gained a supermajority in either chamber was in the 1976 election, when Democrats won a two-thirds margin in the Assembly.

If Democrats win two-thirds majorities in both chambers, it would be the first time since 1933 that one party held simultaneous supermajorities.

But Brown said at a Sacramento news conference that it is his role to make sure legislative members of his own party do not overindulge. He said he will ensure that California does not spend beyond its means, pledging to keep state spending on a steady and sustainable course.

"The desires will always outrun the available money," Brown said. "I always like to think with greater power comes greater responsibility."

He hedged when asked directly if he would veto a tax increase if the Legislature sent him one.

"We're not into the threat game here," Brown said, though he noted that he has already committed to taking any tax hikes to the voters.

He said his relationships in the Legislature are "better than they've ever been," in part because Democratic leaders worked hard with him to pass Proposition 30.

Soda tax measures in two cities fail

ASSOCIATED PRESS

RICHMOND, Calif. Voters in two California cities have overwhelmingly rejected a penny-per-ounce tax on businesses that sell soft drinks and other sugar-sweetened beverages.

With all precincts reporting, the San Francisco Bay area city of Richmond's tax measure received about 33 percent of the vote.

A similar measure in the Los Angeles County city of El Monte was rejected by an even larger margin, receiving just about 23 percent of the vote.

Backers of Richmond's measure argued that the drinks are linked to childhood obesity, and the tax would reduce their consumption.

El Monte officials said their main goal was to raise revenue for city coffers.

Opponents countered that businesses would lose millions of dollars in sales, while prices would go up for consumers.

The Q Line

Back to business

Once the dust clears and the election's winners are announced, there's business to attend to in Santa Monica.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks:
What do you think is the single most important issue facing the City Council and why?

Contact **qline@smdp.com** before **Friday at 5 p.m.** and we'll print your answers in the weekend edition of the Daily Press. You can also call **310-573-8354**.



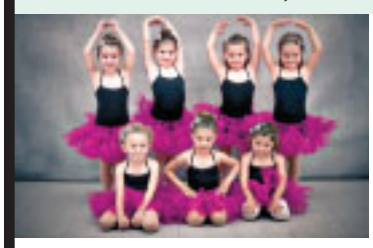
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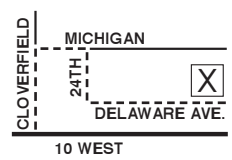


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County voters mandate condom use on porn sets

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LOS ANGELES Los Angeles County voters have approved a measure requiring porn performers to wear condoms while filming sex scenes, prompting a pledge by the adult entertainment industry to sue to overturn the measure.

With 100 percent of the county's precincts reporting, Measure B passed 56 percent to 44 percent in Tuesday's election.

The measure requires adult film producers to apply for a permit from the county Department of Public Health to shoot sex scenes. Permit fees will finance periodic inspections of film sets to enforce compliance.

The AIDS Healthcare Foundation, which sponsored the initiative, says the measure will help safeguard the public, as well as porn workers, from sexually transmitted infections.

But the adult film industry, which is largely centered in the San Fernando Valley in suburban Los Angeles, says the requirement is unnecessary since the industry already polices itself by requiring performers to undergo monthly tests for HIV and other infections.

The industry also says the requirement would damage it since porn viewers will not watch sex scenes with condoms, and force adult film producers to relocate to where they can make movies that will sell.

On Wednesday, the Free Speech Coalition, a trade group representing the adult entertainment industry, said it plans to file a lawsuit to overturn the condom requirement on constitutional grounds.

"We believe in the calm, serious deliberations of the legal system, we will find that Measure B is in fact unconstitutional," Diane Duke, coalition executive director, said in a statement. "The adult film industry will not just stand by and let it destroy our business."

In a letter sent to the county Board of Supervisors, the industry also requested that it be involved in discussions as to how the county will implement the requirements. It will also explore moves to neighboring states as soon as possible, the coalition said.

"While the AIDS Healthcare Foundation has tried to portray any move of jobs outside of L.A. County as unrealistic, the hard truth of the matter is that is exactly what this industry plans on doing now," said James Lee, communications director for the No on Government Waste Committee, which opposed the measure.

The AIDS Healthcare Foundation says the issue is a public health and safety issue, not a free speech issue.

California voters rebuff labels on GMO foods

ALICIA CHANG
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES Voters spurned a ballot measure that would have made California the first in the nation to affix labels on breakfast cereals, baked goods and other processed foods containing genetically modified ingredients.

The rejection Wednesday followed an expensive offense from agribusiness and chemical conglomerates, which raised $46 million to blitz airwaves and mailboxes with negative advertising.

With 82 percent of precincts reporting, Proposition 37 failed 54 percent to 46 percent.

The closely tracked initiative was seen as a test of consumers' appetite toward genetically modified crops. Outsiders hoped a victory in trend-setting California would catapult the issue to a national stage.

Several hours after polls closed with the measure trailing, the No on 37 campaign appeared pleased.

"We've said from the beginning of this campaign that the more voters learned about Prop 37, the less they'd like it. We didn't think they'd like the lawsuits, more bureaucracy, higher costs and loopholes and exemptions. It looks like they don't," said spokeswoman Kathy Fairbanks.

Representatives with the California Right to Know campaign tried to put on a positive face.

"No matter what happens, we've raised awareness of a very important issue," said Grant Lundberg, chief executive of Lundberg Family Farms, who co-chairs the California Right to Know campaign.

Representatives from both sides did not immediately respond to emails seeking comment in the early morning hours Wednesday.

Consumer activists and the organic food industry said shoppers crave information about what they're eating and should be given all the information they need to decide for themselves whether to buy products containing genetically altered ingredients.

Opponents fear labeling would amount to placing a skull-and-crossbones symbol on their products even though studies show bioengineered food to be safe. They also warn of higher grocery bills if the initiative passes.

A win would have put California at odds with the federal government, which does not require such labels because bioengineered foods are not significantly different in taste, texture and nutrition.

It would also have rattled American agriculture, which has long harvested corn, cotton, soybean and other plants in which the DNA has been tinkered with in the laboratory to resist pesticides and ward off disease. GMO crops are used for animal feed or processed into food ingredients found in many cereals, baked goods and sodas.

Despite scientific consensus that genetically modified foods on the market are as safe as conventional foods, some consumers remain leery and efforts have been mounted to force special labels. Mandatory labeling exists elsewhere, including the European Union.

More than a U.S. dozen states this year introduced GMO labeling bills, but all failed. A citizen's petition to mark genetically engineered foods nationwide is pending before the U.S. Food and Drug Administration.

Under Proposition 37, most processed foods would have had to bear the label "partially produced with genetic engineering" or "may be partially produced with genetic engineering" on boxes, cans and bottles by 2014. The words "genetically engineered" would be required to appear on the front package of a small variety of produce or on store shelves.

Such products also would be prohibited from using the terms "natural" or "naturally made" in their advertising.

Excluded are organic products, restaurant meals and alcoholic beverages. Meat and dairy also are exempt, even if the animals were fed with genetically modified grains.

Grocers and other retailers would be responsible for ensuring their shelves are stocked with correctly marked items.

The state and private attorneys could sue for violations and obtain a court injunction to halt the sale of a product. The nonpartisan California Legislative Analyst's Office estimated the initiative could cost more than $1 million a year to enforce.

STATE BRIEFS

LOS ANGELES
State boosts penalties for human trafficking

California will toughen its penalties for human trafficking and its monitoring of sex offenders under an initiative approved Tuesday.

Prison sentences for human trafficking will more than double under Proposition 35, which imposes life sentences for the sex-trafficking of children. It also requires sex offenders to provide email addresses and other Internet identifiers to law enforcement.

The initiative was mainly funded by former Facebook Chief Privacy Officer Chris Kelly, who lost a bid for state attorney general in 2010.

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STATEWIDE
Big funding defeats Prop. 32

Unions and other Democratic interests pumped at least $75 million in a massive attempt to defeat Proposition 32, which would have prevented unions from spending members' dues on political causes. Corporate interests and wealthy Republicans have spent as much as $60 million in favor of the initiative, with some of that money also going into the effort to defeat Brown's tax initiative.

The anti-union drive that voters rejected follows conflicts in Wisconsin, Ohio, Indiana and elsewhere where Republican efforts to weaken organized labor produced protests and political tumult.

After a contentious last-minute legal fight that went to the state Supreme Court, it was revealed Monday that an $11 million donation to a group backing the anti-union initiative and opposing Gov. Jerry Brown's tax plan came from two groups that have spent millions on conservative causes nationwide. The Arizona nonprofit that funneled the money into California declined to reveal the original source of the contribution, however.

AP

LOS ANGELES
County transit tax trailing

Los Angeles County Measure J appears to be heading toward defeat as it didn't reach the two-thirds majority it needed for passage, according to county voting results.

The measure, which would have extended a half cent sales tax approved by voters in 2008 to fund transportation projects, earned 64.7 percent of the vote as officials work to count all votes, including provisional ballots.

DAILY PRESS

LOS ANGELES
Voters reject bid to change insurance rate-setting

For the second time in three years, voters have rejected a ballot initiative that would have let auto insurers charge drivers based on their history of maintaining coverage.

Proposition 33 failed Tuesday with about 55 percent voting against.

It was the second attempt by billionaire insurance executive George Joseph to let insurers lower rates for drivers who maintain insurance coverage and raise them for drivers who dropped coverage in the past.

Consumer advocates raised about $200,000 to defeat the measure but were dramatically outspent by Joseph, who donated $16 million to the yes campaign.

The Mercury General Corp. chairman contributed the same amount to a similar initiative that was defeated two years ago. In an October interview, the 91 year-old would not rule out a third attempt.

AP

STATEWIDE
Prop. 39 may give the state $1B a year

A hedge fund billionaire financed the campaign for a third tax measure that voters approved, giving Brown additional momentum as he seeks to balance the state budget. The $1 billion a year the state is forecast to raise through Proposition 39 would be split for the first five years between the state general fund and energy efficiency improvements for public buildings. After five years, all the revenue would be directed to the state general fund.

The initiative repealed a loophole pushed by legislative Republicans in 2009 allowing out-of-state companies to set their own tax rate and put California-based companies at a disadvantage.

AP

LOS ANGELES
Voters uphold new state Senate boundaries

California voters have upheld the state Senate districts drawn last year by an independent citizens' commission.

A majority voted "yes" on Proposition 40 on Tuesday after the original challengers dropped their opposition to the new political boundaries.

Republican-backed officials had sought the referendum because they feared the new Senate map would hurt their candidates' chances. They did not challenge the newly drawn Assembly districts.

AP

SAN FRANCISCO
Sen. Feinstein: President Obama won 'mandate'

Sen. Dianne Feinstein says President Barack Obama's re-election gives him a mandate to work with Congress to avoid the "fiscal cliff" that would cause massive job losses in California.

The Democratic senator spoke to reporters in San Francisco on Wednesday, a day after she was elected to her fifth term with 61 percent of the vote.

Feinstein encouraged the president to work with leaders of both parties to confront the fiscal cliff, a series of automatic tax increases and spending cuts that could push the economy back into recession.

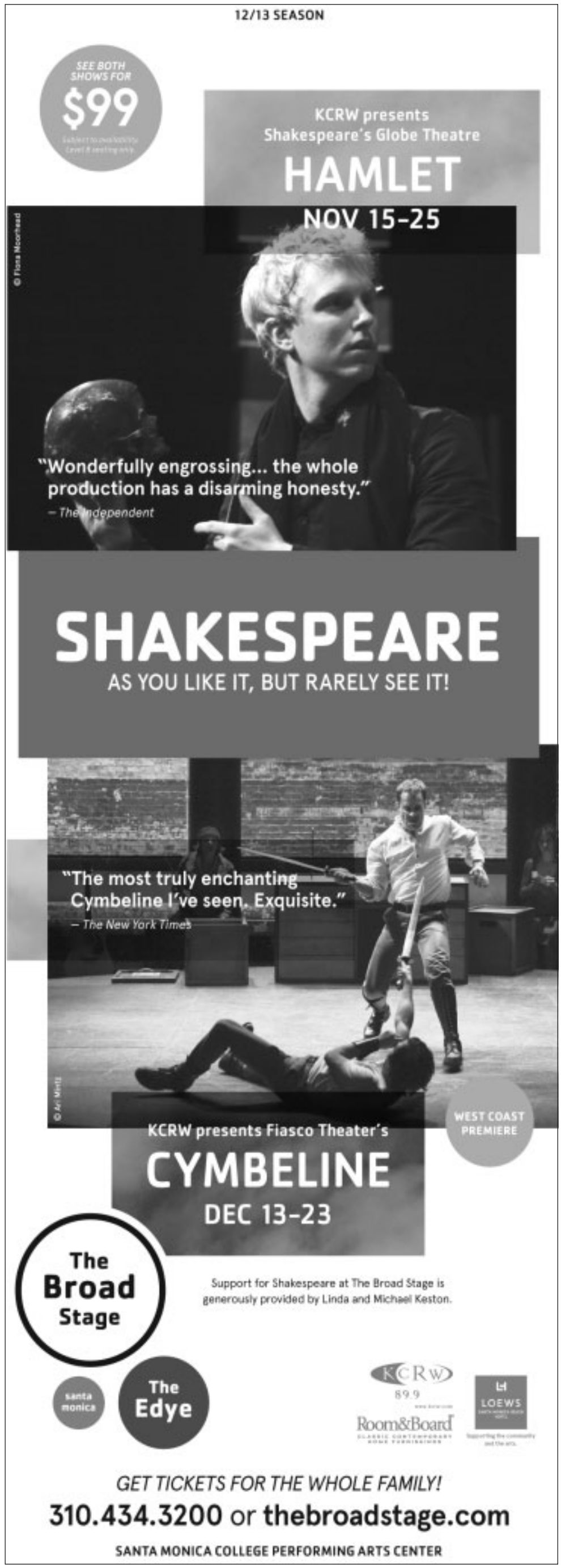
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LOS ANGELES
Voters want to continue to approve assessor

Voters opted to continue to vote in the county tax assessor on Tuesday by voting down Measure A.

The measure would have made the position subject to appointment rather through an open election.

The assessor is a powerful position, in charge of locating all taxable property in the county and identifying who owns it and how much they should pay in taxes on it.



Three strikes law reformed, fewer harsh sentences

PAUL ELIAS
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES California voters reined in the nation's harshest three strikes law Tuesday with the passage of a ballot measure that allows for shorter sentences for some third-time offenders.

With 26 percent of precincts reporting, Proposition 36 passed with a commanding 68 percent of the vote total.

Fewer repeat offenders will now qualify for a three-strikes sentence of 25-years-to life, while some 2,800 prisoners serving that term can now apply for sentence reductions.

Until now, a person convicted of two violent and serious felonies would automatically be sentenced to 25-years-to-life if convicted of a third crime, regardless of its severity.

California was the only state of 24 with three-strikes law to have that provision.

Now, the third conviction must be a serious and violent crime as well.

"The historic passage of Prop. 36 overturns the long-held conventional wisdom that it's impossible to fix our most extreme and unjust crime laws," said Stanford University law professor David Mills, who helped write the measure and was one of its biggest donors. Mills contributed nearly $1 million to the measure.

"My most sincere hope is that this victory serves as a turning point that inspires others to advocate for more sane and humane criminal justice policies," Mills said.

Proposition 36 divided law enforcement officials throughout the campaign.

Several police union contributed to the opposition and the measure was opposed by the California District Attorneys Association, the Police Chiefs Association and California State Sheriffs' Association. In the end, however, supporters outspent those aligned against Proposition 36 roughly $3 million to $1 million.

The opponents argued that the country's strictest Three Strikes law was on the books for a good reason — to lock up the state's most violent repeat offenders — and no changes were necessary.

"The current Three Strikes law has directly and significantly acted to reduce crime in California," the California District Attorneys Association wrote in a position paper opposing the initiative. "The Three Strikes law is a valuable, essential, and proven tool in the fight against crime."

Backed by billionaire George Soros $1 million donation, supporters argued the state will at least $100 million a year by cutting down on the number of parole hearings and shortening long prison sentences and will see a population decrease in California's overcrowded prisons. They say the reforms will also prevent criminals from serving unfairly long prison sentences for relatively minor crimes.

Supporters aired statewide television ads featuring Los Angeles County District Attorney Steve Cooley, Santa Clara County District Attorney Jeff Rosen and San Francisco District Attorney George Gascón, all of whom back the initiative.

"The state should not allow the misallocation of limited penal resources by having life prison sentences for those who do not pose a serious criminal threat to society," Cooley said. "The punishment should fit the crime."

Voters retain death penalty despite costs

PAUL ELIAS
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES California voters rejected the latest attempt to repeal California's death penalty, dealing a blow to activists who saw this election as their best chance in 35 years to end capital punishment in the state.

Officials were still counting ballots, but it was apparent Wednesday that voters had rejected Proposition 34 by a margin of 52 percent to 48 percent. The defeat came even though recent polling showed concern growing over the cost of capital punishment and its paltry results in California.

California has executed just 13 convicts and its death row has ballooned to 726 inmates since 71 percentage of the electorate voted to reinstate capital punishment in 1978. No executions have taken place since 2006 because of federal and state lawsuits filed by death row inmates.

The Legislative Analyst has said ending the death penalty would save the state $130 million annually.

Still, a majority of California voters still support the punishment in California.

"The people of California sent a clear message that the death penalty should still be implemented for those who commit the most heinous and unthinkable crimes," said McGregor Scott, the former U.S. attorney for Sacramento who served as the opposition's co-chairman.

Proposition 34 would have repealed capital punishment in California and shuttered death row, converting the death sentences of 726 inmates to life without the possibility of parole. The measure also would have created a $100 million fund to help investigate unsolved murder and rape cases.

The measure's backers, including the American Civil Liberties Union, vowed to continue fighting to end the death penalty in California.

"The mere fact that the state is evenly divided is nothing short of extraordinary," said Jeanne Woodford, a former warden of San Quentin Prison, where death row is located.

Woodford worked for the Proposition 34 campaign and is now an anti-death penalty crusader.

Supporters had pointed to an influential study published by a federal appeals court judge and law professor that concluded California has spent $4 billion to carry out just 13 executions and cover other death penalty costs since capital punishment was reinstated in 1978.

But many influential law enforcement officials and three former governors opposed the ballot measure. They argued that the condemned inmates would escape justice and that there were no true cost savings from closing death row.

The measure's backers vastly outspent opponents $6.5 million to $1 million. Billionaires Nicholas Pritzker and Charles Feeney, through his philanthropic fund, each donated $1 million. The American Civil Liberties Union contributed more than $700,000 and ran the campaign.

Federal and state judges have halted executions in the state since 2006 after ordering prison officials to develop new lethal injection procedures. Those lawsuits are still being litigated.



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increases and spending cuts and Europe's deepening recession.

Over the long run, though, the stocks of construction and engineering companies might get a lift during Obama's second term. The president has said more spending on roads, bridges and public buildings will boost the economy. If Obama's victory helps Democrats gain seats in Congress, he'll have more support for such spending.

Other categories of stock might stumble. Financial companies had hoped to weaken rules imposed after the 2008 financial crisis. Obama's victory may ensure that the rules will remain intact. Companies will have to keep spending to make sure they comply with them.

Obama also wants to tax dividends at a higher rate. That could make financial stocks, which often pay high dividends, less appealing to investors.

Defense stocks might suffer because Obama wants to limit the growth of military spending. And some energy companies may fall because some investors think his administration will tighten pollution regulations that affect energy extraction and coal-burning power plants.

AUTO INDUSTRY

Obama will likely seek to further boost fuel economy standards. He's already raised the standards twice. This year, he required automakers to double their vehicles' average fuel economy to 54.5 miles a gallon by 2025.

Obama set an ambitious goal in 2011 to put 1 million electric vehicles on the road by 2015. Fewer than 30,000 electric cars have been sold in the United States this year. He wants to raise a $7,500 tax credit for electric cars to $10,000.

The president has asked the World Trade Organization to rule on Chinese subsidies for autos and auto parts and its import duties on U.S. autos. He's awaiting a decision.

ENERGY

The boom in U.S. oil and gas production during the president's first term will likely continue, thanks largely to new drilling techniques. But drilling could slow if the Environmental Protection Agency toughens rules governing a controversial technique called hydraulic fracturing.

Obama backs the idea of a federal clean-energy standard that would require the country to use more low-carbon energy sources, such as wind and solar for electricity and advanced biofuels and batteries in cars.

But Republican opposition is so strong it's doubtful Obama could muster enough support in Congress for it. There would be bipartisan opposition to any administration effort to regulate emissions of carbon dioxide and other gases that scientists say contribute to climate change.

HEALTH CARE

Obama's victory preserves his health care overhaul, which aims to cover millions of uninsured Americans. The law requires everyone, with certain exceptions, to have insurance or pay a penalty. It calls for the expansion of Medicaid. And it requires online exchanges where people can shop for coverage.

Health insurers, which have struggled to increase enrollment in a tough economy, will gain new customers. But the industry pays for that growth. Insurers will have to cover fees totaling $8 billion in 2014 and topping $14 billion by 2018. Those fees will go to the government to help cover the cost of expanded care.

The law also limits how much insurers can vary pricing based on age and health.

"In the past, it was relatively easy to just absorb increases in health care costs and pass them through to customers via higher premiums," said Matthew Coffina, a Morningstar analyst who covers health insurers. "That equation is sort of breaking down now, which is forcing them to be more careful on the cost side, to try to contain costs in whatever way they can."

Drugmakers and hospitals may get a boost. Hospitals typically provide charity care to uninsured people and are reimbursed for only part of it. Now, they'll be paid through insurance for more people. And drugmakers will benefit from the law because starting in 2014, millions more will gain prescription coverage.

Still, drugmakers will have to give the government rebates on drugs bought through Medicaid. And they must give discounts to the elderly that will rise over time.

Obama's re-election also likely means medical device makers will start paying a 2.3 percent tax. They vowed to continue lobbying Congress to try to head off the tax.

"There may be an opportunity to address the tax before it goes into effect on Jan. 1," said J.C. Scott, chief lobbyist for AdvaMed, the industry's main trade group.

FINANCIAL REGULATION

The 2010 overhaul of financial rules marked a victory for Obama. Officials who are still carrying out the details of the law may now be more likely to take a tough stance.

One example is an oversight plan for derivatives — complex investments that speculators use to make bets and companies use to hedge against risk. Financial companies have fought for looser rules and exceptions for derivatives used by farmers who want to lock in prices before a harvest.

Obama's victory means financial companies, which mostly backed Romney, might lose influence in these negotiations. His re-election also figures to embolden the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau. The bureau aims to protect people from hidden fees and other unfair practices by financial companies.

Republicans want to give Congress authority over the bureau's budget. But without the presidency or a stronger majority in either chamber of Congress, they won't likely be able to slow the bureau's crackdown on banks, payday lenders and others.

TECHNOLOGY

Obama signed into law the America Invents Act to streamline the U.S. patent process. The idea was that inventors and entrepreneurs could turn their ideas into products more quickly and create inexpensive ways to resolve disputes.

Despite the law, major technology companies such as Apple, Google and Microsoft are locked in battles over the scope of their patents, particularly for smartphones and tablet computers. Tech companies and entrepreneurs say further patent reform is needed.

The president so far has resisted pressure to lower or temporarily waive corporate income taxes on the more than $1 trillion U.S. companies have piled up in overseas accounts from sales there. Many are tech companies that are keeping most of their cash offshore.

Some of the biggest hoards of foreign cash are held by Apple ($82.6 billion), Microsoft Corp. ($58 billion), Cisco ($42.5 billion) and Google ($29.1 billion). All favor a tax holiday so they could return the money to the United States without paying a huge bill to the government.

Obama hasn't ruled out a tax holiday. But he's indicated he'd consider it only as part of a broad tax overhaul.

SCHOOLS
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two-thirds of the vote.

"It was such a relief to wake up to the good results, and hearing about how well-supported Measure ES was," said Patti Braun, president of the PTA Council.

The only measure that failed was Munger's Prop. 38, which had been losing support in the weeks leading up to the election as it and Prop. 30 competed against one another for voters' hearts.

The California PTA backed Proposition 38 and local PTAs were told to keep a neutral message on Prop. 30, but education watchers knew it would mean disaster for local schools if the neither funding measure passed.

A $5 million structural deficit in the district would balloon to $10 million almost overnight, paving the way for deep mid-year cuts.

That, at least, will be avoided, said Santa Monica-Malibu Superintendent Sandra Lyon.

"The next task is to look at where we are with deficit spending, which will be on the agenda for the next board meeting," Lyon said. "We're not in crisis mode, but we want to be talking about alignment and efficiency and continuing to look at how we look at our budget."

The success of Measure ES will also lighten the load on the district's coffers. Officials plan to use the cash to bring much needed safety requirements like fire sprinklers to the 100-year-old campus at Santa Monica High School, and purchase new technologies to assist in the next generation of standardized testing recently adopted statewide.

"I just want to thank everyone for voting for (Measure) ES and supporting (Prop.) 30 as well," Lyon said. "It's a statement that there's great support for what we're doing in public education."

The success of the two measures has at least delayed a push for another parcel tax to further fund the school district. That had been a topic of discussion earlier this year, and voter fatigue was one of the strongest arguments against putting the bond measure on the ballot.

"It's early days yet," Braun said of the potential parcel tax. "The needs of our schools don't go away. My hope is we don't have to go back immediately to our citizens and ask for more funding. We have such supportive cities, hopefully we will be able to make it through the initial crisis and rely on more traditional funding measures."

SMMUSD schools were not the only ones to benefit from Tuesday's election.

Unlike Prop. 38, the governor's measure reserved funds for higher education, and its passage not only staved off cuts but caused the California State University system to start cutting checks to students to refund tuition increases that are no longer needed, according to the Associated Press.

Both the University of California and CSU systems were slated to lose $250 million each this year, and the 112 community college campuses stood to lose $338 million, according to the AP.

Voters across the state embraced the need to fund California's public schools. Almost 80 percent of school bonds passed, according to the AP.

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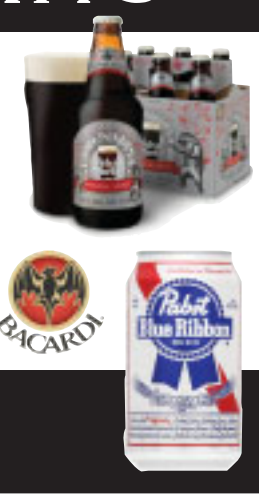
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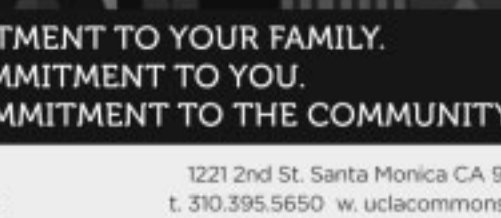
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Hoffman attributes the success toward a simple, clear message and adherence to core principles.

That came despite the perception from outside that the organization's cohesion was beginning to splinter, particularly at its July convention when it failed to strongly endorse four candidates for the City Council race.

"I think we have enough stability within our organization and have changed our organization enough to keep it a vital entity within Santa Monica," Hoffman said.

Although results will not be finalized for weeks, the following is a run-down on Santa Monica races as they stood Wednesday.

CITY COUNCIL

Planning Commissioner Ted Winterer and former Councilmember Tony Vazquez prevailed alongside incumbents Terry O'Day and Gleam Davis in the City Council race, beating out a crowded ballot of hopefuls.

Winterer won the most votes, with 13,586 or 15.12 percent, followed closely by O'Day, who was less than six-tenths of a percent behind.

Davis almost hit the 13 percent mark with 11,605 votes and Vazquez cleared the hurdle for fourth place with 9,129 votes or 10.16 percent.

This is Winterer's third attempt at a City Council seat after several years spent on the Planning Commission. The darling of the slow-growth and anti-development crowd, he lost to sitting Councilmember Robert Holbrook in 2010 by only 56 votes.

The 2012 win felt good, if tiring, he said.

"People kept telling me the third time's the charm," he said Wednesday.

Vazquez will return to a seat of power in Santa Monica after almost two decades absent from the scene. He came out strongly against the Santa Monica Airport during the race, and got a lot of support from Unite Here Local 11, a union political action committee.

Vazquez has strong core values and will reach out to the less privileged in the community, although his stance on development remains untested, Hoffman said.

Incumbents like Davis and O'Day tend to be safe in Santa Monica, which rewards public service with more of the same.

This was not the typical race, however.

The field was left wide open with only two of four incumbents running for their seats.

Mayor Richard Bloom sacrificed his spot to run against Assemblywoman Betsy Butler (D-Marina del Rey) for the newly-drawn 50th Assembly District, and Councilman Bobby Shriver chose this year to take a step back from politics.

The two seats attracted a solid pool of candidates including education advocate Shari Davis, who came in just below Vazquez in the vote tally, Planning Commissioner Richard McKinnon, newcomer John C. Smith and long-time political columnist Frank Gruber.

Added to that was the influence of hundreds of thousands of dollars of outside funds from known quantities like SMRR and the Police Officers' Association, and new organizations like developer-backed Santa Monicans United for a Responsible Future and Santa Monicans for Responsible Growth, which was organized with the help of political consultant Sue Burnside by individuals who rallied against the expansion of the Fairmont Miramar Hotel.

"I'm glad to have it behind us," O'Day said. "It was a difficult campaign season, a strange campaign for Santa Monica, but I'm happy with the opportunity to continue to serve."

That still left 11 contenders waiting until results came in during the wee hours of Wednesday morning only to face disappointment.

Election results trickled in Tuesday night and Wednesday morning after thick fog prevented helicopters bearing ballots from making it to the counting area in Norwalk, forcing officials to reevaluate their ground game and bring the ballots in by car.

Gruber made it to 1:26 a.m. before calling it a night, according to his campaign's Facebook page.

Gruber said he was not sure if he would be running for City Council again, and was also unsure about a potential return to the Lookout news website, where his column on Santa Monica politics ran for 11 years.

Shari Davis also remained noncommittal about her potential return to the City Council race.

McKinnon, however, had no such qualms.

"If you have an agenda and want to do something in public life, you have got to be on the council in Santa Monica," McKinnon said.

BOARD OF EDUCATION

The three Board of Education incumbents won back their seats despite a vigorous showing from three challengers from Malibu seeking direct representation for their small community.

Board President Ben Allen and Boardmembers Maria Leon-Vazquez and Jose Escarce took the top three slots, with challenger Craig Foster only one percentage point behind.

"It was a very competitive election and I congratulate the three candidates from Malibu because they ran a great race," said Escarce, who declared that his fourth term on the school board will be his last, "for sure."

The three Malibu candidates, who formed what they called the "Reform Slate," entered the race just days before the filing deadline with little notice.

They ran on a platform that included cutting school administrative costs on the one hand and the separation of Malibu from the school district on the other. Most of their funding came from $30,000 in loans made to themselves.

Now that the election is over, the candidates intend to double down on efforts to form a separate Malibu district and simultaneously create a broad coalition of support in Santa Monica and Malibu for a 2014 run, said candidate Seth Jacobson.

"We're gearing up for 2016," he said. "We're going to go after Ralph (Mechur), Laurie (Lieberman) and Nimish (Patel) in a big way."

This race is not over yet, however.

A supplemental pamphlet sent by the Santa Monica City Clerk's Office to voters in the district confused Malibu absentee voters because the documents didn't sync up to the official ballot from the county.

The slate will ask to confirm that the sample ballot issue did not affect the vote count, Jacobson.

In the meantime, Malibu's continued lack of representation will become another plank in the argument to separate.

RENT CONTROL BOARD

The only landlord on the Rent Control Board was ousted from his spot Tuesday, leaving only SMRR-backed representatives to arbitrate disputes over rent control housing in Santa Monica.

Robert Kronovet made history in 2008 when he snagged a spot on the five-member board in a tight race that took weeks to con-

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of the voting precincts reported in, but provisional and vote-by-mail ballots still must be counted. It is believed that there are tens of thousands of votes still to be tallied.

Final results are not expected until Friday afternoon, election officials said. They legally have until Dec. 4 to finish processing ballots and until Dec. 7 to report their certified vote counts to the Secretary of State.

"California has more registered voters than any other state in the nation. It's understandable some people want election returns immediately, but it's more important than ever to get results right rather than get results fast," said Secretary of State Debra Bowen, California's chief elections official. "Voting by mail has increased significantly in recent years and with many people returning vote-by-mail ballots on Election Day, county elections officials need the full month to finish their important work."

That leaves Bloom and Butler, both Democrats, waiting anxiously to learn if they will have a job in Sacramento.

The two have been in this spot before, with Butler winning the June 5 open primary by just 137 votes. In an open primary, the two candidates to receive the most votes, regardless of party affiliation, compete in a run-off, which is why there are two Democrats battling it out.

As of presstime Wednesday, the results for the 50th District were Bloom with 69,280 votes, or 50.1 percent, and Butler with 69,062 or 49.9 percent.

The campaigns were contentious, with both sides trading barbs in the final weeks. Butler, who was supported by the California Democratic Party and spent roughly $1.4 million on her campaign, painted herself as an environmental activist who has had success in her first term in the Assembly, helping to ban dangerous plastics in baby bottles.

Bloom, who spent roughly $596,000, relied heavily on his record in Santa Monica, where he and his colleagues on the City Council dais kept Santa Monica's credit rating high while funding education and social services. The family-law attorney pledged to help end the gridlock in the state Legislature.

Bloom was helped by an independent expenditure campaign funded by agricultural special interests opposed to Butler's efforts to protect farm workers. The independent campaign led by Family Farmers Working for a Better California, which spent more than $300,000, sent mailers criticizing Butler's decision to vote against a bill that would have made it easier to fire teachers, saying she was protecting child molesters. Butler said the bill would have done nothing to protect children from predators and instead would have stripped away protections for hard-working teachers.

Butler supporters, consisting mainly of public employees, consumer attorneys and conservationists, targeted Bloom's voting record on the City Council, saying he was in the pocket of developers and other special interest groups and failed to represent Santa Monicans and protect the environment while serving on the Coastal Commission. The independent committees spent roughly $351,000 targeting Bloom, according to campaign finance reports provided by the Secretary of State's Office.

Brian Ross Adams, Bloom's campaign manager, said the candidate was "trying to get some badly needed rest" Wednesday after a long night of watching election results trickle in.

"Votes will be counted for the next two weeks and he, along with many others, will follow the count closely and optimistically," Adams said of Bloom.

Butler said the results so far are not surprising given the close contest during the primary.

"It's a new era," she said of the open primary system and its impacts. "When you have the top two candidates and both are Democrats in a heavily Democratic district these things are going to happen."

Butler plans to spend the next few days thanking her supporters and monitoring the election results.

"I've been through tough campaigns before," she said. "We'll just have to see how it turns out."

District 50 encompasses Santa Monica, Malibu, Brentwood, Bel Air, Beverly Hills, Carthay Square, West Hollywood, much of Hollywood, Hancock Park, Miracle Mile, as well as Pacific Palisades, Topanga, part of the Santa Monica Mountains and Agoura Hills.

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clude.

He was the only person who represented the supply side of the housing equation, and was hampered by a Fair Political Practices Commission ruling that forced him to recuse himself during discussion of rent increases.

Incumbent Ilse Rosenstein and newcomer Christopher Walton took 34.75 and 35.09 percent of the vote respectively to Kronovet's 30.17 percent.

Kronovet was disappointed more for his city than himself.

"It's a little upsetting. Not for me, I'm fine," he said. "Voters in the city of Santa Monica are not sanguine to what it really means to have a lopsided form of government like they have now."

SMRR-backed elected officials now hold almost every seat in Santa Monica city government with the singular exception of Robert Holbrook's City Council spot.

"I just don't think they fully understand or have grasped that if you have anything you want to do now, you have to be a part of SMRR, and if not, you're not important," Kronovet said.

Hoffman said it a different way.

"Robert Kronovet put on a very good campaign, and people really understood that SMRR is the group that cares about them and Rent Control," she said.

Also in the Rent Control column, voters approved Measure GA which changed the method by which rents are increased for rent controlled-properties.

Now, the increase will be a straight 75 percent of the increase in the consumer price index, a measure of the costs of goods and services. It's much simpler than the so-called "pie" method, which sometimes required the board to hire outside consultants to figure out, said Tracy Condon, administrator for the Rent Control Board.

"It's a good government measure. It really makes it more clear and predictable," Condon said.

There was no organized opposition to the measure, which passed with over 60 percent of the vote.

Anyone who would be opposed to it, like landlords, have long since given up such "exercises in futility," said Wes Wellman, spokesperson for the Action Apartment Association, which represents property owners in Santa Monica.

"There was no organized opposition because organized opposition by landlords running against something backed by SMRR would accomplish nothing," Wellman said.

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Culture Watch

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FOOLING AROUND: **Kenneth Rudnicki and Lena Kay star in 'The Bald Soprano,' an early and classic example of theatre of the absurd that takes a linguistically wild swipe at middle class propriety.**

Not to be missed

SINCE I'VE JUST LIVED THROUGH THE week from H-e-double-hockey-sticks, I didn't have a chance to see or hear anything that I can report on personally. So today I'll share a selection of upcoming or ongoing events that I think are worth noting.

Let's start with City Garage's remounting of their highly acclaimed 2007 production of Eugene Ionesco's "The Bald Soprano," being billed by this adventurous and ambitious theatrical company as the "Christmas anti-play." Ionesco, a Romanian who lived in France, wrote it in response to his experience learning English using a language technique featuring dialogue sentences that seemed untethered to any identifiable reality. It's an early and classic example of theatre of the absurd that takes a linguistically wild swipe at middle class propriety.

This production of "The Bald Soprano" features a translation and adaptation by Frederique Michel, artistic director of City Garage and producing director Charles A. Duncombe, and runs in repertory with Charles L. Mee's critically lauded "Orestes 3.0: Inferno" at the company's new home at Bergamot Station Arts Center. There'll be an informal conversation with the cast following the Dec. 2 matinee performance. For tickets and more information on the plays and the company visit www.citygarage.org.

DINNER TO DYE FOR

Learn how to dye fabrics naturally, while drinking and eating the same seasonal plants that provide the colors! Attend Your Local Hive's "Dinner to Dye For" at Peter Fetterman Gallery, also located at Bergamot Station.

It's a one-day-only, first-time-in-L.A. event, featuring textile artist and designer Sasha Duerr of San Francisco's Permacouture Institute. There's a hands-on workshop using flowers, herbs, berries, barks, nuts and more to create natural dyes in seasonal, foraged dye baths while sipping cocktails of botanical hues from the natural dye bar. A family-style dinner offers a menu of the same sumptuous plants that helped transform color onto cloth: crimson Russian red cabbage, grassy green avocados, violet musk artichokes, midnight black beans and an array of heirloom fruit ripe with color. Experience how taste corresponds to color while making your own creatively colored textile art, which will be displayed at the gallery during the dinner.

"Dinner to Dye For" takes place Sunday, Nov. 11 from 4 p.m. to 8 p.m. Seating is quite limited, so reserve fast! For seats, call the gallery at (310) 453-6463 or visit www.permacouture.org.

PERFORMANCE PIECE

Free this weekend as a companion event to his 18th Street Arts Center exhibition, "OPEN TUNING; E-D-G-B-D-G" is a performance piece by Eamon Ore-Giron accompanied by a musical performance from guitar trio Voluminous Sparks. Reminiscent of a ventriloquist act, Ore-Giron transforms the artist's hand into the main character of a "play" exploring gestural movement, humor and sound to tell the story of a hardworking body part. Following the "play" Ore-Giron's joins the members of Voluminous Sparks performing compositions written by the group, based on the open guitar tuning of "E-D-G-B-D-G." It's free on Saturday, Nov. 10, 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. More info at http://18thstreet.org.

SWEET STUFF

"Searching for Sugar Man" is the documentary that all my friends are telling me not to miss. Rodriguez, a rocker playing in a Detroit bar in the late 1960s, is discovered by two renowned producers who are sure he's the next big thing. But the album they produce bombs big. Rumors fly that Rodriguez committed suicide on stage, but after a bootleg recording made its way into apartheid South Africa, he became a phenomenon for two decades. Fans searching for his true story uncover an even more amazing tale of what really happened to Sugar Man.

I don't know how much longer it will play at Laemmle's Monica Four-Plex so go now! www.laemmle.com

RADIO LIVE

I was the original producer of "Left, Right & Center," KCRW's popular political analysis show, and there's nothing more fun (if you're a political junkie) than watching this dynamic conversation unfold on a live stage. There are just a few tickets left at low prices ($29) to watch moderator/centrist Matt Miller, Robert Scheer on the left and special guest Matthew Continetti on the right as they take apart the results of our seemingly endless presidential election. They'll be at

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Judge rejects injunction against Dish DVR

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LOS ANGELES A California judge has rejected a request for a preliminary injunction against Dish Network's ad-skipping digital video recorder in a dispute that has pit broadcasters against a main distributor of their programming.

Judge Dolly Gee of the U.S. District Court in Los Angeles on Monday struck down the request by News Corp. broadcaster Fox, according to a statement from Dish. A Fox spokesman confirmed the ruling but said the network would appeal.

The ruling was not released publically.

Dish Network Corp. and the broadcast networks have been at odds over a new digital video recorder called the Hopper, which allows consumers to record prime-time programming from the four broadcast networks — ABC, NBC, CBS and Fox — and play the video back the next day with the commercials stripped out.

Gee determined that Fox was unlikely to be able to prove that it has suffered irreparable harm from the copies Dish made as a way to back up recordings on consumers' DVRs, Dish said.

Dish's general counsel, R. Stanton Dodge, called the ruling "a victory for common sense and customer choice."

Fox said in a statement said it was "gratified" that the judge found that Dish's copies infringed on its copyright and breached their contract. But it disagreed that making the copies did not cause irreparable harm.

"Dish is marketing and benefitting from an unauthorized (video on demand) service that illegally copies Fox's valuable programming," Fox said in a statement.

The broadcasters argue that automated ad-skipping would deprive them of needed ad revenue, while Dish argues its new device just makes it easier to do what consumers do already on their own DVRs: record shows and skip through ads on playback.

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The Broad Stage on Sunday, Nov. 11. Doors open at 5 p.m. with live taping at 6 p.m. www.kcrw.com/news/lrc-live-2012.

SUSTAINABLE EXPRESSION

Can art be green? That's the question posed by artist Cassandra Tondro, who launches the Green Art Movement on Sunday, Nov. 11 as she demonstrates in public, for the first time, her technique for making abstract paintings using colorful leftover house paint from recycling centers and the "mistint" shelves at home improvement stores. Artists have a way with materials, and Tondro's mission is to demonstrate how creative re-use can be beautiful.

Live painting demo takes place 1:30 p.m. to 3 p.m. at Santa Monica's YWCA, with a raffle benefiting YWCA that will reward a few lucky observers with the paintings made that day. Raffle tickets are available online here: www.tondro.com/event and at the event itself.

And due to popular demand, James Gray Gallery at Bergamot Station has extended artist Martin Duvander's LGBT-themed "Rainbow Crosswalks" exhibit through Sunday, Nov. 11. Born in Denmark, Duvander captures the street art vibe inspired by the city of West Hollywood's crosswalks, painted in the colors of the LGBT rainbow flag, a project he championed. His mixed-media paintings are of movement luminaries and the equality movement. It's the first LGBT-themed show that the Gray Gallery has hosted. Contact James Gray Gallery for details at (310) 315-9502.

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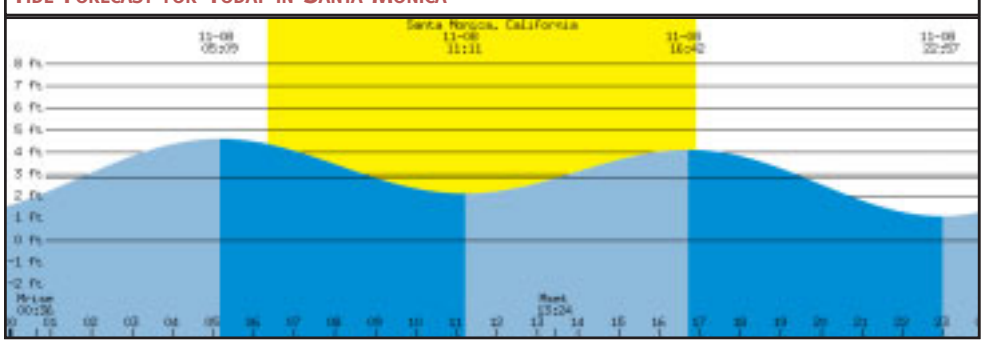
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Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Los Alisos creeks.	ns	ns
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	ns
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	A	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	ns
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Solstice Canyon at Ben Blocker County Beach.	C	ns
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 21672 Malibu Rd.	F	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	ns
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	A+	A
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	F	ns
Corbon 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 Los Tunas County Beach.	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	A+
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17208 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence.	A	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain.	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.	A	ns
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	C	F
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	A	A+
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A+	ns
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A	A
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A+	ns
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A	ns
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	A	ns
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	ns
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St.	A+	ns
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower.	F	B
Duckpuller State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth.	B	F
Duckpuller State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain.	A+	ns
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Duckpuller State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A	ns

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A Liar's Autobiography (NR) 1hr 25min
6:00pm

Dial M For Murder (PG) 1hr 45min
8:00pm

AMC Loews Broadway 4
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Looper (R) 1hr 58min
1:45pm, 4:40pm, 7:30pm, 10:10pm

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

Taken 2 (PG-13) 1hr 31min
2:15pm, 4:45pm, 7:15pm, 9:45pm

Seven Psychopaths (R) 1hr 49min
1:30pm, 4:15pm, 7:15pm, 10:15pm

AMC 7 Santa Monica
1310 Third St.
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Hotel Transylvania 3D (PG) 1hr 31min
2:30pm, 7:30pm

Skyfall (PG-13) 2hrs 23min
12:07am

Flight (R) 2hrs 19min
11:50am, 1:45pm, 3:15pm, 5:00pm, 6:30pm, 8:25pm, 10:00pm

Argo (R) 2hrs 00min
11:15am, 2:10pm, 5:15pm, 8:15pm

Chasing Mavericks (PG) 1hr 51min
11:00am, 2:00pm, 4:50pm, 7:45pm, 10:30pm

Perks of Being a Wallflower (PG-13) 1hr 42min
11:40am, 2:15pm, 5:10pm, 8:00pm, 10:30pm

Hotel Transylvania (PG) 1hr 31min
11:55am, 5:00pm, 10:05pm

Wreck-It Ralph in 3D (PG) 1hr 48min
12:30pm, 3:30pm, 6:30pm, 9:30pm

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Bay (R) 1hr 24min
1:10pm, 3:20pm, 5:30pm, 7:50pm, 10:10pm

Searching for Sugar Man (PG-13) 1hr 25min
1:20pm, 3:30pm, 10:15pm

Other Son (Le fils de l'autre) (PG-13) 1hr 45min
1:40pm, 4:20pm

Master (R) 2hrs 30min
1:50pm, 5:10pm, 8:15pm

Shakespeare's Globe Theatre: Dr. Faustus (NR) 2hrs 27min
7:00pm

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7:30pm

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Wreck-It Ralph (PG) 1hr 48min
11:30am, 2:30pm, 5:15pm, 8:00pm, 10:45pm

Fun Size (PG-13) 1hr 30min
11:50am, 2:40pm, 5:00pm, 7:20pm, 9:45pm

Man with the Iron Fists (R) 1hr 36min
11:55am, 2:50pm, 5:30pm, 8:15pm, 11:00pm

Silent Hill: Revelation 3D (R) 1hr 34min
11:40am, 2:20pm, 7:30pm, 10:00pm

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5:05pm

Pitch Perfect (PG-13) 1hr 52min
11:15am, 2:00pm, 5:00pm, 7:40pm, 10:20pm

Cloud Atlas (R) 2hrs 44min
11:15am, 3:00pm, 6:40pm, 10:15pm

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Indulge a loved one, Sag

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You have a sense of what you want to accomplish. The question is whether you actually will go for it. You have a lot of energy, but the problem lies in prioritizing your responsibilities, which means saying "no" to certain people. Tonight: Take it easy.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Your creativity surges, and you feel great, no matter what you do or which direction you head in. Listen to news with a bit of cynicism. Someone easily could misrepresent what you or another person is trying to say. Tonight: Fun and games.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ You are more anchored than you have been in a while. You'll seek out some important answers, and you won't be happy until you have them. Follow your instincts, and you will find yourself on the correct path. Indulge a loved one. Tonight: Head on home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Keep conversations moving, but know that you might need to clarify facts and ask questions if you feel confused. Your instincts will tell you what direction to head in. You could be overwhelmed by everything you have to do. Tonight: Meet up with a friend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Sometimes you don't realize how much you have to offer. In fact, you could be overwhelming to others who actually might be intimidated by you. Listen to your instincts with a financial matter. Tonight: Treat a friend to dinner.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ There could be some initial confusion in the morning, but you'll cut through any misunderstandings right away. Later, the situation could become more complicated. Be willing to say "enough" to a family member or even to a rebellious pet. Tonight: All smiles.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Sometimes your observational skills are more important than you think. Step back and listen. You might pick up on what someone is not sharing, and that exclusion could be significant. Tonight: Not to be found.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Keep an eye on what is going on with a friend. Though everything could seem fine, it might not be. Listen more carefully, and let this person know that you are there for him or her. Meanwhile, deal with your finances and a need to reorganize. Tonight: Whatever puts a smile on your face.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ Do not push too hard with someone who could cause you a lot of trouble. In the long run, you will be much happier. Follow your intuition, as long as it bypasses this issue. Clarify a confusing situation by asking questions. Tonight: Indulge a loved one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Keep reaching out for new ideas. You will like experiencing the world in a different way. When you land, you'll see how you might have been restricting yourself. Communication could become excessive. Screen calls. Tonight: Listen to a favorite CD, then decide.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Build an important relationship, if you really care to do so. Tending to one's bonds helps nurture not only the relationship itself, but both parties as well. Make a point of sharing an important secret or news with your best friend. Tonight: In the mood for a celebration? Go for it.

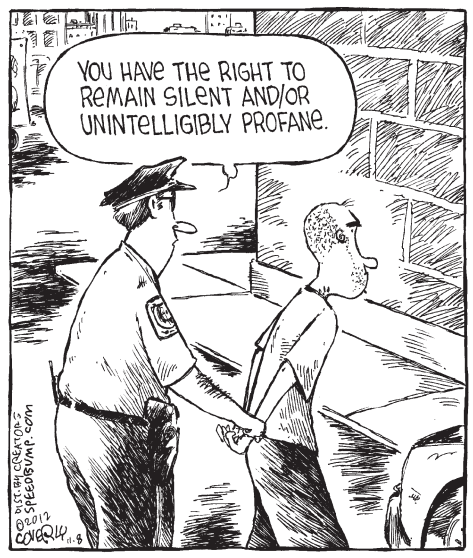
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ You might be confusing to a loved one. It isn't that you are unclear, but rather that you haven't quite conceptualized a new perspective yet. Tonight: Choose a stressbuster.

Happy birthday

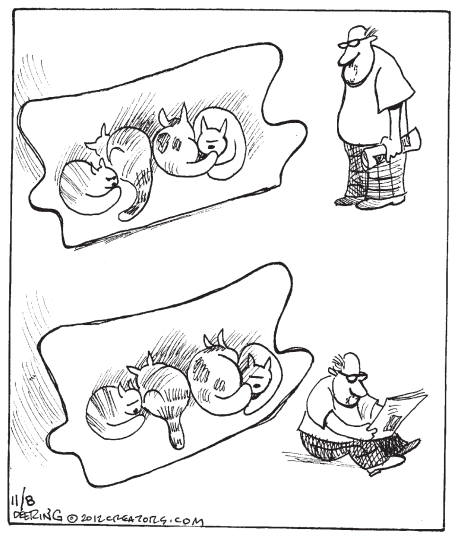
This year you seem to be able to lasso in nearly anything you can dream of. Be sure that you really know what you want, as you could be lured in by something you'll later discover you do not desire. It might be a good idea to scan your list of goals several times a year, and revise it if need be. If you are single, you'll meet that special someone through a friend. You will know it when you see this person for the first time. If you are attached, determine what type of relationship you desire, and make it so. VIRGO understands your needs.

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

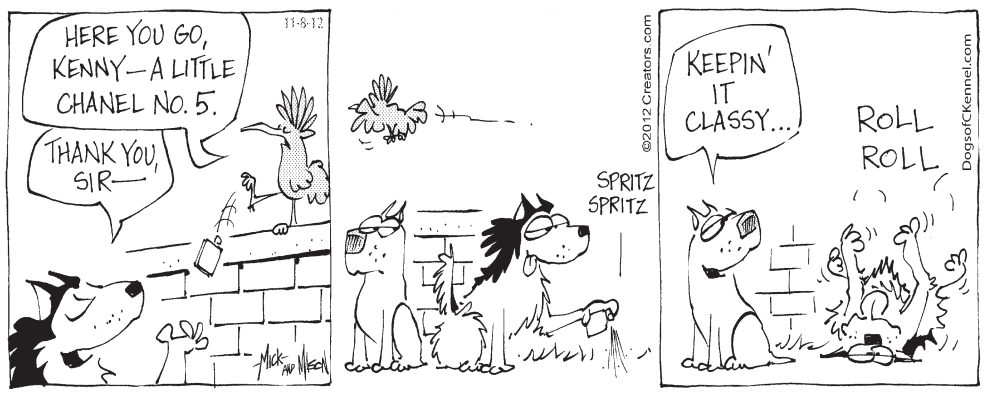
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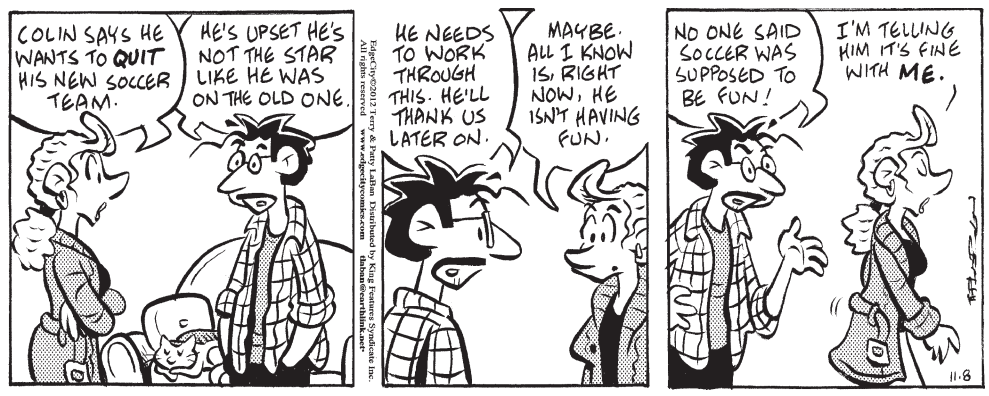
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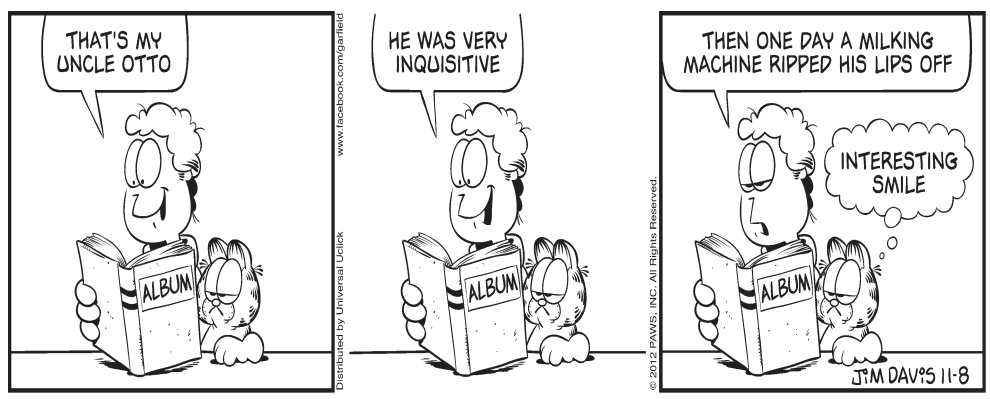
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By Jim Davis



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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 ★★★

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

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

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Flight part
5 "The Merry Widow" composer
10 Crude home
12 Radiate
13 Last letter
14 Shop grippers
15 Stimpy's pal
16 Shape with a knife
18 Dot
20 Drunk
21 Comfy places
23 Print measures
24 Hardy girl
26 Radiator part
28 Finger count
29 Mystery writer Woods
31 Museum stuff
32 Petite
36 Easily broken
39 Spell
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44 Ping producer
45 Plow pioneer John
46 Ernie's pal

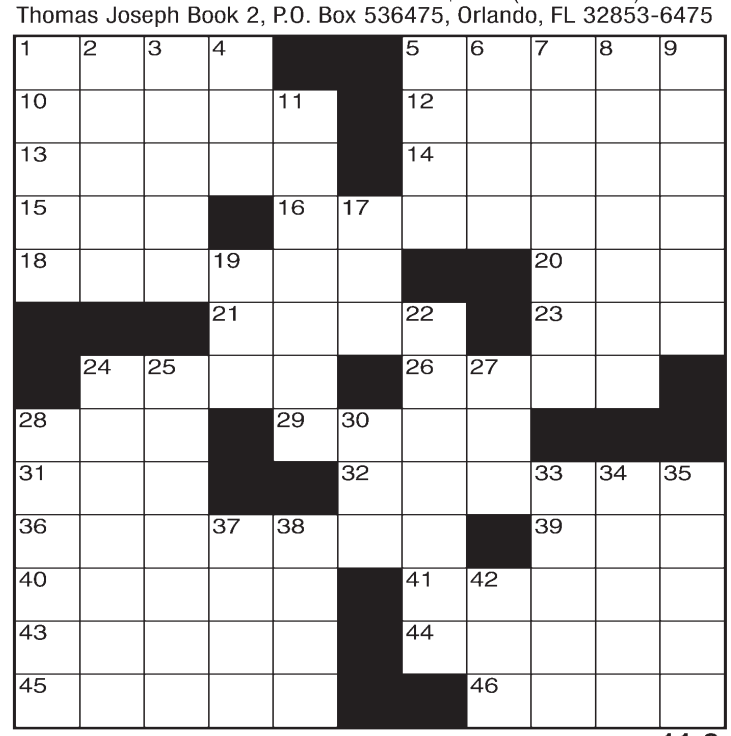
DOWN

1 Concise
2 Marisa of "My Cousin Vinnie"
3 News item
4 Cribbage need
5 Stubbs of the Four Tops
6 Way to go
7 Gets a move on
8 "Sweet" girl of song
9 Fixes the clock
11 Anarchic
17 Brood watcher
19 Six-pt. scores
22 Cries of horror
24 Colonnaded porch
25 Qualify
27 Granola bit
28 Put off
30 Maximum amount
33 Scottish lord
34 "Roots" star Burton
35 Wield
37 "— she blows!"
38 Head, to Henri
42 San Francisco's — Hill

B	A	T	T	E	R	■	A	F	A	R
I	G	N	O	R	E	■	C	I	T	Y
D	E	T	A	I	N	■	T	R	E	E
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Draw Date: 11/7
13 25 29 40 46
Meganumber: 21
Jackpot: $9M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 11/7
6 8 14 27 31

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 11/7
MIDDAY: 2 9 6
EVENING: 0 7 0

SANTA ANITA PARK
Draw Date: 11/7
1st: 01 Gold Rush
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3rd: 10 Solid Gold
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ For a September beauty contest of female college students in China's Hubei province, certain minimum body requirements were established at the outset (beyond the traditional chest, waist and hip sizes). Among them, according to a report in China's Global Post: The space between the candidate's pupils should be 46 percent of the distance between each pupil and the nearer ear, and the distance between a candidate's nipples should be at least 20cm (7.8 inches).

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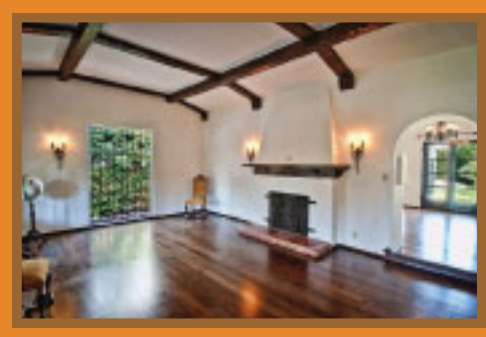
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