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THE HERE COMES HOLIDAY TRAFFIC ISSUE



YOUR WISH IS GRANTED

Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

The historic Santa Monica Pier Ferris wheel at Pacific Park turns blue as guests ride the Scrambler during the Make-A-Wish Foundation's Family and Volunteer Appreciation Event on Saturday night. The event was held to celebrate the hard work and dedication of wish families and volunteers in honor of the Season of Wishes campaign. The wheel will turn blue every Tuesday and Thursday night from Nov. 23 to Dec. 23 to commemorate each wish celebration.

Local man found guilty of murder

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

VAN NUYS, Calif. A Santa Monica man was convicted today of murdering a 22-year-old female friend whose body was found in the trunk of her car in Valley Village after a fax was sent to a television station.

The Van Nuys Superior Court jury deliberated about three hours before finding 25-year-old Adel Tabrizi Chapel guilty of first-degree murder in the Feb. 28, 2009, slaying of Denise Figueroa of North Hills.

Jurors also found true the allegation that Chapel had used a hammer in the commission of the slaying, according to Deputy District Attorney Jane Creighton.

The woman's body was discovered in the trunk of her Nissan Altima in the 11700

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Earning green by going green

Convention & Visitors Bureau focuses on attracting the sustainable tourist

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

MAIN STREET Increasingly a hotel's environmentally-friendly policies are becoming just as important as its pool, spa or proximity to main attractions.

Research shows that more tourists and meeting planners are paying attention to their impact on the environment and are booking trips that offer opportunities to make a positive, lasting impression on a destination. The Santa Monica Convention and Visitors Bureau (CVB), a nonprofit funded by City Hall to help promote Santa Monica as a tourist destination, wants to capitalize on this growing trend by raising awareness about a community that has embraced going green.

"We have been a green destination long before it was trendy," said Kim Baker, director of marketing for the CVB. "[City Hall] developed the Sustainable City Plan in 1994, long before 'The Inconvenient Truth' came out, before green washing and all the celebrities got behind it."

"It's an infrastructure thing," Baker added. "[Living sustainably is] built into

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City Hall tries to ease traffic Downtown

BY NICK TABOREK
Daily Press Staff Writer

DOWNTOWN As the high season for shopping nears, Santa Monica officials are planning to test new ways to ease traffic congestion Downtown and make the gift hunting experience more pleasant for drivers and pedestrians who visit the city's busiest commercial district.

Beginning next Wednesday, pedestrians will be able to walk diagonally across the intersection at Second Street and Santa Monica Boulevard, as officials try out a "pedestrians only crossing phase" geared toward speeding the flow of walkers around

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WHAT'S UP WESTSIDE

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA AND SURROUNDS



Tuesday, Nov. 16, 2010

Saving Sudan
Santa Monica College
1900 Pico Blvd. Art 214, 11:15 a.m.
Najwa Gadaheldam, an industrial development officer for the United Nations, will discuss Sudan's conflicts in relation to natural resources and global intervention. Gadaheldam is a mechanical engineering expert based in Vienna Austria and focuses on renewable energy. As a former lecturer and coordinator of the Renewable Energy Programme at the University of Zimbabwe in Harare, he will shed light on the situation through his experiences.

Just dance
Montana Branch Library
1704 Montana Ave., 3:45 p.m. — 4:30 p.m.
Montana Branch Library invites Melissa Green to share her musical prowess in a class that will involve singing and dancing for children of all ages. Green taught at a nursery school in New York City and moved to Los Angeles in 2005, releasing her CD a year later. Now, she teaches music classes and can be seen performing all over town.

Great outdoors
Temescal Gateway Park
15601 W. Sunset Blvd., 7:30 p.m.
Part of the Culture in the Canyon series, the Mountains Recreation & Conservation Authority is hosting a short 1.5 hour hike that will follow the trail of families traveling through the Santa Monica Mountains. A local anthropologist will guide hikers through the trail, revealing family stories and historical trivia along the way.

Wednesday, Nov. 17, 2010

Virginia Avenue Park
2200 Virginia Ave., Thelma Terry Community Room, 7 p.m.
City Manager Rod Gould will lead a community meeting in an attempt to update local residents on city projects. Gould plans on discussing the upcoming fiscal year budgets in light of the current economic climate. For more information, visit www.smgov.net/budget

Super fresh
Downtown Santa Monica
Arizona Avenue and Second Street
8:30 a.m. — 1:30 p.m.
Get the freshest fruit and produce available at the weekly Farmers' Market. A variety of prepared foods will also be available.

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



COMMUNITY BRIEFS

SANTA MONICA COLLEGE

SMC wins architectural award

Santa Monica College's Student Services & Administration Building won the NEXT LA award from the Los Angeles chapter of the American Institute of Architects, a national professional association of architects.

The award, which honors Los Angeles architects, was given in the unbuilt category.

The futuristic building designed by Steinberg Architects is energy-efficient, including solar panels and skylights. Construction began in January 2009 and is expected to be completed in February 2014.

"Utilizing a bold vernacular reminiscent of modern transportation hubs, the final design creates a place of welcome for new students and symbolizes open access to education," Steinberg said.

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Literature that's sustainable

Santa Monica Public Library hosted its fourth annual Green Prize for Sustainable Literature Awards at the Main Branch on Nov. 6.

The prize was created to encourage and honor authors, illustrators and publishers of books that raise awareness about sustainability.

Below is a list of 2010 award winners by category:

• Education

"Smart by Nature: Schooling for Sustainability," by Michael K Stone/Center for Ecoliteracy, published by Watershed Media.

• Energy

"Power Trip: From Oil Wells to Solar Cells — Our Ride to the Renewable Future," by Amanda Little, published by Harper.

• History

"The Wilderness Warrior: Theodore Roosevelt and the Crusade for America," by Douglas G. Brinkley, published by Harper Perennial.

• Reference

"Going to Green: A Standards-Based Environmental Education Curriculum for Schools, Colleges, and Communities," by Harry Wiland and Dale Bell, published by Chelsea Green Publishing.

• Urban Planning

"Green Metropolis: Why Living Smaller, Living Closer, and Driving Less are the Keys to Sustainability," by David Owen, published by Riverhead Hardcover.

• Youth Fiction

"Operation Redwood," by S. Terrell French, published by Amulet Books.

• Youth Picture Book

"Miss Fox's Class Goes Green," by Eileen Spinelli, illustrated by Anne Kennedy, published by Albert Whitman & Company.

• Early Childhood Nonfiction

"Love Your World: How to Take Care of the Plants, the Animals, and the Planet," by Dawn Sirett, published by DK Publishing.

• School Age Nonfiction

"Heroes of the Environment: True Stories of the People Who are Helping to Protect Our Planet," by Harriet Rohmer, illustrated by Julie McLaughlin, published by Chronicle Books.

• Young Adult Nonfiction

"We are the Weather Makers: The History of Climate Change," by Tim Flannery, adapted by Sally M. Walker, published by Candlewick Press.

• Pioneer Award Winner

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ALL SHE WROTE

Morgan Genser *news@smdp.com*

Santa Monica College wide receiver Marc Riviere has the football knocked out of his arms as he's hit by defensive back Charles Earls from West Los Angeles College on Saturday, Nov. 13 as West L.A. hosted SMC in an American Pacific Conference game. SMC lost the game, 36-14. This was SMC's final game of the year and with the loss they finish the year 2-4 in conference play and 4-6 overall.



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Finding fault with Taxi franchises

Editor:

I was very upset to learn that starting in January I will only be allowed to use certain taxi companies in Santa Monica. Isn't this restraint of trade? I am not even sure I understand what is happening. Are only certain taxis allowed to roam the streets to pick up fares, or can you only call certain taxis to take you places if you live in Santa Monica?

A year ago my car was stolen, and I needed to get to the police station to make a report. I called Euro Taxi, and when I told them what happened and where I needed to go, they told me they would pick me up and not charge me for the ride, and that I should call them when done, and they would take me back home, also at no charge! The drivers would not even take a tip! I wonder how many of the other taxi companies that we now have to use would have done that.

I have since only used Euro Taxi and recommend them to everyone I know.

City Council, please reconsider.

Susan Ellis
Santa Monica

On a positive note

Editor:

Dear City Council,

Now that the election is over and we have read all the hate campaign mail, I decided to enter a positive note and simply say thank you for providing the free community file shredding service. Over the weekend my wife and I cleaned house ... (LOL). We removed every shred of paper that we could find and had it shredded by the service the city provided. Thank you again for this service. I saw many cars – at least 20 – while I was there.

Gordon Potik
Santa Monica





Back to Nature

Reese Halter — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Insecticides killing the Earth

RECENT RESEARCH FROM THE UNIVERSITY of London shows that a bumblebee's tiny brain is able to solve complex mathematical problems giving further credence to why Mayan shamans revered bees and their intelligence.

The fact that the bees are able to link hundreds of flowers, minimize travel distance and find their way home is incredible since their brain is the size of a pinhead. Scientists are applying this discovery to help effectively solve the "Traveling Salesman Problem." That is, finding the shortest path that allows him to visit all the locations on his route. Essentially, the more scientists learn about bees the more we are beginning to realize their global importance and the need to protect them.

A new book entitled "The Systemic Insecticide: A Disaster in the Making" by Dutch toxicologist Dr. Henk Tennekes sheds light on a family of highly toxic chemicals — neonicotinoids — which are implicated in the deaths of billions of honeybees around the globe.

Modern monoculture farming has begun to distance itself from spraying insecticides. Instead, it has opted to genetically modify seeds. Neonicotinoids are inserted into the seed enabling the insecticide, which is water-soluble, to move throughout its system where ultimately the toxicity is transferred to the nectar and pollen.

Bees use nectar by turning it into honey, their only source of energy. In the process of harvesting nectar from flowers, bees inadvertently cross-pollinate flowering plants. There are at least 235,000 known flowering plants for which 20,000 species of bees are the predominant pollinators. Moreover, bees require pollen as the only source of protein to make their young, build brains and strengthen their autoimmune systems.

Each year, our global biosphere endures an onslaught of some 5 billion pounds of insecticides. Many of these insecticides are neonicotinoids, which synthetically mimic a plant compound found in tomatoes, potatoes, peppers and tobacco. A neuroactive insecticide fashioned after nicotine, neonicotinoids poison nerves and prevent acetylcholine from enabling neurons to communicate with each other and with muscle tissue. In humans, for instance, these substances would trigger Parkinson's and Alzheimer's diseases.

Bees exposed to neonicotinoids also exhibit symptoms mimicking Parkinson's and Alzheimer's diseases. In fact, the French referred to the effect as "mad bee disease" and in 1999 were the first to ban the use of these chemicals. Germany, Italy and Slovenia have recently followed suit. The German agriculture institute concluded that the poisoning of the bees was a result of a "rub-off" of the neonicotinoid clothianidin from corn seeds.

Recently, the EPA has suspended the sale of Spirotetramat, another neonicotinoid under its trade names of Movento and Ultor. There are, however, other widespread neonicotinoids available in the U.S. Currently there are no injunctions in place against neonicotinoids in Canada or Mexico.

Dr. Tennekes goes onto to explain that neonicotinoids are water soluble, mobile in soils and persistent in both soil and water. He reports that imidacloprid, another neonicotinoid, contaminated western Dutch surface waters and significantly reduced non-target, beneficial insect populations, which in turn caused a dramatic decline amongst many common grassland bird species.

He details soil studies showing imidacloprid, killing springtails, beetles and earthworms; robbing the soils of its necessary beneficial fauna, which in turn breakdown leaf litter, decompose organic matter and recycle nutrients.

"The Systemic Insecticides" gives a detailed account of the decline of western Europe's grassland feeding birds. In addition, populations of their avian predators like Eurasian Goshawks and northern Goshawks have likewise fallen, dramatically. The use of these potent neonicotinoids has exhibited a deleterious effect on the biodiversity throughout western Europe.

Although, it is very valid to note that many bird populations in western Europe began to decline 35 years ago due to the pervasive use of neonicotinoids is not only exacerbating declines in bird species but also its killing the soil and contaminating fresh water.

Freshwater and healthy agricultural soils, worldwide, are of paramount importance as our species population is dramatically rising and global warming is beginning to significantly impinge upon our fresh water sources.

As an environmental safe alternative, neem-based products, made from an east Indian tree (Azadirachta indica), will offer protection against most insect infestations. Neem-based products are widely available in the U.S., Canada and Western Europe.

I strongly support Dr. Tennekes thesis of a global ban on neonicotinoids since bees are collapsing worldwide, moths and bird species in western Europe are declining, and these systemic insecticides are polluting waterways and killing soil fauna.

From the 1962 classic "Silent Spring," professor Rachel Carson's warning seems highly appropriate: "It is not my contention that chemical insecticides must never be used. I do contend that we have put poisonous and biologically potent chemicals indiscriminately into the hands of persons largely or wholly ignorant of their potentials for harm."

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What's the Point?

David Pisarra
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Family, friends make the feast

I'M SHOCKED AT HOW FAST THIS YEAR has flown by. It seems like just last month I was writing about Thanksgiving, and here it is again! It may seem like I'm pushing it by writing about the holiday, which is still 10 days away, but here's the reason.

Now is when people start inviting guests to dinner. Now is when people — like me — start working up menus and tinkering with recipes. I wanted to get this out, because come next week, most of us are going to be too busy to take a break and think about what the holiday is all about and what it represents today.

Originally, Thanksgiving was the fall harvest festival to celebrate the bounty of a good summer, a hard year's work and the promise of a new land. Legend has it that pilgrims and Indians (Native Americans, these days) sat down at a common table to break bread and make peace.

Today, we stop in at the local MegaMart and purchase cases of canned, frozen and freeze-dried foods. We have the ability to feed hordes of people out of our pantries. Our collective food wealth has surged to unprecedented levels in the history of mankind.

Yet, all this wealth comes at a tremendous cost. Not in terms of money — in actuality, the average food bill in America is extraordinarily low — the cost comes in the form of being separated from the process. Most of us don't have the experience of tilling a row, planting corn, watching it grow all summer and then seeing huge chunks of it eaten by caterpillars or worms. As a society, we have "progressed" to the point where anyone with a stove and a pan can enjoy the variety of flavors the world has to offer.

From the very beginning of our country, we have been blending cultures to achieve something that is an odd mix of foreign and native. We have taken the best of the various contributors to build a new set of traditions on the foundations of the old.

Let's take the traditional Thanksgiving dinner of turkey, dressing and cranberry sauce as an example. In my house, we add flavors of our heritage. Because I am Italian, we always make sure to have antipasto. The participants at my Thanksgiving will range from some California natives, a Texan and possibly someone from Ohio. This is what Thanksgiving is all about — the blending of cultures, experiences and people to become one — to become American.

It is easy to look around and give thanks for the obvious things. But dig deeper, look at the true wealth we have. Look at the mix of people and cultures that makes us a society. Look at how your life is shaped by the fact that your next door neighbor could be a different race or religion, yet both of you are American.

This Thanksgiving, we should take a look at how it all started, not from a historical perspective — for the bare facts of history shed no light or warmth — but from the perspective of what the first pilgrims and Indians did. They set in motion a pattern that we still repeat today. They opened their hearts and homes to get to know each other.

MY HOUSE COULD BE BIGGER, MY CAR NEWER, MY BANK ACCOUNT FATTER, MY BELLY THINNER, BUT AT THE END OF THE DAY, WHAT IS TRULY OF VALUE, WHAT SUSTAINS ME MORE THAN FOOD, ARE THE FRIENDS I HAVE MADE, AND THE PEOPLE I KNOW AND LOVE.

We might not be farmers, and few, if any, of us have slaughtered an animal for dinner, but we still have within us the ability to open our hearts and minds to see the bounty that is around us, a bounty that goes far beyond the material.

I am a man richly blessed in my friends. My house could be bigger, my car newer, my bank account fatter, my belly thinner, but at the end of the day, what is truly of value, what sustains me more than food, are the friends I have made and the people I know and love.

Take a moment and look to see the human bounty that surrounds you. Value your friends and apologize to those you have hurt. Make your teenagers squirm. Tell them you love them. Spend time with your parents. You'll miss them when they are gone. Don't worry about having the newest toy. Worry if you don't have someone to invite to dinner.

Be brave this year. Invite someone new to dinner. Have them bring something from their heritage. You never know if you might find a new favorite treat.

Thanksgiving is not about pumpkin pie and sage dressing, it is about making friends, breaking bread and being grateful for both.

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The Q Line

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Market foul

Farmers' Market organizers recently banned a vendor for trying to pass off imported apples as locally-grown. Jonah's Apples was asked to leave as a result.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks:
Do you think that the punishment fits the crime, or do you think the market was too strict?

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Half-baked? Police called on NY kids' cupcake sale

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

CHAPPAQUA, N.Y. Some parents in a New York City suburb are upset because a local politician called police on two 13-year-old boys for selling cupcakes and other baked goods without a permit.

The Journal News in Westchester County reported Monday that New Castle Councilman Michael Wolfensohn had called police last month on the boys.

Andrew DeMarchis and Kevin Graff had a brisk business selling cupcakes, cookies, brownies and Rice Krispie treats in a Chappaqua (CHAP'-uh-kwah) park.

Kevin's mother, Laura Graff, says the teens are "good kids" who were scared by the police call. She said Monday they haven't set up shop anywhere since.

Wolfensohn says rules are rules. But he concedes calling the police might have been a half-baked decision.

Girls sue Pa. school over 'boobies'-bracelet ban

BY MARYCLAIRE DALE
Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA Two middle schoolers filed a free-speech lawsuit Monday against a Pennsylvania school district that suspended them for wearing the popular "I (heart) boobies!" bracelets.

The American Civil Liberties Union believes the lawsuit is the first in the country over a school's ban on the $4 bracelets, which are designed to raise breast-cancer awareness among young people. The rubber jewelry has become wildly popular among students, prompting bans across the country.

School officials in Easton argue that the slogan is distracting and demeaning, and that some staff feel it trivializes a serious illness.

The district banned the bracelets in October, a month into the school year and after students had been wearing them without serious incident, the ACLU said.

Kayla Martinez, 12, and Brianna Hawk, 13, had their parents' permission to wear the bracelets but soon found themselves in the principal's office at Easton Area Middle School, the lawsuit states. They were also banned from school dances for a month.

Amy Martinez said her daughter's suspension seems unduly harsh, given that the seventh-grader had agreed to wear the bracelet inside out, with only a breast cancer-awareness website address showing. That, too, was deemed inappropriate under the school dress code, she said.

"I don't believe that vulgarity, obscenity, profanity or nudity (in the school code) apply to the word 'boobies' or 'breast,'" said Martinez, 32, an accountant whose late aunt suffered from breast cancer.

"There were teachers that had 'breast cancer awareness' T-shirts on" in October, National Breast Cancer Awareness Month, she said.

The ACLU calls the bracelets perhaps silly and irreverent, but not lewd or indecent.

The civil-rights group has intervened in similar school disputes across the country, including a second case in Pennsylvania and one in Wyoming in which a student was allowed to keep wearing a bracelet except in the presence of two teachers who found it objectionable.

The Easton families, however, are the first to file suit, ACLU lawyer Mary Catherine Roper said.

"The First Amendment does not allow schools to censor students' speech merely because some students and teachers are offended by the non-vulgar educational message, and silencing the speakers because other students may react inappropriately would amount to a constitutionally impermissible heckler's veto," Roper, who represents the families, wrote in the lawsuit.

"Seeing a bracelet with 'I Love Boobies!' on it is a conversation starter that leads to discussion and awareness of issues affecting young people," the lawsuit said.

The lawsuit was filed Monday in federal court in Philadelphia.

"I am writing from in-school suspension for wearing an 'I love Boobies' bracelet," Brianna Hawk wrote in a recent letter to The Express-Times of Easton. "Even though I am only 13 years old, I am well aware of breast cancer and the effects it has on women."

Kayla Martinez continues to wear the bracelet to school under her sleeve, her mother said.

The suit asks the district to end the ban, allow the girls to attend all school functions and expunge their disciplinary records.

Easton officials did not immediately return phone and e-mail messages seeking comment.

In discussions between the two sides before the lawsuit was filed, district officials complained the bracelets made some people uncomfortable and had prompted some boys to make inappropriate comments, the suit said.

"I don't know ... why the educators are not equipped to deal with distractions. Why do they have to ban, ban, ban?" Martinez said.

Schools from Florida to California have banned the bracelets. One Oregon high school said the message was getting lost on the ninth-grade boys who were wearing them.

The rubber jewelry is sold by the Carlsbad, Calif.-based nonprofit Keep A Breast Foundation to raise awareness and funds for breast cancer organizations.

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The defiant ones: Dealing with your difficult teens

BY BETH J. HARPAZ
Associated Press

NEW YORK You make rules, they break them. You ask questions, they ignore you. You say, "Do this," they say, "Make me!"

Oppositional behavior is hard enough to cope with in toddlers, but when the defiant ones are 13 or 14, you can't just put them down for a nap, give them a time-out or bribe them with stickers.

So how does a parent get through to a kid who is acting disrespectfully? Here's advice from three experts.

Be consistent and put the rules in writing, advises Mary Muscari, who teaches at the Decker School of Nursing at Binghamton University in New York and is a co-author of "Everything Parents Guide to Raising Adolescent Girls" and "Everything Parents Guide to Raising Adolescent Boys."

Muscari says you might make a list of rules to hang up in the house. If you're looking to improve a specific behavior or meet a goal, write up a contract and have your child sign it.

Muscari says adolescents do "a lot of testing. 'How much can I get away with?' But they don't really want to get away with things; they just want to see how far they can push their parents. They know exactly when to press your buttons."

She adds: "This is a normal thing other parents are going through. You are not crazy! It's annoying. It's horrible. But it's just like when they were 2 years old and they said, 'Wow! Look what I can do!' Only they're 13. They might be saying, 'I hate you! What do you know?' But they're thinking, 'Thank God you're putting these controls on me.'"

If foul language is an issue, you might try a 25-cent fine for each curse — and make sure grown-up violators pay too. The money could be a reward for good behavior, or teens could give it to a charity of their choice.

Muscari says encouraging teens to volunteer — even if it's only a couple times a year — can also give them some perspective. "You don't want them to be totally wrapped up in themselves," she said. "They like to have pity parties, but it helps to see what other people are going through."

Kids this age are not always communicative, but Muscari says car rides can offer an opportunity for parental chitchat. "They're a captive audience; they're not going to jump out of the car. And there's something about not having face-to-face contact that can make it more comfortable for them."

While adolescents don't need the same level of supervision as younger kids, make sure you are physically present as much as possible, even if you're just hanging out in the background at home. "If they think your job is more important than they are, that's a really bad place for a kid to be," she said. "I'm not big on quality time. They need quantity time. They need to see that you're not always running off to meetings."

She says the closer kids are to their parents when they're younger, the harder it can sometimes be for them to separate as adolescents. But as they mature, she added, "they will come back."

Establish priorities, set standards, maintain family routines and stay connected, advises Gregory Ramey, a child psychologist at the Children's Medical Center of Dayton, Ohio.

"You've got to choose your battles. What are the important things that really matter to me? You can't make everything important, because then nothing is important," Ramey says.

One thing parents should set standards for, he says, is the way kids speak. "I would never let a child talk back to me or be disrespectful," he said. "How do you correct it when it happens? If a child crosses the line by using language you feel is inappropriate, there has to be some reasonable consequence, perhaps taking away computers or cell phones."

Ramey hosts a program for teenagers and tells them at the outset that swearing and terms like "Shut up," are not allowed. "Kids rise and fall to a standard of behavior you set," he says.

Involve kids in solving problems. "You might say, 'I get annoyed with your tone of voice and certain words you use. Maybe you don't mean it. Maybe you get frustrated at times. But you need to come up with some way where you can better control your behavior."

Finally, he says, conflicts are "less likely to happen if you're connected to your child." Ramey says research that shows teens who eat with their parents four times a week or more fare better than those who don't.

He also urges parents to attend plays, sporting events and anything else kids take part in. "Parents have this idea that kids don't want them around and that is so wrong. If a teen says, 'I don't want you to come to this,' go anyway," he said. Don't sit in the front row or cheer louder than anyone else, but "say something when you get back, like, 'You did really well today.'"

Consider how brain development affects adolescent behavior, advises Dr. Joseph Shrand, psychiatrist, father of four, and medical director of CASTLE (Clean and Sober Teens Living Empowered), a new intervention unit for at-risk teens at High Point Treatment Center, Brockton, Mass.

The part of the brain that controls emotions, called the limbic system, which allows us to feel pleasure, anger and passion, works just fine in adolescents. But the prefrontal cortex, the part of the brain that helps us analyze information, make decisions and anticipate consequences, is not fully developed until the mid-20s.

The prefrontal cortex also gives humans the ability to appreciate how others think and feel. At age 13, therefore, "how they perceive their parents is that you are like a piece of cardboard. This kid does not necessarily have a clue how they are making you feel," Shrand said.

So when a kid treats a parent disrespectfully, it's tempting for the adult to respond with anger. Shrand says it's basically one emotional, limbic brain provoking the other. What's more effective, he says, is for adults to take the high road by using persuasion, empathy, respect and humor — gifts that come with maturity and a fully developed prefrontal cortex.

So if kids won't come to the table for dinner, give a 10-minute warning encouraging them "to answer as many Facebook queries as you can in the next five minutes." Or appeal to their narcissism by saying, "I know you don't want to come to dinner, but I would just like to hang out with you for a little while."

There should be consequences for breaking rules, such as taking a laptop away or disconnecting the Internet. But what can be more effective than taking things away is setting up ways for kids to earn privileges through "household contributions" (he doesn't like the word "chore") like taking out the garbage or walking the dog.

And don't forget humor as a tool. To a kid who's blowing off homework, Shrand suggests this line: "Eighth grade will be the best two years of your life!"



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the fabric of the community. We live and breathe it."

But it's not only the city's policies that protect the environment.

In addition the ban on smoking in outdoor dining areas and public parks and the use of alternative fuels to power the Big Blue Bus, the city also value social responsibility.

Earlier this year, CVB staff decided to put their words into practice. Instead of shipping their traditional tradeshow booth and materials to the Meeting Professionals International World Education Congress conference in Vancouver, the CVB used what it earned in savings and purchased shoes for kids in need. CVB partnered with Santa Monica-based TOMS Shoes, which matched the donation with $12,000 worth of shoes going to kids at the Virginia Avenue Project, as well as those living in third world countries.

"Being chosen as the recipients of Santa Monica CVB's donation is an incredible gift to our kids. It sends a strong message to them that their community and the bigger world care about them," said Shelly Wood, executive director of the Virginia Avenue Project, a local nonprofit geared towards mentoring at-risk youth.

Sustainable tourism refers to a level of tourism activity that can be maintained over the long term because it results in a net benefit for the socio-cultural, economic and natural environments of the area in which it takes place.

Santa Monica relies heavily on tourism business, with more than 3.8 million people visiting the city each year from outside Los Angeles County.

These visitors spend $788 million annually, and bring in hotel tax revenues of $20 million to the city, according to the CVB. Approximately 11,500 jobs are supported by the tourism industry.

The shift towards more sustainable travel took place in 2005-06, said Brian Mullis, CEO of Sustainable Travel International, a nonprofit dedicated to educating businesses, destinations and travelers about ways to conserve and preserve.

Market research shows that at least two-thirds of people walking into a travel agency today are looking to make a positive impact on the places they visit, essentially traveling with a purpose. More people are becoming familiar with the term "carbon footprint."

"What we found is that sustainability to a large extent has become part of the corporate and consumer culture, having evolved past what was predicted to be a fad," Mullis said. "More and more industry leaders are accounting for their impact on community and the environment."

"More travelers are aligning purchasing decisions with their values."

That means meeting planners are looking for hotels that are LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) certified, that offer organic, locally-grown meals and use environmentally-friendly cleaning products. Meeting planners are also looking for communities in which they can easily volunteer their time, such as serving food at a local homeless shelter or donating old suits to Chrysalis, which helps the unemployed in Santa Monica find work.

"Social responsibility is a hot topic," Baker said. "When companies are coming into a city to do business, many are asking themselves what are they doing to better the community they are visiting. Santa Monica has many opportunities to volunteer, whether its helping children or protecting the environment through Heal the Bay. Many of our staff and board members serve on nonprofits in the community and we are able to help make that match for visitors wanting to give back."

For the leisure traveler looking to relax and have fun, there are plenty of green options when it comes to hotel stays.

The Sheraton-Delfina, the first major hotel to receive City Hall's sustainable certification, uses oxidized water as a cleaning fluid. The hotel has an electric car to drive guests to local destinations and offers parking discounts to people who drive electric cars or hybrids. Employees also clean stretches of Pico Boulevard, picking up litter and cigarette butts.

"In almost every way we are always thinking about what we can do to be greener," said Kara Altice-Montes, general manager for the hotel. "We have a green meetings program where we are able to provide green aspects to events. We have water coolers instead of water bottles, offer recycled paper if needed … ."

Megan Kelly, director of marketing and sales for The Ambrose, the first LEED-certified hotel (existing building) in the United States, said her employees take pride in being sustainable, as do the guests. The hotel hired a green meetings planner to help coordinate and implement sustainable policies. The kitchen serves food grown locally and organically. There's beach cruisers available for guests to rent so they don't have to drive and a shuttle for carpooling. The hotel also donates goods to homeless groups.

"I think there are some people to whom sustainability is very important to them and others it may just be an afterthought," Kelly said. "We have the opportunity when they come to Santa Monica to educate them about being sustainable and living in a responsible way and that's the great thing about our city. It's a really fun place to visit and you can stay at a luxury hotel but still be making responsible decisions."

At first glance, tourism may seem like an enemy of sustainability. To travel, one needs to take some form of transportation that will most likely increase carbon emissions and contribute to global warming. The excess associated with leisure travel also seems to be in conflict with conservation.

However, Mullis said traveling can also help promote sustainability, with tourists becoming exposed to natural habitats that they may not have been aware of before. Falling in love with the natural beauty of a destination can stick with a guest for the rest of their life and encourage them to live a green lifestyle. Also, more reserves or national parks could be created because countries see the value they have in attracting guests.

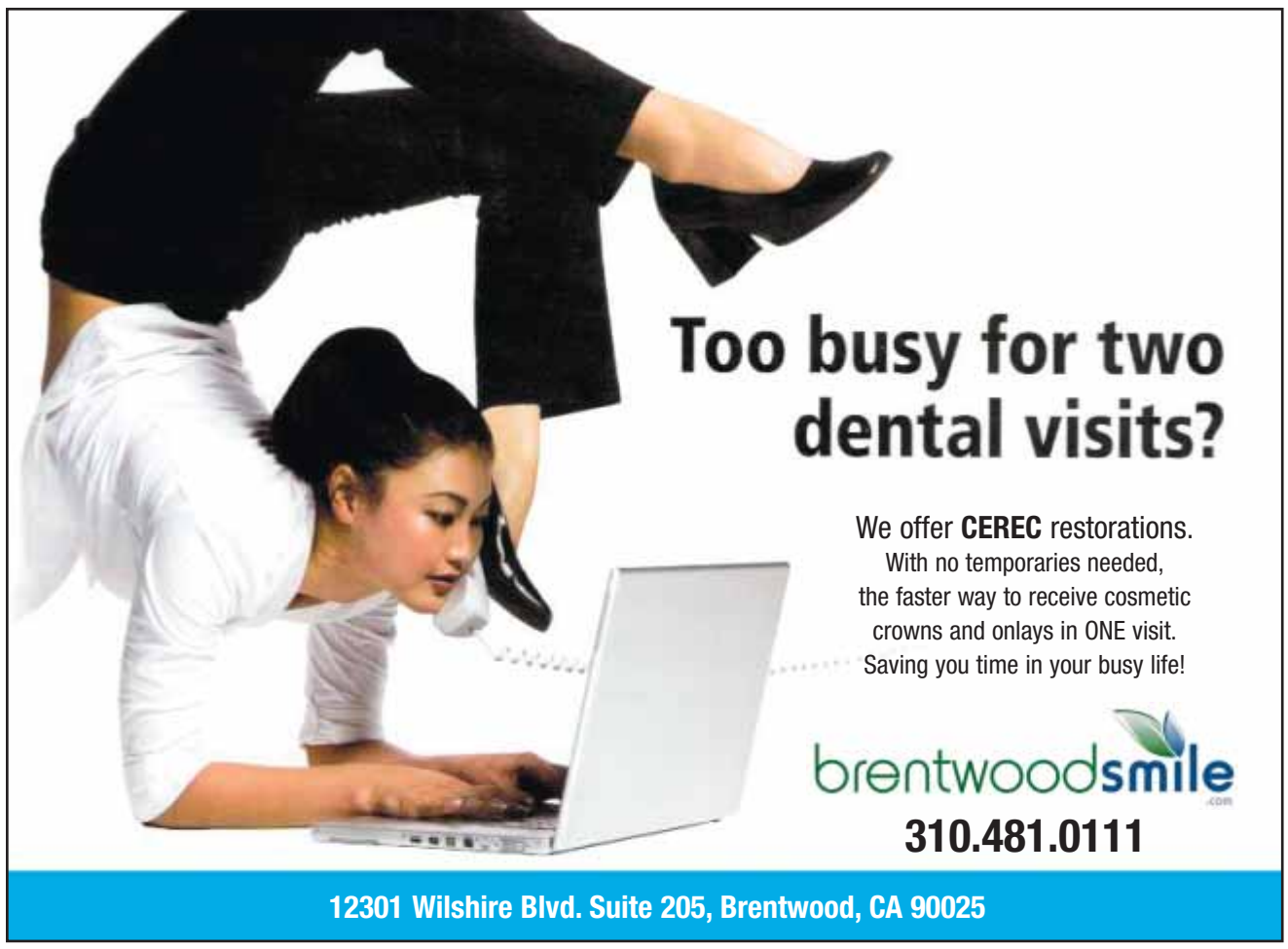
Mullis said more airlines are offering carbon offsets, and some are experimenting with alternative fuels, which can help lessen the guilt associated with traveling. He said more needs to be done at the federal level to create mandatory reductions in emissions.

The good news is that more destinations around the world are starting to promote sustainability, Mullis said, even if it is for somewhat selfish reasons.

"They want travelers to believe in sustainability because they tend to stay longer and spend more."

And isn't that the goal for any destination?

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BACKED UP: **Traffic clogs Santa Monica Boulevard near the Third Street Promenade over the weekend. City officials plan to remove street parking temporarily on Santa Monica Boulevard from Fourth Street west to see if that alleviates traffic during the holiday shopping season.**

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Downtown.

The feature is new to Santa Monica but is used in other shopping districts in the region that attract heavy foot traffic, like Westwood Village and Old Town Pasadena.

"We absolutely think that this could be one of the ways to move people around Downtown in a less frustrating way," said Kathleen Rawson, CEO of the Bayside District Corp., which manages Downtown for City Hall.

Bayside's ambassadors will be in the vicinity to explain the unorthodox intersection, Rawson said, and City Hall will paint pedestrian indicators on the asphalt.

Officials are also adding a second westbound lane for vehicle traffic to the busy stretch of Santa Monica Boulevard between Fourth Street and Ocean Avenue. Parking spaces on the north side of the street, including spaces where cab drivers regularly wait for fares, will be temporarily eliminated in a bid to reduce congestion.

"None of these solutions is the magic formula, but what it will be is a combination of a number of initiatives that will help the free flow of vehicles and pedestrians in Downtown," Rawson said. "We are being systematic with the city in trying things to see what works and what doesn't work."

Both changes will be evaluated during the next two months and could become permanent if the results are favorable, according to City Hall's principal transportation engineer, Sam Morrissey.

It remains to be seen whether the changes will succeed. But there's little doubt the already clogged streets in Downtown could benefit from traffic reduction measures over the holidays.

"It's hard to get around. There's too many pedestrians. It's hard to make turns," noted Kevin Andersen, a Santa Monica resident who was a customer of the Britannia Pub Downtown on Monday afternoon.

> **"IT MIGHT HELP, BUT THERE'S GOING TO BE A LOT OF TRAFFIC ANYWAY."**
>
> **Amy Hopper,**
> Santa Monica resident

An extra vehicle lane on Santa Monica Boulevard in the Downtown area could help reduce delays for drivers, he said, though he pointed out the added lane, which will displace metered parking spaces, may make convenient parking even harder to come by.

Amy Hopper, another Santa Monica resident who was Downtown on Monday, said she agreed there's a need to cut down on the gridlock. She just wasn't sure if the city's planned steps would make a significant difference.

"It might help, but there's going to be a lot of traffic anyway," she said. "There's so many pedestrians. And there will be so much shopping [during the holidays]. It would be nice if more people took the bus."

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block of Hortense Street, near Colfax Avenue, on March 7, 2009, after authorities were notified by KTLA-TV that an anonymous fax had been sent to the news station.

Figueroa had been reported missing by her mother.

The victim was struck at least nine times in the head and suffered other wounds that were likely defensive to her arm, according to the prosecutor.

As to the motive, "Only two people can say. One of them is dead," Creighton said.

Chapel is facing a maximum 56-year-to-life term, with sentencing set for Dec. 2 before Judge Martin Herscovitz, according to the prosecutor.

Chapel is waiting to be sentenced on Dec. 3 at Airport Superior Court in a separate carjacking and assault case. He was convicted of all counts in May in that case, prosecutors said.

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NOTICE OF PREPARATION OF A DRAFT ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT FOR THE BERGAMOT TRANSIT VILLAGE CENTER PROJECT (FORMER PAPERMATE SITE)

DATE: November 16, 2010

TO: State Clearinghouse, Responsible Agencies, Trustee Agencies, Organizations, and Interested Parties

LEAD AGENCY: City of Santa Monica, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401. Contact: Jing Yeo, AICP, Special Projects Manager. Telephone: 310-458-8341.

The City of Santa Monica intends to prepare an Environmental Impact Report for the Bergamot Transit Village Center Project (proposed project). The proposed project is for a transit-oriented, mixed-use village comprised of creative arts, residential and retail uses as well as public open space amenities on a site currently developed with 206,000 square feet of vacant industrial uses. The project site is located on the north side of Olympic Boulevard between 26th Street and Stewart Street. In accordance with Section 15082 of the CEQA Guidelines, the City of Santa Monica has prepared this Notice of Preparation to provide Responsible Agencies and other interested parties with information describing the proposal and its potential environmental effects. Environmental factors which would be potentially affected by the project are: Aesthetics; Air Quality; Biological Resources; Climate Change; Construction Effects; Cultural Resources; Geology and Soils; Hazards and Hazardous Materials; Hydrology and Water Quality; Land Use/Planning; Neighborhood Effects, Noise, Population and Housing; Public Services; Recreation; Shadows; Transportation and Traffic; and Mandatory Findings of Significance.

PROJECT APPLICANT: Hines 26th Street, LLC.

PROJECT LOCATION: 1681 26th Street, Santa Monica, CA

PROJECT DESCRIPTION: The proposed project is for a transit-oriented, mixed-use village comprised of creative arts, residential and retail uses, as well as public open space amenities. The approximately 7.1-acre project site (310,504 square feet) is a flat, irregularly shaped parcel, consisting of two legal lots bound by Olympic Boulevard to the south, 26th Street to the west, commercial office uses to north, and Stewart Street to the east. The proposed project site is located across Olympic Boulevard from the existing Bergamot Station, a renowned art gallery complex, and the future Expo Light-Rail station.

Implementation of the proposed project (Scenario 1) will require the demolition of the existing approximately 206,000 square feet of vacant industrial uses at the project site, removal of all parking areas, and removal of the limited on-site vegetation. The demolished structures would be replaced by approximately 957,521 square feet of building area within five new buildings. Buildings 1 through 5 would be oriented side-by-side from west to east along Olympic Boulevard, as illustrated in Figure 1 (Proposed Site Plan). Under the proposed project, a maximum of approximately 566,573 square feet of creative arts uses would be located exclusively in Buildings 1, 2, and 3 on the western portion of the project site, and a maximum of 344 residential dwelling units would be located exclusively in Buildings 4 and 5 on the eastern portion of the project site. Retail uses would be located on the ground floor of each of the proposed buildings, not exceeding approximately 83,712 square feet. Buildings range in height from 55 feet to a maximum of up to 86 feet. While the proposed buildings currently programmed for the site are anticipated to be an average of six stories high, the shadows and aesthetics analysis will study a worst-case scenario height of 86 feet with a maximum of seven stories for the creative arts buildings and eight stories for the residential buildings.

Proposed vehicular access to the project site will be primarily from Olympic Boulevard with additional access points on both 26th Street and Stewart Street. As part of the proposed project, a 60-foot-wide north/south vehicular street would be constructed which would bisect the project, connecting Olympic Boulevard to the street at the back of the site. Emergency access, as well as refuse, recycling, and deliveries to the project site will be from this alleyway, accessible from both 26th and Stewart Streets, to be constructed along the northern edge of the project site. Pedestrian access to the project site will be available from four north/south walkable plazas, a 15-foot-wide sidewalk that will circumvent the project site, except along the north side of the project site, as well as one east/west pedestrian pathway.

Parking for the proposed project would be provided within up to three levels of subterranean parking, including approximately 1,961 parking spaces. The subterranean parking would be accessible via multiples ramps from Olympic Boulevard, 26th Street, Stewart Street, the proposed north/south street, and the proposed, northern alley. Of the 1,961 parking spaces proposed, 36 spaces would be handicap and van accessible. Additionally, 104 bike parking spaces would be provided.

The proposed project includes approximately 179,513 square feet of open space. Open space amenities include two parks, four walkable plazas, a playground, and a kid's room. Open space areas would be landscaped with a variety of trees, shrubs, and grasses. The perimeter of the site along 26th Street, Olympic Boulevard and Stewart Street would be lined with trees and a new sidewalk. The proposed north/south roadway would also be landscaped with trees and shrubs. The proposed open space areas and landscaping is intended to enhance the pedestrian environment in the area, in anticipation of the future Expo Light-Rail station to be located on the south side of Olympic Boulevard.

The proposed project will be constructed in up to five phases (each phase consisting of the construction of one or more buildings and all or any portion of the garage) over a period of not longer than twenty years.

An alternate development scenario (Scenario 2) will also be analyzed in the EIR and would include more residential uses and reduce overall building square footage by changing Building 3 from creative arts to residential. In this alternate scenario, Building 3 would include 144 dwelling units, compared to the proposed 145,654 square feet of creative arts uses. The proposed square footage and uses within all other buildings would remain the same as the proposed project. Overall, the alternate scenario would include a total of 946,476 square feet of building area, consisting of 420,919 square feet of creative arts uses, 488 residential dwelling units, and 83,766 square feet of retail uses.

REVIEW PERIOD: As specified by the CEQA Guidelines, the Notice of Preparation will be circulated for a 30-day review period. The City of Santa Monica welcomes agency and public input during this period regarding the scope and content of environmental information related to your agency's responsibility that must be included in the Draft EIR. **Comments may be submitted, in writing, by 5:30 PM on December 15, 2010**, and addressed to: Jing Yeo, AICP
Special Projects Manager; Planning and Community Development Department; 1685 Main Street Santa Monica, CA 90401. Fax: (310) 458-3380 E-mail: jing.yeo@smgov.net

SCOPING MEETING: If you would like the opportunity provide oral comments on this Notice of Preparation, the City is going to hold a Public Scoping Meeting for the EIR to describe the proposed project, the environmental process, and to receive your verbal input on the information to be included in the EIR. The Public Scoping Meeting is scheduled for 7:00 pm on December 8, 2010, at Thelma Terry Room, Virginia Avenue Park, 2200 Virginia Avenue, Santa Monica, CA 90401. The City will consider all comments, written and oral, in determining the final scope of the evaluation to be included in the EIR.

ESPAÑOL: Esto es una noticia de la preparación de un reporte sobre los posibles efectos ambientales referente a la construccion propuesta de edificios de uso mixto, lo cual puede ser de interes a usted. Para más información, llame a Carmen Gutierrez, al número (310) 458-8341.

Court upholds in-state tuition for some illegal immigrants

BY PAUL ELIAS
Associated Press

SAN FRANCISCO The California Supreme Court ruled Monday that some illegal immigrants are entitled to the same tuition breaks offered to in-state high school students to attend public colleges and universities.

While the ruling applies only to California, the case was closely watched nationally because nine other states including New York and Texas have similar laws.

Republican congressmen Lamar S. Smith of Texas and Steve King of Iowa filed a so-called friends of the court brief urging that illegal immigrants be denied the reduced rate.

The lawsuit considered by the court was part of a broader legal assault led by the immigration legal scholar Kris Kobach, who has filed numerous cases across the country seeking to restrict the rights of illegal immigrants.

He represented a group of U.S. students who filed the lawsuit seeking to invalidated the California law.

Kobach did not return a phone call seeking comment about the ruling in California.

A unanimous state Supreme Court, led by politically conservative Justice Ming Chin, said the California provision was constitutional because U.S. residents also had access to the reduce rates.

The California Legislature passed the controversial measure in 2001 that allowed any student regardless of immigration status who attended a California high school for at least three years and graduated to qualify for in-state tuition at the state's colleges universities. In-state tuition saves each state college student about $11,000 a year and each University of California student about $23,000 a year.

A state appellate court in 2008 ruled the law was unconstitutional after a group of out-of-state students who are U.S. citizens filed a lawsuit alleging the measure violated federal prohibitions barring illegal immigrants from receiving post-secondary benefits not available to U.S. citizens based on state residency.

But the state Supreme Court noted that the California law says nothing about state residency,

The state law also requires the illegal immigrants applying for the in-state tuition to swear they will attempt to become U.S. citizens. The applicants are still barred from receiving federal financial aid.

"Through their hard work and perseverance, these students have earned the opportunity to attend UC," said University of California president Mark G. Yudof. "Their accomplishments should not be disregarded or their futures jeopardized."

Kobach also failed to invalidate a similar law in Kansas. His lawsuit in Nebraska is pending.

The law professor was the chief drafter of Arizona's tough new laws against illegal immigrants, which is pending before a federal appeals court.

He was elected earlier this month to serve as secretary of state in Kansas.

STATE BRIEFS

RICHMOND, Calif.

Slots vs. pot: Bay Area city mulls waterfront fate

It's slots versus pot as one San Francisco Bay area city considers the fate of a major strip of waterfront property.

An American Indian tribe's proposed casino at Point Molate in Richmond was rejected by voters earlier this month, though the measure was only advisory.

Meanwhile, the Contra Costa Times reports that a study funded by casino developers says the only other economically viable option for the site is a large-scale marijuana farm.

Environmental consultants evaluated 28 different proposed uses for the land submitted by the public. They determined that only a medical marijuana growing facility could generate enough revenue to pay market price for the 422-acre property.

Opponents of the project claim the report is slanted to make the casino look better by comparison.

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LOS ANGELES

Animated Oscar race to feature only 3 nominees

Only three nominees will be in the running for best animated feature film at this year's Academy Awards.

Oscar organizers announced Monday that 15 animated features have been accepted for consideration, one short of the minimum 16 needed to expand the category to five nominees.

Among the films accepted for consideration are "Toy Story 3," which was the year's top-grossing movie, along with fellow hits "How to Train Your Dragon," "Despicable Me," "Shrek Forever After" and "Megamind."

Also in the running: "Alpha and Omega," "Cats & Dogs: The Revenge of Kitty Galore," "Idiots and Angels," "Legend of the Guardians: The Owls of Ga'Hoole," "My Dog Tulip" and "Tinker Bell and the Great Fairy Rescue."

The final four of the academy's 15 accepted films still need to start a one-week run at a Los Angeles theater by Dec. 31 to qualify for this year's Oscars: "Tangled," "The Illusionist," "The Dreams of Jinsha" and "Summer Wars."

Nominations come out Jan. 25, with the Oscar ceremony following on Feb. 27.

AP

HALF MOON BAY, Calif.

Calif crabbers wait, give catch time to fatten up

This year's Dungeness crab catch is looking strong, but crabbers will have to wait a little longer to grab their share.

While Sunday marked the official opening to the Dungeness season off California's central coast, fishermen say the crustaceans need days or even weeks more to mature and fatten up.

Fishermen say the seafloor is crawling with adult male crab this season, following poor catches the past couple years.

Still, they want crabs with 25-percent of the body weight made up of meat and say this year's catch needs more time to reach that goal. Most boats are staying in port for now while further tests of the quality are done. The crab season runs through June 30.

AP

Government wants to update ADA for cyberspace

BY CARLA K. JOHNSON
Associated Press

CHICAGO Emergency call centers could be equipped to communicate by text message. Websites might need to be programmed to speak to blind users. Movie theaters might have to install technology to allow the deaf to read captions on small screens mounted at their seats.

These and other proposals will be on the agenda this week as federal officials begin seeking ideas for expanding the Americans with Disabilities Act. Twenty years after the law was adopted, the government wants to move the regulations beyond wheelchair ramps and accessible elevators into cyberspace and personal technology.

The updated regulations could mean sweeping changes across many industries and cost hundreds of millions of dollars.

An estimated 40 million blind and deaf Americans stand to reap the biggest benefits, including 43-year-old Peter Berg, who lost his vision to diabetes in his 20s. Using software that reads content to him, he can surf websites for work, check Facebook and pay his bills online.

But he hit a wall while trying to set up an account on a popular website that allows electronic money transfers.

"You needed to click on something, and it wasn't identifiable to the screen reader," said Berg, who provides technical assistance about the ADA.

The effort to update the law begins Thursday with a Justice Department hearing in Chicago. Additional hearings are scheduled for Dec. 16 in Washington and Jan. 10 in San Francisco.

The meetings are designed to gather input from the disabled and from industries that may be affected.

"We think it's important as a way to generate interest," said John Wodatch, chief of the department's disability rights section.

New rules could take effect as soon as 2012.

For more than a decade, the Justice Department has interpreted the ADA to apply to websites that offer goods and services. But now that idea could be clarified, and timetables for compliance could be set.

Judy Brewer, director of the Web Accessibility Initiative at the World Wide Web Consortium, said the government is mainly addressing "parts of the Web in the U.S. that are involved in accommodating the public, which includes people with disabilities."

The cost for each site depends on its size, the type of content it offers and whether it's already designed using Web standards, said Brewer, whose agency is the Internet's international standards organization.

Website operators should be asking themselves what they could be losing in market share because they are "unwittingly putting up barriers," Brewer said.

A 2003 study commissioned by Microsoft found that 1 in 4 working-age adults has eyesight trouble, 1 in 4 has a dexterity impairment and 1 in 5 has difficulty hearing.

Websites are becoming increasingly accessible, in part because of lawsuits. In 2008, Target Corp. agreed in a California class-action settlement to pay $6 million to blind plaintiffs who were unable to use its site.

But what about personal photos on Facebook? Does Facebook have to make sure the photo content can be read aloud to a blind user?

Perhaps not. The Justice Department is considering making it clear that some personal, noncommercial content would not be affected.

Will some website operators resist the changes?

Disability attorney Lainey Feingold hopes not.

"Web accessibility should not be a new concept to any company with a website," said Feingold, who is based in Berkeley, Calif. And the ADA has an "undue burden" defense, which means that no company will have to make changes if doing so would require significant difficulty or expense.

"Fortunately for the millions of Americans with disabilities, making accessibility improvements does not cost a lot of money," she said.

The Justice Department also is considering rules requiring more accessible medical equipment in hospitals, nursing homes and clinics. That might include mammography equipment for women who cannot stand up, adjustable exam tables and mechanical lifts.

"We've got the ramps to get into the facilities now, but you can't get the exams," said Judy Panko Reis, a health care access policy analyst at the advocacy group Access Living in Chicago.

Some of the changes are likely to trigger a detailed cost-benefit analysis, which is required when the impact on the economy is likely to surpass $100 million. That figure is likely to be reached for the movie industry if theaters have to install accessible devices for the blind and deaf.

About 1 percent of U.S. theater screens already have that type of equipment. But expanding the technology to others could cost nearly $160 million.

Outfitting one movie theater with both captioning for the deaf and descriptive video devices for the blind costs $4,000 to $6,000, said Larry Goldberg, director of media access at WGBH, Boston's public television station, which holds a patent on a movie-captioning system called Rear Window. (The station pioneered captioning on television. Julia Child's "The French Chef" was the first program to be captioned.)

Many movie studios already are paying for captioning and descriptions for their top movies, Goldberg said.

"Theaters will argue that not every screen should be required to install systems," Goldberg said, but theater owners know changes are on the horizon.

John Fithian of the National Association of Theatre Owners said the organization plans to make comments at Thursday's hearing.

Some 911 systems are updating their systems to accept text messages, but cell phone carriers also must cooperate to make the system work.

James Soukup, emergency communications director for Durham, N.C., said those upgrades will cost $750,000 in Durham alone.

Marca Bristo, president and CEO of Access Living, said bringing the ADA up to date simply means applying it to "the basic activities of life."

"If you were to take these things away from the general population — things like watching a movie, surfing the internet, making a 911 call — there would be an outcry," Bristo said. "All we are asking for is what other people take for granted."





SURF REPORT

Surf Conditions **Water Temp:** 62°

Swell Forecast

Looks smaller yet, perhaps knee to waist most everywhere.

Long Range Synopsis

We should see some NW swell come ashore in the chest high range for west facing breaks, but sporadic.

Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica



BEACH REPORT CARD

NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous 30 days up to the ending date of **November 11, 2010**

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

QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 0
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 16
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 24 / 15
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 19 / 27

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

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

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

LEGEND

DRY -- each location is graded on an A – F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone

WET -- grades for days of recorded rainfall and the following 3 days

ns -- no sample taken

Heal the Bay's Beach Report Card® is based on weekly water quality monitoring data provided by the City of Los Angeles' Environmental Monitoring Division and the Los Angeles County Department of Health Services. Data is analyzed as soon as it is made available to us by the public agencies. Beaches are graded on an A–F scale based on the risk of ocean users becoming ill. Samples are analyzed for bacteria—enterococcus, total and fecal coliforms—that indicate biological pollution. A fact sheet detailing the exact methodology used in determining grades for each location is available from the office or on our web site. The report is not designed to measure the amount of trash or toxins found at local beaches.

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MLB

Posey, Feliz picked as Rookies of the Year

BY BEN WALKER
AP Baseball Writer

NEW YORK San Francisco Giants catcher Buster Posey and Texas Rangers closer Neftali Feliz met again Monday when they were voted the Rookies of the Year.

Posey, who hit several key home runs and helped the Giants win the World Series for the first time since 1954, easily outdistanced Atlanta outfielder Jason Heyward for the National League award.

Posey was picked first on 20 of 32 ballots in voting by members of the Baseball Writers' Association of America.

Voting was done by two members of the BBWAA in each league city after the regular season, with each person listing players. Posey, promoted to majors in late May, was left off the ballot by Yasushi Kikuchi of Kyodo News from the Los Angeles-Anaheim chapter.

Feliz, the rocket-armed righty from the Dominican Republic who set a rookie record with 40 saves as Texas reached the World Series for the first time, finished far ahead of Detroit center fielder Austin Jackson for the AL honor.

Feliz was chosen first on 20 of the 28 ballots. He drew seven seconds and one third.

Posey started the season at Triple-A. He quickly adjusted to the big leagues — both at the plate and behind it.

Posey hit .305 with 18 home runs and 67 RBIs. He homered eight times after Sept. 1 in leading the Giants to the NL West title, and his homer on the final day of the regular season helped them clinch the division. He also had a 21-game hitting streak.

The 23-year-old Posey hit third and even cleanup for the Giants as they won the World Series in five games and brought the crown to San Francisco for the first time. He was equally praised for handling a pitching staff that seemed to get better throughout the postseason.

Gerald Demp Posey became the first Rookie of the Year winner to also become a World Series champion in the same season since Boston's Dustin Pedroia in 2007. The last NL player to do it was Florida's Dontrelle Willis in 2003.

Posey finished with 129 points in the rookie voting. Heyward, who hit .277 with 18 home runs and 72 RBIs, got nine first-place ballots and 107 points.

St. Louis pitcher Jaime Garcia got one first-place vote and 24 points. Florida first baseman Gaby Sanchez got the other two first-place votes and had 18 points.

Posey was the sixth Giants player to win the honor that was first awarded to Jackie Robinson in 1947. Willie Mays, Orlando Cepeda, Willie McCovey, Gary Matthews and John Montefusco also won, with Montefusco the most recent in 1975.

Six catchers have won in the NL, with the Cubs' Geovany Soto the most recent in 2008.

Feliz went 4-3 with a 2.73 ERA in 59 games and finished with 122 points. Jackson, who hit .293, scored 103 runs and showed great range in center field, drew the other eight first-place votes and had 98 points. Minnesota third baseman Danny Valencia was third with 12 points.

Feliz won despite not starting out the season as the Texas closer. Frank Francisco held that role, but lost the spot after blowing two early save chances and Feliz took over.

The 22-year-old Feliz broke the rookie saves record of 37 set by 2000 AL Rookie of the Year Kazuhiro Sasaki of Seattle. Feliz later became the second-youngest pitcher to earn a save in the World Series, behind only Bob Welch.

This was the third time in the last six seasons that a closer has won the AL award. Oakland's Andrew Bailey won last year and Huston Street of the A's won in 2005.

Feliz became the second Texas player to win, joining Mike Hargrove from 1974.

The NL Cy Young will be the next award to be announced. Philadelphia ace Roy Halladay is considered the front-runner Tuesday.





MOVIE TIMES

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1328 Montana Ave.
(310) 260-1528

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

Morning Glory (PG-13) 1hr 42min
1:00pm, 3:45pm, 6:30pm, 9:15pm

Unstoppable (PG-13) 1hr 38min
1:40pm, 4:15pm, 7:00pm, 9:40pm

Town (R) 2hrs 03min
1:15pm, 4:10pm, 7:10pm, 10:00pm

Secretariat (PG) 1hr 56min
1:05pm, 4:00pm, 7:05pm, 9:55pm

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

Morning Glory (PG-13) 1hr 42min
11:20am, 2:00pm, 4:45pm, 7:30pm, 10:15pm

Unstoppable (PG-13) 1hr 38min
12:00pm, 2:35pm, 5:10pm, 7:45pm, 10:20pm

Due Date (R) 1hr 35min
12:30pm, 3:00pm, 5:30pm, 8:00pm, 10:30pm

Social Network (PG-13) 2hrs 00min
12:30pm, 3:30pm, 6:30pm, 9:30pm

Megamind 3D (PG) 1hr 36min
11:40am, 2:10pm, 4:40pm, 7:15pm, 9:45pm

Jackass 3D (R) 1hr 34min
10:35am, 12:55pm, 3:15pm, 5:45pm, 8:15pm, 10:30pm

Hereafter (PG-13) 2hrs 09min
10:30am, 1:20pm, 4:15pm, 7:10pm, 10:10pm

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

Nora's Will (Cinco dias sin Nora) (NR) 1hr 32min
4:20pm, 9:30pm

Girl Who Kicked the Hornet's Nest (NR) 1hr 52min
1:30pm, 4:50pm, 8:10pm

Fair Game (PG-13) 1hr 48min
1:50pm, 4:30pm, 7:10pm, 9:50pm

You Will Meet A Tall Dark Stranger (R) 1hr 38min
1:55pm, 7:00pm

Cool It (PG) 1hr 28min
1:00pm, 3:15pm, 5:30pm, 7:50pm, 10:15pm

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

Due Date (R) 1hr 35min
11:30am, 2:00pm, 4:30pm, 7:00pm, 9:30pm

Social Network (PG-13) 2hrs 00min
1:15pm, 7:15pm

Megamind 3D (PG) 1hr 36min
12:40pm, 3:10pm, 5:40pm, 8:15pm, 10:40pm

Red (PG-13) 1hr 51min
11:05am, 4:10pm, 9:40pm

For Colored Girls (R) 2hrs 00min
4:05pm, 10:00pm

Skyline (PG-13) 1hr 40min
1:45pm, 7:10pm

For more information, e-mail news@smdp.com

Count on a late night, Cancer

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Count on coming out of a recent funk by late afternoon. Attempt to keep important decisions on the back burner until then. Unexpected developments could force you to take another look at your business situation. Tonight: Suddenly, a force to be dealt with.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Use the morning for meetings or making a cherished goal happen. You find those around you to be unusually generous. A kind remark comes back in multiples. Slow down midafternoon. Do work or activities that are not people-dependent. Tonight: Take a much-needed timeout.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Good news certainly perks up your mood. In a positive frame of mind, you can make nearly anything happen. Plan key meetings and other important matters for late afternoon. What starts out as a stern conversation becomes a lot easier. Tonight: Time to wish upon a star.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ If you feel that you aren't getting acceptable answers, seek out an expert or get more information on your own. Avoid making an uninformed decision at all costs. Responsibilities tumble on you in the late p.m. Tonight: Count on a late night.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Flex with your mood and energy. Success greets those who are skilled at reading people and also detaching sufficiently in order to see the path through a complex issue. Late afternoon, your mind wanders. Hop on the Net. Tonight: Go for something imaginative.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ You could be taken aback by another person's resourcefulness. There always seem to be solutions when you listen to this person. See where his or her thinking varies from yours. You just might want to take a lesson. Tonight: Visit with a close friend.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ You have a lot to do and accomplish. Count on the fact that you will be able to do exactly what you want. Later on, squeeze in some time to network or just take off. You suddenly feel buoyant. Go off and enjoy yourself. Tonight: Just not alone.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Your creativity is a gift; it also can add to the quality of a relationship. A child adores your flights of fancy, and a loved one delights in your fun ideas. Focus some of this energy into the workplace or your daily life. Tonight: Let your hair down.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Remain grounded, and you'll come up with solutions that work. In the afternoon, you discover the power of a brainstorming session. Be careful how much money you commit in a discussion. You easily could change your mind later. Tonight: Let your hair down.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Screen your calls if you're feeling overwhelmed by news or the amount of calls. On some level, you might be hesitant to be unavailable, but staying focused and on topic is more important. Catch up on calls later today. Tonight: Don't take out your irritation on the cat, the dog or your roommate!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Curb spending, if possible. At times you have gone way overboard. A change might be needed. Surprises could happen when you least expect them. Schedule a meeting for late afternoon. Clear out messages then, too. Tonight: Join a pal for dinner.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ You might be more direct and open than you realize. Others respond to you in odd ways, which could make you a touch reactive. Maintain a sense of humor, and you will have a lot to smile about. Tonight: Time for a treat.

Happy birthday

This year, you deal with many changeable people and circumstances. Tap into an innate creativity, and you will gain. Your abilities to energize others and funnel solutions also emerge. Spring could bring good news professionally. Curb a sweet tooth, if possible. If you are single, you could meet someone nearly any time this year who could be quite important to your life's history. If you are attached, you act like new lovers. Many couples could see new additions to their family. ARIES can push your buttons.

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



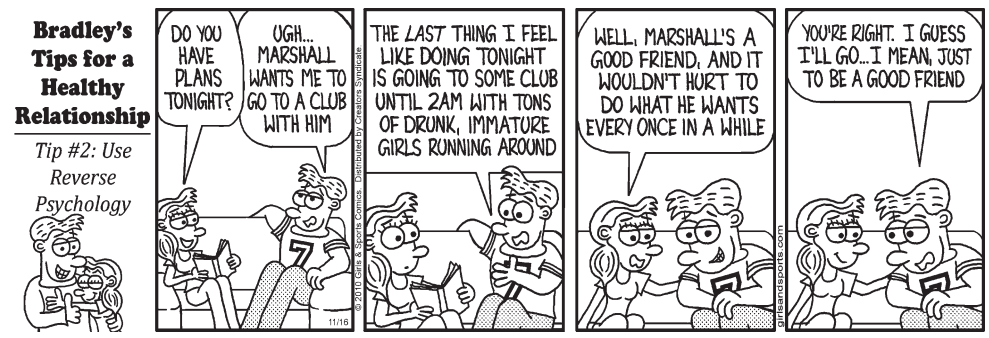
MYSTERY REVEALED

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Reader Brenda Zamorano correctly identified this photo of Trastevere restaurant on the Third Street Promenade. She will receive a prize from the Daily Press. Check tomorrow's paper for another chance to play. Submit Mystery Photos to editor@smdp.com.

Girls and Sports

By Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein



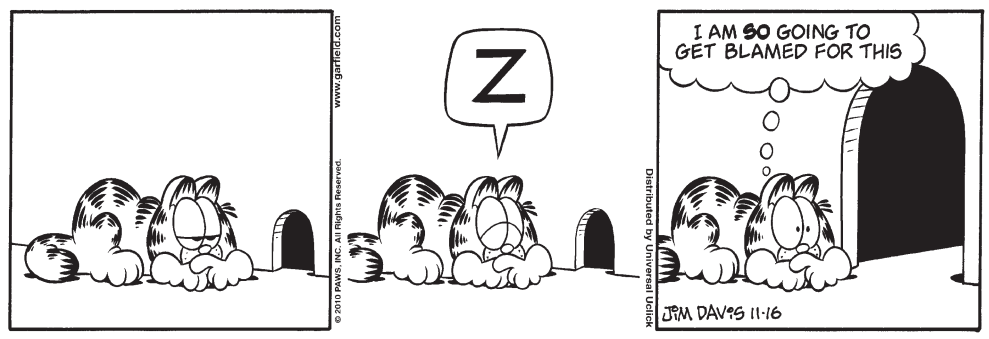
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Garfield

By Jim Davis



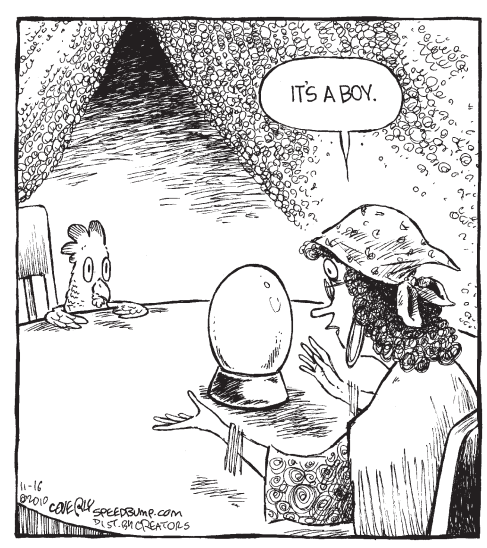
Strange Brew

By John Deering



Speed Bump

By Dave Coverly



Sudoku

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

Difficulty Level ★★

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

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GETTING STARTED

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Posts
6 Tests the weight of
11 J.R.'s mother
12 Snow house
13 Leaving in a throng
15 "So that's it!"
16 Parking place
17 German cry
18 Makes blue
20 Common title word
21 Cal. spans
22 Tavern order
23 Docket listings
26 Analyze grammar
27 Like the Sahara
28 Spoil
29 Scoundrel
30 TV's Walters
34 Play part
35 Log chopper
36 Great weight
37 Relaxing
40 "Tomorrow" singer
41 High-strung
42 Rocker Bob
43 Spirited horse

DOWN

1 Western plateaus
2 First letter
3 Homer work
4 — Abner
5 Merchants
6 Pointers
7 Nest item
8 Worker who does whatever is needed
9 Comes into contact with
10 "Serves you right!"
14 Charged atoms
19 Tinted
22 Biting remark
23 Venezuela's capital
24 Weaver of myth
25 Using a stool
26 Mom and pop
28 Long skirt
30 Farm machine
31 Make amends
32 Wake up
33 Fed the pot
38 Tell tales
39 Obtain

C	A	S	T	S	■	F	A	C	E	■
A	S	C	O	T	■	A	L	I	V	E
S	T	A	T	E	■	L	A	T	E	X
E	R	R	■	W	A	S	■	I	R	A
S	O	F	T	P	R	E	T	Z	E	L
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H	A	R	D	S	C	I	E	N	C	E
O	P	T	■	T	O	N	■	O	R	B
R	E	E	V	E	■	T	A	L	E	S
E	R	N	I	E	■	E	V	A	D	E
■	S	T	A	R	■	R	A	N	O	N

Yesterday's answer

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11-16

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

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

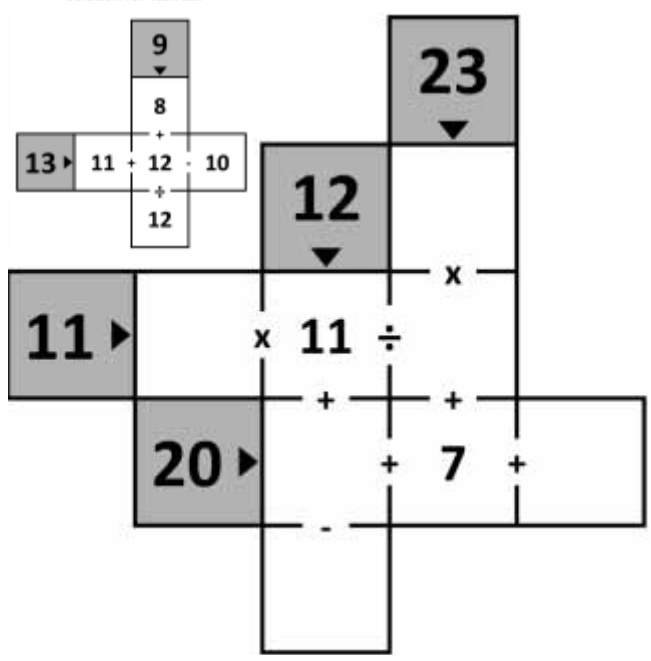
• The numbers you insert into the grid must satisfy the Equa demands both horizontally and vertically.

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

2, 5, 7, 8, 8, 8

Solution for Task 217



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MEGA MILLIONS: 9 26 28 35 38 — Meganumber: 10 — Jackpot: $16M

SUPER LOTTO PLUS: 4 10 30 31 41 — Meganumber: 21 — Jackpot: $8M

Fantasy 5: 3 4 30 36 37

DAILY 3: MIDDAY: 2 5 5 — EVENING: 7 7 6

DAILY DERBY: 1st: 12 Lucky Charms — 2nd: 02 Lucky Star — 3rd: 10 Solid Gold — RACE TIME: 1:46.51

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Although India has forbidden discrimination against lower-caste "Dalits" (so-called "untouchables"), rampant oppression still exists, especially in rural areas. In October, police were investigating reports that a higher-caste woman had disowned her dog after it had been touched by an "untouchable" woman. A village council in the Morena district of Madhya Pradesh state had reportedly awarded the higher-caste woman the equivalent of $340 compensation after she witnessed the dog being given food scraps by the Dalit woman.

■ Symbols: (1) Although the dress code at Clayton (N.C.) High School prohibits it, freshman Ariana Iacono demanded in September that she be allowed her nose ring, which she said is "essential" to her practice of religion. Her Church of Body Modification, she said, teaches that "the mind, body and soul are all one entity and that modifying the body can bring the mind and soul into harmony." (2) Some Ultra-Orthodox Israeli Jews came under criticism in September during the pre-Yom Kippur Day of Atonement because, unlike most Jews, they shunned the euphemistic twirling of substitute objects over their heads for forgiveness insisting on hard-core expression by twirling sacrificed chickens.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1988 The Supreme Soviet of the Estonian SSR declares that Estonia is "sovereign" but stops short of declaring independence.

1988 In the first open election in more than a decade, voters in Pakistan elect populist candidate Benazir Bhutto to be Prime Minister of Pakistan.

1989 A death squad composed of El Salvadoran army troops kills six Jesuit priests and two others at Jose Simeon Canas University.

1989 UNESCO adopts the Seville Statement on Violence at the twenty-fifth session of its General Conference.

1997 After nearly 18 years of incarceration, the People's Republic of China releases Wei Jingsheng, a pro-democracy dissident, from jail for medical reasons.

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OAXACA RAW LIVING FOOD, 1521 VENICE BLVD, VENICE, CA 90291

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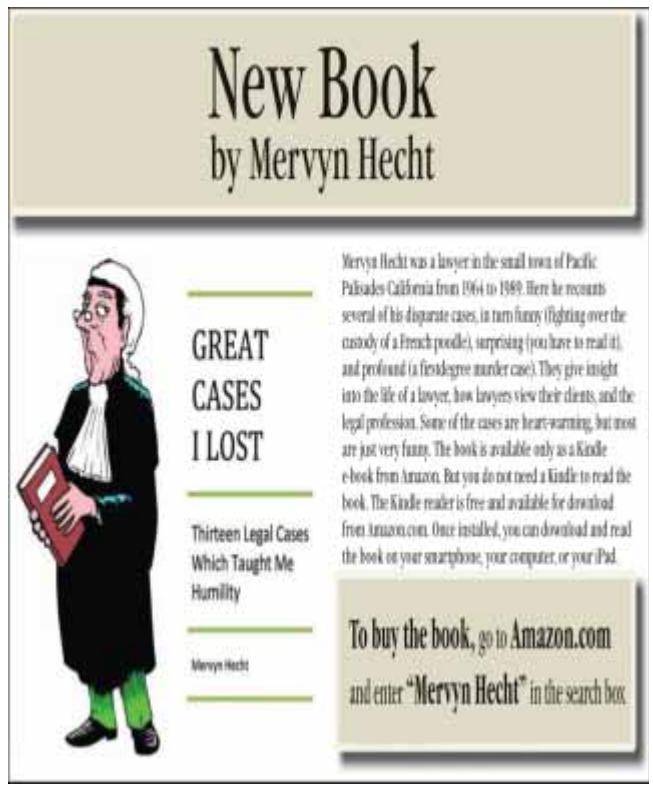
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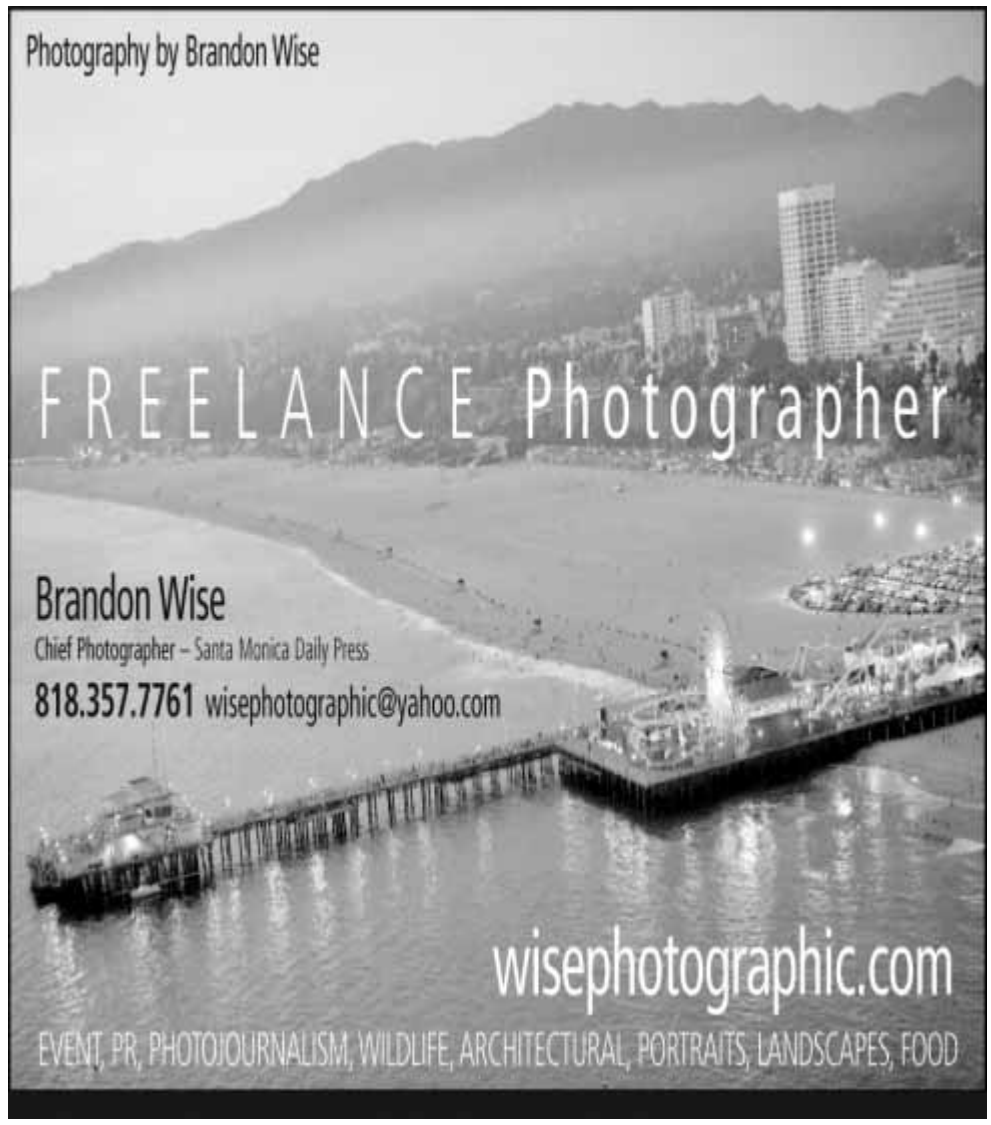
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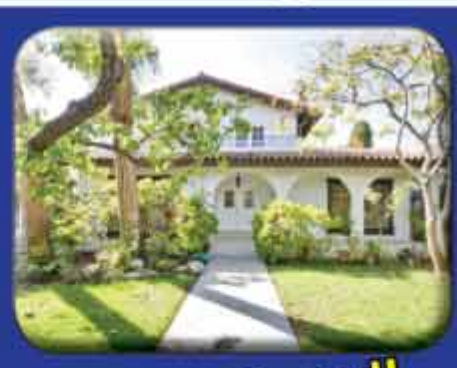
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