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THE SPRINKLES ISSUE

Scenic park proposed for reservoir

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Santa Monica Daily Press

WILMONT Imagine a Santa Monica park that would offer views of the Hollywood Sign, Getty Center, Downtown L.A., and the bay.

At tonight's Recreation and Parks meeting one commissioner is proposing that City Hall open up the fenced-off Mt. Olivet Reservoir to the public.

"We've looked at it off and on for years," Commissioner Phil Brock said. "There was some concern because, of course, the reservoir does sit underneath that. There might be a homeland security problem but the security right now is literally just supplied by a Santa Monica fence, basic chain-link. There's no cameras. There's no other security."

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Daniel Archuleta *daniela@smdp.com*

UNITED: UCLA Medical Center, Santa Monica workers held a one-day strike on Wednesday to bring attention to what they call intimidation.

UC hospital workers stage one-day strike

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES University of California hospital employees picketed Wednesday at medical centers across the state in response to what union leaders called intimidation and harassment from management against workers who took part in a two-day walkout in May.

Local 3299 of the American Federation of State, County and Municipal Employees launched the one-day strike at university system hospitals in Santa Monica, San Francisco, Los Angeles, Davis, Irvine and San Diego. The union represents more than 21,000 UC patient care and service employees.

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SMMUSD, public gets educated on new state funding

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Santa Monica Daily Press

LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District is better equipped than most to adapt to the state's new funding formula, education officials said.

About 60 members of the community, the district and the Board of Education listened to a presentation Tuesday night by School Services of California, an agency that advises the district in fiscal matters. Sheila Vickers, the School Services speaker, laid down the rules of the road for the new Local Control Funding Formula and its counterpart, the Local Control Accountability Plan.

The new funding formula, which Gov. Jerry Brown signed off on this year, creates a

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HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL PLAYOFFS

Samohi thinks upset against No. 3 Lompoc

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

LOMPOC, Calif. It isn't going to be easy, but Santa Monica High's Travis Clark said it can be done.

The fifth-year head coach brings his Samohi Vikings into the CIF-Southern Section Western Division second round playoff game Friday knowing that No. 3 seed Lompoc won't be a pushover, but he sees opportunity where most see a possible loss.

"They are going to be a challenge for us," Clark said. "They have built a reputation over the years."

That reputation includes a 10-1 record this year and an appearance in the division semifinals last season.

Lompoc's calling card has always been the running game. This year is no different, but the problem is three-fold for Samohi.

This year's running game is spearheaded by a trio of guys with AJ Florez leading the

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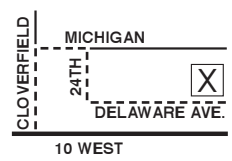
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OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Thursday, Nov. 21, 2013

Baby time
Ocean Park Library
2601 Main St., 10 a.m.
Story series for babies under the age of 2.
For more information, call (310) 458-8683.

What's new?
Fairview Library
2101 Ocean Park Blvd., 1 p.m.
Jack Nordhaus will moderate this current events discussion.

Classic film
Montana Library
1704 Montana Ave., 2 p.m.
Come watch "Ruggles of the Red Gap," a 1935 comedy starring Charles Laughton as a British valet who tries to adjust to life in the Wild West. Film scholar Vivian Rosenberg will moderate a post-screening discussion.

Family gaming
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3:30 p.m.
Enjoy quality family time at the library with Kinect video games and board games.

Homework help
Fairview Library
2101 Ocean Park Blvd., 3:30 p.m.
All students in grades 1 through 5 are welcome to drop by for homework help. Trained volunteers will be on hand to provide math and reading tutoring.

Where do recipes come from?
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m.
Kevin West, author of "Saving the Season: A Cook's Guide to Home Canning, Pickling and Preserving," will lead a panel exploring what makes great recipes. The public is encouraged to bring and share their favorite recipes.

Friday, Nov. 22, 2013

Zen stretch
Annenberg Community Beach House
415 E Pacific Coast Highway,
9 a.m. — 10 a.m.
Yoga at the Beach House is a great place to focus your mind, lift your spirits and strengthen your body. Drop-in or full five-week session registration available. Ages 12 and up. For more information, call (310)458-4904

Geek out
Tech Week L.A. 2013
Santa Monica Place, all day
Techweek's mission is to showcase, celebrate and enable the innovation ecosystem in major tech hubs outside of Silicon Valley. Techweek, which starts Thursday, Nov. 21, brings together a mixture of entrepreneurs, visionaries, and thought leaders for a week-long celebration of all things tech. Admission: Expo $20; Expo & Conference $119. For more information, visit techweek.com/losangeles.

Bag it
Miles Memorial Playhouse
1130 Lincoln Blvd., 7 p.m.
"In The Bag" is part of the Virginia Avenue Project's Replay program: six short plays written by kids, performed and directed by adult professionals, and accompanied by members of the Santa Monica Youth Orchestra. Admission: Pay what you can. No reservations required. For more information, call (310) 264-4224.

Five plus five equals ...
Santa Monica College
Theatre Arts Studio Stage
1900 Pico Blvd., 8 p.m.
"And Then There Were Ten," featuring 10 fingers on piano keys, 10 performers, and numbers from 10 Broadway shows, will be presented by the Santa Monica College Musical Theatre Workshop.
Advance tickets are $10, plus a service charge, and can be purchased by going to www.smc.edu/eventsinfo or by calling (310) 434-4319. Tickets are $3 higher at the door. Parking is free on Friday evenings and weekends. No late seating!

Evildoers
M.i. Westside Comedy Theater
1323-A Third Street Promenade, 8 p.m.
Unnecessary Evil is a stand-up comedy event featuring five of the country's top comedians and sometimes surprise celebrity guests. Admission: $10. For more information, call (310) 451-0850.

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CORRECTION

In the Community Brief "3 in running for Distinguished Schools title," which appeared in the Nov. 19 edition of the Daily Press, Roosevelt Elementary School should have been listed instead of Point Dume Marine Science Elementary School.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY

Go online to stop trespassers

The Santa Monica Police Department is making it easier for business owners to keep trespassers off their property.

Instead of having to fill out a form in-person, business owners can now go online and give police officers permission to do periodic checks of their property and force trespassers to move along. Just fill out the Trespass Arrest Authorization form by going to santamonicapd.org/trespass.

This applies to doorways, storefronts, back entrances, parking lots, and anywhere else that is considered private property. The SMPD's goal is to partner with owners or property managers to provide routine checks of the property to deter trespassing violations.

Enforcement may include advising individuals who do not have authority to be on the premises to leave, as well as making arrests for trespassing and participate in any subsequent court proceedings, police said.

The Trespass Arrest Authorization form will be valid for 30 days. If property owners are submitting the form for a vacant address, the Trespass Arrest Authorization form is valid for six months, police said. The owner or property manager will receive an e-mail notification five days prior to the expiration of the form. The notification will serve as a reminder that the form has to be filled out again using the same process.

Those with questions should call the SMPD Homeless Liaison Program (HLP Team) at (310) 458-8953. To report all suspicious activity, immediately call (310) 458-8491.

For emergencies and crimes in progress, call 911.

– KEVIN HERRERA

DOWNTOWN

Tech incubator to stay in Santa Monica

Science Inc., a technology incubator and investor, has signed a lease for 45 months for a 16,220-square-foot space in the heart of Downtown Santa Monica, according to commercial real estate firm Avison Young, which brokered the deal.

Built in 2000, the four-story property totals 24,578 square feet and offers exposed ceilings, polished concrete floors, private balconies and ocean views. With the Science, Inc. lease, the property is now fully occupied. The space was previously occupied by Hydraulx, according to a news release. Hydraulx has since moved to Playa Vista.

Avison Young did not disclose how much Science will pay in rent.

Science, Inc. is relocating and expanding from its 10,000-square-foot office space just steps away at 1410 Second St.

Santa Monica is home to many young tech companies, but has lost some to adjacent areas after they expand and need to find more office space to accommodate their growth. Google left for Venice and recently video game developer Riot Games announced it was moving just outside Santa Monica.

City officials are working with Sony and Red Bull to help them find more office space.

Here's a case of one such company remaining in the city by the sea.

"Science, Inc. wanted to stay in Downtown Santa Monica because it is where the company's talent wants to work," said Avison Young Principal Randy Starr. "We were able to successfully negotiate a below-market rental rate in a highly competitive market."

Since its formation, Science, Inc. has amassed various startups that include Let's Date, a mobile dating app, and Fresh Dish, an in-house company that's an on-demand personal chef service, providing restaurant quality meals directly to homes.

– KH

Officer says man confessed to deadly Venice crash

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES A man charged with intentionally running over people on the Venice beach boardwalk confessed hours after killing a tourist and injuring 16 others, a police officer testified Wednesday.

Nathan Campbell walked into a police station in the neighboring city of Santa Monica only two hours after the Aug. 3 crash and said: "I'm the one you're looking for. I hit all those people," Officer Brent Wilkening said during Campbell's preliminary hearing.

Wilkening testified that Campbell said he had parked his car about a mile away and walked to the station but stopped for a drink at a liquor store, the Los Angeles Times reported.

A judge will decide whether Campbell, 38, should stand trial on one count of murder, 16 counts of assault with a deadly weapon, and 17 counts of hit-and-run. He could be sentenced to life in prison if convicted.

Campbell, a transient with a history of petty crime convictions, has pleaded not guilty. His lawyer has said the event was an accident.

Witnesses have testified that the driver maneuvered around barriers and intentionally aimed at tourists and vendors as he sped down the famous Southern California tourist spot. Alice Gruppioni, 32, a newlywed from Bologna, Italy, died on her honeymoon and 16 other people were injured.

On Tuesday, seven witnesses who were flown in from around the world described their efforts to protect children and themselves as the 2008 Dodge Avenger came hurtling through the Sunday evening crowd.



MOVING ON

Paul Alvarez Jr. *editor@smdp.com*

Pacifica Christian High School celebrates after defeating Cate Tuesday evening at Brentwood High School. Pacifica won the tough-fought battle in five sets. Pacifica advances to the final of the CIF-Southern Section Division 4A playoffs against Laguna Blanca on Saturday at Cerritos College. The match will begin at 1 p.m.

Analyst: State will have $10B surplus by 2017

JULIET WILLIAMS
Associated Press

SACRAMENTO, Calif. California's independent legislative analyst on Wednesday offered a rosier financial forecast for the state than in the last several years, projecting annual operating surpluses approaching $10 billion a year by the 2017-18 fiscal year if current spending and revenue policies continue.

Legislative Analyst Mac Taylor said revenue is expected to grow faster than spending for at least the next five years.

"The state's budgetary condition is stronger than at any point in the last decade," he said in the report.

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Where's Obama?

Editor:

President Obama decided to refuse to attend the 150th anniversary of President Lincoln's address at Gettysburg, despite the White House being only 65 miles away from Gettysburg, Penn.

Apparently Obama cannot bring himself to compliment any Republican in public, even the one who freed the slaves.

John Sinclair
Santa Monica

Laughable

Editor:

I read the responses of those whose solution is to close the Santa Monica Airport ("Airing It Out," The Q-Line, Nov. 16-17). I'm still laughing.

You have a commenter who says, "Pilots don't live here." OK, neither do the millions who every year come to the beach, frequent the restaurants, go to the mall, the pier, pay bed taxes at the hotels which keep your taxes low and most likely those who would frequent the park you all have repeated the mantra for. So, your point is what?

One seems to be an expert on aircraft crashes and claims the path of the plane which crashed would have been different if the airport had a long runoff area. It was a crash!

Then there are the self-appointed environmental experts who have soot on their lemons, among other things. That one really had me smiling.

There's one who has been awakened for 30 years. Really!

Here's a bit of a news flash. I'd be willing to bet that the increase of the traffic over the years on surrounding streets and Interstate 10 create more pollution than the aircraft. That would be due to the increase in population (you) and the increase in polluting vehicles you drive. Point of fact, aircraft engines, by law, receive better and more frequent maintenance and attention than you have done on your cars.

Here are some critical questions. Each of you seem to be intelligent so this should be easy. How long have you lived in your home? If it wasn't before 1905, then the airport was already there when you bought your home. There are pilots who have had their planes there longer than you have been there. After you bought your home, one day did you walk into your back yard and think, OMG an airport? How would you feel if the long-time pilots, many of whom have been there decades longer than most of you, decided houses were a danger and wanted you to have eminent domain used on you?

I'll agree with your park idea if you agree to one thing. Have the city do an audit of the total income derived from the airport being there. Once that is done, create a special taxing district made up of all of you. Divide the lost income evenly amongst each of you and add it to your property tax.

P.S. I'm not a pilot. However, being a member of one of the founding families, who likely would not appreciate your houses, I know a bit about the city and its history.

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Cape Coral, Fla.

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Life Matters

Dr. JoAnne Barge — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Living in a sexless marriage

DEAR LIFE MATTERS,

I feel a lot of anxiety and a bit of embarrassment to write to you about this. It is hard for me, it feels terribly upsetting and I am not one to wear my heart on my sleeves. Thank you for treating my identity with utmost confidentiality.

My problem is that I am in a long-term marriage with a number of children. We are a close family and love each other and this is all great. No family problems, but, and a big but here, my spouse and I rarely have sex anymore.

It was great in the beginning; we couldn't get enough of each other. But as time wore on it became quieter and quieter and less and less. I know that sex tends to lessen in long-term relationships, but when it gets to zero, and for years now, I do not think it is natural and I am most unhappy about it.

I have not strayed, but I am starting to have fantasies, but honestly I only want to be with my wife. She is everything to me, but I am feeling frustrated, lonely and I feel hurt inside. Somehow it seems to me that if she loved me she would want to make love with me. If I try to discuss this with her she either changes the subject or picks a fight with me.

I think you will probably tell me to go to marriage counseling, but I have tried that and so far she says she won't go. She says that I am overly sensitive, that I make too big a deal of sex and, simply put, in her eyes we don't have a problem.

The only thing I know for sure is that this is not working for me. I feel very rejected. I think, in the end, it could tear us apart.

Signed,
Hurt, hurt and hurt!

DEAR HURT,

I can feel your pain! This is a very serious problem and your wife sounds like she is being very defensive.

Sexual connection with one's partner is a natural and necessary part of life and of a relationship. You are very normal in your feelings and it is really interesting that she is so defensive. It begs the question, what is she defending?

It is very nice that you have a great family relationship and are close with your children. This is truly important and something you hope to have forever, but a divorce could change all that.

A marriage of no love making, year after year, is not normal or healthy.

Everyone can site an example of someone they know who is married forever and hasn't had sex in decades, but that is not the norm and we have no way of knowing what they are really feeling inside. Conversely, there are many couples married for years who are very active sexually.

It really comes down to what works for both of you. In all relationships there must be room for two. Your needs are as important as hers and it is important that she realize this. It is not that one is right and the other is wrong. It just is a matter of caring about and being empathic to your partner's needs and desires. From the way you describe this, there has only been room for one and it's her!

This simply is not healthy and it definitely does not make for a good relationship. Your feelings are very understandable, but now the trick is to get her to understand them and to try to figure out what is going on with her that has made her so unavailable to you.

I am wondering about her age or her personal history. Is she at an age where she is no longer feeling good about herself and her body? Maybe she has no sex drive because of low or lost hormones.

Does she have a history of sexual abuse? I have worked with couples married for years where sex has gone by the wayside because the wife was really never into it because of an abuse history. Do you tell her she is attractive to you or do you just complain about not having sex?

Finally, underneath sex problems, often there are unresolved resentments.

You really do need to seek marital therapy and preferably with someone who is experienced, if not certified, in sex therapy. Tell your partner how important this is to you. You need to get through to her and "not wearing your heart on your sleeve" may be working against you at this point. She needs to know how deeply hurt and rejected you feel and how much you want to connect with her.

If she still won't go, go without her and get some resolution for yourself. Often one partner going ends up helping both and it is not unusual for the other to follow.

Good luck!

DR. JOANNE BARGE is a licensed psychologist and licensed marriage and family therapist with offices in Brentwood. Visit her at www.drbarge.com or e-mail your anonymous questions to newshrink@gmail.com. Got something on your mind? Let me help you with your life matters, because it does!

The Q Line

Paying a living wage

There's been a lot of talk lately about raising the minimum wage and paying low-skilled workers more, including folks who clean hotel rooms and make Big Macs. In Santa Monica, a developer of two hotels agreed to pay its employees $15.37 an hour. Fast-food employees were also fighting for $15 an hour. City Hall has a mandate of $14.08 per hour. Advocates say raising pay is the only way people can survive these days given the rising cost of goods and services.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks:
What wage is appropriate for low-skilled workers? Is $15 an hour too high or not good enough?

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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Culture Watch

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Entertainment fit for the holidays

'TIS THE SEASON WHEN HOLIDAY specials and entertainment traditions abound.

While tickets to their performances of "The Nutcracker" at the Broad Stage are sold out, Westside Ballet and the Santa Monica College Symphony are creating other opportunities for students to enjoy this classic holiday ballet.

More than $100,000 have been raised through a remarkable outpouring of government agencies and local business support to make performances of "The Nutcracker" accessible to Santa Monica's youth and underserved community members.

Five hundred Santa Monica fifth graders will hear a narrated version of the Nutcracker story, based on E.T.A. Hoffman's "The Nutcracker and the Mouse King," and see excerpts from the ballet on Wednesday.

On Friday, Nov. 29, the final dress rehearsal will be open to hundreds of community members from local nonprofits and community organizations including Westside Children's Center, Neighborhood Youth Association, Kids In Sports, Everybody Dance, People Assisting the Homeless, Venice Family Clinic, Santa Monica Police Activities League, and Virginia Avenue Park.

Approximately 24 of Westside's dancers are high school students concurrently enrolled in a special Santa Monica College dance course and will receive credit for the performances, as will more than a dozen symphony members who are SMC students. The credits are transferable to any of California's public four-year colleges and universities.

Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein, SMC's associate director of public policy who was instrumental in creating the partnership, says the program will create a pathway to attract students into arts education careers.

"Young people think of dancing in a professional company or performing in an orchestra, but they don't necessarily see the academic opportunities. We're trying to capture their interest early," explains Tahvildaran-Jesswein.

Executive Director Allegra Clegg, the daughter of Westside Ballet founder and legendary ballerina Yvonne Mounsey, says, "I am so grateful for the outpouring of community support surrounding 'The Nutcracker.' After founding Westside over 40 years ago, my mother worked tirelessly to develop dancers and nurture dance in the community, with affordable, accessible performances. I am proud to continue in her legacy."

Find out more about the company online at www.westsideballet.com.

SLEEP ON IT

"Sleeping with SMMoA" is a clever way to invite your support for Santa Monica Museum of Art while giving gifts to friends and loved ones — maybe even yourself.

GRACIE, the SMMoA gift shop, is expanding for the holidays with a specially curated selection of art and gift objects.

You'll sleep pretty in a line of artist-designed nightwear by Joyce Pensato, Raymond Pettibon and Yutaka Sone with Benjamin Weissman, whose show, "What Every Snowflake Knows," is currently on view, pairing artist and writer on their shared passion for skiing and snow.



Photo courtesy Craig Schwartz

MAKING FUNNY: Frank Caeti and Ron West in the 2012 production of The Second City's 'A Christmas Carol: Twist Your Dickens!' by Peter Gwinn and Bobby Mort at the Center Theatre Group / Kirk Douglas Theatre.

The GRACIE Holiday Boutique opens on Saturday featuring a one-day-only trunk show by Dutch designer Annemieke Broenink, who presents her elegant rubber necklaces, a combination of art, craft and fashion made exclusively for SMMoA.

Members get a one-day-only 20 percent discount. For details visit www.smmoa.org/shop/gracie. The boutique is open through Dec. 21.

HOLIDAY HILARITY

For those whose tastes run to holiday debauchery, now returning for its 18th year is the raucous romp known as "Bob's Holiday Office Party," described by the LA Weekly as "a drunken alternative to Frank Capra's 'It's A Wonderful Life.'"

As Midwestern small town insurance agent Bob contemplates whether to give up his dull life and become an inventor, he throws one last Christmas party, into which wander all of the tiny burg's eccentric characters for a night of drinking and partying — and other activities. You can't begin to imagine the chaos and the double-entendres, so don't bother, just go see it.

"Bob's Holiday Office Party" runs Dec. 4 through Dec. 22, Wednesdays through Saturdays at 8 p.m. and Sundays at 7 p.m. Call (800) 838-3006 for tickets; at Pico Playhouse, 10508 W. Pico Blvd., Los Angeles, 90064.

The Actors' Gang Theatre takes on holiday dysfunction with their annual "The Queen Family's Very Special Holiday Special," starting Dec. 6 at their Culver City venue.

The annual Queen Family Telethon is full of magic, musicians, juggling, clowning, aerialists, tap dancers and more. This year, the Queens have invited everyone from the atheists to the Amish to join in the holiday fun. Wear your ugliest holiday sweater and stay and enjoy the post-show activities following each performance.

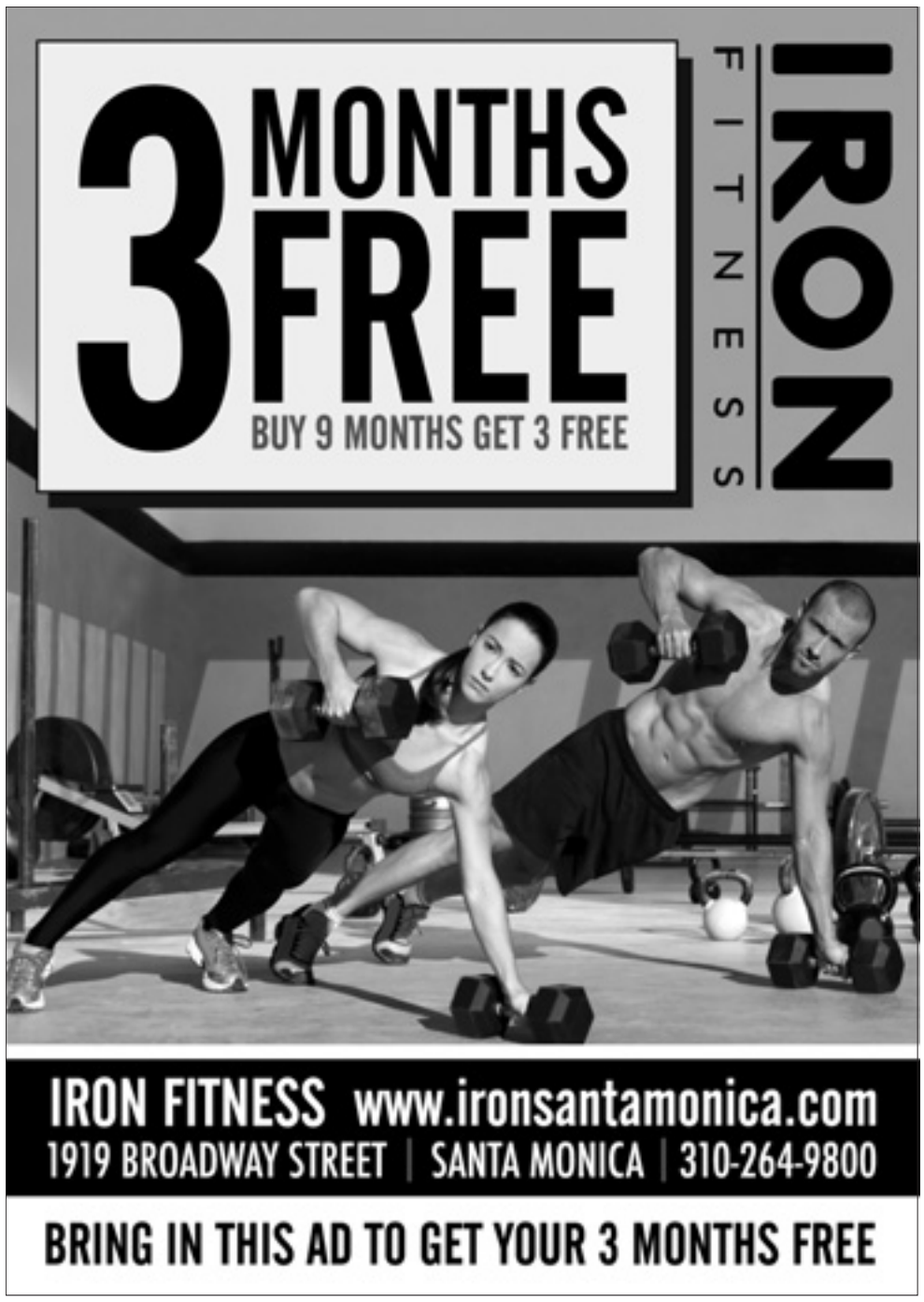
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ON STAGE: **Gordon Goodman stars in Good People Theater Co.'s production of 'Barrymore.'**

On being a Barrymore

ETHEL AND LIONEL AND JOHN. THE Barrymores. "We were the royal family of Theater," John said. "And I was the clown prince."

Known for his antics, his ribald wisecracks, and his exorbitant drinking, John Barrymore was also celebrated for his charismatic good looks and dramatic skills — especially after he graduated from fluffy light comedy to the heights of Shakespeare.

All these aspects of his life in "the family business" show up in William Luce's 1996 play "Barrymore," which is now being presented in Los Angeles by the Good People Theater Co. in association with the Greenway Arts Alliance. When the play was first presented on Broadway in 1997, its star, Christopher Plummer, won a Tony, a Drama Desk, and an Outer Critics Circle award for the role.

This current production stars Gordon Goodman, and I don't think Plummer could have done it better. Goodman has the looks and the mannerisms that we associate with John Barrymore, having become familiar with them on old late-night movies on TV.

As Janet Miller, founding artistic director of the Good People Theater Co. and director of this, their second production, said in a company press release, "This show is risky. You've got to have the right actor — someone who's Barrymore-handsome and who can believably disappear into the role. The decision was easy. It was either Gordon Goodman, or pick another show."

Goodman is mesmerizing from the moment he walks on stage, mixes himself a drink, and prepares to run lines from "Richard III." With him, but backstage and never seen until the curtain call, is his loyal stage manager and prompter, Frank, played by Matt Franta.

It is 1942 and Barrymore, at 60, is trying to reprise the role that made him a star in 1920, when he was 38. "I need to be taken seriously once more," he says.

He starts with the first line: "Now is the winter of our discontent…" but needs prompting from the first word. And so, to Frank's growing concern, and to keep from acknowledging that he doesn't remember the lines, Barrymore prances around the stage, pouring himself another drink, and telling anecdotes about his friends and family.

He imitates his sister, Ethel, and his brother, Lionel, flawlessly, as well as his good friend W.C. Fields. About Lionel he says, "He felt bad when he felt better." And he quotes Ethel as characterizing New York as "Sodom with subways" and Los Angeles as "Gomorrah with palm trees."

He talks about Louella Parsons, the Hollywood gossip columnist, saying, "I don't like Louella and I always will."

From time to time he breaks into a Shakespearean monologue: Hamlet's "To be or not to be" speech and his "What a piece of work is a man" speech to Rosencrantz and Guildenstern.

He tells of his four wives and his short marriages, and of his second wife, Blanche Oelrichs, who became known as "Michael Strange" and has been the subject of many speculations about her sexuality.

In a burst of braggadocio he trumpets, "My greatest regret is that I can't sit out in the audience and watch me perform."

But in the end, he finally breaks down. Reciting lines that mirror his emotional conflicts and despair, he confesses that he is "waylaid by regrets."

"A man isn't old," he says, "until regrets take the place of dreams."

And having acknowledged that his acting career is finished and his life, as he knew it, is over, he doffs his fedora and strolls jauntily off stage.

A month later, he was dead.

Barrymore can be seen Fridays at 8 p.m., Saturdays at 2 p.m. and 8 p.m., and Sundays at 7 p.m. through Dec. 1 at the Greenway Court Theater, 544 N. Fairfax (between Melrose and Beverly), Los Angeles. Call (323) 655-7679 x100 for tickets.

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Ballooning animal controversies mar Macy's Thanksgiving parade

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Associated Press

NEW YORK Macy's Thanksgiving Day Parade is awash in animal-related protests over its floats, with controversies involving the unlikely pairing of rocker Joan Jett and Shamu the killer whale.

Activists plan to line the route of next week's parade to protest a SeaWorld float over accusations in a new documentary that the theme parks treat whales badly. And ranchers succeeded in getting Jett pulled off the South Dakota tourism float after they questioned why the vegetarian and animal-rights ally was representing their beef-loving state.

The float flaps threaten to shake Macy's traditional position of staying out of politics and soaring silently above the fray, like the massive balloons of Snoopy, Kermit the Frog and SpongeBob SquarePants.

"The parade has never taken on, promoted or otherwise engaged in social commentary, political debate or other forms of advocacy," Cincinnati-based Macy's Inc. said in a statement this week.

It was in that spirit that parade executive producer Amy Kule said Tuesday that the SeaWorld float is staying.

"There is no controversy," she said. "Our goal is to entertain, and that is their goal, as well."

The SeaWorld float, which depicts rolling waves, tropical fish, penguins and Shamu, comes months after the release of the documentary "Blackfish," which contends that SeaWorld's poor treatment of its killer whales contributed to the aggression of a whale involved in a trainer's death.

SeaWorld says the accusations have "absolutely no basis" and that "the men and women who care for these animals at SeaWorld are dedicated in every respect to their health and well-being."

Activists, including members of the People for the Ethical Treatment of Animals, say they plan to stage a protest somewhere along the route during next week's parade. And the group says it has sent Macy's more than 80,000 emails from animal lovers demanding that the store drop the float.

Among those joining were actor Alec Baldwin and his wife, Hilaria, who wrote last week that SeaWorld was a "cruel prison for whales" and that the parks "should not be celebrated with a giant Shamu float parading down 34th Street."

Kenneth Sherrill, professor emeritus of political science at Manhattan's Hunter College and a longtime parade watcher, says the SeaWorld controversy puts Macy's in a tough spot.

"It's damned if they do, damned if they don't," Sherrill said. "Macy's is making a statement. If there's a political conflict, saying 'I'm not getting involved' means you're supporting the status quo."

PETA also is connected to the float controversy involving Jett, an animal-rights vegetarian who works with the organization.

She was scheduled to sing atop South Dakota's tourism float until an outcry from the South Dakota Cattlemen's Association, which said it made no sense to feature an artist who is critical of the state's top economic sector.

Macy's found a solution: The "I Love Rock 'n' Roll" singer and her Blackhearts band are being moved to a different float as yet to be announced. A parade spokesman said it made the move so attention isn't diverted from the "entertainment mission" of the event, which also features Carrie Underwood, Jimmy Fallon, the Radio City Rockettes and the cast members of the reality show "Duck Dynasty."

The parade has gone on through previous controversies.

In 2011, Tim Burton's "B. Boy" balloon took flight despite critics labeling it "creepy" for its depiction of a snaggle-toothed boy made out of old party balloons.

And last year, Elmo's appearance followed sexual abuse charges against longtime puppeteer Kevin Clash, whose recorded voice was heard on a float. That parade also included confetti made from shredded New York City police documents.

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Operation USA. Tickets online at www.TheActorsGang.com or call 310 838-4264.

Second City's "A Christmas Carol: Twist Your Dickens" returns to the Kirk Douglas Theatre, also in Culver City. Using the Dickens classic as its springboard, this partly scripted, mostly improvised show by Second City alums and former "Colbert Report" writers Peter Gwinn and Bobby Mort, guarantees a riotous night of wacky and politically incorrect humor.

Improvisation makes each show unique, and a different surprise guest star is featured at every performance, among them Casey Affleck, Diedrich Bader, Mindy Cohn, Jane Kaczmarek, Richard Karn, Keegan-Michael Key, Matthew Modine, Rhea Perlman, Paul Provenza, Yakov Smirnoff, Mindy Sterling and Fred Willard. Each guest star puts their own comic stamp on the production, and the audience never knows which guest star they will see.

Opening night is Dec. 12 and the production runs through Dec. 29th at the Kirk Douglas Theatre. www.centertheatregroup.org or (213) 628-2772.

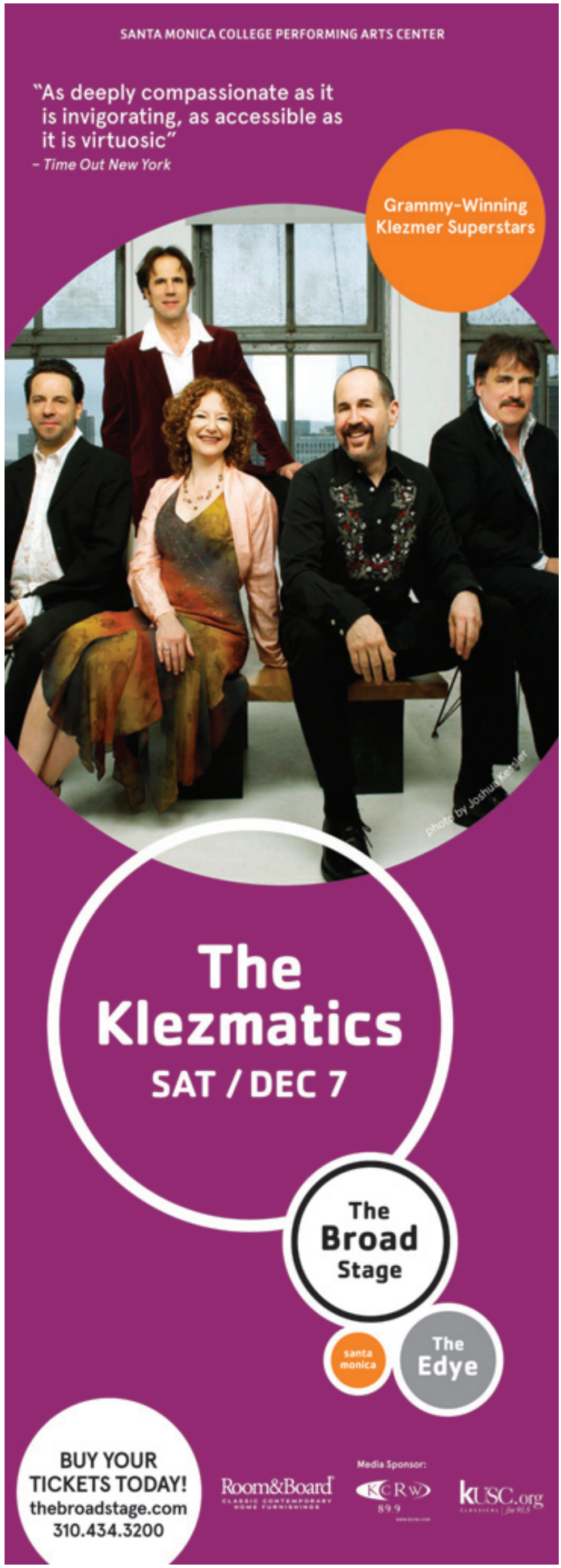
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There'll be live performances, storytelling, Hanukkah-inspired crafts, treats, gallery viewings and more. Details at www.skirball.org.

This holiday season, museums all over Southern California are creating special programs and holiday activities for families, including special arts and crafts workshops, snow play for kids, sleepovers with marine life, and free admission at select institutions. For a complete listing of museums, visit www.SoCalMuseums.org.

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Beneath the greenspace, the reservoir holds 5 million gallons of water. City Hall bought the space and built the reservoir in 1924.

Regardless of the fence, people are already drawn to the area, which is controlled by the Public Works Department, for the "spectacular views," Brock said.

"Kids and teens have climbed over those fences for years," he said.

In his 20s, Brock once hopped the fence with a date to "watch the sunset."

The greenspace is divided into two portions by Franklin Street.

Brock believes, after meeting with Public Works officials, that City Hall could open about 60 percent of the east side and 40 percent of the west side. The northeast portion would have to remain closed, he said, because the city equipment and the reservoir doors are located there. The southeast portion could be opened, he said, and the west side views could be enhanced by a 1-foot-high platform.

Public Works Director Martin Pastucha said he would wait to hear Brock's plans before commenting on the feasibility.

"We have concerns and we have no idea what he's proposing yet," Pastucha said. "Obviously, it's a water facility site. Security issues will be a primary concern for us. And I'm sure there will be some neighborhood concerns as well."

Out at the reservoir, even on a cloudy day, a group of men who were installing carpet in the neighborhood stopped to eat lunch at the edge of the fence. Downtown Los Angeles was visible in the distance. A woman jogged up an down the block, occasionally glancing at the views.

Rita O'Connor, who's lived on Franklin Street just a few houses down from the reservoir for 18 years, said that she opposes opening it up.

"There's no parking and there's no bathrooms," she said. "This is a residential neighborhood and you're going to have all these people coming in but you don't have any of the facilities you need. And why would the city spend all of that money just to bring the facilities to that little area?"

Brock envisions a "passive, serene vista park" opened from sunrise to sunset with a few chairs and perhaps a small raised platform on the west side.

"The views are somewhat obstructed because there's houses and trees and bushes but we've been seeking more open greenspace in the city," Brock said. "This makes sense because there are very few parks on this side of town."



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FUTURE PARK? **A woman walks her dog in front of Mt. Olivet Reservoir on Wednesday.**

The area would not become a hangout for the homeless, he said, because of its location in the middle of a residential neighborhood.

Robert Curran, who also lives just down the street, supports the reservoir being opened up.

"People are already driving out here and parking to eat lunch," he said. "If it's a public space, I have no problem with it."

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FUNDING
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uniform system for distributing money to school districts. It also gives the districts more flexibility as to how they choose to use the funds. Previously, the money was packaged for individual programs decided upon by the state.

Flexibility means that the community will help build the budget and decide on accountability goals that must be met for the district to continue to receive state money.

Tuesday night's meeting was meant to explain the formula to anyone who wants to help build the budget and the accountability plan.

One problem, as Vickers noted at the meeting, is that the State Board of Education hasn't set spending regulations (they will in January) or provided a template for the accountability plan (which comes in March).

A draft of the guidelines has been released and, Vickers said, the district and the community should start the process, making adjustments when the final guidelines are released.

All districts are receiving more money for the 2014-15 budget than they did the year prior.

The district gets an extra 20 percent more than the base per-student rate for each student eligible for free and reduced-price meals or labeled an English-language learner. About 27 percent of SMMUSD students are low-income and 9 percent are English learners. These are lower percentages than many other districts so the bump in state funding will not be as substantial.

After the meeting, many community members said they were still digesting the information. There were no formal requests to speak, although several school board members asked Vickers questions.

Board of Education President Laurie Lieberman said that the flexibility doesn't necessarily mean the board will enact sweeping changes.

"Though districts aren't required to spend in categorical dollars, the way they once were, a lot of the missions for the categorical dollars still exist," she said. "You still have students who are not achieving, or who are English learners. We certainly will spend money on trying to help those same students."

The same goes for accountability, she said, which they always strive to keep at top levels.

High levels of civic involvement in both Santa Monica and Malibu will give the board a wealth of input when shaping the budget.

"We do have a number of existing groups who have traditionally reviewed and given input into the way categorical monies were to be expended," she said. "Some of our district advisory committees (DACs), like the Special Ed DAC, or the Intercultural Equity and Excellence DAC, the Financial Oversight Committee, we have people in groups who we know we can reach out to to become part of this larger group once we figure out what's the format for that. We don't lack for community input."

She also pointed out that SMMUSD is blessed by a strong local tax base, which means the district is less impacted by changes to state funding.

Boardmember Nimish Patel said that these tax dollars have also given the board previous lessons in shaping its own budget.

"For the most part we've been able to do a lot of things outside of the state requirement, just because we have our own local funding from local taxes, but now we're really able to shore up the needed resources to fully implement some of the existing programs," he said. "So it's not to say that we need to change everything that we have. I think we might be able to now focus on the areas that we think are effective."

The type of hands-on policy-making allowed by the formula is one of the reasons that Patel wanted to join the board. The old system, he said, was too restrictive.

"It had nothing to do with what the demographics of the kids or what their needs were," he said. "I think this is a good way to attack the problem we've been facing in the past. I think every school board member has talked about closing the achievement gap. It's difficult when your hands are tied because you're administering programs that the state is mandating. Here, we get to get our hands around the issues."

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SURPLUS
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Taylor credits restrained spending by the Legislature and Gov. Jerry Brown, the improving economy, and temporary increases in sales and income taxes voters approved last year. He projects a $5.6 billion reserve by July 2015.

It's a dramatic turnaround from the multibillion-dollar deficits of a few years ago. Taylor warned that California's tax structure still leaves it vulnerable to swings in the stock market, so he said lawmakers should not commit extra money to new programs.

Senate Minority Leader Bob Huff, R-Diamond Bar, urged fellow lawmakers to heed Taylor's advice to devote the extra money to paying down debt, including billions of dollars owed to the state's pension funds and retiree health care. He said the state also should fulfill its promise to fund schools and invest in critical infrastructure.

"There will be other pent-up spending demands by many that can't be fulfilled," Huff said in a written statement. "But we can sustain this recovery and protect vital services all Californians care about as long as we work together to make that happen."

The analyst's report said tax revenue will start to fall in 2019 with the expiration of higher income taxes on the wealthy under Proposition 30, the Brown-sponsored initiative approved by voters last year. Revenue will continue to be strong, however, in part because of higher property tax revenue caused by a rebounding housing market.

Brown, a Democrat who is expected to seek an unprecedented fourth term as governor next year, has preached prudence in spending, forcing the Democratic-controlled Legislature to cut some social programs they typically would support. Brown's director of finance, Michael Cohen, signaled Wednesday that the governor's approach would not change despite the favorable forecast.

"We're pleased that the analyst's report shares the governor's view that discipline remains the right course of action," Cohen said in a statement. "The focus must continue to be on paying down the state's accumulated budgetary debt and maintaining a prudent reserve to ensure that we do not return to the days of $26 billion deficits."

STRIKE
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Hospital workers who walked off the job included radiation therapists, MRI technicians and pharmacy technicians.

The May strike came after the union's contract expired and negotiations over a new deal failed. The two sides are at loggerheads over staffing, wages and benefits, including pensions and health care.

Some elective surgeries scheduled for Wednesday were canceled. Certain lab tests and diagnoses will be delayed because technicians won't be around to complete the work, university officials said.

The affected medical centers have contingency plans to ensure that patients get the care they need, system spokeswoman Shelly Meron said.

A judge granted an injunction that kept about 50 critical care workers from participating. Officials said they had agreed before the injunction was issued to keep those employees off the picket lines.

Nurses had planned to strike in solidarity with the patient care workers but rescinded their participation after reaching a tentative labor agreement over the weekend that included annual 4 percent pay increases through 2017.

FOOTBALL
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way. The other two running backs that get their share of carries is Derrick Portis and Austin Hayes.

Lompoc head coach Andrew Jones often deploys a two-back offense and says his Braves run the ball nearly 80 percent of the time.

On the flip side, Samohi has a similar makeup on offense.

Senior running backs Kwame Duggins and Will Taylor will get most of the looks for Samohi and that hasn't gone unnoticed by Jones.

"It's going to come down to who stops the run," he said. "Both teams are really efficient."

Samohi will again look to the defensive line to lead the way.

The unit was stout against Channel Islands during last week's first round 27-0 rout and Clark thinks they will have to dominate a somewhat one-dimensional Lompoc offense if they are going to advance.

"I wouldn't be surprised if we walk away with a win," Clark said. "We have upset on our minds, baby."

Leading the Samohi charge will again be Terrence Jackson and his 19 sacks. For good measure, Jackson returned an interception 95 yards for a score against Channel Islands.

Cayden Burns, Dearriyus Dorsey, Lavoisiea Ford and Ben Kerr will also have to be factors on the D-line.

That's another spot where Samohi and Lompoc are similar.

Lompoc's defensive front is anchored by Ainuu Taua. The 280-pounder is being heavily recruited by UCLA, Ole Miss and Oklahoma, to name just a few.

"He's pretty legit," Jones said. "The guy also plays tight end. He has the best hands on the team."

Despite the long odds, Samohi does have the element of surprise on their side. It even has Jones scratching his head after watching a few game films. Samohi will hit the field with a question mark at quarterback.

Jones counted three guys who rotate in and out under center. Senior Jordan Detamore is the true passer of the group. Trent Hill is often called on to run the wildcat. Kevin Person is the latest player to get a shot at leading the offense.

Person had his first start of the season last week and brings more of a dual threat to the table.

Clark hopes that gives his team a little bit of an edge considering Lompoc will have to contend with game planning for three different scenarios.

The funny thing is, Clark is as uncertain how things will play out on Friday.

"That's a good question," he said when asked who would get most of the snaps. "I kind of want to let the situation dictate what we'll do. But for now, I'm not telling."

The game will be played some 150 miles away, which gives Lompoc a decided home field advantage.

Samohi boosters are trying to raise money to feed the boys during the 150-mile trip.

The plan is to make a pit stop at Hometown Buffet and provide the guys a sack lunch for the trip back.

Anyone interested in donating is being asked to contact Lori Whitesell at lwhite6397@aol.com, or give a check made out to the Viking Fund to players.

Boosters are also booking a rooter bus. Interested fans are being asked to contact Suzanne Gonzalez-Drake via e-mail at ldrake130@earthlink.net. The cost is $27 per person and includes a game ticket.

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Hydrogen cars could be headed to a showroom close to you

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AP Business Writers

DETROIT Cars that run on hydrogen and exhaust only water vapor are emerging to challenge electric vehicles as the world's transportation of the future.

At auto shows on two continents Wednesday, three automakers unveiled hydrogen fuel cell vehicles to be delivered to the general public as early as next spring.

Hyundai Motor Co. will be the first to the mass market in the U.S. It unveiled a hydrogen-powered Tucson small SUV at the Los Angeles Auto Show that will be leased to consumers. Honda also revealed plans in Los Angeles for a car due out in 2015. Earlier, at the Tokyo Motor Show, Toyota promised a mass-produced fuel cell car by 2015 in Japan and 2016 in the U.S.

Hydrogen cars are appealing because unlike electric vehicles, they have the range of a typical gasoline car and can be refueled quickly. Experts say the industry also has overcome safety and reliability concerns that have hindered distribution in the past.

But hydrogen cars still have a glaring downside — refueling stations are scarce, and costly to build.

Consumers can expect costs in line with some luxury models. In Tokyo, Toyota promised a price of $50,000 to $100,000, and as close to the lower figure as possible. That's comparable to its Lexus luxury sedans, but a range that makes the once space-age experiment with fuel cells more credible.

Hyundai said it will lease the Tucsons for $499 per month for three years with $3,000 down. And Hyundai is offering to pay the hydrogen and maintenance costs. The company will start leasing in the Los Angeles area, where most of the state's nine fueling stations are located. California lawmakers have allocated $100 million to build 100 more. Honda wouldn't reveal any pricing details.

Even as battery-powered and hybrid-electric cars took on conventional gasoline models in the past decade, automakers continued research into hydrogen fuel cells, said Paul Mutolo, director of external partnerships for the Cornell University Energy Materials Center. Manufacturers now are limited only by costs and the lack of filling stations, he said.

Hydrogen cars, Mutolo said, have an advantage over battery-powered electric cars because drivers don't have to worry about running out of electricity and having to wait hours for recharging. "It's very similar to the kind of behavior that drivers have come to expect from their gasoline cars," he said.

Hydrogen fuel cells use a complex chemical process to separate electrons and protons in hydrogen gas molecules. The electrons move toward a positive pole, and the movement creates electricity. That powers a car's electric motor, which turns the wheels.

Since the hydrogen isn't burned, there's no pollution. Instead, oxygen also is pumped into the system, and when it meets the hydrogen ions and electrons, that creates water and heat. The only byproduct is water. A fuel cell produces only about one volt of electricity, so many are stacked to generate enough juice.

Hydrogen costs as little as $3 for an amount needed to power a car the same distance as a gallon of gasoline, Mutolo said.

Manufacturers likely will lose money on hydrogen cars at first, but costs will decrease as precious metals are reduced in the fuel cells, Mutolo said.

Toyota said its new fuel cell vehicle will go on sale in Japan in 2015 and within a year later in Europe and U.S.

Toyota's fuel cell car is a "concept" model called FCV that looks similar to the Prius gas-electric hybrid.

Honda, which has leased about two-dozen fuel cell cars since 2005, took the wraps off a futuristic-looking FCEV concept vehicle in Los Angeles. It shows the style of a 300-mile range fuel cell car that will be marketed in the U.S. and Japan in 2015.

Stephen Ellis, manager of fuel cell marketing for Honda, also wouldn't say where vehicle will be marketed in the U.S. But he expects hydrogen fueling stations to be abundant first in California, and then Northeast states. He predicts it will take five years for the stations to reach significant numbers outside California, and up to 25 years to go nationwide.

Hyundai wouldn't say how many fuel-cell Tucsons it expects to lease. The company believes that fuel cells will power the next generation of cars, appealing to affluent, environmentally conscious customers because affordable battery technology has not advanced enough.

"This is the sort of technology that makes batteries look old-fashioned," says North American CEO John Krafcik.

But skeptics say hydrogen fueling stations are more expensive than electric car charging stations, partly because electricity is almost everywhere and new and safe ways for producing, storing and transferring hydrogen will be needed.

Carlos Ghosn, chief executive of Nissan Motor Co., which has bet heavily on electric vehicles for its future, is one vocal skeptic.

"Having a prototype is easy. The challenge is mass-marketing," he told reporters. He said he did not see a mass-market fuel cell as viable before 2020.



Worries of a Fed pullback sends stocks lower

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AP Markets Writer

NEW YORK The latest news from the Federal Reserve spooked investors Wednesday.

Stock and bond prices fell after minutes from the Fed's latest meeting showed that the U.S. economy was improving steadily enough to warrant a reduction in stimulus in "coming months."

The Fed has been buying $85 billion every month in Treasury and mortgage-backed bonds, which keeps long-term interest rates artificially low and makes stocks seem inexpensive in comparison to bonds.

"Investors need to be prepared to see the Fed wind down its program in the long term," said Kristina Hooper, head of U.S. investment strategies for Allianz Global Investors.

The Fed's economic stimulus has been a key driver of the stock market's 25 percent surge this year, along with rising corporate profits and a recovering U.S. economy.

The Dow Jones industrial average lost 66.21 points, or 0.4 percent, to 15,900.82. It was up 20 points shortly before the minutes were released at 2 p.m. Eastern time.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index lost 6.50 points, or 0.4 percent, to 1,781.37. The Nasdaq lost 10.28 points, or 0.3 percent, to 3,921.27.

The market began the day higher after an encouraging report on retail sales and better news from long-struggling J.C. Penney.

Investors already know the Fed will reduce its economic stimulus eventually, yet they remain highly sensitive to concrete signals that a pullback is imminent and worry that the Fed might withdraw its support before the economy is ready.

Bond prices also declined. The yield on the benchmark 10-year Treasury note rose sharply, to 2.80 percent from 2.71 percent just before the minutes were released. That's the highest since Sept. 17. Bond yields rise when demand for them falls.

The Fed's next policy meeting is scheduled for Dec. 17-18. Investors are split on whether the bank will vote to pull back its bond purchases, or "taper" them, as it is sometimes called on Wall Street. The Fed surprised investors at its Sept. 17-18 meeting by keeping the bond purchases in place, despite widespread predictions that it would start to wind the program down.

With Wednesday's decline, the S&P 500 is down roughly 1 percent for the week. The index hasn't had a weekly loss since the week ending Oct. 4.

Hooper and other market watchers said they would not be surprised if the market continued to fall. "It would not be unreasonable for investors to step back here," said Ron Florance, deputy chief investment officer for Wells Fargo Private Bank.

J.C. Penney led the S&P 500 index higher with an 8 percent gain. Despite reporting a loss in the third quarter, there were hopeful signs for the long-struggling store chain heading into the holiday shopping season. The company said its sales increased in October for the first time since December 2011. The stock rose 73 cents to $9.44. It's still down 52 percent this year.

Lowe's, the home improvement store chain, fell $3.11, or 6 percent, to $47.33. Lowe's earned 47 cents per share in the latest quarter, a penny short of what analysts were looking for. Lowe's was outshone by competitor Home Depot, which reported a 26 percent surge in net income the day before.

The holiday shopping season is a make-or-break time for U.S. retailers, and more broadly the U.S. economy. Sales during November and December can account for up to 40 percent of the annual revenue for store operators.

So far, there's reason to be hopeful. The National Retail Federation, the nation's largest retail trade group, expects holiday sales to increase 3.9 percent to $602.1 billion this year.

Separately, the U.S. Commerce Department said Wednesday that U.S. retail sales rose 0.4 percent in October. That was much better than the 0.1 percent increase economists had predicted, according to FactSet, a financial information provider.

"Consumers seem to be in a better mood, which will be good for the overall economy," Florance said.





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THURSDAY – **POOR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** knee to thigh high
Trace Southern Hemi and NW swell; deep AM high tide

FRIDAY – **VERY POOR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** ankle to knee high
Minimal SW and NW energy

SATURDAY – **VERY POOR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** knee to thigh high
Minimal SW and NW energy

SUNDAY – **POOR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** knee to thigh high occ. 3ft
Small SW swell; trace NW energy

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 13, 2013**

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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 -- 0
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 22 / ns
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 0 / ns

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Heal the Bay reminds you not to swim or surf within 100 yards of any flowing storm drain or for at least 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
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Los Alisos creeks.		
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	ns
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	B	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	F	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A	ns
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A	ns
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A	ns
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 21572 Malibu Rd..	A+	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	ns
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	A	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	A+	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A	ns
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A	ns
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A+	ns
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	B	ns
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ns	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	ns

LOCATION	DRY	WET
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	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	F	ns
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	F	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	A	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A+	ns
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A	ns
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	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth.	A	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain.	A	ns
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of DWW jetty).	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	C	ns
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A	ns

LEGEND
DRY -- each location is graded on an A – F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone
WET -- grades for days of recorded rainfall and the following 3 days
ns -- no sample taken

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Pouncey watched Dolphins game with Richie Incognito

STEVEN WINE
AP Sports Writer

DAVIE, Fla. A restless Richie Incognito sat with Miami Dolphins teammate Mike Pouncey watching their team's most recent game on TV, and contemplating the strange sequence of events that reduced them to couch potatoes.

"Richie looked over and was like, 'Man, I can't believe that we're sitting here watching the Dolphins play,'" Pouncey said Wednesday. "I was like, 'It's unbelievable, bro. I had never pictured this ever in my life.' We got a laugh out of it."

Sidelined by a gall bladder illness, Pouncey said he watched Sunday's victory over San Diego at his house with Incognito, who was suspended for his role in the team's bullying scandal.

"He's doing really good," Pouncey said. "He's in good spirits. He wants to get back on this football team, wants to get back and play football. Richie Incognito is a football player — that's the only thing he knows. He's missing it to death, but he'll be all right."

Incognito was suspended Nov. 3. A hearing is scheduled for Thursday on his grievance against the Dolphins seeking to rejoin the team.

Pouncey said he was interviewed about the scandal Wednesday by NFL special investigator Ted Wells, who has been questioning players, coaches and staff at the Dolphins' complex this week. Wells is looking into allegations that tackle Jonathan Martin was harassed daily by teammates, including Incognito.

"He were asking a bunch of questions," Pouncey said. "It seemed like a long time but it probably wasn't. They got all the questions they wanted to get out of us, and we gave them trustful answers. They're in there just trying to figure out what's going on, so they're doing the right thing."

Pouncey rejoined the team Wednesday after spending three nights in the hospital, and he worked on the side during practice. He said he's feeling much better and hopes to play Sunday against the Carolina Panthers.

His illness was the latest setback in an eventful year for the Dolphins' center. Following the Dolphins' game at New England on Oct. 27, Pouncey was served with a grand jury subpoena related to the criminal case involving his friend and former University of Florida teammate, Aaron Hernandez.

The next day, Martin abruptly left the team and the bullying scandal began to mushroom, subjecting Pouncey and the rest of the offensive line to national scrutiny.

"If I make through 2013 without having a heart attack, that'll be good," Pouncey said with a laugh.

The NFL Players Association will conduct its own investigation into the scandal, led by Richard Smith, outside counsel for the union in the New Orleans Saints bounty case, a person familiar with the situation said. The person spoke to The Associated Press on condition of anonymity because the union hadn't announced its plans.

Smith will examine the roles of coach Joe Philbin, his staff and Miami management, although it's unknown whether they will be willing to meet with him.

"We're cooperating fully with the" NFL investigation, Philbin said. "That's all I'm going to say on that."

One issue is whether anyone on the coaching staff ordered Incognito to toughen up Martin, a second-year tackle from Stanford who became a starter as a rookie but played poorly at times.

Wells was appointed by Commissioner Roger Goodell to investigate after Dolphins owner Stephen Ross asked the league to look into the case. Martin spent nearly seven hours with Wells on Friday in New York.

Wells will also interview Incognito, who can be suspended without pay by the Dolphins for up to four weeks. He has missed two games so far — including the one he watched with Pouncey.

Pouncey said it was the first game he sat out since he was 6 years old. He lost five pounds because of his illness.

"It's the worst diet ever ... just bland soup. I actually got my appetite back, so they said whatever I can hold is what I can eat," he said. "It started out as food poisoning, I think, and they ran a bunch of tests and found a couple of other things. But we're going to get through it. ... I feel great, I feel like I'm Mike Pouncey again."

The Dolphins (5-5) have won two of their three games since Martin's departure and are in contention for an AFC wild-card berth.

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1:50pm

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12:30pm, 3:45pm

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11:00am, 1:35pm, 4:15pm

Thor: The Dark World 3D (PG-13) 2hrs 00min
11:05am, 1:45pm, 4:30pm, 6:45pm, 10:00pm

Delivery Man (PG-13) 1hr 45min
8:00pm

Dallas Buyers Club (R) 1hr 57min
11:00am, 1:00pm, 4:00pm, 7:10pm, 10:10pm

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4:45pm

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All Is Lost (PG-13) 1hr 40min
4:30pm, 10:00pm

Wadjda (PG) 1hr 38min
5:00pm

Great Expectations (PG-13) 2hrs 08min
4:00pm, 9:40pm

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1:55pm, 7:30pm, 9:55pm

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1:00pm, 7:10pm

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GET TOGETHER WITH A FRIEND TONIGHT, TAURUS

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ You will feel as if you are on an emotional seesaw. You could be feeling a lot about someone close. You might be weighing the pros and cons of a change involving property and perhaps family. Tonight: Stay centered.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Do not stand on ceremony. You might want to make a call or reach out to someone who has become distant. Your temper soars, as you seem to keep hitting a brick wall. Relax, and take a walk to get some fresh air. Tonight: Get together with a friend.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ You'll want to indulge others as well as yourself. You can't seem to decide what would be more fun and memorable. Trust yourself to choose the right event or happening. At times, you give in to excess. Tonight: Go with the flow.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ You might sense a change in others. What has been held back in the past, or perhaps even today, could become a fiery issue. Don't worry; it can be resolved. You seem to know exactly what to do and when to do it. Follow your own advice. Tonight: Make an important phone call.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Take your time right now, and be slightly less accountable. You are full of enthusiasm for a new friendship. Try to lighten up about a domestic situation or investment. If you are not sure, wait before engaging in a conversation or taking action. Tonight: Vanish while you can.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ Keep your eye on the big picture, and proceed in the direction you want to head in. You might feel as if you can't handle a personal matter, and you could become angry if you are pushed. Excuse yourself rather than explode. Tonight: Hang out with your friends.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Listen to news that is forthcoming. You might want to assume a less-prominent position in a project once you hear it. Someone in your daily life might become a burden to you. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ If you are questioning what to do, detach. Allow your feelings and instincts to guide you, as they are likely to lead you in the right direction. Recognize when you are feeling triggered. Tonight: Touch base with someone at a distance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Someone close to you will demand the stage. You might as well retreat rather than fight for the podium. If you start to feel down, indulge a little. You might want to buy a new item for winter or perhaps a gift for a loved one. Tonight: Togetherness is the theme.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You will see a situation differently from how the majority of people around you see it. As a result, you might proceed as you wish and not bother to explain why. You will note that several people give you the benefit of the doubt. Tonight: Just don't be alone.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Focus on completing your work or errands. You will want to be free and relaxed for the coming weekend. A partner expects a lot. In a sense, you feel driven by this person. Tonight: Get ready for a hot tango.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ If you are honest with yourself, your mind seems to be everywhere all at once. Your self-discipline seems to be on vacation. If you can enjoy these flights of fancy, do. A close friend suddenly might become angry. This person wants more attention! Tonight: Keep it light.

Thursday, November 21, 2013

This year, you will be serious and determined about your direction and the choices you make. You draw people from various walks of life toward you. If you are single, you could meet several different people. Enjoy dating. You will know when someone is right for you. If you are attached, the two of you will enjoy each other so much that you won't need anyone else to have a party. Use care with money, as you often are extravagant. CANCER sometimes rains on your parade.

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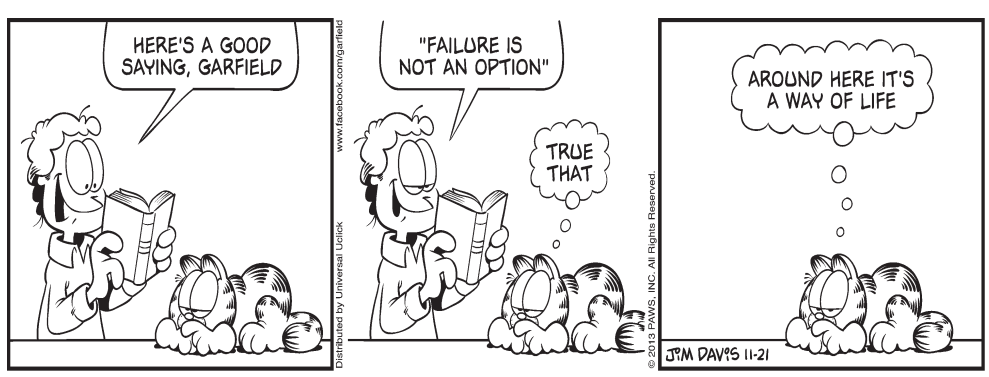
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By Jim Davis



The Meaning of Lila
By John Forgetta & L.A. Rose



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

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

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By THOMAS JOSEPH



Yesterday's answer

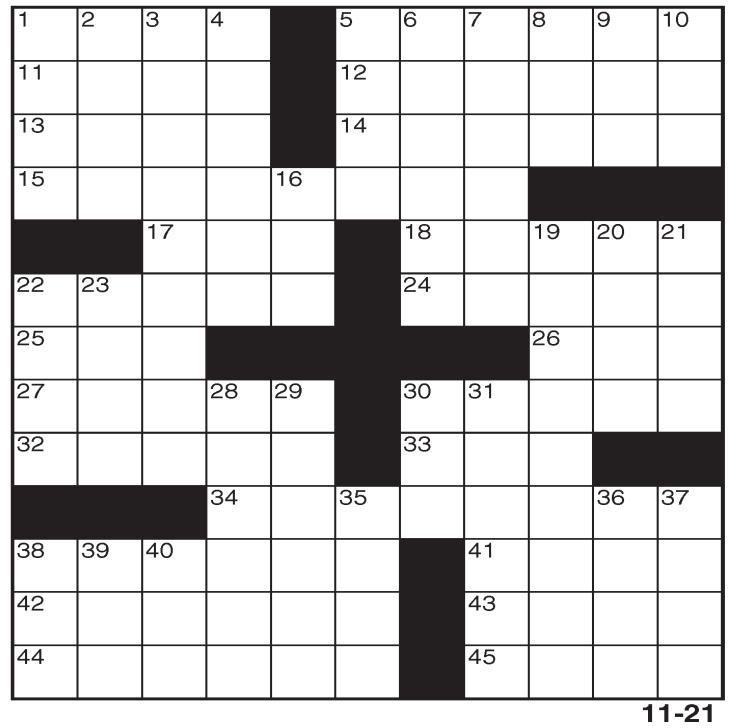
ACROSS

1 Calf-length skirt
5 Best Picture of 1968
11 Historic times
12 "Serpico" star
13 Opposing votes
14 Bureau
15 Opened to the wind
17 Zodiac sign
18 Cuban dance
22 Dwelling
24 Ship poles
25 Kitten sound
26 Puppy sound
27 Furtive looks
30 Flat floaters
32 Binge
33 Maximum amount
34 Hybrid fruits
38 Lets up
41 MP's quarry
42 Like tears
43 Fountain of jazz
44 Wild laughers
45 Urge on

DOWN

1 List of choices
2 Qom's country
3 Purplish bloom
4 Put out
5 October birthstone
6 Heady brews
7 Became frosted
8 Coq au —
9 Ref. wk.
10 Singer Orbison
16 Sturgeon eggs
19 1620 ship
20 Baby sitter's bane
21 Pharaoh symbols
22 Concert boosters
23 Answering machine sound
28 Didn't release
29 Singer Gomez
30 Flock father
31 Dogpatch creator
35 Wields
36 Visitor to Oz
37 Downhill glider
38 Fire remnant
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40 Heady brew

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14 15 29 49 63
Mega#: 2
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1 3 26 29 37
Mega#: 6
Jackpot: $35M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 11/20
1 6 9 19 37

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 11/20
MIDDAY: 5 6 7
EVENING: 6 2 1

DAILY DERBY
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Matched Pair: Prominent Los Angeles cosmetic surgeon David Matlock is himself a finely chiseled specimen of muscle and zero body fat, but he said that when patient "Veronica" came to him in 2007 for "vaginal rejuvenation" surgery, he instantly fell in love despite her somewhat-pudgy figure. He proposed marriage, she accepted, and with her consent, Dr. Matlock set out not only on the requested procedure but on what he called the "Wonder Woman Makeover" -- diet, exercise, surgeries, suctions and injections, and by August 2013, reported Huffington Post, the sculpted couple were competing in matching bodybuilding contests. (However, Veronica's daughter Isabella, 9, is not on board, remarking, "Healthy food doesn't taste good.")

■ Recurring Theme: Joshua Goverman, 29, was arrested in Glendale, Ariz., in October for allegedly stealing copper wiring from the back of an air-conditioner truck in a driveway. The thief apparently had trouble pulling on the wires, and police found a human finger at the scene. Despite Goverman's excuse (that he cut his finger during a "car repair"), the crime-scene finger's print matched Goverman's other fingers' prints.

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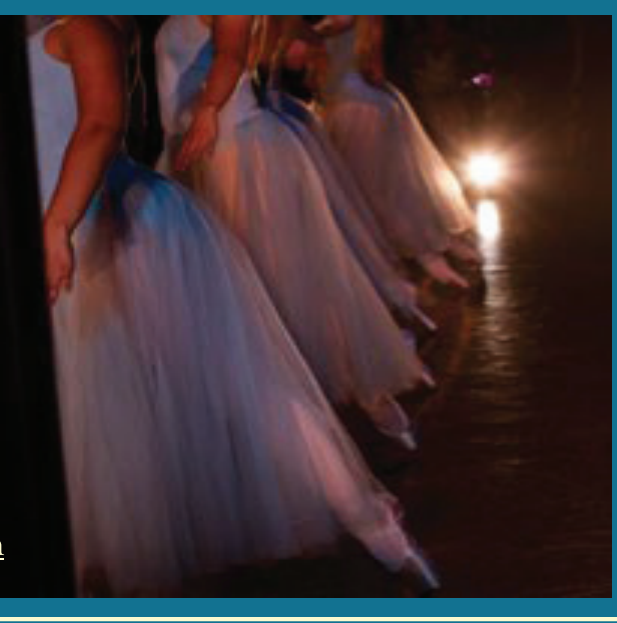
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