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THE AS EASY AS ... ISSUE

Holbrook still leading Winterer in council race

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

DOWNTOWN As vote tallying headed into the home stretch ahead of the Nov. 30 deadline to certify election results, Bob Holbrook maintained his slight lead in the race for the final Santa Monica City Council seat that remains in dispute.

The latest update from Los Angeles County election officials on Monday showed only slight vote total changes from last week. Holbrook had 12,770 votes, a 55-vote lead over challenger Ted Winterer, who had 12,715.

It was unclear Monday how many, if any, ballots remained to be counted.

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Council to approve Farmers' Market safety measures

BY NICK TABOREK
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL Aiming to make the twice-weekly Farmers' Markets held in Downtown Santa Monica safer, the City Council is expected to approve $199,000 tonight for a new traffic plan during the events.

The plan calls for new "vehicle arresting barriers" to be installed at market entrances and new temporary and permanent signs to be placed near the market to alert roadway users about the Wednesday and Saturday events.

The move comes seven years after an elderly man drove his car through the Wednesday market, which takes place on Arizona Avenue near the Third Street

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TREE TIME

Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

Visitors gather around Santa Monica Place's 50-foot tall Christmas tree during the first annual 'Santa Monica Shines' musical tree-lighting celebration on Saturday evening. The lights on the tree dance to a custom-created soundtrack performance from KCRW.

Council to consider parking structure advertising plan

BY NICK TABOREK
Daily Press Staff Writer

DOWNTOWN Hoping to raise revenue for Downtown parking improvements, Santa Monica officials are asking the City Council to allow advertisements inside city-owned parking structures.

The proposal, which the council is set to consider tonight, could raise between $150,000 and $400,000 per year that could be spent on additional signs inside the structures and on Downtown streets aimed at helping drivers find parking spaces more efficiently, said Don Patterson, City Hall's business and operations revenue manager.

The advertising spaces, he said, would likely be located inside stairwells and elevators and would be similar to ads at other shopping centers.

"We're definitely not looking to have ads wherever you look in the parking structures," Patterson said, adding that the advertisements would be in "tasteful displays" that wouldn't "overwhelm" people who enter the buildings.

The proposal is to create a one-year pilot program for parking structure advertisements. If approved, it would be the first time ads were authorized for the Downtown sites, according to Patterson.

Despite previous City Council concerns about expanding advertising opportunities in Santa Monica, the plan was placed on the council's consent agenda for tonight's meeting, a sign that officials view it as uncontroversial.

In addition to raising revenue from ad sales, the proposal would also give City Hall a new outlet for messages about city programs, like citywide smoking prohibitions and homeless outreach efforts, Patterson said.

City Councilman Bob Holbrook said he's behind the plan to sell ads.

"I think it's a good idea. It would be helpful for everybody," he said, adding that he favored using the spaces to promote local businesses rather than national brands.

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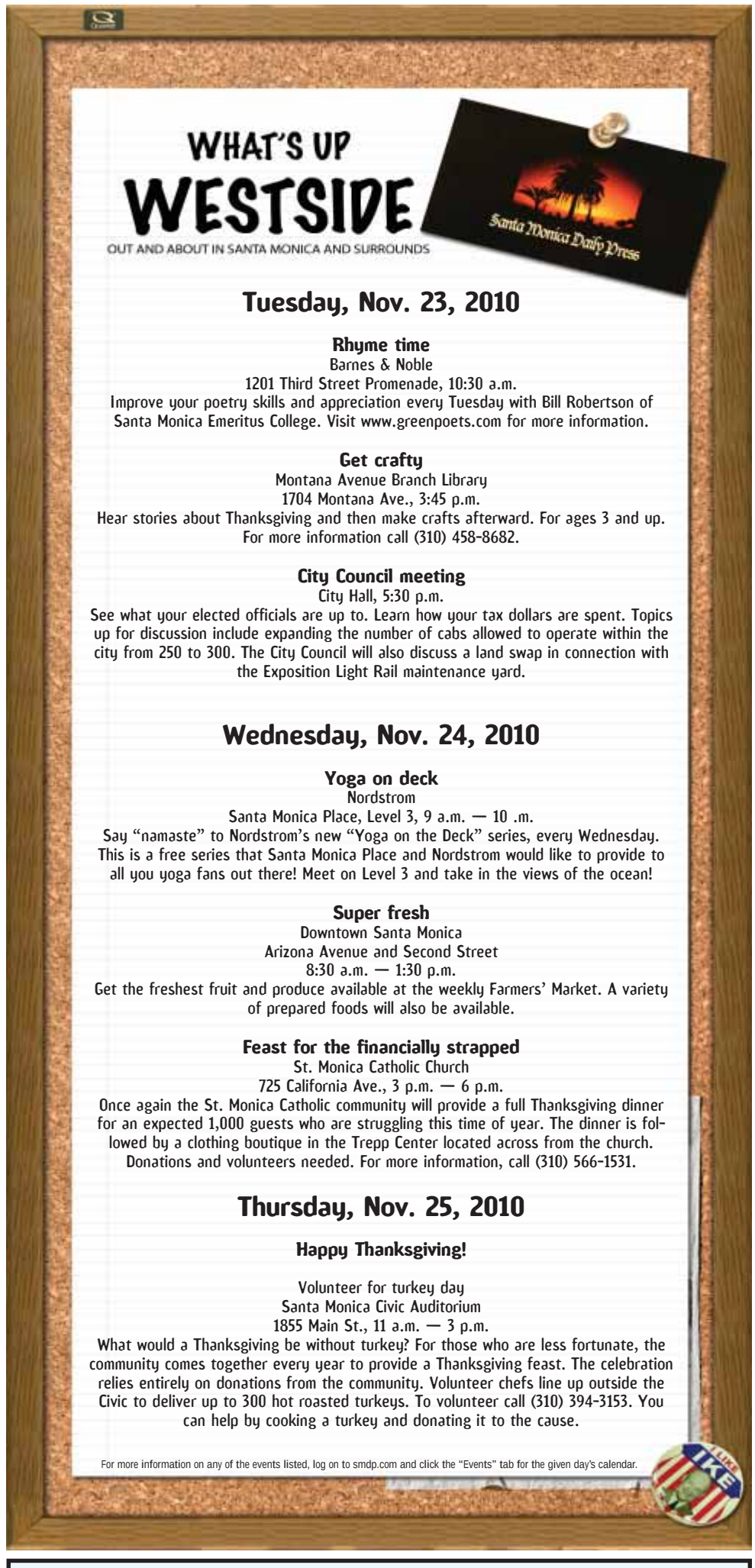
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Rhyme time
Barnes & Noble
1201 Third Street Promenade, 10:30 a.m.
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Get crafty
Montana Avenue Branch Library
1704 Montana Ave., 3:45 p.m.
Hear stories about Thanksgiving and then make crafts afterward. For ages 3 and up. For more information call (310) 458-8682.

City Council meeting
City Hall, 5:30 p.m.
See what your elected officials are up to. Learn how your tax dollars are spent. Topics up for discussion include expanding the number of cabs allowed to operate within the city from 250 to 300. The City Council will also discuss a land swap in connection with the Exposition Light Rail maintenance yard.

Wednesday, Nov. 24, 2010

Yoga on deck
Nordstrom
Santa Monica Place, Level 3, 9 a.m. — 10 .m.
Say "namaste" to Nordstrom's new "Yoga on the Deck" series, every Wednesday. This is a free series that Santa Monica Place and Nordstrom would like to provide to all you yoga fans out there! Meet on Level 3 and take in the views of the ocean!

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.

Feast for the financially strapped
St. Monica Catholic Church
725 California Ave., 3 p.m. — 6 p.m.
Once again the St. Monica Catholic community will provide a full Thanksgiving dinner for an expected 1,000 guests who are struggling this time of year. The dinner is followed by a clothing boutique in the Trepp Center located across from the church. Donations and volunteers needed. For more information, call (310) 566-1531.

Thursday, Nov. 25, 2010

Happy Thanksgiving!

Volunteer for turkey day
Santa Monica Civic Auditorium
1855 Main St., 11 a.m. — 3 p.m.
What would a Thanksgiving be without turkey? For those who are less fortunate, the community comes together every year to provide a Thanksgiving feast. The celebration relies entirely on donations from the community. Volunteer chefs line up outside the Civic to deliver up to 300 hot roasted turkeys. To volunteer call (310) 394-3153. You can help by cooking a turkey and donating it to the cause.

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.

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STRANGE SIGHT

Photo courtesy Brandon Hirschberger

Santa Monica High School baseball player Brandon Hirschberger captured this photo of a car accident that occurred near the corner of 21st Street and Pier Avenue on Saturday, Nov. 20. Preliminary reports said the driver of the Porsche was learning to drive using her boyfriend's car when she mistook the gas pedal for the brake and rammed into the Taurus. No injuries were reported.

Utilities thrilled and worried about latest electric autos

BY JONATHAN FAHEY
AP Energy Writer

NEW YORK The first mass-market electric cars go on sale next month, and the nation's electric utilities couldn't be more thrilled — or worried.

Plugged into a socket, an electric car can draw as much power as a small house. The surge in demand could knock out power to a home, or even a neighborhood. That has utilities in parts of California, Texas and North Carolina scrambling to upgrade transformers and other equipment in neighborhoods where the Nissan Leaf and Chevrolet Volt are expected to be in high demand.

Not since air conditioning spread across the country in the 1950s and 1960s has the power industry faced such a growth opportunity. Last year, Americans spent $325 billion on gasoline, and utilities would love even a small piece of that market.

The main obstacles to wide-scale use of electric cars are high cost and limited range, at least until a network of charging stations is built. But utility executives fret that difficulties keeping the lights on for the first crop of buyers — and their neighbors — could slow the growth of this new niche.

"You never get a second chance to make a first impression," says Mike Rowand, who is in charge of electric vehicle planning at Duke Energy.

Auto executives say it's inevitable that utilities will experience some difficulties early on. "We are all going to be a lot smarter two years from now," says Mark Perry, director of product planning for Nissan North America.

Electric cars run on big batteries that are charged by plugging into a standard wall socket or a more powerful charging station. A combined 30,000 Nissan Leafs and Chevrolet Volts are expected to be sold over the next year. Over the next two years, Ford,

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Cops warn to 'click it or ticket'

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

CITYWIDE With the holidays upon us, millions of Americans will be on the road, traveling to the homes of family and friends. The Santa Monica Police Department wants everyone to arrive safely for their Thanksgiving feasts and is reminding drivers and passengers to buckle up or risk getting a ticket.

"No one wants to start the holidays off wrong with a ticket," said SMPD Chief Tim Jackman. "Save your money for turkey and buying presents for loved ones — don't throw it away simply because you failed to buckle up."

More than 100 local law enforcement agencies statewide and the California Highway Patrol will be out in force for the "click it or ticket" campaign, which is funded by a federal grant dispersed by the California Office of Traffic Safety. Officers will be on the lookout for those driving without their seat belts fastened.

While seat belt use is at a record high of 83 percent nationwide, 45 million Americans still fail to buckle up when they get into a motor vehicle. Even though in California 96.2 percent use their restraints, it still means that more than 1.5 million Californians don't buckle up, law enforcement officials said.

During the holiday period, more than 35 people who are not wearing their seat belts will be killed in car crashes each day nationwide. Statewide, overall traffic deaths declined by 23 percent, from 3,995 in 2007 to 3,081 in 2009, due in part to the increased use of seat belts. Total traffic fatalities are at their lowest levels in six decades, authorities said.

"Sadly, the holidays, which for many are the happiest time of the year, are also one of the deadliest and most tragic," Jackman said.

Christopher J. Murphy, director of the California Office of Traffic Safety, said seat belts are the most effective way to protect people and reduce fatalities in car crashes.

"Law enforcement estimates indicate that more than 1,300 Californians survived by buckling up last year," he said. "Sadly, however, about 150 others will not be gathering with families during the holidays because they chose not to use their seat belts."

National statistics also show that those least likely to buckle up are teens, young adults, males, nighttime riders, motorists traveling on rural roads, and individuals traveling in pickup trucks.

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"F" is the new "N"

Editor:

I am the pitching coach for the Santa Monica High School baseball team (and a Kindergarten teacher at Franklin Elementary) and I recently got tired of the kids cussing on the baseball field so I made a new rule: the whole team runs 10 laps for every cuss word I hear during practice. However, it is 25 laps for the "F" word. But it is not the "F" word that ends with "k." It's the "F" word that ends with "g" (or the long version that ends with "ot"). That word is now equally as offensive as the "N" word. The "F" word, in both its origin (which is derived from burning gays at the stake) and its ability to cause pain should put it on par with the "N" word.

The recent increase in gay teen suicides is, in my opinion, not an increase at all. It is simply the media finally recognizing that these kids were gay and bullied beyond belief. Matthew Shepard's brutal murder in 1998 turned the nations attention to hate crimes committed against gays but it did little to squash everyday homophobia.

It's a real shame how homophobia is so deeply ingrained in the culture of sports. I remember my elementary school days in the 1970s at Madison School (here in Santa Monica) when the P.E. coach would throw us a football at recess and tell us to play "Smear the Queer" which was just a game where you tackle the kid with the ball. This was a perfectly acceptable game to play in the '70s and I can only imagine how it made gay students feel.

There are countless examples of other instances of homophobia in sports, from coaches saying "come on ladies" when they want their players to work harder to Iowa State painting its visiting locker room pink. These are not insults to women, these are veiled homophobic remarks. It is easy to see why there has never been a major sports superstar who was gay. Why would a gay person want to be around the world of sports? Some day soon a major sports star is going to come out of the closet, but I am hoping it is while he is at the peak of his career and not after he retires (and I am praying that it is a pitcher who throws 102 mph!).

When sports fans discuss who is the best baseball player of all time one legitimate argument against Babe Ruth is that he did not have to compete against black baseball players. I am wondering if we will be saying something similar about Albert Pujols or Alex Rodriguez in 50 years. "Yes, Albert and Alex were great but they did not have to compete against gay players like today's players have to."

So for now, I am going to continue to treat the "F" word just as I would the "N" word, with horror and shame.

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Back to Nature

Reese Halter

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Giving thanks for gifts from the bees

IN MY OPINION THANKSGIVING IS THE best holiday of the year for a number of important reasons. Irrespective of your faith or political beliefs, or lack thereof, our nation takes a day to breathe, reflect upon the year and give thanks to our loved ones and the Earth's bounty.

This year I give thanks in particular for three very special people in my life and 1.8 trillion honeybees that directly account for a quarter of a trillion dollars of commerce, worldwide, annually.

Honeybees are responsible for every third bite on our dinner plate this Thanksgiving and, as a matter of fact, at every meal. They pollinate everything from apples to zucchinis, over 100 food crops including half the ingredients in most ice creams. In addition, they are crucial for ensuring alfalfa and clover for the beef and dairy industries around the globe and annually they help provide 100 million bales of cotton, clothing our species.

But that's not all; globally honeybees produce over 2.65 billion pounds of honey, 44 million pounds of beeswax, potent pain medicines and now they are going to protect us by sniffing out terrorists, drug lords and horrid diseases.

Honey contains over 200 substances. Bees secrete a glucose oxidase enzyme that assists in converting nectar into honey. Along with oxygen the glucose enzyme splits the glucose molecule into water and hydrogen peroxide. Due to its hydrogen peroxide and glucose oxidase content, honey is a powerful antiseptic.

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With over 80 percent sugar content and its natural acidity honey creates an inhospitable environment for the single-celled microbes that form infections. The low water content of honey keeps bacteria, which thrives in water, from flourishing. The ancient Mayan shamans realized this and successfully used honey-based medicines to treat cataracts, conjunctivitis, chills, fevers and open wounds. Today, some modern bandage companies line their products with diluted traces of honey.

Honey is loaded with vitamins and minerals. It contains water soluble B1, B2, B6, panothenic and nicotinic acids, vitamin C — as well as high amounts of fat soluble vitamins E, K and A. Honey also provides us with essential minerals: calcium, phosphorus, potassium, iron, copper, manganese, magnesium and sulfur.

Some of these minerals in the specific concentrations found in honey mimic the concentrations of blood serum. Therefore honey metabolizes easily and can be an important source of essential nutrients. In addition, the combination of glucose and fructose and some maltose, melezitose and dextrin makes honey an excellent source of caloric energy.

Some researchers suggest that a teaspoon or two of honey before bed ensures a restorative sleep. Floridian tupelo and New Zealand manuka honeys are low on the glycemic index and therefore best for diabetics.

Beeswax is a somewhat silent partner in the daily lives of people around the world. From cosmetics, stick colognes, antiperspirants, candies and dental impressions to the mouth-pieces of didgeridoos, beeswax is often an important component.

Did you know that your pool table has beeswax filling its screw holes and seams between slates? Beeswax thread is still preferred by shoemakers — and sailors — because of its durability and resistance to weathering. Furniture and automobile polish, industrial lubricants, paint removers and even the frets on a two-stringed Philippine Kutiyapi boat-lute, they all rely on the wax of the bees.

Did you know that the Roman Catholic Church uses about 3.1 million pounds of beeswax in their candles each year, which are 49 percent beeswax?

Beehives can tell scientists a lot about the health and well-being of local environments. In fact, beeswax is a sponge for toxic chemicals. This past springtime researchers examined beehives from 23 states and Canadian provinces and found 121 different insecticides in 887 samples of bees, wax, pollen and hives.

Of even more concern was that three out of five pollen and wax samples from 23 states had at least one systemic insecticide — a poison designated to spread throughout all parts of the plant including its pollen and nectar. One group of these chemicals, neonictinoids, are lethal to bees, moths, beneficial soil insects and known to contaminate fresh waterways.

Since 1957, the former USSR has used extracts of bee stings — bee venom, known as apis — to treat rheumatoid arthritis, multiple sclerosis and other debilitating autoimmune diseases. The powerful anti-inflammatory effects of melittin and adolapin in bee venom — along with apamin, improve nerve transmission and are being used to effectively treat fibromyalgia and tendonitis. Twelve European countries have officially recognized bee venom solution as a drug.

Bees are man's best friend, provider and they are being trained to sniff with a 98 percent accuracy enriched uranium, methamphetamine and another 60 lethal and illegal substances. In addition, honeybees are already being used as early detectors of lung and skin cancers, diabetes and TB, as well as to monitor fertility cycles and confirm pregnancies.

You are what you eat. Visit Farmers' Markets in Santa Monica and buy local organic foods and support local beekeepers by purchasing their honey.

This Thanksgiving please help our bees by not using insecticides, herbicides, fungicides or miticides in your yard.

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What's the Point?

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Christmas tree that keeps on giving

IN THE LAND OF ALL THINGS POSSIBLE, there's a new player on the field and his name is Scotty Claus. He's a happy, vibrant and devilishly handsome elf of a man in a 3-foot long Santa hat and he wants to rent you a Christmas tree.

I met Scotty last year at the Farmers' Market on Main Street and was instantly drawn to his infectious laughter, the joyful way he interacted with shoppers and his company's product — rented Christmas trees.

This year I wanted to write about his company, so I set up an interview. It turns out that this is no ordinary seasonal organization hoping to make a buck off the false camaraderie of the season.

The Living Christmas Co. (www.livingchristmas.com) is based in Carson, Calif. — ironically on a Shell Oil refinery. It turns out that Scotty Claus is actually a landscape architect by trade and wanted to create a company that can use urban infill as a site for his movable nursery. In much the same way as the land under freeway overpasses and under electrical wires is used by more traditional nurseries, Scotty Claus figured that since his trees were in pots, they could be on any type of land, whether paved or not.

His idea was to create a working model for Christmas tree rental companies that can be transplanted to other markets and states, thus reducing the destruction of trees, increasing the availability of jobs, helping to green the surrounding area and be beneficial to those who are underprivileged. This is one intelligent operation doing good on many different levels.

The trees for rent include five types of pine that are suitable for the area. His full-time greens-keepers are drawn from Social Vocational Services designed to rehabilitate or train those who may not have a strong employment background. Giving a job to those who are underprivileged, and teaching them a skillset, is part of the mission of The Living Christmas Co.

Being good by doing good seems to be the way that Scotty Claus operates. As this season progresses, his elves will again be picking up donations for Goodwill Industries as they drop off your Christmas tree. Last year they picked up 900 pounds of donations for the Goodwill.

And that's not all. When they come to pick up your tree, they will also pick up bags of used wrapping paper, which the Goodwill then shreds in their Shred for Good program, which The Living Christmas Co. will use to pack their Christmas ornaments that they sell next year.

The beauty of the tree rental program is that you can adopt a tree and have it returned to you year after year, each tree is bar-coded for identification. This allows you to take those holiday pictures in front of "your" tree and see it grow each year along with your family. Which is a delightful way to mark the passage of time.

As the trees age out, they are donated by Scotty Claus to the Boy Scouts of America to be replanted in fire damaged areas. Last year alone almost 200 trees were donated, and replanted in the San Bernardino forest and surrounding areas.

The ornaments that are sold on the website are from Peru, Tibet and Guatemala. The lights are LEDs and the dough and paint for making your own ornaments are gluten free.

Scotty started out as a teenager delivering Christmas trees in the beach cities.

"It was so much fun! Everyone is happy to see the Christmas tree guys," he said. Clearly that infectious fun set a path for the young man, who went on to become a landscape architect and found a company doing some great social work, and helping Californians to "change the way they celebrate Christmas."

Rentals cost from $25 to $125 plus a shipping charge, which includes the pickup. So for about the same as you would normally spend, you get to have a tree delivered, keep it alive, and enjoy it again next year. Not a bad deal all around.

If you are going to get a tree this holiday season, I highly recommend that you rent a tree from The Living Christmas Co. (www.livingchristmas.com) to adorn with your family ornaments. It's a delightful and environmentally-friendly solution to the annual tradition of killing living things to commemorate life. Plus the pine scent lasts longer, and you can start a fun tradition in your family.

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Review: Disney's 'Tangled' updates Rapunzel story

BY JAKE COYLE
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Walt Disney's modernizing of the Grimm fairy tale is thorough enough that even the original title, "Rapunzel," has been swapped for "Tangled." One can't help but wonder if in today's Hollywood, we might look forward to other contempo fairy tales like "Heeled" ("Cinderella"), "Ambiened" ("Sleeping Beauty") and "Twilight 5" ("Little Red Riding Hood").

"Tangled," which is in 3-D, gives ample opportunity to grimace at its blatant updating. Describing her situation (trapped for all her life in a tower), Rapunzel (Mandy Moore) explains herself like a Facebook page: "It's complicated."

Since the 1940s, Disney has toyed with the story of Rapunzel. "Tangled," directed by "Bolt" helmer Byron Howard and Nathan Greno (head of story on "Bolt"), finally arrives as the much ballyhooed 50th animated feature from Disney, and the last animated fairy tale currently planned by the studio.

The Brothers Grimm have been very good to Disney over the years and returning to one of their tales has very much the feel of "go with what you know." While "Tangled" is not in the league of Disney's best, it's still a sturdy, pleasant execution by the animation machine, retooled slightly for digital times.

The film is digitally animated (though with some hand-drawn aspects) and was one of the first projects led by Pixar chief John Lasseter once he became head of Disney animation. Thus "Tangled" is the first Pixar-ish Disney film, though it still contains all the familiar Disney hallmarks: song-and-dance numbers, amusing sidekicks and a frightfully cruel villain.

That villain is Mother Gothel (Broadway veteran Donna Murphy), who steals Rapunzel as a baby, locking her away in a remote tower where Rapunzel's magical hair preserves her youth.

Rapunzel, with big green eyes and 70-feet of blonde hair, is turning 18 and her birthday wish is to see the kingdom's annual floating lantern festival. Her only friend is Pascal, a loyal chameleon who doesn't speak, but manages to convey himself with eye-rolls and changes of color.

At first, Mother Gothel acts as though she might take Rapunzel out into the world, but she quickly reneges, insisting Rapunzel isn't ready yet. Darkly manipulative and passive-aggressive, she's a classic villain and one of Disney's best.

When Rapunzel is hurt after Mother Gothel tells her she won't ever leave the tower, she sighs: "Oh, great. Now, I'm the bad guy."

Instead of the prince of the Grimm fairy tale, we get Flynn Rider (Zachary Levi), a rogue on the run who seeks a hiding place in the tower. Though resistant at first, Rapunzel takes to him and let's him lead her, for the first time, on to solid ground. Finally out of the tower, she's wonderfully bipolar: a montage switches between her utter glee at freedom, and dramatic swoons of shame in disobeying who she thinks is her mother.

Rapunzel and Flynn set out on a journey that will include a tavern full of theatrical thugs, chase scenes and moments of budding romance. The screenplay by Dan Fogelman ("Bolt," "Cars") gets the tale out of the tower, bounding across cartoon woodlands.

Rapunzel takes it all in with the curiosity of a wide-eyed innocent. Gamely totting around her long trail of hair, she uses it inventively — like an Indiana Jones with a built-in whip.

Flynn is less memorable. He's uncertain of himself, but he's slowly pulled in by Rapunzel's goodness. It is, of course, a predictable arc, but it's managed without much feeling. Flynn is flip and rather obnoxious. When he tells Rapunzel, "Sorry blondie, I don't do back story," we think: She can do better.

His slacker nature works better when he, without much fanfare, tells Rapunzel that famous line, "Let down your hair" — the fairy tale equivalent of "Release the Kraken!"

Both Rapunzel and Flynn too much resemble Barbie and Ken, lacking both superficial and emotional individuality. Moore and Levi are flat. And we can't help but wonder how Rapunzel's lifetime locked-away didn't produce a disorder or two.

The animation, overseen by Glen Keane ("Beauty and the Beast," "The Little Mermaid," "Aladdin"), reaches its apogee in a row boat scene, reminiscent of "Kiss the Girl" from "Mermaid." Flynn and Rapunzel are surrounded by countless floating lanterns in the nighttime sky and reflected in the water.

The romance doesn't match the visual splendor, but no matter: The lushness is enough. The 3-D — which is fine by current standards but generally dims the images — is best here, immersing the audience among the glowing orbs.

For the songs, Disney turned to another stalwart, Alan Menken, who composed the scores to "Beauty and the Beast," "The Little Mermaid" and a number of the less memorable Disney movies of the '00s. There's no hit here — "I See the Light," "When Will My Life Begin?" — but the songs (with lyrics by Glenn Slater) get the job done, particularly Mother Gothel's big number, "Mother Knows Best."

For a story about shrugging off suffocating parental security, it's a good lesson: Sometimes, Mother doesn't know best.

"Tangled," a Walt Disney Studios release, is rated PG for brief mild violence. Running time: 104 minutes. Two and a half stars out of four.



Four in 10 say marriage is becoming a thing of the past

BY HOPE YEN
Associated Press

WASHINGTON Is marriage becoming obsolete?

As families gather for Thanksgiving this year, nearly one in three American children is living with a parent who is divorced, separated or never-married. More people are accepting the view that wedding bells aren't needed to have a family.

A study by the Pew Research Center highlights rapidly changing notions of the American family. And the Census Bureau, too, is planning to incorporate broader definitions of family when measuring poverty, a shift caused partly by recent jumps in unmarried couples living together.

About 29 percent of children under 18 now live with a parent or parents who are unwed or no longer married, a fivefold increase from 1960, according to the Pew report being released Thursday. Broken down further, about 15 percent have parents who are divorced or separated and 14 percent who were never married. Within those two groups, a sizable chunk — 6 percent — have parents who are live-in couples who opted to raise kids together without getting married.

Indeed, about 39 percent of Americans said marriage was becoming obsolete. And that sentiment follows U.S. census data released in September that showed marriages hit an all-time low of 52 percent for adults 18 and over.

In 1978, just 28 percent believed marriage was becoming obsolete.

When asked what constitutes a family, the vast majority of Americans agree that a married couple, with or without children, fits that description. But four of five surveyed pointed also to an unmarried, opposite-sex couple with children or a single parent. Three of 5 people said a same-sex couple with children was a family.

"Marriage is still very important in this country, but it doesn't dominate family life like it used to," said Andrew Cherlin, a professor of sociology and public policy at Johns Hopkins University. "Now there are several ways to have a successful family life, and more people accept them."

The broadening views of family are expected to have an impact at Thanksgiving. About nine in 10 Americans say they will share a Thanksgiving meal next week with family, sitting at a table with 12 people on average. About one-fourth of respondents said there will be 20 or more family members.

"More Americans are living in these new families, so it seems safe to assume that there will be more of them around the Thanksgiving dinner table," said Paul Taylor, executive vice president of the Pew Research Center.

The changing views of family are being driven largely by young adults 18-29, who are more likely than older generations to have an unmarried or divorced parent or have friends who do. Young adults also tend to have more liberal attitudes when it comes to spousal roles and living together before marriage, the survey found.

But economic factors, too, are playing a role. The Census Bureau recently reported that opposite-sex unmarried couples living together jumped 13 percent this year to 7.5 million. It was a sharp one-year increase that analysts largely attributed to people unwilling to make long-term marriage commitments in the face of persistent unemployment.

Beginning next year, the Census Bureau will publish new, supplemental poverty figures that move away from the traditional concept of family as a husband and wife with two children. It will broaden the definition to include unmarried couples, such as same-sex partners, as well as foster children who are not related by blood or adoption.

Officials say such a move will reduce the number of families and children who are considered poor based on the new supplemental measure, which will be used as a guide for federal and state agencies to set anti-poverty policies. That's because two unmarried partners who live together with children and work are currently not counted by census as a single "family" with higher pooled incomes, but are officially defined as two separate units — one being a single parent and child, the other a single person — who aren't sharing household resources.

"People are rethinking what family means," Cherlin said. "Given the growth, I think we need to accept cohabitation relationships as a basis for some of the fringe benefits offered to families, such as health insurance."

Still, the study indicates that marriage isn't going to disappear anytime soon. Despite a growing view that marriage may not be necessary, 67 percent of Americans were upbeat about the future of marriage and family. That's higher than their optimism for the nation's educational system (50 percent), economy (46 percent) or its morals and ethics (41 percent).

And about half of all currently unmarried adults, 46 percent, say they want to get married. Among those unmarried who are living with a partner, the share rises to 64 percent.

Other findings:

• About 34 percent of Americans called the growing variety of family living arrangements good for society, while 32 percent said it didn't make a difference and 29 percent said it was troubling.

• About 44 percent of people say they have lived with a partner without being married; for 30-to-49-year-olds, that share rose to 57 percent. In most cases, those couples said they considered cohabitation as a step toward marriage.

• About 62 percent say that the best marriage is one where the husband and wife both work and both take care of the household and children. That's up from 48 percent who held that view in 1977.

The Pew study was based on interviews with 2,691 adults by cell phone or landline from Oct. 1-21. The survey has a total margin of error of plus or minus 2.6 percentage points, larger for subgroups. Pew also analyzed 2008 census data, and used surveys conducted by Time magazine to identify trends from earlier decades.



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CARS
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Toyota and every other major automaker also plan to offer electric cars.

Governments are promoting the expensive technology as a way to reduce dependence on foreign oil, cut greenhouse gas emissions and improve air quality. Congress is offering electric car buyers a $7,500 tax credit and some states and cities provide additional subsidies that can total $8,000. The Leaf sells for $33,000 and the Volt sells for $41,000.

Electric cars produce no emissions, but the electricity they are charged with is made mostly from fossil fuels like coal and natural gas that do. Still, electric cars produce two-thirds fewer greenhouse gas emissions, on average, than a similarly sized car that runs on gasoline, according to the Natural Resources Defense Council.

Driving 10,000 miles on electricity will use about 2,500 kilowatt-hours, or 20 percent more than the average annual consumption of U.S. homes. At an average utility rate of 11 cents per kilowatt-hour, that's $275 for a year of fuel, equivalent to about 70 cents per gallon of gasoline.

"Electric vehicles have the potential to completely transform our business," says David Owens, executive vice president of the Edison Electric Institute, a trade group.

Nationwide, utilities have enough power plants and equipment to power hundreds of thousands of electric cars. Problems could crop up long before that many are sold, though, because of a phenomenon carmakers and utilities call "clustering."

Electric vehicle clusters are expected in neighborhoods where:

• Generous subsidies are offered by states and localities

• Weather is mild, because batteries tend to perform better in warmer climates

• High-income and environmentally conscious commuters live

So while states like North Dakota and Montana may see very few electric cars, California cities like Santa Monica, Santa Barbara and Monrovia could see several vehicles on a block. SoCal Edison expects to be charging 100,000 cars by 2015. California has set a goal of 1 million electric vehicles by 2020.

Progress Energy is expecting electric car clusters to form in Raleigh, Cary and Asheville, N.C. and around Orlando and Tampa, Fla. Duke Energy is expecting the same in Charlotte and Indianapolis. The entire territory of Texas' Austin Energy will likely be an electric vehicle hot spot.

Adding an electric vehicle or two to a neighborhood can be like adding another house, and it can stress the equipment that services those houses. "We're talking about doubling the load of a conventional home," says Karl Rabago, who leads Austin Energy's electric vehicle-readiness program. "It's big."

How big depends on the size of the battery in the car, and how fast the car is charged.

When plugged into a standard 120-volt socket, the electric car will draw 1,500 watts. By comparison, a medium-sized air conditioner or a countertop microwave oven will draw about 1,000 watts.

But the car can be charged faster, and therefore draw more power, when plugged into a home charging station. The first Leafs and Volts can draw 3,300 watts, and both carmakers may boost that to 6,600 watts soon. The Tesla Roadster, an electric sports car with a huge battery, can draw 16,800 watts. That's the equivalent of 280 60-watt light bulbs.

A modest home in the San Francisco Bay area that doesn't need air conditioning might draw 3,000 watts at most.

Transformers that distribute power from the electrical grid to homes are often designed to handle fewer than a dozen. Extra stress on a transformer from one or two electric vehicles could cause it to overheat and fail, knocking out power to the block.

The "nightmare" scenario, according to Austin Energy's Rabago: People come home from work on a hot afternoon, turn on the air conditioner and the plasma television, blend some frozen cocktail, start cooking dinner on an electric stove —and plug their car into a home charging station.

An electric vehicle plugged into a standard wall socket poses a different problem. It will put less stress on a transformer, but it could trip a circuit breaker if the circuit serves other appliances. Power would go off in part of the house.

To head off problems, teams of workers at utilities are gathering information from Nissan and Chevrolet, doing customer surveys and looking at buying patterns of hybrid gas-electric cars like the Toyota Prius to try to predict where they might see clusters of electric car buyers.

They are comparing that data with maps of their systems to determine what equipment might need upgrading first in hopes of avoiding blown circuits in the neighborhoods of early buyers.

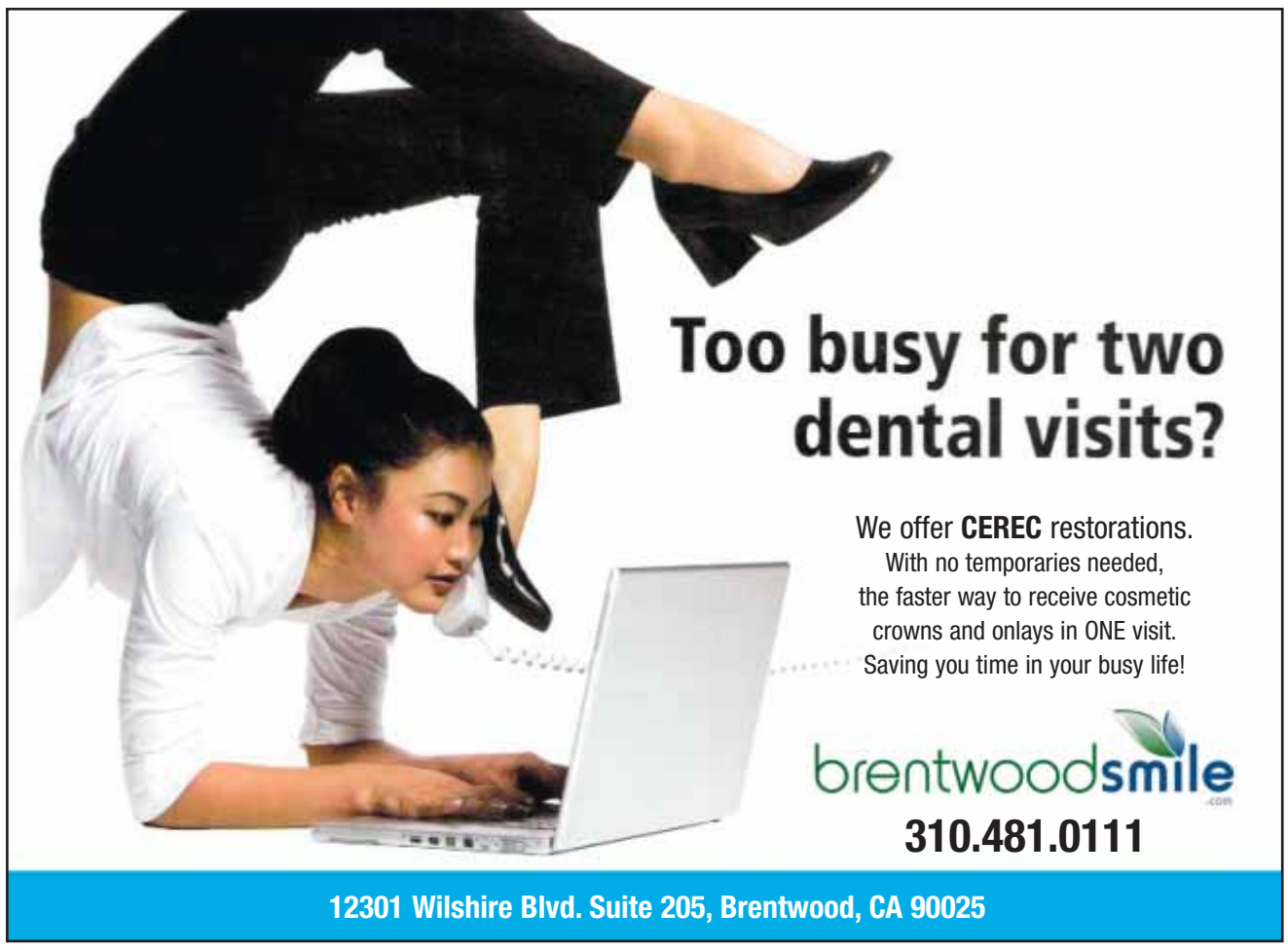
Utilities also hope to convince drivers to program their cars to charge late at night, when rates are low and most appliances are switched off.

Ted Craver, the chief executive of the parent company of SoCal Edison and a chairman of an industry electric vehicle planning association, says early buyers will likely be tolerant of a few hiccups. At the same time, he says, those are the people utilities should try hard to please. "They turn into promoters," he says.

Replacing a neighborhood transformer costs a utility between $7,000 and $9,000, according to SoCal Edison. This is work a utility will often want to do. With the approval of public utility commissions, utilities can add the cost of these kinds of upgrades to the rates they charge customers across their territory.

Utility executives hope the popularity of electric cars will grow as the vehicles' costs come down and as public charging stations are made available at malls and along highways. Momentum will gather faster, they predict, if they minimize the number of home circuits that get blown and neighborhood transformers that get fried over the next two years. But they know there will be problems.

"It's like you're about to have a baby," says Duke Energy's Rowand. "You know it's going to be good, but you also know there's going to be some throw up and some dirty diapers, and you just hope that it's something you are prepared for."







SAFETY
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Promenade, killing 10 people and injuring scores more.

The new traffic plan is expected to reduce annual operating costs by $121,418 because it will reduce the number of Santa Monica Police personnel required to handle security at the markets, according to a City Hall report.

The traffic plan is part of a $1.2 million spending package that is included on the council's consent agenda.

With the goal of improving the skills of city employees who drive "specialty vehicles" like garbage trucks and beach maintenance vehicles, the council also is expected to approve $212,250 for Trukspect Inc., which provides commercial vehicle and equipment safety training.

The proposed contract is for a five-year term and requires the company to cover "a broad spectrum of topics including one-on-one defensive driving testing, training and coaching, forklift safety training, flagger training, traffic control training, proper back-up training, and aerial manlift safety training," according to a City Hall report.

The program is necessary to comply with California Department of Transportation and other state requirements, City Hall said.

The council is also expected to approve $560,000 to replace old 300-gallon refuse containers used to store solid waste, green waste and recycling materials. The proposed contract with Rotonics Inc. requires the company to replace about 540 containers annually, out of about 32,500 of the collection containers in use citywide.

Also on the agenda is a lease modification for the city's mail room and print shop at 1660 Lincoln Blvd., which is needed because the building's landlord is planning to sell the property. The proposed amendment would reduce the rent to $8,000 from $9,495 per month for a 3,723 square foot property while City Hall looks for new permanent location for the facility.

The council is also being asked to sign off on an additional $125,000 for Cityworks Design, which is working on integrating the Expo light rail line with the existing cityscape. The contract amendment is for technical expertise to address the portion of the planned rail line that will run along Colorado Avenue.

The council is also expected to approve $150,711 for water quality sampling at the Palisades Bluffs horizontal drains. The testing, to be conducted by URS Corp., is part of City Hall's Palisades Bluffs Stabilization Project.

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Gentlemen and ladies socialize with moustaches as they start their annual pub crawl to raise support for Movember at the Britannia Pub on Santa Monica Boulevard on Saturday evening. The Movember Club was created to raise awareness of men's health and in the support of The Prostate Cancer Foundation and The Lance Armstrong Foundation.

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Officials: No common cause for birth defects near dump

BY GARANCE BURKE
Associated Press

FRESNO, Calif. California health officials said Monday they found no common cause for birth defects plaguing infants in an impoverished San Joaquin Valley farm town where residents are battling plans to expand the largest toxic waste dump in the West.

Eleven cases of cleft palates and other birth abnormalities have been reported since March 2007 in Kettleman City, where officials said the rate of birth defects from 2008 to 2009 was higher than what would be expected.

Many community members have blamed the health problems on the landfill and called for more testing of children with abnormalities and their relatives to determine the cause of the problems.

"It's very disheartening, very disappointing," resident Maricela Mares-Alatorre, whose niece's son was born with severe birth defects, said of the state finding. "These moms really do deserve answers. They feel that it is not normal."

Officials reviewed the cases of 11 children born with cleft palates and other abnormalities, as well as air, soil and water samples taken in the community and at the nearby Chemical Waste Management Inc. landfill. Company officials did not immediately return messages seeking comment on the finding.

In February, Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger ordered the California Department of Public Health and the California Environmental Protection Agency to investigate the situation. The draft report was released Monday and will be finalized next month after officials hear public comments.

"We wish there was an explanation for what caused the birth defects experienced by the children we studied," public health director Mark Horton said in a prepared statement. "Our investigation finds that no common health or environmental factor links the cases."

The landfill is near the community of 1,500 people along Interstate 5, the main freeway linking Northern and Southern California.

Every day, thousands of diesel trucks pass by Kettleman City on the highway. In addition, the town is bisected by high-tension power lines, and many residents work in nearby fields sprayed with pesticides and chemical fertilizers.

The expansion permit for the Kettleman Hills dump was approved earlier this year by the county Board of Supervisors, but it also needs state and federal approval to proceed.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency continues to monitor the dump to ensure regulatory, enforcement and permitting procedures are properly followed.

Police eye death of boy who fell at Staples Center

BY ROBERT JABLON
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES A police investigation was under way Monday in the death of a toddler who plunged from a third-level luxury box at Staples Center after a Los Angeles Lakers basketball game.

The fall occurred Sunday as 2-year-old Lucas Anthony Tang was taking pictures with his family in a skybox with a glass safety barrier that varies in height but is at least several feet high, police Officer Julie Sohn said.

"Somehow the child went over the edge of the section and fell to the seating below," Sohn said.

Fire officials said boy fell 25 to 50 feet.

The case was being handled by the Police Department juvenile division, which investigates deaths of young children and other crimes involving juveniles.

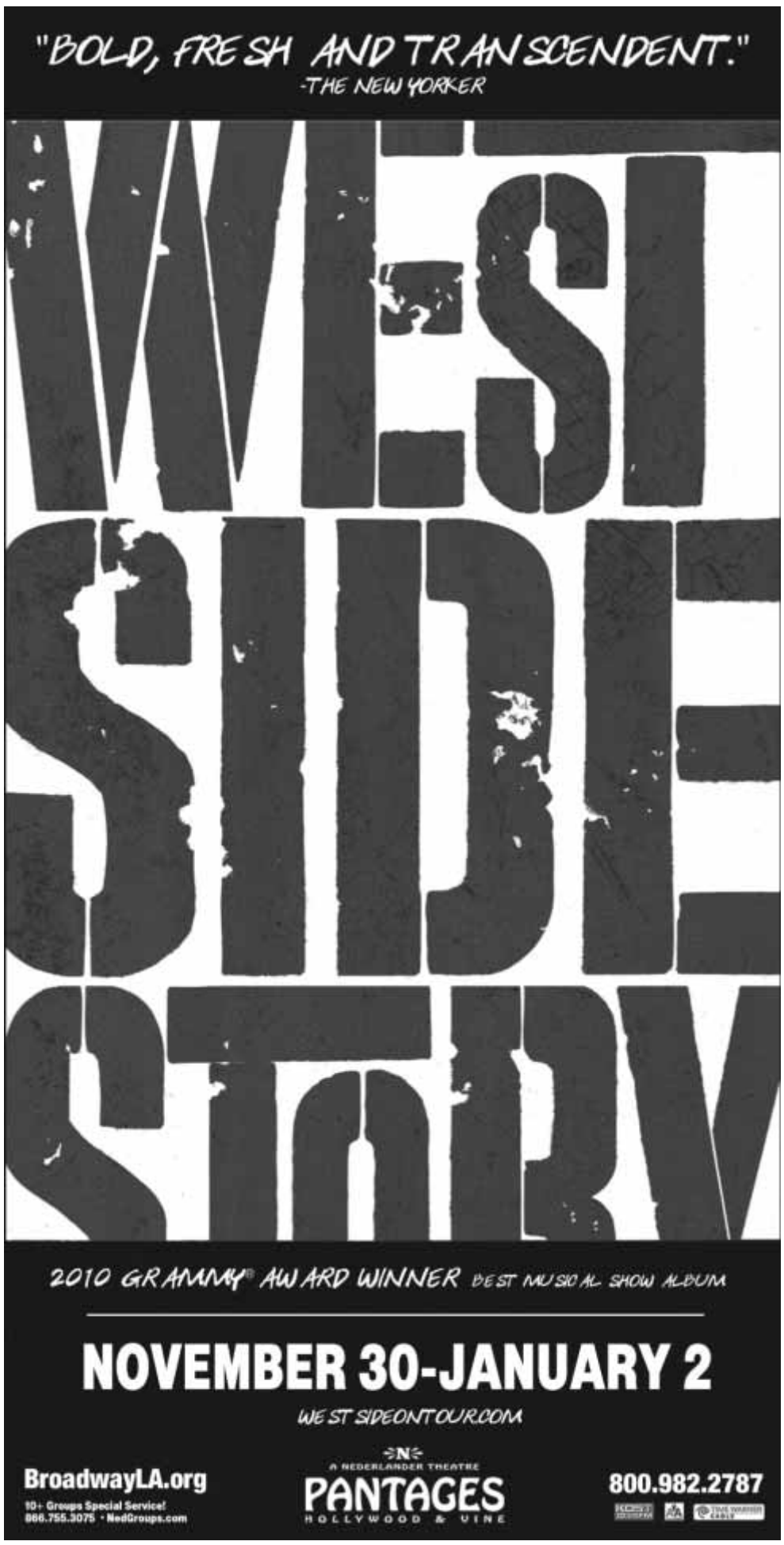
"It's procedural," Sohn said of the probe involving Tang, declining to elaborate or discuss possible causes of the fall.

The Garden Grove boy suffered severe head trauma, Fire Department spokesman Erik Scott said. However, an official cause of death had not yet been determined.

Witnesses said the boy was moving his arms, legs and head when paramedics put him in an ambulance, said Michael Roth, vice president of communications for Staples Center and owner AEG. The child later died at a hospital.

"Our condolences and prayers go to the Tang family. We are working with the Los Angeles Police Department on the investigation of this tragedy," Roth added in a short prepared statement.

Tang fell several minutes after the Lakers beat the Golden State Warriors. There was no immediate word on whether the death would affect the Staples schedule, which included a Monday night game between the Los Angeles Clippers and New Orleans Hornets.





Security protest could disrupt Thanksgiving travel period

BY MICHAEL TARM
Associated Press

CHICAGO As if air travel over the Thanksgiving holiday isn't tough enough, it could be even worse this year: Airports could see even more disruptions because of a loosely organized Internet boycott of full-body scans.

Even if only a small percentage of passengers participate, experts say it could mean longer lines, bigger delays and hotter tempers.

The protest, National Opt-Out Day, is scheduled for Wednesday to coincide with the busiest travel day of the year.

"Just one or two recalcitrant passengers at an airport is all it takes to cause huge delays," said Paul Ruden, a spokesman for the American Society of Travel Agents, which has warned its more than 8,000 members about delays resulting from the body-scanner boycott.

"It doesn't take much to mess things up anyway — especially if someone purposely tries to mess it up."

Body scans take as little as 10 seconds, but people who decline the process must submit to a full pat-down, which takes much longer. That could cause a cascade of delays at dozens of major airports, including those in New York, Los Angeles, Chicago and Atlanta.

"I don't think it would take that much on the busiest day of the year to slow things down," said Gerry Berry, a Florida-based airport security expert. "If I was an airport guy, a screener, a traveler — I'd be concerned."

Not all airports have the machines, which resemble large refrigerators. And not all travelers are selected for scans. But Berry estimated that up to 20 percent of holiday fliers will be asked to use the full-body machines — meaning tens of thousands could be in a position to protest.

The full-body scanners show a traveler's physical contours on a computer in a private room removed from security checkpoints. But critics say they amount to virtual strip searches.

The protest was conceived in early November by Brian Sodergren of Ashburn, Va., who built a one-page website urging people to decline the scans.

Public interest in the protest boomed this week after an Oceanside, Calif., man named John Tyner famously resisted a scan and groin check at the San Diego airport with the words, "If you touch my junk, I'll have you arrested." A cell-phone video of the incident went viral.

Other groups have since taken up Sodergren's cause.

"I had no idea what was being started and just how upset people were," said Sodergren, a health industry employee. "I'm just a guy who put a website up."

The Transportation Security Administration has a new pat-down procedure that includes a security worker running a hand up the inside of passengers' legs and along the cheek of the buttocks, as well as making direct contact with the groin area.

Pat-downs often take up to four minutes, according to the TSA's website, though that could be longer if someone requests it be done in a room out of public view or if an ill-at-ease traveler asks for a full explanation of the procedure beforehand.

Factoring in those time estimates, it would take a total of around 15 minutes to put 100 people through a body scan — but at least 6 hours to pat down the same number of travelers.

The TSA's Chicago spokesman, Jim Fotenos, would not disclose how many travelers are normally selected for scans. He said only "a relatively small percentage" normally need pat-downs.

Fotenos declined to say if the agency was taking precautionary steps ahead of the protest, saying only that passengers can make their experience better "by coming prepared and arriving early."

On Friday, TSA head John Pistole told CBS's "The Early Show" that the close-quarter body inspections are unavoidable in a time of terrorist threats.

Pistole acknowledged the public distaste for more intense security, particularly hand pat-downs, and called it a "challenge" for federal authorities and airport screeners.

Also Friday, the TSA agreed to allow airline pilots to skip security scanning and pat-downs. According to pilot groups, pilots in uniform on airline business would be allowed to pass security by presenting two photo IDs, one from their company and one from the government, to be checked against a secure flight crew database.

David Castelveter, a spokesman for the Air Transport Association, which represents the airline industry, declined to speculate whether the protest would trigger delays.

"It is impossible to assess how many people will take part, but we would be disappointed if many travelers did participate on one of the busiest days of the year," Castelveter said.

He said airlines always urge customers to show up early during peak holiday travel times and were not suggesting any changes specifically because of the protest.

Delta Air Lines planned to have extra staff in place as it normally does during a holiday travel period. Spokeswoman Susan Elliott said the company was not taking any extra precautions in case of widespread protests.

Southwest Airlines Paul Flaningan said only that his company was "aware of what is being talked about, and we are in constant communication with the TSA."

He said Southwest was not bringing in extra workers specifically because of the threatened protest.

Karen Pride, a spokeswoman for Chicago's Department of Aviation, which oversees O'Hare and Midway airports, would say only that the airports planned to bring in extra workers for the holiday, but she declined to address the potential effect of the protest.

Sodergren sounds much less strident than many critics of screening procedures. And he says he's not trying to cause disarray at airports.

"I have no idea what's going to happen," he said "I don't think it will be chaos. And I have no desire to slow the system down."

But some protesters are aiming to do just that.

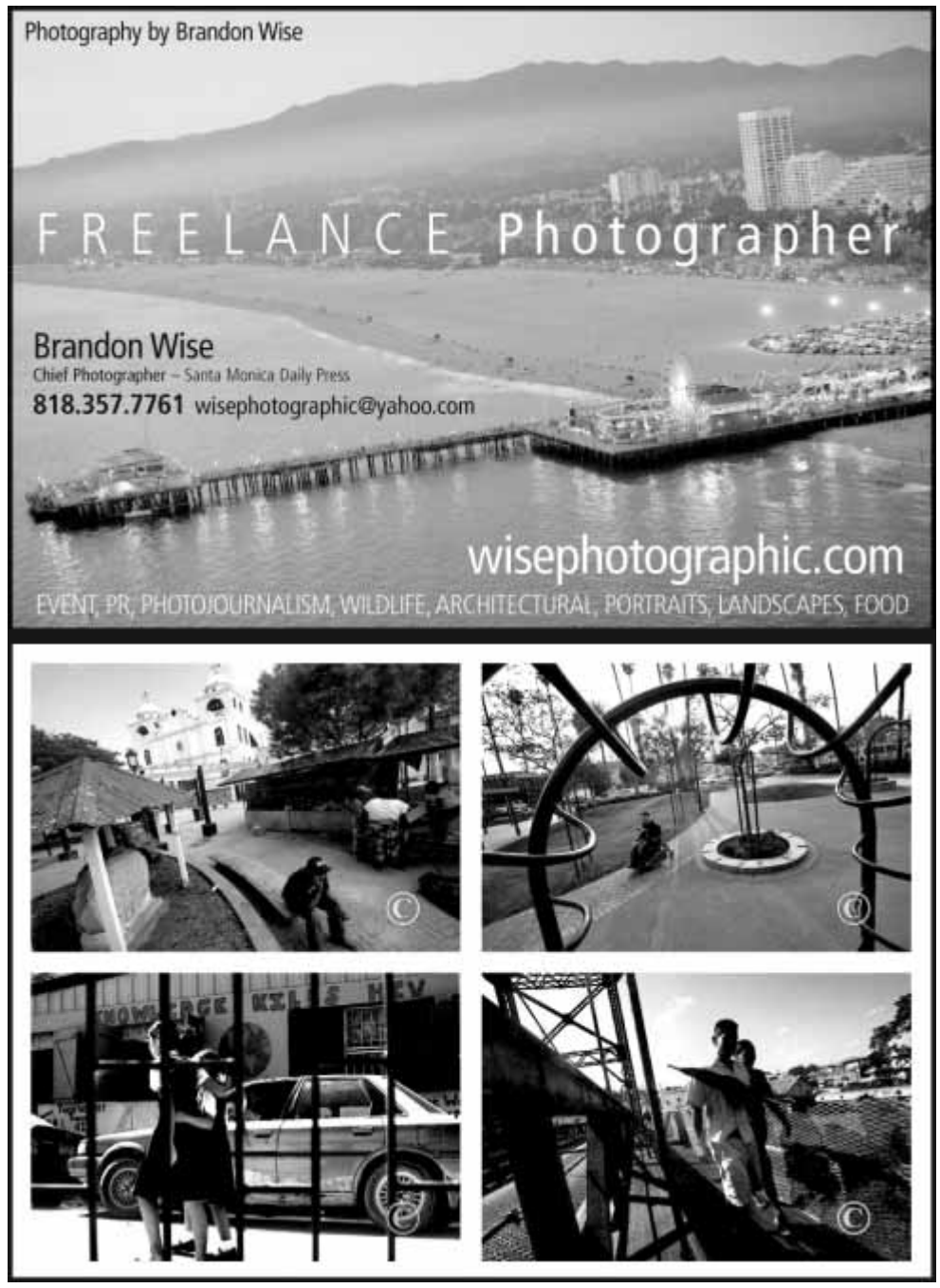
Another participating organization called "We Won't Fly" features a blurb at the top of its website that says, "Jam TSA checkpoints by opting out until they remove the porno-scanners."

Organizer James Babb of Eagleville, Pa., agreed many travelers would see the pat-down as equally intrusive or more so. But he's still recommending the pat-down because, he says, it would create more disruption and send a stronger message.

"They won't have the manpower to reach into everyone's crotch," he said.

Passengers cannot opt out of both the scan and the pat-down once they have been selected for the enhanced searches, according to TSA rules. If they then try to evade the measures, they could face an $11,000 fine.







SURF REPORT

Surf Conditions **Water Temp:** 62°

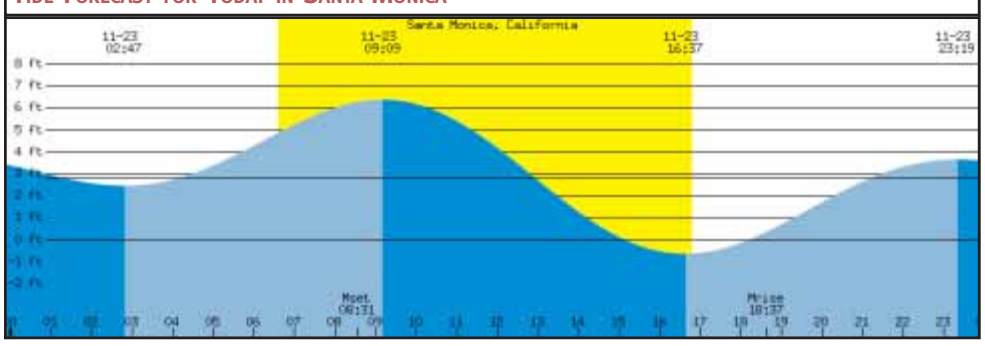
Swell Forecast

The wind swell should back off to about waist high.

Long Range Synopsis

Looks smaller yet, about knee to waist most everywhere.

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 16, 2010**

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

QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 1
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 17
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 30 / 16
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 16 / 25

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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
Leo Carrillo 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 Alina creeks.	A+	A+
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	C	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.	A+	F
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Solstice Canyon at Don Blocker County Beach.	F	F
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	C	A
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	A+	F
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	D
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	F	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	F	B
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	C
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 Tunas County Beach.	A+	A
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	F	A
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+

LOCATION	DRY	WET
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).	D	B
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A	C
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	C	F
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	A	C
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	F	B
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A	F
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A	B
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A+	F
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	F
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	A+	F
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	C
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St..	A+	D
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower.	D	B
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth.	D	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain.	A+	A
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	A+	C
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jetty).	C	C
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	F	C
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	F

LEGEND

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

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NFL

Vikings fire Brad Childress after falling to new low

BY DAVE CAMPBELL
AP Sports Writer

EDEN PRAIRIE, Minn. Brad Childress is gone, one season after he famously picked up Brett Favre at the airport, got a contract extension and came within a field goal of reaching the Super Bowl.

The Vikings fired Childress on Monday, ending an eventful and often tumultuous run with the team marred recently by player unrest, livid fans and an angry boss over everything from his abrupt decisions to a 3-7 start.

Defensive coordinator Leslie Frazier, who has interviewed seven times for NFL head coaching jobs, will serve as interim head coach for the remainder of the season. Frazier and owner Zygi Wilf, who stormed out of the locker room after Minnesota's 31-3 loss at home to rival Green Bay on Sunday, were scheduled to talk with reporters later Monday afternoon.

"I know it's a tough one to take over because he was working for a guy he loved and was loyal to," said Colts coach Jim Caldwell, a friend of Frazier's who was also a candidate for the job here before Childress got it. "And it's hard for all of us because Brad Childress is a good man and a good coach. But Leslie deserves an opportunity, and I know he'll do a good job."

Childress, who is the second NFL coach to be fired this season after Dallas cut Wade Phillips loose, thanked the Vikings for the chance to coach in Minnesota.

"I am proud of our accomplishments and believe the foundation of this football team is stronger today than when I became head coach," he said in a statement released by the team.

The loss to the Packers was the final blow to Childress in his fifth season in charge of the team. His most-lopsided home defeat as head coach dropped his overall record to 40-37, including 1-2 in the playoffs.

Childress went all in with Favre, riding his incredible 2009 season to the NFC championship game and then going down this year under the weight of his 17 interceptions. But the team's problems transcend the shaky performance by the 41-year-old quarterback.

And the players, for all their frustration with Childress and his style, put the blame on themselves after getting beat up by the Packers.

"We're grown men. He's not out there playing with us," tight end Visanthe Shiancoe said when asked on Sunday about Childress's status. "You've got to look in the mirror sometimes. We're 3-7. You go 3-7, you always want to blame somebody else. Sometimes you can't blame somebody else. Sometimes you have to focus on yourself and what you're doing wrong."

Childress took over for the fired Mike Tice in 2006 after spending seven years with the Eagles, including four as the offensive coordinator. He was chosen by Wilf to instill discipline and demand better off-the-field behavior from a team that was embarrassed the year before by a bye-week boat party gone bad and a number of other legal problems for players.

However, Childress stumbled in his first year and never fully gained the faith of the fans — or some of his players.

Childress infamously cut dissatisfied wide receiver Marcus Robinson on Christmas Eve, had trouble connecting and communicating with some of his players and often came across to the public as rigid and aloof.

The offense struggled without a clear solution at quarterback, and it wasn't until last year, when Childress persuaded Favre to put off retirement a second time, that the Vikings finally put up points and became the dominant team that matched the Pro Bowl talent on the roster.

Still, they went from 6-10 to 8-8 to 10-6 to 12-4 in his first four seasons, losing in the NFC title game in overtime last January to the eventual champion New Orleans Saints. Last November, Wilf — pleased by the stability and the progress — gave Childress a contract extension. According to an ESPN.com report on Nov. 19, the deal ran through 2013 but the final year was the team's option.

This season almost seemed destined for doom, given how smoothly it all went in 2009 until the very end and how well Favre played last year by taking care of the ball and making age-defying throws into the end zone.

This season, Favre didn't show up for camp until mid-August, and the next week wide receiver Sidney Rice had hip surgery. Wide receiver Percy Harvin missed big chunks of time, mostly because of migraine headaches, and center John Sullivan was out of action for several weeks with a nagging calf injury.

Coincidence or not, the offense was out of sync to start, Favre began turning the ball over at costly times and the Vikings suddenly were missing last year's magic.

The relationship between Favre and Childress, which was tense at times in 2009, seemed to sour further when Favre threw three ill-fated interceptions in the Oct. 24 game at Green Bay and the Vikings lost to Favre's old team.

Childress, who was just 3-9 against the rival Packers as Minnesota coach, was sharply critical of Favre's decision-making afterward, and the coach drew his own criticism for failing to challenge a Packers touchdown catch that could've been overturned because the ball was being bobbled.

Then the situation really went south following a loss at New England. Wide receiver Randy Moss, acquired in a trade for a third-round draft pick just four weeks earlier, went out of his way to praise the Patriots and criticize Childress in a post-game rant.

The next day, Childress told his players he had cut Moss and never fully explained the situation to them or the public. Wilf was reportedly angry that Childress didn't tell him first of his plan, and there were anonymous reports of growing dissatisfaction in the locker room about the boss. Childress and Harvin got into a heated argument during one practice over an MRI test on his sprained ankle.

Fans made no secret about their frustration, with thousands of "Fire Chilly" signs distributed on Nov. 7 outside the stadium before the Vikings played Arizona and several chants breaking out from the seats during the game.

The Vikings rallied for an overtime victory over the Cardinals to table the firing talk temporarily, but a 27-13 loss at Chicago on Nov. 14 and the blowout against Green Bay cranked it back up again.

The Packers also blew out Dallas the day before the Cowboys fired Phillips earlier this month. Green Bay linebacker Desmond Bishop posted on Twitter on Monday that he hates to see anyone lose his job.

MOVIE TIMES

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Unstoppable (PG-13) 1hr 38min
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Town (R) 2hrs 03min
3:45pm, 9:40pm

Red (PG-13) 1hr 51min
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10:00am, 1:00pm, 4:00pm, (digital presentation) 7:00pm, 10:00pm

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

Cool It (PG) 1hr 28min
4:40pm, 10:15pm

127 Hours (R) 1hr 33min
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1:30pm, 4:20pm, 7:10pm, 9:55pm

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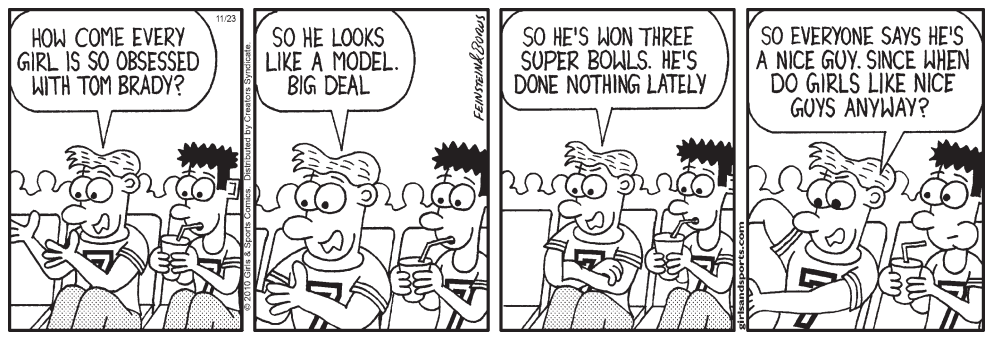
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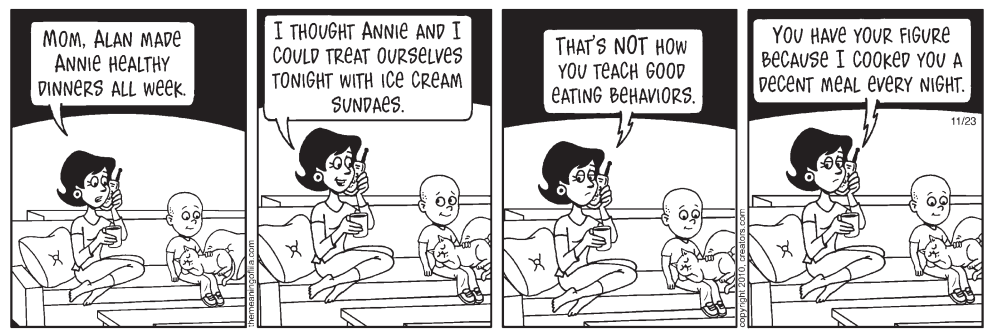
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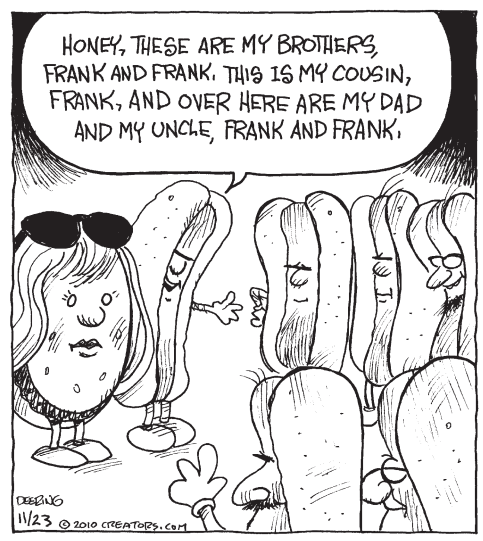
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Hang with a friend, Aries

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Resist the temptation to let someone have it early in the day, even if you feel like it. People have been pushing you way past your limits. Your instincts cheer you on in a conversation. Just be careful. Don't do anything you could regret later. Tonight: Hang with a friend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★ Your controlling side emerges when dealing with a demanding friend or family member. This person knows, like everyone else, that when you say "no," you mean it. Use your innate ingenuity with a project or public appearance. Tonight: Buy a favorite dessert on the way home.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★★ When someone smiles, almost no one can help themselves -- they return that smile. Your upbeat and positive attitude helps compensate for an unexpected development. Knowing you, you will incorporate it in a positive way. Tonight: Only what you want.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★ The less said the better, at least during the workday. You could be overly excited by news heading in your direction. This news could involve travel or another wonderful opportunity. Tonight: Nap, then decide.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ Despite confusion, keep your focus. You see a lot coming up from out of nowhere. A partner or associate pops up with an idea that seems too good to say "no" to. Use care before involving others in your financial dealings. Tonight: Slow down. Head home.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★★ Examine an opportunity to take the lead. If you don't like what you must do, then, by all means, back off. Someone might not agree, but still tries to enlist your help. Being helpful and being the lead player are two different jobs. Tonight: Work turns into fun.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★★ Detach and take an overview that isn't colored by what you wish could happen. Be ready to reshuffle your schedule if another invitation seems more interesting. A child might be pulling the wool over your eyes. Tonight: Tap into a long-term desire and start making it so.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ You will work best on an individual level with those around you. Use special care around money and spending. You might not know when to say "no." A child or loved one could surprise you with his or her actions. Don't overreact. Tonight: Opt for something different.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Could you possibly be out of sorts? You might not intentionally be distorting what you hear, but you also might have had enough of another's pressure. Your creativity flows in an unprecedented manner. Tonight: Socialize a little and relax.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★ All work and no play could make you feel less than enthusiastic about life. You can add humor to any situation if you so choose. Your positive attitude flows into all interactions, making for more lightness. Tonight: What starts out as a staid talk could become quite the hoopla.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★★ Just allow your imagination to venture out, with you following. You might be amazed by all the excitement you could trigger out of the blue. Use caution with money matters, as they could get way out of whack. Tonight: Play the night away.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★ Stay close to home if possible. You discover that someone finally wants to talk after months of holding back. Your instincts guide you with a domestic or family matter. Just be careful not to do something to distance this key person. Tonight: Order in.

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

Happy birthday

This year, others dominate, like it or not. Your smiling way attracts many people. You have another side that, if pushed, could emerge. Realize that it is normal to have limits. Perhaps you should integrate your true self with that sunshine personality. The unexpected plays a key role in the next 12 months. Come spring, creativity and a better quality of life mark your days. If you are single, you could meet someone quite special. There will be an element of continuous excitement between you. If you are attached, the two of you act like new lovers. Some couples might be expecting new additions. GEMINI can be challenging.

Sudoku

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

Difficulty Level ★★

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GETTING STARTED

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

5	2	9	3	8	4	6	1	7
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ACROSS

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5 Not taut
10 Blunder
12 Berry of "X-Men"
13 "ABC World News" anchor
15 Support-er's suffix
16 Conclude
17 Frodo's friend
18 Irritate
20 Italian wine region
21 Turkey neighbor
22 Ultimate
23 Tibia's end
25 Dreary shade
28 Docking spots
31 Highlands girl
32 Old Testament book
34 Play a part
35 "You said it!"
36 Hydrocarbon suffix
37 "Something's Gotta Give" star
40 Consumed
41 Derisive sound
42 Some coasters
43 Health clubs

DOWN

1 Acted the usher
2 Occurs
3 Spoiled, perhaps
4 Junior, to senior
5 Herring's kin
6 Bar topic
7 Milano of TV
8 Traction aids
9 Friend of Fozzie
11 Land, as a fish
14 Preview
19 Waiter's aids
20 Watchful
24 Defeats
25 Sylvan spots
26 One kind of equality
27 Ritzy home
29 Lonely place, so they say
30 Madrid matron
33 Holds a lease
35 Longings
38 Beatty of film
39 Solution: Abbr.

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Yesterday's answer

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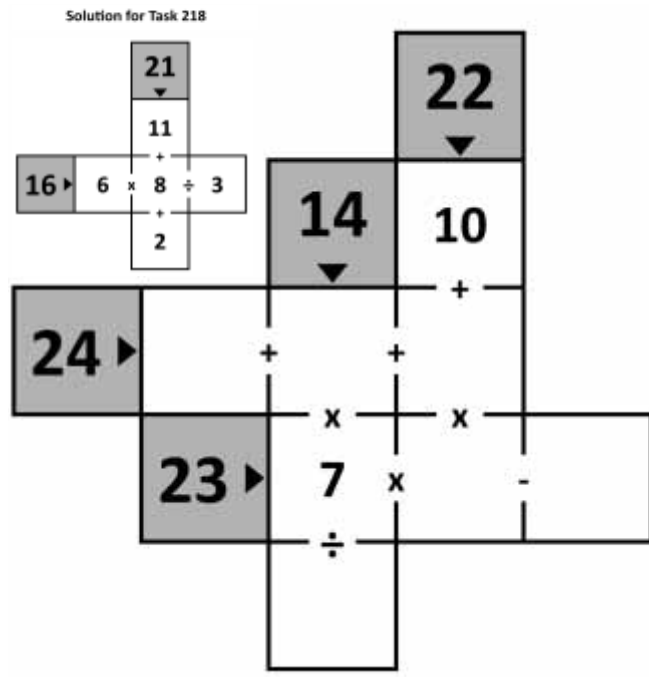
- Fill the grid with the set of given numbers (1 to 12) to satisfy the Equa demands (7 to 24) in the shaded boxes. The Equa demands represent the sum of the digits that you will insert into the empty squares.
- Each horizontal row has one Equa demand to satisfy; each vertical column also has one demand to satisfy. Each empty square in the grid dictates the math operation (addition +, subtraction -, multiplication X, and division ÷) that must be performed to meet the demands.
- You must follow the given math operations for each square and you must make sure all the numbers satisfy the demands in the shaded boxes when connected in adjacent threes and calculated together from left to right, and top to bottom.
- The numbers you insert into the grid must satisfy the Equa demands both horizontally and vertically.

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

3, 4, 5, 5, 10, 11

Solution for Task 218



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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Prolific: (1) In October, police arrested a man arriving at the Madras, India, airport from Sri Lanka, bringing precious stones into the country in his stomach. After employing laxatives, police recovered 2,080 diamonds. (2) William Wright, 54, was arrested in St. Petersburg, Fla., in October and charged with using a hidden camera in a ladies' room to photograph a young girl. Charges are still pending from 2009 when police said Wright had taken "upskirt" photos of more than 2,300 women.

■ Safari World, the well-known and controversial zoo on the outskirts of Bangkok, has previously stupefied the world (and News of the Weird readers) by training orangutans to play basketball, ride motorbikes and kickbox (while outfitted in martial-arts trunks). In a photo essay in November, London's Daily Mail showcased the park's most recent success -- training elephants to tightrope-walk (where they prance on a reinforced cable for 15 meters and then, displaying astonishing balance, turn around on the wire).

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1499 Pretender to the throne Perkin Warbeck is hanged for reportedly attempting to escape from the Tower of London. He had invaded England in 1497, claiming to be the lost son of King Edward IV of England.

1531 The Second war of Kappel results in the dissolution of the Protestant alliance in Switzerland.

1644 John Milton publishes Areopagitica, a pamphlet decrying censorship.

1808 French and Poles defeat the Spanish at battle of Tudela

1844 Independence of the Duke of Schleswig-Holstein from Denmark.

1863 American Civil War: Battle of Chattanooga begins – Union forces led by General Ulysses S. Grant reinforce troops at Chattanooga, Tennessee and counter-attack Confederate troops.

1889 The first jukebox goes into operation at the Palais Royale Saloon in San Francisco.

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