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THE TWO DAY COUNTDOWN ISSUE

Holbrook says farewell after six terms

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL After about 500 meetings and thousands of hours in the Council Chambers, Bob Holbrook will take to the dais one last time tonight.

Holbrook, elected in 1990, is the longest serving member of City Council in Santa Monica's history.

The elder statesmen has survived six elections and without the help of Santa Monicans for Renters' Rights, the city's largest political party or, as Holbrook likes to call it, "the political machine."

Holbrook, who announced earlier this year he'd retire at the end of this term, is often short with his words during meetings, at least in recent years, but he's full of opinions and is known for speaking with residents, regardless of where they stand politically.

"Some of my colleagues talk, talk, talk, and I think they're trying to convince themselves they're right," he said. "If they keep hearing themselves say it over and over, they begin to believe themselves."



HOLBROOK

A favorite council

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COMMUNITY MEAL

Matthew Hall *matt@smdp.com*

OPCC held its annual Thanksgiving Luncheon on Nov. 22 at their Cloverfield Blvd. facility. The volunteer organized project provides a free meal, entertainment, supplies and friendship to OPCC clients. Organizers said they would like to thank the many sponsors from the Santa Monica business community and their families for supporting OPCC and volunteering at the luncheon as well as: Event Co-Hosts Skye Montgomery, Lachlan Montgomery and Marcia Cross; the Host Committee Chairmen Jamie Montgomery of March Capital Partners and Tom Mahoney of UBS Private Wealth Management and OPCC Board Member; and In-Kind Sponsors the Bel Air Bay Club, Fairmont Miramar Hotel and Sports Authority.

Annual meal returns to St. Monica's

BY MATTHEW HALL
Editor-in-Chief

ST MONICA'S St. Monica's Catholic Community will continue a 35-year tradition on Nov. 26 with their annual Thanksgiving Dinner.

The event is open to all and is a way for the community to connect with individuals who may be facing particular financial hardships this season or who may find themselves alone this holiday. The dinner is free of charge and will be served from 3 to 6 p.m. in the Auditorium.

Organizers said all are welcome and longtime volunteer Rick McGeagh said the event is an opportunity for residents to come together, regardless of wealth, to share a sense of community.

"All of us at Thanksgiving are looking at all that we have to be thankful for and in our Santa Monica community, we see many that aren't as fortunate and this presents an opportunity to share our blessings and reach out to them," he said. "It's a wide variety of people, not necessarily impoverished, maybe just someone that is lonely and wants to share a meal with the community."

The meal is prepared and served in a comfortable family-style atmosphere. McGeagh said the numbers have fluctuated with the economy, peaking during the recession, but have averaged out to about 1,000 per year eating on site. He said the leftovers

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Elevate green beans from Thanksgiving afterthought

ALISON LADMAN
Associated Press

Admit it, when it comes to preparing Thanksgiving dinner, the greens are an afterthought. You give all your focus to the bird, the stuffing, the mashed potatoes, probably even a couple orange vegetables. But the green stuff? Um ... How long does it take to

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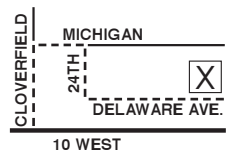
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OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

November 25

Smoke Gets in Your Eyes with Caitlin Doughty
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd.
7 - 8:30 p.m.
Caitlin Doughty in her eye-opening, candid, and often hilarious story is like going on a journey with your bravest friend to the cemetery at midnight. She demystifies death, leading us behind the black curtain of her unique profession.

Open Maker Night with Jen Fox
1450 Ocean
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.
Join local engineer and maker Jennifer Fox to learn how to design and build various engineering and upcycling projects ranging from robotics to wearable technology to musical instruments. Cost: $10 in advance, $12 cash at the door. Register for classes at ow.ly/oZGSg or call 310-458-2239

City Council Meeting
Santa Monica City Hall
1685 Main St. 5:30 p.m.
Visit www.smgov.net/departments/council for more information.

Toddler Thanksgiving Special
Ocean Park Branch Library
2601 Main St. 10:45 a.m.
Celebrate Thanksgiving with Mr. Jesse and all his puppet pals. This program is for Toddlers ages 18-36 months. No tickets needed.

November 26

Preschool Story Time at Main
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd.
11:15 - 11:45 a.m.
Story series for 3 to 5 year olds. A ticket is required to attend each session. A limited number of tickets are given out on a first-come, first-served basis, the morning of the program, at the Youth Reference Desk.

Toddler Time
Fairview Branch Library
2101 Ocean Park Blvd. 10 a.m.
Stories, songs, and rhymes for toddlers ages 18 to 35 months, accompanied by an adult.

Homework Help
Fairview Branch Library
2101 Ocean Park Blvd. 3:30 p.m.
Get help with your homework! This drop-in program offers a separate study area, basic supplies, and friendly volunteers to assist with homework questions. For students in grades 1-5 only.

November 27

Let it Snow
Third Street Promenade at Wilshire
6 p.m.
Every year Santa Monica hosts a series of holiday events and activities that light up Downtown, bringing a festive holiday spirit to this idyllic seaside city. Winterlit takes over the corner of Wilshire Blvd at Third Street Promenade every Thursday evening, beginning at 6 p.m.

ICE at Santa Monica
1324 5th St. 2 p.m. - 10 p.m.
Every holiday season, Downtown Santa Monica brings a little ice skating to the beach side community and transforms the corner of 5th Street and Arizona Avenue into ICE at Santa Monica, a premier outdoor ice skating rink. The 8,000 square foot rink by the beach offers residents and visitors a little taste of winter without the bite.

For help submitting an event, contact us at
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One Direction, Iggy Azalea shine at 2014 AMAs

MESFIN FEKADU
AP Music Writer

One Direction won three honors at the American Music Awards, including artist of the year over powerhouse acts like Beyonce and Luke Bryan, while breakthrough newcomer Iggy Azalea beat out heavyweights Eminem and Drake in the rap categories.

Katy Perry, who was absent from Sunday's awards show because of her world tour, matched One Direction for most wins with three.

The boy band won also won favorite band, duo or group - pop/rock and favorite album - pop/rock for "Midnight Memories" at the fan-voted show.

"This has been a real perfect day ... America feels like a second home to us," Liam Payne said onstage with his band mates when they won the night's first award. The group released its new album, "Four," last week.

They wore all black as they sang the groove "Night Changes" at the Nokia Theatre L.A. Live. Taylor Swift kicked off the AMAs as a mad woman and man eater by feeding a boy a poisonous apple, holding burning roses and giving crazy eyes during a performance of her song about her dating life according to the media.

She was aggressive, grabbing her male dancers by their blazers and singing in character on bended knee when performing her new No. 1 hit, "Blank Space." She even removed part of her dress to expose a shimmery, leg-revealing gold number.

She later received the first-ever Dick Clark Award for Excellence, presented by Diana Ross.

"To the fans who went out and bought over a million copies of my last three albums, what you did by going out and investing in music and albums is you're saying you believe in the same thing I believe in - that music is valuable and that music should be consumed in albums and albums should be consumed as art and appreciated," said Swift, who recently removed her music from streaming service Spotify.

Brantley Gilbert, who won favorite album - country for "Just as I Am," is on the same label as Swift, Big Machine Records. He also removed his music from Spotify, but declined to discuss the topic when asked about it backstage.

"You know tonight for me was about the songs and the fans and I had a blast accepting an award, I'm not so sure I want to chase the question without a safe answer," he told reporters.

Azalea, who was the top nominee with six, performed twice: She hit the stage first for "Fancy" and new single "Beg for It," later returning to close the show with a steamy Jennifer Lopez for their collaboration, "Booty."

Azalea won favorite album - rap/hip-hop

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Clover Park

5K Benefit Doubles Fundraising Goal to Benefit SMS Awareness

November 17, is worldwide Smith-Magenis Syndrome (SMS) Awareness Day. SMS is a rare genetic disorder that affects the 17th chromosome and causes physical, developmental, and severe neurobehavioral abnormalities. There are fewer than 1,000 diagnoses worldwide, leaving research and treatment efforts plagued by a lack of funding.

In an effort to raise awareness and research funding, the SMS Research Foundation organized a series of events across the country throughout the month of November. The first event, a 5K Walk, took place Nov. 9 at Clover Park in Santa Monica. Hundreds of walkers and runners took to the pavement and helped generate more than $36,000, nearly double the $20,000 goal, for the SMS Research Foundation.

"It was such a heartwarming and hopeful day with so many friends and SMS families coming together for a common goal," says Susan Diamond, Board Member of the SMS Research Foundation and 5K organizer. The goal and mission of the SMS Research Foundation is to raise the funding necessary to advance research and improve the lives of those affected by and living with SMS. "The Research Foundation does not receive grant money from the government or corporations, so every dollar is raised through grassroots fundraising events by SMS families looking for answers to the challenges of SMS."

The second event, a Spartan Obstacle Race, took place in Boston, Massachusetts on Nov. 16, and Team SMS generated over $25,000. The final fundraiser was a comedy night at the Hard Rock Hotel and Casino in Hollywood, Florida. The three fundraisers have generated a combined total of over $79,000 so far.

All money raised from the events will go directly to the SMS Initiative, a five-year commitment and collaboration between the SMS Research Foundation and the researchers at Baylor College of Medicine in Houston. For further information about SMS and the SMS Research Foundation, go to www.smsresearchfoundation.org.

Founded in June 2010, The Smith Magenis Research Foundation is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization with a mission of supporting research to improve the knowledge and understanding of SMS so that viable therapeutic options can be developed in order to improve the quality of life of those with SMS.

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SMMUSD announces administrative appointments

At its meeting on Nov. 20, the Board of Education approved the appointment Dr. Mark Kelly as the new Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources and Student Services and Bertha Roman as the new Director of Educational Technology for 2014-15. Debra Moore Washington, the district's current Assistant Superintendent for Human Resources, will be retiring at the end of January, 2015. The Director of Educational Technology is a new position that will cultivate and steer the vision of classroom technology for our district.

Dr. Kelly was appointed the Executive Director of Student and Professional Services this past spring. Prior to that, Dr. Kelly served as the Director of Student Services for two years. He has also served as the Principal of Malibu High School as well as the Assistant Principal and Co-Principal at Santa Monica High School. He taught educational leadership courses at UCLA and Cal State Northridge, facilitated curriculum workshops at the Los Angeles Systemic Initiative, and taught math at North Hollywood High School, Richard E. Byrd Junior High School, and Francisco Sepulveda Junior High School. As Executive Director, he oversaw oversight the Director of Student Services and served as the liaison among the department/district, cities, and other agencies; was involved in coaching, developing, supporting, and evaluating principals; supported the BTSA program; and trained in negotiations, serving on the district's negotiations team.

Roman has been a valuable part of SMMUSD's Educational Services team as a Teacher on Special Assignment for Education Technology for the past six years. Prior to that, she taught chemistry at Santa Monica High School, served as a graduate teaching assistant at San Diego State University, and taught science classes in Calexico, CA. As Teacher on Special Assignment for Education Technology, Roman served on our District Technology Team (DTT) Committee, collaborating with Measure BB staff to integrate classroom technologies into new construction projects; coordinated SMMUSD's SMARTBoard Educator's Academy Conferences as well as assisted with the maintenance and support of SMARTBoards and A/V classroom technologies; oversaw and coordinated teacher professional development regarding middle school science curriculum and secondary formative assessment tools; and collaborated and networked with education technology directors from local districts as well as LACOE staff. Most recently, she has facilitated the development of Measure ES Phase I technology priorities, including assisting with the budget, timeline, and project development.

Roman is well-versed in best practices regarding both the technical infrastructure and instructional applications of education technology initiatives. She understands the needs of schools and can facilitate the development of programs that improve the instructional program for all students. She keeps up-to-date on current education technology trends by networking with district, county, state, and national technology leaders. In fact, Roman serves on the Executive Board of the Computer Using Educators (CUE and CUE-LA) organizations and has presented at the county's Technology Leader's Panel, Cal State LA's 21st Century Leaner's Symposium, and Tech Ed 2010. Roman is currently pursuing a Doctorate in Education in Learning Technologies at Pepperdine University.

"I would like to congratulate Dr. Kelly and Ms. Roman on their new positions," commented Lyon.

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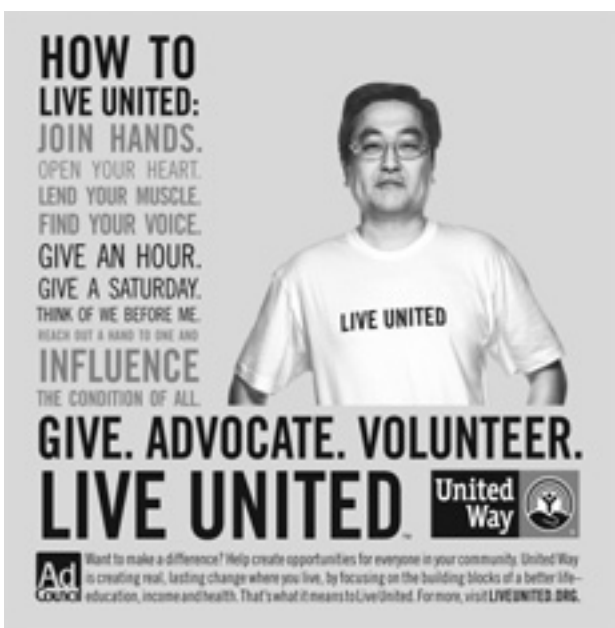
I am pleased to say that Google answered my Letter to the Editor, "Google, please stop polluting my neighborhood," published in this newspaper on Monday, November 10th. In my letter I asked Google to stop its mobile advertising campaign in Santa Monica.

For the last ten weekends, a big red double-decker bus advertising YouTube shows would turn my corner every 30 minutes. I found out from the bus driver that the bus carried no passengers and made no stops. In other words, the buses existed for the sole purpose of advertising YouTube shows. Not very green of YouTube or its parent company Google.

Since my story ran, not one bus has circled my neighborhood. This is a big win for the environment. I want to thank Google for listening and being green in Santa Monica.

Monica Ciociola
Santa Monica







What's the Point?

David Pisarra Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Visiting the dead to value the living

THIS IS EITHER ONE OF THE BEST WEEKS of the year or the worst. It all depends on how you view it. For some of us, it is a week of cooking and stress and overcrowded stores as we try to create the "perfect" Thanksgiving. It's all about getting the image right to feel like we've done our life properly.

For others it's a shining light on all that is wrong in your life. Typically this is the time of year when we field calls from people who are in unhappy marriages that are starting to consider divorce and swear that they'll "make it through the holidays", and come January they're "outta here!"

Single people have a hard time with this time of year thanks to the endless questions about who you're bringing to the Holiday Party? Why are you still single? Don't you want to have someone to love?

The fundraisers love this time of year because they can trot out all the sad and depressing images of homeless people, cold dogs, and children who live in poverty to gain access to your wallet. They play on our heartstrings to line their pockets for the coming year.

Then there are those who truly do adore this week. It's a week of doing things they love, cooking for their family, enjoying the time together with the ones who made it home and being grateful for all that they do have, and not wishing they had so much more.

I come to this week with my own sense of gratitude. I don't have a family here. I don't have a huge home to be filled with a large group. I don't have many things this year that other people could look to and gasp in reverent awe. What I do have is a peace of mind. A gratitude for the day I get to live and the people I get to help. I am grateful for the times I've had more, and remember the times I had less. Both were fun and fine.

Yesterday a podcast I listen to posted the first episode they've put up in months. So I had to jump on listening to it. It was a beautiful crisp and sunny day, so there was only one place to stroll and listen to my friends JV and Shara recant tales of their vacation in Cancun, the Woodlawn Cemetery, just around the corner from my office. As I listened to their tales of fun and frolic in Mexico I meandered through headstones and statues honoring those who have come before us.

Walking amongst the dead was a strong reminder to enjoy the living. I have historically been against the idea of cemeteries. I've thought them a waste of space, but I may have been wrong. At one point I stopped and looked, only to see a grave marker for a young man I knew. He lost his battle with drugs and alcohol. Next to him was his sister's marker, she was cut down by a police car that was racing without its lights. They were both much younger than me and had barely started on this life.

The stark reminder of how fleeting our time here is, and how easily it is taken from us, as I was listening to the tales of raucous retreat fun was a strong contrast that put into perspective what is important, without all the treacly sweet Rockwellesque blather that marketers are using this week.

I want people to focus on the important things this week. They are not making sure you have four different types of pie and three kinds of cranberries to satisfy the vegans, the gluten free and the Non-GMO folks. It is to remember to have a conversation about how much someone means to you, with them. It is to make time away from the day-to-day stresses and just be with your love. Your kids are important, but if you don't put time into your primary relationship, all the turkey and dressing in the world wont help. Be with the people who mean the most to you and you will have valuable memories, memories that will long outlast the reviews of this year's Snickerdoodle pie.

Have a Happy Thanksgiving and enjoy the week.

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BEANS

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microwave frozen green beans?

It doesn't have to be that way. That's why we created this delicious - yet ridiculously simple - recipe for skillet green beans bathed in brown butter, then tossed with fresh tarragon, Dijon mustard and lemon zest. Top the whole thing with toasted sunflower seeds and call it good. Total effort? Only about 20 minutes, and about half of that is hands-off.

Sunflower seeds (get unsalted) don't do it for you? Substitute toasted pumpkin seeds (sometimes called pepitas) or chopped toasted hazelnuts.

GREEN BEANS WITH TARRAGON, MUSTARD AND SUNFLOWER SEEDS

Start to finish: 20 minutes
Servings: 8
6 tablespoons (3/4 stick) butter
2 pounds green beans, trimmed
1 teaspoon kosher salt
3 tablespoons chopped fresh tarragon
2 tablespoons Dijon mustard
Zest of 1 lemon
1/4 cup toasted sunflower seeds

In a large deep skillet, melt the butter over medium heat. Cook the butter for 5 minutes, or until it is toasty and fragrant. Add the green beans and salt, then stir to coat. Cover and cook for 8 to 10 minutes, stirring occasionally, or until the green beans are just tender. Stir in the tarragon, mustard, lemon zest and sunflower seeds. Serve hot.

Nutrition information per serving: 140 calories; 100 calories from fat (71 percent of total calories); 11 g fat (6 g saturated; 0 g trans fats); 25 mg cholesterol; 10 g carbohydrate; 3 g fiber; 4 g sugar; 3 g protein; 340 mg sodium.

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moment for Holbrook was when he and others got a group of outdated city vehicles sent to Bayou La Batre, Ala. immediately following Hurricane Katrina. More recently, and closer to home, was a memorial that he pushed to have built in Woodlawn Cemetery, to honor Santa Monicans who've died in combat.

Holbrook is also proud of the city's strong budget, the parks that have been built or improved under his watch, and times, particularly back in the 1990s, when he and others brokered compromises.

He lamented the fact that Santa Monica politics have grown, as he sees it, reactionary. He remembers being able to converse with and reach agreements with former Mayor Ken Genser, who was often on the other side of issues. Holbrook remembers lots of 4 to 3 votes, with former Mayor Paul Rosenstein often serving as the swing vote.

"He wanted everyone to participate," Holbrook said. "He became more of an independent. Those were good years. We got a lot done."

Holbrook is considered by many to be pro-business - a stance that has made him the target of anger in recent years alongside a swelling anti-development contingent.

"The vitriol is unbelievable," he said.

Most of it died down, he said, after he announced his retirement.

A recent low-point, he said, was when council agreed, 6 to 1, to use taxpayer dollars to repair "Chain Reaction," a sculpture gifted to City Hall in the 1990s.

"I was assured there were five or six council members who didn't want to fund it," Holbrook said. "They'd rather use that money for new art projects and things like that. And they all voted for it."

What's next for Holbrook?

"No more staff reports," he said. "I have little grandchildren that I'm enjoying.

There are some trips I'd like to take. There are some things I need to do. We've had some family health issues and it turns out it wasn't our health; It was our children's health. It was serious. It's just, the time I have left in this world I'd rather devote to something that I find gives me more pleasure."

The long meetings, he said, get to him.

"Sometimes I'm sitting there at 12 at night thinking, how can we have spent three hours on this item which was a slam dunk?" he said. "Oftentimes we are 7 to 0 but we just can't get to the vote. Someone's got to give a speech. We can't even adjust a parking permit without the neighborhood showing up."

Holbrook, a pharmacist, vehemently opposes allowing medical marijuana dispensaries within the city's borders.

"It's something that's clearly, clearly not in the best interest of the public but they just want to be progressive," he said. "I just thought I'm a voice that's not heard anymore and I don't care to beat myself up here until midnight or 1 a.m. and not make any difference."

He may show up to speak from the audience when the dispensary issue comes up, likely next year.

"There will be probably a few times where I've got to get something off my chest," he said. "I doubt if I'll be around City Hall ever - maybe an issue here or there - because I don't expect them to listen."

Holbrook laughed, noting that he'd recently suggested to former Santa Monica Mayor Bobby Shriver that the two should run for council together in 2016.

"Let's have some fun," Holbrook told Shriver.

When asked if he was serious, Holbrook was silent, grinning.

"Bobby thought it was a good idea," he said eventually.

Holbrook told an anecdote about a man who, spotting Holbrook's council member license plates, asked him to wind down his car window.

"He said, 'I want to thank you. You guys have done a wonderful job. This is a great place to live. It's a wonderful city.' He's not part of the 30 people who keep shouting and shouting that they hate Santa Monica," Holbrook said. "It made me feel good."

"The thing I try to tell young council members is that you'll here from people," he continued, "but there's about 98,000 that you won't hear from. What's best for them?"

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MUSIC
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for "The New Classic" and favorite artist - rap/hip-hop.

"It means so much to me that it is for best hip-hop because that's what inspired me to move to America and pursue my dreams, and it's what helped me when I was a teenager to escape and to get through my life and to better times," the 24-year-old Australian rapper said, as her mentor T.I. stood beside her. "And it means so much that I can stand here against Eminem and Drake and come out with this."

Ariana Grande also worked double duty Sunday: She took the stage to sing lounge-y, piano-versions of her upbeat hits "Problem" and "Break Free," following that with a duet of her latest hit, "Love Me Harder," with the Weeknd. Grande's older brother jumped up in joy, MAGIC! leader Nasir Atweh sang along and Heidi Klum bopped her head.

Grande returned again to sing "Bang Bang" with Nicki Minaj and Jessie J, who kicked off the song in the crowd. She rubbed against Khloe Kardashian, sang closely in front of her boyfriend, R&B singer Luke James, and danced next to Swift and Sam Smith.

Smith, who also performed "I'm Not the Only One" with A$AP Rocky, won favorite male artist - pop/rock.

"Last year I wrote an album about being lonely and tonight, I couldn't feel further from lonely, so thank you so much," he told the crowd after thanking his fans.

Mary J. Blige performed "Therapy," a new song she wrote with Smith, and host Pitbull performed with R&B singer Ne-Yo. Fergie gave a hip-hop flavored performance of her comeback single, "L.A. Love (La La)," while Selena Gomez slowed it down for the emotional "Heart Wants What It Wants." And Imagine Dragons, who won favorite artist - alternative rock for a second time - performed their new folky single, "I Bet My Life."

Australian boy band 5 Seconds of Summer won new artist of the year, beating out Azalea, Smith, Meghan Trainor and Bastille. They also performed a cover of the Romantics' "What I Like About You."

"Being from Sydney, you never think you're going to win an American Music Award, so it's the coolest thing ever to us," band member Ashton Irwin said backstage.

Bryan, who introduced a satellite performance from Garth Brooks, took home favorite male artist - country.

Perry won single of the year for her No. 1 hit "Dark Horse," favorite female artist - pop/rock and favorite artist - adult contemporary. Other absent winners included Carrie Underwood, John Legend and Beyonce, who won two awards.

The soundtrack for "Frozen," the year's top-selling album, won top soundtrack.

Entertainment Writer **SANDY COHEN** contributed to this report.

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GAS LEAK

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LOS ANGELES

Water main breaks at Los Angeles airport

Crews have brought in portable toilets after a water main break knocked out water service in Terminal 2 at Los Angeles International Airport.

Spokeswoman Nancy Castles says the main under Parking Structure 2A burst shortly after 10 a.m. Monday.

The parking structure is closed until further notice, though drivers can still claim their vehicles and exit for free.

No flights are affected.

- AP

EL SEGUNDO

Lakers' Xavier Henry injures Achilles in practice

Los Angeles Lakers guard Xavier Henry has injured his left Achilles tendon in practice.

The Lakers announced Henry's injury Monday, and the team believes the tendon is torn.

Henry is undergoing an MRI exam to confirm the tear.

Henry has played in nine games for the Lakers this season, his second with the club. He struggled with an injury to his surgically repaired knee throughout the preseason, undergoing treatment in Germany to speed his recovery.

Henry was limited to 43 games with Los Angeles last year after injuring his knee in December. He also had surgery on his left wrist during the offseason.

The Lakers already have lost two-time NBA MVP Steve Nash and first-round pick Julius Randle to season-ending injuries. Carlos Boozer missed Sunday's game with a shoulder injury.

- AP

NEW YORK

Giants set record with $388,606 postseason shares

A full postseason share for the World Series champion Giants was worth a record $388,606, topping the previous mark of $370,873 set by San Francisco two years ago.

San Francisco's total was up from $307,323 for the Boston Red Sox last year. The players' pool of $62 million was down from $62.7 million last year and a record $65.4 million in 2012.

The Giants split $22.3 million into 47 full shares, partial shares equivalent to another 9.65 and 17 cash awards, the commissioner's office said Monday.

A full share on the AL champion Kansas City Royals was worth $230,700, up from $228,300 for St. Louis last year and down from $284,275 for 2012 AL champion Detroit.

The players' pool included 50 percent of the gate receipts from the two wild-card games, and 60 percent from the first three games of each division series and the first four games of each league championship series and the World Series.

Full shares were worth $125,288 for Baltimore, $115,481 for St. Louis, $31,544 for Detroit, $31,543 for the Los Angeles Dodgers, $29,845 for the Los Angeles Angels, $29,418 for Washington, $16,556 for Pittsburgh and $15,266 for Oakland.

- AP

LOS ANGELES

Dry Southern California weather raises fire danger

Red flag warnings for fire danger are in effect for parts of Southern California due to gusty Santa Ana winds and low relative humidity levels.

The National Weather Service says surface high pressure over the Great Basin is bringing warm temperatures and dropping humidity levels down to as low as 3 percent in some areas.

Warnings are in place from San Diego County north into Ventura County until 6 p.m. Wednesday.

Forecasters say high temperatures could reach into the low 80s while the strongest wind gusts could hit 50 mph.

- AP

RICHMOND, Va.

Dominion Resources buys California solar project

Dominion Resources is adding to its solar power portfolio.

The Richmond-based energy company says it has acquired a 20-megawatt solar energy facility in California from Canadian Solar Inc.

Dominion says the West Antelope Solar Park is located in Los Angeles County. The company says the project has a 20-year power purchase agreement and an interconnection agreement.

The project's addition brings Dominion's solar generating capacity in development, under construction or in operation to 344 megawatts with facilities in California, Connecticut, Georgia, Indiana, Utah and Tennessee.

The company says its renewable portfolio also includes about 850 megawatts of capacity generated by biomass, water and wind in Indiana, North Carolina, Virginia and West Virginia.

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ALL ARE WELCOME: **The annual Thanksgiving meal served by St. Monica's is open to everyone on Wednesday, Nov. 26 from 3 to 6 p.m. in the parish hall.**

MEAL
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are packaged and transported to other outreach kitchens by a dedicated group of volunteers.

"There are many volunteers, something in the neighborhood of 500 people, that volunteer to make this happen," he said. "St. Monica's is a vibrant community and draws people from all over Los Angeles."

After dinner, guests will receive free toiletries and are invited to browse a "clothing boutique" for free, new and used, cold weather clothing and supplies.

McGeagh said the meal is served in the parish hall with guests entering off of 7th Street. They exit into the St. Monica's High School playground where the clothes and supplies will be available.

For McGeagh, the event continues to be of tremendous personal value, even as his role has shifted over the years. He began as just a volunteer, eventually became chairman of the event and has recently stepped back following the birth of his third child. Regardless of his position, he said the meal is an important way to connect with his fellow residents.

"Having grown up in Santa Monica, I've seen the homeless problems grow over the years and we're hoping to reach out to help people and let them know that there are those in the community that do care about them, and can give them a helping hand," he said. "It's a way for me to personally show them that I care and if they need help, there are those that can help them."

St. Monica Catholic Community is located at 725 California Avenue, one block north of Wilshire. The entrance to the Auditorium is located on 7th Street between California Avenue and Washington Avenue.

Donations of food, cold weather clothing, and blankets are welcome. Details can be found at www.stmonica.net/thanksgiving.

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NOTICE TO SOLICIT CONTRACTORS
for the District's Informal Bidding contractor list
per Public Contract Code Section 22034

On December 9, 2010 the Board of Education of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District resolved to establish an Informal Bidding Procedure per Public Contract Code section 22032. In accordance with that code, the District is soliciting contractors to register with the District to bid on these projects. Informal projects are generally defined as facilities projects with an estimated value of less than $175,000 thousand dollars. Contractors on the list will be notified directly of all informal project opportunities within their trade. All bidders will be required to meet prequalification requirements prior to any bid submittals. Qualified Contractors must be licensed in the state of California, maintain workers compensation insurance, general liability insurance, pay prevailing wage rates, and comply with other state requirements. Interested contractors must respond to this request to be added to the informal list by **Wednesday, December 31st 2014** by emailing Sheere Bishop via email at BBprojectinfo@smmusd.org. Please reference Informal Project Registration. For those Contractors not already on the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District's Measure BB Interested Bidders, if interested can also request to be added by emailing Sheere Bishop at BBprojectinfo@smmusd.org. Please reference Measure BB Interested Bidders List.



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Surf Forecasts

Water Temp: **64.2°**

TUESDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** ankle to knee high occ. 3ft
WNW-NW swell eases; Small South swell eases

WEDNESDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** ankle to knee high occ. 3ft
Easing WNW-NW swell; trace South swell

THURSDAY – **POOR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** ankle to knee high
Small WNW-NW swell

FRIDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to waist high
New WNW swell mix possible, stay tuned

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 19, 2014**

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

QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 0
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 5
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 37 / 15
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 5 / 8

The Beach Report Card is made possible by: SMA Swain Barber Foundation

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+	A+
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechuza and Los Alisos creeks.		
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A	ns
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	C	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	ns
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A+	ns
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	A+
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	A	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	A+
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	A	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	A+	A+
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	A+
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	ns
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ns	ns
Siesta Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	B	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	A+
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence.	A+	A+
Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain.	A	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain.	A	A+
Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua).	A	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A+	A+
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	F	F
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	D	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	B	ns
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A+	D
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+	A+
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	F	ns
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	F
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St..	A+	F
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower.	F	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth.	ns	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+	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	A	ns
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	D

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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Wish granted: Same day delivery for the holidays

MAE ANDERSON
AP Technology Writer

NEW YORK A procrastinator's holiday wish come true: Presents ordered at the last minute can now show up under the Christmas tree that same day.

Amazon, Target and Macy's and other retailers are offering speedier delivery, including overnight and same-day options that will continue even past the holidays.

The focus on faster shipping is one way retailers are catering to shoppers who've become increasingly finicky and impatient. Since the recession, it's not enough to get lower prices; they want the deepest discounts. And when it comes to ordering online, orders need to be shipped fast.

"I'll pay extra to get something right away," says Wendy Connors, a 47-year-old mother of three who lives in Menlo Park, California.

Quick delivery is important for retailers as they head into the winter holiday shopping season, a time when they can make up to 40 percent of their annual sales. U.S. shoppers are expected to spend $61 billion online in November and December, according to research firm comScore.

Retailers can't afford a repeat last year when UPS and FedEx failed to deliver some packages by Christmas due to a combination of poor weather and overloaded systems, causing angry customers. Neither of the top two deliverers said how many packages were delayed, but noted it was a small share of overall holiday shipments.

Forrester Research analyst Sucharita Mulpuru fears that the industry could be ill-prepared for the influx of online ordering again this year. She points out that the growth UPS and FedEx are forecasting this season is below growth estimates for online spending by the retail industry.

UPS forecasts it will deliver 585 million packages in December, an 11 percent increase over 2013, and FedEx expects to deliver 290 million packages, an 8.8 percent increase from last year. But research firm ComScore expects online spending will grow 16 percent to $61 billion.

It's not a direct apples-to-apples comparison, Mulpuru concedes, but the difference in estimated percentage growth could spell trouble for shippers and retailers this holiday.

"I don't know if there's enough bandwith ... to accommodate full demand," she says.

Retailers are hoping that speedier delivery options will help spread out shipments throughout the season so that there's not a big crunch toward the end like there was last year.

Amazon expanded its Sunday delivery service, adding more than 10 distribution centers and 15 smaller sorting centers that sort packages by ZIP code and transport them to U.S. Postal Service offices. It also expanded same-day delivery, available for $5.99 per order to members of its $99 annual Prime loyalty program, to more cities. In August it expanded from 4 to 12 cities on the East and West Coast.

Other online retailers are offering same-day delivery, too. Google relaunched its Google Shopping service, which costs $10 a month for membership or $4.99 per order, offers same-day delivery from Costco, Toys R Us and other retailers in about 6 metro areas. And eBay has retooled its "eBay Now" same-day delivery service, introduced in 2012, from a stand-alone app to a method of payment available on its site within the eBay app and website.

"Shoppers don't shop by saying what do I want now," says eBay's head of local, Tom Allason. "They shop by saying what do I want, and then when and where can I get it."

Tech companies aren't the only ones offering same-day delivery. Macy's, Bloomingdale's and six mall chains partnered with tech company Deliv to offer the service in major markets. Deliv founder and CEO Daphne Carmeli says there's been a boost in holiday demand already, but she declined to give figures.

Same-day delivery is mainly available in big cities, but elsewhere retailers still are working to cut delivery times.

In October, Target rolled out a program to ship items directly from 140 stores in 40 markets, covering most of the country. Shipping directly from a store speeds up delivery because stores are often closer to customer's homes than a warehouse. Target spokesman Eddie Baeb says that cuts shipping in half, from an average of 4 days to 2 days.

Toys R Us, Nordstrom and other retailers also have begun using their stores as mini warehouses to ship items directly to shoppers.

Best Buy, which shipped items from 400 stores last holiday season, said it will ship from all 1,400 stores this time. It also is giving customers precise delivery information: During the checkout process, Best Buy will give precise get-it-by delivery dates on about 60 percent of products, compared with previously when it would just let shoppers know delivery times within five to eight days.

Best Buy CEO Hubert Joly says the shipping process has been an "intense area of focus."



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BE SPONTANEOUS, CAPPY

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Remain flexible despite a friend's rigidity. At a certain point, you are likely to feel rebellious. Someone else will know how to move this person gently off his or her position, but you might have to step back and keep quiet in the meantime. Tonight: A must appearance.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Your ability to visualize different routes to the same end will emerge. A loved one's intentions might startle you when you grasp what he or she has in mind. Tonight: Listen to great music.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ You'll prefer to deal with one person individually. Discussions could evolve to a new level of understanding as a result. You might question whether you can trust this person, as he or she easily closes down in situations that you assume are easy. Tonight: Move in a different direction.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Defer to others, especially since they seem to have strong feelings about a certain situation. You could have difficulty with someone you look up to, as he or she might prefer you to have a more hands-on approach. Recognize your limits. Tonight: Accept a fun invitation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You'll be committed to completing a project, and you will focus all of your energy on this particular enterprise. You could be taken aback by some adjustments you might need to make. Tonight: Take the high road.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ You could be disappointed by a loved one's unexpected reaction. Understand that you can't change anyone, even if you think you can. This person will need to work through his or her issues alone. Allow your creativity to find a different approach. Tonight: Time to party!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ You might be upset by someone's words -- in fact, you could develop a cavalier attitude as a result. You won't want to make any financial commitments at this point in time. Tonight: Make it early.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You are likely to be disappointed by someone's knee-jerk reaction. Try not to make the situation any worse than it already is. Someone could change his or her tune when you least expect it. Tonight: Wherever you are, others will want to be.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ You could be taken aback by all the ground you need to cover. Your focus continues to be on a financial matter that you'll want to clarify. If you did just what you wanted, you could cause a problem. Tonight: Carefully weigh the pros and cons of what you want to do.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Whereas others seem to fumble under the pressure, you'll endure and flourish. A family member might throw a boomerang in your path, but you're likely to jump right over it. Be careful, as a conversation with a friend could have a heavy tone. Tonight: Be spontaneous.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Understand that you'll need to deal with someone with whom it is nearly impossible to have an open, honest conversation. Look for ways to maximize your energy, and don't allow this person -- or anyone else -- to deplete it. Tonight: Put distance between you and others.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ While others mope around, you'll bring friends together for a meeting. You will accomplish a lot with an open discussion. Let people know that their ideas are valued; they'll appreciate it and feel more included. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

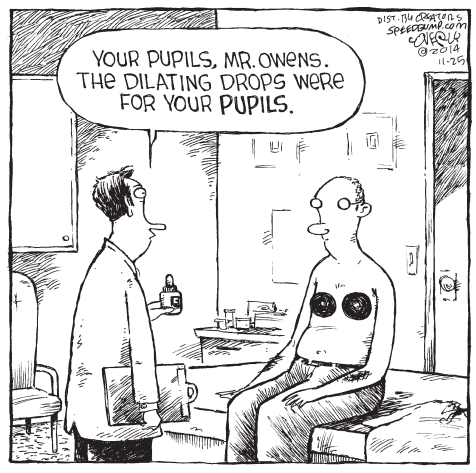
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This year you could prove to be a financial wizard. You'll listen to your sixth sense when it comes to taking any risks. Don't always count on your impulsiveness being right. Generally this is the case, but not every time. If you are single, your love life could be wild and unpredictable. It would be wise not to consider a relationship "long term" until it actually is. If you are attached, the two of you could add a lot of fire to your bond. A trip to a new spot could invigorate your bond. CAPRICORN offers wise advice.

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

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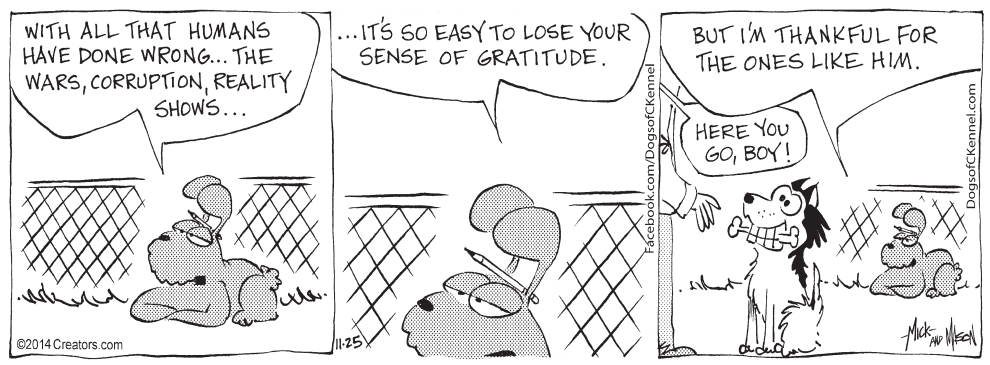
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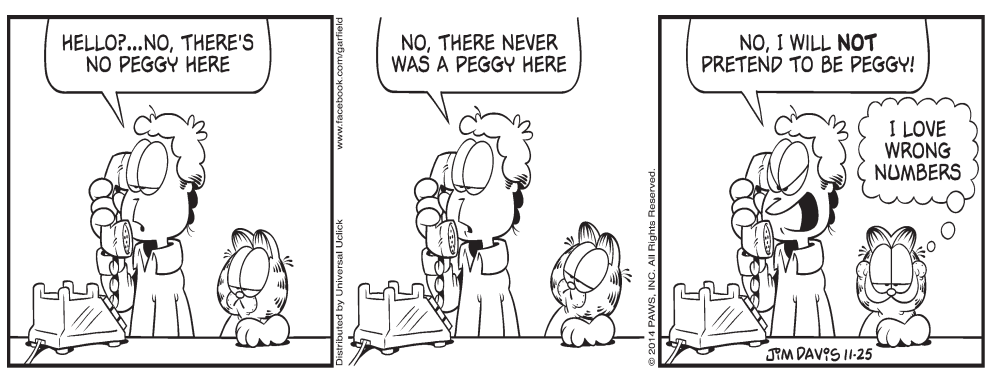
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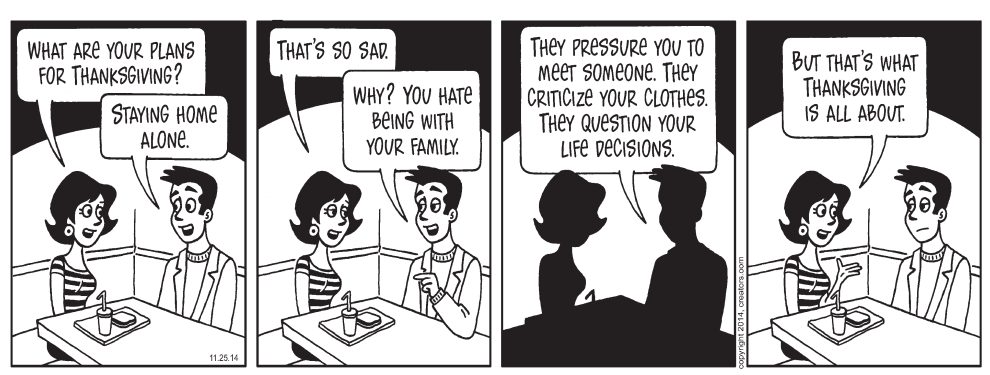
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Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from ★ (easiest) to ★★★★★ (hardest).

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9					3			
	4						1	
			7	4	2	3		

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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

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

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 375 calls for service on Nov. 23.

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

Trespassing on the 2000 block of Main St. at 1:10 a.m.
Party complaint on the 2100 block of Stewart St. at 1:24 a.m.
Overdose on the 1700 block of Michigan Ave. at 2:05 a.m.
Hit and run on the 1100 block of Wilshire Blvd. at 2:16 a.m.
Battery on the 1300 block of 14th St. at 2:24 a.m.
Party complaint on the 2000 block of 4th St. at 2:41 a.m.
Person with a gun on the 300 block of Santa Monica Pier at 4:05 a.m.
Vandalism on the 1600 block of Ashland Ave. at 8:57 a.m.
Traffic accident on the 600 block of Pico Blvd. at 9:19 a.m.
Trespassing on the 1100 block of Euclid St. at 10:22 a.m.
Petty theft on the 500 block of Olympic Blvd. at 10:29 a.m.
Vandalism on the 1800 block of 7th St. at 10:47 a.m.
Vandalism on the 1600 block of Ashland Ave. at 11:02 a.m.
Grand theft on the 100 block of Santa Monica place at 11:35 a.m.
Trespassing on the 1200 block of Wilshire Blvd. at 11:36 a.m.
Traffic accident at Lincoln and Washington at 1:29 p.m.
Vandalism on the 300 block of 26th St. at 2:11 p.m.
Traffic accident on the 1400 block of 2nd St. at 3:10 p.m.
Traffic accident on the 2500 block of Pico Blvd. at 3:17 p.m.
Burglary on the 800 block of Ashland Ave. at 4:45 p.m.
Trespassing on the 1300 block of 15th St. at 5:01 p.m.
Battery at 7th and Arizona at 5:44 p.m.
Panhandling on the 2500 block of Santa Monica Blvd. at 6:41 p.m.
Trespassing on the 1400 block of 23rd St. at 6:59 p.m.
Battery at 2nd and Broadway at 7:04 p.m.
Vandalism on the 1500 block of Broadway at 7:11 p.m.
Domestic violence on the 1400 block of Euclid St. at 7:45 p.m.
Trespassing on the 2500 block of Main St. at 8:21 p.m.
Theft of recyclables on the 1000 block of 12th St. at 8:33 p.m.
Bike theft on the 1500 block of 2nd St. at 8:46 p.m.
Burglary on the 1400 block of 9th St. at 8:46 p.m.
Trespassing on the 1500 block of Ocean Ave. at 8:50 p.m.
Vandalism on the 1500 block of Broadway at 9:11 p.m.
Fight on the 2400 block of Virginia Ave. at 9:37 p.m.
Petty theft on the 2500 block of Pico Blvd. at 10:19 p.m.
Vandalism on the 2100 block of 21st St. at 11:01 p.m.



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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Capitol group
7 Price to play
11 Slanted type
12 Duo
13 Sociable diner
15 Apt
16 Saloons
18 One of the Mamas
21 Make over
22 Thanks-giving staple
24 In the past
25 Look upon
26 Common verb
27 Condi-tional release
29 Singer Redding
30 Notorious emperor
31 Restau-rant star
32 Cobbler fruit
34 Game with paddles
40 Pop star
41 Serengeti setting
42 Techno music star
43 Did salon work

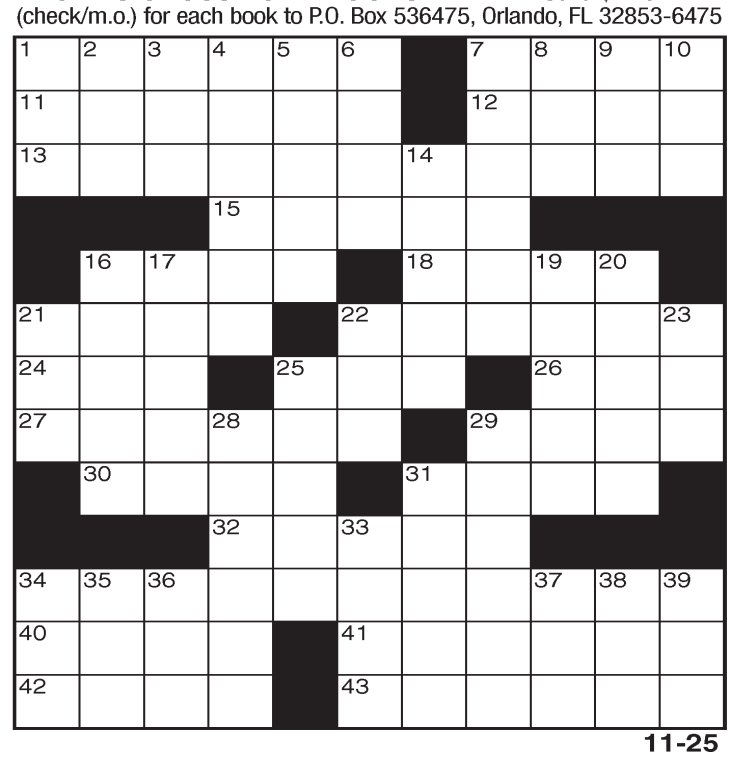
DOWN

1 Take a place at dinner
2 Seventh Greek letter
3 Collar
4 Top NFL player
5 Strata
6 Canyon sound
7 Come into view
8 Afternoon break
9 Father's Day gift
10 Mess up
14 When expected
16 Kicked off
17 Find darling
19 Flat fish
20 Letter stroke
21 Grammys category
22 Casual shirt
23 Agreeable answer
25 Skiing spot
28 How some drugs are taken
29 "The Gift of the Magi" writer
31 Like some chins
33 Sch. orgs.
34 Singer McGraw
35 Brouhaha
36 Hope of comedy
37 Zero
38 Rink surface
39 Melan-choly

B	A	L	S	A	■	F	A	R	M	S
A	T	A	L	L	■	E	M	A	I	L
N	E	P	A	L	■	D	A	N	K	E
■	■	■	P	O	L	E	■	T	E	D
P	A	S	S	W	O	R	D	■	■	■
A	S	I	T	■	P	A	R	I	S	H
L	E	G	I	T	■	L	U	S	T	Y
S	A	N	C	H	O	■	M	E	A	D
■	■	■	K	E	R	O	S	E	N	E
I	D	A	■	M	E	A	T	■	■	■
M	E	R	C	I	■	S	I	M	B	A
P	L	E	A	S	■	I	C	I	E	R
S	L	A	N	T	■	S	K	A	T	E

Yesterday's answer

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11-25

DAILY LOTTERY

Draw Date: 11/22
23 49 53 54 57
Power#: 35
Jackpot: $80M

Draw Date: 11/21
3 12 35 37 63
Mega#: 15
Jackpot: $52M

Draw Date: 11/22
2 4 8 9 18
Mega#: 2
Jackpot: $17M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 11/23
8 20 25 26 36

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 11/24
MIDDAY: 6 8 7

Draw Date: 11/23
1st: 03 Hot Shot
2nd: 06 Whirl Win
3rd: 12 Lucky Charms
RACE TIME: 1:45.49

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ November is tax-publicizing season in Finland, where, starkly unlike America, the government releases all individuals' tax records to help build public support for the country's vast welfare state. Thus, reported Foreign Policy magazine, Finnish society gets a "yearly dose of schadenfreude" ... "opening the door for a media frenzy of gossip, boasting and fingerpointing" about "fair share" and who's more worthy. A few, however, proudly pay high Finnish taxes as a "badge of patriotism," rejecting common tax shelters. "We've received a lot of help from society," said one homegrown (and wealthy) entrepreneur, "and now it is our turn to pay back."

■ Steve Soifer, CEO of an international support group for people with "shy bladders," excoriated DirecTV in November for its series of commercials featuring Rob Lowe, whose "awkward" character in one ad stands at a urinal and says, "Fact: I can't go with other people in the room." Soifer says the ad ridicules a serious problem -- and compared it to "making fun" of a man missing an arm or leg.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1905 – Prince Carl of Denmark arrives in Norway to become King Haakon VII of Norway.

1915 – Albert Einstein presents the field equations of general relativity to the Prussian Academy of Sciences.

1917 – World War I: German forces defeat Portuguese army of about 1200 at Negomano on the border of modern-day Mozambique and Tanzania.

1918 – Vojvodina, formerly Austro-Hungarian crown land, proclaims its secession from Austria-Hungary to join the Kingdom of Serbia.

WORD UP!

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