Maintain Your Independence
Our In-Home Care Management professionals evaluate needs and coordinate services to support independent living.
WISE & Healthy Aging
Call (866) 757-9473

Lotus Platforms
www.lotusplatforms.com
Bringing You Soon!
Santa Monica Daily Press
On Your Phone!

smdp.com
Santa Monica Daily Press
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2011
Volume 11 Issue 22



Santa Monica Daily Press

We have you covered

PETS ON THE GO
SEE PAGE 13

THE NEVER FORGET ISSUE

Cirque's costume designer re-imagines the wild bug world

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

OCEAN AVENUE Cirque du Soleil's "Ovo" will swarm Santa Monica in January, unleashing the hidden world of insects underneath the troupe's iconic blue-and-gold big top, a scene brought together by the show's insightful designer and first female director.

Liz Vandal, a freelance designer, spent a year of her life conceptualizing and creating costumes that can manifest the repulsiveness of the cockroach, the playfulness of the flea and the sensuousness of the spider, all without encumbering artists tasked with near-impossible acrobatic feats.

That means convincing an audience that they're looking at a creature, even if it doesn't have the requisite number of legs to qualify as an insect or arachnid.

"It's not imitation, it's evocation. You have to get into a mood, a feeling," Vandal said.

In her hands was the head piece worn by the acrobat that plays one of 10 grasshoppers, a bright green polyester that stretches its permanent pleats to reveal a core of yellow underneath.

It wasn't a method that she'd tried before the show, but that's what Cirque du Soleil does to you, Vandal said.

"They squeeze you like a lemon, until every ounce of creativity comes out," Vandal said.

Absent the ability to recreate the physical structure of the creatures, Vandal relied on texture and color to build the image of each bug, often forced to create new methods of fabric manipulation to achieve the effect she sought.



Her imagination became more important than the realistic structure of the

SEE OVO PAGE 9



Ross Furukawa *news@smdp.com*

LOOKING: **Santa Monica police search the area of Pacific and Sixth streets Tuesday after a shooting left one person injured. Police are asking for the public's help in finding the suspects.**

SM police searching for shooting suspects

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY Santa Monica police are searching for a pair of suspects in a shooting that took place Tuesday at approximately 3:30 p.m. on Pacific Street.

SMPD spokesman Sgt. Richard Lewis said that details are scarce, but did reveal that a male Latino Santa Monica High School student was shot in the chest and later transported to a local hospital. He is in stable condition.

Police say that two male Latinos exited a dark-colored sports utility vehicle and approached the victim on foot before firing shots. A resident said that he heard up to four shots fired.

Police aren't sure at this point if it is gang-related.

The suspects, described as being in their 20s, ran back to their vehicle and fled southbound on either Fourth or Fifth streets after the shooting, Lewis said.

The SMPD contacted the Los Angeles Police Department's Pacific Division, notifying them to look out for a vehicle fitting the description. The LAPD also assigned a helicopter to search from the air.

The escape vehicle may have a bike or some kind of rack on the roof and has a bumper sticker affixed just above the license plate.

Anyone with information should contact the SMPD at (310) 458-8495.

daniela@smdp.com

WWII veterans look back on Pearl Harbor

The day that would live in infamy was never forgotten

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

HAWAII, 1941 In the course of a person's life, there occur events on which the course of history pivots, like the fulcrum of the lever of human experience.

On Dec. 7, 1941, Japanese fighter planes descended upon the American Air and Naval bases at and around Pearl Harbor, killing and injuring over 3,500 American service men.

Emil Wroblicky, a former football coach at St. Monica's, was walking out of a matinee showing of a Frank Sinatra film in Chicago when he heard what had happened.

"It occurred to me, 'Where the hell is Pearl Harbor?'" Wroblicky said.

He would find out.

The military deferred Wroblicky's service until he finished high school, but in 1942, he and several high school friends reported to the draft office and signed up for the Marine Corps.

Wroblicky completed boot camp in San Diego with the likes of Glen Ford and Tyrone Power in August 1942, and boarded a ship that zig zagged its way to Hawaii, trying to dodge Japanese submarines.

Nearly a year and a half after the attack, Wroblicky and the other marines docked at a Pearl Harbor still ravaged from the Japanese onslaught.

"It looked like devastation," Wroblicky said. "I remember seeing the (USS) Arizona. It was an oil slick, very much devastated with the other ships. the Nevada, the Enterprise. A lot of the carriers and battleships were still beached."

Before Pearl Harbor, Wroblicky didn't know about the whispers of war that filled the American press, despite his position at the Chicago Tribune delivering papers for $4.32 a week.

The United States had refused to formally enter the conflict, contenting itself to antagonize the Germans by engaging in a lend-lease program to provide war machines to the British government and escorting British supply ships to Iceland.

SEE PEARL HARBOR PAGE 11


Gary Limjap
(310) 586-0339
In today's real estate climate ...
Experience counts!
garylimjap@gmail.com
www.garylimjap.com
COLDWELL BANKER


Seamus D. McDonald
LegalShield
Legal Shield | Identity Theft Shield
Legal Shield Independent Associate
(310) 245-1925 | Lic #0G41725
smcdonald@newsinsurance.com

SMALL BUSINESS STARTUP?
TAXES • BOOKKEEPING • CORPORATIONS
SAMUEL B. MOSES, CPA
(310) 395-9922
100 Wilshire Blvd., Suite 1800Santa Monica 90401

Family Dentistry
General, Cosmetic, & Implant Dentistry
Modern, Comfortable and Relaxed Atmosphere
Gentle Dentistry | Sedation Available | Digital Technology | Smile Makeover | Flexible Financing
Santa Monica Tooth Doctor
Basic Cleaning, Exam and full Mouth Xrays
$65.00
Free Cosmetic Consultation
– Modern facilities, gentle dentistry, sedation
Ali Mogharei DDS
(310) 829-2224
2222 Santa Monica Blvd, Suite 202, Santa Monica, CA 90404
Check our monthly promotions on our website www.santamonicatoothdr.com

Why Wait... an hour for your prescription when you can have it in a few minutes?
• Compounding
• Vitamins
• Homeopathic
• Skin Care
Meet our pharmacist
and get $10 off any in store purchase!
Offer not valid if any portion of prescription is paid for by any government program (e.g. Medicare, Medicaid, Tricare). Minimum $20 pre-tax purchase required. Coupon not valid as payment on prescriptions. No cash value. One coupon per family.
Free Parking
SMC PHARMACY
Free Home Delivery
310.315.9999 | 1908 Santa Monica Blvd Ste. 4, Santa Monica, CA 90404 | mysmcpharmacy.com


Breakfast • Lunch • Dinner
Come try our Chicken and Waffles, Pizza Waffles & Waffle Sliders
~ Illy gourmet coffee ~
Tues - Fri: 8am to 3pm (Breakfast • Lunch) and 6pm to 9pm (Dinner)
Monday Closed | Sat – Sun: 8am to 5pm
2408 Wilshire Boulevard | 310-453-2787
24th & Wilshire – Free Parking in back
Bru's Waffle
A Waffle Joint

Just north of Santa Monica Blvd. on Ocean Avenue, the inspiring and dramatic
Santa Monica Nativity Scenes
proclaim the story of Christmas to all who pass by
Santa Monica Christmas Story Since 1953
All are welcome to join the Opening Ceremony
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11TH
3pm adjacent to the scenes
Musical offerings from local churches and the ST. MONICA RAINBOW RIDERS CHOIR
Scenes will be on display through January 1, 2012
Donations may be sent to: Santa Monica Nativity Scenes Committee, P.O. Box 0648, Santa Monica, CA 90406

Your Trusted Source
Adult Day Service Center
The right choice for quality care for your loved one. Let us give you the break you need.
1527 4th St., 2nd Floor • Santa Monica
WISE & Healthy Aging
(310) 394-9871
Enjoy a Free Preview Day on Us!
www.wiseandhealthyaging.org

What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Wednesday, Dec. 7, 2011

The art of forgetting
18th Street Arts Center
1639 18th St., 8 p.m.
As part of the Pacific Standard Time exhibition, artist-run production company EZTV celebrates its status as one of the world's first galleries of computer art. EZTV director Michael Masucci and guest Michael Wright host this screening of contemporary video art, as well as one of Dr. Timothy Leary's final filmed interviews. Cost: free. Reservations strongly recommended. For more information, visit www.18thstreet.org.

Ready, set, broomball
ICE at Santa Monica
1324 Fifth St., 10 p.m.
The Downtown ice skating rink hosts weekly after-hours broomball games until midnight, for those who are 18 and older. Broomball, a game that originates from Canada, is similar to ice or roller hockey. Attendees who wish to participate must wear rubber-soled sneakers; registration is required and subject to availability. For more information, call (310) 496-9880 or visit www.iceatsantamonica.com.

Thursday, Dec. 8, 2011

Joyous jingling
Santa Monica Public Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd.,
11 a.m.
The Lyric Chorus, a three-part women's chorus, hosts its free winter concert with holiday songs and Broadway tunes. Founded in the 1940s, the Lyric Chorus is part of Santa Monica College's Emeritus College program. Come by the Martin Luther King, Jr. Auditorium for plenty of fun songs and holiday cheer! For more information, call (310) 458-8600.

Shades of gray
Santa Monica Public Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m.
Come by to see actress Radha Mitchell of "Finding Neverland" interviews her friend, author Daphna Edwards Ziman in an onstage conversation. Known as an advocate for foster children, Ziman wrote the romantic thriller "The Gray Zone," which touches on the plight of these kids. A book sale and signing will follow the discussion; all ages are welcome. For more information, call (310) 458-8600.

Friday, Dec. 9, 2011

Fairies and mice, oh my!
Pepperdine University, Smothers Theatre
24255 Pacific Coast Highway,
7:30 p.m.
The Malibu Civic Ballet presents its 20th annual production of "The Nutcracker," with dancers from the local area. The show is directed by Diane Linder, who spent years as a principal dancer with the Gene Marinaccio American Concert Ballet Company. Performances begin on Friday night and run through Sunday. Tickets range from $15 to $35; for more information and to purchase tickets, call (310) 5-6-4522.

To create your own listing, log on to smdp.com/submitevent

For help, contact Daniel Archuleta at 310-458-7737 or submit to editor@smdp.com

For more information on any of the events listed, log on to smdp.com/communitylistings



COMMUNITY BRIEFS

WILMONT

Red Cross renders aid in house fire

The American Red Cross Los Angeles Region Disaster Operations Center rendered aid Tuesday to three victims of a house fire that broke out in the 900 block of Fourth Street.

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to the early morning blaze around 4:45 and found the front room of a one store duplex engulfed in flames. The cause of the fire is still under investigation.

No injuries were reported. Three people lived in the residence. Red Cross volunteers, primarily from Santa Monica, helped secure temporary housing for the victims, as well as allowances for food and clothing.

Fire, water and smoke damage rendered the building uninhabitable and it was red-tagged by City Hall.

Additional support for the victims will include longer term relocation help, counseling and other services, if needed.

KEVIN HERRERA

SMC

Head of the class

Amber Katherine, a philosopher who has blended her passion for the environment with teaching and mentoring, and Dan Nannini, a counselor who has become something of a statewide guru on transferring to universities, have been named Santa Monica College's 2011 Co-Faculty of the Year.

In naming the winners, the SMC Academic Senate also announced that it was nominating Katherine for the statewide Hayward Award, which honors outstanding community college faculty who have a track record of excellence in teaching and professional activities and have demonstrated commitment to their students, profession and college. The Hayward Award is sponsored by the Academic Senate for California Community Colleges.

"Professor Katherine and Dan Nannini are such outstanding faculty members that we could not narrow the award this year to just one recipient," said SMC kinesiology professor Elaine Roque, chair of the Academic Senate's Sabbaticals, Fellowships & Awards Committee.

"Amber is a compassionate and caring professor who has helped transform SMC into one of the greenest colleges in the state, and Dan is one of the state's leading transfer experts at an institution that is the No. 1 transfer college to the University of California, USC and more. We're honored to call them our colleagues."

Katherine, of Mar Vista, who has taught philosophy at SMC since 1999, has been a campus leader, particularly in the area of sustainability. She has served on the Academic Senate Executive and other committees, chairing the Environmental Affairs Committee.

Nannini, has worked at the college for 23 years ever since he was hired as a general counselor in 1988. During his tenure, the Culver City resident has been assigned to several counseling divisions, including the Scholars Program, an honors transfer program. But he has made a particular mark in the past 14 years as the Transfer Center faculty leader, a role that is critical to the college.

KH



Morgan Genser *news@smdp.com*

UP AND IN: **Samohi's Trey Thompson hoists up a shot against Cleveland on Monday.**

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS' BASKETBALL

Samohi opens tourney with win over Cleveland

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

SAMOHI The Vikings reward for beating a scrappy Cleveland team 60-47 on Monday is a matchup with the vaunted boys' basketball team from Fairfax.

Santa Monica's win over Cleveland in the first round of the second annual "The Tournament" was a sound victory — on paper. But, it didn't come without a struggle.

Cleveland actually held a 17-14 lead in the first quarter, but Samohi, led by Trey Thompson, quickly erased the lead and built a daunting advantage of their own.

Samohi closed the half up 33-22 and

SEE **SAMOHI** PAGE 8

Pearl Harbor survivors return to ships after death

BY AUDREY MCAVOY
Associated Press

HONOLULU Lee Soucy decided five years ago that when he died he wanted to join his shipmates killed in the attack on Pearl Harbor.

Soucy lived to be 90, passing away just last year. On Tuesday, seven decades after dozens of fellow sailors were killed when the USS Utah sank on Dec. 7, 1941, a Navy diver will take a small urn containing his ashes and place it in a porthole of the ship.

The ceremony is one of five memorials being held this week for servicemen who lived through the assault and want their remains placed in Pearl Harbor out of pride and affinity for those they left behind.

"They want to return and be with the shipmates that they lost during the attack," said Jim Taylor, a retired sailor who coordinates the ceremonies.

The memorials are happening the same week the country observes the 70th anniversary of the aerial bombing that killed 2,390 Americans and brought the United States into World War II. A larger ceremony to remember all those who perished will be held Wednesday just before 8 a.m. Hawaii time — the same moment the devastating attack began.

Most of the 12 ships that sank or were beached that day were removed from the harbor, their metal hulls salvaged for scrap. Just the Utah and the USS Arizona still lie in the dark blue waters. Only survivors of those vessels may return in death to their ships.

The cremated remains of Vernon Olsen, who served aboard the Arizona, will be interred on his ship during a sunset ceremony Wednesday. The ashes of three other survivors are being scattered in the harbor.

Soucy, the youngest of seven children, joined the Navy out of high school so he wouldn't burden his parents. In 1941, he was a pharmacist mate, trained to care for the sick and wounded.

SEE **SHIPS** PAGE 8

WORLD FAMOUS The Omelette Parlor
Since 1967
Quality & Value Always!
Open 6am - 2:30pm Mon. - Fri.
6am - 4pm Sat. - Sun.
310-399-7892
2732 Main St.
Santa Monica
"Celebrate the holidays with fellowship around the table"


Golda Savage
Stand [on] your [own] ground.
Helping sellers & buyers accomplish just that.
310.770.4490
golda@bulldogrealtors.com
BULLDOG REALTORS
1209 Abbot Kinney Boulevard, Venice

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Putting it out there

Editor:

I was friends with Martin Weiss' brother, who sadly passed this summer in a private plane crash in Santa Clarita, and had not heard about him until the other day when I got my SMDP and saw the headline ("Local talent manager for kids charged with child molestation," Dec. 2).

I question our nation's commitment to the protection of an individual's right to privacy when even before a judicial proceeding, Marty's name is forever tarnished through the release of his public arrest record. A court conviction is less harmful to me than having my family embarrassed unfairly when a private issue is made public for some unconnected reason, mainly the selling of private images and private experiences to make money.

Just like the sympathetic stars shopping at our Farmers' Market being chased by paparazzi, that undermines the foundation of our weird nation.

Hank Baylis
Santa Monica

For how much?

Editor:

I am writing to you because your writers have a better chance of answering questions I have regarding social and/or political issues.

My question is, if Michele Bachmann has 24 (or 25 or whatever) foster children (as she told the TV audience on Jimmy Fallon's show) then how many checks and for how much, does she receive to allay costs for their care?

Just asking.

Nancy Grant
Santa Monica





The Taxman

Jon Coupal

Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Why we don't trust politicians

ASK ANY OF THE POLITICIANS IN Sacramento if they believe in government transparency, full disclosure of their official actions and the open and honest operation of state functions, and they will, to a man and woman, answer with a resounding, "yes!"

Yeah, right.

That must be why Speaker John Perez has struggled mightily to block the release of documents that would show how much each Assembly member spends on their office. Perez has handled this as if lawmakers' budgets were a top secret matter, revelation of which could have dire consequences for national security. More likely the only dire consequences will be for the public image of the spendthrift members of his flock.

Perez has been so intransigent about keeping the Assembly's books closed to the public that the Sacramento Bee and Los Angeles Times were forced to file suit under the 36-year-old Legislative Open Records Act. The court has just issued a ruling agreeing with the newspapers, and compelling release of the records. As the documents become front page news, the speaker may find himself doubly embarrassed. First because of the revelations of wasteful spending of taxpayer-supplied funds and, secondly (and perhaps even more damaging) because of his efforts to conceal this information from the public.

The Assembly leader would have done well to abide by the principle espoused in the old oil filter commercial, "You can pay me now or you can pay me later" when it will be a lot more expensive. However, the idea of doing the right thing in the first place is often lost on the Sacramento political class.

Of even greater consequence to average Californians is the shell game Gov. Brown is orchestrating to impose a $3.2 billion energy tax.

A shell game is, of course, not a game at all. It is a confidence trick. The operator of the swindle appears to place a pea under one of three walnut shells and quickly shuffles them about. The sucker, or mark, is urged to triple his money by betting on which of the shells covers the pea. The mark never wins because, in fact, using sleight of hand the operator has palmed it. Yes, fellow taxpayers, in the Sacramento version of this game, we are the marks.

Back in August, a $3.2 billion energy tax extension was rejected by a bipartisan vote of the State Senate. The tax is called the "Public Goods Charge" and the nomenclature is another example of how Sacramento likes to mislead and confuse the public. This tax extension would have been tacked onto Californians' utility bills. Politically connected green energy interests lobbied hard for passage so they could continue to receive handouts for themselves at the expense of rate payers. The tax extension measure needed a two-thirds vote but did not muster even a simple majority.

A casual observer might think that this was the end of the matter and $3.2 billion would now be secure in taxpayers' wallets.

Wrong!

After the Legislature voted down this tax, Jerry Brown immediately engaged in sleight of hand. He sent a letter to his friends at the Public Utilities Commission asking them to approve the tax "administratively." Expect this "pea," or charge, to magically reappear on utility bills shortly. It may be named something else and laundered in a way to bureaucratically circumvent the requirement that state taxes be approved by a two-thirds vote, but no matter what it is called, it will be a $3.2 billion burden on California utility users.

PEREZ HAS BEEN SO INTRANSIGENT ABOUT KEEPING THE ASSEMBLY'S BOOKS CLOSED TO THE PUBLIC THAT THE SACRAMENTO BEE AND LOS ANGELES TIMES WERE FORCED TO FILE SUIT UNDER THE 36-YEAR-OLD LEGISLATIVE OPEN RECORDS ACT.

And finally, in a story reported in both the Sacramento Bee and San Francisco Chronicle, the High Speed Fail, er, Rail Authority has wasted millions of dollars on an extensive public relations effort seeking to bolster the flagging public support for this massive boondoggle. Despite overwhelming evidence that this project can never be built, it appears that the only people getting rich are politically connected p.r. hacks. Meanwhile citizen taxpayers are stuck with the bill.

At a time when automatic spending cuts to the state budget are about to be triggered, our Legislature continues to let this fiscal disaster continue. Even Jerry Brown has doubled down on high-speed rail stating that the project has his support.

These three examples are only a small part of what is wrong with governance in California today. Is it any wonder that people don't trust politicians?

JON COUPAL is president of the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association -- California's largest grass-roots taxpayer organization dedicated to the protection of Proposition 13 and the advancement of taxpayers' rights.

READ US ON THE GO
www.smdp.com/**mobile**
Santa Monica Daily Press
office **(310) 458-7737**

PUBLISHER
Ross Furukawa
ross@smdp.com

EDITOR IN CHIEF
Kevin Herrera
editor@smdp.com

MANAGING EDITOR
Daniel Archuleta
daniela@smdp.com

STAFF WRITER
Ashley Archibald
ashley@smdp.com

CHIEF PHOTOGRAPHER
Brandon Wise
brandonw@smdp.com

STAFF PHOTOGRAPHER
Morgan Genser
news@smdp.com

CONTRIBUTING WRITERS
Bill Bauer, David Pisarra, Meredith Carroll, Jack Neworth, Lloyd Garver, Ron Hooks, Taylor Van Arsdale, Merv Hecht, Cynthia Citron, Tom Viscount, Michael Ryan, JoAnne Barge, Katrina Davy

NEWS INTERNS
Colin Newton, Kelly Zhou, Sophia Zhorne
news@smdp.com

PHOTOGRAPHY INTERN
Ray Solano
news@smdp.com

VICE PRESIDENT-BUSINESS OPERATIONS
Rob Schwenker
schwenker@smdp.com

ADVERTISING ACCOUNT EXECUTIVE
Steven Stuart
stevens@smdp.com

ADVERTISING TRAFFIC COORDINATOR
Rebecca Martinez
admin@smdp.com

OPERATIONS COORDINATOR
Michele Emch
michele.e@smdp.com

PRODUCTION MANAGER
Darren Ouellette
production@smdp.com

PRODUCTION DESIGNER
Alejandro Cantarero
production@smdp.com

CIRCULATION
Keith Wyatt
Osvaldo Paganini
circulation@smdp.com

Santa Monica Daily Press
We have you covered

1640 5th Street, Suite 218
Santa Monica, CA 90401
OFFICE (310) 458-PRESS (7737)
FAX (310) 576-9913

smdp.com

CIRCULATION VERIFICATION COUNCIL

The Santa Monica Daily Press is published six days a week, Monday through Saturday.

19,000 daily circulation, 46,450 daily readership. Circulation is audited and verified by Circulation Verification Council, 2011. Serving the City of Santa Monica, and the communities of Venice Beach, Brentwood, West LA. Members of CNPA, AFCP, CVC, Associated Press, IFPA, Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce.

Published by Newlon Rouge, LLC

© 2011 Newlon Rouge, LLC, all rights reserved.

OPINIONS EXPRESSED are those of the writer and do not necessarily reflect those of the Santa Monica Daily Press staff. Guest editorials from residents are encouraged, as are letters to the editor. Letters will be published on a space-available basis. It is our intention to publish all letters we receive, except those that are libelous or are unsigned. Preference will be given to those that are e-mailed to editor@smdp.com. All letters must include the author's name and telephone number for purposes of verification. All letters and guest editorials are subject to editing for space and content.



Your column here

Madeline Bernstein
Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Congress stop horsing around, pass slaughter prevention act

SINCE 2005, OUR GOVERNMENT HAS prevented the commercial slaughter of horses in the United States by refusing to fund personnel that would inspect the horse meat. As a consequence of this "de-funding," the last slaughter plants were closed in 2007. On Nov. 18, the Agriculture Appropriations Bill as approved by Congress was signed into law by the president. This law eliminated the language that barred the use of federal funds to inspect the slaughter plants thereby paving the way for the resumption of commercial horse slaughter in this country.

Horse meat is not an American food staple and horses are not raised for this function. Current law, however, does permit the export of our horses to Canada and Mexico where they are slaughtered for human consumption in other countries. To that end "kill buyers" shop for horses from a variety of sources ranging from a human's no longer loved companion to a no longer earning race track thoroughbred. They buy horses at auctions (often outbidding individuals or humane societies), answer personal ads and contract to remove them as one would employ an exterminator. Make no mistake — this is a big business. Many of these horses are in good condition and healthy, and often, sellers don't know, or don't want to know where their horse is really going.

These horses endure grueling transport conditions, suffer injuries and/or illnesses with no relief, and bear the attendant emotional despair which accompanies such treatment, only to reach their final destination where they are subjected to barbaric and inhumane treatment before and during slaughter. This is not a kind or humane way to dispose of horses nor is it akin to euthanasia — an easy painless death.

This is what we can expect in the United States as well when slaughter plants reopen. It is important to note that horses are already moving through our country with the imprimatur of state laws in order to reach Mexico and Canada. These laws, such as those allowing the highly dangerous double decked trailers, are not slated to change any time soon. In other words, the slaughter location may change, but the process will not.

The notion that a slaughter plant is considered a "job creator" is a myth. The presence of a slaughter plant brings down the collective value of a community due to the stench and stigma of the operation, while any jobs created are menial, transient and relatively few in number. Conversely, prioritizing this for and facilitating this at the taxpayer's expense is costly, irresponsible and irrational. The current infrastructure needs of our nation notwithstanding, it seems impossible that horse meat could ever pass a USDA inspection and be declared fit for human consumption pursuant to American standards. Horses are not raised as food animals with the associated restrictions and regulations governing their diet and medications. Painkillers, dewormers, ointments, diuretics, and an array of other drugs are present on and in horses. It seems an exercise in futility to fund inspections doomed to failure, as well as an ethically questionable practice to know this and to export the meat anyway.

The American Horse Slaughter Prevention Act of 2011 (S.1176/H.R. 2966) is currently in Congress. It would not only ban horse slaughter in this country but it would also prohibit the transport of horses for slaughter elsewhere. It could undo the damage done on Nov. 18.

The horse is the very soul of the animal welfare movement. It was the physical abuse of carriage horses that served as the catalyst for the creation of the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals in this country. (SPCAs are not legally connected to or related to one another.) SPCA Los Angeles, one of the oldest of such corporations, was incorporated in 1877 to protect horses, beasts of burden, pets, women and children, all legally classified at the time as property, from being overworked, over-driven, starved, exploited and tormented. We must not stop protecting them now. We must not allow them to be relegated to the status of disposable pests, to be betrayed by those in our government charged with their protection, to be used for financial gain by "kill buyers" and to be sacrificed by special interest groups such as cattle farmers who need them eliminated as they interfere with their businesses.

We can start by urging the passage of The American Horse Slaughter Prevention Act of 2011 and remaining vigilant and analytical as issues involving horses arise both nationally and in individual states. We can also voice our disappointment with the current law that now makes possible the opening of slaughter plants in this country.

MADELINE BERNSTEIN is the president of SPCA Los Angeles. Learn more at www.spcala.com.



FINDING A NEW DENTIST IS TOUGH!!!
(BUT WE MAKE IT EASY!!!)

TRY OUR NO OBLIGATION
$1 EXAM

includes FULL XRAYS AND INVISALIGN CONSULTATION
If you don't like what we have to say we will give you a copy of your x-rays at no charge

DENTAL CARE WITHOUT JUDGEMENT!
No need to be embarrassed if you haven't been in for a long time complex cases welcome

"NO HASSLE" DENTAL INSURANCE PROCESSING
We will take care of all your insurance paperwork

WE OFFER UNIQUE SERVICES
*Nitrous Oxide provided as a courtesy
*No interest payment plans
*Emergencies can be seen today
*Our dentists and staff members are easy to talk to

AND OF COURSE WE DO
-Invisalign -Periodontist on Staff -Oral Surgeon on Staff
-Cosmetics and Implants -Zoom bleaching -and more

SANTA MONICA FAMILY DENTISTRY
DR. ALAN RUBENSTEIN
1260 15th ST. SUITE #703
(310) 736-2589



WWW.ALANRUBENSTEINDDS.COM

The Q Line

Spreading the wealth

The SMMUSD school board last week approved a new districtwide fundraising policy that is intended to stop school site PTAs from paying for staff salaries. The new policy will now collect and distribute raised funds across the district.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks:
Do you think this is a good idea or is the district alienating certain groups?

Contact **qline@smdp.com** before **Friday at 5 p.m.** and we'll print your answers in the weekend edition of the Daily Press. You can also call **(310) 458-7737 ext. 107**.





GERMAN CAR SERVICE

Specialist in Repair of **Porsche • VW • Audi • BMW**

- Best alternative to high dealer prices
- Complete service and repair
- All work guaranteed
- Locally owned and operated since 1965



2202 OLYMPIC BLVD., SANTA MONICA • (310) 829-2563

Celebrating 40 Years

NOW LEGAL SERVICE
24-HOUR ATTORNEY SERVICE

- Rush Messenger Service
- Rush Court Filings
- Licensed Process Servers
- Mobile Notaries
- Mobile Copy Service
- Drivers Equipped with a Handheld Radio for Immediate Contact

* Get a FREE Lunch with every 10 Deliveries

(213) 482-1567

nowlegalonline.com

***CALL US FOR DETAILS**







You are invited to take a self-guided tour of the Airport campus. Get to know the airport a little better, whether you're visiting for the first time or coming back to see the latest changes.
Drop in for a moment or stay for a while.

Santa Monica Airport Open House
Tours, Art, Planes & Recreation

Saturday, December 10, 2011
10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Free parking, bike valet and check in at the Airport Administration Building,
3223 Donald Douglas Loop South.

Learn about the Phase II public process regarding the future of the airport that begins in January 2012.

For more information call 310.458.8221
or visit www.smovisioning.org



Helen Ario *news@smdp.com*

WILD, WILD WORLD: **Infant elephants at a sanctuary in Nairobi, Kenya.**

Into Africa with luxury or economy

BY HELEN ARIO
Special to the Daily Press

I love to travel and have always wanted to go to Africa. I was concerned about being in Africa without booking anything beforehand as I received warnings from friends that I should be extremely careful. With these thoughts in the back of my mind, I still just booked the airfare and went to Africa. I was enchanted by the beauty of the country, I was pleasantly surprised by the kindness of strangers and taken aback by how many new friendships I made while traveling.

When it comes to clothing, I suggest safari pants with long sleeve T-shirts and a rain-proof jacket. It is best to be covered as Kenya is a Muslim country. A scarf to cover your face when it gets a bit dusty and a hat to protect your face from the sun are also good to have.

My adventure to east Africa begins the moment I step on the plane. Flying Virgin Atlantic is one step toward bliss, with the stewards making the bed and buckling me in at night with a glass of cold champagne by my night table. The peaceful serenity of escaping from the world when you board the plane with Virgin Atlantic taking care of everything added that little something extra to this total experience. Virgin Atlantic provides the added benefit of Fast Track, which helps you get through customs quicker, and while on a layover in London having Bumble and Bumble salon give free manicures, pedicures and massages, as well as shaves for men was truly luxurious. Let's not forget they also have a Jacuzzi. Is this really flying or just cruising from one country to the next? My friend, who flew economy on Turkish Airlines, was a bit cramped but she had better connecting flights and arrived earlier.

Upon arriving in Nairobi, Kenya I suggest if you don't care about money to stay at the Giraffe Manor. The giraffes roam around the hotel as you are eating and sleeping. As they eat off your hand you experience this amazing thrill of being part of the jungle or at least a bit like Tarzan and Jane. My second choice for a luxury experience is the Norfolk Hotel built in 1904, which has been the meeting place for safaris for the past 100 years. Quite lovely with a extensive wine list and a very friendly group always sitting in the bar for happy hour. Another hotel which is more affordable and beautiful is the Fairview.

One day in Nairobi is essential to enjoy the wonderful things this city has to offer. I was warned I would need a bodyguard but traveling alone I did not feel the danger. I only experienced a bit of frustration that I could not speak the language. Luckily someone was always around to translate and guide me along.

The Giraffe Center, where you can visit and enjoy playing with the giraffes, is wonderful. There's also the Karen Blixen Museum. I loved the movie "Out of Africa" and visiting the Karen Blixen estate, which was built in the 1800s, was thrilling. The property stands undisturbed from when Karen Blixen lived and hunted here. I was surprised to discover not only was she a great writer but also a great artist.

After the museum go to the Elephant Sanctuary where you can adopt the orphan elephants and if you go in the morning you can see them being fed, and as they frolic around you can play with them. The David Sheldrick Wildlife Trust will give you all the details if you care to become involved with the orphan elephants. By donating $50, you can receive updates about your orphan. Next stop at the Masai Mara Market for a few ebony bowls and some bracelets. The last thing of the day would be to go the national park. While driving around the park you can see giraffes, rhinos, zebras, and wildebeest.

Seeing the Masai Mara and experiencing the wildebeest migration is thrilling. But to get the real African experience, you have to go on safari, right? I have heard it is difficult to choose the right safari and I understand why. The moment you land everyone wants to sell you a safari. Which one to choose depends on what you actually want from the safari. If you want totally luxury I suggest the fly in and fly out safari. Safarilinks.com has flights that are approximately $150 to $250 one way. A small private plane will take you to the lodge of your choice. The Governorscamp.com or the Keekorok Lodge are inside the parks and make it easy to enjoy the safari without the long drives. The lodge has a pond for the hippos and while you enjoy a PIM's cup or a "Bloody lion screw" (some of the names of their exotic drinks) you can watch the hippos.

For the budget traveler and for someone that enjoys a real safari experience I suggest taking the tented safari with an attached bathroom. It is not the food or accommodations that are good but the people you meet and the friendships you make. As most of the people who are traveling in economy are traveling alone, they are younger, much more open and definitely much more fun. The lux hotel safari will bring you around older people, mostly retired, who are in organized package safaris. A combination of both would be the best as I started one trip with a group safari and then joined the luxury hotel and a flight back to Nairobi.

Check back next week for the second installment of my trip to Africa where I will discussed, among other adventures, climbing Mount Kilimanjaro.

news@smdp.com



Wanderlust

Dan Dawson
Send comments to editor@smdp.com



Photo by Dan Dawson

JUST CRUISING: **American Safari Adventures' yacht called the Safari Quest sailing through Alaska's Inside Passage. American Safari Cruises has been ranked as one of the best small cruise lines by Conde Nast Traveler and is known for its high environmental standards.**

A whale of a time in Alaska

THERE ARE CERTAIN UNIQUE MOMENTS and experiences that happen when traveling that are imprinted in your memory for a lifetime. As long as I live I will always remember snorkeling at The Great Barrier Reef, zip lining through a rain forest in Costa Rica and witnessing the post-war horrors at the Museum Of Terror in Budapest. Yet, there have been no other trips that I have taken that have given me more amazing experiences almost daily than the adventure cruise through Alaska's Inside Passage aboard American Safari Adventures' yacht called the Safari Quest.

American Safari Cruises has been ranked as one of the best small cruise lines by Conde Nast Traveler and is known for its high environmental standards. Some have referred to this type of trip as the "anti-cruise" because of the unique up close and personal experiences you get both on board and off. There are just 11 beautiful staterooms on board for a maximum of 22 guests, ensuring a truly intimate experience. Camaraderie is one of the benefits of small ship cruises. The captain is quick to point out that while there is an itinerary, it is a loose one and they will go off course to find the best experiences for their guests. The daily activities are often determined by the weather, the tide and the serendipitous appearance of wild life. Several times on the trip we stopped and jumped into a skiff or kayak when a pod of whales was spotted.

The crew adds a lot to this type of touring, and on board each vessel is a naturalist with astounding knowledge of the animals and plants encountered in this untamed area. From the smallest mushroom to the massive humpbacks, our naturalist, Karl, turned each adventure into something even deeper with his breadth of information. The vessel also comes with a chef and pastry chef who provide unique and delicious meals and staff that manages a bar and takes care of the rooms. This is roughing it in style.

One of the unforgettable moments on this trip was being in a skiff and watching humpback whales bubble net feed. Karl explained that this was the most complex feeding ritual of any mammal other than man and of the 25,000 humpbacks only about a hundred are known to do it. A lead female will dive deep below a school of herring and blow bubbles to frighten the fish to the surface while the others circle the school and make noise and use their flippers to create a tight ball of fish. Then, the whales all shoot up out of the water in unison, mouths gapping, swallowing the fish. From our little boat it was a breathtaking moment to watch this complex process ending with these massive yet graceful creatures exploding from the waters.

The wild life abounds around every turn of the boat and the crew is quick to get you an up close view. This trip I watched a mother grizzly sun herself while her two 9-month-old cubs wrestled each other, had curious otters follow me in my kayak, watched herds of 200-pound sea lions jostle for space on a rocky island, and of course watched the orcas and humpback whales feeding only a few hundred yards away.

And then there are the glaciers. This small yacht is able to pull into tight coves and small inlets in Glacier National Park that most boats can't get in to. Another unforgettable moment was kayaking around the Marjorie Glacier when it gave way, dropping a massive chunk of ice into the bay with an ear popping sound and sending a small tidal wave right toward my kayak.

Still emerging from the last ice age, Alaska is a window to the past, but one hard to see into without the right guides and vehicle. American Safari Adventure Cruises are booking now for the short travel season for 2012. For sheer space, amazing wildlife, and dramatic scenery there is nothing quite like a small ship adventure cruise through Alaska's Inside Passage.

DAN DAWSON is a travel journalist and dedicated world traveler who has written articles for many publications on adventures abroad. Tell him about your favorite vacation spot at www.WonderlustTravel.com.

Considering Filing for *Bankruptcy?*

- Free phone consultation
- Speak to your local Santa Monica Attorney
- Get the facts now

"Your Local Santa Monica Attorney"

The Law Offices of Martin D. Gross
A PROFESSIONAL LEGAL CORPORATION
2001 Wilshire Blvd, Santa Monica CA 310/453 8320 www.lawgross.com

Civil Litigation
Consumer and Business Disputes

Support Your Local Independent Movie Rental Store

Since 1985

Annex

We are available for private screening and parties.

Call Us For Details



302 Pico Boulevard | Santa Monica, CA | (310) 392-8508

California Recycles
Recycle, Refurbish, Reuse

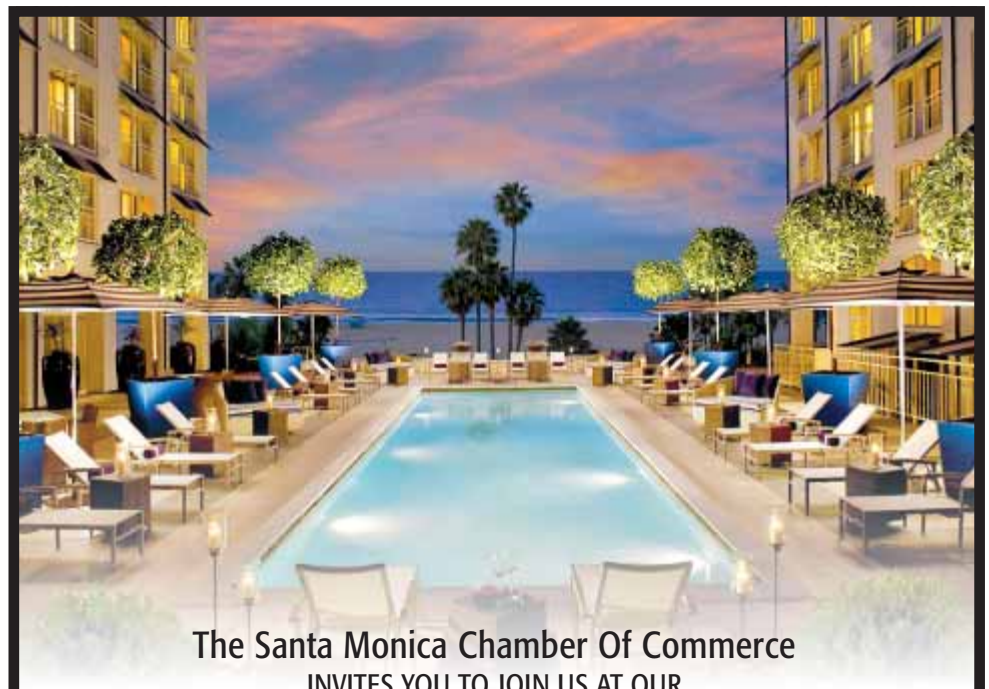
You can also shop for recycled office products and compostable tableware and utensils in our online store.
www.californiarecycles-store.com



Recycle old electronics
For Cash*
We pay the best rates for:
- Cell Phones
- TVs
- Computers
- And much more

Drop your items off at 1932 Cotner Ave. in West Los Angeles and mention this offer for cash
* Some restrictions apply

310-478-3001 ext. 100 www.californiarecycles.com



The Santa Monica Chamber Of Commerce
INVITES YOU TO JOIN US AT OUR
HOLIDAY BUSINESS@SUNSET MIXER
Wednesday, December 7th
5:30 – 8:30 PM

LOEWS SANTA MONICA BEACH HOTEL

SANTA MONICA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE

Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel
1700 Ocean Avenue, Santa Monica

Don't miss our Holiday Mixer at Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel!
Indulge in drinks and appetizers by the pool side patio with over 100 Chamber members.Enjoy special holiday treats, a fashion show from Eva Varro,entertainment and amazing prizes from some of your favorite Santa Monica restaurants and retailers at this special extended hours networking event.
Mix, mingle and make new contacts at this gorgeous beachfront location!

Appetizers | Bar | Entertainment | Raffle
Mixer valet parking is available for $6

Register ONLINE at www.smchamber.com or contact Shelly at 310-393-9825 x10
Members Presale $15 | Members at the Door $20 | Non Members $25

FOLLOW US ON twitter.com/smdailypress twitter

smdp.com Santa Monica Daily Press office **(310) 458-7737**

SAMOHI
FROM PAGE 3

opened it up even further during the third quarter.

At one point, the Vikings led by 26 at 53-27 with just a minute remaining in the third. Cleveland was able to close the gap, entering the fourth down 53-35.

That's when Samohi's shooters went cold.

After Samohi junior Jordan Mathews fouled out during the opening minute of the final period, Cleveland was able to come within 11 at 56-45 after Kody Riewthong sunk a 3-pointer with 2:59 remaining in the game.

With momentum on their side and Samohi reeling, Cleveland's Amit Harel got the ball in the open court and streaking toward the basket for an open dunk, but the ball clanged off the back of the rim for an emphatic miss. The bucket would have made it a 9-point game, but instead, Samohi's Jordan Walker sank a short jumper to counter Cleveland's surge, ultimately giving the Vikings the cushion they needed to advance to the second round of their own tourney.

"I'm glad we were able to get that first win," said Thompson, who finished the night with a team-high 13 points. "But, I felt like we kind of shut down during the fourth quarter.

"They fed off of that."

The win sets up a meeting with Fairfax, one of the teams favored to win the tournament. The game is scheduled for tonight at 8 p.m.

Head Coach James Hecht was pleased to get the victory, but was far from happy with the way his team finished.

"We didn't play a complete game," he said. "We have to remember to play for 32 minutes."

The win improves Samohi to 3-1 on the young season. Fairfax enters at 4-1.

Both teams are in the L.A. Times' top 20 poll. Fairfax is ranked 13 and Samohi is 20.

daniela@smdp.com

SHIPS
FROM PAGE 3

He had just finished breakfast that Sunday morning when he saw planes dropping bombs on airplane hangars. He rushed to his battle station after feeling the Utah lurch, but soon heard the call to abandon ship as the vessel began sinking. He swam to shore, where he made a makeshift first aid center to help the wounded and dying. He worked straight through for two days.

The Utah lost nearly 60 men on Dec. 7, and about 50 are still entombed in the battleship. Today, the rusting hull of the Utah sits on its side next to Ford Island, not far from where it sank 70 years ago.

Soucy's daughter, Margaret, said her parents had initially planned to have their ashes interred together at their church in Plainview, Texas. But her father changed his mind after visiting Pearl Harbor for the 65th anniversary in 2006.

"He announced that he wanted to be interred on the Utah. And my mother looked a little hurt and perplexed. And I said, 'Don't worry Daddy, I'll take that part of your ashes that was your mouth and I'll have those interred on the Utah. And you can then tell those that have preceded you, including those that were entombed, what's been going on in the world,'" Margaret Soucy recalled saying with a laugh.

"'And the rest of your remains we will put with mother in the church gardens at St. Mark's.' And then my sister spoke up and said, 'Yes, then mother can finally rest in peace,'" she said.

The family had longed kidded Soucy for being talkative —they called him "Mighty Mouth" — so Margaret Soucy said her father laughed and agreed. "He just thought that was hilarious," she said.

"So that is what we are doing. We're taking only a portion of his ashes. It's going to be a small urn," she said.

Soucy's three children, several grandchildren and great-grandchildren — 11 family members altogether — will be attending the sunset ceremony on Tuesday. His wife died earlier this year.

Sunset Tuesday was 5:49 p.m. in Honolulu, with light winds and temperatures in the 70s, with a repeat set for Wednesday.

An urn carrying the ashes of Vernon Olsen, who was among the 334 on the Arizona to survive the attack, will be interred in a gun turret on the Arizona on Wednesday. Most of the battleship's 1,177 sailors and Marines who died on Dec. 7 are still entombed on the ship.

Five months after Pearl Harbor Olsen was on the USS Lexington aircraft carrier when it sank during the Battle of the Coral Sea.

"I used to tell him he had nine lives. He was really lucky," said his widow, Jo Ann Olsen.

He passed away in April at the age of 91 after a bout of pneumonia.

Pearl Harbor interment and ash scattering ceremonies began in the late 1980s, and started growing in number as more survivors heard about them.

Taylor has helped 265 survivors return to Pearl Harbor. The vast majority have had their ashes scattered. He's arranged for the remains of about 20 Arizona survivors to be placed in the Arizona and about a dozen to be put in the Utah.

"These guys are heroes, OK. Fact is, in my opinion, anybody that's ever served in the military and wore the uniform are heroes. That's why you and I can breathe today in a free country. So I just appreciate what they did," he said.



Don't Carry Your Old Baggage into the New Year

A New Year, A New Start

Did you deal with the issues you thought you would in 2011? Maybe it's time to start dealing with problems you've ignored. I provide a safe and encouraging therapy environment to help you make progress on your goals.



JoAnne Barge, Ph.D.
A Licensed Psychologist & MFT
310.472.2329
www.drbarge.com
PSY 14116 | MT 18182



Photo courtesy Cirque du Soleil

A LOOK AT THE TINY WORLD: **Cirque du Soleil's 'Ovo' delves into the world of bugs.**

OVO

FROM PAGE 1

creatures as scientific anatomy gave way to the demands of the stage.

The long horns she wanted on the scarab were sacrificed — "That could put an eye out," Vandal said — but against the muddled copper color of the costume, war wounds etched in blue hinted at the battles that the warrior insects had endured.

In the end, Vandal and her team created between 17 and 18 unique creature costumes for the 52 performers involved in the "Ovo" show, subtracting and adding elements to each costume for "life in the colony" scenes versus those for acrobatic performance.

The duplicate costumes, particularly those for the 10 crickets cast in the performance, emphasize an essential characteristic of insects: quantity.

"Where there's one, there's always more," Vandal said.

"Ovo" is Vandal's first Cirque du Soleil show, a task she had not been personally prepared to take on until 2008 when the company approached her to design for their 25th production.

The show spoke to Vandal, who hearkened back to afternoons as a child spent in Quebec, Canada turning over rocks in her front yard to examine the life that thrived underneath.

Vandal was enthralled with the insect world, creatures that wore their armor on the outside, quite the opposite of people, whose armor is all interior.

"I would study the shapes, what they were doing," she said. "I had a passion for insects."

When asked why one of the best-recognized acrobatic performance companies on the planet would do a show about bugs, director of creation Chantal Tremblay simply said: "Why not?"

"At the end of the day, it's all about movement, and acrobatics with movement," Tremblay said. "Insects do have a lot of movement … the concept is quite interesting."

The production was written and directed by Deborah Colker, a native Brazilian and the first female to direct a Cirque du Soleil show.

Colker's Brazilian background influenced the direction of the show more than her gender, Tremblay said, not only in the name — "Ovo" is Portuguese for "egg" — but in the percussive heavy music.

"She gives a Brazilian flavor that we didn't have," she said. "The other men were from Belgium, Switzerland and Quebec."

At its heart, the show is pure entertainment, although audiences might walk away with a touch more sensitivity toward the world's smaller denizens.

"Maybe, a little more respect, I think," Tremblay said. "I always loved spiders, but in my head, they move like our contortionist now. Maybe people won't kill them quite as fast as they used to."

ashley@smdp.com

Procrastination is a problem when it comes to doing my disaster plan. As a business owner I have a lot to do. It's not like a disaster is going to happen tomorrow. Besides, we have that new business pitch. I've been waiting for this to happen for a while now. I'll get the disaster plan finished eventually. Nothing to worry about, it'll happen.

Whether natural or man-made, at least one in four businesses affected by a disaster never reopen. Though emergencies are unpredictable, when you have a plan in place you can adapt, recover and stay in control.

It's never too late to protect your business until it is.

Make a plan.

READY.GOV

Ad Council

Ready Business

Lose 30 lbs. This Fall!
Medically Supervised HCG Diet
Free Thyroid Evaluation Included!

vibrance health



Before



After

As Seen On Dr. Oz

Call Today! **310.458.3714**

Vibrance Health Services
900 Wilshire Boulevard, Suite 310, Santa Monica
www.bevibrance.com

HOLIDAYS AT SANTA MONICA PLACE

THE BIG GUY IS IN TOWN

PHOTOS WITH SANTA
$3.00 OFF PHOTO PACKAGES UNTIL DECEMBER 7
NOW THROUGH CHRISTMAS EVE | THE MARKET
For a limited time, visit Santa & Mrs. Claus in his magical home in The Market.
Children are welcome to bring letters to Santa, share wishes, and visit him daily.

PET PHOTOS WITH SANTA
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8 | THE MARKET | 6:00PM
Santa's little "furry friends" are invited to get their photos taken this holiday season.
Santa Claus will be available for an evening of memorable pet photos.
Please no exotic pets.

GINGERBREAD HOUSE COMPETITION
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11 | THE MARKET | 11AM-3PM
The Gourmandise School of Sweets & Savories invites professionals, amateurs, and youth to enter their best Gingerbread House of the season. Prizes will be awarded for 1st, 2nd & 3rd place in each category by a panel of professional judges. Guests are invited to browse all entries and choose their "fan favorite."
For complete details visit: TheMarketSMP.com

SNOW FALLS NIGHTLY IN CENTER PLAZA
Join us every evening at 7:00pm through December 23, 2011
for snowfall in Center Plaza.

GIFT YOUR SCHOOLS
NOW THROUGH DECEMBER 31
Shop and dine at Santa Monica Place and you'll help earn a 5% donation back to your school. Simply present your original receipts from Santa Monica Place shops and restaurants dated November 1, 2011 - December 31, 2011 at Concierge.
Program supports local schools in Santa Monica, Malibu and Pacific Palisades grades K-12. Visit Concierge on level 1 for complete program details.

SANTA MONICA place
3RD STREET PROMENADE & BROADWAY

FOR ADDITIONAL HOLIDAY DETAILS, VISIT SANTAMONICAPLACE.COM
FACEBOOK.COM/SANTAMONICAPLACE TWITTER.COM/SANTAMONICAPLC

LUXURY, TECHNOLOGY AND SAVINGS.

LINCOLN

A sedan that's putting standards back into luxury.
A crossover that connects you like never before.
At prices that are equally rewarding.



2011 LINCOLN **MKZ** FWD

- More standard features than Lexus ES 350
- Voice-activated SYNC® technology standard[2]



2011 LINCOLN **MKX** FWD

- Best-in-class fuel efficiency[1] and horsepower
- Standard voice-activated SYNC with MYLINCOLN **TOUCH**™[2]

Santa Monica Ford Lincoln Mercury 1230 Santa Monica Blvd. | Santa Monica, Ca., 90404 | (800) 809-1283

FORD ENGINE TECHNOLOGY.
HERE TODAY, READY FOR TOMORROW.



Ron Davis
Owner
General Manager

Find us on Facebook

FACT:
We developed the first hybrid SUV, Ford Escape Hybrid – still the most fuel-efficient SUV on the planet. Ford also builds the most fuel-efficient midsize sedan in America, the 41-mpg Fusion Hybrid.

FACT:
The 3.5L **EcoBoost is the first North American production twin-turbocharges direct-injection V6 engine.** It delivers V6-like fuel economy with V8-like performance and will be available this summer on Ford Flex, Taurus SHO, Lincoln MKS and Lincoln MKT.

FACT:
Ford has developed a hydrogen-electric plug-in Ford Edge, our first drivable fuel-cell hybrid electric plug-in. The benefit is zero emissions. We now know that these vehicles are viable and that Ford can build them. And we're bringing to market by 2012 a family of hybrids, plug-in hybrids and battery electric vehicles.



2010 Fusion **HYBRID**

SANTA MONICA Ford LINCOLN Mercury



2010 Escape **HYBRID**

Drive green.

"COME IN AND TEST DRIVE OUR ENVIRONMENTALLY FRIENDLY VEHICLES"
1230 Santa Monica Blvd., Santa Monica, CA 90404 | www.smford.com | (800) 809-1283

Drive green. Drive quality. Drive safe. Drive smart.



Daniel Archuleta *daniela@smdp.com*

LIVING HISTORY: **Stephen Dobrenchuck and Emil Wroblicky stand in front of the trophy case at the American Legion Post in Pacific Palisades. Both men served in World War II.**

PEARL HARBOR

FROM PAGE 1

"(Roosevelt) was pushing Germany to the limit because in June of 1941, the Nazi's attacked Russia. He knew Hitler couldn't open up a third front against the U.S.," said Harvey Stromberg, a professor emeritus of history at Santa Monica College.

If the Germans attacked the escort ships, Roosevelt would have the excuse many historians believe he was looking for to join the Allied effort in Europe, but the Nazi's would not oblige him, Stromberg said.

That entree would come at the hands of the Japanese, who were "infuriated" with the Americans for first telling them to end their four-year war in China and then cutting off their access to the Panama Canal.

The last straw came in 1941 when the United States implemented a full trade embargo against the country and froze Japanese assets.

"At that point, they decided to attack us," Stromberg said.

The attack shocked the country. Roosevelt took to the national stage the next day and declared Dec. 7 "a day that will live in infamy."

America entered the war.

Monday, Dec. 8, 1941, Stephen Dobrenchuck, now a resident of Pacific Palisades, was sitting in a dental chair while Roosevelt spoke, trying not to think about how much it would cost to get his teeth straightened ($300, then a small fortune).

His own membership in the military was a foregone conclusion. Dobrenchuck, then 18, had always planned to join the Army, and committed himself to a citizen's military training camp for one year before he took a position with tank destroyers in Africa.

"We were very conscious that there was a war going on," Dobrenchuck said of the pre-Pearl Harbor era. "People started calling up into the reserves. The National Guard called up people from every state in the United States."

Dobrenchuck was driving with his parents and brother Gregory — who would leave the war a highly-decorated pilot — in a dark green 1929 Buick down a postal road from Hartford, Conn. to Boston when news of the attack came through on the radio they'd Jerry-rigged on the hood of the car.

"There was a sense of shock," Dobrenchuck said.

That shock shifted to white hot anger.

The highly isolationist American population turned toward the war effort with vigor, spurred on by a fear that turned poisonous for the Japanese-Americans living and working in the country.

There was so much resistance to the war previously that the government had to act quickly to mobilize public opinion, Stromberg said.

"What Americans don't know is how much fear there was," he said. "It was promulgated by the government."

According to the American Battle Monuments Commission, 405,399 American soldiers died in World War II. Historic resources differ on the total number of deaths, estimating between 50 and 70 million.

Wroblicky knows how close he was to joining that number.

Before the Enola Gay made its historic, horrific flight which ended the war with the dropping of the atomic bomb, he and his other marines were set to make a landing on Japanese soil on Nov. 1.

Officials predicted a 70 percent casualty rate, Wroblicky said.

Seventy years have passed since the United States joined World War II, and those few still alive to tell the tale have watched the countries involved change and cast off the roles they played in the most destructive war in history.

Wroblicky and his wife returned to Japan for the 50 year memorial of the war, they flew back on a Japanese airline.

"When I left it was nothing but mud and slush," Wroblicky said. "When I came back, there were superhighways and people use Okinawa as a honeymoon."

ashley@smdp.com

Santa Monica's Eco-friendly Green taxi.
MetroCab
SANTA MONICA
Call Now!
27.90* from SM to LAX
• Low Prices
• Reliable Service
• Experienced Drivers
• On-Time
310.444.7777
www.MetroCabCo.com

Free Wine Tasting at the Santa Monica Museum of Art
Kick off the holidays with art, wine and cheese from Co-opportunity, and member only discounts!
Join us at the Santa Monica Museum of Art on TUESDAY, DECEMBER 13TH FROM 6-9 P.M. for a free wine tasting at Bergamot Station.
Place an order for wine at the event, and you'll receive 10% off when you pick up your order at the Co-op. Visit coopportunity.com for more information.

Show your Co-op member card and save 10% on any museum store purchase and on a SMMoA membership.
Bergamont Station is located at 2525 Michigan Ave.
Everyone is welcome to attend, however the discounts are members-only.

CO-OPPORTUNITY
NATURAL FOODS
Organic & Local Produce
Vitamins and Cosmetics
Fresh Deli & Juice Bar & More!
Open to the public daily 7 am to 10 pm
1525 Broadway, Santa Monica, CA 90404
310.451.8902 | coopportunity.com



STATE BRIEFS

SACRAMENTO

California continues slow population growth

The state Department of Finance says California is continuing its recent trend of slow population growth, standing at about 37.5 million residents as of July 1.

In new figures released Tuesday, the department said the state's population grew by less than 1 percent over a yearlong period — about 260,000 new residents.

Nearly all of the increase is due to a higher number of births than deaths in the state.

California lost about 154,000 residents to other states in the one-year span, but that was offset by about 132,000 new foreign immigrants.

Five counties — Riverside, Los Angeles, Orange, San Diego, and San Bernardino — accounted for more than half the state's growth.

California has grown by about 325,000 residents since the U.S. Census on April 1, 2010.

ASSOCIATED PRESS

SACRAMENTO

Poll: Two-thirds support revote on high-speed rail

A new Field Poll finds nearly two-thirds of registered California voters support putting the high-speed rail bonds they approved in 2008 back on the ballot now that cost projections have skyrocketed.

A poll released Tuesday shows strong sentiment across political affiliations for holding another vote.

Californians approved selling $9 billion in rail bonds in 2008, but by a nearly 2-1 margin now say they would reject them. The High-Speed Rail Authority projects the cost of the system to be $100 billion and trains to travel between San Francisco and Los Angeles in 2033 — about $57 billion higher and 13 years longer than original estimates.

Rail authority spokeswoman Rachel Wall said Californians might be wary of the project because of the uncertain economy, but the project is still needed.

"To back pedal on this project means we reject billions in stimulus funds, lose 100,000 new jobs and, ultimately, pay tens of billions more for congested highways in the long run," Wall said in a statement.

Field interviewed 515 registered voters from Nov. 15-27. The poll has a sampling error margin of plus or minus 4.4 percentage points.

AP

LOS ANGELES

City officials consider bank lending disclosure law

The Los Angeles City Council is considering forcing some banks to disclose their lending practices if they want to do business with the city.

The council's Budget and Finance Committee debated a so-called Responsible Banking Ordinance on Monday but put off further debate until January.

The proposal would require some banks doing business with the city to provide information on the number of home loan modifications they have made in LA and the number of loans they've made to small businesses.

However, the information wouldn't be used to rate the banks when awarding city contract. That makes it a far weaker proposal than the agenda pressed by community activists and Occupy L.A. protesters, who staged a noisy rally before the meeting.

AP

COLTON

Bodybuilder in custody after couple beaten

A husband and wife who suffered head injuries while being beaten by a naked, 300-pound bodybuilder were released from a hospital on Tuesday, authorities said.

Meanwhile, suspect Ruben Arzu remained in custody at the hospital after it took four officers, two stun gun blasts and four sets of handcuffs to restrain the 5-foot-10-inch man during a Saturday night rampage on a suburban block in Colton.

Arzu, 22, is awaiting booking on suspicion of attempted homicide and aggravated mayhem, Colton police Officer Todd Smith said. His condition was not immediately available.

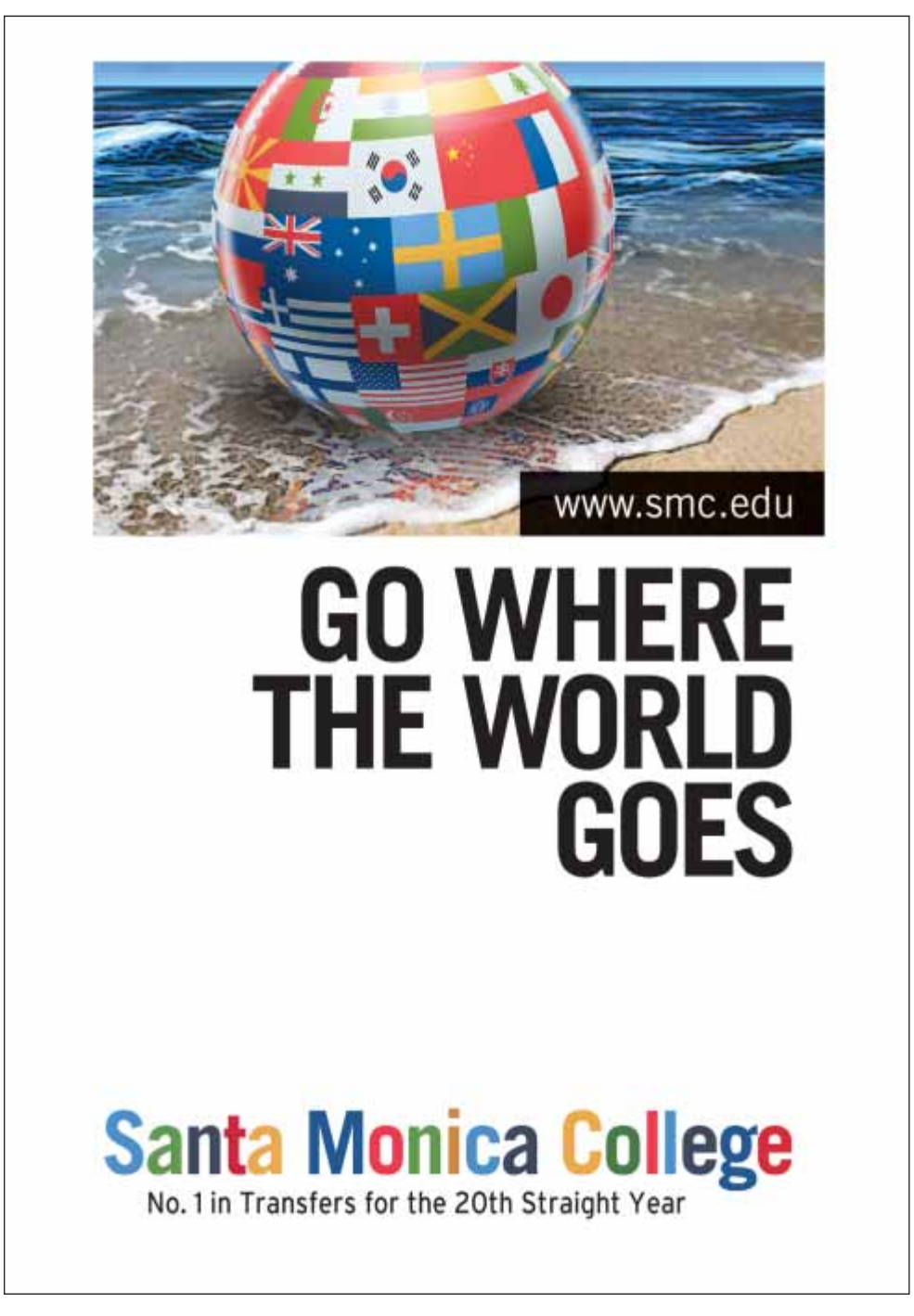
"The couple showed up at home from a party and he's there in their front yard, naked," said Smith, adding that the victims did not know Arzu.

Police said Arzu attacked the husband and caused major head trauma after the 36-year-old man confronted him.

The 34-year-old woman ran inside the house and called 911. When she came back out to check on her husband, Arzu picked her up and threw her around, causing facial injuries and multiple cuts to her head, Smith said.

Before officers arrived, a neighbor came out of her house to try and help the woman but ran back inside when Arzu turned to confront her, Smith said.

AP





Holiday plans revolve around pets

SUE MANNING
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES Dexter's social calendar this holiday season is chock-full of travel plans, party invites, new clothes, special meals and trips to see Santa Claus.

Highlights for the 3-year-old cocker spaniel and his owner Carol Bryant, of Forty Fort, Pa., include a couple of car trips to look at light displays. A friend drives so Bryant can hold Dexter in the passenger seat as they drive by the lighted homes. "He especially likes the animation and wags his tail," she said.

Like a lot of pet owners, Bryant makes her holiday plans around her dog.

Bryant, the editorial, social media and public relations director for Fido Friendly Magazine, takes photos galore of Dexter in his holiday finest and uses them on Facebook, Twitter, her blog, and in emails to friends and Christmas cards. Their shopping sprees have already begun. Dexter will host a party. His best friend, a golden cocker named Bailey, will host a party. There will be presents to and from Dexter under the Christmas tree. He knows which ones are his and does his own unwrapping.

Bryant hung Dexter's personalized stocking with care. He'll spend Christmas Eve in pajamas and a bathrobe with ducks on it. He will look his brown-and-white best because of a holiday trip to the groomer, and he will dine on lean boiled turkey on Christmas Day.

A recent AP-Petside.com poll found that just over half of American pet owners will buy gifts for their pets this holiday season, and they'll spend an average of $46 on their animals, with toys and treats topping the list. Overall spending in the pet industry (including food, supplies, veterinary care, grooming, boarding and pet sitting) was just over $48 billion in 2010, with over $50 billion in spending projected for 2011, according to the American Pet Products Association.

"It seems many pet owners have accepted that their pets are like children and they enjoy indulging their pet more than ever. It is easier for pet owners to spend on their pets than other relationships in their lives because pets have no expectations," Bob Vetere, president of the American Pet Products Association, said earlier this year.

The Associated Press asked a couple of pet lifestyle experts to describe ways people might celebrate the holiday season with their pets. Some of the answers: Buy your parrot a pinata full of dried fruit. Put a tiny video camera around your cat's neck and let it record some Christmas memories. Or build a holiday dinner around your dog's gluten-free needs.

Some pet stores and shelters host photo fundraisers where you can purchase a picture of your pet in Santa's lap. And photographers who specialize in pets can bring backdrops and lights to your home to take professional shots of your pet and family for keepsakes and cards, Bryant said.

Private chefs can teach you to create menus for human families based on a dog's diet needs, said Jessica Vogelsang, a San Diego veterinarian and author of pawcurious.com. Vogelsang ate ground chicken with cheese and stuffed squash at a recent demonstration by chef Tasha Ardalan from foxytreats.com. Or you can include goodies pets can eat — like peanut butter treats — in your holiday baking.

You might want to stock up on breath freshener for pets for this idea from Sandy Robins, an Irvine-based lifestyle consultant for Petco Animal Supplies Inc.: "If you can kiss your two-legged family members under the mistletoe, you can kiss your four-legged family members." Just don't let pets nibble on the mistletoe; it can cause gastrointestinal upsets.

Pets may also be allergic to ingredients in human perfumes, air fresheners, oils and candles, Robins said, but there are pet-friendly versions of some scented products. People who use those might even find themselves wheezing less, she said, because "what's good for pets is good for people."

There is no must-have pet gift this year, but one of the most popular gifts last year was the Snuggie for pets, Robins said, and this year, she expects pajamas will be big sellers. Another trend: Gifts for the senior set — meaning pets over age 7 — including infrared massagers and chew toys for those short on teeth, Robins said.

You can also buy a video cam that fits on a collar and let the cat or dog take home movies by the Christmas tree, though Robins acknowledged it might take some serious editing to get to the good stuff.

Petfinder.com is holding its third annual "Foster a Lonely Pet for the Holidays" campaign, hoping to give pets from 1,500 shelters a home stay between Christmas Eve and New Year's. Meanwhile, the goal of the Iams Home 4 the Holidays (IH4TH) drive this year is 1.5 million pet adoptions worldwide.

Finally, there is an endless variety of pet-themed clothing, housewares and accessories for the humans in a dog's life. For bakers, cake, cookie and candy pans come in the shape of bones, dog houses and fire hydrants. Tiffany & Co. sells a sterling silver dog bone charm for a bracelet.

"The apparel and accessory industry is recognizing that not all pet owners want embroidered cardigans or socks," Vogelsang said.

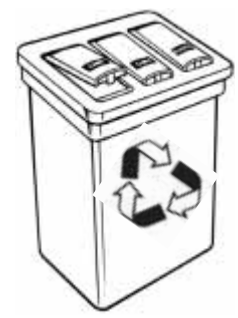


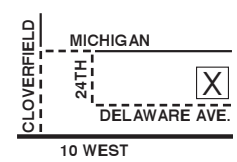
Change your water ...
CHANGE YOUR LIFE
with "Beyond O_2" Alkaline Water
The Tiffany of Alkaline Water!

Alkaline Water reverses the effects of illness and leads to:
- increased energy
- anti-aging
- positive mood
- stabilized blood sugars
- weight loss
- better digestion
- lower cholesterol
- clear skin
- disease reversal (gout, diabetes, etc.)

(310) 664-8880
Beyond O_2 Water House
2209 Main St., Santa Monica, CA 90405
Doctor Recommended
www.beyondo2water.com

FREE W
5 gallons of "Beyond O_2" Alkaline Water
Beyond O_2 Water
(310) 664-8880
With this coupon.
Not valid with other offers or prior purchases.
*Please bring an empty container for your water or you may purchase a container at the store



RECYCLE NOW!
Aluminum Cans
$1.80 per pound with this coupon expires 12-31-11
Aluminum Plastic Glass Bi-Metal Newspaper
CardboardWhite/Color/Computer Paper Copper & Brass
Santa Monica Recycling Center
2411 Delaware Avenue in Santa Monica
(310) 453-9677


LEAN TEEN
reshaping the future
The Program Fills Up Fast, Enroll Your Teen Today!
Contact: JAMES@LEANTEEN.COM
or 310-458-1671
Introducing the Inaugural Lean Teen Challenge
We Make Fitness Fun
Outdoor Adventures | Nutrition and Cooking Skills
Life Long Healthy Habits Start Today!
Hosted By
BOYS & GIRLS CLUBS OF SANTA MONICA
SPONSORS
- Susan Wolf College Applications
susangwolf.com
- Ferine Physical Therapy
- Lucas Photography
- Fausch Fitness

BOB GABRIEL CO. INSURANCE
Personalized Insurance

- Auto Experts
- Homeowners
- Workers Compensation
- Life, Disability & Pension
- Commercial & Business
- Group & Individual Health

Representing "A" rated companies including MERCURY INSURANCE
Mercury Insurance has cut rates on auto, homeowners, and renters insurance. Please call for new discounted rates.
Phone Quotes Available
Family Owned Business
310.829.0305
2325 Wilshire Blvd., Santa Monica
www.bobgabrielinsurance.com


Woodie Hamilton
Personal Trainer
"I'll work with you"
323.635.8483
HarwoodHamilton@gmail.com
www.boxervate.com
Change Your Body, Change Your Life!
I'll be your guide. I make it affordable and attainable.
No Matter Your Age or Fitness Level
I'll Customize a Program that Works for You
Busy Schedule? No Problem!

Recession shortens kids' lists for Santa Claus

MARTHA WAGGONER
Associated Press

RALEIGH, N.C. A job for their mom or dad. Money for the heating bill. Food or a place to live. Maybe gloves or boots.

More and more, Santas say the children on their laps are asking for less for themselves — and Santa is promising less as well.

With unemployment stubbornly high, more homes in foreclosure and the economic outlook dim, many children who visit Santa are all too aware of the struggle to make ends meet.

"These children understand the conditions around the home when they ask for stuff," said Richard Holden, a 69-year-old Santa from Gastonia, N.C. "They understand when there are other children in the family, they need to be cautious or thoughtful of them as well and not ask for 10 to 12 items."

Cliff Snider, who's been playing Santa since he was a teenager, agrees.

"I think the parents are saying, 'It's an economic thing. Just list two to three things you really want to have,'" he said. "Parents are trying to encourage the children to be thrifty."

And the 64-year-old Snider does his best to help out. When he gets a big-ticket request, he typically responds: "There's an awful lot of children asking for that this year. What else do you want?"

At the Charles W. Howard Santa Claus School, Santas learn lines like, "Wow, that's a big gift. Is there anything else you might like?"

These days, though, Santas are having to use it less and less.

"I think it's becoming more popular not to have that long list," said Tom Valent, dean of the Howard Santa school in Midland, Mich., which gets more than 3,000 letters to Santa a year and just graduated its 75th class. "Families are teaching their children to be as much of a giver as a receiver."

Starlight Fonseca has been teaching her five children, ages 5 to 14, "that we're not the only ones who have to cut things back. We're not the only ones struggling."

The 31-year-old mother and her husband Jose had been relying on a stipend from the University of Texas law school that Fonseca lost when an illness made it impossible for her to keep her grades up. She'd hoped to graduate in May but was unable to attend school this semester and can't get student loans due to poor credit.

Fonseca tells her kids that "to make it fair for everyone, Santa has to cut back for everyone. ... We paint it in a way that Santa is doing the best he can to make everybody happy at Christmas."

It's especially hard for the oldest children.

"They were two little kids who used to be excited about Christmas, and now they know every gift under the tree should have gone to the utility company," she said. "It shouldn't be that way, but that's where we are now."

Of course, Santas still see some kids like the 9-year-old who pulled out a BlackBerry and showed Snider photos of all the things he wanted. "It cracked me up," he said.

Holden's response to a long list is to say something like, "Why don't you narrow this down just a little bit and choose two or three items you would really like?" Sometimes he'll even mention prices, and say, "With things like they are, Santa Claus will do what he can to help you get what you like. But we can't make you any promises."

Tim Connaghan, who runs the International University for Santa Claus in Riverside, Calif., conducts an annual survey among the 500 Santas he employs. The economy has become such a big issue that Connaghan asked them for advice on how to handle some of the questions kids were asking about unemployed parents or having to move.

"Let's all hope your dad will find a new job, or you will get into a new home," is one recommended response.

"Acknowledge the problem, give them a positive response and say, 'Santa loves you, too. Maybe I could get something special for you,'" said Connaghan. "It's that quick, usually. But the hope is that when the child leaves, he feels a little better."

Connaghan recalled the night he and other Santas took some needy children shopping. One boy wanted to buy toilet paper because his mother was taking napkins and paper towels from a fast food restaurant for toilet paper.

"He wanted to buy her real toilet paper — a common, everyday item that we all take for granted," Connaghan said. "And this child is thinking this is a Christmas gift."

Holden has had children ask for things like heat at home. He'll tell the child Santa will do what he can, then try to let the parents know about agencies that might help.

One child returned a year later and "said she wanted to thank Santa for getting her some help when they didn't have food or a place to stay." Someone had overheard the conversation with Santa and helped the family.

"There's more to being a Santa Claus than you think there is," Holden said. "You don't just go 'ho, ho, ho,' pat them on the back of the head and send them on their way. You get involved with them. ... You just make sure they feel loved and they feel special when they leave your lap."

Get Cash For Your Gold & Jewelry!

California's Premier Jewelry Buyer Is Paying The Highest Prices For:


Diamonds


Gold


Watches

WE BUY: Rolex - Cartier - Patek Philippe - Tiffany - Chopard - Van Cleef - David Yurman
Broken & Unwanted Gold Jewelry - 10k - 14k - 18k - 24k - Silver - Coins and More!

LIMITED TIME SPECIAL OFFER!
$25 INSTANT BONUS
On Any Transaction Over $100
$50 INSTANT BONUS
On Any Transaction Over $500!
Offer Ends Soon!
(Bonus not valid on coin sales)
Lic. No. 19651221



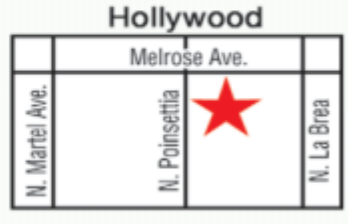
DIAMOND & GOLD exchange

Santa Monica
2629 Wilshire Blvd.
Santa Monica 90403
(310) 829-9800

Hollywood
7280 Melrose Ave.
Los Angeles 90046
(323) 653-9009

Mon - Fri 10am to 6pm, Sat 11am to 5pm
www.DiamondAndGoldExchangeUSA.com

Santa Monica


Hollywood


DO YOU HAVE COMMUNITY NEWS?
Submit news releases to editor@smdp.com or by fax at (310) 576-9913
smdp.com Santa Monica Daily Press office (310) 458-7737

Email QLINE@SMDP.COM. WE'LL PRINT THE ANSWERS.
Sound off every week on our Q-Line™. See page 5 for more info.
smdp.com Santa Monica Daily Press office (310) 458-7737

Occupy protests move to foreclosed homes

MANUEL VALDES
Associated Press

SEATTLE The Occupy Wall Street protests are moving into the neighborhood.

Finding it increasingly difficult to camp in public spaces, Occupy protesters across the country are reclaiming foreclosed homes and boarded-up properties, signaling a tactical shift for the movement against wealth inequality. Groups in more than 25 cities held protests Tuesday on behalf of homeowners facing evictions.

In Atlanta, protesters held a boisterous rally at a county courthouse and used whistles and sirens to disrupt an auction of seized houses. In New York, they marched through a residential neighborhood in Brooklyn carrying signs that read "Foreclose on banks, not people." Los Angeles protesters rallied around a family of five who plans to reclaim the home they lost six months ago in foreclosure.

"It's pretty clear that the fight is against the banks, and the Occupy movement is about occupying spaces. So occupying a space that should belong to homeowners but belongs to the banks seems like the logical next step for the Occupy movement," said Jeff Ordower, one of the organizers of Occupy Homes.

The events reflect the protesters' lingering frustration over the housing crisis that has sent millions of homes into foreclosure after the burst of the housing bubble that helped cripple the country's economy. Nearly a quarter of all U.S. homeowners with mortgages are now underwater, representing nearly 11 million homes, according to CoreLogic, a real estate research firm.

Protesters say that banks and financial firms own abandoned foreclosed houses that could be housing people.

Seattle has become a leader in the anti-foreclosure movement as protesters took over a formerly boarded-up duplex last month. They painted the bare wood sidings with green, black and red paint, and strung up a banner that says "Occupy Everything — No Banks No Landlords."

While arrests have already been made in a couple of squatting cases in Seattle and Portland, it remains to be seen how authorities will react to this latest tactic.

In Portland, police spokesman Sgt. Pete Simpson said he's aware that the movement called for people to occupy foreclosed homes, but said it's difficult to distinguish between the people who would squat in homes as a political statement and those that do it for shelter.

"The vacant property issue is of concern in cities nationwide," Simpson said. "We'll treat them all as trespassers."

In Seattle, protesters took over a boarded-up warehouse slated for demolition last weekend. In an announcement, the protesters said they planned to make the warehouse into a community center, and hosted a party the night they opened the building. Police moved in soon after, arresting 16 people in the process of clearing it out.

Seattle police spokesman Sgt. Sean Whitcomb said his department sees squatting in private properties as the same violation of trespassing Occupy Seattle made when it camped in a downtown park.

"It's no different than when people were trespassing (in the park)," Whitcomb said. "We went nights and days, letting people camp in the park. We relied on education and outreach, rather than enforcing the law to the letter."

Atlanta protesters took a more aggressive approach in trying to disrupt the home auction. The auction went on but the whistles and sirens made it difficult for the auctioneers to communicate, said Occupy Atlanta spokesman Tim Franzen.

"We don't know how many homes we saved for one more month during the holiday season," he said. "It was kind of a Christmas gift to the people."

In Los Angeles, protest organizers were keeping the full identity of the man who is going to take back his home secret to not alert police or the bank. The protesters planned to rally when the family returns to their home.

New York protesters introduced members of a homeless family at the end of their rally and said they plan renovate and clean up the house so the family can live in a house they said had been abandoned by a bank.

In Portland, a press conference was held at the home of a woman facing foreclosure next March. She vowed to stay in her house until authorities take her out.

"We belong here," said Deb Austin, who said she fell behind in payments after a cancer diagnosis and after her husband lost her second job. "And we're not leaving."

Dow ends up 52 on hopes for wider bailout powers

DANIEL WAGNER
AP Business Writer

The Dow Jones industrial average ended up 52 points following a report that European leaders are considering more aggressive programs to bail out weaker countries in the region.

Broader market indicators were mixed. The S&P 500 index rose 1 point and the Nasdaq composite edged lower. Materials and health care companies rose the most. Agricultural supplies company Monsanto Co. rose 2.8 percent and drug maker Pfizer Inc. rose 2 percent.

Stocks were stuck in neutral for most of the day after S&P said it might downgrade the AAA rating of Europe's bailout fund. A report in the Financial Times late in the afternoon sent the Dow up as many as 117 points. The newspaper reported that European leaders are considering making more financial aid available to struggling countries.

Investors remain cautious ahead of a summit of European leaders Thursday and Friday where the main task will be coming up with credible plans for preventing a simmering debt crisis from causing a breakup of the euro, the currency shared by 17 European nations.

"We are coming to a head in Europe, and it's no longer about the small countries like Greece," said Paul Zemsky, chief investment officer at ING Investment Management. He said current stock prices reflect traders' expectations of a rate cut from the European Central Bank on Thursday and strong political action on Friday. Any less that, he said, and "it's anyone's guess show bad things will get, but they'll get pretty bad."

The Dow Jones industrial average closed up 52.3 points, or 0.43 percent, at 12,150.13. Among its top performers was 3M Co., which rose 1.5 percent after the maker of Post-It notes forecast 2012 earnings that were stronger that many analysts expected.

The Standard & Poor's 500 index closed up 1.4 points, or 0.1 percent, to 1,258.5. The Nasdaq composite average closed down 6.2, or 0.23 percent, at 2,649.56.

U.S. stock indexes have risen sharply from the lows they hit during a Thanksgiving-week drubbing. The S&P 500 is up 8.6 percent since Nov. 25, when it closed at 1,158.67.

Late Monday S&P said it might downgrade the debt of 15 countries that use the euro. The announcement, and S&P's followup statement Tuesday about possibly downgrading the European bailout fund, halted a rally in European markets.

The impact on the market was muted, said Robert Tipp, chief investment strategist with Prudential Fixed Income, because investors are coming around to the view that the European debt crisis may be through its worst phase.

"There's going to be volatility going forward, and it's going to be difficult for countries to follow their commitments, but I think you finally crossed that point where they took enough steps that the markets will get the message" that there is a credible crisis-rescue plan in the works, Tipp said.

In corporate news:

• Leap Wireless International Inc. rose 1 percent after the prepaid mobile phone company said it is buying spectrum in Chicago from Verizon Wireless and sell it spectrum bandwidth nationwide.

• Homebuilder Toll Brothers Inc. rose 2.7 percent after it reported fiscal fourth-quarter earnings that beat analysts' expectations.

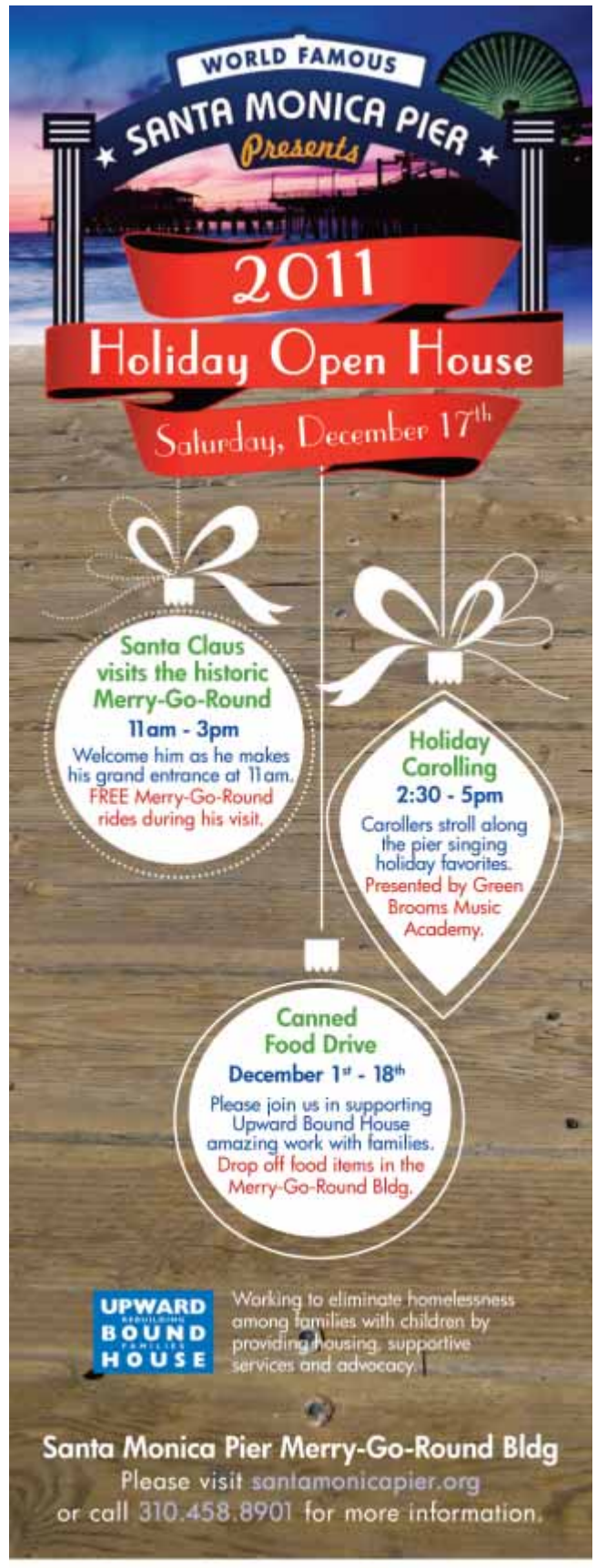
• Alpha Natural Resources Inc. fell 1.1 percent after the company agreed to pay more than $200 million to avoid being sued over a 2010 mine disaster that killed 29 men.

• Darden Restaurants Inc. fell 12.4 percent, the most in the S&P 500 index, after the company slashed its profit forecast for 2012. The company is trying to turn around its struggling Olive Garden restaurant chain and cope with rapidly rising food costs.

YOUR OPINION MATTERS! SEND YOUR LETTERS TO • Santa Monica Daily Press • Attn. Editor:
1640 5th Street, Suite 218 • Santa Monica, CA 90401 • **editor@smdp.com**

DONATE Your Vehicle
Tax deductible. No DMV hassle.
The call is free! And so is the pick-up!
American Red Cross
1-888-5-RED-CROSS
(888-573-3276)
Cars • Boats • RVs • Cars • Boats • RVs • Cars • Boats • RVs

Your source for individual & family health plans.
Call today for a FREE quote!
YOUR ELITE HEALTH INSURANCE SOLUTIONS
Authorized Independent Agency (310) 736-3093
3560 Hughes Ave 204
Los Angeles, CA 90034
YourEhealthInsurance.com
CA Insurance License #0H52946
Anthem
Anthem Blue Cross is the trade name of Blue Cross of California. Independent licensee of the Blue Cross Association. ® ANTHEM is a registered trademark of Anthem Insurance Companies, Inc. The Blue Cross name and symbol are registered marks of the Blue Cross Association.





SURF REPORT

Surf Conditions **Water Temp:** 61°

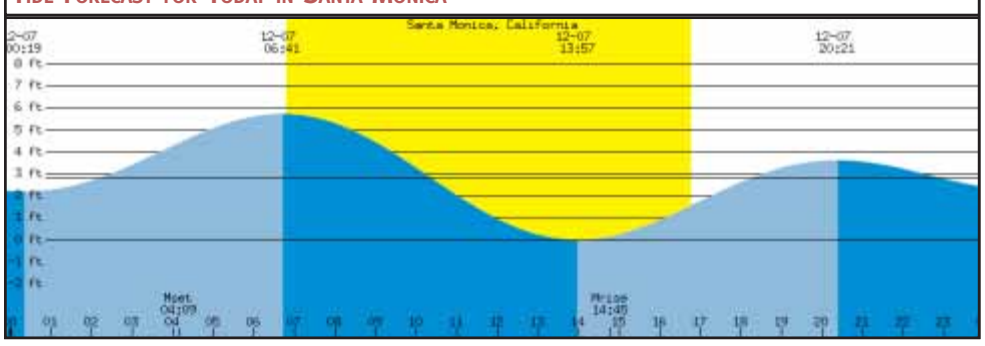
Swell Forecast

NW swell come ashore, hitting SB/VC early in the day, and finally SD mid to late morning. Size should run head high at most west facing breaks with pluses at standouts going about 2' overhead.

Long Range Synopsis

NW is expected to back off a bit, more along the lines of chest to at times head high for west facing breaks.

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 30, 2011**

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

QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 0
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 14
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 26 / 13
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 0 / 0

The Beach Report Card is made possible by: The Diller – von Furstenberg Family Foundation, Grousbeck Family Foundation, simplehuman, LAcarGUY, SMA

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

LEGEND

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

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

The Beach Report Card is an indication of past water quality and is not a warranty of the current safety of those areas surveyed. Our lawyers are happy.

Heal the Bay is a non-profit environmental organization dedicated to making Santa Monica Bay and Southern California coastal waters safe and healthy for people and marine life.

Heal the Bay

© 2011 Copyright Heal the Bay. All rights reserved. Printed on recycled paper (unless Exxon).

NFL

Retired scramblers weigh in on Tim Tebow conversation

ARNIE STAPLETON
AP Pro Football Writer

ENGLEWOOD, Colo. Nobody knows what will come of the Tim Tebow experiment, not even those scrambling ramblers who came before him.

Yet it seems like everybody wants to talk about it.

Retired QBs who made a living with their legs, and who also turned the NFL on its ear in their day, have strong opinions about what's happening in Denver, where Tebow has led the once lowly Broncos to six wins in his seven starts.

Randall Cunningham loves it.

Steve Young hates it.

Bobby Douglass admires it.

While they debate whether Tebow can morph into a prototypical pocket passer, they're all pulling hard for the Broncos' quirky quarterback who defies his messy mechanics and flawed footwork with grit and last-minute magic.

"I think what we all ought to do is enjoy the circus while it's in town," suggests another former NFL quarterback, Joe Theismann.

Tebow has brought the option back to the NFL and while he usually struggles for much of the day to move his team downfield, he keeps coming up big in crunch time, guiding the Broncos to second-half comeback wins against the Dolphins, Jets, Raiders, Chargers and Vikings since taking over as the starter two months ago.

On Sunday, he won a shootout in Minnesota, propelling the Broncos (7-5) into a first-place tie with Oakland atop the AFC West.

"You've got Aaron Rodgers, you've got Drew Brees, you've got Tom Brady that set a standard of excellence in football that we haven't seen," said Theismann, now an NFL Network analyst. "What makes 2011 so unique is we have seen quarterback play in this league at such a high extreme and in Tim's case, the bottom rung when it comes to completions."

And yet the Broncos are also in the playoff hunt in this pass-happy league because of an old-fashioned formula based on stout defense and a strong ground game.

"That defense is as good as any in football right now," Theismann said. "The offense doesn't turn the ball over. There's been one interception in seven games. I say this tongue-in-cheek: the way Tim throws the ball sometimes, nobody has a shot at getting it, his guy, the defenders. It's either bounce it in the ground or throw it in the third row."

Tebow is completing just 48 percent of his passes.

"And what's his winning percentage?" retorts Cunningham.

It's 85.7 percent, second only to Rodgers, whose Packers are perfect at 12-0.

Still, Broncos boss John Elway won't publicly commit to Tebow for 2012 and beyond. Coach John Fox, who told NFL.com last month that Tebow would be "screwed" if they were running a conventional offense, is living in the moment, not focused on the future.

"The guys wins, how can you not be a fan of that?" Fox said. "He does it with his feet, with his arm, just with his competitive greatness, really. That's what you're looking for in a quarterback."

The Broncos have decided not to try to fix Tebow's throwing troubles now but try to accentuate what he already does well, which is running a ball-control, low-risk, no-frills offense heavy on the option while sprinkling in some downfield passes.

"He's in a sweet spot right now," said Young, "but I don't know if it's developing him to go do it long-term in the NFL."

Tebow is coming off his best passing performance as a pro — 10 of 15 for 202 yards and two TDs — but Young would like to see him sling it 20-25 times every Sunday.

"I learned the hard way what the job in the NFL was," said Young, who came into the league as a scrambler and left as a pocket passer with a championship and a ticket to the Hall of Fame. "I didn't know what that job was and it wasn't natural to me and I like to just run around and make plays.

"But it's not championship football. It can be winning football, but it's not championship football," Young said. "And so I had to learn the job, and the job is a Ph.D. in studying defenses and the ability — and some of it's natural — to deliver the football."

There's the rub. Does Tebow really need to be a great passer?

"My first year, I was no more accurate than he was," said Cunningham, who was a 42-percent passer as a rookie but finished his career at 56.6 percent and was one of the most exciting players of his day.

AFFORDABLE HOUSING OPEN
Community Corporation of Santa Monica

Announces the opening of the **2012 Marketing List**.
To be considered you must pick up an appointment card at
502 Colorado Blvd. In the Community Room between Dec. 5th thru Dec. 29th, M-Th 8 a.m. – 5 p.m.. Friday Dec. 9th, Dec. 23rd and Thursday Dec. 29th 8 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Closed Dec. 2; 16; 26; and 30. EOH



KNOW THE FACTS...
30,000,000 men have erectile dysfunction.
Fewer than 10% ever seek professional help.
THEN MAKE THE CALL!
1 Other person in each relationship also has to suffer. **WHY?**
ED is simple to treat with the right medications and doctors that understand how they work!
Los Angeles Male Medical Clinic
6101 W. Centinela Ave. • Culver City **310-218-0541**

MOVIE TIMES

Aero Theatre
1328 Montana Ave.
(310) 260-1528

Elite Squad: The Enemy Within (Tropa de Elite - O Inimigo Agora E Outro) (NR) 1hr 56min
7:30pm

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 Third Street Promenade
(888) 262-4386

Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn - Part 1 (PG-13) 1hr 48min
1:15pm, 4:00pm, 7:00pm, 9:45pm

Tower Heist (PG-13) 1hr 44min
1:15pm, 4:15pm, 7:15pm, 10:00pm

Like Crazy (PG-13) 1hr 29min
1:30pm, 4:10pm, 7:00pm, 9:30pm

Very Harold & Kumar 3D Christmas (R) 1hr 29min
1:45pm, 4:25pm, 7:10pm, 9:50pm

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

Happy Feet Two in 3D (PG) 1hr 45min
11:15am, 4:30pm, 10:00pm

Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn - Part 1 (PG-13) 1hr 48min
11:15am, 2:00pm, 4:45pm, 7:30pm, 10:15pm

Muppets (PG) 1hr 38min
11:10am, 1:00pm, 2:00pm, 4:05pm, 5:00pm, 7:45pm, 10:20pm

Puss in Boots (PG) 1hr 30min
11:15am, 4:30pm, 9:30pm

Puss in Boots 3D (PG) 1hr 30min
1:50pm, 7:00pm

Immortals 3D (R) 1hr 50min
11:10am, 1:45pm, 4:20pm, 7:05pm, 10:00pm

J. Edgar (R) 2hrs 17min
11:45am, 3:10pm, 6:30pm, 9:50pm

Metropolitan Opera: Satyagraha Encore (NR) 4hrs 15min
6:30pm

Happy Feet Two (PG) 1hr 45min
2:00pm, 7:15pm

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

Sleeping Beauty (La belle endormie) (NR) 1hr 22min
7:30pm

Margin Call (R) 1hr 49min
1:50pm, 4:30pm, 7:20pm

Crazy Wisdom: The Life and Times of Chogyam Trungpa, Rinpoche (NR) 1hr 29min
1:00pm, 3:10pm, 5:20pm, 7:40pm, 10:00pm

Descendants (R) 1hr 55min
12:00pm, 1:20pm, 2:50pm, 4:10pm, 5:40pm, 7:00pm, 8:30pm, 9:45pm

Don Giovanni: Live from La Scala (NR) 3hrs 15min
9:00am

Warrior's Heart (PG) 1hr 26min
9:55pm

AMC Criterion 6
1313 Third St.
(310) 395-1599

Arthur Christmas 3D (PG) 1hr 37min
2:15pm, 7:45pm

Hugo 3D (PG) 2hrs 07min
11:15am, 2:05pm, 4:55pm, 7:45pm, 10:30pm

Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn - Part 1 (PG-13) 1hr 48min
12:30pm, 3:30pm, 6:30pm, 9:30pm

Jack and Jill (PG) 1hr 31min
11:45am, 2:20pm, 4:50pm, 7:25pm, 10:00pm

Moneyball (PG-13) 2hrs 06min
12:15pm, 6:15pm

Ides of March (R) 1hr 42min
3:30pm, 9:40pm

My Week with Marilyn (R) 1hr 36min
11:15am, 1:50pm, 4:40pm, 7:30pm, 10:20pm

Arthur Christmas (PG) 1hr 37min
11:30am, 5:00pm, 10:30pm

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

A partner needs attention, Leo

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Good suggestions and bright ideas seem to happen naturally, especially when communicating with a loved one or dear friends. The good news remains -- you have the energy to act on the situation as well. Tonight: Treat yourself well.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ You feel good; act accordingly. Do you do different activities when you are on top of the world? Charge! If you're feeling less than great, see what is going on. Consider eliminating certain factors in your life that put you in a downward spiral. Tonight: All smiles.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Listen to a friend you really care about. His or her advice right now might be more grounded than in the past. You feel tired and drawn, as you have gone out of your way for others. Now go out of your way for yourself. Tonight: Get some extra zzz's.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You might want to rethink a decision that is taking you in a new direction. Actions taken right now might not work out instantly, but point to the correct direction. You have made an enormous effort and need to see the responses. Tonight: Where people are.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Others naturally gravitate toward you, but is this what you want? Sometimes you might be happier assuming a low profile. Feeling a little suffocated is one of the outcomes of so much publicity. You can handle it. Tonight: A partner needs attention, too.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Take an overview. Be willing to dig into an issue more deeply, or detach more to understand what is happening, or check to see that you have a full perspective. Tonight: Let your mind wander.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Relate on a one-on-one level with others. That type of attention always makes someone feel important. Your caring comes back in multiples like you never expected. You might need to reveal frustration about a key issue. Tonight: Find time for a special friend.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ You might be taken aback by everything that happens around you. The issue might be that you have some strong opinions and want to proceed in a key direction. You also need to let others follow through on what they feel is the right way. Tonight: Sort through ideas and invitations.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ Maintain an even pace, and clear out your errands. You have the ability to accomplish a lot. You mobilize your feelings and get the job done. There is an awkwardness between you and someone you really care about. Tonight: Squeeze in some exercise.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ You could be overwhelmed by all the ideas that are coming forward. News from a distance sets you in a new direction. Make no judgments. You don't have all the news and information. Trust that more is coming in. Tonight: Let the fun begin.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ Stay centered on your personal patterns. Realize what is going on behind the scenes with what you want to bring forward. You also can choose to ignore what is happening and give yourself some space. Tonight: Where the action is.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Clear your desk and answer calls before making a key decision. Recognize what you are feeling and what is going on behind the scenes. You might decide to say little and observe more. Tonight: Visit with a friend as soon as you can.

Happy birthday

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

This year you declare that you need more efficiency in order to live your life to the fullest. Think before you get involved in anything new or different. The quality of your life becomes even more important. You mix activity and caring in a relationship. Your sweetie might have to adjust to your new concerns. If you are single, you will look for someone who adds to your life, as opposed to trying to "save" another person. You have a lot to smile about. TAURUS helps you in any way possible.

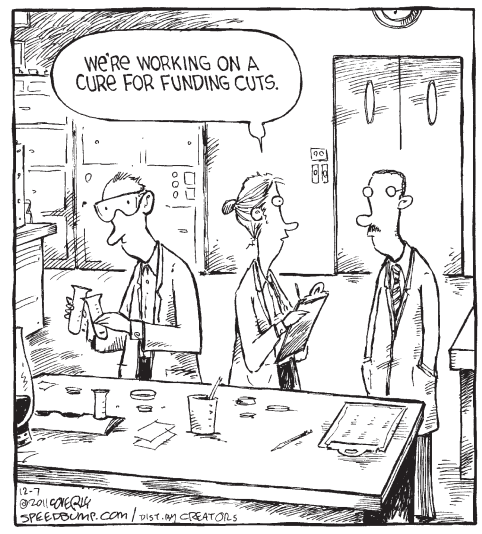


MYSTERY PHOTO

Daniel Archuleta *daniela@smdp.com*

The first person who can correctly identify where this image was captured wins a prize from the Santa Monica Daily Press. Send answers to *editor@smdp.com*. Send your mystery photos to *editor@smdp.com* to be used in future issues.

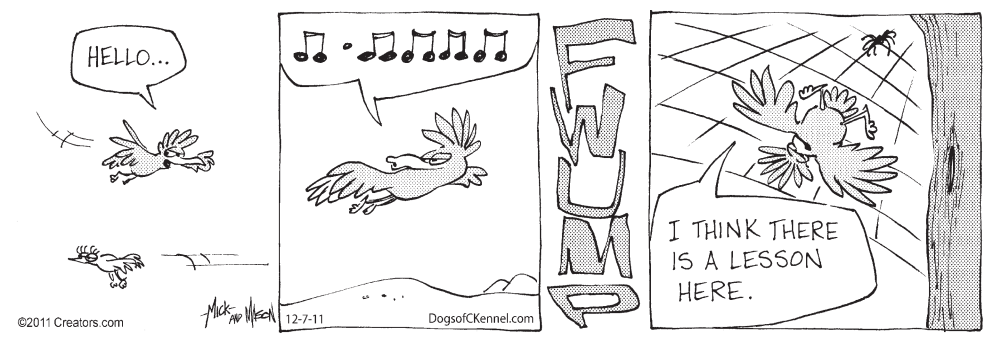
Speed Bump
By Dave Coverly



Strange Brew
By John Deering



Dogs of C-Kennel
By Mick and Mason Mastroianni



Garfield
By Jim Davis



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



Sudoku

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

Difficulty Level ★★★

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

King Features Syndicate

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

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

If you died today, who would take care of your family?

Call Robbie Today!
310-741-7561
CA Lic# 0C66305



10-Yr Level Term Life Insurance
$500,000 Policy
(Monthly Premiums)

Age	Male	Female
50	43.50	37.41
55	74.39	55.56
60	117.02	80.50
65	213.06	131.69

Broker NOT Captive Agent, able to access/shop over 100 companies for you.

PJP Insurance Services, Inc.



www.freetermlifeinsquote.com

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Maine city
7 Marquee name
11 Carry too far
12 Floor piece
13 "Don't misbehave!"
14 Like some cheeses
15 Holiday ring
17 Fancy dance
20 Lute's cousin
23 Yale student
24 "Boardwalk Empire" star
26 Joke
27 Big galoot
28 Convent resident
29 Massachusetts school
31 Ship initials
32 — Dame
33 Fencing weapon
34 Conclusion
37 Radius, for one
39 Thorough exam
43 Burden
44 Comfortable
45 Cried
46 Game dog

DOWN

1 Hope of comedy
2 Broad st.
3 Not pos.
4 Attack dog's sound
5 Skunk's defense
6 Took the trolley
7 Radio trouble
8 Make stricter
9 Saloon order
10 Spectrum end
16 Useful ability
17 Kicked off
18 Texas landmark
19 Stop being so serious
21 Tickle
22 Washer cycle
24 Uncovered
25 High times
30 Wilde character
33 Plumed bird
35 "— framed!"
36 Staff symbol
37 Gift topper
38 Low digit
40 Krazy —
41 Purpose
42 According to

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

Yesterday's answer

NEW CROSSWORD BOOK! Send $4.75 (check/m.o.) to Thomas Joseph Book 1, P.O. Box 536475, Orlando, FL 32853-6475

1	2	3	4	5	6	■	7	8	9	10
11						■	12			
13						■	14			
■	■	■	15			16			■	■
17	18	19		■	■	20			21	22
23			■	24	25					
26			■	27			■	28		
29			30				■	31		
32					■	■	33			
■	■	34			35	36		■	■	■
37	38			■	39			40	41	42
43				■	44					
45				■	46					

12-7

ARITHMO™

CrossMath + × − ÷

– Arithmo Crossmath – Reclaim Your Brain

• Insert the given numbers in the empty squares so when they are calculated in threes from left to right and top to bottom they satisfy the demands in the shaded boxes both horizontally and vertically.

• Each empty square dictates the math operation that must be performed to meet the demands.

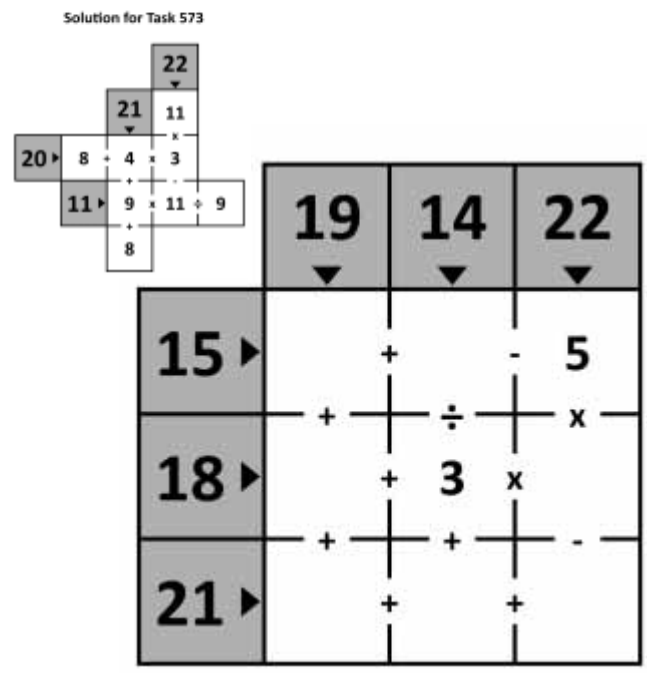
• Remember to multiply or divide before you add or subtract.

Go to www.zokigames.net for more fun and challenging games and links to our mobile phone apps.

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

3, 3, 5, 8, 8, 10, 12

Solution for Task 573



DAILY LOTTERY

MEGA MILLIONS: 24 30 48 51 56
Meganumber: 45
Jackpot: $87M

SUPER LOTTO PLUS: 1 12 19 29 34
Meganumber: 12
Jackpot: $13M

Fantasy 5: 6 27 29 33 34

DAILY 3: MIDDAY: 5 5 8
EVENING: 9 1 5

DAILY DERBY:
1st: 11 Money Bags
2nd: 05 California Classic
3rd: 12 Lucky Charms
RACE TIME: 1:48.84

Although every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the winning number information, mistakes can occur. In the event of any discrepancies, California State laws and California Lottery regulations will prevail. Complete game information and prize claiming instructions are available at California Lottery retailers. Visit the California State Lottery web site at http://www.calottery.com

NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Police in Nizhny Novgorod, Russia, arrested a much-too-zealous expert on local cemeteries in November, suspected of digging up the bodies of 29 women buried in the city and taking them to his apartment. Local media identified him as prominent historian Anatoly Moskvin, 45, possessor of "certain quirks," including making solitary forays through the hundreds of graveyards in the region. Police found the mummified corpses, outfitted in dresses and headscarves, in Moskvin's home, along with an assortment of plastic dolls wearing frilly dresses.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1988 Yasser Arafat recognizes the right of Israel to exist.

1989 Sugar Ray Leonard and Roberto Duran complete their trilogy of boxing fights nine years after their first two fights, at the opening of the Mirage Hotel in Las Vegas, Nevada; Leonard retains his WBC world Super Middleweight title by a 12 round unanimous decision.

1993 The Long Island Rail Road massacre: Passenger Colin Ferguson murders six people and injures 19 others on the LIRR in Nassau County, New York.

1994 Norfolk Southern ends its steam excursion program. This is the last time that Norfolk and Western 611 is under steam.

1995 The Galileo spacecraft arrives at Jupiter, a little more than six years after it was launched by Space Shuttle Atlantis during Mission STS-34.

1999 The Recording Industry Association of America files a lawsuit against the Napster file-sharing client alleging copyright infringement.

2003 The Conservative Party of Canada is officially recognized after the merger of the Canadian Alliance and Progressive Conservative Party of Canada.

2006 A tornado strikes Kensal Green, North West London, seriously damaging about 150 properties.

WORD UP!

weald \ weeld \ , noun;
1. Wooded or uncultivated country. 2. A region in SE England, in Kent, Surrey, and Essex counties: once a forest area; now an agricultural region.

Santa Monica Daily Press

Classifieds

$5.50 per day. Up to 15 words, 20 cents each additional word.

Call us today start and promoting your business opportunities to our daily readership of over 40,000.

YOUR AD COULD RUN TOMORROW!*

Some restrictions may apply.

Prepay your ad today!

VISA MasterCard American Express Card

(310) 458-7737

*Please call our Classified Sales Manager to reserve your ad space. Specific ad placement not gauranteed on classified ads. Ad must meet deadline requirements. See complete conditions below.

CLASSIFICATIONS:

Announcements
Creative
Employment
For Sale
Furniture
Pets
Boats
Jewelry
Wanted
Travel
Vacation Rentals
Apartments/Condos
Rent
Houses for Rent
Roomates
Commerical Lease
Real Estate
Real Estate Loans
Storage Space
Vehicles for Sale
Massage
Services
Computer Services
Attorney Services
Business Opportunities
Yard Sales
Health and Beauty
Fitness
Wealth and Success
Lost and Found
Personals
Psychic
Obituaries
Tutoring

All classified liner ads are placed on our website for **FREE!** Check out ***www.smdp.com*** for more info.

Beauty

HAIRSTYLIST AND MANICURE station for rent Santa Monica (310) 449-1923

Miscellaneous

ATTEND COLLEGE ONLINE from Home. *Medical, *Business, *Criminal Justice. Job placement assistance. Computer available. Financial Aid if qualified. Call 800-494-3586 www.CenturaOnline.com

CASH FOR CARS, Any Make or Model! Free Towing. Sell it TODAY. Instant offer: 1-800-864-5784

CASH PAID for unexpired, sealed DIABETIC TEST STRIPS - up to $17/Box! Shipping prepaid. Kim 1-888-883-8835. www.cash4diabeticsupplies.com

DISH NETWORK lowest nationwide price $19.99/MO. FREE HBO/Cinemax/Starz FREE Blockbuster FREE HD-DVR and install. Next day install 1-800-348-6191

DISH Network More Choices, More savings! FREE HD FOR LIFE. Packages starting at $24.99 for 12 months w/60 channels 1-888-444-7854 Restrictions apply. Call for details

DISH Network More Choices, More savings! FREE HD FOR LIFE. Packages starting at $24.99 for 12 months w/60

FREE GAS! Receive $300 Gasoline Savings! Gasoline Stimulus Program provides $300 gas savings to participants of driving survey. Local Stations - Major Brands ! Call now 877-898-9027

FREE GROCERIES! Receive $2000 in Grocery Savings! Grocery Stimulus Program provides $2000 savings to participants of shopping survey. ALL MAJOR AND LOCAL supermarkets! Call 877-301-1682

WORK ON JET ENGINES - Train for hands on Aviation Career. FAA approved program. Financial aid if qualified - Job placement assistance. Call AIM (866)453-6204 or visit www.fixjets.com

Employment

COMMISSION SALES rep needed part time with internet marketing experience. Submit resume to bsberkowitz@aol.com

HOUSEKEEPING
Immediate positions available in the Saint Johns Health Center
All shifts available
Hospital housekeeping/English preferred.
Call 310/829-8431 for interview

MYSTERY SHOPPERS! Earn up to $150 daily. Get paid to shop pt/ft. Call now 1-888-750-0193.

Out of High School? 18-24 guys and girls needed. Travel American Hot spots. Paid training, travel and lodging. 877-646.5050

$5.50 A DAY LINER ADS!
CALL TODAY **(310) 458-7737**

Employment

PROCESS Mail! Pay Weekly! FREE Supplies! Bonuses! Genuine! Helping Homeworkers since 1992! Call 1-888-302-1522 www.howtowork-from-home.com

Help Wanted

FREE Groceries! Receive $2000 in Grocery Savings! Grocery Stimulus Program provides $2000 savings to participants of shopping survey. ALL MAJOR AND LOCAL supermarkets! Call 877-301-1682

Adoption

PREGNANT? CONSIDERING ADOPTION? You choose from families nationwide. LIVING EXPENSES PAID. Abby's One True Gift Adoptions. 866-413-6292, 24/7 Void/Illinois

Thrift Shop

CAREGIVER, 25 yrs. experience at St. Johns Hospital and of high profile clients in SM. From Ireland. References available. (310)595-5437 *

Wanted

WANTED DIABETES TEST STRIPS Any kind/brand. Unexpired up to $22.00. Shipping Paid Hablamos espanol 1-800-266-0702 www.selldiabeticstrips.com

YEARBOOKS "Up to $15 paid for high school yearbooks1900-1988. yearbookusa@yahoo.com or 972-768-1338."

For Rent

HOWARD MANAGEMENT GROUP
(310)869-7901

721 Pacific #1. 2 Bd + 1 Bth in one level building. Hardwood floors and patio. $1895 per month.

1214 Idaho Ave. #1. 2Bd + 1Bth. Lower unit w/ patio. Pets ok. $2095

11300 Gladwin #3. Top floor studio w/ full kitchen & full bath. Hdwd floors, parking, laundry. $1295

215 Gale Dr. #C. Townhouse w/ hdwd floors in Beverly Hills. Pets ok. $2,050

. 2110 Bentley Ave. #206. Upper 2Bd + 2 full bath with balcony. Tandem gated parking. West-LA. $1895 per month.

WE HAVE MORE VACANCIES ON THE WESTSIDE. PETS WELCOME

www.howardmanagement.com
rentals@howardmanagement.com

WEST L.A. OCEAN VIEW
1 Bedroom on hilltop, private driveway, private backyard
$1,395.00
(310) 390-4610

WLA, OCEAN VIEW. Hilltop/upper 2bedroom. Private driveway, sundeck, 2pking $1,895 (310).390.4610

For Rent

LIVE FREE FROM DISCRIMINATION

FEDERAL AND STATE FAIR HOUSING LAWS MAKE IT ILLEGAL TO INDICATE ANY PREFERENCE, LIMITATION, OR DISCRIMINATION BECAUSE OF RACE, COLOR, RELIGION, SEX, SEXUAL ORIENTATION, MARITAL STATUS, NATIONAL ORIGIN, ANCESTRY, FAMILIAL STATUS, SOURCE OF INCOME, OR PYSICAL OR MENTAL DISABILITY. CALIFORNIA DEPT. FAIR EMPLOYMENT & HOUSING

800-884-1684

Commercial Lease

Beautiful Studio Space for Lease - $2800 for 4-Office/Quad w/sky light and built-in shelving. Ideal for a small co. specializing in Web, PR, Advertising or Marketing. Contemporary interiors, secured parking, amazing location. MUST SEE TO APPRECIATE! Contact Nicole 310.393.3993 xt. 203

Real Estate

FREE FORECLOSURE Listings OVER 400,000 properties nationwide. Low down payment. Call now 800-250-2043.

Available Now!!! 2-4 Bedroom homes Take Over Payments No Money Down/No Credit Check Call 1-888-269-9192

Stop Renting Lease option to buy Rent to own No money down No credit check 1-877-395-0321

Automotive

FREE GAS! Receive $300 Gasoline Savings! Gasoline Stimulus Program provides $300 gas savings to participants of driving survey. Local Stations - Major Brands ! Call now 877-898-9027

WANTED JAPANESE MOTORCYCLES KAWASAKI 1970-1980 Z1-900, KZ900, KZ 1000, H2-750, H1-500, S1-250, S2-250, S2-350, S3-400 CASH. 1-800-772-1142, 1-310-721-0726 usa@classicrunners.com

Autos Wanted

TOP CASH FOR CARS, Any Car/Truck, Running or Not. Call for INSTANT offer: 1-800-454-6951

Bookkeeping Services

QUICKBOOKS BOOKKEEPING SERVICE
Call 310 977-7935

Services

PLASTER!
ALL Type of Plaster.
Stucco Finish & Paint

SANDBLASTING
Paint & Stain Removal

20 Years of Service
Commercial & Residential
(626) 235-8780

FREE ESTIMATE!

Services

BOOKKEEPING A CHORE?

From 4 Hours per Month

Year-end and tax prep, at your office or ours to set up your system, get up-to-date or handle all your bookkeeping on a monthly or weekly basis.

Contact me by December 23 for 50% off the first 4 hours.

Serving West Los Angeles since 1997
Doris @ 424-246-6006 or
Doris90401@gmail.com

Handyman

The Handy Hatts
Painting and Decorating Co.
SINCE 1967
RESIDENTIAL/COMMERCIAL
SPECIALISTS IN ALL
DAMAGE REPAIR
"EXPERT IN GREEN CONCEPTS"
Free estimates, great referrals
FULL SERVICE HANDYMAN FROM A TO Z
Call Brian @
(310) 927-5120
(310) 915-7907
LIC# 888736

ELECTRICAL & Kitchen/Bath Remodeling, Additions, Carpentry, Tiles, Decks, Plumbing.,Stairs,Plans.Lic#612380. 310-770-3022

Financial

AVOID BANKRUPTCY! Settle debts for less. Call if more than $15,000 of credit card debt. (800) 699-9740

Health/Beauty

TAKE VIAGRA? SAVE $500! 100mg,/Cialis 20mg. 40+4 FREE, PILLS . Only $99.00 Discreet. .1-888-797-9024

Counseling

Compassionate Counseling
Get to the Heart of the Matter, Make Life Changes
Laurie Levine MFT.
(310) 963-0524

Massage

BLISSFUL RELAXATION! Experience Tranquility & Freedom from Stress through Nurturing & Caring touch in a total healing environment. Lynda, LMT: 310-749-0621

Notices

NOTICE OF APPLICATION FOR CHANGE IN OWNERSHIP OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGE LICENSE(S)
Date of Filing Application: 11/29/11
To Whom it may concern:
The Name(s) of the Applicant(s) is/are:
KINGS SEAFOOD COMPANY LLC
The applicants listed above are applying to the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control to sell alcoholic beverages at: 330 SANTA MONICA PIER, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401-3128
Type of License(s) Applied for: 40 - ON-SALE BEER Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control INGLEWOOD.
SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS

Notices

YOUR AD
COULD RUN HERE!
CALL US TODAY AT
(310) 458-7737

Learn to
STAND UP PADDLE
Mothers Beach • Marina del Rey



Enjoy the calm waters of the Marina del Rey like you never have before. Our certified professional instructors take the time to teach you the proper technique in a safe environment, so you'll be up and paddling like a pro in no time! Call for more info.

$10 off Your Lesson or Rental at the Pro Stand Up Paddle Authority

PSS Pro SUP Shop

310-314-3537 • www.prosupshop.com

Lessons • Rentals • Events • Sales

© 2011 Pro SUP Shop. All rights reserved.

CALL TODAY FOR SPECIAL MONTHLY RATES!

There is no more convincing medium than a DAILY local newspaper.

Prepay your ad today!

VISA MasterCard American Express Card

(310) 458-7737

CLASSIFIED ADVERTISING CONDITIONS: REGULAR RATE: $5.50 a day. Ads over 15 words add 20¢ per word per day. Ad must run a minimum of twelve consecutive days. PREMIUMS: First two words caps no charge. Bold words, italics, centered lines, etc. cost extra. Please call for rates. TYPOS: Check your ad the first day of publication. Sorry, we do not issue credit after an ad has run more than once. DEADLINES: 3:00 p.m. prior the day of publication except for Monday's paper when the deadline is Friday at 2:30 p.m. PAYMENT: All private party ads must be pre-paid. We accept checks, credit cards, and of course cash. CORRESPONDENCE: To place your ad call our offices 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, (310) 458-7737; send a check or money order with ad copy to The Santa Monica Daily Press, P.O. Box 1380, Santa Monica, CA 90406.



Kate Bransfield

COLDWELL BANKER PREVIEWS INTERNATIONAL

Estates Director
Society of Excellence
Previews Properties Specialist
Coldwell Banker - Montana Avenue
310.395.1133

Now that Daylight Savings Time is over Sunday Open Houses are 1:00 pm to 4:00 pm

www.SantaMonicaListings.com

La Mesa Way
Extraordinary Santa Monica Estate

Shown By Appointment Only

7 Bed + 8 Bath
Magical Grounds
Pool, Spa, Tennis Court
Massive Archways
Majestic Dual Staircases
Grace the Entry

$9,995,000



12220 Dorothy Street



Wonderful, Custom Country Kitchen
Fabulous,
Brentwood Flats Traditional
$2,250,000
Open Sunday
December 11th
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

619 Euclid Street



Great, Open Floorplan
5 Bedrooms
Lush Landscaping
$2,999,999
Open Sunday
December 11th
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

101 California Avenue



Units 902 & 903 for lease
(corner of Ocean Avenue)
Gorgeous Ocean Views
902 1+1 Remodeled $4500 / mo
903 1+1 Remodeled $2900 / mo

Call Kate for a showing

519 California #103



Close to Ocean & Big Yard
2 Bed + 2 Bath
$799,999
Open Sat & Sun
December 10th & 11th
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

1053 17th Street



Renovate or Rebuild
2 Bed + 1 Bath
$989,000
Open Sunday
December 11th
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Kate Bransfield Proud Sponsor Of:

FRANKLIN Elementary School

Roosevelt Elementary School

LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL SANTA MONICA, CA

Santa Monica LITTLE LEAGUE established 1950

Average Price of ALL Santa Monica Properties
From ALL agents in ALL companies
Listed for Sale As of Early - December 2011

	-	Single Family Homes	Condos & Town-homes
Santa Monica Canyon	=	$1,900,000	$2,995,000
North of Montana	=	$3,195,999	$1,074,500
Between Wilshire & Montana	=	$1,985,000	$799,500
South of Wilshire	=	$799,000	$499,000
Sunset Park	=	$1,150,000	$499,000
Ocean Park	=	$1,399,000	$1,149,000

Statistics updated every Monday

11745 Montana #305



$4,500 Per Month
2 Bed + 4 Bath
Gorgeous Mountain Views
Plantation Shutters
Enormous Living Room
Call Kate for showing

1751 Appian Way



2 Units Available for Lease!
#101 1 + 1.5 $4,999 / Month
#203 3 + 3 $8,499 / Month
Call Kate for a showing

What is Your Home Worth? Contact Me to Find Out!

This is not intended as a solicitation if you currently have a broker. The information has been retrieved from the Multiple Listing Service. Some of these properties have been sold or listed with other Real Estate Agents.