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Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

MAN AT WORK: **Executive Chef Felix Lopez works with a large bowl full of mashed plantains at The Border Grill on Wednesday afternoon.**

Study: Businesses not harmed by emissions bill

BY NICK TABOREK
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITYWIDE As California works to implement the state climate change law known as AB 32 — aimed at reducing carbon emissions to 1990 levels by 2020 — some small business owners have complained they'll bear the brunt of the new regulations and the state's economy will pay the price.

But a new study that analyzed the energy expenditures of Santa Monica restaurant The Border Grill suggests small business may be left relatively unscathed by increasing energy costs caused by state carbon-cutting measures.

The average small business spends just 1.4 percent of revenues on energy costs, according to the authors of the study, so even assuming large increases in energy costs in the next decade, small businesses won't experience significant hardship. In 2020, the average small business will have to increase its energy costs to just 1.7 percent of revenues, the report said.

"We don't see (AB 32) as something that will have a substantial, or possibly even a noticeable, effect on most small business-

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Council hires Gould as new city manager

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

CITY HALL With a unanimous vote, the City Council Tuesday selected Rod Gould to serve as the new city manager, City Hall's most senior position, making him responsible for day-to-day operations and the formation of the city's roughly $500-million budget.

Gould, 52, is currently the city manager of Poway, Calif., also known as "The City in the Country," located in northeast San Diego County, with a population of roughly 50,000.



GOULD

Gould will earn a base salary of $285,000, receive relocation assistance and be eligible for a $1.3 million loan at a fixed 3.27 percent interest rate from City Hall to help him purchase a home in Santa Monica, according to a contract approved by the council.

The selection follows a nationwide search that attracted more than 100 candidates, with the council interviewing six finalists over the past month.

"I am honored and thrilled with your appointment to serve as Santa Monica's next city manager," Gould told the council Tuesday night. "The more I've learned about Santa Monica the more I've been impressed

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State Supreme Court to hear Black Widows appeal

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

DOWNTOWN A former Santa Monica landlord who is serving a life sentence for the murders of two homeless men for financial gain may have another shot at proving her innocence.

The California Supreme Court agreed last week to hear an appeal filed by Helen Golay, 78, whose attorney claims her Sixth Amendment rights were violated during her criminal trial because she was not allowed to confront technicians who conducted toxicology tests related to the case. If the court finds in her favor, Golay would be entitled to a new trial.

"It doesn't mean they are going to reverse [the verdict], but it is a very important step," said Golay's attorney, Roger Diamond, who has a practice on Main Street. "They didn't have to take the case at all."

Legal experts said the ruling is important given the increased use of scientific testing and other forensic evidence.

Golay and Olga Rutterschmidt of Hollywood were ordered to serve life in

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OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA AND SURROUNDS



Thursday, Dec. 10, 2009

Road work
AK Gallery
2323 Main St., Suite 106,
7 p.m. — 10 p.m.
Enjoy a new, exciting and colorful photography exhibit by Rob Kalmbach. "Custom" is a series of photographs concerned with the simple beauty of parked cars, local roads and backgrounds bathed with light. Food, drink, and music will be provided. The event is free to the public. For more information contact Rob Kalmbach at (213) 952-4059.

Author talk
Main Library: Martin Luther King, Jr. Auditorium
601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.
Listen to Frank Gruber, a local Santa Monica columnist, discuss his book, "Urban Worrier: Making Politics Personal." Gruber has written about the local politics of Santa Monica since 2000 in his weekly columns for the Santa Monica Lookout News, a news Web site established over a a decade ago. His book is a collection of these columns from just before the 2000 presidential election to just before the election of 2004. Call (310) 458-8600 for more information.

Friday, Dec. 11, 2009

Dancing with the star fifth-graders
Barnum Hall, Santa Monica High School
601 Pico Blvd., 10 a.m. — 11 a.m.
Sit back and watch 30 talented fifth graders from three elementary schools in the SMMUSD compete in a riveting ballroom dance competition. A team of 10 students represents each school, and a panel of judges will determine which team goes home with a much coveted trophy. Dances will include meringue, foxtrot, rumba, tango, swing, and waltz. The event is free. For more information, contact Jane Dorian at (310) 922-6464

Classical holiday sounds
The Santa Monica College Performing Arts Center
1310 11th St., 7:30 p.m.
Listen to holiday music, classical works, and opera arias from acclaimed baritone Nathan Gunn. His wife, Julie Jordan Gunn will provide accompaniment. Call (310) 434-3412

Saturday, Dec. 12, 2009

Christmas run
Ocean View Park
2701 Barnard Way, 7:30 a.m.
Help raise money for a good cause while keeping in shape before the endless days of Christmas feasting. Participate in the 32nd Annual Santa Monica-Venice Christmas Run and Walk. The event features 10k and 5k races, as well as a fun run with Santa for the kids. Proceeds from the event will benefit Harvest Home, an organization that aids homeless, pregnant women and their children. For more information, call (310) 828-4123.

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Man pleads not guilty to killing infant

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES A man has been charged with murdering his infant stepdaughter, who died last month at a Santa Monica hospital after being taken off life support.

Donald Renald Hillman Jr. pleaded not guilty Wednesday in Los Angeles Superior Court to charges of child abuse, assault and murder.

Santa Monica police Sgt. Jay Trisler says the 2 1/2-month-old girl was in full cardiac arrest and not breathing when Hillman brought her to a hospital Oct. 4.

The infant was resuscitated and put on a ventilator, but declared dead on Nov. 22 after a judge ordered she be taken off life support.

An autopsy found the child's injuries were consistent with shaken baby syndrome.

Hillman was arrested Monday.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

MAIN LIBRARY

Reach out to librarians

Bookworms who want to connect with their local libraries have some new numbers to dial.

City Hall has created new public phone numbers for three library branches.

The new listings are:

■ Fairview Branch (310) 458-8681

■ Montana Avenue Branch Library (310) 458-8682

■ Ocean Park Branch (310) 458-8683

Phone numbers for the Main Library remain the same.

The numbers went live Dec. 8.

This change has the advantage of allowing the branch phones to offer more information and special announcements. It also moves the branch libraries onto the same phone system as the rest of City Hall.

The old branch phone numbers will have a recorded message telling callers the new phone number. This recording will continue for one year.

For hours and locations of Santa Monica Public Library facilities, visit the library's Web site at www.smpl.org.

DAILY PRESS

SPORTS ROUNDUP

Samohi boys soccer seeks first win

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

SAMOHI A 2-1 loss to Loyola on Tuesday has sent Santa Monica's boys soccer team to 0-2-1 on the season, but Head Coach Serafin Rodriguez isn't panicking.

"We had a pretty bad game all around," he said before practice on Wednesday. "But, it could have gone either way."

Loyola went up first, but Samohi tied just before the half. Rodriguez said that both defenses played well, but a few defensive breakdowns on his side ultimately lost the game as Loyola scored the deciding goal with just 10 minutes remaining.

Daniel Hulbert scored Samohi's lone goal on a kick Rodriguez called impressive.

The game saw the return of Christian Marcial, who had yet to take the field this year. The returning starter played 10 minutes in what Rodriguez said was a tune-up for the experienced midfielder. Marcial is expected to start against Long Beach Wilson today at John Adams Middle School at 3:30 p.m.

"We have been missing him," Rodriguez said.

Considering that Wilson defeated Loyola earlier this season, Rodriguez expects the game to be a challenge for his young team.

Hoping to give the team a bit of motivation, Rodriguez said he expects to make a few changes to the starting lineup.

"We are learning from all of this," he said. "The players are young. We expected shakiness in the beginning.

"We're not devastated."

While he wasn't specific about which changes may be made to the depth chart, Rodriguez was firm in his belief that his team can rebound from this slow start.

"We're concerned, yes," he said, "but, we're not getting frustrated."

YOUTH FOOTBALL WINS TITLE

The Santa Monica Vikings Youth Football and Cheer, Jr. Midgets were crowned champions of the Pacific Coast Youth Football Conference this season.

The Midgets defeated the Twin Cities Wolverines for the championship, 40-20. The team finished the regular season 6-2.

This was the third title for Santa Monica Youth Football this season. The Mitey Mites and the Pee Wee teams also won titles in their respective divisions.

SAMOHI GIRLS HOOPS FALL TO SERRA

Santa Monica's girls basketball team fell to Serra 50-46 on Tuesday during the Redondo Tournament.

The loss sends Samohi to 4-2 on the season. The Vikings defeated Palos Verdes during the first game of the tournament on Monday.

The Vikings are scheduled to play Friday as part of the tournament, but their opponent has yet to be determined.

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WINNING SIDE

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Santa Monica High School's Kristen Vasquez (right) battles San Pedro's Jessica Mia on Wednesday at John Adams Middle School. Samohi won the game, 3-1. With the win, Samohi improved its record to 2-2.

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Rebound with engine rebuild

Editor:

Many Americans with so-called "clunkers" have considered the purchase of a new car, but the cost in today's economic climate may be prohibitive. The Engine Repower Council suggests that keeping your current vehicle running efficiently is a sensible alternative that can save big money in the long run.

Edmonds.com reports that the average car loan payment is $479 per month over a four-year period. For the cost of an average down payment on a new car or truck, you can repower your vehicle's worn out engine with a remanufactured/rebuilt engine. Considering that nearly $23,000 can be saved by skipping car loan payments for the life of a four-year loan, installing a remanufactured/rebuilt engine is clearly a very sound and cost effective investment.

With repowering, a vehicle's engine or an identical one from another like-vehicle, is completely disassembled, cleaned, machined and remanufactured/rebuilt. Unlike used or junk yard engines with an unknown performance and maintenance history, remanufactured/rebuilt engines are dependable, reliable and backed by excellent warranty programs.

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To learn more about the benefits of installing a remanufactured/rebuilt engine, visit the Engine Repower Council's Web site at www.enginerepower.org.

Dave Wooldridge
Chairman
Engine Repower Council

Religion is evil

Editor:

Religion ultimately leads to a dead-end to actually understanding the immense universe with hundreds of billions of galaxies, each with hundreds of billions of stars as well as dark matter and energy, etc. Religions are destructive, fundamentalist relics that struggle against each other for power, offering only their own brand name religious enlightenment. Without actual knowledge or reason, religionists claim that they alone possess correct social and personal morality. I see clearly now that religions began as essentially life insurance corporations. They were our earliest corporate organizations; they have always fought for social domination, wealth and an elite untouchable position usually through war and intolerance.

Randy Walburger
Santa Monica

Alley shopping

Editor:

Whoever you are, it's open to all,
And the price is right in the alley mall.
No Macy's or Nordstrom, but this mall is sprawling,
A selection so vast, it approaches appalling.
Depression, recession, inflation – no mind.
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Tables and mirrors, some are like new.
Plants and books, clothes of all kinds,
Take what you like and no one minds.
Computers, chairs, desks, and more.
Sometimes a couch with pillows galore.
With the holidays coming and gifts to find,
Let's shop now and avoid the grind.

G.E. Matthews
Santa Monica



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Meredith C. Carroll — **Send comments to editor@smdp.com**

Looking back at the Year of the Woman

TIME MAGAZINE HAS SEVERAL contenders for its annual Person of the Year issue, including Timothy Geithner, Stanley McChrystal, Usain Bolt and Ben Bernanke. More forward-thinking publications, however, have all but declared 2009 as the Year of the Woman.

"Never has there been a time in which more remarkable women have distinguished themselves," said famed women's rights activist and Ms. Magazine founder, Gloria Steinem. "I never thought I'd live to see the day."

Leading the pack is Nadya Suleman. For her courageous decision to have 14 children via in-vitro fertilization without a job or partner, subjecting her family to intense public scrutiny and ridicule by spending money on video games, manicures and lattes while on public assistance programs, and announcing on "Good Morning America" last month that she's open to having more children, she was named Bitch Magazine's Psycho Mom of the Year in the December issue.

"Nobody tells me what I can and can't do with my lady parts," Suleman huffed at the launch party for the issue.

The women of VH1's reality shows, including "For the Love of Ray J," "My Antonio," "Real Chance of Love" and "Rock of Love," have been recognized by PharmaWeek magazine as its Fame Whores of the Year.

"The pharmaceutical industry has rarely, if ever, had so many prime research subjects available in one location. From testing experimental herpes vaccines and methamphetamine withdrawal medications, drug companies hit the jackpot," enthused Editor-in-Chief Ken Davies.

The CBS page program weekly newsletter named Stephanie Birkitt as its Page of the Year earlier this month.

CBS president and CEO Les Moonves boasted, "While the NBC page program counts Ted Koppel and Michael Eisner as alumni, we couldn't be more gratified that one of our own made a name for herself by sleeping with the host of one of our most profitable and high profile shows, getting him to pay for her law school education, hire her as his personal lawyer, include her on intimate vacations with his wife and young son, all the while being savvy enough to write it down in her diary that she didn't keep hidden from other boyfriends. Top that, [NBC page alumnus] Regis Philbin!"

Yesterday the American Bar Association Journal named Elin Nordegren its Client of the Year for her recent foray into the legal world. While her attorney is waist-deep in furious negotiations with husband Tiger Woods' army of lawyers over the terms of their revised prenuptial agreement, Nordegren is said to have already pocketed an instant re-signing bonus of $5 million. Should she stand by her man at golf tournaments for the next two years while continuing to look pretty but remaining mute, she stands to receive an additional $55 million payout, according to reports.

"It's about time our industry took a break from all the corporate bankruptcies we've been wading through this past year and started honing in on the long-overlooked cash cow of prenuptial agreements," said ABA President Carolyn B. Lamm. "If we can only sign on a few more Elin Nordegrens, lawyers across the country might finally have the security of knowing they'll definitely be able to retire early, and filthy rich. Boy, if Oprah ever marries Steadman, that would help us, like, a lot."

Nordegren received another prize this morning when the International Au Pair Association named her its Babysitter of the Year.

"Blonde au pairs aren't always as dumb as they look, which she proved on Thanksgiving night," said IAPA Chairperson Jack Hompes. "Her husband might be a professional golfer, but she's got the ace in the hole. Elin is an inspiration to hot nannies everywhere."

The National Enquirer awarded Tiger Woods' mistresses their Other Women of the Year, just edging out Hailey Glassman, Rielle Hunter and Mackenzie Phillips.

"Thank you for saving what had otherwise been a dismal year in the tabloid industry," gushed Co-Executive Editor Julia Coates to Woods' assortment of cocktail waitresses and hostesses at a Las Vegas party in their honor. "My sincere apologies to any of you who we neglected to mention to date, but I'm sure your names will surface on our pages in due time. Oh yeah — and we want to give a special shout out to our boy Tiger for making all this possible. Like the National Enquirer, he's proof that a loyal fan base and zillions of dollars won't necessarily buy you any class."

Finally, Carrie Prejean was named by Mad magazine as its Joke of the Year. From being crowned Miss California and later being de-throned, engaging in a public battle with the pageant director about who should pay for her breast implants, yelping about conservative values and then slinking out of the spotlight following the discovery of nude photos and videos that she took of herself and sent to multiple boyfriends, Prejean was a unanimous choice.

"Because even we can't make this stuff up," explained Mad Editor John Ficarra.

"I couldn't be more cognizant of Carrie if I were her mother," Steinem said, choking back tears.

Time magazine's Person of the Year issue hits newsstands next week.

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Life Matters

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Siblings engaged in cold war

Dear New Shrink,

I am very troubled over my relationship with my brother. We were pretty close growing up and then even closer when our father died during our teenage years. We now share the responsibility for our ailing mother so it is important that we get along. But for some time now, we seem to be at odds. I think my sister in-law dislikes me so that does not help, but I honestly do not understand why he seems so angry toward me. I would really like to be closer to him. It is really painful now that the holidays are approaching. I dread being in the same room.

Signed,
Hurt Sibling

Dear Hurt Sibling,

This is most unfortunate and I hope that I can help. Thankfully, most siblings remain close and actually provide a great emotional attachment for each other for 20 years or more beyond their parental ties. They are clearly lucky but it goes beyond luck. There are many siblings at odds as you say, or in a kind of cold war. There are even studies that show that siblings account for about 60 percent of domestic violence, when living under the same roof.

There are many causes for sibling problems and I hope parents that read this will pay attention because this can truly be a great source of pain for everyone later in life.

Sibling rivalry is common place among Americans. The good news is that parents can do a lot to intervene if they understand it, look for it and do something about it.

I advise parents to find a way to include their first child when they have the second. Have that child help with the new baby; find special time for the first and realize how easy it is for that child to become jealous if you don't. Often sibling problems are rooted in one child being viewed as favored even when it isn't so. Even if it is, one hopes that the parents will go out of their way not to show favoritism.

Sometimes there is family dysfunction and one child becomes the scapegoat. This clearly leads to the perception of one or more being favored. Sometimes a parent is ill and the eldest has to assume a parental role which can lead to hostility toward that child. This is because they are either perceived as bossy or sometimes because they did not fulfill the subconscious needs and expectations of the younger ones who hoped that they would be more like the missing parent.

Of course, even in the same family, all children are not alike. Some may be better looking, more popular or end up more accomplished and as adults, perhaps have a better socioeconomic status. Jealousy is definitely a big factor in sibling problems. Even as adults, new problems can occur because of jealousy or anger. It might be over one having more success, or over lifestyle or politics. It can also happen when one has or feels like they have the lion's share of responsibility for the family or aging parents.

In-laws can definitely be divisive, especially if they have an agenda or ax to grind. This is especially difficult to deal with if your sibling does not honor your attachment or have the courage to stand up for it.

Finally, money causes more problems when it gets toward the end of the line with parents, and the family as you have known it draws to a close. It's hard to know when it is really about greed or when the sadness is replaced by anger at feeling cheated by the loss. If there is a will that is fair, there should not be a problem, but we have all heard the horror stories.

As for the holidays, your first priority should be to get through them in a peaceful way. If you get together, consider your seating arrangement and definitely keep alcohol at a minimum. This may be when you want to drink the most but it can only lead to disaster. Also, go in with a promise to yourself that you will not react. Refuse to fight!

After the holidays, consider writing your brother a letter, one that is kind and expresses your sadness over the loss of your relationship. Tell him that you miss him; extend a hand. Perhaps apologize for your part and if you don't know what that is, be prepared to listen to his side of the story. You may have hurt him unwittingly. It is better to be happy than to fight or be "right."

Good luck!

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The Q Line

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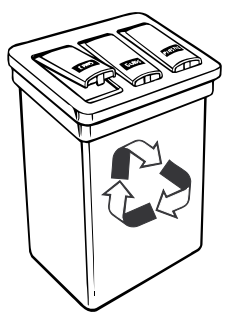
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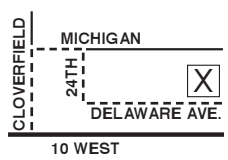


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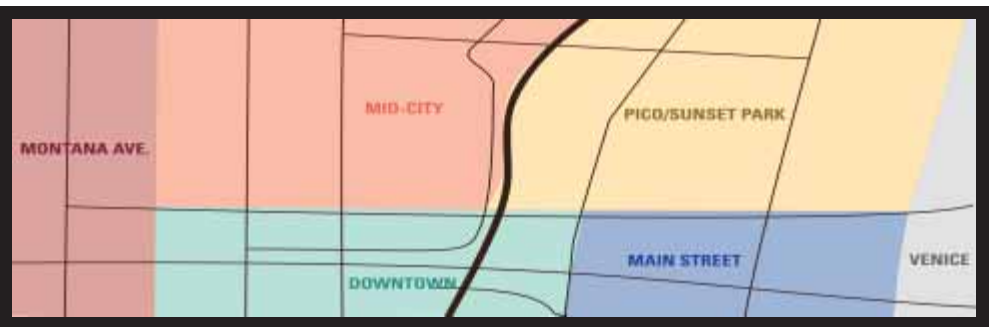
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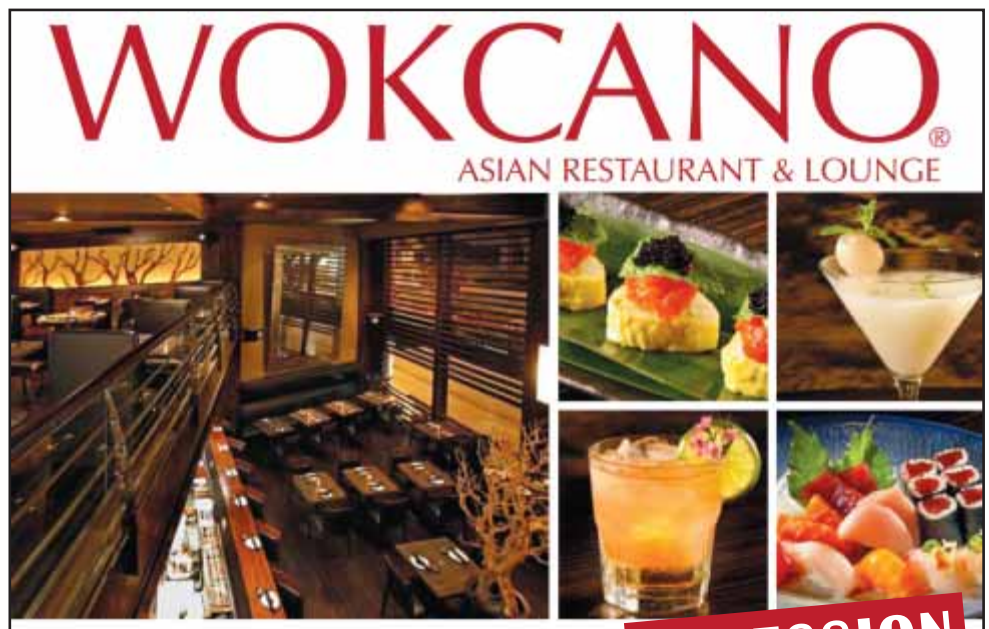
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Gould's career includes stops in Monrovia and Poway

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with the quality and breadth and depth of the city services it provides to its residents and businesses."

He noted the city's leadership in areas such as sustainability, aid to the homeless and transportation.

"The vibrancy, dynamism and the civic engagement of Santa Monica makes it the most exciting city in California today," he said.

Councilman Bobby Shriver was the only council member to express reservations, not with Gould, but with the contract approved by his colleagues, saying the council could have negotiated a more favorable contract given the current state of the economy.

"In the very unstable time that everybody's in I think it's a rough thing, particularly in the case of the loan, to say to other families ... that this was the toughest deal we could do in this environment," he said.

Gould will replace City Manager P. Lamont Ewell, who has served the city for the past four years, overseeing significant changes in how city services are delivered and how City Hall responds to residents and local merchants. Ewell has been praised by many community stakeholders for his ability to build bridges and craft budgets that are fiscally responsible while still providing a wide-range of programs and services.

Gould, a Pittsburgh native, has a degree in economics and political science from Yale and earned a master's degree in education and public administration from Harvard.

He began work for the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare in Washington, D.C. as an analyst, and served for a year as a VISTA volunteer in San Francisco. He was also employed in operations for the Boston Housing Authority and as a consultant for Deloitte, Haskins and Sells.

Don Higginson, the mayor of Poway, called Gould a "consummate professional" who combines technical expertise with the ability to foster good working relationships.

He said Gould's signature accomplishments during his four-year tenure in Poway were to maintain a reserve fund of more than 30 percent of the budget through the recession and to keep a large mixed-use project in the development pipeline.

"It's a loss to us but a great gain to Santa Monica," he said of Gould's decision to move on.

Before becoming city manager of Poway in 2006, Gould spent more than nine years as city manager of San Rafael, five years as city manager of Monrovia, and five years as assistant city manager in Walnut Creek. While working for those cities, Gould placed an emphasis on community policing, gang prevention and traffic safety, along with a focus on streamlining operations to save cash, mixed-use planning and sustainable management practices.

This year he served on the Cities/Counties/Schools Partnership Task Force on State Budget and Fiscal Reform. During his nine years in San Rafael, he oversaw the redevelopment of their downtown and the city was awarded the 2004 Award for Advancement of Diverse Communities from the League of California Cities. Monrovia was recognized as an All-American City by the National Civic League, with Gould being known for the development of affordable housing and upgrading parks.

He served as city manager in residence at USC in 2008 and in UC Berkeley in 2000.

"The experience he's gained throughout his career, his skill mix and focus on community engagement gives us every confidence that he is the right person at the right time for Santa Monica," Mayor Pro Tem Pam O'Connor said. "We look forward with enthusiasm to his joining the Santa Monica community."

Gould and his wife, Rosaline, have two grown children, Trevor and Emily.

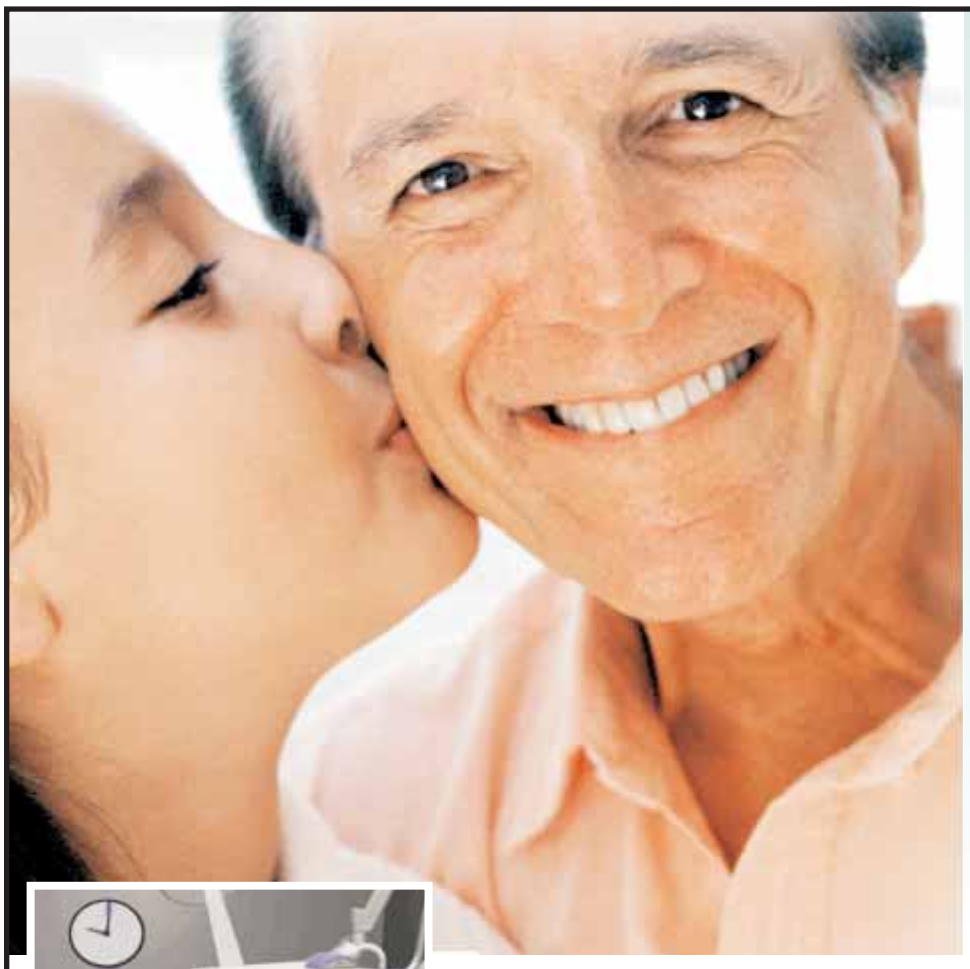
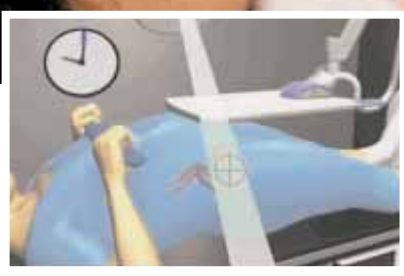
POWAY IN-DEPTH

Poway has a high standard of living and is characterized as an upper middle class community with a median family income of $78,000, according to the city's Web site.

Within the city limits are 16,337 housing units. The city's vacancy rate is approximately less than 2 percent. There is a broad continuum of housing options available, ranging from multi-family apartments to single-family homes on large rural parcels. Some 80 percent of the city's housing units are single-family dwellings. The median sales price (for all recorded sales) in calendar year 2006 for a resale home in Poway was $658,000 according to DQ News.com. There are seven workforce housing complexes. The Redevelopment Agency has created 476 new living spaces, which house over 1,200 residents.

Poway is ranked the sixth best city in California to locate a business according to Outlook Magazine.

Staff writer Nick Taborek contributed to this report.



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Studies disagree on bill's costs

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es," said Mark Sarro, principal of The Brattle Group, an economic consulting firm that conducted the study.

The study, which was commissioned by the nonprofit Union of Concerned Scientists, contradicts the results of a study released earlier this year by professors at California State University Sacramento and touted by the California Small Business Association. That study, released in July, argued the implementation of AB 32 would cost small businesses nearly $50,000 per year, resulting in a $182.6 billion hit to the state economy and a loss of 1.1 million jobs.

Specifically, AB 32 requires the state to create renewable energy standards, lower transportation fuel emissions, create higher efficiency rules for buildings and establish a cap-and-trade program to limit emissions from large factories.

Jasmin Ansar, a climate economist with the Union of Concerned Scientists, said there has been "rumor and speculation and a lot of uncertainty" surrounding the projected costs of AB 32, so her group decided to sponsor a study that focused on an actual business' expenses.

"The impetus was to say, 'Well, what are the facts? What is the reality?'" Ansar said.

"This is the first study that actually looks at the real data of small businesses … that is something that the previous studies have not done," she said.

Betty Jo Toccoli, president of the California Small Business Association, said it's difficult for business owners to know what to expect from the implementation of AB 32 since the California Air Resources Board is yet to release a report on the projected impacts on small businesses.

As far as independent studies on the issue, she said, "I'm not really interested in getting into a war on whose study is right."

She also questioned the Union of Concerned Scientists' report for determining that the "average" small business spends relatively little on energy. The sector is too diverse for generalizations, she said, adding that business costs besides direct spending on energy will be affected by AB 32.

"Anything that affects big business is passed along to small business and in the end it's passed along to the consumer," she said. "It isn't going to just stay with energy companies and oil companies and the big guys."

The group that studied The Border Grill decided to analyze the projected impacts of AB 32 on a restaurant because restaurants employ more people than any other small business sector. Restaurants also spend about 2.8 percent of revenues on fuel and energy — about twice as much as an average small business, according to the authors.

At The Border Grill, chef and co-owner Mary Sue Milliken said participating in the study was an easy decision.

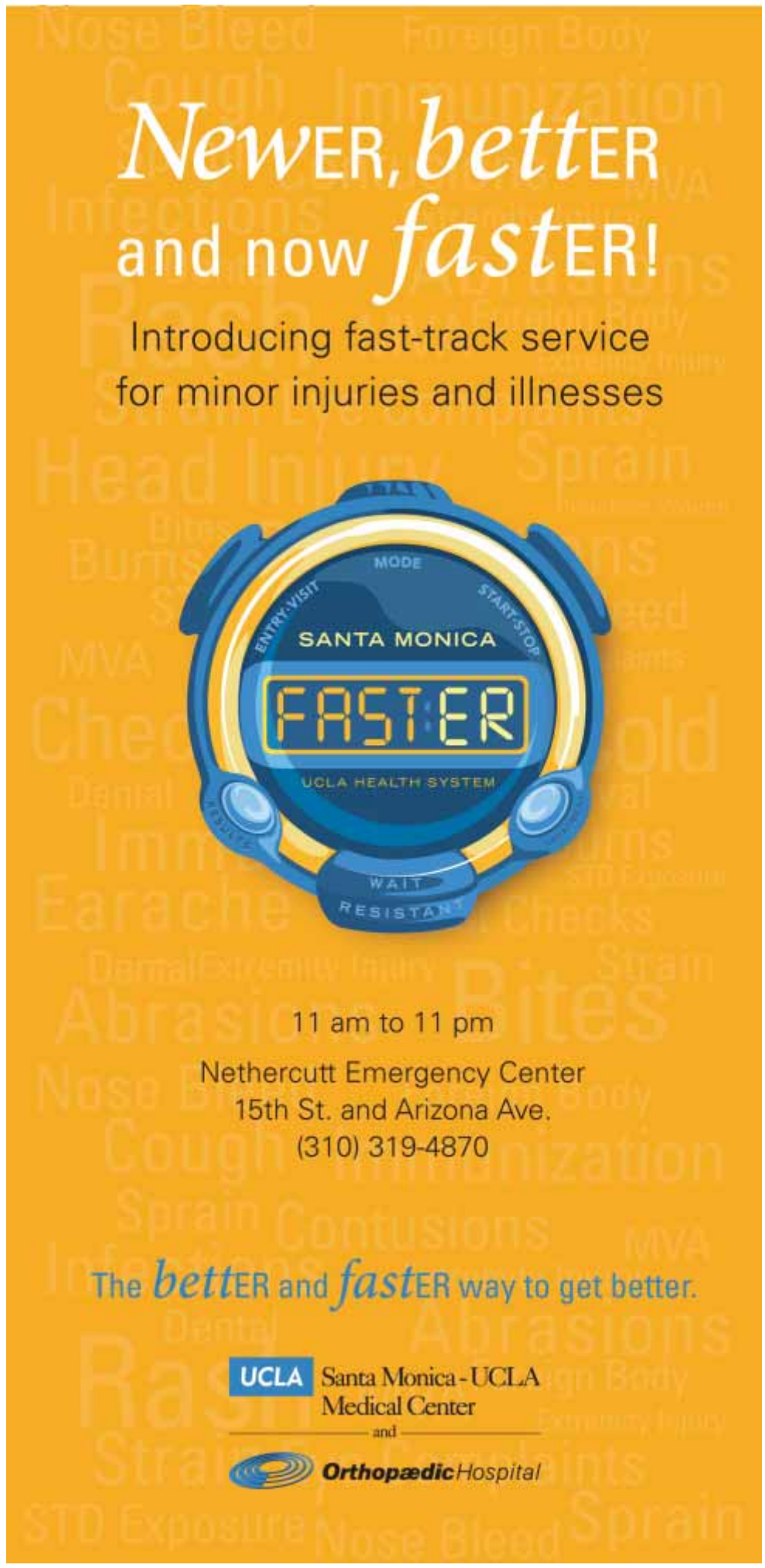
"We have ... long been concerned members of the community and wanted to do the right thing — serve the best food we could that was sustainable and mindful of our environment," she said.

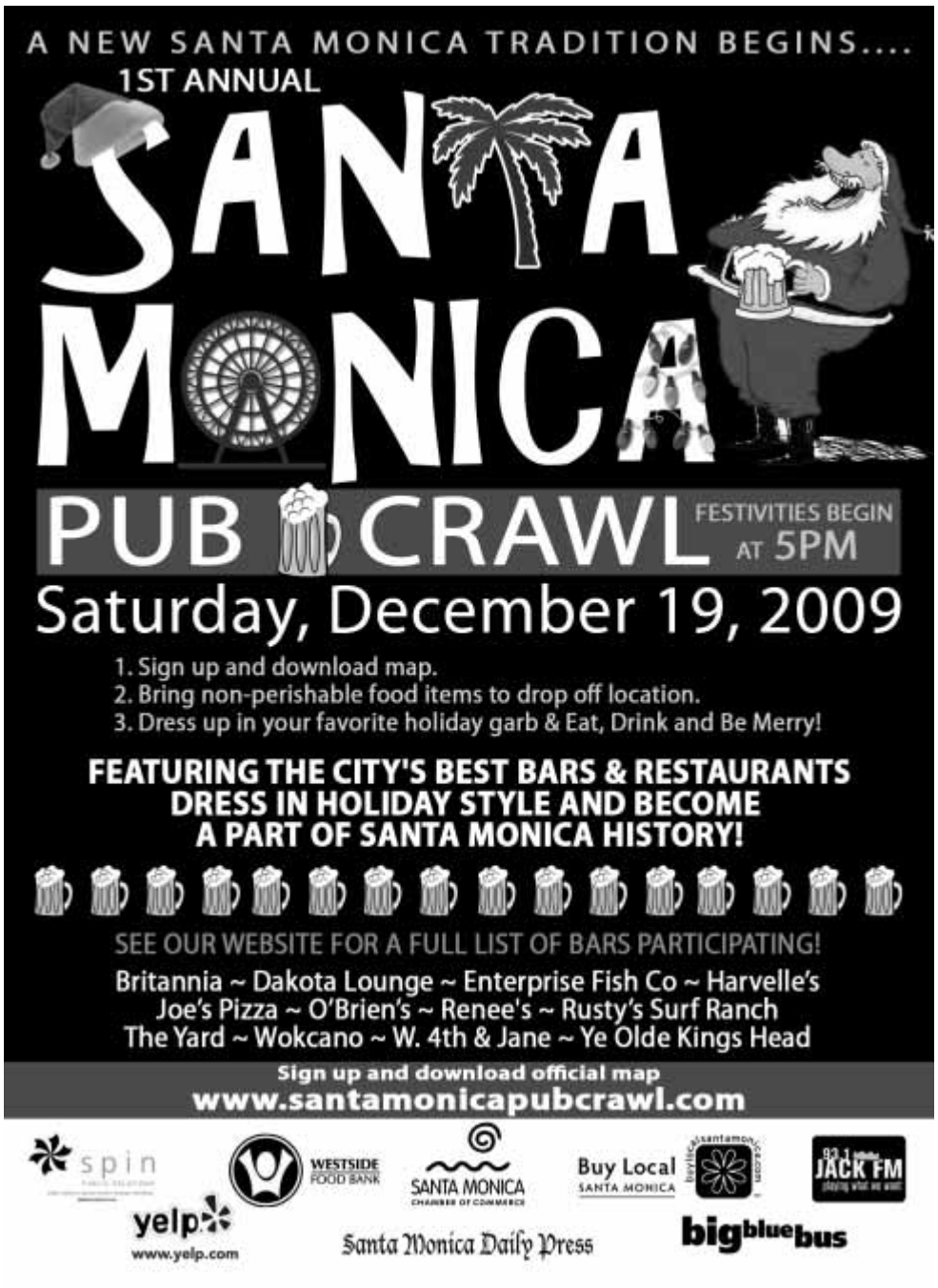
Milliken, who also operates Ciudad in Downtown Los Angeles and another Border

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Confronting experts in question basis of Golay's latest appeal

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prison without the possibility of parole for killing Kenneth McDavid and Paul Vados in separate yet eerily similar hit-and-runs that took place in Los Angeles area alleys.

If Golay is granted a retrial, Diamond feels he has a better shot of winning an acquittal if she is tried alone without Rutterschmidt. Diamond said Rutterschmidt's attorney repeatedly told jurors that Golay was the mastermind of the operation.

In 2005, McDavid's body was found lying in an alley behind Westwood Boulevard. His DNA was eventually discovered on the undercarriage of a car tied to Golay, who owned three apartment buildings in Ocean Park. Vados was found dead in a Hollywood alley.

Throughout the trial, the prosecutors painted the two women as greedy and cold-hearted, plucking vulnerable homeless men off the street, arranging rent-free apartments and gaining their trust, killing the men after convincing them to add the women onto insurance policies.

A state appellate court in August reaffirmed the guilty convictions, however, a ruling in June by the U.S. Supreme Court has called into question that decision.

In her appeal to the state Supreme Court, Golay argues that the admission of the coroner's testimony showing the presence of various prescription drugs and alcohol in McDavid's blood samples violated her right to confront adverse witnesses under the Sixth Amendment. Instead of the actual technicians who performed the toxicology report, the prosecution called a supervisor to testify on the findings.

Prosecutors tried to show that drugs found in McDavid's system matched those found in Golay's home, alleging that she drugged the victims so she and Rutterschmidt could kill them.

In People V. Geier, the California Supreme Court permitted a DNA expert to testify that based on her review of the notes prepared by another, non-testifying expert, the DNA extraction was conducted according to protocol. Based on the genetic profiles extracted, the expert testified that the DNA extracted from the vaginal swabs of the rape-murder victim matched the defendant's DNA.

The U.S. Supreme Court ruled that it is a violation of the Sixth Amendment right of confrontation for a prosecutor to submit a chemical drug test report without the testimony of the actual scientist who performed the test, creating a difference of opinion between the two courts.

In the opinion authored by Supreme Court Justice Antonin Scalia, the court found that scientific evidence is not "immune from the risk of manipulation." It cited a study of forensic laboratories where analysts would falsely record results of tests never performed because of the high volume demands of law enforcement.

The court held that an opportunity for confrontation would give the forensic witness the opportunity to recant a previously falsified report. The court cited one particular study of defendants whom had achieved exoneration, finding that invalid forensic testimony contributed to a false conviction 60 percent of the time.

"A forensic analyst responding to a request from a law enforcement official may feel pressure — or have incentive — to alter the evidence in a manner favorable to the prosecution," Scalia wrote. "Confrontation is designed to weed out not only the fraudulent analyst, but the incompetent one as well."

During the trial, Diamond objected to testimony provided by the supervisor, raising concerns about his client's Sixth Amendment rights. His objection was overruled. Diamond also questioned the supervisor about the availability of his technicians to testify. The supervisor said the technicians were still employed by the Los Angeles County Coroner's Office.

"I did that to lay the groundwork for an appeal," Diamond said.

Golay is currently serving a life term at the Valley State Prison for Women in Chowchilla, Calif.

"What is keeping her going psychologically is looking forward to something, this appeal," Diamond said. "She is very excited. It gives her hope for the future."

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Study determines that cost of bill would be nominal to small businesses

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Grill location in Las Vegas, said she's been devoted to incorporating environmentally friendly practices into her business since she learned about sustainable seafood about 10 years ago.

Today, The Border Grill uses bio-degradable containers for takeout orders, has a special environmentally friendly section of the menu and will soon start operating a food truck that can run on used kitchen oil.

Milliken said even if meeting AB 32's requirements means a higher cost to businesses, it's a small price to pay for a healthier environment.

The study, however, determined that The Border Grill would only have to increase the price of a $20 meal by about 3 cents in 2020 to cover its increased energy costs incurred because of AB 32.

While Milliken said she's not afraid to sacrifice to meet tougher environmental standards — she didn't hesitate, for example, to nix the best selling tuna ceviche from the menu when she found out it wasn't sustainably produced — she said she hopes the study will help other business owners who are less environmentally inclined to embrace sustainable business practices.

"I think everybody can agree that doing studies like this is really important so we can understand what the impact of these kinds of initiatives could be," she said.

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Forbes: Lakers most valuable NBA franchise

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NEW YORK The Los Angeles Lakers are the NBA's most valuable team, and 12 franchises lost money in the 2008-09 season, according to Forbes magazine.

In its annual listing of the value of NBA franchises, Forbes finds Lakers to be worth $607 million, up 4 percent for the league champions. Second are the New York Knicks at $586 million, but that is a 4 percent drop. The Knicks led the rankings for the four previous seasons.

The Chicago Bulls ($511 million), Detroit Pistons ($479 million) and Cleveland Cavaliers ($476 million) round out the top five.

At the bottom of the 30-team rankings are the Milwaukee Bucks at $254 million. The league average worth is $367 million, down 4 percent, according to Forbes.

The teams losing money in the last 12 months are the Dallas Mavericks, Portland Trail Blazers, Orlando Magic, Atlanta Hawks, Sacramento Kings, Indiana Pacers, Charlotte Bobcats, New Jersey Nets, Minnesota Timberwolves, New Orleans Hornets, Memphis Grizzlies and Milwaukee Bucks.

Teams' average operating income was $7.8 million, with the Lakers at the top with $51.1 million, just ahead of the Bulls at $51 million. Portland's value has increased the most, by 10 percent, while the Kings and Grizzlies each have dropped the most, by 13 percent.

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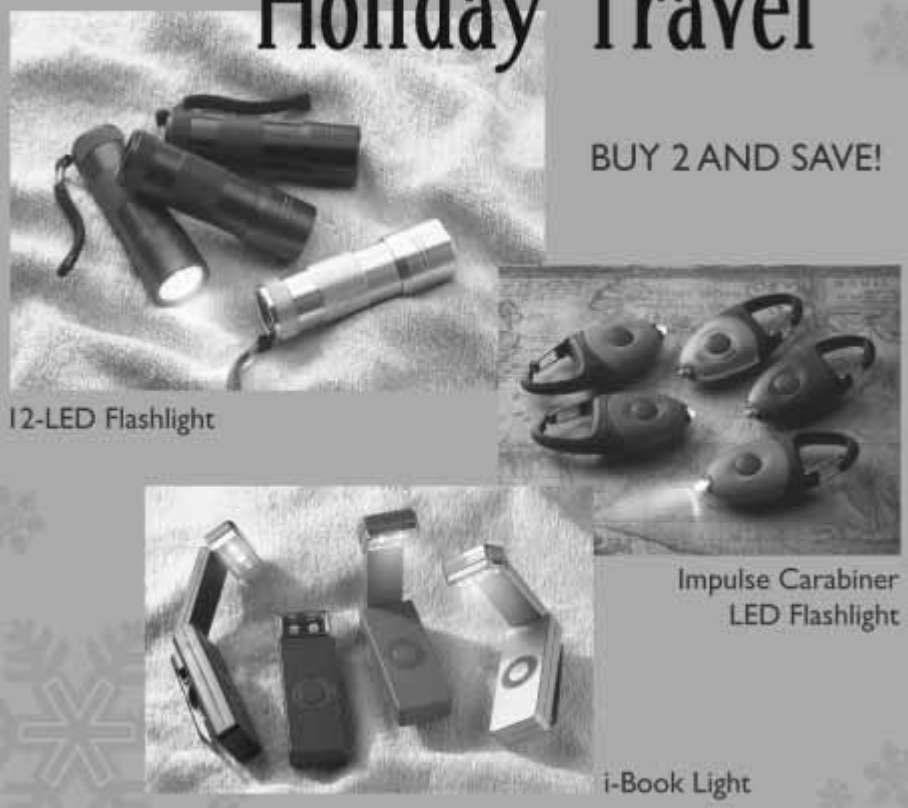
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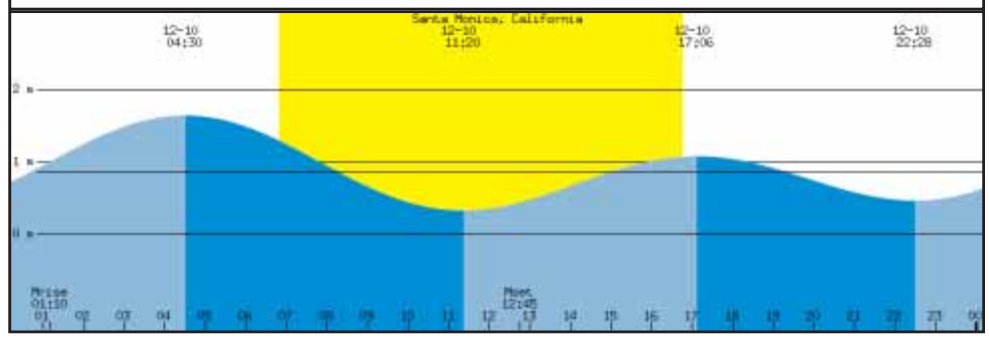
SWELL FORECAST

Swell is expected to back down to chest high max around west facing breaks. South facing spots would be smaller. Offshore winds may be a bit stronger than Sunday.

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- Number of sewage spills -- 1
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 8
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 36 / ns
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 9 / ns

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

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A	ns
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	ns
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Las Alisos creeks.	A+	ns
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	ns
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A+	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	A	ns
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	ns
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A	ns
Solstice Canyon at Don Blacker County Beach.	A	ns
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	C	ns
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	ns
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	A	ns
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	A+	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	C	ns
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A	ns
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	F	ns
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	ns
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	C	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	ns

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

LEGEND

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

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

ns -- no sample taken

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2:45, 6:15, 9:35

Pirate Radio (R) 1hr 55min
2:05, 5:00, 7:40, 10:25

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Disney's A Christmas Carol in Disney Digital 3D (PG) 1hr 36min
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Fantastic Mr. Fox (PG) 1hr 27min
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Ninja Assassin (R) 1hr 39min
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Old Dogs (PG) 1hr 28min
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Precious (R) 1hr 59min
1:40, 4:30, 7:20, 10:00

The End of Poverty? (NR) 1hr 59min
1:30, 7:00

Everybody's Fine (PG-13) 1hr 50min
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12:30, 2:40, 4:50, 7:30, 9:40

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Even with your best efforts, confusion infiltrates and might prevent action. Use your energy positively, and you'll draw excellent results. Know when to draw a line. Tonight: Let someone else decide.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★ Approach your work in the most efficient manner possible. You don't need to agree with others. Use different ideas to strengthen your point of view. Be gentler with a child or loved one. Tonight: Get into a home project.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Your creativity comes out because of a desire and a sense of confusion that surrounds others and plans. Confirm before you even try to head out the door. You might have harsh words for someone when you don't intend to. Tonight: Midweek break!

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ If you can stay close to home, please do. If you are open to a family member and don't feel that you have anything to prove, you can make it through the innate stumbling blocks of the present moment. Tonight: All smiles.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Keep talks open and flowing. You could be shocked by what comes up out of the blue. Before you react, know that it easily could be a misunderstanding. Stay mellow. Take a walk if you're flustered. Tonight: Hanging out is fun.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★ Realize that you need to take a stronger hand with your funds. You see life in a far more dynamic manner because of a newfound openness. You like how someone takes a stronger role in your life. Tonight: Use your instincts.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ Deal with someone directly. Doing something halfway simply doesn't work. You need to do everything with 100 percent effort. If you do, you will feel better about yourself. Go for what you want without looking for applause. Tonight: All smiles, because you feel good about yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ You move in a new fashion. You choose a new course. Take your time and confirm that it is the right way to go. More observation and less talk will work. Listen to your inner voice with a boss. Tonight: Vanish while you can.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Keep your eye on the pot of gold at the end of the rainbow. Don't minimize what is happening within a relationship. Understand what is going on with a friend. Tonight: Just don't be alone.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You move into a new realm and understand what motivates a boss or someone you look up to. You cannot change others' opinions, but you can tell them what you said and what you were thinking. Tonight: Working late.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Deal with someone directly, understanding that this person appreciates your thoughtfulness. Suddenly you can make a difference and understand where someone is coming from. Be true to yourself. Make time for a key talk. Tonight: Break a pattern and don't stand on ceremony.

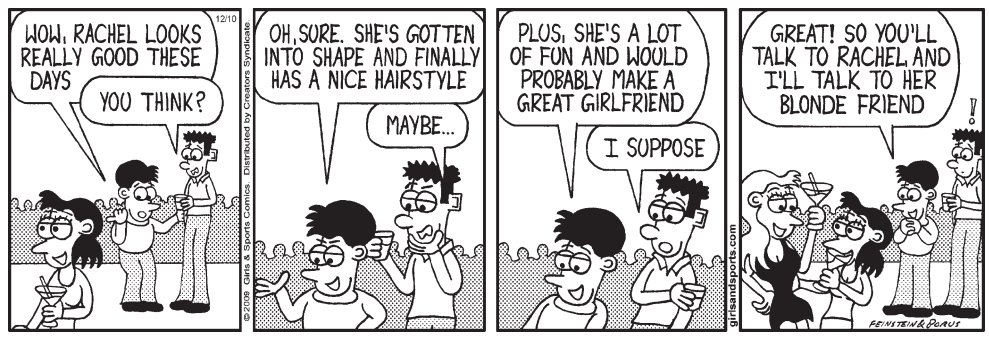
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★★★★★ Defer to a key individual in your life whom you trust and understand. Trust that this person knows much more of what works and that you need to follow another's lead. You might be surprised by someone's caring and his or her self-expression. Tonight: Be with your favorite person.

Happy birthday

This year, remain focused on your goals and long-term desires. You'll see that life can and probably will take many different turns in the near future. You need to remain steady and sure of yourself. Confusion surrounds friends, especially if you overanalyze things. Be gentle with those you care about. They, too, might feel tested and not as sure of themselves as in the past. If you are single, you could meet someone through your friends who makes you smile.

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

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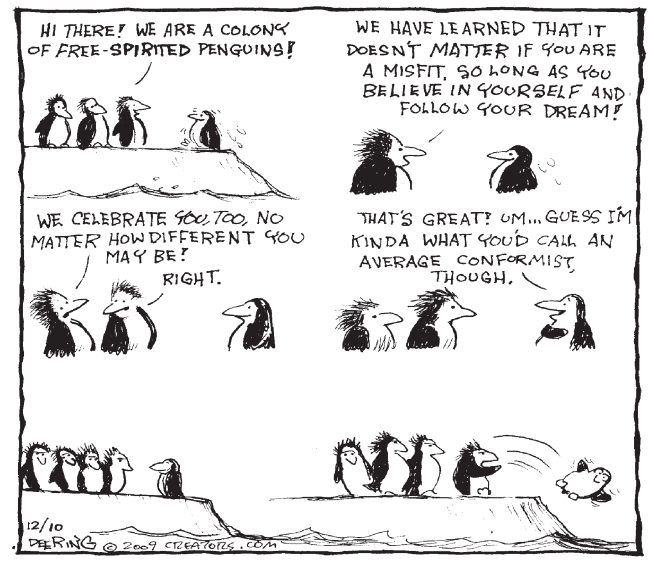
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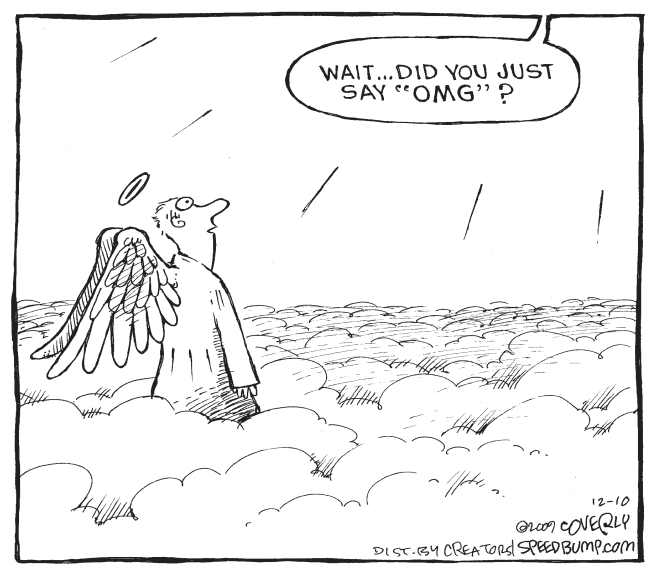
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Difficulty Level ★★★

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GETTING STARTED

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

3	7	9	2	1	8	5	6	4
2	4	6	3	7	5	8	9	1
5	1	8	6	4	9	7	2	3
9	6	3	8	5	7	4	1	2
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7	2	1	4	3	6	9	8	5
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By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Con quarters
5 Louver parts
10 Clarifying words
12 Airline worker
13 Bit of color
14 Novelist Brookner
15 Yale backer
16 Talkative sort
18 Energetic person
20 Brewery product
21 — fide
23 Tour carrier
24 Soup with sushi
26 Spring
28 With 32-Across, molding feature
29 Dickens girl
31 Lennon's love
32 See 28-Across
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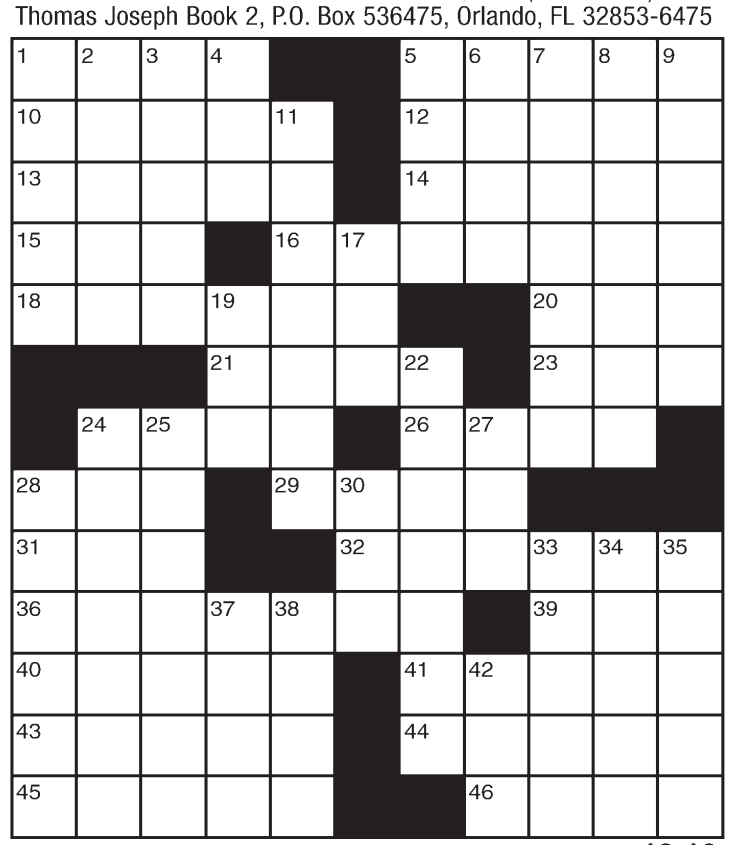
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2 Polite Post
3 Bolshevik leader
4 Drop back
5 Bridge
6 Songbird Jenny
7 "Open Sesame" sayer
8 Add
9 Rocket sections
11 "Twilight" sequel
17 Charged particle
19 Crunch targets
22 Brisk tempo
24 Famous race-horse
25 Set apart
27 Angled pipe
28 "Casa-blanca" star
30 Memo-rable time
33 Almanac section
34 Clear
35 Going rates
37 On the house
38 Hotel units
42 Tad's dad

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ In September, prominent chocolate food engineer Hanna Frederick introduced her latest concoction at a conference of the Meat Industry Association in New Zealand: dark chocolate truffles tinged with venison and salami. Said Frederick: "There's this smoky taste to start, then a strong chocolate flavor comes in, and at the end you have this wonderful taste of salami." Earlier in the year, she had introduced chocolates injected with Tongkat Ali, a Southeast Asian herb reputed to stimulate testosterone production.

■ In August, the Thorpe Park amusement facility in Chertsey, England, posted signs on its roller coaster admonishing riders not to wave their arms during the ride. According to director Mike Vallis: "We've found that when the temperature tops 77 degrees (F), the level of unpleasant (underarm) smells can become unacceptable, and we do receive complaints."

TODAY IN HISTORY

1902 Women are given the right to vote in Tasmania.

1906 U.S. President Theodore Roosevelt wins the Nobel Peace Prize, becoming the first American to win a Nobel Prize.

1907 The worst night of the Brown Dog riots in London, when 1,000 medical students clash with 400 police officers over the existence of a memorial for animals who have been vivisected.

1927 The Grand Ole Opry premieres on radio.

1932 Thailand adopts a Constitution and becomes a constitutional monarchy.

1935 The Downtown Athletic Club Trophy, later renamed the Heisman Trophy, is awarded to halfback Jay Berwanger of the University of Chicago.

1936 Abdication Crisis: Edward VIII signs the Instrument of Abdication.

1941 World War II: The Royal Navy capital ships HMS Prince of Wales and HMS Repulse are sunk by Imperial Japanese Navy torpedo bombers near Malaya.

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This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 9/1/2009. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 12/10/2009, 12/17/2009, 12/24/2009, 12/31/2009

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Santa Monica Single Family Homes

Santa Monica Canyon	previous period 1-1-08 thru 11-30-08	current period 1-1-09 thru 11-30-09	% change
Number of Sales	19	17	-11%
Average Days on the Market	119	64	-46%
Lowest Price	$1,487,000	$875,000	-41%
Median Price	$2,300,000	$2,043,000	-11%
Highest Price	$5,295,000	$4,700,000	-11%
Average Price Per Square Foot	$892	$876	-2%
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	96%	93%	-3%

North of Montana	previous period 1-1-08 thru 11-30-08	current period 1-1-09 thru 11-30-09	% change
Number of Sales	66	51	-23%
Average Days on the Market	51	75	47%
Lowest Price	$1,575,000	$1,400,000	-11%
Median Price	$3,000,000	$2,414,660	-20%
Highest Price	$8,600,000	$5,951,275	-31%
Average Price Per Square Foot	$885	$789	-11%
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	96%	92%	-4%

Between Wilshire and Montana	previous period 1-1-08 thru 11-30-08	current period 1-1-09 thru 11-30-09	% change
Number of Sales	19	20	5%
Average Days on the Market	56	86	54%
Lowest Price	$1,200,000	$1,027,125	-14%
Median Price	$1,960,000	$1,600,000	-18%
Highest Price	$3,000,000	$2,800,000	-7%
Average Price Per Square Foot	$874	$660	-24%
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	97%	95%	-2%

South of Wilshire	previous period 1-1-08 thru 11-30-08	current period 1-1-09 thru 11-30-09	% change
Number of Sales	11	4	-64%
Average Days on the Market	40	80	100%
Lowest Price	$550,000	$659,500	20%
Median Price	$830,000	$764,500	-8%
Highest Price	$2,300,000	$815,000	-65%
Average Price Per Square Foot	$549	$731	33%
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	98%	96%	-2%

Sunset Park	previous period 1-1-08 thru 11-30-08	current period 1-1-09 thru 11-30-09	% change
Number of Sales	44	54	23%
Average Days on the Market	65	69	6%
Lowest Price	$780,000	$610,000	-22%
Median Price	$1,070,000	$1,055,000	-1%
Highest Price	$2,520,000	$2,200,000	-13%
Average Price Per Square Foot	$682	$598	-12%
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	95%	95%	0%

Ocean Park	previous period 1-1-08 thru 11-30-08	current period 1-1-09 thru 11-30-09	% change
Number of Sales	13	16	23%
Average Days on the Market	178	63	-65%
Lowest Price	$615,000	$650,000	6%
Median Price	$1,050,000	$1,183,500	13%
Highest Price	$2,225,000	$2,775,000	25%
Average Price Per Square Foot	$892	$774	-13%
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	92%	96%	4%

Santa Monica Condo's & Townhomes

Santa Monica Canyon	previous period 1-1-08 thru 11-30-08	current period 1-1-09 thru 11-30-09	% change
Number of Sales	1	3	200%
Average Days on the Market	330	51	-85%
Lowest Price	$1,150,000	$1,014,000	-12%
Median Price	$1,150,000	$1,475,000	28%
Highest Price	$1,150,000	$5,100,000	343%
Average Price Per Square Foot	$824	$1,304	58%
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	96%	93%	-3%

North of Montana	previous period 1-1-08 thru 11-30-08	current period 1-1-09 thru 11-30-09	% change
Number of Sales	25	17	-32%
Average Days on the Market	70	119	70%
Lowest Price	$465,000	$414,000	-11%
Median Price	$1,295,000	$1,225,000.00	-5%
Highest Price	$5,800,000	$3,175,000	-45%
Average Price Per Square Foot	$920	$871	-5%
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	90%	91%	1%

Between Wilshire and Montana	previous period 1-1-08 thru 11-30-08	current period 1-1-09 thru 11-30-09	% change
Number of Sales	103	115	12%
Average Days on the Market	62	56	-10%
Lowest Price	$399,000	$415,000	4%
Median Price	$775,000	$740,000	-5%
Highest Price	$4,170,000	$3,100,000	-26%
Average Price Per Square Foot	$636	$589	-7%
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	97%	96%	-1%

South of Wilshire	previous period 1-1-08 thru 11-30-08	current period 1-1-09 thru 11-30-09	% change
Number of Sales	97	84	-13%
Average Days on the Market	81	76	-6%
Lowest Price	$330,000	$156,126	-53%
Median Price	$590,000	$542,500	-8%
Highest Price	$1,040,000	$962,500	-7%
Average Price Per Square Foot	$516	$458	-11%
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	96%	96%	0%

Sunset Park	previous period 1-1-08 thru 11-30-08	current period 1-1-09 thru 11-30-09	% change
Number of Sales	28	19	-32%
Average Days on the Market	57	52	-9%
Lowest Price	$345,000	$439,000	27%
Median Price	$732,500	$573,000	-22%
Highest Price	$1,199,000	$975,000	-19%
Average Price Per Square Foot	$486	$421	-13%
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	97%	98%	1%

Ocean Park	previous period 1-1-08 thru 11-30-08	current period 1-1-09 thru 11-30-09	% change
Number of Sales	43	54	26%
Average Days on the Market	96	63	-34%
Lowest Price	$360,000	$280,000	-22%
Median Price	$691,000	$742,500	7%
Highest Price	$1,750,000	$2,215,000	27%
Average Price Per Square Foot	$698	$631	-10%
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	95%	97%	2%

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