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Cops identify shooting suspect



THOMAS

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITY Police have identified the man suspected of shooting an 18-year-old woman on Saturday night as Waiverly Thomas of Colton, Calif.

Police believe that Thomas, 31, opened fire on the woman, who ran from a memorial car wash on 19th Street and Pico Boulevard and jumped into a stranger's car to flee.

Police caught Thomas at Delaware Avenue and 16th Street an hour later as he attempted to leave the area driving a 2010 Chevy Impala. Officers also found a handgun believed to have been used in the crime.

Thomas was booked on suspicion of attempted murder, and is expected to be in court on Tuesday, said Sgt. Richard

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Water purification tops consent

BY ASHLEY ARCHIBALD
Daily Press Staff Writer

Editor's note: This story is part of an ongoing series that tracks the city's expenditures appearing on upcoming Santa Monica City Council consent agendas. Consent agenda items are routinely passed by the City Council with little or no discussion from elected officials or the public. However, many of the items have been part of public discussion in the past.

CITY HALL — Recent international climate change talks have focused on the amount of carbon in the atmosphere, but City Hall has another location in mind.

The City Council is likely to approve an $882,000 purchase of granulated carbon, a material used in Santa Monica's water treatment facility to strip dangerous chemicals out of the drinking water.

According to a report issued to the City Council, staff will need to replace the material 45 times in the 2013-14 fiscal year at roughly $18,525.85 per change out.

That cost is expected to rise in the coming two years, when the material will have to be swapped out 60 times.

The carbon helps remove methyl tert-butyl ether, or MTBE, and other volatile organic chemicals that seeped into the groundwater from leaking underground storage tanks at gas stations.

City Hall fought for and won a multi-million dollar settlement from major oil companies to clean up the mess, and used the money to build the Santa Monica Water Treatment Plant.

City officials also announced that the Boeing Corporation paid out $39.5 million to clean up water contamination from the

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TAKING A GANDER

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A young boy views the relocated nativity scenes on Monday. The scenes, that once called Palisades Park home until City Hall banned the practice, are now located on private property on Ocean Park Boulevard. They were unveiled on Sunday during a ceremony.

Fiscal cliff stalemate spurs anxiety in states

DAVID A. LIEB
Associated Press

JEFFERSON CITY, Mo. A plunge over the federal "fiscal cliff" may sound like a terrifying risk for many state officials anxiously watching as Washington struggles to avert automatic tax hikes and spending cuts set to start with the new year. Yet their greatest angst may stem not from the potential loss of billions of dollars, but the confusion surrounding it all.

The longer the White House and Congress remain at odds, the more difficult it becomes for governors and lawmakers who are trying to piece together their own

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Tuesday, Dec. 11, 2012

Holiday hoopla
Ocean Park Library
2601 Main St., 3:30 p.m.
Sleigh or ice skate on down to the Ocean Park Library and join Mr. Jesse and all of his puppet pals for some stories celebrating the winter season. Ages 3-7. Cost: Free. For more information, call (310) 458-8683.

Spike it
Annenberg Community Beach House
415 PCH, 3:30 p.m.
This youth beach volleyball class is intended for ages 7-15. Cost: $18. For more information, visit annenbergbeachhouse.com.

Light the menorah
Third Street Promenade and Wilshire Boulevard
Sundown
Downtown Santa Monica will celebrate the Chanukah season with a lighting of a menorah at sundown. There will be a daily lighting throughout Chanukah. For more information, visit downtownsm.com/winterlit.

Matters of the mind
Fairview Library
2101 Ocean Park Blvd., 7 p.m.
Take a moment and just chill for a 30-minute session of mindful meditation. It's a way to let the stress of the world melt away while you contemplate your mind and body. For more information, visit smpl.org.

Sounds of the season
Santa Monica High School
601 Pico Blvd., 7 p.m.
The Santa Monica High School Orchestra is inviting you to check out their annual Winter Concert at Barnum Hall on the Samohi campus. Tickets are $10 for adults and $5 for seniors/students. There's limited parking on campus. Additional parking is available in the Civic Center across the street from the high school. For more information visit www.samohiorchestras.org/

Wednesday, Dec. 12, 2012

Follow that chef
Downtown Farmers' Market
Third Street and Arizona Avenue, 9 a.m.
Tag along with chef Matthew Biancaniello as he browses the Downtown Farmers' Market for inspiration. Watch and learn as he picks out fixings and heads back to the Gourmandise School to craft his meal. For more information, call (310) 656-8800.

Hey ladies
Santa Monica Civic Auditorium
1855 Main St., 5 p.m. — 10 p.m.
Girls Night Out returns offering unique designers, fancy drinks, pampering and a goodie bag. For more information, visit sheckys.com/events.

Heating up
Mi's Westside Comedy Theater
1323-A Third Street Promenade, 8 p.m.
Comedians and writers read aloud their own personal fan fiction. Previous stories have included: "Game of Thrones," "Golden Girls," "Twilight," "Knight Rider" with "The Haunted Mansion" and a musical "Walking Dead." For more information, call (310) 451-0850.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

DOWNTOWN

The write stuff

From the leadoff story of a 90-year-old student whose "inner me still dances" to the humorous story of a young Jewish soldier's meeting with the Pope in post World War II Italy, the fall 2012 issue of "Writings from Emeritus" is a collection of short memoirs.

The newly released issue is the seventh volume of an annual publication from an autobiography writing class at Santa Monica College's Emeritus College for older adults.

Aside from the "inner dancer" and Pope encounter stories, pieces in the latest journal include a Holocaust survivor's encounter with the son of a Nazi.

"These stories bring readers into the real stuff of memoir writing: the hard moments, the joy, the pain, the unrequited love, the exultant surprises, and what it all meant," said Monona Wali, the instructor of the Emeritus College memoir writing class.

"The writers of these 29 short stories bring us into the depth of breadth of the human journey," she said. "Some are experienced writers, and for others, this is their first published story. Together, they provide powerful evidence of why the memoir is such a popular and powerful art form."

Wali is a short story writer and novelist and, in a previous incarnation, a documentary filmmaker and screenwriter. Several of her stories have been published in The Santa Monica Review, SMC's literary journal. A recent story, "There Is A Certain Kind of Woman," won the Wordstock 2011 Short Fiction Contest. She also volunteer teaches with InsideOut Writers, an organization that offers creative writing classes for incarcerated youth.

The journal is available for $7 (checks only) through the Emeritus College at 1227 Second St.

Emeritus College, started in 1975, serves more than 3,200 students annually and offers more than 150 classes and special programs to older adults.

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MALIBU

DUI crackdown on PCH

Sustaining its promise to improve safety along Pacific Coast Highway, the city of Malibu is launching an anti-DUI program aimed at preventing deaths and injuries along its main thoroughfare, officials announced Monday.

The program, as well as additional enforcement measures to combat impaired driving, is possible through a recent $108,175 grant awarded to the city by the California Office of Traffic Safety.

"Public safety is our city's top priority and Pacific Coast Highway is Malibu's main street," Mayor Lou La Monte said. "It is crucial to educate and remind all citizens that one person's decision to drive under the influence can not only harm that individual, but also devastate an entire community."

The special DUI checkpoint grant helps reduce the number of deaths and injuries in Malibu caused by alcohol and other drug related collisions, officials said. The anti-DUI program will also provide public education on the dangers of impaired driving.

"DUI checkpoints have been an essential part of the phenomenal reduction in DUI deaths that we witnessed from 2006 to 2010 in California," said Christopher J. Murphy, director of the Office of Traffic Safety. "But since the tragedy of DUI accounts for nearly one third of traffic fatalities, Malibu needs the high visibility enforcement and public awareness that this grant will provide."

The funding for this program comes from the California Office of Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

– DP



GOOD WORK

Photo courtesy Liz Kelly

Artist Marina DeBris (left) presented Santa Monica-based 5 Gyres Institute founder Anna Cummins (right) with a Golden Goody Award on Saturday in Santa Monica during the greater Los Angeles chapter of the United States National Committee for UN Women First Annual Special Assembly. Attendees learned about how women can make an impact in the fight against climate change. This Golden Goody Award is a lifetime achievement award that recognized Anna's non-profit environmental and marine conservation work focused on stopping plastic pollution

HIGH SCHOOL SPORTS ROUNDUP

Samohi's Levy, Sato make All-CIF Southern Section

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

SAMOHI Santa Monica's Jordan Levy and Blossom Sato were named to the All-CIF Southern Section Division 3AA girls' volleyball team, it was announced on Monday.

Sato, a sophomore setter, was earlier named Most Valuable Player of the Ocean League after leading the Vikings to the league crown.

Senior outside hitter Levy was named the league's Most Outstanding Player.

The Vikings advanced to the semifinals of the division playoffs where they lost to Windward.

ST. MONICA HOOPS PERFECT IN TOURNAMENT

St. Monica girls' hoops finished a perfect 4-0, good for first place in their own St. Monica Invitational.

The tournament wrapped last Friday with St. Monica toppling El Segundo, 52-36.

Notre Dame Academy came in second at 3-1.

St. Monica's Liyah Lewis was the tournament Most Valuable Player. Teammate Melissa Maragnes was named to the All-Tournament Team.

St. Monica's next game is at Woodland Hills Louisville on Wednesday. It begins at 6:30 p.m.

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Better watch out, SantaCon is coming to town

BETH J. HARPAZ
AP Travel Editor

NEW YORK It's a meetup, it's a party, it's a spectacle: SantaCon is coming to town — in fact, to nearly 300 towns and cities around the world.

Maybe you've seen them in your neighborhood: Dozens, sometimes hundreds of Santas ho, ho, ho-ing in and out of bars, stopping traffic and posing for photos. The red-suited, white-bearded revelers have gath-

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Name change

Editor:

As a former Californian and frequent visitor to the state, I read with interest about the Santa Monica City Council's decision not to display the nativity scene this year. Because I understand how offensive one person's belief can be to another, I don't understand why the council allows the city to continue displaying a statue of Santa Monica. How offensive is that?

Taking it a step further, why do you allow your city to be named after this saint? I suggest you change the name to another, more appropriate atheistic name. And why stop there? How about changing the names of El Pueblo de Nuestra Señora la Reina de los Angeles de Porciuncula (Los Angeles, for short), San Francisco, San Diego, Sacramento, and every other city or town in California having a "religious" name. It's possible that if this action were taken, other states would follow your example, i.e., San Antonio, Texas, St. Petersburg, Fla., St. Paul, Minn., etc.

The Communists knew how to handle this sort of problem, changing the name of St. Petersburg to Leningrad, for example. You see how that turned out.

Here's wishing you a very merry holiday, coming from old English and meaning "Holy Day." (Oops, better change that, too!)

Loretta Mitro
Bridgeport, Conn.

Take the trash out

Editor:

I always enjoy the annual Montana Avenue Holiday Walk and thought it was especially good this year.

I do, however, think that it would be more fun and safer if Montana Avenue was closed off from Seventh to 17th streets. It becomes very difficult to navigate the sidewalks at times what with the many strollers and dogs (mine, PJ, included), plus having the entertainment in the street could lead to making it even more festive.

My one complaint is that as I walked PJ this morning, I saw all the garbage lying next to the trash bins because they were overflowing. I previously wrote about the excessive street cleaning in the city. For one day and one person, couldn't we cut down on the street cleaning and use that person to do a trash pickup on Montana Avenue between 7:30 and 8 p.m.? The garbage was still overflowing Sunday morning!

Mark Kaiserman
Santa Monica





After the Bell

Merv Hecht — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Not a good year for an option writer

AT THE BEGINNING OF EACH YEAR I PICK eight to 10 stocks that I plan to focus on for the coming year. I look for stocks that will have low volatility but are likely to go up a little bit in value (maybe 3 to 6 percent) and not decline. Then I write covered calls or spreads on those stocks during the year. Or sometimes naked puts.

While I may have made money on them, this year my picks were nothing like I expected.

Let's start with Bank of America. When it was $5 it looked to me like a stock not likely to go down, but with all the problems banks were having, especially that bank, I did not expect much volatility — especially on the up side. So I invested $700 in 10 January 2013 puts to protect against a downslide and reduce my margin requirements, and began to sell at-the-money puts each month. For five out of six months I made a small profit while the stock went from $5 to $10. But that is not what I call a "non-volatile stock!" I made about $1,700 profit. Some option writers would say that they more than doubled their money on this group of trades, investing $700 and profiting at $1,700. I don't look at it that way.

When I look at profits from option writing I take the risk as my investment. So when I first sold 10 puts with a strike price of $6, I was at risk of having to come up with $5,000, less a few hundred dollars of premium income, if I was to put the 1,000 shares of stock at $6 per share. So I look at my investment as $6,000. Not that a 28 percent return during six months is bad.

But I compare that to what would have happened if I had just bought the stock. In that case I would have doubled my investment. So in this case buying would have been better than option writing — if I sold now, when the stock is over $10 a share.

Now look at Whirlpool. When it was around $55 a share it looked like a great deal. The stock had not performed all that well, and with the Chinese economy going down, but the U.S. housing market starting up a little bit, it looked like a solid stock to own. It paid over 3 percent in dividend yield, which gave it downside protection, and had the increasing housing market to give it a potential slow upside.

But it didn't happen that way. Instead the stock jumped by leaps and bounds and is now around $100 a share. I wrote calls over and over, just keeping my head above water, while the underlying stock that I bought went up in value. Finally I let the stock be called away at $85 a share. So I left some money on the table. Again, while I made a nice profit, buying and holding would have been better.

And what about Green Mountain Coffee Roaster? When it dropped from over $100 a share to about $22 I figured it had hit bottom and it was time to buy in. Being a bit short of cash at the time I sold the 20 puts and took in a nice premium. I figured that the stock had leveled out and would hover in the low 20s for some time. Wrong again. It went down to $17, but then came back up into the 20s then, more recently, jumped up in several spurts until it is now about $38. I don't know what happened to my expectation of low volatility. I'm lucky to have made even a small profit with that much volatility. I got to keep the $1,000 premium on the sale of the 20 puts, but I didn't benefit from the jump from 20 to 38.

I did pick a few more appropriate stocks for option writing, and made a bit of profit on them, but let's look at the one that has not turned out so well thus far: Apple.

Looking back at it, Apple was not a good selection for an option writer. I don't consider it a non-volatile stock. But based on research by a friend, I became convinced that it was on an upward move toward at least $800 a share. With the stock at over $400 a share it was too expensive for me to take a big position in the stock, so I bought a few hundred shares, and wrote put spreads. I was about $25,000 ahead at the peak.

This worked out well until recently. Then suddenly the stock took a big dive and I lost back all of the profits. To hedge against a continuing decline, I wrote a call spread. The stock jumped up and I lost money on the call spread. So I wrote another put spread. The stock tanked again and I lost money on the new put spread. So I wrote another call spread. Through it all I held on to five naked puts at $580.

So there went a lot of my profits for the year, depending on what happens in the next 30 days. If, lord willing, Apple stock goes up over 575 but not over 600 I will end up with a small profit on the Apple positions overall. Otherwise I will lose somewhere up to $25,000, wiping out almost all of my option writing profits for the year.

It was not a good year for an option writer like me. But I had a lot of fun!

Now I start looking at stocks for the New Year. Will Apple come back? Will RIM in fact go out of business? Will the housing ETF's continue to go up as housing comes back? Will gold decline as the economy stabilizes? Is there really a copper shortage in China's manufacturing sector? Will the European market continue its downslide, resulting in fewer exports for U.S. products? Will Brazil be able to begin to profit from their offshore oil?

So far I'm holding on to FRX and GDX, as a commodity play. As the economy improves one would think commodities will go up. I continue to hold WAG and write covered calls on it, thinking that some day the customers will come back, after the disastrous contract boo-boo by management. And perhaps the new health care regulations will encourage more people to go to a doctor and get prescriptions for pills. But until January I'm selling out a lot of ETF and fund positions and holding cash. With the political area as it is right now there is too much risk of volatility in the marketplace.

After the politicians decide on next year's tax structure I will go back into the market. A rise in the capital gain tax, or the elimination of the tax deduction for home mortgages could push the market sharply down for some period of time.

There is no doubt in my mind that in 2013 we will have even more fun than we had in 2012. But I don't guarantee any profits.

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What's the Point?

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Making the most of it

I'M WISHING YOU A BLESSED BODHI Day, a happy Chanukah, a very merry Christmas, a papercut-less Boxing Day and a jubilant Kwanzaa. To the many other culture specific holiday celebrants that I have inadvertently left out, I give you my best well wishes for your day(s) of celebration.

This year seems to be a bit lackluster in the celebration department and I wanted to encourage people to break out and have a little fun. Put up some lights, buy a big blow-up whatever and put it in the front yard or window.

I've been driving around the various neighborhoods of Ocean Park, NOMA, Pico and Downtown a great deal this year and I find that there are definitely not as many lights and homes decorated as in years past and that is depressing to me.

In the spirit of the season I'd like to reach out to the atheists, agnostics and strict constitutionalists who support the separation of church and state. I respect your positions and your efforts to keep the secular safe for all who believe differently. As a fan of the Church of the Flying Spaghetti Monster, I believe that free thought is important and this holiday season is a great time to remind ourselves of the meta-message of most of the world's religions — that we are all loved.

Some are loved by a singular God who rains down blessings on his followers in direct proportion to the amount of money they give his representatives on Earth. Still others believe that living a good and generous life and being kind to others every day of the year is what provides them with blessings, from their physical needs like food and shelter, to emotional and spiritual sustenance.

Each belief system provides some measure of comfort for its followers. Even those who declare there is no higher power or Godhead provide a sense of intellectual confidence and security in the strength and capabilities of the rational mind of homo sapiens.

In the end, I'm not sure any of the particulars matter, other than how many toes of other people on the planet we step on. Oftentimes it seems to me that each belief system is striving so hard to prove how right they are, and how wrong the others are, that they miss the point that we are all here for a very short time on this planet and we should get along and make the most of it.

Westside Toastmasters is my regular Wednesday night event, and in this club we have people from all over the world, and of different religious beliefs. When we get together it is a veritable United Nations and I am always impressed with how much each person brings to the communal table. Our multiple experiences and backgrounds have proved to be a vital resource for my personal growth.

I mention this because it demonstrates to me the principle that if we humans have a superior common interest, we can lay aside our personal opinions long enough to learn from each other. Much like the parable about the difference between heaven and hell, where the residents in each have their arms strapped to long boards and are seated at a buffet table covered in delights. Those in hell are trying to feed themselves, but since their arms wont bend they can't get the food to their mouth, so they are hungry and angry and there is a great disappointment in that existence. Contrast that with those in heaven where the residents are feeding each other with their outstretched arms, and everyone is fed and nurtured.

I find that in my Toastmasters group, and in life, the more I try to withhold judgment and try to help others, the more I gain and learn.

I'm not a religious person, but I do believe that having a spiritual life is important for it opens up my heart and mind to other points of view and is a comfort on stressful days.

With that in mind I will be leaving for vacation until the new year to help me renew and rejuvenate my spiritual life, so this is my last column until 2013. May you have a blessed and wonderful holiday season — no matter who or what you believe in.

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The Q Line

Planning Downtown

City Hall is in the process of developing a Downtown Specific Plan that will dictate development in the heart of Santa Monica. There was a workshop last week that let residents voice their opinions about the direction the district should take.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks:
What would you like to see Downtown look like and why?

Contact **qline@smdp.com** before **Friday at 5 p.m.** and we'll print your answers in the weekend edition of the Daily Press. You can also call **310-573-8354**.

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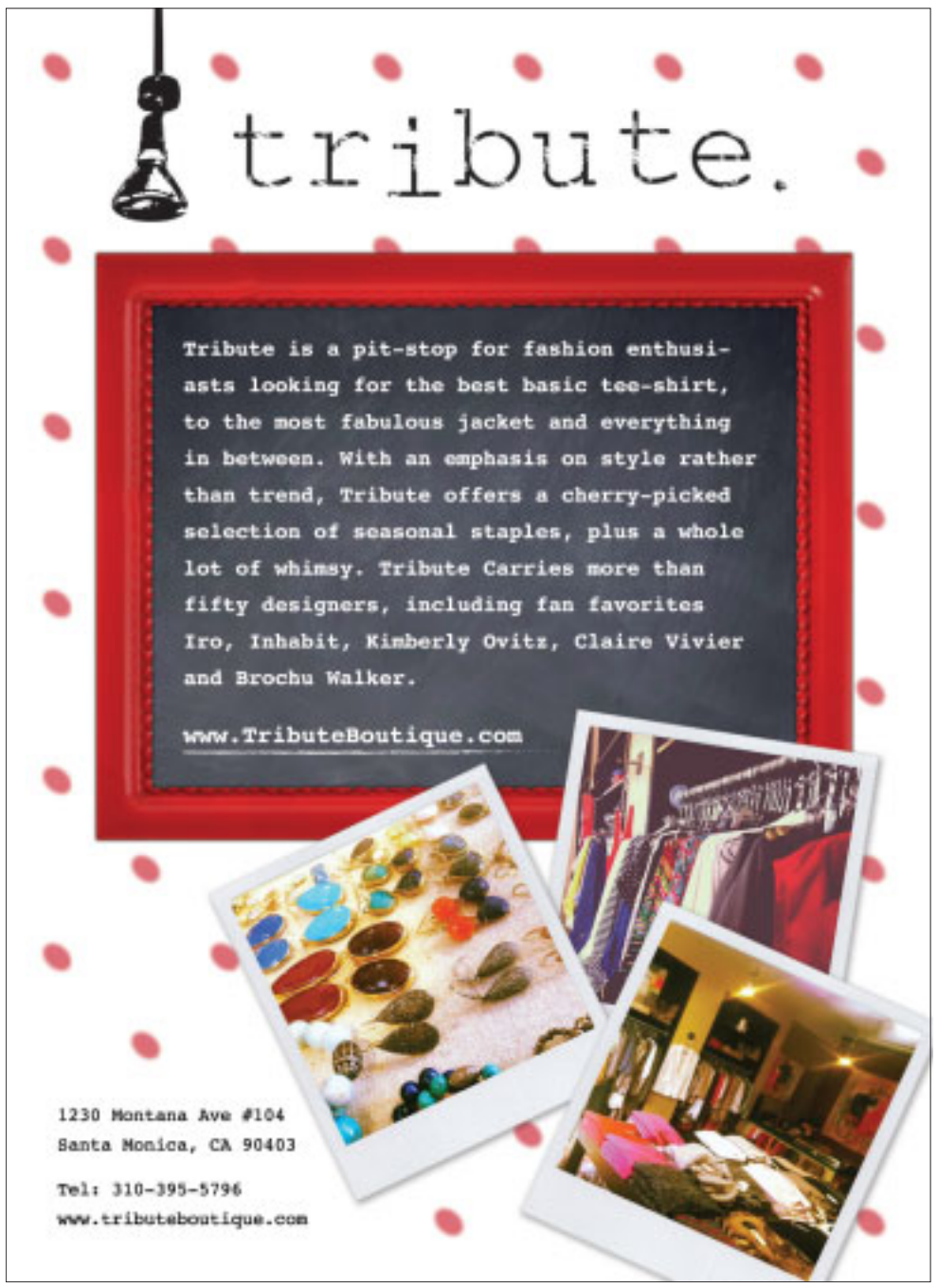




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NTSB: Singer Rivera dead in Mexican plane crash

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MONTERREY, Mexico U.S. authorities confirmed Monday that Jenni Rivera, a U.S.-born singer whose soulful voice and openness about her personal troubles made her a Mexican-American superstar, was killed in a plane crash in northern Mexico.

The National Transportation Safety Board said it was sending a team to help investigate the crash, and the board was told by Mexican authorities that Rivera had died in Sunday's crash.

Rivera's relatives in the U.S. already had few doubts that she was on the Learjet 25 that disintegrated on impact Sunday in rugged territory near the town of Iturbide in the Sierra Madre Oriental in Nuevo Leon state.

"My son Lupillo told me that effectively it was Jenni's plane that crashed and that everyone on board died," her father, Pedro Rivera, told dozens of reporters gathered in front of his Los Angeles-area home. "I believe my daughter's body is unrecognizable."

He said that his son would fly to Monterrey Monday or Tuesday.

Alejandro Argudin, of Mexico's civil aviation agency, said Monday it would take at least 10 days to have a preliminary report on what happened to the plane.

"We're in the process of picking up the fragments and we have to find all the parts," Argudin told reporters. "Depending on weather conditions it would take us at least 10 days to have a first report and many more days to have a report by experts."

The Learjet 25, number N345MC, took off from Monterrey at 3:30 a.m. local time en route to Toluca, outside Mexico City, and was reported missing about 10 minutes later. It was registered to Starwood Management of Las Vegas, Nevada, according to FAA records. It was built in 1969 and had a current registration through 2015.

According to the National Transportation Safety Board, the twin-turbojet was substantially damaged in a 2005 landing mishap at Amarillo International Airport in Texas. It hit a runway distance marker after losing directional control. There were four aboard but no injuries. It was registered to a company in Houston, Texas, as the time.

Messages of condolence poured in to the Rivera family from musicians and celebrities.

Mexican songstress and actress Lucero wrote on her Twitter account: "What terrible news! Rest in peace ... My deepest condolences for her family and friends." Rivera's colleague on the Mexican show "The Voice of Mexico," pop star Paulina Rubio, said on her Twitter account: "My friend! Why? There is no consolation. God, please help me!"

Born in Los Angeles, California, Rivera was at the peak of her career as perhaps the most successful female singer in grupero, a male-dominated regional style influenced by the norteno, banda and ranchero styles.

A 43-year-old mother of five children and grandmother of two, the woman known as the "Diva de la Banda" was known for frank talk about her struggles to give a good life to her children despite a series of setbacks.

She was recently divorced from her third husband, was once detained at a Mexico City airport with tens of thousands of dollars in cash, and she publicly apologized after her brother assaulted a drunken fan who verbally attacked her in 2011.

Her openness about her personal troubles endeared her to millions in the U.S. and Mexico.

"I am the same as the public, as my fans," she told The Associated Press in an interview last March.

Rivera sold 15 million records, and recently won two Billboard Mexican Music Awards: Female Artist of the Year and Banda Album of the Year for "Joyas Prestadas: Banda." She was nominated for Latin Grammys in 2002, 2008 and 2011.

Transportation and Communications Minister Gerardo Ruiz Esparza said the impact of the crash was so powerful that the remains of the plane "are scattered over an area of 250 to 300 meters."

"There is nothing recognizable, neither material nor human" in the wreckage, he said.

A mangled California driver's license with Rivera's name and picture was found in the crash site debris.

Also aboard the plane were Rivera's publicist, Arturo Rivera, her makeup artist, Jacob Yebale, two friends, one named Mario Macias and another who was also identified as Gerardo, and the two pilots, said Mexico's Communications and Transportation Department in a statement.

Though drug trafficking was the theme of some of her songs, she was not considered a singer of "narco corridos," or ballads glorifying drug lords like other group. She was better known for singing about her troubles in love and disdain for men.

Her parents were Mexicans who had migrated to the United States. Two of her five brothers, Lupillo and Juan Rivera, are also well-known singers of grupero music.

She studied business administration and formally debuted on the music scene in 1995 with the release of her album "Chacalosa". Due to its success, she recorded two more independent albums, "We Are Rivera" and "Farewell to Selena," a tribute album to slain singer Selena that helped expand her following.

At the end of the 1990s, Rivera was signed by Sony Music and released two more albums. But widespread success came for her when she joined Fonovisa and released her 2005 album titled "Partier, Rebellious and Daring."

Besides being a singer, she is also a businesswoman and actress, appearing in the indie film Filly Brown, which was shown at the Sundance Film Festival, as the incarcerated mother of Filly Brown.

She was filming the third season of "I love Jenni," which followed her as she shared special moments with her children and as she toured through Mexico and the United States. She also has the reality shows: "Jenni Rivera Presents: Chiquis and Raq-C" and her daughter's "Chiquis 'n Control."

In 2009, she was detained at the Mexico City airport when she declared $20,000 in cash but was really carrying $52,167. She was taken into custody. She said it was an innocent mistake and authorities gave her the benefit of the doubt and released her.

In 2011, her brother Juan assaulted a drunken fan at a popular fair in Guanajuato. In the face of heavy criticism among her fans and on social networks, Rivera publicly apologized for the incident during a concert in Mexico City, telling her fans: "Thank you for accepting me as I am, with my virtues and defects."

After a concert in Monterrey Saturday night, she gave a press conference during which she spoke of her emotional state following her recent divorce from former Major League Baseball pitcher Esteban Loaiza.

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Lewis, a spokesperson for the Santa Monica Police Department.

A woman was in the car with him, but she was not taken into custody, Lewis said.

The victim, whom police did not identify, sustained multiple gunshot wounds, but is expected to survive. The driver of her getaway car — a large truck with four wheels on the back axle and two in the front — was uninjured, Lewis said.

The man drove the unidentified woman to the northeast corner of Lincoln and Pico boulevards and called 9-1-1. Paramedics from the Santa Monica Fire Department treated her and took her to a local hospital.

The victim has refused to cooperate with police on the investigation, Lewis said.

The shooting comes at a time of relative peace in Santa Monica.

In October, police reported that violent crime had dropped compared to the year before, with aggravated assaults down 11 percent and sexual assaults down 6 percent, despite an expansion in the definition used by the Federal Bureau of Investigations, which compiles crime statistics for its Uniform Crime Report.

The last shooting in Santa Monica occurred almost a year before when a 16-year-old Santa Monica High School student was shot multiple times in the upper torso on his way home from school.

The investigation is ongoing and anyone with information is asked to contact Detective Daniel Larios at (310) 458-8937 or Sgt. Ira Rutan at (310) 458-8959 or, the Santa Monica Police Department (24 hours) at (310) 458-8495.

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ered in Trafalgar Square in London and Tiananmen Square in Beijing. They've walked across the Brooklyn Bridge. And this past weekend in Los Angeles, they visited the space shuttle en masse at the California Science Center.

"It's innocent fun," said Tim Mambort, 27, who's been taking part in SantaCon in New York City for five years with friends from college. "You end up standing in a bar singing 'Jingle Bells' with people you just met, all dressed like Santa, or walking with hundreds of Santas to Central Park, or filling up an entire subway car with Santas."

But whether SantaCon is naughty or nice depends on whom you ask.

The website for the New York City event, planned for Dec. 15, says SantaCon "is not a bar crawl. Every time you call it that, a sugarplum fairy dies."

But the fact is, most SantaCons involve stops at bars along a prescribed route, and over the years, there have been isolated reports of misbehavior. In New York, police have issued summonses for violations of open container laws, and some bars refuse entry to anyone dressed in red. Last year, residents of Lower Manhattan complained of drunken Santas vomiting and urinating in the streets.

"There was one Santa lying on the ground and I saw a father go by with two young children and the little girl said, 'Daddy, what is wrong with Santa?'" said Community Board 1 member Paul Hovitz, who worries that the event encourages binge drinking and underage drinking.

Ian Sibley, who organizes the SantaCon.info webpage, acknowledges that "a dark shadow seems to haunt the event. So we take the extra step of emphasizing not drinking too much and perhaps supporting a good cause."

Indeed, many SantaCons require participants to bring donations for food banks or Toys for Tots, or raise money for children's charities or no-kill pet shelters.

Sibley started SantaCon.info five years ago with a half-dozen listings after "encountering this crazy thing with all these people dressed up like Santa" in Asheville, N.C. The website now lists nearly 275 events in 37 countries between November and January. Sibley says SantaCons have been held on every continent — from Uganda to Katmandu to Sydney and even Antarctica — but he dates the first events to the 1990s in Copenhagen and San Francisco. He says New York is one of the biggest, drawing 20,000 Santas.

Anna Sandler, a mom from Maplewood, N.J., thinks most participants take seriously the notion that SantaCon must not hurt Santa's image. Two years ago while pushing her toddler in a stroller in Manhattan, Sandler encountered "tons of Santas crossing the street and had no idea why. It was the most amazing spectacle." She stopped a few Santas to chat, then went home and looked the event up online.

"The Santas were completely hammered, but also completely polite," she said. "They were definitely following the SantaCon creed of being super-respectful."

Like zombie walks at Halloween, SantaCon is a grassroots phenomenon, organized locally and mostly through digital media, from email blasts and websites to Twitter and FourSquare. The term SantaCon may bring to mind Comic-Con, the pop culture convention, but there's no industry behind SantaCon, though a growth in sales of Santa suits led Party City to start advertising on SantaCon.info in 2011.

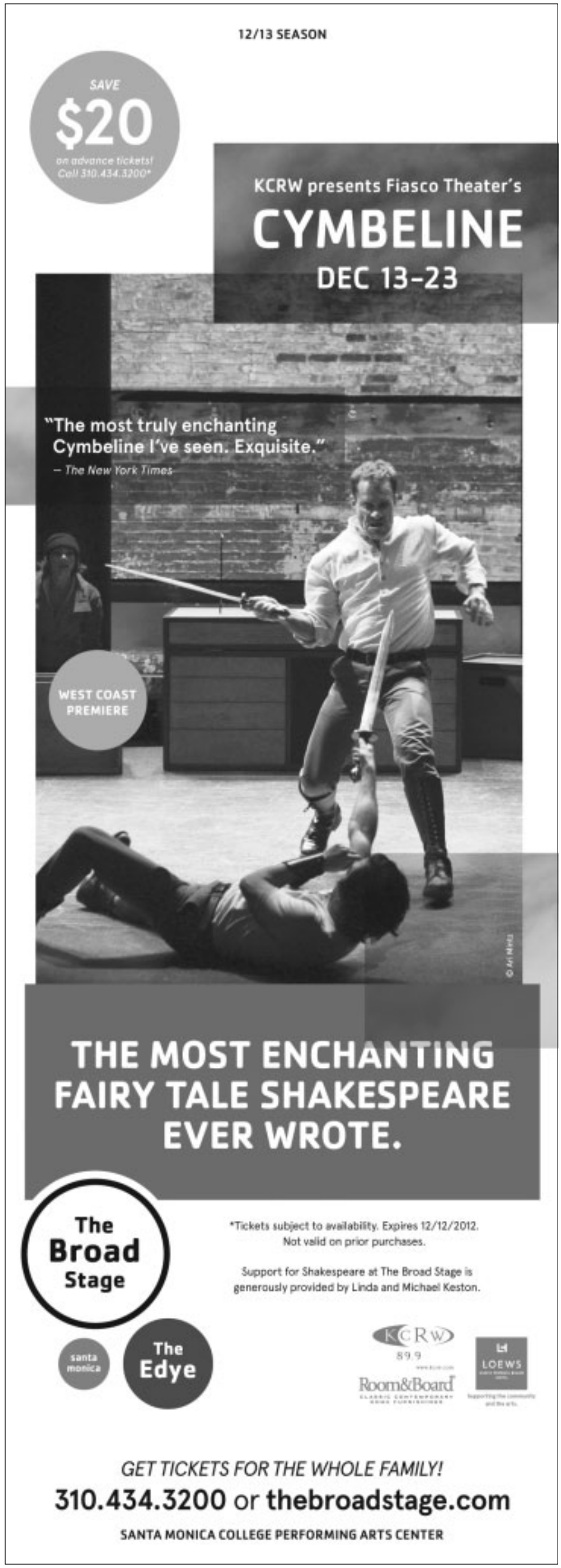
"Our Santa suits have always sold to the Santa who dresses up at the mall or dad dressing up at home," said Melissa Sprich, Party City's vice president of costumes and accessories. "But we started to see an increase in sales and were hearing that local events were occurring with people dressing up for this SantaCon thing."

Demographics for the events also led Party City to add Santa styles for women — including some sexy looks — as well as accessories like antlers.

Dana Humphrey, 29, who dressed like Mrs. Claus last year and is going as an elf this year, has made SantaCon in Manhattan a tradition with friends, starting with brunch, then joining SantaCon crowds for the route's first stop at a bar in the Wall Street area. Along the way, they've posed for photos at the famous Wall Street bull sculpture and done an Ace of Bass singalong with 80 Santas.

"You'll find groups of Santas doing all kinds of ridiculous things," she said.

Nigel Parry is organizing the fifth annual SantaCon in Lowertown, an artsy historic neighborhood in St. Paul, Minn. The gathering drew 200 Santas last year and is accompanied by a brass band that leads revelers in and out of bars. One of the first stops is billed as an "all ages" event at the Black Dog Cafe where parents can bring kids. But how do you explain to a wide-eyed 5-year-old why there are 50 Santas, not just one?





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budgets. Many states depend on federal grants to help finance education, environmental and community programs that are on the chopping block. Their economies are powered by military bases and defense contractors that could get whacked. And their state income tax revenues could rise or fall as a direct result of federal tax hikes.

All that of that is to say that states have a lot riding on the strained negotiations between national Democrats and Republicans over some way of raising revenues and reducing spending that would avoid a more drastic deficit-reduction plan, known as the "fiscal cliff" because it could send the country back into an economic recession.

"From a general economic standpoint, the sooner they could do something the better," said Missouri budget director Linda Luebbering in a bit of understatement.

Even if there is no agreement in Washington by January, a deal still could be struck later to lessen the effect of the automatic spending cuts and tax hikes. But some states are bracing for the most ominous of outcomes.

If nothing is done, states stand to lose $7.5 billion in federal funding in 2013 for 161 grant programs subject to automatic spending cuts, according to the Federal Funds Information for States, a Washington-based organization that tracks the effects of policy decisions on states. The biggest of those cuts could come to federal aid for schools that teach large numbers of low-income students. Funding for special education, early childhood programs and food subsidies for women and children also could take sizable cuts.

If nothing is done, state economies could get jolted by an automatic $33.6 billion of spending cuts for defense contracting and military wages — hitting especially hard in places such as Virginia, California and Texas, according to the FFIS report.

And if nothing is done, state budgets also would feel the ramifications of federal tax increases, though not necessarily in a negative way. Because of how their tax codes are linked to federal regulations, more than half the states could see an increase in state income tax collections if cuts are made to federal income tax deductions and credits.

But that potential boost in state revenues could be wiped out if the plunge over the fiscal cliff were to result in another recession, said Ingrid Schroeder, a research director at the Pew Center on the States. Rising unemployment could mean more people qualifying for Medicaid and other government services, costing states additional money.

This past week, bipartisan groups of governors and state lawmakers met with President Barack Obama to urge a solution that doesn't pass the buck to local governments.

"Don't make the states pay the lion's share of whatever this medicine is that we've all got to swallow," said Arkansas Gov. Mike Beebe.

As governors pressed for resolution, state financial directors churned out dire predictions.

New York Comptroller Thomas DiNapoli warned that state and local governments may have to consider additional tax hikes to counter a projected $5 billion reduction in federal funding over nine years. The burden would fall on some residents who "are literally digging out from (Superstorm) Sandy's devastation," he said.

A report prepared for the Texas Senate estimated that nearly 4,000 jobs could be lost as a result of a projected $565 million cut in federal funds for child care, job training, cancer and AIDS screenings and other services affecting nearly 2 million Texas residents.

Oklahoma Gov. Mary Fallin said the state could lose as many as 8,000 jobs in the aerospace and defense industries, and Minnesota state economist Tom Stinson forecast "ultimate gloom" under a fiscal-cliff induced downturn that he said could cost 115,000 jobs in 2013-2014 and hundreds of millions of dollars of lost state tax revenues.

In California, letters have been sent to 360,000 jobless residents warning that a federally funded extension of their benefits could expire.

Even through the federal spending cuts and tax hikes have yet to kick in, some state officials believe they already are suffering the effects. Massachusetts Gov. Deval Patrick ordered spending cuts this past week to help close a projected $540 million budget hole that he blamed largely on the federal stalemate. Businesses are reluctant to make capital investments without knowing what will happen, he said.

"By all accounts, that uncertainty and the resulting slowdown in economic growth is the direct cause of our budget challenges," Patrick said.

In many states, confusion reigned. Governors often must present a budget to legislators early in 2013. That means their financial experts are working now on estimates of how much tax revenue they'll receive and how much federal funding they can rely upon. The ongoing negotiations in Washington are forcing some to leave question marks in their calculations.

"States have already had to make really tough budget decisions over the last couple of years," said Schroeder, of the Pew Center. "This uncertainty about exactly what their revenue is going to be makes an already difficult process that much more difficult."



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former Douglas Aircraft manufacturing sites.

The carbon purchase makes up roughly half of the $1,662,060 consent agenda.

WALKING TALL

Staff is requesting almost half a million dollars to keep the city's crosswalks in good form.

Officials inspected local crosswalks between December 2011 and April 2012 and found that the material used to create the stripes was wearing out faster when it was applied to concrete rather than asphalt.

Staff found a similar material that lasts longer, but comes at a 30 percent higher cost, leading officials to form a plan to use conventional materials on asphalt and save the more expensive version for concrete.

Super Seal and Stripe, the lowest bidder, won the $460,000 contract, $60,000 of which will come from the St. John's development agreement funds to repair crosswalks near the hospital's construction site that have seen increased use.

DRESSING THE PART

The police and fire departments are requesting over $700,000 in the next three years to buy uniforms, protective gear and other equipment needed to keep their employees safe and looking sharp.

The money will buy ballistic vests, protective eyewear and tactical gear as well as the everyday uniforms needed by public safety personnel.

Only one company, Galls, LLC., bid on the contract.

If approved, Galls will receive $233,613 in the first year with two, one-year renewals for a maximum of $700,839. Future funding is contingent on council approval.

STOP! GO!

The City Council will have the chance to approve a contract for on-call traffic signal repairs, installation and maintenance.

The contract with Dynalectric, Inc., a California-based company, would cost $43,547 in the first year and up to $205,516 in a three-year period. Dynalectric, which has worked in the city before, was one of three bidders on the project.

Future funding would be contingent on council approval.

MEDICAL SERVICES

The Santa Monica Police Department has requested to keep on a healthcare provider that performs annual physicals and provides fitness tests and dietary advice for its sworn officers.

If approved, the Westchester Medical Group Center for Heart and Health would receive a five-year, $125,000 contract to provide the physicals and screening tests.

According to the staff report, the tests allow for early identification and treatment of potentially life-threatening conditions and helps officers lead a healthy lifestyle.

The Westchester Medical Group has held the job for the last 12 years, and was only one of two that applied for the contract.

Only $25,000 is available in this budget — the rest will be contingent on future council approval.

RISK MANAGEMENT

The City Council is likely to approve a five-year, $107,400 contract with TCS Risk Management Services for data analysis meant to keep worker compensation costs in check.

The company provides financial and operational performance reports based on data offered by the Workers' Compensation Program to help the city manager and department heads track costs and potential savings.

TCS Risk Management has done the job for the past two years, and beat out eight other competitors to snag the gig for the next five years.

Only $17,900 has been set aside for the current year. Future funding will be contingent on council approval.

ICE, ICE BABY

City Hall will receive $1 from the public-private agency that runs the Downtown in exchange for space at Fifth Street and Arizona Avenue to hold the annual ice skating rink.

Downtown Santa Monica, Inc. has produced the public skating rink since 2007, transforming what is normally a public parking lot into a seasonal activity that hosts 65,000 skaters and hundreds of thousands of spectators every year.

Although Downtown Santa Monica, Inc. pays the cost of the rink, City Hall forgoes $275,000 in parking revenues by closing down the lot between October and February, according to the staff report.

City Hall hopes that the space will be redeveloped in coming years, and that the ice rink will be preserved.

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Energy experts say drilling can be made cleaner

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PITTSBURGH In the Colorado mountains, a spike in air pollution has been linked to a boom in oil and gas drilling. A thousand miles away on the plains of north Texas, there's a drilling boom, too, but some air pollution levels have declined. Opponents of drilling point to Colorado and say it's dangerous. Companies point to Texas and say drilling is safe.

The answer appears to be that drilling can be safe or it can be dangerous. Industry practices, enforcement, geography and even snow cover can minimize or magnify air pollution problems.

"It's like a vehicle. Some cars drip oil," said Russell Schnell, deputy director of the federal Earth System Research Laboratory in Boulder, Colo. "You have wells that are absolutely tight. And you have other places where a valve gives out, and you have huge leaks."

The good news, nearly all sides agree, is that the technology exists to control methane gas leaks and other air pollution associated with drilling. The bad news is that the industry is booming so rapidly that some companies and some regulators can't seem to get ahead of the problems, which could ultimately cost billions of dollars to remedy.

The worries about what drilling does to the air are both global and local, with scientists concerned about the effects on climate change as well as the possible health consequences from breathing smog, soot and other pollutants.

Hydraulic fracturing, or fracking, has made it possible to tap into deep reserves of oil and gas but has also raised concerns about pollution. The industry and many federal and state officials say the practice is safe when done properly, but environmental groups and some scientists say there hasn't been enough research.

Some environmentalists say if leaks and pollution can be minimized, the boom has benefits, since gas burns much cleaner than coal, emitting half the carbon dioxide.

Al Gore told The Associated Press that it's "not irresponsible" to look at gas as a short-term substitute for coal-fired electricity. But Gore added that the main component of gas, methane, is a more potent heat-trapping greenhouse gas than CO2. That means that if large quantities leak, the advantage over coal disappears, the former vice president said.

In Colorado, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration estimated that 4 percent of methane was leaking from wells, far more than previously estimated, and that people who live near production areas may be exposed to worrisome levels of benzene and other toxic compounds present in oil and gas.

Across the industry, the technology for stopping leaks can be as simple as fixing seals and gaskets, or it can involve hundreds of millions of dollars of new construction.

"I think it's totally fixable," Schnell said. "At least the bigger companies, they are really on top of this."

Gore added that when companies capture leaking methane, they end up with more to sell. "So there's an economic incentive to capture it and stop the leaking," he said.

Another major source of worry is the industry's practice of burning off, or flaring, natural gas that comes out of the ground as a byproduct of oil drilling. Over the past five years, the U.S. has increased the amount of flared and wasted gas more than any other nation, though Russia still burns off far more than any other country.

In some places, energy companies haven't invested in the infrastructure needed to capture and process the gas because the oil is more valuable.

In the Bakken Shale oil fields of North Dakota, for example, about 30 percent of the natural gas is flared off because there aren't enough pipelines yet to carry it away. The amount of gas wasted in the state is estimated at up to $100 million a year. And officials in North Dakota said last month that the situation there might not be completely solved until the end of the decade.

NOAA scientists also say natural gas production has contributed to unusual wintertime smog in the West, particularly in regions surrounded by mountains, and especially in snowy areas.

Ozone, the main component in smog, typically forms when sunlight "cooks" a low-lying stew of chemicals such as benzene and

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engine exhaust. Normally, the process doesn't happen in cold weather.

But NOAA researchers found that when there's heavy snowfall, the sun passes through the stew, then bounces off the snow and heats it again on the way back up. In some cases, smog in remote areas has spiked to levels higher than those in New York or Los Angeles.

In open regions that are more exposed to wind, the ozone vanishes, sometimes within hours or a day. But in Utah basins it can linger for weeks, Schnell said.

Evidence that gas drilling air pollution can be managed — but that more work may still need to be done — comes from north Texas, where the shale gas boom began around Fort Worth about 10 years ago.

Mike Honeycutt, director of toxicology for the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, said that in the early years of the boom, people complained about excessive pollution. Regulators started using special hand-held cameras to pinpoint pollution sources and found some sites with high levels of benzene and other volatile organic compounds.

"It was a maintenance issue. They were in such a hurry, and they were drilling so fast, they were not being as vigilant as they should have been," Honeycutt said. "So we passed new rules that made them take more notice."

Honeycutt said the cameras, which cost about $100,000 each, have revolutionized the way inspectors monitor sites. Texas has also installed nine 24-hour air monitoring stations in the drilling region around Fort Worth, and more are on the way. Now, he said, even as drilling has increased, summer ozone levels have declined.

In 1997 there were only a few hundred shale gas wells in the Fort Worth area and the summertime ozone level hit 104 parts per billion, far above the national standard then of 85. By 2012 the number of wells had risen to about 16,000, but preliminary results show the ozone level was 87 last summer.

There's still room for improvement, Honeycutt said, but the trend is clear, since the monitoring is no longer showing worrisome levels of benzene, either.

The Environmental Protection Agency isn't completely convinced. This year the federal agency cited Wise County in north Texas, a heavy gas drilling area, for violating ozone standards. Industry groups and the state have argued that the finding was based on faulty science.

So far, NOAA scientists say they haven't found signs that gas or oil drilling is contributing to a global rise in methane.

"Not the mid-latitudes where the drilling is being done, which is interesting," said James Butler, head of global monitoring for NOAA.

The EPA has passed new rules on oil and gas emissions that are scheduled to go into effect in 2015, and in 2012 it reached legal settlements that will require companies to spend more than $14 million on pollution controls in Utah and Wyoming. Colorado, Texas and other states have passed more stringent rules, too.

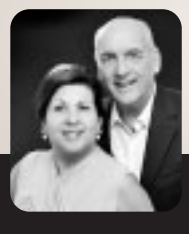
Carlton Carroll, a spokesman for the American Petroleum Institute, a lobbying group for the oil and gas industry, pointed out that many companies started developing the equipment to limit methane and other pollution before the EPA rule.

"API is not opposed to controls on oil and gas operations so long as the controls are cost-effective, allow sufficient lead time and can be implemented safely," Carroll said in an email, adding that the industry has requested some technical clarifications to the rule and is working with EPA on those.

Prasad Kasibhatla, a professor of environmental chemistry at Duke University, said that controlling gas drilling pollution is "technically solvable" but requires close attention by regulators.

"One has to demonstrate that it is solved, and monitored," he said.


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3301(b)(1), 3301(c)(2)(i), 3301(g)(2)(ii), 3302(d)(2), 11201(b), 13002(d)(4), 13002(e)(2), 1610(c), and 1611(a)

to replace any reference to California Civil Code Section 1946 with a reference to California Civil Code Section 1946.1.

These changes will become effective by promulgation the day after publication in the newspaper.

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SURF REPORT



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Surf Forecasts

Water Temp: **61.5°**

TUESDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** ankle to knee high occ. 3 ft
Small SW-SSW swell holds;

WEDNESDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-3 ft** ankle to waist high
Possible new small WNW swell peaks; SW-SSW swell starts to ease; Watching winds

THURSDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-3 ft** ankle to waist high
WNW swell holds; small SW-SSW swell; Larger pwaves in the far western part of the county

FRIDAY – **POOR** – SURF: **1-3 ft** ankle to waist high
Slowly fading WNW swell; Larger waves in the far western part of the county

Tides

Are very manageable to start the week, becoming more of an issue as the tide swings are a bit more extreme towards the end of this week. Deep morning high tides of 5'+ just before sunrise will slow the more tide sensitive breaks down Thursday and into the week-end. Keep it in mind when planning a surf.

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 **December 5, 2012**

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

QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)
Number of sewage spills — 9
Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill — 9
Number of wet days — 11
Number of A grades for dry/wet weather — 38 / 14
Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather — 0 / 0

The Beach Report Card is made possible by: simplehuman, LAcarGUY, SIMA and Grousbeck Family Foundation

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

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A	A+
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Las Alisos creeks.	ns	ns
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	C
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	C
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	C
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	A+
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A	D
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A	A+
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	A+
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24672 Malibu Rd..	A+	D
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	A+
Surfrider Beach (broach location)- daily.	A	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	A+	B
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	A
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	A+
Big Rock Beach at 19548 PCH stairs.	A+	A+
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	A+
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	F
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	A+
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	B	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17208 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	F

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

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

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

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.

Pot legalized in Colorado with gov's proclamation

KRISTEN WYATT
Associated Press

DENVER Marijuana for recreational use became legal in Colorado Monday, when the governor took a purposely low-key procedural step of declaring the voter-approved change part of the state constitution.

Colorado became the second state after Washington to allow pot use without a doctor's recommendation. Both states prohibit public use of the drug, and commercial sales in Colorado and Washington won't be permitted until after regulations are written next year.

Gov. John Hickenlooper, a Democrat, opposed the measure but had no veto power over the voter-approved amendment to the state constitution.

Hickenlooper tweeted his declaration Monday and sent an executive order to reporters by e-mail after the fact. He told reporters he didn't want to make a big deal about the proclamation, a decision that prevented a countdown to legalization as seen in Washington, where the law's supporters gathered to smoke in public to celebrate.

Fewer than two dozen people publicly marked Colorado's legalization day. A small group puffed away at 4:20 p.m. on the steps of the state Capitol, with no arrests and no police officers in sight.

"It smells like freedom," said a smiling, puffing Timothy Tipton, a longtime marijuana activist.

Colorado law gave Hickenlooper until Jan. 5 to declare marijuana legal. He told reporters Monday he saw no reason to wait and didn't see any point in letting marijuana become legal without his proclamation.

"If the voters go out and pass something and they put it in the state constitution, by a significant margin, far be it from myself or any governor to overrule. I mean, this is why it's a democracy, right?" Hickenlooper said.

Adults over 21 in Colorado may now possess up to an ounce of marijuana, or six plants. Public use and sale of the drug remain illegal.

Colorado and Washington officials both have asked the U.S. Department of Justice for guidance on the laws that conflict with federal drug law. So far the federal government has offered little guidance beyond stating that marijuana remains illegal and that the Controlled Substances Act will be enforced. Of special concern for state regulators is how to protect state employees who violate federal drug law by complying with state marijuana laws.

The U.S. Attorney's Office issued a statement Monday shortly after Hickenlooper's announcement restating its position.

Hickenlooper also announced a state task force Monday to help craft the marijuana regulations. The 24-member task force includes law enforcement, agriculture officials and marijuana advocates.

The governor admonished the task force not to ponder whether marijuana should be legal.

"I don't think we benefit anyone by going back and turning over the same soil. Our job is to move forward," he said.

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Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn - Part 2 (PG-13) 1hr 56min
1:15pm, 4:00pm, 7:00pm, 10:00pm

Life of Pi (PG) 2hrs 06min
3:00pm, 6:15pm, 9:30pm

End of Watch (R) 1hr 49min
1:45pm, 4:30pm, 7:30pm, 10:15pm

Anna Karenina (R) 2hrs 10min
1:00pm, 4:05pm, 7:00pm, 10:10pm

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Life of Pi 3D (PG) 2hrs 06min
11:15am, 2:05pm, 5:00pm, 7:50pm, 10:40pm

Twilight Saga: Breaking Dawn - Part 2 (PG-13) 1hr 56min
11:20am, 2:00pm, 4:55pm, 7:55pm

Skyfall (PG-13) 2hrs 23min
12:30pm, 4:05pm, 7:20pm, 10:35pm

Flight (R) 2hrs 19min
12:15pm, 3:45pm, 7:00pm, 10:15pm

Argo (R) 2hrs 00min
11:25am, 2:10pm, 5:00pm, 7:45pm, 10:35pm

Rise of the Guardians 3D (PG) 1hr 37min
11:45am, 2:30pm, 5:15pm, 8:00pm

Lincoln (PG-13) 2hrs 30min
11:35am, 3:00pm, 6:30pm, 10:00pm

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1332 Second St.
(310) 478-3836

Grey (R) 1hr 57min
1:20pm, 4:10pm, 7:00pm, 9:50pm

Waiting For Lightning (PG-13) 1hr 36min
1:00pm, 3:15pm, 5:30pm, 7:45pm, 10:15pm

Hitchcock (PG-13) 1hr 38min
1:00pm, 3:20pm, 5:40pm, 8:00pm, 10:15pm

Flying Lessons (R) 1hr 43min
1:55pm, 4:30pm, 7:20pm, 9:55pm

AMC Criterion 6
1313 Third St.
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Skyfall (PG-13) 2hrs 23min
11:15am, 2:45pm, 6:15pm, 9:45pm

Rise of the Guardians (PG) 1hr 37min
11:45am, 2:30pm, 5:20pm, 7:55pm, 10:30pm

Playing for Keeps (PG-13) 1hr 35min
11:10am, 1:40pm, 4:30pm, 7:15pm, 10:00pm

Wreck-It Ralph (PG) 1hr 48min
11:20am, 2:15pm, 5:15pm, 8:00pm, 10:30pm

Silver Linings Playbook (R) 2hrs 00min
11:10am, 2:10pm, 5:00pm, 7:45pm, 10:30pm

Killing Them Softly (R) 1hr 40min
11:30am, 1:55pm, 4:30pm, 7:30pm, 10:15pm

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

Run some errands tonight, Cancer

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ Confusion surrounds a key person and his or her fiscal dealings. You might not be able to get the answer you seek. Clearly, many people have different ideas. Tonight: Feed your mind. Dive into a good book.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Others seem to get in your face. You might not be getting the full scope of what is going on. You could be confused as to where others are coming from. Listen carefully in order to gain clarity. A partner finally decides to reveal more. Tonight: Visit over dinner.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Others come forward with their ideas and/or suggestions. Meanwhile, stay focused on your plans. You will note a change in opinion quite quickly. Tonight: Sort through your many suggestions and invitations. Get together with pals over munchies.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Allow creativity to flourish and open up a situation. You might see the path, but someone else could see a different one. You both are right; learn to respect the differences in your thought processes. Friendly vibes and offers head in your direction. Tonight: Errand time!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ How you see what is going on opposed to what actually occurs could be quite different. Understand why there is a schism here. Sometimes it might be a relief not to be realistic; however, be aware of the potential consequences. Tonight: Fun with friends.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ You might be able to better communicate what is on your mind earlier in the day. Whether fatigue or other concerns take over, you will pull within more. Cocoon and do some heavy thinking. Tonight: Snuggle in at home.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Remain sure of yourself and your choices. Your sensitivity emerges. Your creativity keeps popping up in daily life, which adds vibrancy to your wild flights of fancy. If you can, share more often with those around you. Tonight: Stay level in your dealings with others.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Think through a decision involving a relationship or a risk. You might not be reading the situation clearly. Ask for more feedback. You will see the other side of the issue soon enough. Tonight: Time to play the role of Santa's helper. Go shopping.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ Focus on completing a project in the morning. Try to get enough done so that you can switch gears quickly and allow the socialite in you to bust out. Whatever you can add to a situation or a conversation will be more than enough. Tonight: At home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Use the daytime hours to push a major interest to the forefront. You might have a piece of work that needs to be completed. Success and execution walk hand in hand in the morning. Make the most of this, and dive right in. Tonight: Where your friends are.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ No one can say anything bad about having you as a friend. You have a great way of interacting with others. Your softer side emerges when dealing with those who are older or younger than you. Listen to what is being shared. Tonight: With friends.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Reach out to someone at a distance. You will gain a new perspective, even if you do not have the intention of discussing or seeing certain issues differently. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

Happy birthday

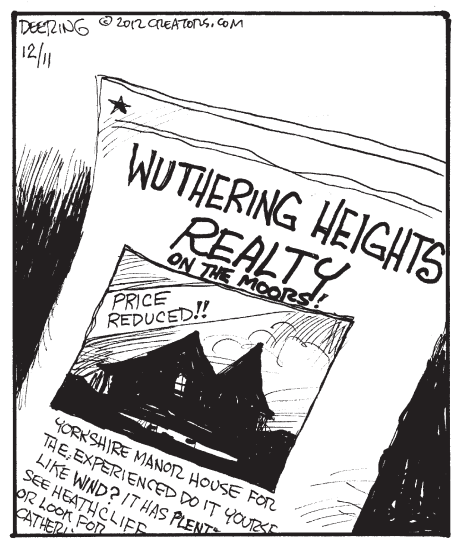
This year your intensity has an impact, especially on those you know. Be sure to show your compassion when making strong statements. At times you could come off as being stern. Try to center yourself on a regular basis. Sign up for a yoga class or a similar activity. If you are single, take the time to get to know a suitor well before making any serious decisions. Someone could project to be something different from what he or she really is. If you are attached, the two of you will benefit from downtime together. Take several special weekends away together. SCORPIO sees right through you.

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

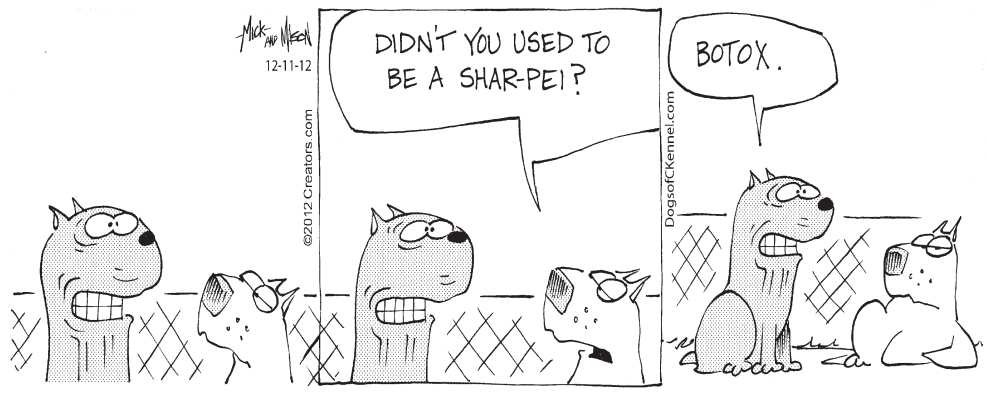
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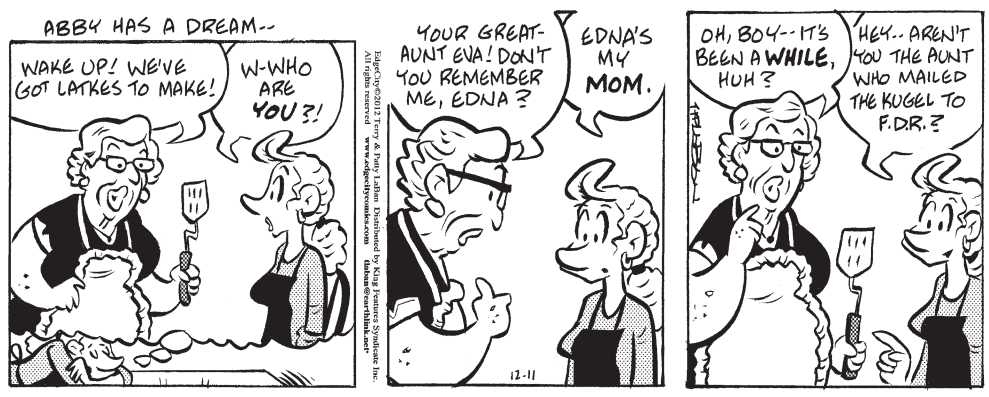
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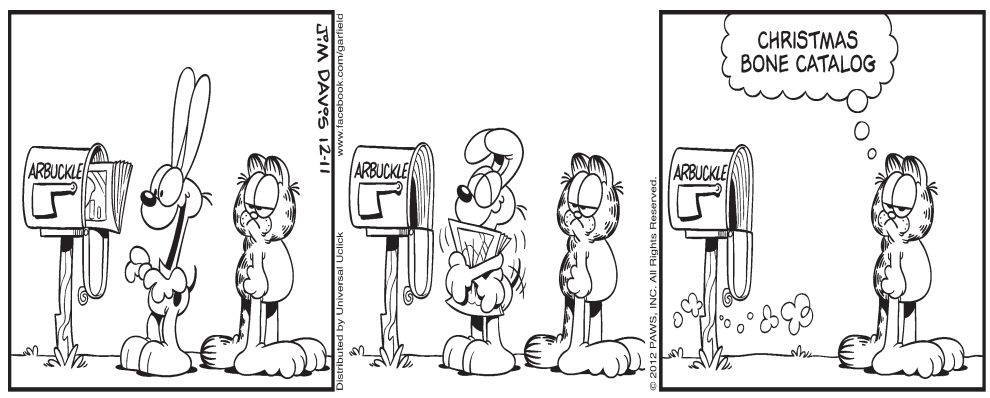
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The Meaning of Lila
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Sudoku

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

Difficulty Level ★★

		3					2	
	4		9					1
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	1					7		

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GETTING STARTED

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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

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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Walks nervously
6 Flower part
11 Higher than
12 Not wordy
13 Still
15 Lupino of films
16 Maple output
17 Ozone, for one
18 Bleep inserters
20 Pro vote
21 Toward the stern
22 Feds
23 Mess up a shoe
26 Jury members
27 Overdue
28 Cat coat
29 Mine rock
30 Front feature
34 Took the title
35 Snaky shape
36 Mountain pass
37 Still
40 Korean or Thai
41 Inform against
42 Singer Nellie
43 Worry

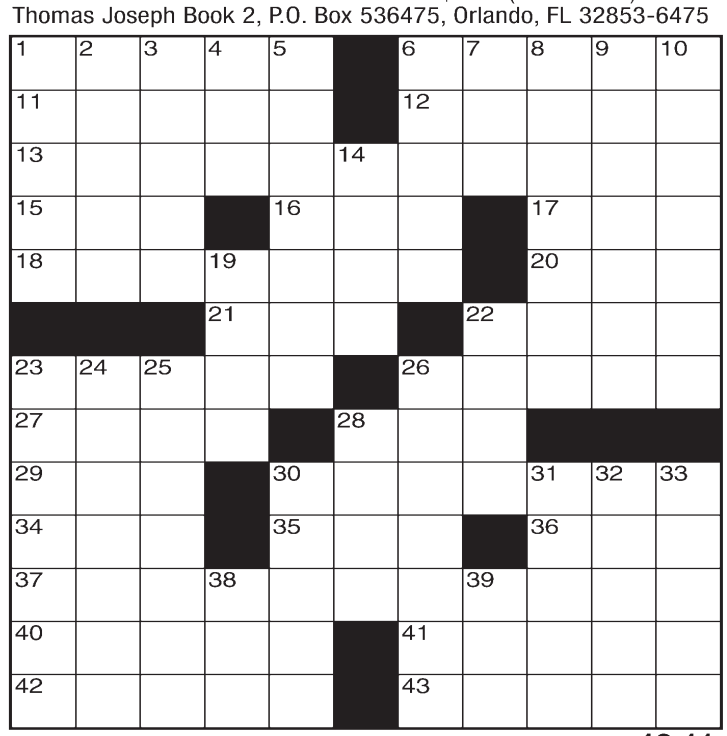
DOWN

1 Irrational fear
2 Dwelling
3 Movie barbarian
4 Holiday lead-in
5 Starts a trip
6 Dance makeup
7 Twisty fish
8 Like some sports shows
9 Gold tester
10 Diminishes
14 Hind's mate
19 Umpire's call
22 Start of an idea
23 R&B love song
24 Paint the town red
25 Spoon or spatula
26 Cruise ship officers
28 Aquarium residents
30 Historic volcano
31 Banded rock
32 Pago Pago setting
33 Wasn't thrifty
38 Bar bill
39 Spotted

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Yesterday's answer

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MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 12/7
7 43 44 51 56
Meganumber: 4
Jackpot: $27M

SUPER LOTTO PLUS
Draw Date: 12/8
17 24 30 33 45
Meganumber: 22
Jackpot: $19M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 12/10
1 13 32 35 37

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 12/10
MIDDAY: 9 7 7
EVENING: 1 4 8

SAINT BRIDGET
Draw Date: 12/10
1st: 05 California Classic
2nd: 06 Whirl Win
3rd: 07 Eureka
RACE TIME: 1:40.46

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Among the "Ig Nobel" prizes awarded to earnest academics in September by the Annals of Improbable Research was the one to Patrick Warren and colleagues who delved into excruciatingly detailed predictions (at the behest of a cosmetics firm) about how someone might ultimately look with a ponytail, based on hair characteristics. The team took into account the stiffness of the strands, the effects of gravity and the random curliness or waviness in the hair in a set formula to compute a "Rapunzel Number" for each head. Explaining his particularized work to reporters, Dr. Warren acknowledged (perhaps with underestimation), "I've been working on this for a long time."

■ A research team at Lund University in Sweden, led by neuroethologist Jochen Smolka, concluded that one reason dung beetles dance in circles on top of dung is to cool off, according to an October report on LiveScience.com. To arrive at their conclusion, the team went to the trouble of painting tiny silicone "boots" on some beetles to protect them from the ambient heat experienced by a control group of beetles, and found that the booted beetles climbed atop the dung less frequently. Explained Smolka, "Like an air-conditioning unit, the moist (dung) is cooled by evaporati(on)."

TODAY IN HISTORY

2001 - The People's Republic of China joins the World Trade Organization.

2005 - The Buncefield Oil Depot catches fire in Hemel Hempstead, England.

2005 - Thousands of White Australians demonstrate against ethnic violence resulting in a riot against anyone thought to be Lebanese (and many who are not) in Cronulla Sydney. These are followed up by retaliatory ethnic attacks on Cronulla.

WORD UP!

moor \ moor \ , verb;
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. SS022916
Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
Petition of KEVIN BARRY HART for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner or Attorney: KEVIN BARRY HART filed a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: KEVIN BARRY HART to DANIEL R HART. The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: DECEMBER 28, 2012 Time: 9:00am, Dept. A, Room 104
The address of the court is 1725 MAIN ST, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.
Date: NOVEMBER 15, 2012
JOSEPH S. BIDERMAN, JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2012 224539 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 11/08/2012 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as FIL-AM INSIDER. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: MDM GROUP OF COMPANIES 3460 WILSHIRE BLVD. STE. 1005 LOS ANGELES, CA 90010. This Business is being conducted by: a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)11/16/2012. /s/: MILDRED DEANG. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 11/08/2012. 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 11/19/2012, 11/26/2012, 12/03/2012, 12/10/2012.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2012 224542 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 11/08/2012 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CUSTOM LIVE ENTERTAINMENT. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: BLAIRE LYNN STRONG 1930 CHEREMOYA AVE. #A LOS ANGELES, CA 90068, AYANA HAY 1930 CHEREMOYA AVE. #A LOS ANGELES, CA 90068, CHRISTI COLOMBO 1930 CHEREMOYA AVE. #A LOS ANGELES, CA 90068, FRANK ANDRUS JR. 1930 CHEREMOYA AVE. #A LOS ANGELES, CA 90068, HEATHER HARVIN 1930 CHEREMOYA AVE. #A LOS ANGELES, CA 90068, JOHN GAMBOA 1930 CHEREMOYA AVE. #A LOS ANGELES, CA 90068, NATALIE ROBERTS 1930 CHEREMOYA AVE. #A LOS ANGELES, CA 90068, NIKOLAUS RIVERA 1930 CHEREMOYA AVE. #A LOS ANGELES, CA 90068, RACHEL MEYER 1930 CHEREMOYA AVE. #A LOS ANGELES, CA 90068, RAQUEL JETER 1930 CHEREMOYA AVE. #A LOS ANGELES, CA 90068, VERONICA ROSA 1930 CHEREMOYA AVE. #A LOS ANGELES, CA 90068, THURZDAY LYONS 1930 CHEREMOYA AVE. #A LOS ANGELES, CA 90068. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)10/21/2012. /s/: BLAIRE LYNN STRONG. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 11/08/2012. 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 11/19/2012, 11/26/2012, 12/03/2012, 12/10/2012.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2012 228912 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 11/15/2012 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SAM. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: SHARYN GOLD 127 EAST 9TH STREET #407 LOS ANGELES, CA 90015. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)09/01/2012. /s/: SHARYN GOLD. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 11/15/2012. 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 11/19/2012, 11/26/2012, 12/03/2012, 12/10/2012.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2012 224541 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 11/08/2012 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as STEEL THINKING. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: EDNA E. PAIZ 2028 S. BEDFORD ST. LOS ANGELES, CA 90034. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant has not yet commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /s/:EDNA E. PAIZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 11/08/2012. 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 11/19/2012, 11/26/2012, 12/03/2012, 12/10/2012.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2012 224540 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 11/08/2012 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CRENSHAW CHECK CASHING. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: LEILA ZAHEDIANFARD 6425 CRENSHAW BLVD. LOS ANGELES,CA 90043. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant has not yet commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /s/:LEILA ZAHEDIANFARD. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 11/08/2012. 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 11/20/2012, 11/27/2012, 12/4/2012, 12/11/2012

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2012 224543 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 11/08/2012 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DIRECTTRAVEL. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: ROBERT SMITH 1767 ORCHID AVE. #103 HOLLYWOOD, CA 90028. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant has not yet commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /s/:ROBERT SMITH. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 11/08/2012. 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 11/19/2012, 11/26/2012, 12/03/2012, 12/10/2012.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2012 225746 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 11/09/2012 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as RAPIDCOOL. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: JERRY RIKE WINDSOR DR. VALENCIA, CA 91355. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant has not yet commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /s/:JERRY RIKE. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 11/09/2012. 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 11/19/2012, 11/26/2012, 12/03/2012, 12/10/2012.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2012 228914 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 11/15/2012 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as JILL ROSEN LAc. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: JILL ROSEN 5530 CORBIN AVENUE #100 TARZANA, CA 9136. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)10/08/2012. /s/: JILL ROSEN. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 11/15/2012. 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 11/19/2012, 11/26/2012, 12/03/2012, 12/10/2012.

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The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)10/08/2012. /s/: JILL ROSEN. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 11/15/2012. 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 11/19/2012, 11/26/2012, 12/03/2012, 12/10/2012.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2012 228915 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 11/15/2012 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as STRAIGHT DIVING PRODUCTIONS. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: CHAD LOURY 1314 E. WORKMAN AVE. WEST COVINA, CA 91790. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)11/01/2012. /s/: CHAD LOURY. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 11/15/2012. 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 11/15/2012, 11/22/2012, 11/29/2012, 12/06/2012.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2012 228916 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 11/15/2012 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ABC COMPUTER REPAIR SERVICE. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: DEAN MORGAN REALTY LLC. DALLAS, TEXAS 75252. This Business is being conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)11/09/2012. /s/: DEAN MORGAN. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 11/15/2012. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2012 224544 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 11/08/2012 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PRONTO INCOME TAX. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: PRONTO TAX FRANCHISE, INC. 4835 BERRYMAN AVE. CULVER CITY, CA 90230. This Business is being conducted by: a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)11/15/2012. /s/: ANDREW FREIBURGERHOUSE. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 11/08/2012. 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 11/19/2012, 11/26/2012, 12/03/2012, 12/10/2012.

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