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We have you covered

THE RAIN IS OVER ISSUE

Police capture wanted bank robber

BY MATTHEW HALL
Editor-in-Chief

CULVER CITY The scene played out like the opening of a TV drama. After hours of surveillance, undercover officers in an unmarked car saw the suspect enter his seedy hotel room. Once the suspect was inside, the nearby SWAT team took up positions surrounding any potential exits, officers hit the room with spot lights and Santa Monica Police Detective Chad Goodwin made a call into the room. He told the suspect he was surrounded and to come out peacefully. On the other end of the line was David Guyer, an ex-marine and former celebrity bodyguard who had evaded arrest for two years following at least seven local, armed bank robberies. Guyer complied and Santa Monica officers were able to take one of the county's most wanted fugitives into custody.

While the ending reads like a scene from CSI, the case actually highlights how long, drawn-out, frustrating and overwhelming police work can be.

Guyer came to the attention of police in 2012, although at that time, they didn't know his name. In December of 2012, Santa Monica officers were investigating a bank robbery and were able to recover a hat worn by the robber that was sent for DNA analysis.

The Santa Monica police department currently contracts with the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department for evidence processing and in contrast to the television portrayal, extracting DNA is a time-consuming process that may not be the big break officers need. In the Guyer case, it took several months before Goodwin got the results: an unknown male with no matches in the criminal database.

Guyer did in fact have a criminal history but his prior arrests occurred before police departments began gathering and storing DNA evidence. Therefore, all Goodwin had were some fuzzy surveillance pictures, a DNA profile and no leads.

As a detective in Santa Monica's Robbery/Homicide division, Goodwin and his fellow team members are each handling

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CLOSE WIN

Morgan Genser

Crossroads High School hosted Saint Bernards High School on Dec. 17 and won 52-51 to improve their record to 5-2. Pictured are Charlie Hall and Ethan Zakarin jumping for shots.

Polachek to serve as interim city manager

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL When City Manager Rod Gould retires at the end of next month, Assistant City Manager Elaine Polachek will take the reigns, at least until Gould's replacement is selected.

City Council voted unanimously to name Polachek to the position of interim city manager upon Gould's departure.

Polachek, who has in the past served as Santa Monica's operations manager for the Santa Monica Pier, director of Community Maintenance and deputy city manager, will be compensated in the amount of \$27,452

per month (which pencils out to about \$329,000 over the course of a year) in her interim role, Mayor Kevin McKeown said.

She'll take City Hall's top spot on Feb. 1. Polachek has worked for City Hall for more than three decades, according to a release

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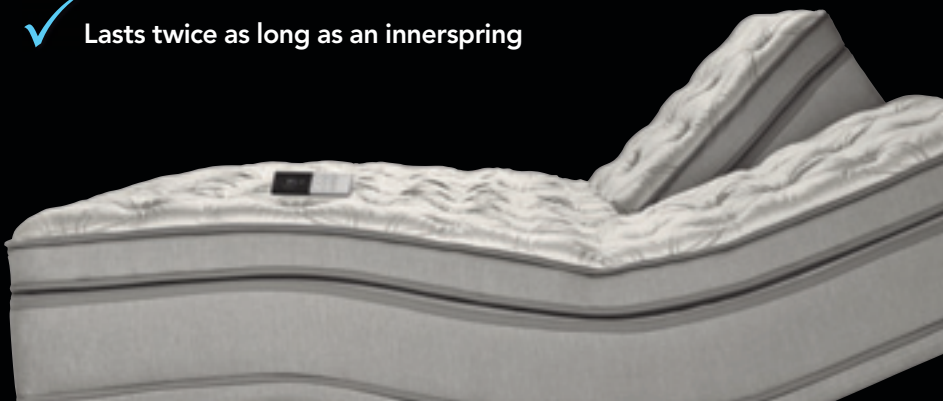
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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

December 19

Main Library Docent Tours

Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd. 12:30 -
1:30 p.m.

Docent led tours are offered the
third Friday of each month. Docent
led tours of the Main Library cover
the library's gold LEED rating of sus-
tainability, its art, architecture and
even the library's collection.
Docents are able to adapt the tour
to fit your interest and time.

Hanukkah menorah lighting

Downtown Santa Monica
5:30 p.m.

Join friends for a celebration of the
Festival of Lights. The Menorah will
be lit all 8 nights - Dec. 16-23. For
more information call (310) 393-
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December 20

Bank of Books Malibu

29169 Heathercliff Road #109,
Storytime with Gidget! Kathy
Kohner Zuckerman will discuss and
sign copies of Gidget until from
10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Ryan
O'Quinn reads and signs Parenting
Rules! The Hilarious Handbook for
Surviving Parenthood at 2 p.m.

Cooking with Feisty Italian

1450 Ocean 12 - 2 p.m.
Learn knife technique, veggie prep
secrets. Raw meal includes: Chicory
with onion salad, Aglio olio with zuc-
chini, carrot, sun-dried tomatoes,
olives, mushrooms pasta and apple
- pear - raisin - ginger compote for
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Holiday Ukulele Songs

1450 Ocean, 2 - 5 p.m.
Learn four nondenominational holi-
day-flavored songs on your ukulele
with composer Jon Lee. Visit
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Family hands on history day

Santa Monica History Museum
1350 7th St. 11 a.m. - 2 p.m.
Children, ages 6 & up, will be led
into galleries to learn about the par-
ticular history theme for the day.
Once the brief lesson is complete,
they will return to the lobby for a
related, historic craft. By creating
something with their hands related
to the history topic of the month,
children will further create memories
based upon their history lessons.

Christmas sing-along

St. Augustine by-the-Sea Episcopal
Church
1227 4th St. 4 - 5 p.m.
Come gather around the piano to
sing along to your favorite holiday
music, from hymns like, "What
Child is This?" to popular tunes
"Jingle Bells" and "White
Christmas." Afterwards, join us to
for coffee, cocoa and cookies. All
ages welcome.

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Love Actually

Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd. 2:30 p.m.
Hugh Grant and Emma Thompson
headline this star-studded British

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Crossroads School
Crossroads School gains support for science education

The Crossroads Community Outreach Foundation (CCOF) has received a gift of \$50,000 for its P.S. Science initiative. The corporate donation was made by the technology company Magnetika, Inc. Since 2006, P.S. Science has provided hands-on science instruction to students at local Title I elementary schools that would otherwise receive little or no science education.

“The work of P.S. Science in local Title I schools is truly inspirational,” said Magnetika, Inc. chair Basil P. Caloyeras, who graduated from Crossroads School for Arts & Sciences in 1993. “It is our hope that our donation will allow P.S. Science to both continue its engagement with established partner schools as well as provide a stepping stone to expand the program to more schools and students in the future.”

P.S. Science was designed to fill the void in early science education by enhancing the science experience of students with a focus on understanding content through process. An overarching emphasis is made on learning science in a fun, engaging and personally relevant way. P.S. Science currently serves 765 first-through third-grade students at William Green Elementary School in Lawndale and McKinley Elementary School and Saint Anne School in Santa Monica.

“All of us at CCOF and the P.S. Science teachers are so thrilled at this extraordinarily generous support from one of Crossroads’ own, Basil P. Caloyeras, through his company, Magnetika, Inc.,” CCOF president Roger Weaver said. “Not only will this gift help sustain and grow our high-impact P.S. Science program, it is also a model for other science-based businesses to invest locally in early science education. We hope Basil’s generosity will encourage other area businesses to join in supporting the underserved students in Title I schools.

Magnetika, Inc., headquartered in Gardena, was founded in 1960 as a specialized company devoted to the application of high quality magnetic designs to modern electronics. The company designs and manufactures a variety of custom magnetic components for military and industrial applications and high reliability components for the nation’s aerospace programs.

The Crossroads Community Foundation (CCF) was created in 1984 with Crossroads’ then-headmaster Paul Cummins as founder and executive director. By 1990, with initial funding from the Herb Alpert Foundation and Crossroads School, CCF’s first project, P.S. Arts, was launched to provide children with life-enhancing music, visual arts, dance and drama programs. Enormously successful, P.S. Arts now serves more than 20,000 stu-

dents and has become its own independent nonprofit entity. In 2004, CCF was reconstituted as the Crossroads Community Outreach Foundation (CCOF), which, after careful and thorough examination of options in support of Title I schools, launched P.S. Science in 2006.

- SUBMITTED BY SARA RING

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Spark of Love Toy Drive

Every year, fire departments all across Southern California collect toys to distribute to needy boys and girls. This annual holiday toy drive, called “Spark of Love”, runs from just after Thanksgiving to Dec. 24. In previous years, the Santa Monica Fire Department received donations only at its four firehouses and relied on local television channel ABC7 to provide publicity for the drive.

This year, the Santa Monica Airport Association is excited to begin a new charitable giving partnership with the Santa Monica Fire Department. The SMAA’s participation will enable the local drive to more than double the number of collection points.

Especially needed are toys, games, books, school supplies and items appropriate for ages ranging from young kids to teens aged 14 to 18. The SMFD has asked that all donations be unwrapped and valued at \$10 or more.

Five Santa Monica Airport locations have volunteered to sponsor donation boxes. Donations can be made now at the Santa Monica Museum of Flying (3021 Airport Ave.), Pilot Outfitters at the Barker Hanger (3100 Airport Ave.), the SMO Administrative Offices (3233 Donald Douglas Loop South), The Spitfire Grill (3300 Airport Ave.) and Atlantic Aviation Inc., (2828 Donald Douglas Loop North).

“The Santa Monica Airport Association looks forward to working with the Santa Monica Fire Department on the Spark of Love Toy Drive in the years to come and hopes to build on this year’s success to expand the number of drop off locations and the number of gifts donated to this worthy cause,” said Bill Worden, SMAA President.

“We encourage you to give generously to the Spark of Love Toy Drive. Help Santa Monica’s needy children and teens to have a happy holiday season,” he concluded.

The Santa Monica Airport Association is an all-volunteer organization that conducts activities and projects that promote and improve General Aviation and the Santa Monica Municipal Airport. For over 25 years, the SMAA has supported youth programs and other charitable activities that benefit the communities surrounding the airport.

- SUBMITTED BY JOE BATES

LISTINGS
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romantic comedy, which follows a host of storylines that weave together during the holiday season. (135 min)

Heartfelt holiday open house
Santa Monica Pier
11 a.m.
Free event for children and families with Santa Claus, games, music. For more information call (310) 458-8901 or visit www.santamonicapier.org.

Ocean Park Pulitzer Prize Book Group
Ocean Park Branch Library
2601 Main St. 11 a.m.
A monthly book discussion group for

books that have won the Pulitzer Prize. Meets the 3rd Saturday of the Month. No Registration Required.
December Title: “A Thousand Acres” by Jane Smiley.

December 21

Mid East Talk
Quaker Meetinghouse
1440 Harvard St. 11:30 a.m.
Shan Cretin, General Secretary of the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) will speak and show slides of her September trip to the Gaza strip and surrounding areas.
There is ample parking behind the meetinghouse. Refreshments will be served at 11:30 a.m. with the presentation beginning at noon. Call (310)

828 - 4069 for more information.

Hanukkah Party
Congregation Mishkon Tephilo
206 Main St. 4 p.m.
Crafts, candle lighting, singing, dancing, brisket dinner, latkas, maccabee punch, live music with a Klezmer Band
4 - 4:30 p.m. Crafts with children 5 - 5:30 p.m. Candle lighting on Main Street steps, blessings and singing
5:30 p.m. - Dinner in social hall, dancing and partying. Bring your family Menorah (with candles!) for the group lighting for all ages - General public and friends welcome. \$20 Donation per adult, free for children (12 and younger).

Ice at Santa Monica
1324 5th Street
11 a.m. - 10 p.m.

The 8,000 square foot rink by the beach offers residents and visitors a little taste of winter without the bite.

Santa photos
Santa Monica Place
395 Santa Monica Blvd
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Re Jack Neworth's Snide World of Sports "College Football Playoffs are Bowling in Dough"

Dear Editor:

More than once, I've written to my alma mater, U. of Illinois, and to several Illinois newspapers, about my school accepting money to play in a joke bowl while avoiding the opportunity to teach a valuable life lesson to the young men on the Fighting Illini football team.

You may recall (or not), that Illinois beat UCLA in something called the Kraft Fight Hunger Bowl in 2011. I called it the "From Hunger" Bowl. Both teams went in at 6-6, the same sterling record the Illini are taking into another vaudeville act this year called the Zaxby's Heart of Dallas Bowl. Zaxby's, like the Foster Farms Bowl (the new name of the Fight Hunger Bowl), specializes in chicken. Ironically, Zaxby's has no restaurants in Illinois, but they obviously hope to change that.

As Mr. Neworth so aptly wrote, it's all about money. What should happen is this: the coaches and AD's at schools invited to such bowls should call a team meeting, thank the young men for giving their best, and tell them this: "Pride and self-respect dictate that the school won't accept any bowl bid because we did not have a winning season. Disappointment is part of life."

No one gets a trophy just for showing up nor does anyone need the humiliation of losing a "toilet bowl" game.

Brian Bland
Santa Monica

MANAGER

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from City Hall.

"With great confidence, our council chose Elaine Polachek because of her long history with our city, her record of successful communication and collaboration with residents and the business community, her admirable performance for years as assistant city manager, and what we know are great working relationships Elaine has throughout City Hall and with our partners at the school district and Santa Monica College," McKeown said in a release from City Hall. "We have no doubt that Elaine will provide gracious leadership, experienced management, and deeply appreciated continuity and stability that will make our search for a new permanent city manager easier for us."

Polachek received a round of applause at Tuesday's council meeting, when her temporary promotion was announced.

"Thank you mayor and council," she said at the meeting. "I really appreciate the confidence you're showing in me and I will do my best, along with the rest of our staff, to make

sure that we're working hard in implementing the policy you come forward with and you'll let us know if there's anything that you need."

As pier operations manager from 1984 to 1995, Polachek oversaw much of the redevelopment of the Santa Monica Pier, according to City Hall's website.

"I'm honored to be named interim city manager and appreciate the opportunity to serve the City Council and the community in that capacity," she said in the release. "Throughout my service to the city, I've been fortunate to form strong connections to people who care deeply about Santa Monica and I look forward to the months ahead."

Could announced in August that he would retire from his post.

The search for a new, permanent city manager is already underway. Last month, council hired Alliance Resource Consulting to aid in the recruitment process. That process could take 14 weeks, according to the reports from city officials. Assuming that process started immediately after council approved the contract with Alliance, a new city manager would not be selected until at least March.

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Laughing Matters

Jack Neworth

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7th Floor Shores 'Jumper' Survived

AS I'VE OFTEN WRITTEN, THE SANTA MONICA of old was considerably more "eccentric" than the one of today. An example occurred twenty-five years ago at this time of year. Visiting at the Shores, a woman in her 20's jumped (or was pushed?) off the 7th floor balcony and landed on the concrete. She broke every bone from her heels to her hips, but she survived. And now, as the late Paul Harvey used to say, for the rest of the story.

The Shores resident she was visiting was Joe. (Not his real name and he passed years ago.) Joe moved into the Shores the first day it opened in 1966. I moved here in 1974. No one knew Joe's real story but he seemed to be suffering from PTSD. (Though too old for Vietnam and too young for Korea.) But he also had a childlike innocence about him.

Our "friendship" basically involved each of us driving the other home from the mechanic when work was needed on our cars. On one such trip, Joe was driving erratically. With cars ahead stopped, Joe's mind was elsewhere. Numerous times I shouted, "Joe, brake!" Each time he did at the last moment as his tires screeched but his Datsun 240z stopped inches from hitting another vehicle.

"What's going on, Joe?" I asked. In an effort to explain, he handed me a photo he had clipped to the back of the car's visor of a very attractive young woman. "I asked her to marry me and she turned me down," he said and then, added rather ominously, "If she doesn't marry me, she isn't going to marry anyone." Yikes!

Joe confessed that he wasn't himself since she had turned him down. I asked when he had proposed, thinking it just happened. "Three years ago," he said with a straight face. At that point I thought about walking the rest of the way home.

If you haven't already guessed, the woman in the photo was the same one who let's just say didn't take the elevator from Joe's 7th floor apartment. So I naturally assumed he had pushed her off the balcony. In fact, immediately after the incident a panic-stricken Joe drove off not to return until hours later. He was soon arrested for attempted murder. The Shores was all abuzz about the tragic event and comments, "I always knew Joe was a strange bird." But not so fast.

That evening the police contacted me saying Joe had said I was his best friend. (Best friend? He drove me from my mechanic!) They insisted I come to the station for

some questions. I reluctantly agreed but was alarmed that it seemed that they had absolved him.

The police were convinced by the way the young woman had landed she had jumped. And, recalling Joe's, "If she doesn't marry me, she won't marry anyone," I was just as convinced Joe had pushed her. Some best friend I was.

With the young woman in a coma, and Joe so visibly upset, the police were worried that he might harm himself and would only release him in my custody. My custody? At this point I still think he's guilty! Finally, I agreed after which Joe was brought into the room, trembling.

As we drove out of the police parking lot, Joe was crying almost uncontrollably. He asked if I would take him to St. Monica's so he could pray for the woman's recovery. I waited in my car in front of the church for over an hour wondering how did I get into this. Finally Joe returned to the car, slightly less stressed. As we drove home I asked if he wanted to talk about what had happened.

Part of Joe's daily routine was jogging every morning at Palisades Park. And on that morning the former girlfriend found him and asked if she could come over for lunch. Joe hadn't seen her in two years and was delighted, even hoping she wanted to come back to him. "I was in the kitchen making lunch when I looked up and she was walking on the railing. And then she just jumped!"

Only my twisted joke-writing brain would think of it, but I replied, "Joe, exactly what were you making for lunch?" Fortunately, he hadn't heard me. (You should have been so lucky.)

The story ends happier than it probably has a right to. The young woman came out of her coma and confirmed everything Joe had said. Deeply depressed, she had wanted to end her life and thought of jumping from Joe's balcony. After numerous surgeries, miraculously she eventually walked normally. Go figure.

So, while this tale of eccentric old Santa Monica six days before Christmas is perhaps not as uplifting as "It's a Wonderful Life," or "Miracle on 34th Street," may I nonetheless say, from me to you, "Happy holidays, everyone!"

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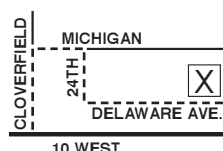
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CRIME WATCH

BY MATTHEW HALL



Embezzlers busted

Crime Watch is a weekly series culled from reports provided by the Santa Monica Police Department. These are arrests only. All parties are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

ON DECEMBER 8 AT APPROXIMATELY 9:35 A.M.

A Santa Monica Police officer saw the suspect sitting on the ground near the middle of the 1800 block of Alley 8 and began talking to him. When the officer asked the suspect if he was on probation or parole, the suspect admitted to being on probation. The suspect seemed nervous, so the officer also asked him if he had used any drugs. The suspect admitted to using methamphetamine the night before, and then gave the officer permission to search his backpack when he was asked. During the search, the officer found two bindles of methamphetamine hidden in the suspect's wallet. The suspect also had an outstanding warrant for his arrest. The suspect was then taken into custody and booked at the Santa Monica jail. Joshua John Ortega, 33, of Santa Monica had bail set at \$51,000.

ON DECEMBER 8 APPROXIMATELY 3:15 P.M.

Witnesses saw the suspect looking into and trying the doors handles of cars parked in a parking lot at the 2000 block of Lincoln Blvd. The suspect was also holding a long stick in one hand, and two large knives in his other hand; and confronted some of the witnesses when he saw them looking at him. Officers arrived shortly afterward and found the suspect attempting to hide from them behind a metal power box. The suspect initially did not drop the weapons, but eventually complied and was taken into custody. The suspect was already on probation for homicide, so his probation officer was contacted and subsequently placed a hold on him for violating the conditions of his probation. The suspects were identified as Frank MacArthur Smith, 53, of Santa Monica. He was held without bail.

ON DECEMBER 11 AT ABOUT 9:50 P.M.

Santa Monica police officers responded to 3rd Street and Broadway, regarding a fight that had just occurred and resulted in a minor injury. When the officers arrived they found two female suspects, identified as Ebony Herring, 30, of Hollywood and Dahlia Davidson, 32, of Los Angeles; standing near the crosswalk and noticed Davidson had a laceration on her right ear lobe.

During their investigation; the officers learned Davidson and Herring used to live together and had a romantic relationship, but recently ended it after Davidson moved out. Officers also learned Davidson and another man showed up a Herring's job and started harassing her. Herring walked away from Davidson, but Davidson followed her and eventually pulled out a pair of scissors from her purse. Herring managed to get the scissors away from Davidson, and then put her in a headlock. A short fight ensued, during which both parties received minor injuries. Because of that, both Davidson and Herring were arrested for domestic violence. Herring had bail set at \$50,000. Davidson had bail set at \$50,000.

ON DECEMBER 11 AT APPROXIMATELY 3:05 P.M.

Santa Monica Police officers responded to Bloomingdale's, where loss prevention agents were detaining a suspect for theft. The officers learned the store's manager and loss prevention office discovered some odd transaction history occurring since October, 2014. When they looked at the store's security camera footage; they saw one of the sales clerks would void sales receipts for customers who paid with cash, and then remove the cash from the register and place it in her pocket. When the sales clerk was confronted about the thefts, she admitted to taking the cash and promised to pay everything back. The clerk was then taken into custody for embezzlement and booked at the Santa Monica jail. Mi'asheree Lashanna Duck, 21 of Los Angeles had bail set at \$20,000.

ON DECEMBER 11 AT APPROXIMATELY 6:30 P.M.

Santa Monica Police officers responded to the Nordstrom store at 220 Broadway, regarding a theft that involved two of the store's employees. The officers learned loss prevention agents at the store discovered the suspects were scanning items as sales while at work, and then issuing refunds for the same items and crediting the amounts to their own debit cards as far back as October 2014. After being confronted about the thefts, the suspects admitted what they had done and agreed to pay back the full amount. The suspects were then taken into custody and booked at the Santa Monica jail for embezzlement. The suspects were identified as Marley Ryan Neal, 24, of Inglewood (bail set at \$20,000) and Robyn Louise Duggan, 22, of Inglewood (bail set at \$20,000).

ON DECEMBER 13, AT APPROXIMATELY 10:10 A.M.

A female suspect entered the Britannia Pub at 318 Santa Monica Blvd and ordered a pint of beer. After the bartender served her, the suspect said she did not have to pay for the beer, because the bartender was black and she was white. When the bartender told the suspect she still needed to pay for her drink, the suspect refused and started rambling on about why she did not need to. The bartender then tried to take the glass of beer away before the suspect could drink any of it, but the suspect grabbed the glass and threw it directly at the bartender's face. The bartender was able to block the glass with her arms, but still suffered some minor injuries. The suspect then left the pub on foot and refused to stop for responding police officers, but was eventually taken into custody after walking into Palisades Park. Heather L Cahlander, 31, was charged with Assault with a Deadly Weapon and had bail set at set at \$30,000.

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**ARREST
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dozens of cases simultaneously. He said detectives are constantly reprioritizing their caseloads to account for the most pressing cases, cases with good leads and their desire to find closure for victims. He said there comes a point where some cases go cold but that no one gives up. Goodwin said multiple officers, detectives, crime techs and staff contributed to Guyer case but despite their best efforts, the bank robbery case sat dormant for several months until a second bank robbery occurred. Detectives gathered DNA, waited for the results: unknown male matching the 2012 case.

Officers reactivated the case, reinterviewed witnesses, looked for more evidence and while they were unable to identify a suspect, they did find a pattern of bank occurring every couple of months across multiple jurisdictions. In each case, they had some grainy images, but not much else.

“It’s unusual for a bank robbery (series) to go on for two years,” said Goodwin. He said the robber’s success indicated a level of planning and intelligence beyond most criminals. Guyer did have some unusual history. He was briefly in the Marines, had at one point been a contributing member of society with a wife and kids and had worked as a security guard for the band U2. However, something went wrong with his life leading him down the path of crime.

Officers caught a break when Guyer deviated from his established system in November of 2013.

Guyer walked into the W.I. Simonson Mercedes-Benz dealership and asked to test-drive a car. During the test drive, Guyer stopped the car, told the salesperson he had a gun and ordered the person out of the car. Guyer then drove away. The car was recovered six days later in Hermosa Beach and as part of the investigation, officers swabbed for DNA. They again waited for the results, but this time, it wasn’t for an unknown male because Guyer had presented an out of state identification at the dealership. While the ID was several years old, it contained his real name.

The DNA came back as a match to the previously cold bank robberies and suddenly several random cases were linked together.

“You investigate cases as much as you can but sometimes it’s not possible but then months down the road, a guy is arrested and he has some property that connects him to a case and then we have to basically work backwards to connect everything,” said Goodwin. “Once we figured out this guy was responsible for this, we went back and looked at other cases with-

out DNA but with video evidence and we found some matches.”

By the beginning of this year, Guyer was wanted in connection with seven bank robberies, five in Santa Monica, one in West LA and one in Hermosa Beach. Officers also knew his family, his status as a homeless veteran and his background. However, they still lacked a solid lead on his whereabouts.

“We didn’t know if he knew we were looking for him,” said Goodwin. “He had no taxes, no phone, no credit. The guy didn’t exist for at least two years.”

Goodwin said the public’s perception of police work is often misinformed and cases are rarely, if ever, solved via facial recognition technology, city-wide traffic cameras or other high tech gadgets. To catch Guyer, detectives put his photo out in the media and physically walked his known hangouts along Venice Beach showing the photo to everyone they could. Tips were initially tough to come by until people were told there was a reward.

“A lot of people recognized him, and said he was just there last week and ‘Hey that guy owes me money.’ We got close so many times, everyone wanted to help us but they were literally a day late and \$20 short,” said Goodwin.

The trail went cold again until a December robbery at Wilshire and Centinela. “We got a call from the FBI that said they thought this was our guy and that got my hopes up again,” he said. “The weather was getting bad and as he was homeless, we thought he would look for a cheap motel, so we went to the cheapest motels on the Westside showing his photo around.”

The legwork paid off. Someone who recognized Guyer’s photo during one of the pedestrian sweeps called to say he was staying at a hotel in Culver City. Undercover officers were sent to the parking lot to watch the room and when Guyer rode up on his bicycle, the plan went into action.

“It’s really the best feeling, the culmination of all that work and frustration,” said Goodwin of the arrest.

Goodwin said Guyer surrendered and has been cooperative since his arrest. Guyer appears to have been using the robberies as his means of income, using the cash to live off the grid and witnesses to his robberies described him as polite - even apologetic during the incidents. Regardless, Goodwin said Guyer used the threat of violence during his crimes.

“Anyone that will go into a public place with a gun and rob people... you’re never sure about,” he said.

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Surf Forecasts

Water Temp: 63.3°

FRIDAY – FAIR – SURF: 2-3 ft Knee to chest high
Old WNW swell fades; small SSW pulse; new WNW swell moves in after dark; favorable morning winds, deep high tide early

SATURDAY – FAIR – SURF: 2-3 ft thigh to chest high occ. 4ft
WNW swell builds further and peaks in the PM - sets to head high for standouts then; small SSW swell; favorable morning winds, deep high tide early

SUNDAY – FAIR – SURF: 3-4 ft waist to chest high
WNW swell eases, largest early; small SSW pulse; favorable morning winds, deep high tide early

MONDAY – POOR TO FAIR – SURF: 2-3 ft knee to waist high
Fading WNW swell; small new SSW swell

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QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)
Number of sewage spills — 1
Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill — 0
Number of wet days — 5
Number of A grades for dry/wet weather — 38 / 8
Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather — 5 / 18

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

LOCATION	DRY	WET	LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Canillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	F	Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence.	A+	D
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+	Will Rogers State Beach at Palga Canyon storm drain.	A+	ss
(S) Pescadero State Beach, between Lachasa and Los Aliso creeks.			Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain.	A	A+
Escorial Canyon at (S) Matadero State Beach.	A+	ss	Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chantreaga).	A	F
Broad Beach at Trabancas Creek mouth.	A+	A+	Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A+	A+
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	B	Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	F	B
Walnut Creek, projection of Wilshire Rd. (private).	A	ss	Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	A	F
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	F	Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Venice storm drain.	A+	F
Escalante Creek, just east of Escalante State Beach.	A	ss	Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restaurants).	F	D
Laguna Canyon Creek mouth.	F	F	Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A+	F
Solstice Canyon at Des Bletter County Beach.	A+	ss	Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A+	ss
Puerto State Beach at creek mouth.	A	F	Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	B
Marin Canyon storm drain at Puerto Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd.	A+	ss	Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	F	ss
Sanfilippo Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	F	Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	A+
Sanfilippo Beach (beach location) - daily.	A+	F	Venice Beach - projection of Topical St.	A+	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	A+	F	Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach - Vanguard tower.	F	F
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	ss	Dockweiler State Beach at Bolinas Creek mouth.	ss	ss
Los Flores State Beach at Los Flores Creek (point near).	A+	ss	Dockweiler State Beach at Calver Blvd. drain.	A+	ss
Big Rock Beach at 19548 PCH stairs.	A+	F	North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	A+	ss
Pine Creek at Los Tunes County Beach.	A+	ss	Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of SDRW jetty).	A+	A+
Tuna Canyon.	ss	ss	Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	A+	ss
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	F	Dockweiler Beach - opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	A+
Carderock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ss	ss	Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	A+
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A	F			
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset 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
ss — no sample taken

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Crossroads Varsity Soccer has strong performances

BY TARA SHIMA
Special to the Daily Press

Coming off an impressive win in their first week of competition against El Segundo, the Boys Varsity Soccer team was ready for another tough test against Beverly Hills last Tuesday. The Roadrunners started off slow, finding it hard to connect any passes. The first half was riddled with scoring opportunities for both teams, but Beverly Hills was the only squad able to put one away 10 minutes before the half. Crossroads came out much stronger in the second half putting a lot of pressure on the Beverly Hills' keeper. After a great attacking run, Crossroads' Isaac Yelchin was fouled 25 yards from the goal. Rudy Frayre took the free kick and with an incredible left foot shot tied the game with 15 minutes remaining. Crossroads created a few more chances but was unable to put them away and the game ended 1-1. Thursday they traveled to San Pedro where they dodged the rain and picked up a hard-fought 1-0 win. The score came as Lucas Kirby took a penalty kick that rebounded off of the San Pedro Keeper's block and was fired back into the net by Cooper Olds who landed the point for the



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SOCCER: The Crossroads Varsity Boys' team played San Pedro recently.

Roadrunners. The team looks primed to do some significant work this season as they move forward in the early season.

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Interstellar (PG-13)
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Night At The Museum 3 (PG)
11:10AM, 1:50PM, 4:20PM, 7:00PM, 9:35PM

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Annie (PG)
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Exodus: Gods And Kings (PG-13)
11:45AM, 3:05PM, 9:55PM, 6:30PM

The Hobbit: The Battle of Five Armies (PG-13)
3:35PM, 10:25PM, 11:55AM, 7:00PM

Top Five (R)
11:10AM, 2:00PM, 4:35PM, 7:25PM, 10:40PM

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FIND YOUR FRIENDS TONIGHT, AQUARIUS

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You might opt to catch up with a close friend. The intensity that emanates from this encounter may intrigue those who witness it. Expect a lot of questions. Choose your words with care. Tonight: Follow a wild idea.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ Others will either make the first move or do nothing at all. Only when you feel comfortable should you say something. Know that isolation might be part of the game. A discussion could be very intense in the late afternoon. Tonight: Find a favorite person.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ You'll charge into work as a veritable whirlwind of energy. Trust that you will complete whatever you need to and more. Use whatever free time you have to put yourself into the holiday mood. Tonight: Be a force on the social scene.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Allow your creativity to take you in a new direction. Some of you just might decide to use your imagination to come up with a last-minute gift. Keep interactions lighthearted, even when someone seems to want to be more serious. Tonight: Party until you drop.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Handle a personal matter first in order to free yourself up. You might find that someone else doesn't view a situation the same way. That difference needs to be respected. Tonight: Be adventurous.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ You could be busy fielding calls and last-minute invitations. Stop to have a conversation with someone who might feel somewhat ignored. You will help lift this person's spirits. Focus on clearing up matters involving your home. Tonight: Hang the mistletoe if you haven't yet.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ Use caution with your finances, as you could be overwhelmed by what you need to do. You easily could lose control of your budget. Slow down a little, and you will see the benefits quickly. Let go of any worries. Tonight: With friends, swapping holiday stories or jokes.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ You seem to get what you need. You could have a difficult conversation with someone who is depressed. Consider an option more openly, especially if it involves last-minute shopping. Tonight: Out and about.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ Handle a personal matter in the morning, when you have some time to yourself. By midafternoon, you will perk up and delight those around you. Allow greater give-and-take between you and others. Tonight: As you like it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ Use the morning to the max, even if friends try to interfere with your plans. Consider taking the day off. You might want to drop in on some early holiday parties, or perhaps you'll just want to relax at home. Tonight: Eggnog, holiday lights and some romance.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★ You would like to be carefree and not have any more demands or requests dropped on you. Handle everything you must with efficiency in order to free yourself up sooner. You might discover that your weekend begins midafternoon. Tonight: Find your friends.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Reach out to friends and loved ones at a distance. It would be smart to exchange holiday wishes now before the things gets too crazy. Consider dropping in on an older loved one to visit and say hi. Be spontaneous. Tonight: Give up being so responsible, and enjoy yourself.

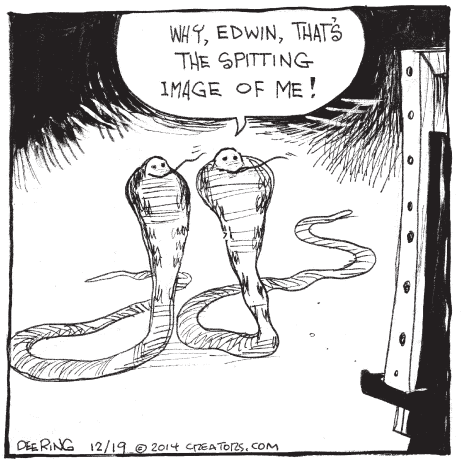
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This year you have so many opportunities heading your way that you might not know which ones to choose. Trust your judgment, and also be willing to discuss your options with experts or advisers. Know that you have what it takes. If you are single, you could attract people who are emotionally unavailable. Take your time dating, and don't commit until the right person enters your life. If you are attached, your sweetie is drawn to a mysterious quality in you. Taking weekends away together as a couple will strengthen your bond. A fellow SAGITTARIUS is adventurous in his or her own way.

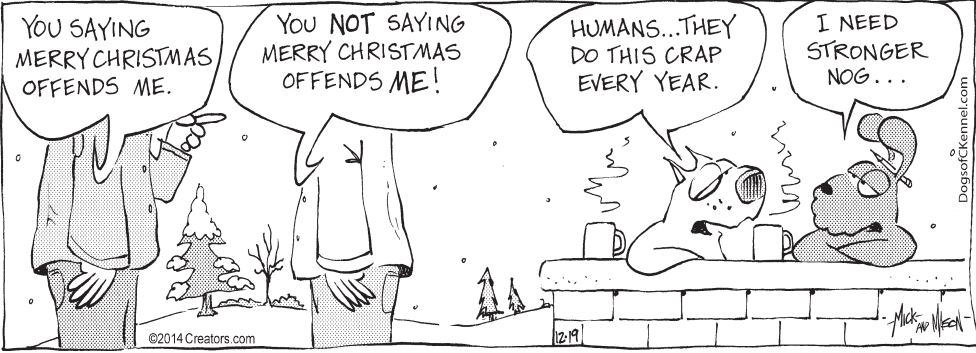
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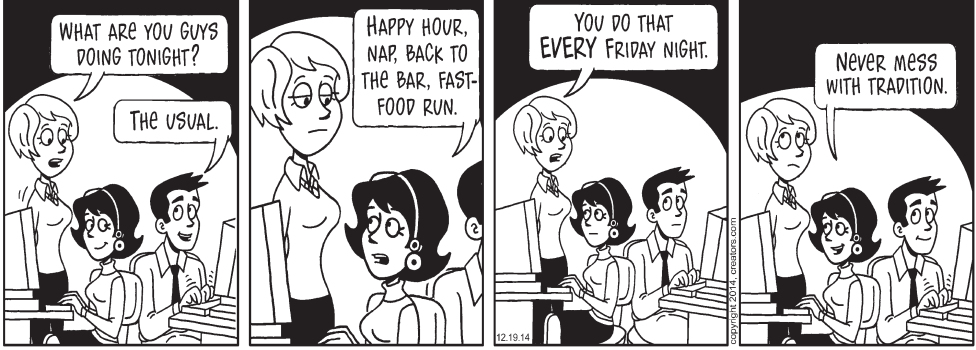
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Sudoku

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 ★★★★★

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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

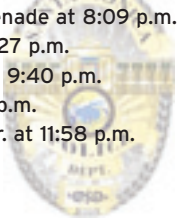
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DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 316 calls for service on Dec. 17.

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

- Trespassing on the 1500 block of Euclid St. at 1:26 a.m.
- Trespassing on the 1400 block of 2nd St. at 5:55 a.m.
- Trespassing on the 1100 block of 3rd St. at 7:15 a.m.
- Traffic accident on the 2300 block of Airport Ave. at 7:58 a.m.
- Trespassing on the 1100 block of 3rd St. at 9:15 a.m.
- Petty theft on the 2000 block of Olympic Blvd. at 9:34 a.m.
- Petty theft on the 1400 block of 3rd St. Promenade at 9:34 a.m.
- Elder abuse on the 1400 block of Harvard St. at 10:03 a.m.
- Grand theft auto on the 1400 block of 12th St. at 11:41 a.m.
- Traffic accident at 9th and Broadway at 11:56 a.m.
- Bike theft on the 1800 block of Pico Blvd. at 1:36 p.m.
- Hit and run at 2nd and Ocean Park at 2:01 p.m.
- Indecent exposure on the 100 block of Montana Ave. at 2:12 p.m.
- Vandalism on the 2400 block of Wilshire Blvd. at 2:24 p.m.
- Assault on the 1500 block of 2nd St. at 3:07 p.m.
- Fight at Lincoln and Santa Monica at 3:18 p.m.
- Battery at 3rd St. Promenade and Santa Monica at 3:25 p.m.
- Identity theft on the 2500 block of Pico Blvd. at 4 p.m.
- Traffic accident at 7th and California at 5 p.m.
- Petty theft on the 100 block of Santa Monica Place at 5:26 p.m.
- Battery at Main and Hill at 5:53 p.m.
- Petty theft on the 1800 block of 10th St. at 6:19 p.m.
- Traffic accident on the 1800 block of Main St. at 7:16 p.m.
- Petty theft at 4th and Colorado at 7:23 p.m.
- Theft on the 300 block of Colorado Ave. at 7:31 p.m.
- Theft on the 200 block of Broadway at 7:40 p.m.
- Vandalism on the 2400 block of Ocean Park Blvd. at 8:05 p.m.
- Fight on the 1400 block of 3rd St. promenade at 8:09 p.m.
- Traffic accident at 3rd and Bicknell at 8:27 p.m.
- Drunk driving at 28th and Ocean Park at 9:40 p.m.
- Loud music at 5th and Arizona at 10:27 p.m.
- Runaway on the 300 block of Olympic Dr. at 11:58 p.m.



MYSTERY PHOTO

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Matthew Hall matt@smdp.com

CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Melting snow
- 6 Less than right
- 11 Spotted horse
- 12 So far
- 13 Accessory
- 14 Skier's spot
- 15 Tied up
- 17 Reduced amount
- 18 The going rate
- 20 General Bradley
- 22 Weaver's creation
- 23 Pope since 2013
- 26 Make blank
- 28 Movie action
- 29 Kilt patterns
- 31 Numbered rd.
- 32 Simple
- 33 School event
- 34 Witch creation
- 36 Yarn
- 38 Like some eclipses
- 40 Lively dance
- 43 Texas player

- 44 Mink's cousin
- 45 Snappish
- 46 Tough puzzle

DOWN

- 1 Restful resort
- 2 Pot part
- 3 Bras and briefs
- 4 Burner setting
- 5 Give an edge
- 6 Pac.'s counterpart
- 7 Engine fluid
- 8 Suggestions
- 9 Clothing

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Yesterday's answer

- 10 Flock females
- 16 Negative link
- 18 Stew
- 19 Mystique
- 21 Church event
- 23 Dread
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- 25 Rose part
- 27 "Rear Window" star
- 30 Court divider
- 33 Student of Socrates
- 34 Raucous sound
- 35 Trick
- 37 Resting on
- 39 Singer Orbison
- 41 "My word!"
- 42 Bruins legend

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Power#: 15
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Jackpot: \$125M



Draw Date: 12/17
6 7 14 21 26
Mega#: 22
Jackpot: \$24M



Draw Date: 12/17
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Draw Date: 12/18
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Draw Date: 12/17
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2nd: 10 Solid Gold
3rd: 06 Whirl Win
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD

BY CHUCK SHEPARD

- India's Orissa state has established "health camps" to facilitate mass sterilizations to help control the booming population, but procedures were halted in November when Dr. Mahesh Chandra Rout matter-of-factly told BBC News that camps routinely used ordinary bicycle pumps to inflate women's abdomens. Orissa's senior health official immediately ended the practice and ordered sterilizations only in hospitals. (Enlarging the abdomen helps the surgeon to operate, but the proper agent is carbon dioxide.)
- Lesson in Civics: North Hempstead, New York, enforces its dog-littering ordinance with steep \$250 fines and street-sign warnings displaying the amount. However, insiders have long known that the signs are wrong -- that the written regulation calls for fines of only \$25 -- and officials have been discussing how to correct their error while still discouraging littering. According to a November WCBS-TV report, now that residents know the actual amount, the debate is whether to replace the erroneous signs (expensive) or just raise the fine 1,000 percent (to \$250) and save money.

TODAY IN HISTORY

- 1974 - Nelson Rockefeller is sworn in as Vice President of the United States under President Gerald Ford under the provisions of the twenty-fifth Amendment to the United States Constitution.
- 1975 - John Paul Stevens is appointed a justice of the Supreme Court of the United States.
- 1979 - Geoffrey Boycott became the first cricketer to be stranded at 99 not out against Australia at Perth.

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