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We have you covered

Planning officials say no to pot shops

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON

Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL Planning officials are harshin' Santa Monica's mellow.

The Planning Commission will soon consider adding medical marijuana dispensaries to the upcoming zoning ordinance, which

regulates how city land can be used, but city planners are recommending against it.

In a report for next week's commission meeting, planning officials say that the pot shops would take up too many short-term parking spaces on city streets, cause public safety issues, and are unnecessary due to the number of delivery services surrounding the

city by the sea.

In August, City Council voted 4-3 to direct planning officials to draft responsible standards for dispensaries to be considered in the updated zoning ordinance.

In November, planning officials released the draft zoning ordinance that allowed two dispensaries in the health care district, which is the area around Saint John's Health Center and UCLA Medical Center, Santa Monica.

Since that time, however, planning officials have "considered additional issues" and are advising against the dispensaries.

In a letter to Planning Director David

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New wave of heroin driving up overdoses

BY MEGHAN BARR

Associated Press

NEW YORK Heroin was supposed to be an obsolete evil, a blurry memory of a dangerous drug that dwelled in some dark recess of American culture.

But smack never really disappeared. It comes in waves, and one such swell is cresting across the nation, sparking widespread worry among government officials and driving up overdose deaths — including, it appears, that of Oscar-winning actor Philip Seymour Hoffman.

Fueled by a crackdown on prescription pain killers and an abundant supply of cheap heroin that's more potent than ever, the drug that has killed famous rock stars and everyday Americans alike is making headlines again.

"Heroin has this sort of dark allure to it that's part of its mystique," said Eric Schneider, a professor at the University of Pennsylvania who wrote the book "Smack: Heroin in the City," a historical account of the drug. "What I've heard from heroin users is that flirting with addiction is part of the allure: to sort of see how close to that edge you can get and still pull back."

Medical examiners have not made an official determination of the cause of the 46-yearold actor's death, but police have been investigating it as an overdose. Hoffman was found in a bathroom with a syringe in his arm.

Authorities say a number of factors are fueling the drug's use, including relatively low prices and a less demonized image than it once had. Rather than seeing heroin as the point-of-no-return drug of strung-out junkies — in his 1967 song "Heroin," Lou

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JUMP: The Santa Monica Vikings' Youth Cheer squad practices Monday at Santa Monica High School. Parent Diane Todd is leading a national movement on behalf of professional cheerleaders to secure better pay. NFL cheerleaders make around \$5 an hour, according to reports.

Cheerleader for the cheerleaders

Resident gets 100K signatures (and counting) for cheerleaders' wage hike

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON

Daily Press Staff Writer

SAMOHI A few years ago Diane Todd didn't even like cheerleading.

asked my daughter if she'd want to try it," Todd said. "I was like 'oh god.' I'm thinking boys and I'm not really excited about it."

Today, she's leading a national movement on behalf of professional cheerlead-"Our next door neighbor came up and ers. Todd thinks they should be paid more.

So do more than 105,000 other people who signed her petition on Change.org.

By the time you read this the total will be

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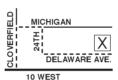
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What's Up estside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2014

Peace of mind — and body Montana Library

1704 Montana Ave., 6 p.m. The library invites you to enjoy a pause in the day to refresh yourself by simply sitting and paying attention to your senses, feelings, and thoughts during a mindful meditation session. Students are welcome to stay for five minutes or for the entire 30 minutes. Natalie Bell will guide the session. For more information, visit smpl.org.

Sweet tasting

Ocean Park Library 2601 Main St., 7 p.m. Patricia Tsai, owner of Choco Vivo in Culver City, discusses the art and history of chocolate making, from bean to bar. Learn about chocolate and discover the way the Mayans made it over 2,000 years ago. For more information. call (310) 458-8683.

Book it

Santa Monica Museum of Art 2525 Michigan Ave., 7:30 p.m. Contemporary artist and avid skier Ephraim Puusemp leads a discussion about Whymper's mountaineering classic, originally published in 1871. In "Scrambles Amongst the Alps" a young Englishman realizes his dreams of arctic exploration and eventually makes history after a series of failed and disastrous attempts to summit the Matterhorn. For more information, call (310) 586-6488.

Thursday, Feb. 6, 2014

Giving it away

Third Street Promenade Between Broadway & Santa Monica Blvd.,12:30 p.m.

To thank the Santa Monica community for their incredible support through the years, Cirque du Soleil will be taking over Third Street Promenade for a spe-

cial thrilling preview of "Totem," its latest big top production currently performing at the Santa Monica Pier through March 16. Local Red Bull-affiliated BMX athletes and breakdancers will join the "Totem" performers for a special celebration bringing back Cirque du Soleil where it originated from nearly 30 years ago: the street. The event is free.

School board meeting

Malibu City Hall 23825 Stuart Ranch Road, Malibu, Calif., 5:30 p.m.

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified Board of Education will meet to discuss a host of issues, including whether or not to make up for the shortcomings of the Education Foundation's fundraising campaign. There will be an update on district finances and on enrollment projections.

For more information visit www.smmusd.org

Growing grains

Main Library 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

Wheat and barley are being planted again in California by small farmers for farmers market customers. Meet some of the farmers who are starting heritage grain production and learn about sourdough starters and whole grain goodness.

Shed those pounds

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1450 Ocean Ave., 7 p.m. — 8 p.m. Burn fat and tone muscles with this onehour, all-level cardio and strength training program. Workout combines cardio moves, dance aerobics, calisthenics, body weight exercises and light dumbbells to help you firm up and whittle away the pounds! This activity has already started, but registrations are still being accepted. For more information call (310) 458-8301 or e-mail communityclasses@smgov.net

To create your own listing,

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

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

CORRECTION

In the Community Brief "Landlord forced to pay up," which appeared in the Feb. 4 edition of the Daily Press, it should have stated that the lawsuit was initiated by the general counsel for the Rent Control Board, not the City Attorney's Office.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Say goodbye to Ma'kai

Santa Monicans looking for a place to dance the night away have flocked to Ma'kai restaurant and lounge located at the corner of Ocean Avenue and Broadway. It was practically the only place to hear dance music and grab a drink in Downtown after Gotham Hall closed a few years back.

Well, it's time for last call. Ma'kai is currently being renovated by the folks behind Red O, the modern Mexican restaurant cheffed by innovator Rick Bayless. When the renovation is complete they'll have a new outdoor dining area with fireplaces, according to an application filed with Santa Monica's Architectural Review Board.

Red O's chief financial officer said the plan is to convert the space into another Red O restaurant. There are currently Red O locations on Melrose Avenue and Fashion Island in Newport Beach.

The remodel is supported by city planners.

"The project scope is simple and consists of the redesign of the outdoor seating enclosures to include new material finishes, new glazing at the street level, and new paint on portions of the building," the application reads. "The material selections include quality materials, including reclaimed cedar wood and IPE wood, that will enhance the strong pedestrian orientation which is appropriate at this location."

Most people know Bayless from his highly rated PBS series "Mexico - One Plate at a Time," and from his eight cookbooks. Red O's menu features both authentic Mexican and lighter California-style dishes.

- KEVIN HERRERA

THIRD STREET PROMENADE Cirque gives it away for free

Visitors to the Third Street Promenade will be in for a special treat this Thursday when Cirque du Soleil presents a free preview of its traveling production "Totem" that's currently on show next to the Santa Monica Pier through March 16.

The special preview will take place between Broadway and Santa Monica Boulevard at 12:30 p.m. It's a way to say thanks to Santa Monica for its support over the years.

Local Red Bull-affiliated BMX athletes and break dancers will join the "Totem" performers for a special celebration bringing back Cirque du Soleil where it originated from nearly 30 years ago: the street.

This event is free to the public and allows a close up look at the lavish artistic feats of "Totem." For more information, visit www.cirquedusoleil.com/totem.

BROAD STAGE

Emeritus concert

Santa Monica College's Emeritus College Concert Band will be hosting a free concert this Saturday, Feb. 8, at the Broad Stage that will feature show tune favorites, as well as a Sousa march.

'Free concerts at the Broad are almost non-existent, so this is a wonderful opportunity to enjoy a Saturday afternoon of good, old-fashioned band music," said Craig Peterson, who plays trumpet in the band.

Guests will be treated to tunes like "A Tribute to Harold Arlen," and songs from "Les Miserables," and "My Fair Lady.'

The Broad Stage is located at 1310 11th St. in Santa Monica. Admission and parking are free. The show starts

The band traces its beginning at the Venice Adult School in 1968. It joined SMC's Emeritus College in 1979.

WHAT DO YOU THINK?

■ Send letters to editor@smdp.com

Hot Dog on a Stick owner files Chapter 11

BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES The owner of Hot Dog on a Stick has filed for bankruptcy protection.

HDOS Enterprises says its total debt ranges from \$1 million to \$10 million and it estimates assets between \$10 million and \$50 million.

The Los Angeles Times reports the Chapter 11 filing was made Monday in U.S. Bankruptcy Court in Los Angeles.

Chief Executive Dan Smith said in a statement that like many mall-based businesses, HDOS signed expensive leases during the booming mid-2000s and that declining mall foot traffic in recent years has negatively impacted many locations.

Smith said the company, which is owned by employees, will operate as usual while it reorganizes.

Smith said the company is pursuing new leases in other locations and that it would try to renegotiate leases with landlords. Smith also said that the Chapter 11 filing would allow the company to reorganize and find more efficient ways to run its business.

The employee-owned company known for its colorful staff uniforms, battered and deep-fried hot dogs and lemon-

ade was founded in Santa Monica near the famed Muscle Beach in 1946 and has about 93 locations, including the original shack in Santa Monica.

Representatives could not be reached for comment regarding the Ocean **OCEAN FRONT** Front Walk location,



which was originally called Party Puffs. Founder Dave Barham changed its name to Hot Dog on a Stick in 1948. Barham passed away in 1991 and left 100 percent of the company to his employees.

The corporate headquarters are located in Carlsbad, Calif. The stores use a lot of hot dogs, roughly 4.2 million in a year, according to the company, and even more lemons for its signature lemonade.

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Editor-in-Chief KEVIN HERRERA contributed to this report.

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day, Todd said.

Todd's daughter Tristin, 14, now cheers on the Santa Monica Youth Vikings Cheer team. Last year, a parent asked Todd how much professional cheerleaders make. She looked it up and the answer made her mad.

Todd says that National Football League cheerleaders make about \$1,000 per season and are often required to pay for their own gear and travel.

Numerous recent reports back this up. A lawyer representing current and former Oakland Raiderettes, who are suing the team for backpay, told the San Jose Mercury News that they make \$1,250 per year, or about \$5 per hour.

Todd posted her petition on Dec. 29 and the signatures floundered around 6,000 for a couple weeks. After the Raiderettes filed their lawsuit, a Change.org representative contacted her and helped her reformat the petition.

She is asking the owners of the 26 professional football teams that employ cheerleaders to pay them a living wage.

While she was in Las Vegas watching her daughter's team compete in front of 30,000 people at a national championship (they won) the petition went viral.

"I was just trying to keep up with it," she said, laughing. "It was really overwhelming."

On Super Bowl Sunday it gained 15,000 signatures. She is now less than 45,000 signatures away from her goal of 150,000.

The response has been very positive, she said, with some exceptions. She lost a 20-year friendship over the issue. Many detractors point to the fact the women get financial perks for the work they do off the field using the reputation they

That's not the point, Todd said. The National Football League makes money hand over fist, she said, and even the mascots get paid an average of \$65,000 a year. The cheerleaders work extremely hard, she said, and they should be fairly compensated.

"People that are not in cheer don't get it," she said. "These girls don't go into it with the idea of fame and fortune. They love it. It's an adrenaline rush. There's a camaraderie. Why can't the ones working at the highest level earn a living wage?'

Cheerleading is a character-builder for teenagers, Todd said, and it sends them the wrong message when their professional counterparts aren't compensated fairly.

She relayed a story of one of her daughter's early cheer competitions in Long Beach when the team was unprepared through no fault of their own.



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TRUST: Local teens practice their cheer skills Monday night.

"Girls were bumping into each other," she said. "By the end, every girl was crying. A lot of parents probably thought they weren't that good but we were so proud of them for getting up there. They came in first place as far as we were concerned."

Todd isn't sure what she wants to do if the petition hits its mark. She's thinking about contacting President Barack Obama about the issue. She plans to meet with more representatives from Change.org to hear their suggestions. For now, she's advocating. She spent her entire Super Bowl party getting people riled up. And as for cheerleading as the sport for her daughter?

"I completely understand it," she said. "I'm completely sold."

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Let's be civil

I am increasingly concerned about the inability of Santa Monicans to disagree civilly on matters of public policy. Prevalent though that problem may be in national politics, vituperative debate seems worse here on the local level, where we bump into each other at the supermarket, the doctor's office, the deli or the movie theater. Discourse here tends to be intensely personal and needlessly strident. It does little to bridge honest disagreement.

The fact that someone disagrees with me on a matter of public policy does not mean that the person is uninformed, unrealistic, "blind to the facts," venal or corrupt. We simply view the facts differently, interpret information differently, weigh different factors and come to different conclusions.

Fortunately, in Santa Monica, the iterative review processes that precede final action on policy matters provide ample opportunity to present our personal viewpoints. Why can't we do that rationally and respectfully instead of impugning the motives and integrity of others?

Last Tuesday evening's City Council meeting [Jan. 28] was a case in point and demonstrated some of the best and worst of public meeting disagreement. There were speakers who marshaled their facts and spoke persuasively about the Hines project, pro or con. Others chose instead to attack the character of and motives of other speakers or decision makers, including those of Mayor Pam O'Connor.

I have known the mayor professionally since the early 1990s. She has both an academic background and career experience that inform her approach to municipal issues. She serves our community while recognizing that Santa Monica is not an island. So, she has worked regionally through the Southern California Association of Governments, the MTA and the Construction Authority for the Exposition line to represent us, advocate the best of Santa Monica's policy approaches to our neighbors (sustainable practices high among them) and bring home lessons from their successes and failures. She can be brusque and challenging, but in my experience she listens and gives consideration to opposing viewpoints. We have benefited as a community from her broad perspective and extensive regional networking.

I believe that Mayor O'Connor and the other members of the City Council will make decisions on the Hines project, as they have on countless other policy matters, based on the facts as they see them and on their own individual judgment of what best serves the long-term interests of the community. I don't expect to agree with every decision they make but I am nevertheless grateful for their service to Santa Monica.

> Susan E. McCarthy Former city manager of Santa Monica

Benefits of breastfeeding

I read with interest the article in the Santa Monica Daily Press ("Study: Kids' obesity risk starts before school age," Jan. 31). As a result, I am encouraging all moms-to-be to breastfeed their babies as long as possible.

The validation for this recommendation is from the Breastfeeding Fact Sheet from the Office on Women's Health from the U.S. Dept. of Health and Human Services. Among their listing of benefits of breastfeeding is that breastfeeding is linked to a lower risk of various health problems for babies, including obesity. This information and more on the benefits of breastfeeding to both babies and their mothers can be obtained at the Womenshealth.gov website.

Virginia Fawcett

Certified lactation educator, counselor

Hardly suburbia

Which goes to show how little Movoto knows about Santa Monica. We are a suburb like Brooklyn is ("Santa Monica makes list of exciting suburbs," Jan. 30).

If the definition of suburb is where people sleep and mostly not work, boy do they have it wrong. They should try getting off the 10 in the morning.

If the definition is rows of nice houses with nice neighbors (or tolerable) it is hard to tell what with the armed security protecting the megabuck banks enclosing every square inch of tight residential rectangles.

Oh, it must be the shopping. We got that.

R. Robinson Santa Monica



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City Council's disappearing act

APPEARANCES, LIKE POLITICIANS,

can be deceiving.

The City Council adjourned without taking a vote on the controversial Bergamot Transit Village project last

The place was packed, upstairs and down. Mayor Pam O'Conner at one point warned the crowd not to react audibly to statements addressed to the council. But that only applied to those there with them in the chamber.

Those filling every seat downstairs, leaning against walls and wandering around on the crowded floor level, watching and listening via two large screen TVs, howled, clapped, booed, cheered and laughed throughout the proceedings like the rowdy sugar-hyped kids in the theater on the Andy Devine TV show. Sometimes the procedures seemed almost as devoid of sense as Andy's show, so how did you expect us raucous kiddies to react? Plunk your magic twanger, Pam.

More than 100 citizens waited patiently for their two minutes to address the council, driving another meeting into the early morning hours. The council decided to not decide, until a special session the following Tuesday evening (last night).

I intended to stay 'til the bitter end, but word circulated around 11 of what was going to happen, the not-yet vote, and it turned out to be correct.

Was it because the council thoughtfully wanted to give more citizens a chance to be heard on such a crucial issue? (Not just for the size of that development, but to determine a direction our city will go.) No, there will be no input allowed at that meeting, it was announced. Did they want an extra week to mull it over, maybe do more research, more citizen outreach? Did they figure they'd just be too sleepy to vote? Gosh, could be. But, an extra session, what an inconvenience for all. Why delay the vote a week?

Personally, I think council members are very much aware that a groundswell of opposition is building to all the runaway development in the pipeline. People are becoming organized in their opposition, and they now have a tool: residocracy.org, a good solution (with a terrible name).

"Residocracy," the site states, "is a unified voice of the Residents against corporate, business, and outside influences at City Hall. Residocracy.org was born in Santa Monica in 2014 to address the overwhelming lack of concern shown by the elected officials in City Hall towards issues and concerns important to Residents."

It's pretty simple. You sign up (you don't even have to use your last name), and officially become part of the movement to "take back our city," or however you'd like to characterize it. Then you have the opportunity to sign or start petitions about issues that concern you.

And then you will learn that a council vote for a development approval, or any other issue, can be put on hold and placed on the ballot for a vote of all the citizens, with enough signatures on a petition.

But there are procedural rules already in place, and one important one is that such a petition drive is given 30 days from the second vote of approval by the council to gather the required number of signatures.

The council must take their second vote at the next meeting after their first vote. You can bet the farm that the second vote will not be different than the first. But the starting gun for the 30-day petition drive doesn't go off until that second

Ordinarily, that second vote would be taken at the next council meeting, two weeks later. That gives those opposed and wanting to circulate a petition two weeks to prepare for that inevitable second vote, when the clock starts ticking.

But the council delayed their vote a week. A week closer to the next council meeting, when that second vote will take place. A week less time for opposition forces to prepare for their 30-day deadline race for signatures.

Do you think that's the reason they didn't vote a week ago? Maybe I'm reading too much into it — but I do. There's no way to know for sure without reading minds, is there? Gosh, I get sleepy past 1 a.m. too. (Not.)

By the time you read this, that first vote should be history. Many people were calling for everyone opposed to the Hines development to show up last night, so at least their numbers could be seen. I hope it was a very large crowd. I was there (he writes, the day before — this does get a little strange). I hope you were too.

I wrote last week about having taken the Downtown Walking Tour led by the Santa Monica Conservancy every Saturday morning. Highly recommend-

One piece of the puzzle they mentioned was not even in our city limits: why was this place named Santa Monica? The answer, we were told, lies in West L.A., so at my wife's urging, we decided to go check it out.

It's only open on the first Saturday of the month, 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Free, but donations are welcomed. The entrance is a small gate at 1439 S. Barrington Ave. easy to miss.

There's not much to see, but the longer you hang around and absorb the history (the volunteers, some Native American, can give you a real sense of it), the more you connect. It's a delightful, peaceful oasis, a series of pools from natural springs that was a draw for parts of the Tongva tribe to settle here (not beachfront like that Marion Davies).

When the Spanish "discovered" the area it was the feast of Saint Monica, and they dubbed those pools the tears of Saint Monica, and so named the entire area down to the sea for her. Lucky for us, or we'd have to replace that statue at the end of Wilshire.

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Secretary of state sued over criminals' voting

BY DON THOMPSON

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SACRAMENTO, Calif. Voting and civil liberties groups sued Secretary of State Debra Bowen on Tuesday over a decision she made in 2011 that said tens of thousands of criminals who are serving their sentences under community supervision are ineligible to vote.

The American Civil Liberties Union, League of Women Voters, Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and other groups filed the lawsuit in Alameda County Superior Court on behalf of nearly 60,000 convicts who are sentenced either to mandatory supervision or post-release community supervision.

It's the second lawsuit challenging Bowen's interpretation of the 2011 criminal justice realignment law, which is designed to ease overcrowding in state prisons by sentencing those convicted of less serious crimes to county jails or alternative treatment programs.

The first lawsuit included those serving time in county jails and sought an expedited hearing from the 1st District Court of Appeal in San Francisco. It would have allowed locally incarcerated felons to vote in the June 2012 primary election.

The initial attempt died when both the state appellate court and the California Supreme Court declined to hear the case, without comment.

As a result, "the Secretary of State's read-

ing of the law stands," Bowen spokeswoman Nicole Winger said in an e-mail.

Winger said she could not comment further on pending litigation.

Both lawsuits argue that state law prohibits voting only by people who are in state prison or on parole. California already allows voting by those on county-supervised probation.

The latest lawsuit contends that the two new forms of community supervision were intended "as innovative community-based alternatives to parole," with alternatives emphasized in italics. Felons under those programs are supervised by county employees, not state parole agents.

The 2011 memo written by Bowen's chief legal counsel to county elections officials said it does not matter if felons' supervision "is labeled something other than 'parole.'"

The lawsuit says Bowen's decision undermines the intent of the realignment law, which was pushed by Gov. Jerry Brown in response to federal court orders. The law also encourages rehabilitation, leading the plaintiffs to say in their lawsuit that participating in society by voting should be a part of that effort.

They also say Bowen issued the policy without going through proper legal procedures.

Several of the groups were plaintiffs in both lawsuits, including the nonprofit Legal Services for Prisoners with Children and its affiliated voter-education program called All of Us or None

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Woman who drove with man on car guilty of murder

BY LINDA DEUTSCH

AP Special Correspondent

LOS ANGELES A substance-abuse counselor who drove 2 miles through a Los Angeles suburb with a dying man on her windshield was convicted Tuesday of second-degree murder, drunken driving and hit-and-run charges.

Sherry Lynn Wilkins showed no response as the Superior Court jury returned with its verdict.

Wilkins' blood-alcohol level was nearly twice the legal limit for driving when she struck 31-year-old Phillip Moreno in November 2012 in suburban Torrance, prosecutors said.

"The way she treated Phillip Moreno struck at human dignity," Deputy District Attorney John Harlan said after the verdict. "This case has been about human dignity. We do not tolerate someone who does not pull over when they see someone on their windshield."

Wilkins, 52, who was an addict before she became a drug and alcohol counselor, said she had been drinking that night but wasn't drunk. She said she had been "self-medicating" while waiting for knee-replacement surgery and had consumed three airplane-size

bottles of vodka and a can of Budweiser beer and Clamato before starting to drive.

Harlan said during the trial that the force of the crash punched a hole in the passenger side of Wilkins' window and Moreno lost his shoes and pants, but still she didn't stop.

It wasn't until passing motorists noticed the bizarre scene that they were able to swarm Wilkins' car at a traffic light and keep her there until police arrived. Wilkins faces a maximum sentence of 45 years to life.

She testified during the trial, telling jurors the story of her addiction, which began when she was in a car accident at the age of 15 and suffered a broken back and shattered bones in her ankles and legs. Wilkins said she started using heroin when it became "cheaper than going to the doctor."

Wilkins, who acknowledged having served time for residential burglaries over the years, said she kicked the heroin habit with the help of methadone and more recently had been using medical marijuana. She told of obtaining a degree in addiction counseling and going to work at a treatment center.

Wilkins was leaving the center on the night of the crash.



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The Line..

Big shoes to fill

Rep. Henry Waxman announced last week that he was going to retire from Congress after serving 20 terms. Numerous potential candidates have already signaled interest in taking over the Westside seat including former Santa Monica Mayor Richard Bloom and State Sen. Ted Lieu.

So, this week's Q-Line question asks: Who would you like to see replace Waxman and why?

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Martin, police Chief Jacqueline Seabrooks writes that her department does "not recommend a course of action which includes incorporating medical marijuana dispensaries into the community fabric."

Seabrooks lists more than a dozen instances in which violence has been associated with dispensaries.

Planning officials also stumbled across www.WeedMaps.com, which maps the marijuana dispensaries that deliver within Santa Monica's boundaries.

There are 15 to 20 locations that serve Santa Monica, they said.

"This puts into question the necessity of having a medical marijuana dispensary in the city to serve those unable to access a dispensary outside the city," planning officials said in the report.

Bill Leahy of Santa Monicans for Safe Access, a medical marijuana advocacy group, takes issue with several aspects of that asser-

Many of the dispensaries noted by WeedMaps and in City Hall's report are not legally recognized by the city of Los Angeles, he said. The Daily Press checked the list of 134 dispensaries that Los Angeles considers legitimate and found only one of the four shops mentioned by name in City Hall's report on the list. Calls to the planning official who prepared the report were not

Without regulation, Leahy said, the deliveries could be dangerous.

"I always question delivery systems," he said. "The very nature of inviting people into your home is less safe than a brick and mortar location. I'm not comfortable with unknown people coming into a home with unknown amounts of cash."

City Hall evaluated the area where they had planned to allow dispensaries and had concerns about the amount of available onstreet short-term parking. A dispensary, they said, "may increase the burden in an area with existing parking challenges."

Planners recommended limiting patients to 15 per hour to reduce on-street parking demand.

Leahy said that the issues would be created by almost any business that moved into the area.

"What other business is there, anywhere, where you would limit the amount of customers?" he said.

If the commissioners decide they want dispensaries, city planners said, they could restrict them to the ground floor and prohibit them from installing signs. They also recommended requiring dispensary owners to install ventilation systems to eliminate the smell of fresh buds from seeping outside.

City planners evaluated three other districts and found them to be unsuitable for a variety of reasons, including the amount of nearby schools and parks.

The Planning Commission is scheduled to discuss dispensaries on Feb. 12. Commissioners will make their recommendation and the entire zoning ordinance will go before council later this year.

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Reed called it "my wife and ... my life" some users now see it as an inexpensive alternative to oxycodone and other prescription opiate drugs.

"People think that it is someone who is a bum, who's homeless, who has no money and who is sort of living at the very bottom, said Michael Clune, a former addict who wrote the memoir 'White Out: The Secret Life of Heroin." When the truth is, it really is everywhere."

The number of recorded heroin overdose deaths nearly doubled from 1,842 in 2000 to 3,036 in 2010, according to the most recent statistics available from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. Heroin deaths still account for a relatively small percentage of total drug overdose deaths: less than 10 percent in 2010, for example.

Last month, the governor of Vermont devoted almost his entire State of the State address to the state's heroin problem, calling on the Legislature to pass laws encouraging treatment and seek ideas on the best way to prevent people from becoming addicted.

The striking thing about heroin's most recent incarnation is that a drug that was once largely confined to major cities is spreading into suburban and rural towns across America, where it is used predominantly by young adults between the ages of 18 and 29, said Jim Hall, an epidemiologist who studies substance abuse at Nova Southeastern University in Fort Lauderdale, Fla.

"We haven't really seen something this rapid since probably the spread of cocaine and crack in the mid-1980s," Hall said.

The very first American heroin users in the early 20th century were white, workingclass residents of New York City, which was the epicenter of heroin use for much of the century and the key entry point to the U.S.

Heroin is processed from morphine, which itself is derived from the opium poppy. It originated in inner-city Chinese opium dens in the late 1800s, when people switched from opium smoking to heroin because it was much easier to smuggle. The drug was even marketed by the Bayer Co. in 1898 as the "wonder drug" of the arriving 20th century, sold as a cure for the wracking cough caused by tuberculosis.

Schneider said after World War II, heroin became a drug primarily used by blacks and Puerto Ricans in the Northeast and by Mexican Americans in the West. In the late 1960s, at the height of the hippie drug experimentation era, there was a surge of heroin use among young white people in New York's East Village and in San Francisco's

Haight-Ashbury district. Crime spiked among heroin users who were desperate to keep up the habit.

Heroin's reputation in the 1970s was "a really hard-core, dangerous street drug, a killer drug, but there's a whole generation who didn't grow up with that kind of experience with heroin," said New York City Special Narcotics Prosecutor Bridget Brennan, whose office was created in 1971 in response to heroin use and related crime. "It's been glamorized, certainly much more than it was during the '70s."

In the 1990s, there was another wave of attention when the term "heroin chic" became ubiquitous as a description for pale, thin supermodels like Kate Moss.

The earliest heroin came to the U.S. from Chinese opium fields, Schneider said, and then Turkey became the leading source after World War II. After that, U.S. servicemen began smuggling the drug back from Southeast Asia and drug traffickers opened up a supply from Latin America. Today, Afghanistan is the world's largest heroin

In the past, the people who were most susceptible to heroin use were the ones who didn't have to go to work every day, from the very poor to the very wealthy, Schneider said. Heroin was the drug of choice for 1950s bebop jazz musicians who used heroin in Manhattan swing clubs, he said, followed decades later by rock stars like Janis Joplin and Kurt Cobain.

That's not the case anymore. Most heroin addicts at Maryhaven, a substance abuse treatment center in Columbus, Ohio, got hooked on prescription painkillers like oxycodone after sustaining some type of injury, said Paul H. Coleman, the center's president and CEO. When the cost of buying prescription opiates became prohibitive, and those drugs were reformulated in ways that made them harder to abuse, they turned to heroin.

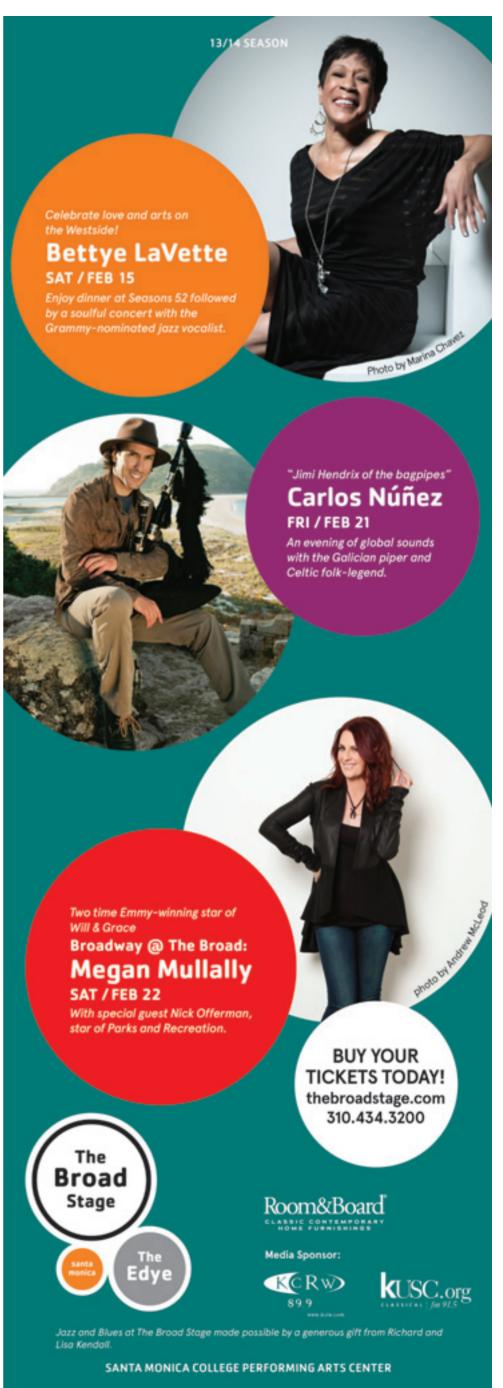
About half of the center's patients — it treated 7,000 people last year — are heroin addicts.

"I've had several patients tell me, 'I never thought I would end up putting a needle in my arm," Coleman said.

Heroin never loses its freshness and intensity, which is why it's so addictive, said Clune, who first tried the drug at a Manhattan party in 1998 and was addicted for four years before getting clean. He was lured in by the idea that trying heroin was an extreme life experience, like skydiving. His brain changed forever after just one

"Insofar as heroin is a romance, it's a totally phantom romance. It's imaginary," Clune said. "It's an allure that promises you something that you can never really





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THURSDAY - FLAT - SURF: 1-2 ft ankle to knee high Minimal WNW swell

FRIDAY - POOR - SURF: 1-2 ft knee to thigh high
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Health care law will mean fewer people on the job

BY ANDREW TAYLOR & RICARDO ALONSO-ZALDIVAR

Associated Press

WASHINGTON Several million American workers will cut back their hours on the job or leave the nation's workforce entirely because of President Barack Obama's health care overhaul, congressional analysts said Tuesday, adding fresh fuel to the political fight over "Obamacare."

The workforce changes would mean nationwide losses equal to 2.3 million full-time jobs by 2021, in large part because people would opt to keep their income low to stay eligible for federal health care subsidies or Medicaid, the Congressional Budget Office said. It had estimated previously that the law would lead to 800,000 fewer jobs by that year.

Republican lawmakers seized on the report as major new evidence of what they consider the failures of Obama's overhaul, the huge change in U.S. health coverage that they're trying to overturn and planning to use as a main argument against Democrats in November's midterm elections.

It's the latest indication that "the president's health care law is destroying full-time jobs," said Republican Rep. John Kline of Minnesota, chairman of the House Education and the Workforce Committee. "This fatally flawed health care scheme is wreaking havoc on working families nationwide," he said.

But the White House said the possible reduction would be due to voluntary steps by workers rather than businesses cutting jobs — people having the freedom to retire early or spend more time as stay-at-home parents because they no longer had to depend only on their employers for health insurance.

The law means people "will be empowered to make choices about their own lives and livelihoods," said White House Press Secretary Jay Carney.

CBO Director Douglas Elmendorf said the top reasons people would reduce work would be to qualify for subsidized coverage and an expanded Medicaid program but that lower wages — because of penalties on employers who don't provide coverage and looming taxes on generous health care plans — would also be a factor.

The agency also reduced its estimate of the number of uninsured people who will get coverage through the health care law. The budget experts now say 1 million more people will be uninsured this year than had been expected, partly because of the website problems that prevented people from signing up last fall.

However, it wasn't all bad news for the Obama administration. The CBO's wideranging report predicted that the federal budget deficit will fall to \$514 billion this year, down from last year's \$680 billion and the lowest by far since Obama took office five years ago.

The new estimates also say that the health care law will, in the short run, benefit the economy by boosting demand for goods and services because the lower-income people it helps will have more purchasing power. The report noted that the 2014 premiums that people pay for exchange coverage are coming in about 15 percent lower than projected, and the health care law, on balance, still is expected to reduce the federal deficit.

However, the budget experts see the longterm federal deficit picture worsening by about \$100 billion a year through the end of the decade because of slower growth in the economy than they had previously predicted.

As for health care signups, the website woes have largely been cleared up, but the nonpartisan congressional analysts estimated that about 1 million fewer people will enroll through the new insurance exchanges than had been expected this year, for a total of 6 million.

Enrollment is predicted to pick up, topping 20 million in 2016. The exchanges, or online marketplaces, offer subsidized private coverage and cater mainly to middle-class people who don't have health care on the job.

The Congressional Budget Office also revised its Medicaid enrollment projection downward by about 1 million, for a new total of 8 million signups in 2014. About half the states have accepted the health law's Medicaid expansion.

What about those people whose decisions about work might be affected by the new law?

Lower-wage workers are more likely to reduce their hours or quit their jobs because of Obamacare incentives, the report said.

Although some employers will choose not to hire additional workers, or will reduce hours, the budget office said that does not appear to be the main factor.

"The estimated reduction stems almost entirely from a net decline in the amount of labor that workers choose to supply, rather than from a net drop in businesses' demand for labor," the report said.

The health care analysis is layered with complexity. The job losses are measured in "full-time-equivalent workers," which means more people are actually affected than, say, the 2 million full-time-equivalent jobs lost in 2017. It could take several part-time workers or people deciding to reduce their hours to produce the wage loss of one full-time equivalent.

The report also contains an important caveat, that the estimate of job losses is "subject to substantial uncertainty" and could be larger or smaller than predicted. There now are more than 130 million jobs in the economy.

Meanwhile, the broad federal deficit projection shows another yearly improvement. Obama inherited an economy in crisis and the first deficits ever to exceed \$1 trillion. The 2009 total, swelled by the costs of the Wall Street bailout, hit a record \$1.4 trillion, while the deficits of 2010 and 2011 each registered \$1.3 trillion.

The agency sees the deficit sliding to \$478 billion next year before beginning a steady rise years through 2024 that would bring the annual imbalance back above \$1 trillion. Overall, it forecasts deficits totaling \$7.3 trillion over the coming decade, about \$1 trillion more than previously estimated.

"CBO expects that economic growth will diminish to a pace that is well below the average seen over the past several decades," the report said, citing an aging population and a decrease in the rate of growth in the labor force.

Tuesday's report comes as Obama and Republicans in Congress are taking a respite in the budget wars that have periodically consumed Washington since Republicans took control of the House in 2011. The declining deficit numbers mean they could feel even less urgency to act now.

A December budget agreement and last month's follow-up spending bill could buy peace through November's midterm elections. Republicans also appear to be taking a less confrontational approach to legislation needed this month to increase the government's borrowing limit to avoid defaulting on its obligations.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ Your thoughts could stop you from acting. You might be receiving a very different vision from what is being presented to you. Others' perceptions will seem off. Stop and re-evaluate. How you react could be interesting to those who understand your responses. Tonight: Your treat.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ A get-together with a friend will point you in a new direction. You might not want to leap into action until you have thought through all the other options. Brainstorming could provide many more alternatives. Be flexible, talk and share. Tonight: What you want.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★ Consider a boss's or a supervisor's idea; this person has experience. Be realistic about your boundaries and capabilities. You could learn a thing or two from someone else. Loosen up and enjoy a friend whom you don't get to see often. Tonight: Till the wee hours.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★ Reach out to someone who can make a difference. You need to use your intellect and emotions to see the best way to formalize a doable idea. A meeting could provide many ways to the same results. Listen carefully. Tonight: Read between the lines.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★★ You will feel inspired by someone close to you. Consider using this person's advice when dealing with a boss or an important business matter. Tonight: Leader of the gang.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Work with someone else, and know full well that together you can achieve a longterm goal. Remain sure of yourself in a discussion, and you'll see how two ideas can merge into one plan. A scheduled meeting could prove to be important. Tonight: Where vour friends are.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Take charge of recent events, and understand that you have a unique way of dealing with a problem. A boss knows that you have a special touch with resolving issues, and will encourage you to use it. Tonight: In the limelight.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★ Listen to news that heads your way. Your ability to understand the mechanisms at work could be more inspired and intuitive than you realize. Verbalize your thoughts regarding your direction and the varying possibilities surrounding it. Tonight: Out among the crowds.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ You might be able to wrap up a lot of work quickly. Your ability to make others feel appreciated will help you charge through what you need to get done. A positive attitude in the workplace is the glue that makes efficiency possible in this situation. Tonight: Head home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Your thoughts will be most appreciated by a younger individual. In some sense, this person's feedback could serve as inspiration. Seize the moment in order to get through an interpersonal issue with a partner or an associate. Tonight: Out and about.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★ You might be more embedded in a certain life pattern than you realize. Most people work with you. When someone comes along and wants to shake up the status quo, you could become unnerved. Tonight: Happy at home.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★★ Return calls and make it a point to head in a new direction. Your ability to read between the lines will give you tremendous insight. Use your creativity in an important interaction. Others will be only too pleased to go along with your ideas. Tonight: A child delights you.

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OK, YOU WERE RIGHT, WE SHOULD INVADE AFTER THE MEEK INHERIT THE EARTH



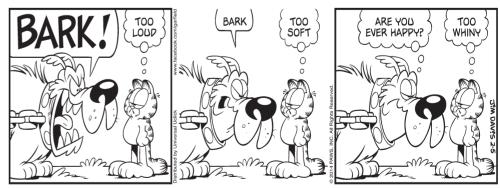
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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 5, 2014 We have you covered

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 \star (easiest) to $\star\star\star\star\star$ (hardest).

Difficulty Level ★★★

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			6	7	5		9	3
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GETTING STARTED

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

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CROSSWORD By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Make blank
- 6 Swindle
- **10** Billing info
- 11 Musical drama
- 12 Annoys
- 13 Try to get. at an auction
- 14 Responsibility
- 15 Change the title of
- **16** Harry's friend
- 17 Kilmer of "The Doors"
- **18** Informant
- 19 Defrauded 22 Svelte
- 23 Walrus'
- cousin 26 Ready for
- slumber
- 29 Brewery sight
- 32 Distress call
- **33** Buck's mate
- **34** Source
- 36 Nice guy
- 37 Mongoose
- 38 Accounting check
- 39 Korean or Thai

40 Award

41 Heavy metal 42 Fixed the piano

DOWN

- 1 Blunders
- 2 Ballpark disappointment
- 3 Away from one's desk, in a way
- 4 Spots
- 5 Twisty turn
- 6 Take turns
- **7** Fragrant wood
- **9** "The painter
- the second planet
- 8 Fragrance 21 Maiden
 - Balcony"
- **20** Young fox
 - label
- name 24 Included

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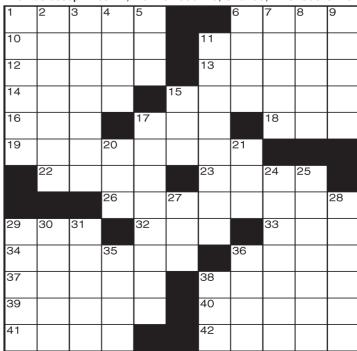
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 - 29 Outspoken
 - 30 Happened
 - 31 Leg bone 35 June
 - celebrant
 - 36 Wise
 - teacher
 - **38** Fitting

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ News of the Weird has reported the emerging mainstream treatment (for various bowel disorders) of fecal transplants, in which a healthier relative "donates" via enema supposedly healthier microbes to a sickly patient to normalize intestinal activity. The process, still strange to many patients despite its apparent success, has become so popular that in October Canadian officials felt the need to warn patients not to perform amateur transplants. Said one mother, after successfully having her 10-year-old daughter treated, "I think one day ... we will have fecalmatter banks like (blood banks and sperm banks)."

■ Unrelenting, swastika-tattooed New Jersey neo-Nazi Heath Campbell, 40, saw child No. 9 born in November, and once again, the county family welfare office removed it almost immediately. "I'm not allowed to have children because I'm a Nazi," he lamented. Campbell first made headlines in 2008 when a bakery declined to decorate a birthday cake for his son, Adolf Hitler Campbell, leading child welfare officials to investigate, and more seizures followed, now including the November-born Eva (Lynn Patricia) Braun. Campbell told reporters he would continue to fight for offspring. "I'll stop making them when they stop taking them."

TODAY IN HISTORY

- The Congress of the 1917 United States passes the Immigration Act of 1917 President Wilson's veto. Also known as the Asiatic Barred Zone Act, it forbade immigration from nearly all of south and southeast

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