

Pet project nets Gold Award

Local Girl Scout focuses on animal safety



ANIMAL FRIENDLY: The Gold Award is the highest achievement available to Girl Scouts.

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN Daily Press Staff Writer

Dagny Stahl's two large Chow mix dogs are like family to her — and not just because she's an only child. The longtime Girl Scout loves spending time with her favorite furry friends, Heidi and Zeppelin, and she often bring them along when she goes hiking, camping or backpacking.

So when it came time to come up with an idea for a Gold Award project, Stahl made sure to incorporate her love of animals.

Stahl, a Santa Monica High School junior who has been involved in Girl Scouts since 2008, recently earned the organization's most prestigious honor for her outreach campaign to improve pet health and safety.

"Pursuing my Gold Award meant earning the highest achievement in Girl Scouts," she said. "Girl Scouts has been such a big portion of my life that I really wanted to feel like I completed and took advantage of every opportunity that they offer."

Stahl's project took root after she came across two young women who were hiking in the San Gabriel Mountains with a large Bernese Mountain Dog named Bailey. The dog was refusing to walk because her paws were shredded from the hot rocks, said Stahl, whose family offered bandages.

"My dad tried to carry her, but she was too heavy," Stahl said. "So we ended up taking turns, in groups of four, supporting her with a towel that we slung under her stomach to take some weight off her feet. We were about 3 miles from the trailhead, and it took six people 3

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Santa Monica requests more than 30,000 Vote By Mail ballots

BY MATTHEW HALL Daily Press Editor

For many, the 2016 election can't come soon enough and almost half of the Santa Monica electorate appear unwilling to wait for Nov. 8 to cast their vote.

Of the City's 68,897 registered voters, 30,917 requested Vote By Mail (VBM) ballots and additional requests can be made up to Nov. 1.

Santa Monica contracts with the Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk's office for some election services and City Hall (1685 Main St.) will be the local ballot drop off location for mail ballots.

According to the City, residents can request a VBM ballot from the county clerk online at lavote.net, or by phone at (562) 466-1323. Completed VBM ballots can be dropped-off at either the Santa Monica City Clerk's Office (City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Room 102), any LA County Clerk District office or most City Clerk's Offices. Drop-Off Locations will accept ballots through Monday, Nov. 7 during regular business hours.

There are more than 18 million registered voters in California rep-

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Politics on the Pier

BY MARINA ANDALON Daily Press Staff Writer

This has been a year of extreme opinions in politics but locals who want a more nuanced and informative approach to contentious issues can take advantage of a new debate series on the Santa Monica Pier.

The series is designed and organized by ProCon.org, a nonprofit public charity based in Santa Monica. They provide sourced pro and con, and related research on more than 50 controversial issues, ranging from gun control and death penalty to illegal immigration. ProCon.org provides a platform for people to question information, evaluate opposing views, and debate them in a respectful way.

On Oct. 18 the debate series will focus on Proposition 62; is it time to repeal the death penalty?

Most death penalty cases involve the execution of murderers

although capital punishment can also be applied for treason, espionage, and other crimes. Currently the United States allows the death penalty in 31 states.

From 1977 through May 2016 there were 1,436 people executed in the United States, primarily by means of lethal injection.

The debate will be between Gil Garcetti, former LA County District Attorney and father of Mayor Eric Garcetti who is opposed to the death penalty. On the other end is Michele Hanisee, current Deputy District Attorney for LA County who supports the death penalty. Senator Ben Allen, California State Senator, will moderate this event.

"The Pier is a great place for a forum for dialogue since it is open to the public and everyone is invited from all over to visit and listen

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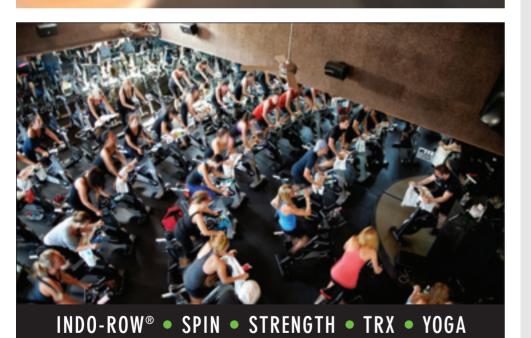




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Saturday, October 15

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Behavioral neuroscientist Deborah Maken discusses relevant research findings and provides hands-on techniques to manage stress and experience more joy in everyday living. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3 – 4:30 p.m.

Cultivating the Expressive Body with Jeremy Hahn

Through an investigative process that draws upon meditation, visualization, and improvisation, expand creative capacities, move, encounter each other and cultivate a sense of play. All levels of participants who are interested in exploring expressive movement are welcome. This session features live musical collaboration with Eric Pham. After moving we will rest, journal, and share in a closing circle with tea. Please bring a yoga mat, pillow, and blanket to build a nest with. 1450 Ocean, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., Cost: \$10. Register online at https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search/54197 or call (310) 458-2239.

Out of the Darkness Community Walk

Raise awareness and funds for suicide prevention and mental health and to honor those lost. For more information call (424) 327-7101 or visit www.afsp.org/la. 8 a.m. - 12 p.m. 3rd Street Promenade.

Sunday, October 16

Snorkel Dreams: A Machine Project Guide to Art Underwater

Explore art submerged in the public pool. Limited spots available for three timeslots each day at 12, 2 and 4 p.m. Most availability may be half way through each timeslot. Make a reservation at http://annenbergbeachhouse.com/beach culture. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 Pacific Coast Highway.

A Watercolor Journey with Timothy Kitz

Although basic shared equipment is included in this class, you are encouraged to bring your own rigs. The instructor will let you know what paper is required for each week's exercise; for the first session or if you are dropping in, please bring a pad or 2-3 sheets of cold-press watercolor paper of around 18"x24". Drop-In participation is available for \$30 plus \$20 cash material fee to be paid to the instructor. 1450 Ocean, 10 a.m. - 1 p.m. Register at https://apm.activecommunities.com/sa ntamonicarecreation/Activity_Search/ 54181 or call (310) 458-2239.

20th Annual Japan America Kite Festival

Workshop and games for children, Japanese food & culture booths, Taiko drum performance, martial arts, folk dancing. For more information call (310) 965-9050 x104 or visit www.jassocal.org/JAKF. Santa Monica Pier, 11 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Santa Monica Certified Farmers Market (Main St.)

The Main Street market hosts a variety activities including bands, a bi-weekly cooking demonstrations, arts and crafts, a face painter, a balloon animal designer as well as seasonal California grown fruits, vegetables, nuts, meats and cheeses. 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., 2640 Main St.

What makes a just community?

Santa Monica City Manager Rick Cole is speaking about his faith perspective and "What Makes a Just Community" at The Church in Ocean Park located at 235 Hill Street. With musical guest Thiago Winterstein, a Brazilian-American multi-Instrumentalist. The church is an interfaith community. Call (310) 399-1631 for more information.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide

SMC awarded new U.S. Department of Education Grant A new grant from the U.S. Department of Education will help Santa Monica College (SMC) expand its programs in foreign languages and cultures to give students the knowledge and skills they need for 21st-century careers and a competitive edge in the global marketplace.

The grant from the Undergraduate International Studies and Foreign Languages Program (UISFL) provides SMC with about \$200,000 over the next two years as part of the program's mission to "help strengthen the capacity and performance of American education in world languages, cultural understanding, and international studies."

SMC was one of only 24 educational institutions in the nation to receive a UISFL grant in 2016, and the only college in California awarded one.

"Santa Monica College prides itself on a legacy of preparing students to thrive in the global community; this includes not just making sure that they are globally competitive in an economic context, but-even more importantly-that they understand the privilege and opportunity of living in an interconnected world," said SMC Superintendent/President Dr. Kathryn E. Jeffery. "This grant will help extend that legacy and open up exciting new avenues for so many of our students."

Dr. Toni Trives, Chair of the SMC Department of Modern Languages and Cultures, added:

"The UISFL grant will be of great value to our students and to the community...the benefits of acquiring another language and a global perspective are invaluable when it comes to developing a career, competing for a job, or interacting with and contributing to the global community."

A portion of the grant will be used to develop programs that integrate learning a new language with career development and a variety of hands-on experiences in both the classroom and the field. To achieve this, SMC's Department of Modern Languages and Cultures plans to partner with the Career Technical Education (CTE) programs in Early Childhood Education, Business, Communication/Media Studies, and Nursing. The department also plans to collaborate with SMC's Career Services Center to create opportunities for students studying Spanish, Japanese, Chinese, or Korean to participate in workbased or service learning projects where they can use their language skills.

"Employers from a cross-section of education, business, and government are expecting our graduates to be able to communicate and collaborate with peers in a global context," said U.S. Secretary of Education John B. King Jr. of the UISFL grants, which "help to achieve exactly that, by providing teachers, students, and our communities with the opportunities and resources for ensuring our nation's capacity for global competitiveness."

"The UISFL grant will help us better serve our students by offering them the opportunity to learn Spanish-language skills necessary for employment in a global marketplace," said Dr. Maria Muñoz, Chair of SMC's Communication and Media Studies Department. "Through extensive research, I found that many employers identified a great need for students to have training and practical experience in reading, writing, and speaking professional Spanish."

The SMC Department of Modern Languages and Cultures offers programs that help students develop a global perspective and an appreciation of other cultural heritages through learning to understand, speak, read, and write in their choice of more than a dozen languages from around the world including Chinese, French, German, Hebrew, Italian, Japanese, Turkish, Spanish, and more. The department also offers a course that introduces students to the field of linguistics.

Visit www.smc.edu for more information.

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Mixed use building sells for S3.2 Million

Stepp Commercial, a leading multifamily brokerage firm in the Santa Monica market, has completed the \$3.2 million sale of a fully occupied 13-unit property located at 1313 Pico Boulevard in Santa Monica. The commercially zoned, two-story property includes 11 residential apartment units as well as two commercial spaces occupied by a hair salon and an accounting firm.

Kimberly Roberts Stepp, principal, and Aynsley Armbrust, vice president, with Stepp Commercial, represented the seller, a private trust from Los Angeles, as well as the buyer, North Hollywood-based MGA Investments, Inc. The transaction closed at full asking price with a low cap rate of just 2.8 percent and gross rent multiplier (GRM) of 19.

'This property offers the buyer the value-add potential of 80 percent upside in rents," said Stepp. "The new owner is negotiating buyouts with existing tenants and will renovate and reposition the property in the near future in order to maximize value."

Stepp added: "This area of Santa Monica is continuing to improve with an influx of Aplus credit tenants, high-end restaurants and shops, new development and proximity to the Expo Line."

Built in 1946, the property consists of 10 one-bedroom units, one two-bedroom unit, and two commercial units. The well-located asset is just 12 blocks from the numerous shops and restaurants on Ocean Avenue and Main Street.

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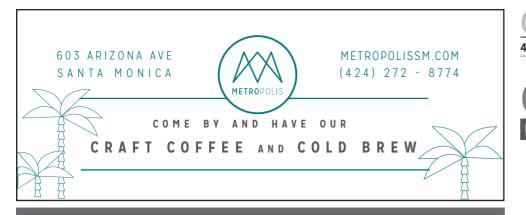
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Gardening and Community By Ken Hansen Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Food Waste: Ugly fruits and vegetables and ampleharvest.org

I HAD READ AN AMAZING ARTICLE IN National Geographic Magazine's March 2016 issue about food waste and one man's mission to help solve hunger. It was certainly very thought provoking.

Much of the food we buy in our grocery stores looks pretty and perfect. And that's a big problem. If I was in a position to live off of what I only grew in my garden, the last thing I would need to be concerned with is how pretty my home grown food looks. Pretty and perfect or not, it's still edible and healthy.

Every day too much food gets thrown away because grocery stores believe you will only buy and eat pretty and perfect food that's the right size and color. Tristram Stuart wants to change that from both sides. He wants to convince grocers and consumers that ugly is just as healthy. He is also convincing growers and restaurants and grocers to give him their ugly food and left over scraps; cut corners, too small, etc., the food they were about to throw out. He uses these foods for chefs to cook meals at huge antifood-waste events he puts on.

If my carrot is too small, I still eat it. If my kale is a little off-green, I still eat it. If I have too many cucumbers this week, I make a smoothie. It isn't always that easy. Having too much produce from the garden can also be a problem. I can only eat so much in so much time. I can only give away so much to friends and neighbors (sometimes I wonder if they think it's too ugly for them to accept — ha).

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As a community of gardeners, it would be nice if we had a better system to deal with excess produce. We do have one main street gardener who accepts excess produce from the other gardeners and donates it to a women's shelter. That's only one gardener and it isn't all the time. It is a great gesture and a great start.

ampleharvest.org, as mentioned in the National Geographic Magazines' article, is another great solution. Right on their home page they list the two problems they aim to help solve; gardeners harvest more then they can use, and food pantries nationwide need fresh food. The nearest ampleharvest.org pantry is "Feeding and Teaching / Venice Food Bank" at 2210 Lincoln Blvd. in Venice. They accept donations every Sunday starting at noon.

I know it can be difficult to grow just the right amount of food for yourself and your family all year every year. I encourage all who have excess produce in their gardens, or in their fridges, to please consider giving rather then wasting. And remember, that ugly looking green bell pepper you just picked from your garden still tastes great in a salad.

Want to learn more about the Santa Monica Community Gardens? Contact us at santamonicaroots@gmail.com and follow Santa Monica Roots on Facebook, Twitter and Instagram.



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Your column here By John Zinner

Measure LV will hurt the earth

SANTA MONICA PRIDES ITSELF ON being a sustainable city. We live in one of the most sustainable cities in the US. City Council just committed to bringing the city to carbon neutral by 2050; the generally accepted global mandate to save the planet is an 80 percent reduction in greenhouse gases by that date. The precedent setting Santa Monica Sustainable City Plan, first adopted in 1994, has been recognized by the United Nations.

MEASURE LV IS ANTI-SUSTAINABILITY

Why? Simply put, smart growth - transit adjacent, compact, mixed-use urban development in walkable neighborhoods - has the lowest environmental impact of any development. Santa Monica's sustainability requirements drive the impact even lower, especially when new residents don't have to commute from far away.

What is sustainability? The UN definition is "meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their own needs." In a sound bite: Leave the earth in equal or better shape than we found it. We're doing a lousy job.

In Santa Monica, the key sustainable development elements - and arguments - are traffic, energy and water, as well as tangentially LEED. Traffic has been thoroughly covered elsewhere, so it won't be addressed here. Almost all new development will have easy access to the Expo light rail line and be mixed-use.

Denser buildings are much more energy and water efficient than single family homes. Minimal landscaping reduces water use. Smaller units reduce energy and water use. Shared walls save energy (a floor above you is great insulation). Solid walls are more efficient than windows, and there are fewer windows in multi-family units.

First energy.

California has the strictest building energy standards of any state, Title 24, and it is getting stricter: state policy requires that all new residential buildings be zero net energy (ZNE) starting in 2020, and all commercial buildings in 2030. Aggregated over a year, a building will not be able to use any fossil-fuel based energy. It may import energy some months and produce excess during other periods. The balance must be zero or less.

Santa Monica goes beyond Title 24. All new buildings are required to be 15 percent more efficient than required by Title 24. In addition, as of June, all new buildings must install solar electric (photovoltaic) systems. Lastly, any new swimming pool must include a solar pool heating (thermal) sys-

tem that is a minimum of half the size of the surface of the pool, as well as a pool blanket. A pool blanket is worth 10 degrees.

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How about water? The city has rapidly increased its water efficiency requirements. The last new project approved by City Council was for the former Fred Segal site at 5th and Broadway. First, no potable water can be used for irrigation; SMURRF (treated dry weather and storm water runoff) will be used. Inside, efficient water use fixtures are specified for each fixture type (1 GPF - gallons per flush toilets). These fixtures perform well. These two categories reduce water use over 40 percent compared to what's allowed by Title 24. Lastly, the city took the unprecedented step of requiring that SMURRF water must be use for interior nonpotable residential uses toilets. This raises the project's water use reduction to over 50 percent, and is a first for LA County. It's so new that it isn't permitted by code. Instead, the project will install purple pipe for nonpotable water for all residential toilets, and the building will be connected to the SMURFF when allowed. The city and the other local permitting agencies have committed to work together to legalize this type of nonpotable water use as quickly as

feasible. Finally, City Council is developing an ordinance to require new development to fund sufficient water efficiency measures elsewhere in the city to completely offset any increase in water use from the previous use. Stay tuned.

Last is LEED. LEED is the world's leading green building rating system. Developed in the US, it's used in over 150 countries. Billions of square feet of buildings have been "LEED certified" since LEED was commercialized in 2000.

The draft Downtown Community Plan requires LEED Platinum, the highest of four LEED levels. Platinum requires that a project earn a minimum of 80 out of the 110 possible points, as well as meet all prerequisites. The largest number of points is for energy efficiency and onsite renewable energy; next is interior and landscape water use. Therefore, in order to earn Platinum, a building must be energy and water efficient and include solar. It also must be near transit and services; in other words, urban infill. Smart growth.

New development is positive for the environment, not negative. Measure LV will hurt the earth.

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More women accuse Donald Trump of unwanted sexual touching

BY MICHAEL BIESECKER & MICHAEL R. BLOOD Associated Press

Two more women came forward on Friday to accuse Donald Trump of unwanted sexual touching, including a former contestant from a reality show that starred the Republican presidential nominee.

The latest accounts come after several women reported in recent days that Trump groped or kissed them without their consent.

At a campaign rally in North Carolina on Friday, Trump sought to discredit his accusers. He said because there were no witnesses to the interactions, the allegations were not credible.

"Right now I am being viciously attacked with lies and smears," Trump said at an outdoor amphitheater. "It's a phony deal. I have no idea who these women are."

Trump also suggested the women who have come forward to accuse him were not physically attractive enough to merit his attention. "Believe me, she would not be my first choice, that I can tell you," he said when speaking of one of the women.

Summer Zervos, a former contestant on "The Apprentice," said Trump made unwanted sexual advances toward her at a Beverly Hills hotel in 2007, while photographer Kristin Anderson alleged Trump sexually assaulted her in a New York nightclub in the early 1990s.

Zervos, 41, appeared at a news conference Friday with Gloria Allred, a well-known Los Angeles attorney who has previously represented women who have accused celebrities of sexual misconduct. Zervos was a contestant on "The Apprentice" in 2006 and said she later contacted Trump to inquire about a job with one of his businesses.

Zervos said she had an initial meeting with Trump, where he discussed a potential job with her. When they parted, he kissed her on the lips and asked for her phone number, she said.

She said weeks later Trump called to invite her to meet him at the Beverly Hills Hotel, where she said she was expecting to have dinner with the New York billionaire. Instead, she described a series of unwanted kisses and touching by Trump, which she said she repeatedly rejected.

"He tried to kiss me again ... and I said, 'Dude, you're tripping right now,' attempting to make it clear I was not interested," she said.

Zervos said Trump eventually stopped and began talking as if they were in a job interview. She said she was later offered a low-paying job at a Trump-owned golf course.

At the time, Trump had recently married his third and current wife, Melania Trump, and the couple had an infant son.

Zervos said she is a Republican and has no political agenda in coming forward.



Allred said her client told her parents and others about the incident shortly after it occurred.

In a story published online Friday, Anderson told The Washington Post that she was sitting on a couch with friends at a New York nightclub in the early 1990s when someone's hand reached up her skirt and touched her through her underwear.

Anderson, then in her early 20s, said she pushed the hand away, turned around and recognized Trump as the man who had groped her. Then recently divorced, Trump was then a frequent presence in the New York tabloids, and he was regular presence on the Manhattan club scene.

"He was so distinctive looking — with the hair and the eyebrows. I mean, nobody else has those eyebrows," Anderson, 46, told the newspaper. She said the assault was random and occurred with "zero conversation."

Anderson did not immediately respond to a phone message from The Associated Press. She told the newspaper said she does not back Trump or Hillary Clinton, the Democratic nominee.

At the time of the incident, Anderson was trying to start a career as a model while working as a makeup artist and restaurant hostess. She said the episode lasted no more than 30 seconds.

Anderson told the Post that she and her companions were "very grossed out and weirded out" and thought, "OK, Donald is gross. We all know he's gross. Let's just move on."

The Post said it contacted Anderson after a friend she had told about the incident recounted it to a reporter. Other friends also told the Post that Anderson recounted the same story to them years ago.

At the North Carolina rally, Trump physically acted out two of alleged incidents. "Somebody that you've never seen that said, 'Oh, in 1992, he went like this," he said at one point, appearing to mimic pawing at a woman's chest in a downward motion.

Anderson's decision to speak publicly about her experience follows last week's disclosure by the Post of a 2005 video in which Trump boasted that his celebrity gave him the ability to grab women "by the p----. You can do anything." Trump apologized for those remarks, but also dismissed them as "locker-room talk."

Anderson disagreed that Trump's behavior is harmless.

"It's a sexual assault issue, and it's something that I've kept quiet on my own," she told the Post. "And I've always kept quiet. And why should I keep quiet? Actually, all of the women should speak up, and if you're touched inappropriately, tell somebody and speak up about it. Actually go to the authorities and press some charges. It's not OK."

Biesecker reported from Washington. Associated Press writer Jill Colvin in Greensboro, North Carolina, contributed to this report.

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Businesses Pledge to Support Local Charities

To the now famous phrase, eat, pray, love, we should also add 'give' and 'shop.' Residents of Santa Monica can join in these efforts all to the mutual benefit of the entire community on Oct. 15, for the 3rd Annual Buy Local Give Local Week. The event kicks off with a day focused on local restaurants with the inaugural Eat2Give charity fundraiser on Saturday, October 15. Eat2Give will connect the Santa Monica community with over 24 local charities and 32 Santa Monica food and beverage venues to create a delicious and philanthropic experience. Customers do good while dining and businesses give back to local nonprofits - it's a win-win.

"Each year, Santa Monica businesses generate approximately \$130 million in revenue to help support our libraries, schools, parks and emergency services," said Jennifer Taylor, Buy Local Santa Monica Committee Chair. "Buy Local Give Local Week is a fun way to help raise awareness about the impact of supporting local businesses as well as the non-profits that provide life-changing services and awareness of key issues that are important to our community."

The 'pay it forward' day will kick off at 9 a.m. with a healthy cooking demonstration for the youth of the Santa Monica Police Activities League at three local restaurants (The Hive, Inotheke, and Obicà), followed by an entire day of 'culinary crawling' until 11 p.m. For the crawl, Breeze Bike Share is offering 10 percent off trips all day. Coupons available at participating businesses.

Through Oct. 22, residents are encouraged to shop local in support of small businesses and our community as a whole. Local merchants associations each selected a Santa Monica charity partner as their beneficiary for Buy Local Give Local Week. They are: Downtown Santa Monica, Inc. - SM Family YMCA; Main Street Business Improvement Association, - Heal the Bay; Montana Avenue Merchants Association - Westside Food Bank; Ocean Park Blvd. - Westside Family Health Center; and Pico Improvement Association - CLARE Foundation. In total, 54 local businesses have pledged to donate proceeds and/or items to their local charity partner throughout the week.

"The Westside Family Health Center is a lifesaver, literally," said Nancy Lombardi of Artful, a gift store on Ocean Park Blvd. "It provides medical services and help to families that need it and is one of the worthiest, hardworking organizations around. I'm grateful to them for the work they do and honored to partner with them during Buy Local Give Local Week."

Eat2Give is organized by Prix Fixe Consulting in partnership with the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce and the Buy Local Santa Monica Committee. To view the list of participating restaurants and their charities, visit www.eat2give.com. To view the full list of Buy Local Give Local Week partnerships: www.BuyLocalSM.com/events.

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experts to deliver it."

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in," Jay Farrand, Executive Director at the

Santa Monica Pier said. "Essentially we

wanted to bring civil discourses back to the public sphere and back to its original intent.

ProCon.org was the perfect partner to supply the best information and subject-matter

Kamy Akhavan, CEO at ProCon.org suggest

The goal is to remind people that seeking

"People around the country have been

that attending these events people will become

more informed on the issues being discussed

out the best information is an exercise that can

bring the community together, since many other forms serve to classify, label, and divide.

struggling to make sense of complex issues

like GMOs, marijuana, college affordability,

and the death penalty", said Akhaven. "They don't trust conventional media sources to

from some of the top experts in the field.

get a fair or thorough understanding of the issues. People don't have time to spend weeks researching the issues themselves."

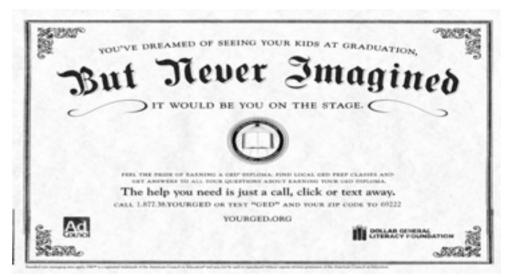
The debate series is described as an energetic discussion between experts with some audience Q&A. People across the country are asking ProCon.org to record the debate allowing viewers everywhere to watch and learn for themselves. Some teachers have contacted the company telling them they are using the website and debate series for educational purposes.

ProCon.org is free of charge, has been used by educators in more than 7,500 schools in all 50 states and in 87 foreign countries.

It is suggested by the Pier and ProCon.org to arrive early, dress warm and be prepared for beautiful sunsets and world class discussion of important subjects.

All debates go from 6 p.m. to 7 p.m. There will be two more debates that will take place, Oct. 25 covering the cost of education and Nov. on whether to legalize marijuana or not.

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Yes on Measure V for a better, and safer Santa Monica College

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Santa Monica College provides a world-class education. Unfortunately, not all of our facilities meet those high standards.

Two major classroom buildings, the Liberal Arts and the Letters & Science, are 65 years old and do not meet current seismic or fire standards. Many math classes are held in "temporary" trailers that were rushed into service after the 1994 Northridge quake—and are well past their useful lives.

These facilities leak, suffer from mold and asbestos, have no elevators for disabled access, lack modern safety equipment, and have no wiring for computers.

Measure V on the November ballot would allow SMC to replace the temporary trailers with modern classrooms. It would allow SMC to renovate, upgrade or replace the two 65-year-old buildings.

In addition, Measure V will allow SMC to increase campus security, improve the SMC Police Department, and enhance emergency preparedness.

Measure V gives our students the safe and secure campus they deserve.

Vote YES on Measure V.

For more information go to VoteYESforSMC.com

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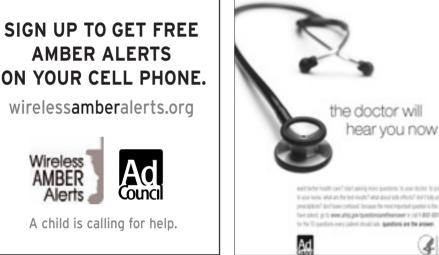
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resenting about 73 percent of the total eligible voters. Of those registered, about 45 percent are Democrats, 27 percent are Republicans and 23 percent have no party affiliation. Voter registration has increased by about six percent from the last Presidential election in 2012 when voter turnout of about 72 percent resulted in 13.2 million votes cast.

This year there are five candidates for president, 53 contested Congressional races, 100 Legislative races, 17 statewide ballot measures and 421 local tax/bond measures.

In Santa Monica 10 candidates are running for four seats on City Council, four candidates are running for two seats on the Rent Control Board and four candidates are running for three seats on the Santa Monica College Board. The election for the Santa Monica Malibu Unified School

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District was canceled because the number of candidates running equaled the available seats.

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According to election officials, mail ballots are designed to encourage voter turnout but the ballots sent out this week are not the first to be cast this year.

Active duty military and American's living abroad received ballots in August.

About half of the votes Californians cast last year were through mail ballots and the trend points towards less and less day-of voting.

This year, an additional 18 counties have been authorized to set up vote centers for receiving drop off ballots in the days leading up to election day.

Residents can register to vote through Oct. 24.

For more information on the November 8 Presidential General Election, visit voterguide.sos.ca.gov, lavote.net, and smvote.org.

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10 Days on Market



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11628 MONTANA AVE. #105 BRENTWOOD 2 BD / 2 BA / 2,000 SF \$1,069,000 10 Days on Market



2663 CENTINELA AVE #308 SANTA MONICA 2 BD / 2.5 BA / 1,611 SF \$875,000 8 Days on Market



3101 5TH STREET #4 SANTA MONICA 2 BD / 2 BA / 907 SF \$885,000 **1 Day on Market**



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FILM REVIEW THE ACCOUNTANT

Rated R 128 Minutes Released October 14th

At last here is an original film with an unusual premise - not a rehash of an old movie or a sequel to an existing cinematic success. I believe that not everyone will enjoy this film. Many will find it uncomfortable. I did enjoy it, very much - however I had personal reasons for identifying with the lead character. When I was about six years old I used to carry in my pocket little folded up pages of multiplication tables that I would add to in tiny printed numerals whenever the mood struck me. I was not solving complex math algorithms ... yet the process of doing the tables gave me comfort, as if I had control of something in life. Perhaps there are other reasons that people more "normal" than myself will enjoy this edge-of-your-seat psychological and social mystery thriller. For one, this is a very well crafted piece of cinema...and I believe that the role of "Chris Wolff" was the role Ben Affleck was born to play.

There are a host of fascinatingly flawed characters populating this movie. Their idiosyncrasies drive the action...and drive it at breakneck speed. There is a key scene at the beginning of the story, of a jigsaw puzzle with a missing piece. The story itself becomes the puzzle, the intense motivation at its heart being the placement of missing pieces where they belong. The narrative becomes a math equation, which is also of the main themes: if you add "x" to "y" and divide by "z", what is the answer? Or, if you add a surprise ingredient to a cake recipe – what will come out of the oven? This story is not a dose of reality but rather a "what if" - the "what if" world that is created, the theorems that are mounted, are fascinating. Through it all runs a thread of morality – perhaps warped, yet one that underscores

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the action. Director Gavin O'Connor has done a great job keeping a balance with such an explosive story. Writer Bill Dubuque seems to innately understand the mix of psychological traits that drives each of his characters. A relatively new screenwriter, everything he has written has been praised (he wrote the screenplay for the acclaimed film The Judge). Dubuque comes from the world of executive recruiting, where your career can be made or broken based on your understanding of your candidates' and your clients' motivations...another personal connection - I spent 10 years as an executive recruiter. I believe Dubuque should receive a nomination for this work. Irish cinematographer Seamus McGarvey production designer Keith P. and Cunningham have created moods with very simple sets, which convey vivid, simple emotional landscapes in the background to allow the action to be front and center.

So, back to Affleck – he is so good at his portrayal of the high functioning autistic Chris, that it seems like he's not really acting. Rounding out the excellent ensemble cast are Anna Kendrick, J K Simmons, Jon Bernthal, Jeffrey Tambor, Cynthia Addal-Robinson, John Lithgow and Robert C. Treveller, among many other fine actors.

The Accountant is not a tidy package. It will seem confusing to many, and there are loose ends left unresolved. However that's the way life is. The body count - is all part of the immense and colorful mural of personalities that is painted on the canvas of the story.

KATHRYN WHITNEY BOOLE has spent most of her life in the entertainment industry, which is the backdrop for remarkable adventures with extraordinary people. She is a Talent Manager with Studio Talent Group in Santa Monica. kboole@gmail.com. For previously published reviews see https://kwboole.wordpress.com

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hours to get the dog back. While we were going back, other hikers passed us and told us how similar things had happened to other dogs on that trail."

The experience inspired Stahl to take action. She didn't want fundraising to be the focus of her Gold Award project, so she began raising awareness about outdoor safety for pet dogs. She made first-aid kit lists and placed the cards in local veterinarian offices, pet stores and recreation stores like REI and Patagonia. She also built a website, Paws Before You Go, and gave presentations at Franklin Elementary School and the Unitarian Universalist Community Church of Santa Monica as well as at the area Girl Scouts' annual campout.

Her message is clear: "Your dog will follow you wherever you go, so it's your responsibility to protect them. Bring some first aid, even if it's only short hike. Know your dog's limitations and watch how your dog is doing. Be aware of the conditions of the activity such as unsafe terrain for bare paws, rushing water, and extreme heat or cold."

Stahl, whose mother is a troop leader, isn't just a Girl Scout and pet advocate. She is a member of the Shakespeare Society and the Spanish honors club at Samohi, where she is also a pole vaulter on the varsity track and field team.

"My experience at Samohi has been amazing," she said. "I've had a lot of really great teachers that make class so enjoyable and interesting."

Outside of school, Stahl is the secretary of her church youth group and a member of Los Angeles Math Circle at UCLA. She's still deciding on where she'd like to go to college, but she is leaning towards studying engineering because of her interest in math and science.

Of course, Stahl always makes time for hikes with her dogs.

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Email: jenny@smdp.com (310) 458-7737 ext. 305 Commission Number: 2055073 Santa 20onica Daily Dress COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide SMMUSD extends deadline for Financial Oversight Committee

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District's Financial Oversight Committee (FOC) is seeking qualified candidates who will bring a depth of business and/or financial expertise to the committee. It is anticipated that a vacancy on the committee will result from the Nov. 8, election.

Application forms are available through the Superintendent's Office or via the website: http://www.smmusd.org/fiscal/financialDAC.html.

FOC meetings are currently scheduled once a month at the District Office at 7:00 p.m. in the Testing Room. Following is the schedule of meetings (subject to change) remaining for the 2016-17 year:

- Thursday, November 10, 2016
- Thursday, December 8, 2016
- Thursday, January 12, 2017
- Thursday, February 9, 2017
- Wednesday, March 8, 2017Thursday, April 27, 2017
- Thursday, April 27, 20
- Thursday, May 11, 2017Thursday, June 15, 2017

• TBD (July 2017) *Please note: This is a Joint Meeting / Study Session with the Board of Education - SMMUSD District Office Board Room, 1651 16th Street.

The deadline for applications is Friday, Nov. 18. Applications can be mailed to the district office (1651 16th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90404), faxed (310.581.1138), or scanned and emailed to foc@smmusd.org.

- SUBMITTED BY GAIL PINSKER COMMUNITY & PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER

Ocean Park Blvd.

Movie: The Big Short (2015)

The Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Boulevard, with Santa Monica Public Library, presents a screening of The Big Short (2015) on Monday, Oct. 17 at 6 p.m.

Christian Bale, Steve Carrell, and Brad Pitt star in this true-life drama about four individuals who anticipated and capitalized on the credit and housing bubble that nearly tanked the world economy in the mid-2000s. (130 min.)

This event is free and open to the public. All ages are welcome. For more information visit smpl.org or call (310) 458-8681. The Santa Monica Public Library is wheelchair accessible. For special disabled services, call Library Administration at least one week prior to this event at (310) 458-8606. This location is served by the Big Blue Bus Line 8. Bicycle parking racks are available at all library locations.

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CRIME WATCH

Crime Watch is 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 OCTOBER 9 AT ABOUT 4:28 P.M.

Homeless Liaison Officers were conducting a periodic check to the rear of 1707 Cloverfield regarding complaints of trespassers and drug activity. The officers saw two subjects trespassing on the property at the rear of the parking lot. They were in a cardboard shelter with bike parts, alcohol, and several shopping carts filled with property, trash, food and drinks. One of the subjects was in possession of a new bike tire and claimed the rest of his bike was in Los Angeles. The subject also said he was a meth addict, had open wounds and infections on his legs and arms, and had unopened syringes in his backpack. When he opened his backpack, the officers could see 9" bolt cutters inside. He later admitted to using the bolt cutters to cut locks. Additionally, he told the officers that you don't need a tool to defeat Ulocks. He said he leverages them by positioning the bike frame so that you twist the frame to brake the lock. The subjects were later released with citations due to medical concerns.

Anthony Garcia, 44, of Hollywood and Henry Lee Boykins, 60, homeless were released with a citation.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police department responded to 299 calls for service on Oct. 14.

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

Petty theft 1300 block of Montana 12:09 a.m. Trespassing 1100 block of Euclid 1:30 a.m. Trespassing 1200 block of 6th 2:21 a.m. Unknown trouble 700 block of Hill 2:39 a.m. Fight Lincoln/Olympic 3:01 a.m. Battery Lincoln/ Olympic 3:22 a.m. Suspicious vehicle 2400 block of San Vicente 4:04 a.m.

Petty theft 1500 block of Lincoln 5:07 a.m. Audible burglar alarm 700 block of Arizona 6:11 a.m.

Trespassing 1500 block of 18th 7:04 a.m. Elder abuse 700 block of 9th 7:55 a.m. Burglary report 2200 block of 20th 7:57 a.m. Elder abuse 300 block of Olympic 8:06 a.m. Trespassing 600 block of Ocean 8:10 a.m. Burglary report 700 block of Ocean 8:11 a.m. Trespassing 1300 block of Broadway 8:44 a.m. Trespassing 400 block of Wilshire 8:55 a.m. Fraud report 2400 block of Santa Monica 9:50 a.m.

Mark and tag abandoned vehicle 2600 block of Washington 10:03 a.m. Burglary report 800 block of 2nd 10:07 a.m. Trespassing 1400 block of 5th 10:50 a.m. Trespassing 1800 block of Cloverfield 11:35 a.m.

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DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 31 calls for service on Oct. 13.

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

EMS 600 block of 11th 12:15 a.m. Public assist 1400 block of 7th 12:36 a.m. EMS 1000 block of 5th 3:21 a.m. Automatic alarm 1400 block of 7th 4:06 a.m. Elevator rescue 2100 block of Wilshire 8:47 a.m.

EMS 400 block of Lincoln 9:03 a.m. EMS 1300 block of 2nd 9:53 a.m. Automatic alarm 600 block of Pico 10:13 a.m. EMS 1800 block of 18th 10:42 a.m. EMS 1900 block of Santa Monica 10:46 a.m. EMS 1300 block of Idaho 11:25 a.m. EMS 1800 block of Pearl 12:33 p.m.

Beach 11:39 a.m.

Audible burglar alarm 100 block of Ocean Park 11:40 a.m.

Burglary report 2400 block of Olympic 11:46 a.m.

Trespassing 600 block of Ocean 11:51 a.m. Burglary 700 block of Ocean 12:49 p.m. Mark and tag abandoned vehicle 1100 block of Hill 1:31 a.m.

Trespassing 1600 block of 19th 1:32 a.m. Auto burglary 7th/Broadway 1:42 a.m. Urinating in public 1500 block of Palisades park 1:49 a.m.

Mark and tag abandoned vehicle 700 block of 11th 2:03 p.m.

Trespassing 800 block of Broadway 2:30 p.m. Battery 1700 block of Main 3:02 p.m. Person with gun 1100 block of Pico 3:07 p.m. Grand theft 200 block of Santa Monica 3:24 p.m.

Armed robbery 700 block of Broadway 3:33 p.m.

Trespassing 1500 block of Broadway 4:27 p.m. Drinking in public 2000 block of Ocean 4:36 p.m.

Trespassing 1900 block of Lincoln 5:04 p.m. Suspicious person 1800 block of Cloverfield 5:17 p.m.

Indecent exposure 2800 block of Ocean Front Walk 5:29 p.m.

Trespassing 1300 block of 2nd 5:32 p.m. Auto burglary 1100 block of PCH 5:50 p.m. Hit and run 1400 block of Montana 6:24 p.m. Hit and run 1200 block of 9th 7:19 p.m. Public intoxication 500 block of Pico 7:48 p.m. Auto burglary 1300 block of 20th 8:27 p.m. Trespassing 1600 block of Main 10:15 p.m.

EMS 600 block of Colorado 12:59 p.m. EMS 2800 block of Ocean Front Walk 1:08 p.m. EMS 1400 block of 3rd St Prom 1:45 p.m. EMS 1300 block of 6th 2:11 p.m. EMS 7th/ Olympic 2:34 p.m. EMS 1300 block of Pacific 2:37 p.m. Haz Mat- Level 1 400 block of California 2:44 p.m. EMS 700 block of Broadway 2:57 p.m. EMS 2500 block of Pico 3:08 p.m. Automatic alarm 1400 block of 5th 3:54 p.m. Automatic alarm 1200 block of 15th 4:48 p.m. EMS 1200 block of 6th 4:50 p.m. EMS Ocean/Olympic 5:04 p.m. Odor of Natural gas 900 block of 15th 5:43 p.m. EMS 800 block of Montana 6:34 p.m. EMS 700 block of Broadway 7:18 p.m. Structure fire 2400 block of Centinela 8:06 p.m. EMS 2500 block of Wilshire 8:42 p.m. EMS Lincoln/ Ocean Park 8:44 p.m.

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WELL NEWS BY SCOTT LAFEE **MYSTERY PHOTO** Draw Date: 10/13 Fall is Coming, Every Second of Every Day Fantasy 5 2 6 10 15 28 Every second of every day, an older American falls, making falling the number one cause of Draw Date: 10/13

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Draw Date: 10/13

1st: 12 Lucky Charms

3rd: 08 Gorgeous George

2nd: 10 Solid Gold

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EVENING: 313

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injuries and death in the United States for people age 65 and older. In 2014, according to the Centers for Disease Control, older Americans experienced 29 million falls, resulting in 7 million injuries, 2.8 million visits to the emergency room, 800,000 hospitalizations and 27,000 deaths. The related annual Medicare cost alone for 2014 was estimated to be \$31 billion.

With more than 10,000 Baby Boomers turning 65 each day, the number of fall-related injuries and deaths is expected to surge, with ever

greater consequences. Most adult falls are preventable, say health experts, who urge doctors and older patients to make fall prevention a higher priority, from regular assessments of gait and balance, medication regimes and exercise programs to adapting homes and lifestyles to minimize risks.

"Older adult falls are increasing and, sadly,

often herald the end of independence," said CDC director Tom Frieden. "Healthcare providers can make fall prevention a routine part of care in their practice, and older adults can take steps to protect themselves."

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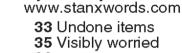
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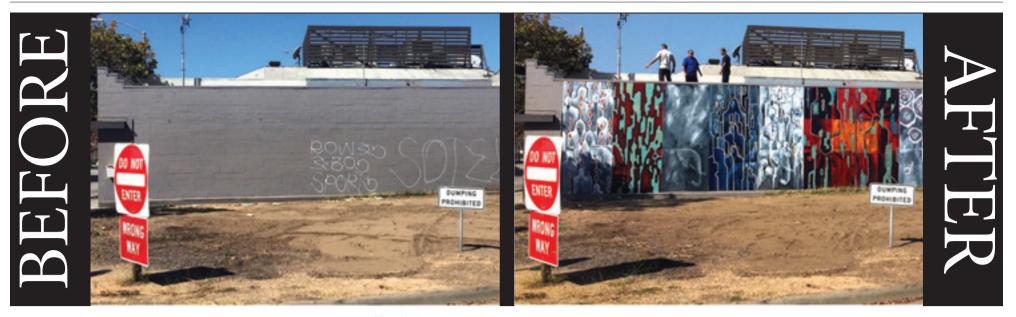
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The mechanics of things can oft interfere with the reality of them. It's why you'll take extra care this year to bring the technical aspects into harmony with the real world effects. Success in this endeavor will affect every part of your life. Your relationships will sing high octaves and your finances will provide the bass notes. Cancer and Leo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 40, 22, 31 and 9.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

You don't have to spend money to be happy, though when you're out and about it will certainly feel this way. That only means that the marketers are doing their job.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Overnight transformations are the stuff of fairy tales. Reality follows the slow-growth model of striving each day for a small improvement. In four weeks you'll look back and be impressed by how much you've changed.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)

It may seem that resisting temptation is only making it harder to resist temptation. However, if you persist, there will come a time in which this trend reverses, and you'll no longer want what's bad for you.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)

Half-full, half-empty -- if the glass has anything in it at all, it's serving the purpose it was made for. Perhaps we don't need to judge it with such precision. Perhaps we only need to drink.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

There's so much that's going right for you today. Then there's this little section of, well -- what doesn't get better by chance might get better with a concerted effort. And even if it doesn't, at least you can say you tried.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

Your even mood makes this an ideal time to do some emotional planning. Make a list of all of the things that could possibly help, should you fall into an emotional rut. If you happen to run into trouble later, you'll be ready.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

The next step is just like the last step. It's going to go on like this for a while. You're used to it by now. Maybe you're even deciding that you love it. The end of the day will bring a mild twist -- something wonderful to ponder.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

On a mystical level, it's intriguing how you can focus yourself in a certain way and then suddenly it's all you can see. On a practical level, the self-fulfilling prophecy phenomenon is all too real. It's something you'll experience and control today.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

What you used to be afraid of is now old hat: Slap it on; look great; no problem. You'll help another through a fear today -- very real, and very silly, too.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

When others start looking to you, talking to you, asking you for advice, it can be very intoxicating to the ego at the beginning. The only way to counter this is to do something intentionally humbling.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

You hope that some people will forget you, others will remember you with a stinging poignancy and, in the case of tonight, others will merely remember to give you your food, your money or both.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

Even the best baseball players find it hard to hit a curveball. Most would agree, though, that the best way to know what's going to come at you is to study the pitcher.

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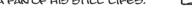
While the rock 'n' roll attitude is to knock over the amp and burn the guitar, there are certain things that seem like they would be fun to do that you're not going to do because there are too many risks involved. To consider the consequences and rule certain things out is wise and mature, and it will ultimately stand you in good stead.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica invites Contractors to complete and submit proposals for the:

Fire Training Facility Lot Improvements SP2401

Bids shall be delivered to the City of Santa Monica, Office of the City Clerk, Room 102, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California, 90401, not later than 2:30 p.m. on November 14, 2016 to be publicly opened and read aloud after 3:00 p.m. on said date in the City Hall Council Chambers. Each Bid shall be in accordance with the Request for Bids.

NON-MANDATORY PRE-BID JOB WALK: October 17, 2016, 9:30 am Fire Department Training Yard, inside City Yards 2500 Michigan Ave., Santa Monica, CA 90401

PROJECT ESTIMATE: \$350,000 CONTRACT DAYS: 60 Calendar days LIQUIDATED DAMAGES: \$900 Per Day

Bidding Documents may be obtained by logging onto the City's bidding website at: http://www.smgov.net/planetbids/. The Contractor is required to have a Class B license at the time of bid submission. Contractors wishing to be considered must submit Bids containing all information required pursuant to the City's Request for Bids.



Public Meeting Notice

The City of Santa Monica will be holding a Public Meeting to update the community on planned improvements for the City Yards Modernization and the proposed reconfiguration of Gandara Park.

At this meeting, City staff and the design build consultant team will provide the community with an overview on planned improvements to the aging City Yards Facility and the proposed reconfiguration of Gandara Park. There will be the opportunity to discuss the community input received from previous meetings and the integration of that input into the project. Additionally, the status of the project master plan will be presented, including the proposed water treatment plant, integration of public landscape offices, and the reconfiguration of Gandara Park. Furthermore, there will be a group question and answer session with opportunities to provide feedback.

> Meeting Date & Time: Monday, October 24, 2016, 6:30 PM to 8:30 PM

Meeting Location: Virginia Avenue Park – Thelma Terry Building 2200 Virginia Avenue Santa Monica, California 90404

For further information on this project, please contact Tom Afschar at (310) 434-2611 or tom.afschar@smgov.net.

The Thelma Terry Building is wheelchair accessible. For special accommodations, including translation services, please contact Marcelo Serrano at (310) 458-2205 or marcelo.serrano@smgov.net three working days prior to the meeting. TTY/TDD (310) 917-6626.

Virginia Avenue Park is served by Big Blue Bus Line 7. Limited Parking is available.

Light refreshments will be served and a supervised children's activity area will be set up for the duration of the meeting.

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