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TOPICS COVERED BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

PERTENANT ISSUES AND PROGRAMMING:

Better buckle up because we are in the midst of click it or ticket week here in the southland. Law enforcement Agencies statewide will enforce seatbelt and child safety seat laws by issuing tickets Carrying hefty fines. Any driver or passenger over 16 years old caught riding without restraints in the state is subject to fines ranging from \$80 to \$401. The campaign seems to be working because statistics show statewide seatbelt usage around 96 percent, compared to 94 percent last year.

Lax is getting a major facelift that will include two new airline Gates capable of handling superjumbo jets. The tom Bradley international terminal is also getting two new concourses.

If you don't want to hop on a plane but still need to getaway - you can head to the seaside town where many celebrities call home. In tonight's spotlight, Brent weber shows us why sunset beach is so much more than an ordinary place to live... ..

They don't like to name drop here ... because in sunset beach, rich and famous has long been part of the lifestyle. It's that anonymity, in fact, that the local residents like ... everybody has the same desire be he rich and famous or just an ordinary bech bum ... to find a glimpse of Mayberry in the shadow of tinsel town. So if you see current residents like 'west coast chopper' founder Jesse James or his even more famous wife 'Sandra' or Oscar-golden globe and Emmy winning songwriter Paul Williams. Or any of the other famous folks who prefer to remain nameless, well. Try not to act too star struck. After all – they pick up their mail at the post office just like very other sunset beach resident ...

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How would you like to visit the ancient city of Rome without leaving your house? Thanks to Google earth 3-d, you can see the capital of one of history's grandest and most memorable empires

Spinal cord injuries... Amputations... Strokes. Significant conditions that require serious care. A special approach that treats these and other conditions is now moving to the forefront of healthcare. A former t-v actor and athlete... Dorrie Forssmann is known for her love of the outdoors. Her active lifestyle... Though... Came to a screeching halt just a year and a half ago. While tending to two of her horses... One of them jumped... Knocked her down... While the other began to kick in a panic. For Dorrie... It was her worst nightmare comes true. Dorrie... Now a quadriplegic... Turned to a team of doctors at desert orthopedic center on the campus of Eisenhower medical center in Rancho Mirage... Specializing in what's known as physiatry. Dorrie is an exceptional case. She had a significant injury. Doctor Joy White is a physiatrist at desert orthopedic center. She says physiatry deals with a wide range of conditions... From spinal cord and brain injuries... To sore shoulders and arthritis. The physiatrist's goal is to restore function to the patient. If person had back surgery we begin to integrate recovery through all aspects of life. They're social interactions; they're community ambulation, household ambulation, what we call daily activities. As a physiatrist. Doctor White directs a comprehensive rehabilitation team of professionals that may include physical therapists, occupational therapists, recreational therapists, rehabilitation nurses, psychologists, speech-language pathologists and others. Our goal is to help patient have good quality of life despite disability or injury. That approach seems to be working for Dorrie Forstmann. Just over a year ago she couldn't move totally paralyzed. Now ... she's gets around with the help of a walker... And is hoping for more.

It's a Hollywood staple. The derby in Los Feliz has been featured on the big screen in pictures like *Swingers* and attracts Hollywood elite as well as young, hip club goers. And as we show you, it's also a place that traditional burlesque is making a comeback.

Celebrity birthdays

Four actors and one director sat down and came up with a movie... Sounds like a beginning of a joke but this is exactly how the new comedy, *Role Models*, came to be, a story about two losers needing to confront the fact they can't act like teenagers together when they are slammed with DUI...

A new type of motorcycle is hitting streets across the nation, and southern Californians are getting a chance to test-ride the new Spyder roadster at the LA Auto Show November 20th through the 30th. The Spyder is Harley-Davidson's first three wheel vehicle, with one wheel in the rear balanced by two in the front. Part motorcycle and part convertible sports car. Aside from the auto show, test drives will be available at Berts Mega Mall in Covina November 28th through the 30th.

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