



SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA LIFE

DATE: 4-16-08 WEDNESDAY

TIME: 7:30 – 8:00 P.M.

TOPICS COVERED BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

PERTENANT ISSUES AND PROGRAMMING:

OVERVIEW:

Tonight on So Cal Life, we take you to the Hollywood premiere of the most watched Lifetime original movie in 13 years, *The Memory Keeper's Daughter*. Plus, ever wanted Catherine Zeta-Jones' cheekbones, how about Brad Pitt's jaw line? Well our in studio guest is making dreams like that a reality for people across the world. And our community spotlight on San Juan Capistrano continues with a trip to one of the oldest and most historically significant buildings in the city.

NATIONAL NEWS:

I'm sure you're as tired of hearing this as I am but, gas price have gone up once again. This is actually the third time this week we've seen an increase, with the cost of a barrel of gas reaching an all time high of one-hundred-fourteen-dollars a barrel. Analysts say we will see the prices reach \$115 a barrel very soon. Here's a look at some of the cheapest gas in the Southland. Orange County has the least expensive at \$3.55 for a gallon of regular unleaded. Your best deal in both L-A and Riverside Counties is \$3.59. San Bernardino offers \$3.60 a gallon, and the lowest in Ventura County is \$3.63.

Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa will be in Washington DC today to lobby for more money for Southern California's infrastructure. Villaraigosa is part of a 150-member delegation of elected officials and business leaders, who will be in Washington until tomorrow, to meet with federal lawmakers on issues including aviation, public safety, education, housing, and climate change.

COMMUNITY AWARENESS:

We've all had our share of dealing with reckless drivers who go above the speed limit. In fact, a study in 2007 found that the average speed on freeways outside Los Angeles was 78 mph, well above the 70 mph limit. Beverly Hills residents are now trying to fight this dangerous habit by putting forth a bill to install cameras that capture

the faces and license plates of speeding drivers. Although the attempt to pass a bill allowing speed-limit violator cameras in California was denied last year, several cities have approved the use of speed cameras and have already seen a 40% drop in injury crashes.

However, teens are some of the worst offenders. The concern about teen drivers is so great that the California legislature has declared this week "Teen Driver Safety Week". According to California Highway Patrol statistics gathered from 1996 through 2005, state that a driver between the ages of 15 and 19 is three times more likely to be involved in a fatal collision than drivers 30 years or older.

COMMUNITY NEWS:

According to DataQuick, the median price of Southern California homes dropped 24 percent in March with the median price at 385-thousand. Prices in L-A county, specifically, dropped 18-percent, making the median price of a home in L-A County last month 440-thousand, down from \$540-thousand last March.

In today's spotlight on San Juan Capistrano we take you to the centerpoint of the community, Mission San Juan Capistrano.

Swimming is a popular pastime in California. Backyard swimming pools abound in our community. But to enjoy the benefits, you must know how to swim. As Tom Jordan explains, one local swim instructor is making sure that even the youngest learn how to enjoy the pool.

ENTERTAINMENT NEWS:

Our in-studio guest is a world famous plastic surgeon, specializing in giving everyday people the looks of some of the most famous faces in Hollywood. Hear about the amazing work ethic and attitude Down syndrome children brought to *The Memory Keeper's Daughter*.

Find out what caused big-screen movie actor, Dermot Mulroney, to sign on to the made-for-TV movie, *The Memory Keeper's Daughter*. And last night was an emotional one for American Idol; we bring you a re-cap of the performance that touched the country.

Last night, in a heart-wrenching American Idol performance, David Cook sang "Always Be My Baby", while his brother Adam Cook, now battling brain cancer, watched from the front row. Adam gave him a standing ovation and David walked down to hug his brother who sat in his seat. Despite his fragile state, Adam's doctors allowed him to travel to the Idol show accompanied by a medic and a nurse.

Based on the best selling novel by Kim Edwards, *The Memory Keeper's Daughter* is the story of a family falling apart because of a deep, dark secret. The cast includes Emily

Watson and Dermot Mulroney and pairs them up with the director of *The Bodyguard* as Ron Jacobsohn found out at the Hollywood premiere.

CELEBRITY BIRTHDAYS

SPORTS:

We're not sure if he's a Dodger fan, but Former Los Angeles Dodger manager Tommy Lasorda has been asked to attend Pope Benedict XVI's arrival ceremony at the White House as well as a private dinner hosted by President Bush tonight. Lasorda managed the Dodgers from 1977 to 1996 and is now a special adviser to the chairman. Lasorda has also met Pope John Paul II and all the U.S. presidents since Nixon.

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