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The 2024 Homeless Count is so much more than just a headcount of the unhoused

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Arguably, this year could be considered a make or break in terms of tackling the homelessness crisis. Here in Santa Monica, it's impossible to not see some evidence of it and while external factors like the weather and volume of tourists absolutely have an effect, retail outlet occupation and the perception of public safety have unquestionably suffered, while crime and vandalism have increased, or at the very least, not decreased.

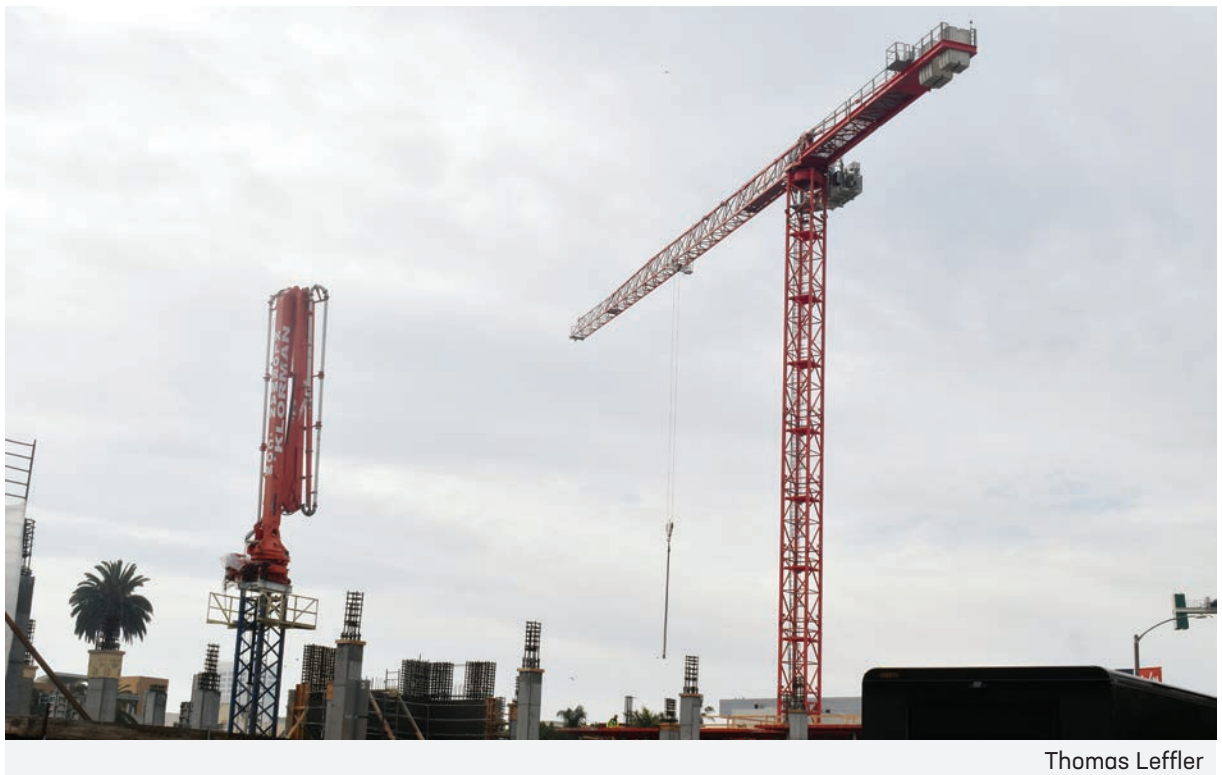
As such, the results of this year's count, which will be made available in approximately three month's time, are going to carry more weight than ever before. Results released by the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (LAHSA) for the 2023 count showed that homelessness increased by about 9% countywide and by 45% in the Santa Monica area.

"I don't know that it's gotten better or worse. I see less [homeless] people on the Promenade, but ... it's kind of tough to say, but I will say in the last 90 days, I do feel like there has been less in the downtown areas for sure," Mayor Pro Tempore Lana Negrete told the Daily Press.

"As you know, everybody likes to say how complicated this problem is. And it is complex, because there are different issues we're dealing with. [For instance] we're dealing with people who are unseen homeless, sharing a bedroom or sleeping in their cars. We call them homeless

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Development density discussion coming to Council



Thomas Leffler

CONSTRUCTION: The city has to adapt to new state rules regarding density.

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

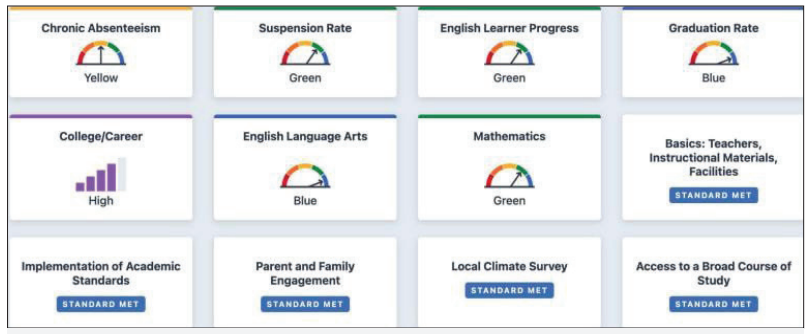
Council's first meeting of the New Year delves into some of Santa Monica's perennial issues (development and rent) but also branches out into new areas of controversy including street parking and the cost of local elections.

DEVELOPMENT RULES:

Senate Bill 35 (SB 35), initially passed in 2017 by the California State Legislature, was amended by SB 423 in 2023. The bill allows qualifying housing projects to opt for a streamlined approval process in jurisdictions not meeting State-mandated housing goals. Preconditions include a minimum percentage of affordable units, labor requirements, and adherence to local planning standards. Annually, the State Department of Housing and Community Development issues an SB 35 determination for cities subject to the bill. Santa Monica was determined to be subject to SB 35 for housing projects with over 50%

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English learners drive testing success and failure at SMMUSD



Courtesy California Department of Education

PERFORMANCE METRICS: The California Department of Education's 2023 California School Dashboard shows Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District's performance in 13 different areas.

THOMAS LEFFLER
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The first round of testing measurements for the year show the local school district generally on par with past results, including a perpetual underperformance of students who are not native English speakers.

The first 2024 meeting of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD) Board of Education dealt with data from the prior year, as results from the 2023 California School Dashboard were shared with board members by SMMUSD Director of Assessment, Research and Evaluation Dr. Stacy Williamson.

An annual report from the California Department of Education, the dashboard shows district performance and progress in 13 different areas that reflect the priorities of California's Local Control Funding Formula and the metrics required by the federal Every Student Succeeds Act. SMMUSD Superintendent Dr. Antonio Shelton stated that the dashboard provides meaningful information on school site and district-wide progress, and that data goes beyond test scores alone for a more "complete picture."

Local education agencies throughout the state received one of five color-coded performance levels on various indicators, those being blue (very high), green

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CREATIVE BLESSING: Saint Anne School unveiled a new mural by acclaimed artist Gustavo Zermeño Jr. on Jan. 17.

SCOOTER INJURIES OCCURRING MORE FREQUENTLY AND WITH GREATER SEVERITY:

A rise in scooter use has been seen throughout Santa Monica and the Greater Los Angeles area, but the transportation method has been linked to an increase in injury frequency and severity nationwide. According to new UCLA-led research, scooter injuries nearly tripled across the United States from 2016 to 2020, along with a similar increase in severe injuries requiring orthopedic and plastic surgery over the same period. Lead author Nam Yong Cho, a third-year medical student at UCLA and a research associate at the UCLA Cardiovascular Outcomes Research Laboratories, noted that injury characteristics are influenced by factors like frequent use of protective gear and mixed road usage among scooter riders.

BIG BLUE BUS REPORTS RISE IN RIDERSHIP, PLUS A NEW SAFETY OFFICER PROGRAM:

Santa Monica-based Big Blue Bus saw steady gains in ridership during the 2022-23 fiscal year, according to a performance year-end report from the organization. Despite challenges in recruiting and retaining Motor Coach Operators (MCOs) and post-COVID recovery, the city-owned public transportation service had success in retaining contactless fare passengers. Additionally, the report notes the increase in ridership on MODE (Mobility On Demand Every Day), the City's demand response service for seniors and people with disabilities. Big Blue Bus carried 7,741,258 passengers in FY 22-23, an increase of 23% compared to the previous fiscal year.

POPULAR SECOND-HAND CLOTHING STORE BUFFALO EXCHANGE PERMANENTLY CLOSES:

The Main Street branch of the popular second-hand clothing store Buffalo Exchange permanently closed its doors on Jan. 14, with the shop's website proclaiming it was a "tough decision" to refocus efforts on other locations. Starting out as the original buy-sell-trade fashion shop in Tucson, Arizona in 1974, Buffalo Exchange now has over 40 stores in the United States, including shops in Sherman Oaks, Melrose, Orange County and Ventura. According to staff, the lease is up on the Main Street location and all stock will be distributed to other outlets in the area. Some staff will be moved to a new store opening soon in Pasadena, but not everyone, since the new outlet is significantly smaller than the Main Street branch.

COMMUNITY COMES OUT TO CELEBRATE MLK HOLIDAY:

Residents from Santa Monica and beyond joined the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Westside Coalition in honoring the civil rights leader's namesake holiday on Jan. 15. Held at the SGI-USA Peace Ikeda Auditorium, the 39th annual celebration was themed "Stop the Hate, Start the Healing," and featured several award presentations and performances. Awards given out by the Westside Coalition included education awards based on creative submissions centered around Dr. King's six principles of nonviolence, as well as the Community Light Award presented to the Jenesse Center and the Nat Trives Service Award given to Trives, the former Santa Monica Mayor dubbed "Mr. Santa Monica."

FREE TELEHEALTH OPTION BOLSTERS DISTRICT MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES:

Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District's mental health resources were fortified before the 2023 winter break via a Telehealth partnership with Hazel Health. One of the nation's top K-12 telehealth providers, Hazel provides student therapy services to district sites with no cost to parents or guardians, giving students the chance to access virtual therapy sessions either during school hours or at home. The Hazel partnership was offered by the Los Angeles County Office of Education, and SMMUSD Mental Health Coordinator Shuli Lotan noted that the district took on the extra resource as a "complimentary option" to other partnerships with local private nonprofit therapy agencies.

RENT CONTROL BOARD FOLLOWS COUNCIL IN BACKING JUSTICE FOR RENTERS ACT:

Following a recent vote of support for the Justice for Renters Act made by Santa Monica City Councilmembers, the city's Rent Control Board followed suit with a unanimous resolution in a Jan. 11 meeting, putting its confidence in the statewide ballot measure that has qualified for the November 2024 ballot. The Justice for Renters Act serves as California voters' third chance to expand rent control rules statewide, appealing the Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act of 1995 which puts limitations on local regulations. Rent Control Board members Lonnie Guinn presented discussion on the item, stating that the board should lend an official motion of support to "meet (their) mission" and "not just let people assume" that they'll support the measure just because of their subject of expertise.

SANTA MONICA'S DOMES ON COURSE FOR MARCH GRAND OPENING:

In November 2023, Downtown Santa Monica, Inc. board members voted unanimously to move ahead with a 360 degree immersive 'dome' entertainment activation on the former site of Parking Structure 3. The project has been tweaked since that time, with the layout changing to feature two domes, each 50ft in diameter,

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GUEST COMMENTARY

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Republican Steve Garvey won't win California's Senate race, so why is he running?

Steve Garvey is not going to be the next U.S. senator from California.

He might do well in the upcoming March primary – and with some luck, the Republican candidate could even finish in first place in a field crowded with capable Democrats. But, to put that in terms the former Los Angeles Dodger and San Diego Padres first baseman might understand, that would be like winning his division, only to go on to face certain defeat in the playoffs.

That makes Garvey's candidacy a puzzle, but it's a mistake to see it as a serious attempt to win office. The last time Californians sent a Republican to the Senate was in 1988, when Pete Wilson won re-election only to then vacate his seat and become the state's governor.

In the intervening decades, California adopted a top-two system for its statewide elections, which can dramatically affect campaign strategies. That means two candidates – irrespective of party – will emerge from the primary and compete in a runoff in November to succeed Laphonza Butler, Gov. Gavin Newsom's replacement after Sen. Dianne Feinstein died in September. Soon after her appointment, Butler declared that she would not run for a full term, opening up the campaign to a host of contenders.

Three Democrats command the field. By every measure, the frontrunner is U.S. Rep. Adam Schiff, the soft-spoken, temperamentally moderate, ideologically liberal former prosecutor perhaps best known for his work in pressing the first impeachment case against then-President Donald Trump. Schiff has raised the most money of any candidate in the race, and he leads in the polls.

Schiff had long been clear about his hopes to succeed Feinstein, so his place in the campaign is expected. Less expected were the candidacies of two other credible Democrats, Reps. Barbara Lee and Katie Porter. Both are serious, well-regarded liberals – the former representing Oakland the latter Orange County. Porter jumped into the race a year ago, before Feinstein announced her plans to retire. Lee disclosed her intentions a few days later.

That's been the challenge: Lee hurts Porter, and Porter hurts Lee. Two progressive women are competing for the votes to Schiff's left, and there just aren't that many votes there to fight for.

One recent poll showed Schiff ahead, supported by about 21% of those surveyed, with Porter and Garvey fighting for second place and Lee trailing.

So maybe Garvey surges over the next few weeks. Maybe the state's Republicans rally around him – though it's hard to see why – and push him past Porter or even past Schiff. Let's say he lands in the No. 1 or No. 2 spot for the runoff. What then?

Does anyone really think that Lee or Porter supporters would transfer their loyalties to a Republican, retired ballplayer – much less one who confronted a marital breakdown and paternity scandal that spawned the infamous T-shirt emblazoned "Steve Garvey is not my padre."

The result is that Garvey's candidacy creates froth but does not alter the fundamentals. As people hear he's a Republican and in the race, he jumps up in the polls because he gives conservatives someone to back, and California has enough Republicans that it moves the needle on surveys and generates "shake-up" headlines.

That has real implications for Lee and Porter, but no real possibility of changing the political outcome in November. Indeed, the biggest beneficiary of all of this is Schiff, who may get the chance to face a Republican in November rather than a potentially wildfire-catching Democrat.

Garvey, those close to Schiff say, is their gift from heaven.

The other clear indicator that Garvey is not really in this race to win is the way his campaign has approached it. His website extols his history as a ballplayer and businessman, "making him a true role model for those aspiring to leadership and success."

He bravely takes stands against homelessness and "out-of-control inflation," and he promises to "enforce our laws" and "invest in modernizing our military." But he makes no effort to explain how he would address any of these problems. He has rationed interviews, confining himself to bland statements distancing himself from Trump, and limited his public appearances.

He is dodging attention instead of courting it. It almost goes without saying that his campaign did not return repeated interview requests for this column.

What that amounts to is that Garvey is running a campaign of vanity and self-regard. It may make sense as a matter of self-promotion, a way to raise his profile or get some airtime on Fox News. But it's not a genuine attempt to engage issues and offer solutions that might actually help Californians.

Alan Cranston, the veteran California senator who knew this state's politics better than just about anyone, understood the lure of public office and the thrill of running and imagining oneself in power (full disclosure: I interned at Cranston's Washington office in the 1980s). Cranston liked to say that he never offered advice on who to marry or whether to run for office – in both circumstances, that person's mind was always made up.

In Garvey's case, he could've used that advice.

By Jim Newton. This article was originally published by CalMatters.



Surf report

WATER TEMP: **58.1**

MONDAY *FAIR*
SURF: 2-3ft Thigh to waist

Could see another pulse of W/WNW swell reinforcements. Low confidence wind forecast at this point with a potential front sliding into the coast. S wind AM with the PM window behind the front looks best right now -- will still be raw.

TUESDAY *FAIR*
SURF: 2-3ft Thigh to waist

W/WNW swell due to continue, maintaining fun size waves. Morning winds look light, but best to let the 6' dawn patrol high tide ebb out some. A new, longer period WNW swell looks to build late in the day.

Weather

Monday: Rain, mainly before 4pm. High near 61. Chance of precipitation is 90%.
Monday Night: A chance of rain before 10pm, then a slight chance of showers after 10pm. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 51.
Tuesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 65.
Tuesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 50.

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2024/01/22	Mon	8:51 PM	3.60	H
2024/01/23	Tue	01:06 AM	2.41	L
2024/01/23	Tue	07:18 AM	6.02	H
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2024/01/24	Wed	01:47 AM	2.27	L
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Name Change

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAMECase No. 23SMCP00643 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Liuni Monte Giovonni for Change of NameTO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:Petitioner or Attorney: Liuni Monte Giovonni a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Liuni Monte Giovonni to Gian Dipace Montino The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 02/16/2024 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: - The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Glendale CourtHouse 1725 Main Street Santa Monica, CA 90401 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.

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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAMECase No. 23SMCP00639 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Marcus Shawn Wyatt for Change of NameTO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:Petitioner or Attorney: Marcus Shawn Wyatt a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Marcus Shawn Wyatt to Marques Shawn Wyatt The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 02/16/2024 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: - The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Glendale CourtHouse 1725 Main Street Santa Monica, CA 90401 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.

Locals' Night returns for first 2024 event













Photos by Thomas Leffler

PIER: The Santa Monica Pier turned up the heat in January, hosting the first Locals' Night of the new year on Jan. 18. A sizable crowd of visitors took part in typical Pier experiences, such as Santa Monica Trapeze School and the Playland Arcade, but the crowd was also treated to special Locals' Night traditions like a car show and salsa dancing. January's edition of "Salsa on the Pier" featured a dance class hosted by Courtney Parisi and Cesar Romer, followed by a sizzling performance by Gabrielito y La Verdad. Other performances, held in the merry go-round building, included producer and underground artist BENEDEK, as well as Santa Monica-born DJ Jamma-Dee.

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CITY OF SANTA MONICA REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica invites sealed proposals for

RFP: # 398 Carousel Operation and Management

- **Submission Deadline is February 16, 2024 at 5:00 PM Pacific Time.**

Proposals must include forms furnished by the City of Santa Monica. Request for Proposals may be obtained on the **CITY'S ONLINE VENDOR PORTAL**. The website for this Request for Proposals and related documents is OpenGov (https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/santa-monica-ca) There is no charge for the RFP package.

City of Santa Monica

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA PLANNING COMMISSION

SUBJECT: 23ENT-0225 (Appeal of FWHM 23ENT-0103)

1902 18th Street
APPELLANT: Howard Cornin
PROPERTY OWNER: Howard Cornin

A public hearing will be held by the Planning Commission to consider the following request:

Appeal of the Zoning Administrator's denial (23ENT-0103) of a height modification to increase an existing 42" block wall to a proposed height ranging from 5'-7" to 6' along the front and east side parcel lines in the front yard setback. The applicant also requested approval to modify an existing block wall ranging from 5'-3" to 7'-3" in height along the west side parcel line in the front yard setback to a proposed height of 6'. The subject property is located in the Low Density Residential (R2) zoning district. Pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) Section 9.21.050(A)(1), fences, walls, and hedges cannot exceed a maximum height of 42 inches within the required front yard setback as measured from the lowest finished grade adjacent to either side of the fence, wall, or hedge. Pursuant to SMMC Section 9.04.050(D), in the cases of fences, walls, or hedges that are parallel to and within 5 feet of a public sidewalk, grade shall be the elevation of the closest point on the sidewalk. SMMC Section 9.43.080(B) allows an applicant to request a modification to these height limitations in the front, side, and rear setbacks.

DATE/TIME: **WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7, 2024, AT 6:00 PM**

LOCATION: City Council Chamber, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Members of the public unable to attend a meeting but wishing to comment on an item(s) listed on the agenda may submit written comments prior to the public hearing via email to planningcomment@santamonica.gov or via mail to the address listed below. Comments received prior to 12 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be distributed to the Planning Commission prior to the meeting and posted online. All written comments shall be made part of the public record. Please note the agenda item in your comments.

You may also comment in-person at the Planning Commission hearing. Please check the agenda for more detailed instructions on how to comment.

Address your comments to: **Shira Moch, Associate Planner**
Re: 23ENT-0225

VIA E-MAIL: planningcomment@santamonica.gov
VIA MAIL: City Planning Division
1685 Main Street, Mail Stop 28
Santa Monica, CA 90401

MORE INFORMATION
If you want more information about this project or wish to review the project file, please contact Shira Moch by e-mail at Shira.Moch@santamonica.gov. The Zoning Ordinance is available on the City's web site at www.santamonica.gov. For disability-related accommodations, please contact (866) 311-7266 at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Every attempt will be made to provide the requested accommodation. All written materials are available in alternate languages provided the request is received 72 hours prior to the meeting. Santa Monica Big Blue Bus Lines serve City Hall and the Civic Center area. The Expo Line terminus is located at Colorado Avenue and Fourth Street, and is a short walk to City Hall. Public parking is available in front of City Hall, on Olympic Drive, and in the Civic Center Parking Structure (validation free).

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the public hearing.

ESPAÑOL
Esto es una noticia de una audiencia pública para revisar applicaciónes proponiendo desarrollo en Santa Monica. Si deseas más información, favor de llamar a Carmen Gutierrez en la División de Planificación al número (310) 458-2201 ext. 5547.

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(high), yellow (medium), orange (low) and red (very low). Williamson noted that color coding returned in the 2023 dashboard results since the state now has sufficient year-to-year comparable data for California districts.

Two main subjects, English Language Arts (ELA) and Mathematics, remained steady in the district compared to 2022. In the ELA indicator, based on grades 3-8 and grade 11 student performance on either the Smarter Balanced Summative Assessment or the California Alternative Assessment, SMMUSD was coded "blue" for being 56.7 points above grade-level standards, up 1.1 points from 2022. Student lagging behind included "orange" or lower scores for the English Learners and Homeless groups, as well as "yellow" or medium scores for African American, Socioeconomically Disadvantaged students and Students with Disabilities.

Mathematics performance in the same assessments remained similar, with the district remaining 13.6 points above standards, down 2.6 points from 2022. Those in the lower scoring areas included English Learners, Hispanic students and Socioeconomically Disadvantaged students. Williamson said that while participation rate in the ELA and Mathematics assessments were at around 95%, those that do not participate are given the lowest score possible by the state, impacting the student groups that did not meet the 95% rate and skewing districtwide scores for the worse.

Participation rates within smaller student groups have a heavier impact in that groups' assessment scores, such as the Homeless student population's participation (28 out of 31, or 90.3%) being hurt by the three non-participants' low scores. Reasons for non-participation include parents opting students out, students missing assessments due to absences, and/or students not finishing both components of the ELA exam (a writing component along with adaptive test).

"This is the second year that we (have seen) these types of penalties, and it's something that our district has advocated a concern with at our local (Los Angeles County Office of Education) meetings, and we would (like to) see the dashboard representing our students' academic performance, rather than a penalty applied by the state," Williamson said.

One area where the district made what Williamson called a "big jump" was student English Language Acquisition results, measuring how well students understand English when it is not their primary language. In 2023, 45.3% of students who took the test progressed at least one English Learner Progress Indicator (ELPI) level, an increase from 31.1% of progression from 2022. Likewise, students who decreased at least one ELPI level were at 15.7% in 2023, a decrease from 2022's 24.4%.

A continued area of focus for the district is in ELA and Mathematics data for English Learners, with both current and recently reclassified students in these groups declining in both areas. Out of current English Learners students, the 233 students who took ELA assessments fell to 60.8 points below standard, a decrease of 11.5 points from 2022. Although the ELPAC and ELA assessment reports point in different directions, they are different standards and methodology of tests for English learners, as the ELPAC incorporates speaking and listening components beyond the reading and writing-intensive ELA test.

The 236 students who took Mathematics assessments fell 7.6 points to 85 points below standard. Williamson said that the department is aware of needed improvements, and will implement designated and integrated English Language Development at school sites.

Graduation rate was in the "blue" for the district, as 95.2% of SMMUSD students graduated in 2023, though this was a 2.4% decline from 2022 results. District chronic absenteeism was given a medium "yellow" grade, as school year data counting students Kindergarten-8th grade who were absent 10 percent or more of the instructional days enrolled found that 17.1% of district students fit that criteria. This was a decline of 2.2% from the previous year's data. The dashboard covers all absences, excused and unexcused, and Williamson noted that the number of chronic absentees is a "slow and steady" decline.

Indicators not color-coded include met standards in "basics" (teachers, instructional materials, facilities), implementation of academic standards, parent and family engagement, local climate survey, as well as "access to a broad course of study."

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COUNCIL

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affordable units, due to a shortfall in lower-income housing construction. Such projects undergo a simplified review process without public hearings, evaluated against objective design standards. Extending the relevant Interim Zoning Ordinance (IZO) ensures the presence of these design standards for SB 35 projects opting into the streamlined process, similar to the city's Administrative Approval process for housing projects.

PARKING RULES

Council will debate new rules cracking down on oversized vehicles parked on city streets.

According to the staff report, there are about 50 active permits for vehicles that are eight feet in width, or eight feet in height, or twenty feet in length.

SMPD has said the vehicles do not move very often with owners effectively using public streets to store their vehicles, often far from their homes. Other complaints about the current system include the removal of needed parking in neighborhoods due to the large vehicles, vehicles being used as storage sites and abuse of the visitor parking permit to create long-term living situations.

Proposed changes to the system require that the oversized vehicle be parked within a two-block radius of the permitted Santa Monica resident's address, limiting the duration of an oversized vehicle permit for a non-Santa Monica resident to seven days per month and authorizing certain City staff to adopt administrative regulations that are consistent with the ordinance and authorize the Santa Monica Police Department to enforce such administrative regulations.

RENTS

City Staff have been exploring upgrades to the existing tenant protections in the past year including stops at the Rent Control Board and the Housing Commission. Council will hear the proposal to strengthen tenant protections in a variety of ways including new defenses from evictions based on bad-faith rent increases, new prohibitions on discrimination based on housing history (such as homelessness or a lack of a rental history), additional financial assistance for tenants facing an involuntary move through constructive eviction, expanded definitions of tenant harassment and expanded coverage for tenant buyout agreements.

Some of the changes will require voter-approved changes to the City Charter and staff are recommending Council place a resolution on the November ballot covering the changes.

ELECTIONS

Last year, Council approved a budget that includes new fees if candidates for local office want the City Clerk to distribute their candidate statements as part of the election material sent to residents. The new Candidate Statement fee is $1,100 for qualified City Council and Rent Control Board candidates and $1,200 for qualified College and School Board candidates. According to the staff report, candidates would get a refund if the cost of distributing the statements is less than the fee paid. If the costs exceed the fees, the County and/or City will pick up the tab.

CONSENT CALENDAR

The Consent Calendar includes many items that are administrative in nature. While Council can ask for any item to be pulled for discussion, items not explicitly singled out will be approved as a group and without explanation. On the Calendar this week are items including a $3M contract for work on Olympic Blvd, adoption of new routes for 5K and 10K road races, a $175,000 (two-year) contract to increase participation of minority owned companies in city contracts, a $7.4M (five-year) contract with Good Guard Security for new security guards on buses and at bus stops, a 10-year $33.8M contract for custodial services and a $1.7M contract for continued construction work along Wilshire Blvd.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

In addition to the usual rotating door of resignations and appointments to various boards/commissions Council will hear two proposals from various members.

The first, from Councilmembers Zwick, Davis and Torosis asks for several actions tied to Black history. The request includes an annual reading of the City's formal apology to Black residents, installation of the apology outside City Hall, $10,000 in scholarship support for Black students at Samohi and a future report on reparation efforts in other jurisdictions.

The second, from Councilmembers Parra and Negrete, asks the City Manager to partner with DTSM on a potential roller-skating rink in a manner similar to the popular Ice at Santa Monica.

Council will meet in City Hall, 1685 Main Street on Tuesday, Jan. 23 at 5:30 p.m. Full agendas are available online at https://www.smgov.net/departments/clerk/agendas.aspx and meetings can be watched online via the city's YouTube channel.

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SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

BID NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT SMMUSD invites sealed proposals for: RFP #24.02 – Chemical Supplies and Dilution Control Dispensers. All proposals must be electronically submitted via Secure Bids at https://colbisecurebids.com/o/smmusd/chemicalsupplies on or before: February 15, 2024 2:00 P.M. RFP forms and specifications may be obtained in the link provided within this notice

City of Santa Monica

**CITY OF SANTA MONICA
NOTICE INVITING BIDS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that bids will be received by the City of Santa Monica until 3:00 p.m. on the date indicated at which time they will be opened and posted for:

BID #4468 LANGUAGE ACCESS SERVICES

Submission Deadline is February 13, 2024 at 3:00 PM Pacific Time.

Bids must be submitted on forms supplied by the City of Santa Monica. Bid packages containing all forms, specifications, terms and conditions may be obtained on the **CITY'S ONLINE VENDOR PORTAL.** The website for this Notice of Inviting Bids and related documents is: OpenGov (https://secure.procurenow.com/portal/santa-monica-ca). There is no charge for bid package and specifications.

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NEWS

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and four smaller domes. The activation will focus around a brand new animated universe aimed at children that centers around an indigenous little girl, Haiku, who possesses the ability to speak to animals. The site will feature a picnic area, merchandise stalls and bathrooms, as well as food and beverage outlets including a fully licensed bar. The grand opening of the activation will take place in March.

EASTERN MEDICINE EXPANSION, EDUCATION TOP OF MIND FOR SEYHART DUO:

Husband and wife duo Colin and Tara McCannel opened Seyhart in 2020, with the licensed medical professionals overseeing several treatments like acupuncture and "cupping." The space has a recreational lobby, followed by several rooms with the goal of making appointments welcoming and comfortable, in order to address a wide range of issues via its acupuncture technique. Tara notes that Seyhart's goal is to help locals "figure out what they can do themselves to recover and to be better," focusing on methods like acupuncture that hone in on the mind-body connection.

THE PIER WAS NEARLY WRECKED BY WEATHER 41 YEARS AGO, LEARN MORE WITH A WALKING HISTORY TOUR:

Since it first opened on September 9, 1909, the Santa Monica Pier has endured just about everything that both man and Mother Nature can throw at it. This includes an incident back in 1982, when storms swept away the remains of a protective breakwater that surrounded the Pier. The following winter of 1983 was even more severe, with reported swells of over 20 feet repeatedly battering the seaborne structure, causing significant damage. When the storm eventually passed, most of the lower deck of the Pier had been destroyed. This chapter of the Pier's history and more are expanded upon during weekly walking history tours, hosted by Jeff Wynne on Saturdays and Sundays at 10 a.m. Other highlights are hearing about how the beach landscape has changed, the cinematic history of the famous Carousel and how the Pier came about in the first place.

STUNNING SAINT ANNE MURAL LATEST IN VIRTUOSO'S REPERTOIRE:

The latest mural from acclaimed artist Gustavo Zermeño Jr. was unveiled at Saint Anne School on Jan. 17, with one side depicting Saint Anne cradling her child, the Blessed Mary, set against the backdrop of the Santa Monica Pier. The other side depicts Jesus Christ at the edge of the Santa Monica Beach. Zermeño chose Saint Anne School and Church as the location and subject of his latest piece due to his family connections in the community. He attended mass at Saint Anne in his younger years, his parents were wed there, and several family members are alumni of the school. Currently, Zermeño's nephew attends Saint Anne as a second-grader. Also attending the unveiling were Saint Anne Principal Michael Browning, Santa Monica Mayor Pro Tem Lana Negrete and Santa Monica City Councilmembers Oscar de la Torre and Gleam Davis. Monsignor Lloyd Torgerson and Saint Anne Deacon Raul Molina both blessed the mural at the unveiling.

LONGTIME LOCAL FAVORITE BAR JP'S SET TO REOPEN "IN WEEKS":

After nearly two years after an application for a permit to sell alcoholic beverages was seen at 925 Wilshire Blvd suite C, JP's Sports Bar & Grill is set to reopen at the address, one block west from its original location. Transformed into a bar in the 1970s, JP's initially closed at its original Wilshire site in early 2021. JP's management states they're hopeful to open "in a matter of weeks," hoping to be open in time for the Super Bowl in February. Owner Alexander Kallberg told the Daily Press that the main room of the bar will eventually incorporate around 25 television screens, and the back end of the venue will incorporate a second large area with pool tables and television screens.

BMX PROS BRING ENERGY, MESSAGING TO ROOSEVELT STUDENTS:

Roosevelt Elementary School hosted an inaugural Roosevelt RevUP anti-bullying assembly on Jan. 17, featuring BMX freestylers Dustin McCarty and Dennis Westfall. The duo, both professionals who have competed at the highest level in their sport, performed ground-based maneuvers before taking airborne at the center ramp. McCarty and Westfall's variety of tricks left students of all ages stunned, but they also took home lessons in promoting a positive, bully-free school environment.

SANTA MONICA SET FOR 2024 HOMELESS COUNT WITH A FULL COMPLEMENT OF VOLUNTEERS:

On Wednesday, a number of volunteers will gather at St. Monica's Church in Santa Monica and begin counting the unhoused in the city. Part of the 2024 Greater Los Angeles Homeless Count mandated by the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development, the endeavor helps officials to gain a better idea of the number of people unhoused together with demographic trends among the population and locations of concentration. The data is then used to inform local and regional efforts to address homelessness and can ultimately affect how resources are allocated. Results from the 2023 count showed that homelessness increased by about 9% countywide and by 45% in the Santa Monica area. Nationwide, homelessness increased by about 12% last year.

SMC SYNERGY WITH CHAMBER CONNECTS ACADEMICS, NEW INDUSTRIES:

In December 2023, the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce announced a new collaboration with Santa Monica College (SMC), launching the Chamber Talent Connect program for SMC students and local Santa Monica Businesses. Beginning with a webinar on the topic of cloud computing, the program connects students with internships, jobs and interviews for businesses in forward-thinking fields like cloud computing, biotechnology and "blue economy" or aquaculture-related positions. Not only do businesses benefit from the intern and workforce pipeline, they can also help craft SMC's existing and upcoming programs with valuable input. In launching the program, Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce CEO Judy Kruger stated that the Chamber and SMC are "ensuring that (SMC) students are well-equipped to thrive in the rapidly changing economy."

Santa Monica Arrests

For the week of Jan 12th to 18th

Crime	Arrests
Shoplifting	4
Vandalism	3
Assault & Battery	2
Domestic Battery	2
Drunk in Public	2
Possession of Drug Paraphernalia	2
Possession of Methamphetamines	2
Resisting Arrest	2
Warrant	2
Assault with a Deadly Weapon	1
Battery Causing Serious Bodily Injury	1
Brandishing a Deadly Weapon	1
Burglary	1
Carrying A Concealed Dirk Or Dagger	1
Corporal Injury To Spouse	1
Criminal Threat	1
Driving Under the Influence	1
Elder Abuse	1
Indecent Exposure	1
Larceny	1
Loitering for Drug Activity	1
Loitering in Parking Structure	1
Obstructing a Business Establishment	1
Possession of a Controlled Substance	1
Possession of Methamphetamines for Sale	1
Rape	1
Resisting an Executive Officer	1
Robbery	1
Violation of Stay-away Order	1
TOTAL	**41**



HOMELESS COUNT

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because they don't have their own home address and it's hard to make a living in a city where rent and food and health care are expensive," said Negrete.

"Then there's the issue that people are really talking about, which is what's in our face. Those are the unhoused individuals that are literally on the streets ... experiencing drug addiction problems [or] maybe alcohol addiction as well as mental health issues," she said.

"So while we say it's so complex and hard to deal with, we are not going to build our way out of homelessness. Housing these people is not going to solve the problem. And I actually think you cannot house them first without giving them the help first, but it has to be in some sort of facility. It's inhumane and unethical to leave them out there," Negrete said.

Not only are three Council seats up for reelection, namely those of Mayor Phil Brock and Councilmembers Gleam Davis, Christine Parra and Oscar de la Torre, but Proposition 1 is also on the ballot and Dianne Feinstein's senate seat is up for grabs too. And of course then there's the presidential election. Consequently, California's homelessness crisis will be a hot topic of debate, certainly at a city, county and state level.

"The homeless situation down here is still awful. I had to call security four times in less than an hour only a day ago, because there was a guy yelling and screaming at everyone," said Sonia Cain, Manager of The Britannia, adding, "Everybody left the patio because they couldn't deal with it. He got removed, but then he came back again, shouting and screaming. And this is a daily thing.



Thomas Leffler

COUNT: The annual event will be held on Wednesday evening.

"I have to have security in the daytime as well, because it's that bad down here ... [Legion] come straight away when you call them and it definitely helps having them because the police don't do anything. You never see a police car around here," she said.

And while it does indeed feel that conditions along the Promenade have improved, some specific pockets of downtown are still very much trouble zones, possibly because of their proximity to food — and alcohol — sources, but that remains a theory.

Not long ago, customers and staff at Blue Plate Taco on Ocean Avenue had to go through a thoroughly unpleasant experience when a man carrying a half empty bottle of vodka insulted and threatened employees and set a small fire before walking away.

"I think it's getting a little bit better than last year, just because there's more police presence, they hired a private security company and they're enforcing more city ordinances," Luis Vega, General Manager of Blue Plate Taco told the Daily Press. "So I have seen a little bit of an improvement, but certainly not enough to say, 'uh, wow, it's gone.'"

"We had another window smashed a month ago," said Dympna Madeley, Manager of Ye Olde King's Head and the adjacent British-themed gift shop. "They stole one of the iPads that we use for DoorDash and it's all on camera. The woman spent ages trying to climb in through the window. And then someone smashed two windows in the middle of the day. She just threw something through the window and of course we have to pay to get it fixed."

Madeley said that the homeless population who have been around for a long time tend to show more respect. "They're much more neighborly," she said, "They'll say 'hello' and 'good morning' whereas all the new ones coming in on the train, they don't know what to do and what not to do."

In a statement to the Daily Press, City Manager David White, said, "We can't predict the numbers that this year's count will produce, but we know that homelessness is a complex and ongoing issue ... This year's homeless count will be a different experience for us in Santa Monica, as we're transitioning to the county leading the effort rather than handling it in-house ... We're looking forward to understanding the results from LAHSA later this year to inform the city's comprehensive strategic plan for addressing homelessness, currently in development."

"I feel hopeful that we're going to see either a steady state or decrease in homelessness," Councilmember Caroline Torosis said. "I think that we've really put an all hands on deck approach to this and invested not only the money that we get from the state, federal and county level, but then our own general fund money into solving this crisis. And so I feel really hopeful that we're going to see some reward for the work that we've been doing."

"This didn't happen overnight so it's not going to be solved overnight. But at the same time, we use, I think, made visible progress. And that's what you want to see visible progress," she said, adding, "I think things are turning our corner. We just launched our therapeutic transport and we obviously adopted several initiatives last year, which I don't think we've really given them time to see their full potential."

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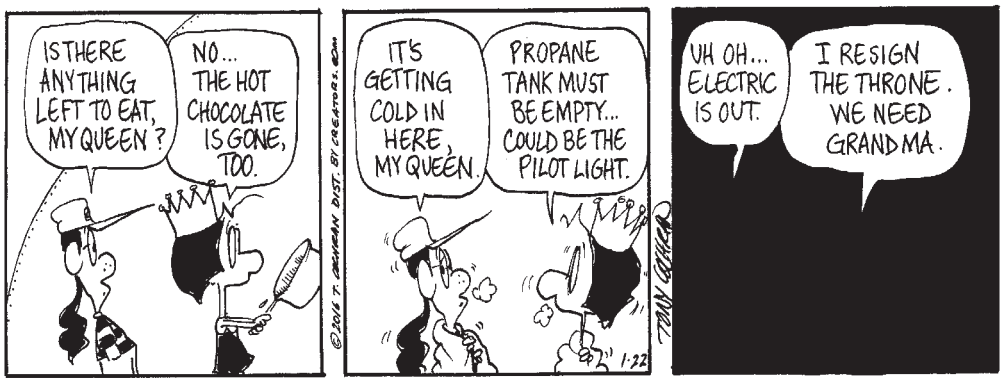
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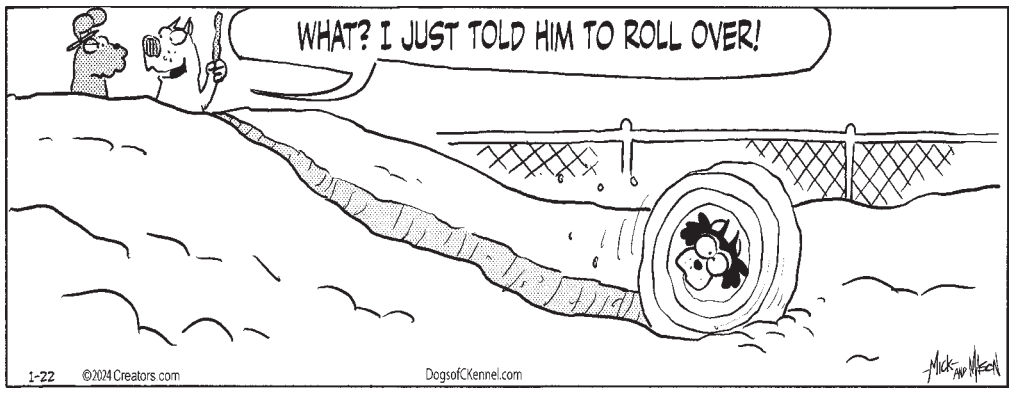
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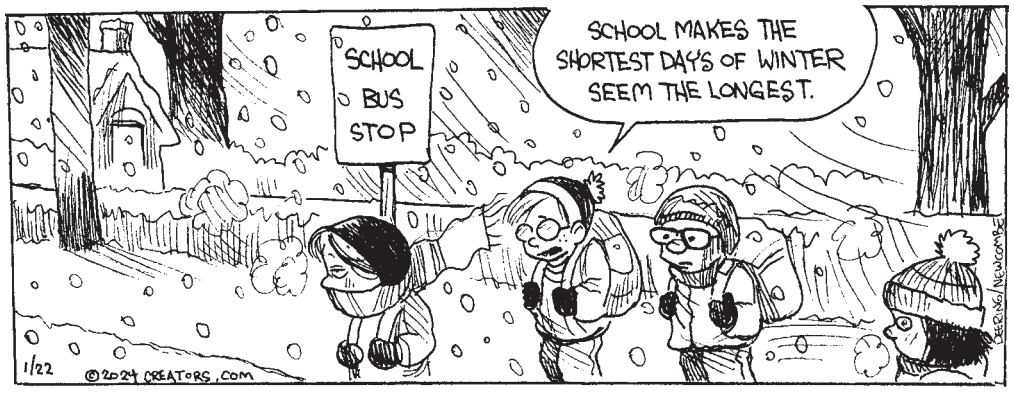
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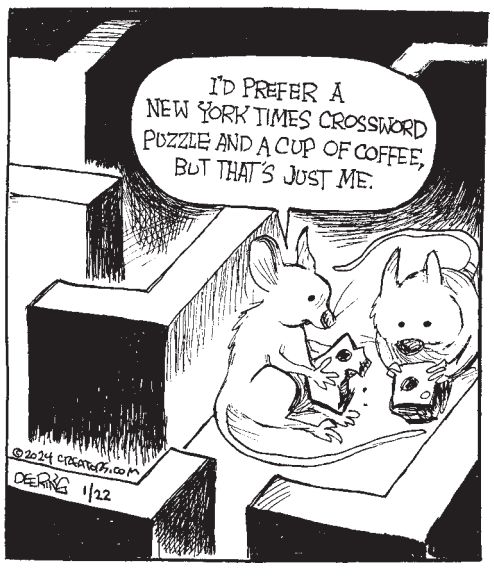
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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 22)

Love will be a constant current in your world this year. You're also feeling brave and will welcome new experiences. You'll grow in knowledge and be decorated for it. Nothing you do is out of selfish ambition. Your burning desire will be for the good of many, and your ambitions reach around others like a hug. Libra and Pisces adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 1, 30, 2, 22 and 11.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's really OK to be thankful to yourself. In fact, you should be. You're as deserving as any of the people you've been giving your appreciation to, if not more so. Emphasize your gratitude. Make a gesture out of it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). People befriend people who listen to them. Listeners will also be followed, promoted and up-voted. In short, wherever there's a choice between listening and talking today, listening is the power move.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). In a fair and balanced relationship, what affects one person for better or worse also affects the other. Two may feel happy, but it would be impossible for one person to feel fulfilled and satisfied if the other person isn't feeling it.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll communicate your personal policies and people will still ask for things outside your realm of giving. At least they've been warned. Some take longer to learn you, but eventually, they'll get it.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Your charm is your secret weapon. You'd much prefer to have an offer so compelling that your personality is merely a bonus that sweetens the deal. But if you need to get your way, you'll bring on the enchantment.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Don't forget that everyone craves the feeling of being needed. It would be a mistake to be overly self-sufficient, as it would rob everyone of the chance to feel necessary, important and bonded in a sense of belonging.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your tools are an important thing to get right, as they become an extension of your work and, as you grow more masterful, an extension of your identity. You'll put energy into curating, maintaining and personalizing the right tools.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll lead if no one else does, but don't offer it up too quickly. Not being in charge is a gift that keeps giving if you let it. It's good to know you can trust people to do a good job with or without your involvement.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You prefer endeavors that require tenacity. If it doesn't engage your inner drive, it's not worthy of you. Worthy endeavors take grit, which you have plenty of, and which counts more than talent, resources or connections.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Dreaming invigorates you. You'll get energy from imagining life the way you want it. The next steps are energizing, too. Goal setting and planning will be a joy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Suggestions come from all sides, bosses, mentors, partners, your own head... Weed out the unhelpful, home in on the best and brightest, and listen to the ones likely to do you the most good.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). People around you behaving badly will hold no sway over your own actions, but why risk it? Distant people behaving badly will not even enter your realm of consciousness, which is much better.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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Newsday Crossword

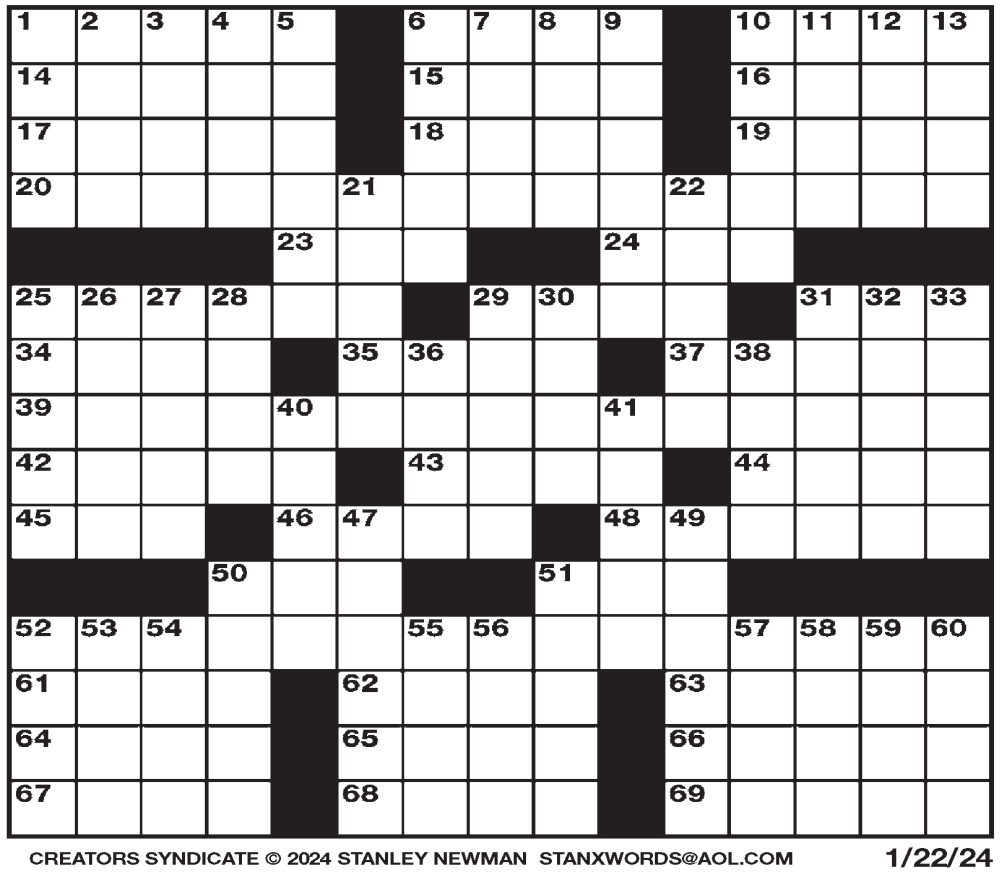
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ACROSS

1 Confident manner
6 Open-handed smack
10 Cease
14 States under oath
15 Song
16 Biggest of the Three Bears
17 A beginner in
18 Meals for horses
19 Plow-pulling bovines
20 Beverage squeezed from a large citrus
23 Shade tree
24 Have breakfast. say
25 __ party (teen sleepover)
29 Group of cattle
31 Sales __ (worker on commission)
34 Strong smell
35 Practice boxing
37 Wear away
39 Flapjacks + some "scrambled"
42 "No bet"
43 Not very good
44 12-inch lengths
45 To the __ degree (highly)
46 Phone image to touch
48 Beauty parlor creation
50 "Without further __. . ."
51 Zero
52 Browned brown bread
61 Coin of France
62 Influence unfairly
63 Banquet host
64 Make preparations
65 Cajun veggie
66 Solemn ceremonies
67 Colorful story
68 Holler
69 Tour of duty

DOWN

1 Feeling of hunger
2 Located above
3 Des Moines' state
4 Make a trade
5 High regard
6 Thundery weather
7 Hawaiian feast
8 Prefix meaning "against"
9 Annoy persistently
10 Teakettle's holey part
11 Car with a meter
12 Oil cartel
13 Sheet of glass
21 Pocket bottle for liquor
22 Bored with everything
25 Make a surprise visit
26 Adjust to changes
27 "Big fish" Bible guy
28 Curved lines
29 Is wearing
30 Historical periods
31 Jolly __ (pirate flag)
32 Narrowly defeated
33 Green pasta sauce
36 Coin of Mexico
38 Lowered-payment loan, for short
40 "All kidding __ . . ."
41 __ game (pitcher's dream)
47 Any guy in a rodeo
49 Makes changes to
50 Without assistance
51 __ congestion (cold symptom)
52 Had shed tears
53 Hawaiian dance
54 Spoken aloud
55 Long walk in the woods
56 __ Grey tea
57 Don't include
58 First part of a play
59 Had noticed
60 Student exam



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Name Change

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAMECase No. 23SMCP00649 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Irina Yuryevna Egorova for Change of NameTO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:Petitioner or Attorney: Irina Yuryevna Egorova a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Irina Yuryevna Egorova to Irina Russo The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 02/16/2024 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: - The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Glendale CourtHouse 1725 Main Street Santa Monica, CA 90401 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAMECase No. 24SVECP00019 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Rachel Marie Litchmen for Change of NameTO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:Petitioner or Attorney: Rachel Marie Litchmen a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Rachel Marie Litchmen to Rachel Marie-Litchmen Willingham The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 03/01/2024 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: w Room: 610 The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Van Nuys CourtHouse 6230 Sylmar Ave Van Nuys, CA 91401A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.

Name Change

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAMECase No. 24SMCP00033 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Martha Lidia Ferrufino De Escalante for Change of NameTO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:Petitioner or Attorney: Martha Lidia Ferrufino De Escalante a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Martha Lidia Ferrufino De Escalante to Martha Lidia Escalante The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 05/17/2024 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: - The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Glendale CourtHouse 1725 Main Street Santa Monica, CA 90401 A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.

DBA

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2024008811 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 01/16/24The following person(s) is (are) doing business as HARD VISUALS 2920 ½ Exposition Boulevard Santa Monica, CA 90404. Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): Ai #ON The full name of the registrant(s) is/are William McCormick 2920 ½ Exposition Boulevard Santa Monica, CA 90404. If corporation or LLC- Print State of Incorporation/Organization: This Business is conducted by: An Individual The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: N/ ARegistrant/Corp/ LLC Name /s/: William McComrick Title: owner William McCormick This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 01/17/24NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. ,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS01/22/24, 01/29/24, 02/05/24, 02/13/24

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 20240092922 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 01/17/24The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Aqua Blue Lagoons 17090 Palisades Circle Pacific Palisades, CA 90272 Articles of Incorporation or Organization Number (if applicable): Ai #ON The full name of the registrant(s) is/ are Darin Marten Construction Company 17090 Palisades Circle Pacific Palisades, CA 90272 If corporation or LLC- Print State of Incorporation/ Organization: This Business is conducted by: A Corporation The date registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on: 09/2000Registrant/ Corp/ LLC Name /s/: William McComrick Title: owner William McCormick This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 01/17/2024NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411 et seq. ,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS01/22/24, 01/29/24, 02/05/24, 02/13/24

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MONDAY | JANUARY 22

CITIZENSHIP CLASSES

An ongoing series of citizenship classes taught by Adult Education Center instructors. Classes are free and students must be 18 years or older to attend. Community parents and SMMUSD parents have priority enrollment. The classes help students complete and submit their U.S. citizenship applications, and prepare them for the official review. Enrollment is through the SMMUSD Adult Education Center (310) 664-6222, ext. 76203 or osaucedo@smmusd.org. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd. 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

AIRPORT COMMISSION

7 p.m. until concluded. Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main St. https://www.smgov.net/Departments/Airport/Commission.

COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT

7 - 9:30 p.m. Civic Center Parking Structure, 333 Civic Center Dr, SMI Room. The Commission on Sustainability, Environmental Justice and the Environment shall act in an advisory capacity on sustainability, environmental programs and policy issues. The Commission closely monitors the Santa Monica's Sustainable City Plan and advises the Council on plan implementation. The Commission on Sustainability, Environment Justice, and the environment is an expert panel made up of seven (7) members selected by the City Council with 4 year terms. Commissioners must have significant expertise in one or more areas of environmental policy and must reside or work in Santa Monica.

TUESDAY | JANUARY 23

TUESDAY TALES: A TRAVELING STORYTIME

10:30 - 11 a.m. Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Blvd. This engaging & fun weekly series of stories, songs and rhymes travels to different library locations. Limited space; free tickets available at 10:15 a.m. For ages 2-5.

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

5:30 PM until concluded, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main St. The City Council is made up of seven members elected at-large for staggered four-year terms. Every two years, after each election, the City Council selects one of its members to serve as Mayor and another to serve as Mayor Pro Tempore. https://www.smgov.net/departments/clerk/agendas.aspx

DUNGEONS & DRAGONS CLUB

4:30 - 6 p.m. Montana Branch Library, 1704 Montana Avenue. Learn how to play Dungeons & Dragons at the Library, from crafting the perfect character to participating in a short campaign. Materials provided. No registration necessary. For ages 10-18.

WEDNESDAY | JANUARY 24

COMMON APPLICATION WORKSHOP

1 - 2:30 p.m. Virtual. The Common Application is a web based application that is used by over 600 local and out of state colleges and universities (e.g. USC, Pepperdine, and LMU to name a few). An SMC counselor will explain how to complete the Common Application. https://www.smc.edu/calendar/index.php#event-details/7cf28761-b400-4d1b-9e3a-d55fd54fb9d0

E-MEDIA Q&A

7 p.m. - 8 p.m. West Los Angeles Regional Branch Library, 11360 Santa Monica Boulevard. Want to learn how to get e-books, audiobooks, movies, and the NY Times, WSJ, Washington Post for free? Access Consumer Reports? Would you like to go to the zoo, CA state parks, Grammy, or Natural History Museum for Zilch? Stream 20M songs? Come learn how it's all free with your library card! Bring any questions you have about our e-media resources or the library in general, and we'll assist or just come in to listen and learn. Very casual, small group.

THURSDAY | JANUARY 25

TK-K ROUNDUP

Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District TK and Kindergarten Roundup will take place at neighborhood schools throughout the day, and is an opportunity for Santa Monica and Malibu parents of children entering TK or Kindergarten for the upcoming year to meet the principal and teachers of their neighborhood school, learn about before and after school care, and begin the registration process for the school year. Franklin Elementary begins at 8 a.m., McKinley Elementary, Will Rogers Learning Community and Grant Elementary begin at 9 a.m. Webster Elementary School begins at 1:45 p.m., and Malibu Elementary School begins at 2 p.m. For Edison Language Academy and Santa Monica Alternative School House (SMASH), check with school.

POWER OF BUSINESS

The Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce will host its second annual business summit, "Power of Business," from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. at Santa Monica Brew Works, 1920 Colorado Ave Suite C. Topics covered include workforce, markets and procurement. Includes Emmy Squared best "Detroit-style" pizza and unique craft beer. Tickets $75 for members, $95 for non-members. For sponsorship opportunities contact judy.kruger@smchamber.com. For vendor tables contact leann.oliver@smchamber.com. Registration can be done at: https://santamonicachamber.chambermaster.com/eventregistration/register/22035.

CAROUSEL OF FOOLS

Rogue Artists Ensemble presents a one-night-only immerse carnival party, Carousel of Fools, at the Santa Monica Pier in the historic Looff Hippodrome from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. Features new original interactive performances and visits from colorful characters of Rogue past. The night will include a special taste of Rogues' work in development, "Schlitzie: Alive and Inside the Decaying Sideshow." General admission tickets $40, Carnival VIP $240. Tickets can be purchased at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/carousel-of-fools-tickets-742611841007.

MARINA HOTEL DINNER

An Evening with Buckhorn Vineyards at The Marina del Rey Hotel, 13534 Bali Way, begins at 7 p.m. with the esteemed Buckhorn Portfolio. Savor a seated dinner complemented by exquisite wine pairings from Duckhorn Vineyards, Decoy, Canvasback and more. General admission ticket, $95 per person, comes with a welcome glass of Decoy Brut Cuvée Sparkling Wine and a three-course dinner. Tickets can be purchased at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/an-evening-with-duckhorn-vineyards-at-the-marina-del-rey-hotel-tickets-768652920577.

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- Create A Flexible Plan That Can Shift with Unknowns
- Beautify and Activate Pico Boulevard
- Demolish Temporary and Modular Buildings
- Move the College Toward Sustainability Goals
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- Improve Public Access and Public Safety along Pearl Street

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