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Target and Cedars-Sinai open in or near Santa Monica

MADELEINE PAUKER
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TARGET ANNOUNCES STORE NEAR CITY LIMITS

Target is opening a location just outside city limits in April.

The company announced earlier this month that it plans to open a small store in downtown Santa Monica in 2020, but Santa Monicans won't have to wait that long to visit a Target closer than Culver City or Westwood. A Sawtelle location will open on Santa Monica Boulevard near Bundy Drive on Apr. 7.

Like the downtown Santa Monica store, the location at 11840 Santa Monica Blvd. will be smaller than a typical Target at about 31,000 square feet. Both locations are part of the company's nationwide push to open compact stores in urban neighborhoods.

"(The location) will offer many of the same product categories guests can expect to find in a full-size store, with an assortment that is curated to best serve area residents," a spokesperson said. "It will also offer Order Pickup, where guests can order online and pick up in a store – with nearly all orders ready within an hour."

Target will occupy most of the ground floor of a large new development, leaving about 11,000 square feet for pet retailer Healthy Spot. Developer CIM Group started construction on the black and white building, which also houses 147 apartments in its upper four stories, in February 2016. A car dealership previously occupied the site.

Target will begin hiring about 100 team members for the Sawtelle store at a job fair on Monday, Feb. 4.

CEDARS-SINAI OPENS CLINIC IN MID-CITY

Cedars-Sinai has opened its first primary care practice in Santa Monica.

The healthcare provider has expanded its offices at the corner of Santa Monica Boulevard and 20th Street to add four primary care physicians, labs and X-ray facilities, according to a press release Cedars-Sinai released Jan. 28. The location will also hire specialists in hematology and oncology, neurology, cardiology and ear, nose and throat in the coming months. The office is accepting new patients and accepts most forms of insurance.

"We hope these offices become a healthcare destination for local patients who want Cedars-Sinai care without traveling across town," said Mary Clare Lingel, vice president of strategic integration at Cedars-Sinai.

The 1919 Santa Monica Blvd. site also will serve as the new Santa Monica location for The Angeles Clinic and Research Institute, an affiliate of Cedars-Sinai. The offices will feature a range of prominent cancer specialists and services including hematology and oncology, surgical oncology and subspecialists in breast, lung, urology, gastroenterology and melanoma.

The new physicians will occupy 34,000 square feet across four floors.

The location was previously a Cedars-Sinai gastroenterology practice and is located across the street from the Cedars-Sinai Kerlan-Jobe Institute, an orthopedic clinic. It also adjacent to Saint John's Medical Center and a few blocks from UCLA Medical Center-Santa Monica.

Cedars-Sinai is based in Beverly Hills but since 2015 has acquired a hospital in Marina del Rey and opened primary and urgent care facilities in Culver City and Playa Vista.

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Strong showing for Santa Monicans at Democratic Party election

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Several Santa Monicans will help steer the California Democratic Party in a more progressive direction.

14 locals formed a slate to run for delegate positions in the state party and 11 were elected Jan. 27 to represent Assembly District 50, which stretches from Malibu to Hollywood. The Progressive Slate included 10 Santa Monicans, including City Councilmember Sue Himmelrich, Rent Control Board members Caroline Torosis and Anastasia Foster and Santa Monica Democratic Club President Jon Katz.

Three members of the competing Grassroots Slate were elected: incumbent delegate Steve Bott and Santa Monica College trustee Barry Snell and Tamara Levenson, who co-managed the Westside Democratic HQ.

Almost 1,100 registered Democrats voted in an election that has historically attracted only a few hundred voters. Katz said about 1,000 voters cast their ballots for delegates in 2017, driven by an urge to become more involved in the Democratic Party after the election of President Donald Trump.

The new delegates will shape which policies the party promotes as it gears up for the 2020 elections. Katz said he thinks turnout increased in this year's election because Democratic voters are more invested than ever in the direction of the party.

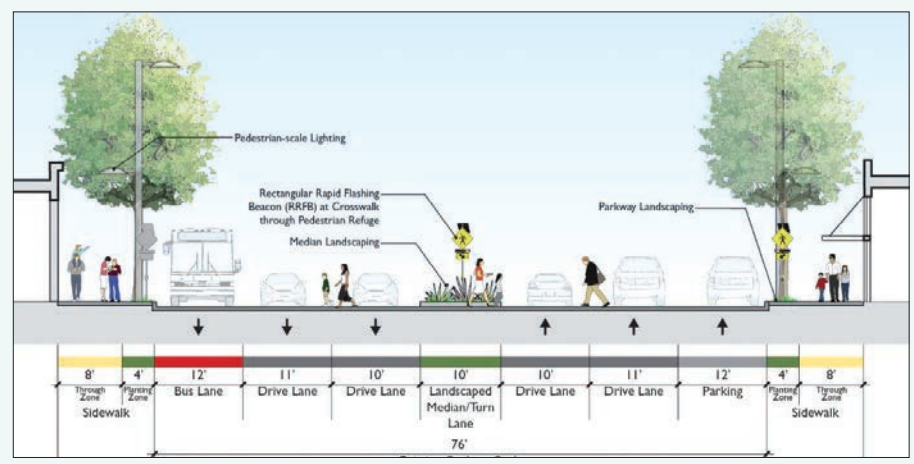
"When you have a Democratic president like Obama who's well-liked, it's easy to get complacent within the party," Katz said. "Now that we're in the Trump era, had a pretty divisive primary two years ago between Clinton and Sanders and are entering a primary where we're going to have more than just two candidates, we have an opportunity to decide what the Democratic Party will stand for, and that's why so many people were out there."

The Progressive Slate ran on a platform of healthcare for all, affordable housing, climate change and immigrant rights. Jennifer Barraza, a new delegate who worked on Kevin de Leon's Senate race, said voters she spoke with were most interested in single-payer healthcare and environmental policies like the Green New Deal.

"We had a strong progressive message

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City plans new Business District to fund Lincoln improvements



Courtesy image

LINC: The plans for Lincoln include significant changes to the street and sidewalk.

MADELEINE PAUKER
Daily Press Staff Writer

Lincoln Boulevard will get its long-awaited streetscape makeover by early 2021.

Construction on the Lincoln Neighborhood Corridor Plan (the LiNC) will start by the end of 2019 and last until early 2021, costing $5 to $6 million. The City of Santa Monica has been working on the LiNC since 2015 and has already installed a bus lane and planted 50 new trees along Lincoln. By

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Wednesday, Jan. 30

Yoga
All levels. Drop in for $15/class or sign up for series. Annenberg Community Beach House Sand & Sea Room 9 - 10 a.m.

Cuentos para pequeños/ Spanish Story Time
Para niños de 2 - 5 años de edad. (9 de enero al 13 de febrero) Fairview Branch Library 10 - 10:30 a.m.

Sogochum Hand Drum Dance with DaEun Jung
This workshop begins with a floor warm-up with deep breath work and acknowledgment of the power of gravity. Learn basic skills for playing a traditional Korean hand drum and simple rhythmic patterns. Practice rhythmic phrases in small groups along with simple dance steps and combinations. Hand drums will be provided. Cost: $5 Register at the link or call (310) 458-2239. Palisades Park 12 - 2 p.m.

Fairview Teen Advisory Group
Looking for opportunities to serve your community? Join our Teen Advisory Group! Help improve teen services at the library and earn community service credit. Grades 8 - 12. Fairview Branch Library 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

Hour of Code: Dance Party
Get introductory experience with coding and computer science in a safe, supportive environment. Code a Dance Party to share with your friends. No prior experience required. Space is limited; registration begins 1/2. FOR GRADES 2-8 Pico Branch Library 3:30 -4:30 p.m.

Soundwaves/Jacaranda Concert: Mahler for Piano Four-Hands
Two Santa Monica concert series team up! The Soundwaves series at the Santa Monica Public Library hosts a preview of Jacaranda Music's two-part February 3 event entitled "Premonitions." This free sample consists of pianists Inna Faliks & Daniel Schlosberg discussing and partially performing Gustav Mahler's Sixth Symphony, arranged for piano 4-hands by Alexander Zemlinsky. For more information visit: www.jacarandamusic.org, soundwavesnewmusic.com, www.innafaliks.com, www.danielschlosberg.com and smpl.org.....Stay tuned for more Soundwaves/Jacaranda collaborations Main Library Martin Luther King, Jr. Auditorium 7:30 - 8:30 p.m.

Thursday, Jan. 31

Gallery open
Annenberg Community Beach House 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

Current Events Discussion Group
Join us for a lively discussion of the latest news with your friends and neighbors. Fairview Branch Library 1 - 2:30 p.m.

Beach Volleyball-Youth
Ages 7-15; all levels; in a semi-private setting. Annenberg Community Beach House 3:30 -5 p.m.

Friday, Feb. 1

Junior Artists: Sponge Paint
Practice fine motor skills, hand-eye coordination, mix colors and have fun painting with a sponge. Limited space; registration starts, 1/18 Best for ages 18-35 months and parent/caregiver Pico Branch Library 12 - 1 pm.

Craft, Swap, or Create @ Your Library
Do you have leftover yarn, extra buttons, or scraps of ribbon you haven't used in months? Join us at the library to share your crafting supplies or find new crafting treasures, and while you are at it, make some time to create, invent and learn a new craft or skill. Sewing machine, crochet tools, and other items available for your use. Pico Branch Library 2:30pm-4:30 pm.

Greg Poree Band
Part of Fireside at the Miles 8:00pm-10:00 pm. Tickets are $10.

For help submitting an event, contact us at **310-458-7737** or submit to events@smdp.com

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Citywide

L.A. County Assessor Receives High Marks From State Board

The California State Board of Equalization released its most recent survey of the Los Angeles County Office of the Assessor's practices and performance. The Assessor's Office, led by Assessor Jeffrey Prang, received a near perfect rating of 99.67. The rating reflects the completeness and accuracy of the Assessment Roll, which is the list of all taxable properties Los Angeles County and their values.

The report stated, "In the area of administration, the Assessor is effectively managing staffing, assessment appeals, disaster relief, and exemptions."

"The survey gives us a great opportunity to reflect on how we can be of the greatest service to the public," said Jeff Prang. "I want to thank the Assessor's Office staff for the continued professionalism that has made such a positive review possible."

Although the County Assessor has the primary responsibility for local property assessment, the Board of Equalization ensures that assessor's offices across California maintain fair and equitable assessments. The Assessment Practices Survey is a periodic evaluation of all California Assessors to make sure they meet State standards. The report is based on a sample of the 2015-16 Assessment Roll, as well as other records and interviews with staff and public agency officials.

SUBMITTED BY MATTHEW LYONS

LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles police seek man after hot dog stand clash

Police are looking for a man who punched two women in a clash at a Los Angeles hot dog stand that was captured on video that's being widely viewed on social media.

In a video the Los Angeles Police Department posted Tuesday on Twitter, the man is shown throwing one of the women to the ground in downtown on Saturday, then punching the second as she approaches.

He punches the first woman as she's standing up and hits the second again as she appears to be standing still, knocking her down. He punches the first woman once again as she winds up to hit him, also knocking her to down.

Multiple bystanders take no action but one shouts "Get him!" as the man jogs away unencumbered.

"This guy brutally punched two women at a hot dog stand," LAPD wrote on Twitter. "Someone knows him, and we would like to be one of those people."

The video doesn't show how the assault begins.

Mike Watson of Long Beach, who identified himself as the father of one of the women in a Facebook post that included the video on Sunday, wrote that the women intervened when the man "was causing a scene about the price" of a hot dog.

"Eventually, one of the vendors tells this guy, who is clearly wanting to start a fight with someone, to just take the hot dog and leave," Watson wrote. "The guy would not leave the hot dog guy alone. (The women) said something to him in attempts to get him to leave thus, standing up for the vendor."

Watson posted the video to ask the public to help identify the man.

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Malibu

State's Debris Removal Crews Complete Site Assessments on 230 Properties Affected by Hill and Woolsey Fires

State-hired contractors have completed site assessments on 230 private properties affected by the Hill and Woolsey fires whose owners have opted into the state's Consolidated Debris Removal Program, officials at the Debris Removal Operations Center in Calabasas announced.

Site assessments are a critical step in the state debris removal program. They must be conducted to begin the debris removal operations on each property. For those opting into the state program, site assessments include photos and documentation of property lines, the location of septic tanks, the footprints of foundations and ash, as well as trees, pools, vehicles and other objects that pose a hazard or hamper operations.

In Los Angeles County, 154 site assessments of properties with damage caused by the Woolsey Fire have been completed. In Ventura County, crews have completed site assessments on 76 properties impacted by the Woolsey and Hill fires. State contractors have also completed asbestos surveys on 98 properties in Los Angeles County and an additional 38 sites in Ventura County.

During the asbestos surveys, state contractors canvass each property for asbestos containing materials (ACMs) and collect samples of materials suspected of containing ACMs for testing. Properties with ACMs are scheduled for abatement. Those with no ACMs present are scheduled for debris removal. Contractors also may tip standing chimneys for later removal.

It is critical for all property owners with structures significantly burned by the fires to clear their debris, either by signing up for the state's Consolidated Debris Removal Program or cleaning the debris privately to avoid creating a public health nuisance and being subject to summary abatement procedures.

Under the state program, administered by the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services (Cal OES) and CalRecycle, participating property owners incur no direct costs for the removal of eligible debris, including ash, metal and concrete, as well as foundations.

Participation in the state program is easy. Property owners, including those who do not have debris removal insurance coverage, only need to complete and submit a Right of Entry (ROE) permit form allowing access to contractors to the Los Angeles County Public Works (PW) or the Ventura County Environmental Health Division, respectively.

Property owners can opt out of the state program and seek approval through the local program to do the work themselves or hire a private contractor, but they will be held to the same safety and environmental standards as those of the state program.

Jan. 31, 2019, is the deadline for property owners in Los Angeles County to submit their ROEs. The local program and ROE application deadline for Ventura County property owners is Feb. 8, 2019.

Property owners can obtain assistance completing their ROEs and meet one-on-one with debris removal experts from their respective counties to discuss their concerns at the Debris Removal Operations Center (DROC) located at 26610 Agoura Road in Calabasas. The DROC is open from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, and from 9 a.m. to 12 noon on Saturdays. ROEs for Ventura County residents also can be submitted to the Ventura County Government Center, Environmental Health Division, 800 S. Victoria Avenue, Ventura.

Property owners who have opted in will be notified 24-48 hours prior to the start of debris removal operations on their property and may walk the property with crews before work begins.

For more information in Los Angeles County, visit lacounty.gov/LACountyRecovers or call 1-626-979-5370.

For more information in Ventura County, visit www.venturacountyrecovers.org or call 1-805-504-7869.

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LOS ANGELES

LA teacher contract knocked by county amid money worries

An oversight agency says a tentative contract between the Los Angeles Unified School District and its teachers' union that includes a 6 percent pay hike may not be sustainable.

Citing concerns over the district's long-term financial outlook, the LA County Office of Education released the analysis Tuesday as the school board was set to vote on whether to ratify the agreement that ended a strike.

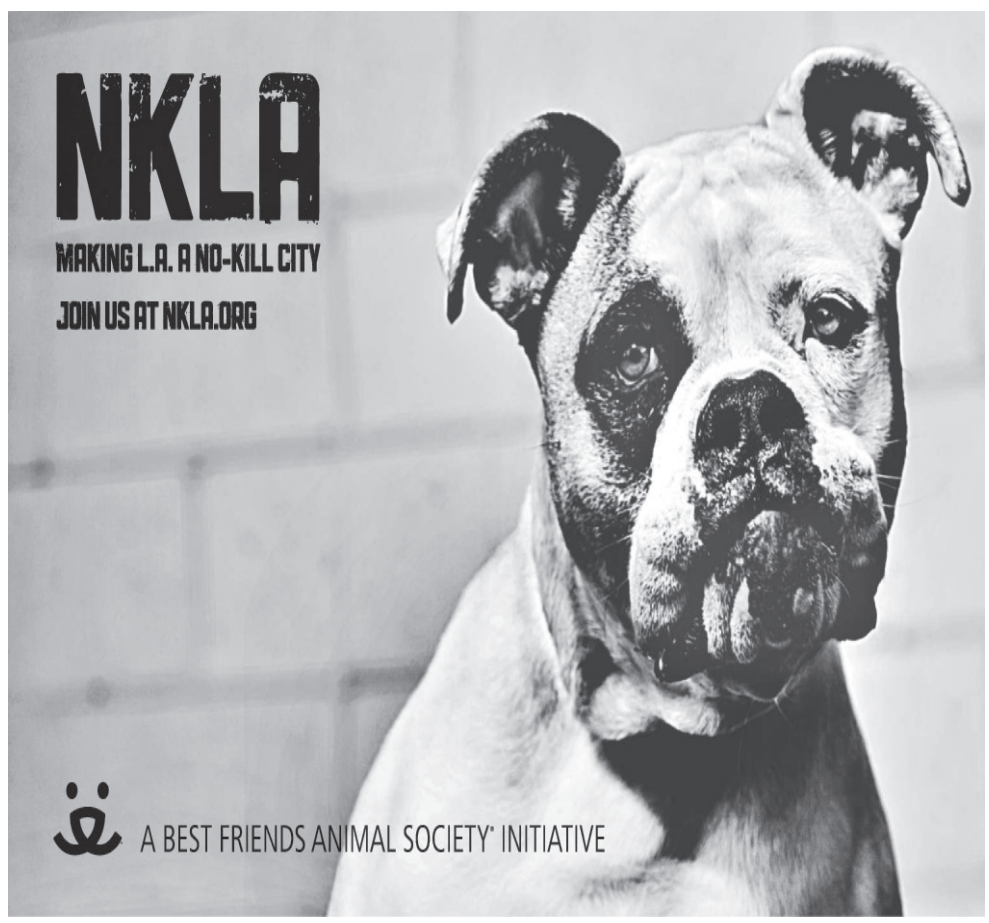
The county report says if the district board approves the deal, it should develop a detailed plan that addresses how it will pay for increased salaries while keeping up its minimum financial reserves.

The district didn't immediately comment on the analysis.

The 30,000 members of United Teachers Los Angeles previously approved the agreement.

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Fool Me Once...

OF COURSE I DIDN'T GO

To the "City Council Retreat" last weekend.

It's not that I'm shirking civic responsibility. And I don't judge anyone who did go. But I've been before and I couldn't imagine this was going to be any different. From accounts I heard and read, it wasn't. An orchestrated PR sham.

They are more than a waste of our time (and money). They are a maddening exercise in our City government's relentless program of trying to convince us how great, correct and moral their agenda for our future is, while clumsily trying to make it appear as though they are actually soliciting and listening to our opinions, priorities and heartfelt desires and will act on them. Like the recent selection of our new City Council member, it's obvious everything has been decided before the doors are opened, and nothing will change their minds.

And since I've mentioned that...

I don't know much about the newest Council member anointed... uh, appointed, last Tuesday by the other Council members. Ana Jara does have a long record of service to the community and at SMC, she is a long-time renter in the Pico neighborhood, and she seems quite qualified and has some admirable ideas. I sincerely wish her the best.

BUT –

That's not why she got the appointment. 76 people applied, but the Council took only two quick rounds of voting to select Jara. Her family was with her that night to celebrate, and obviously many friends and supporters too as the room erupted in cheers at the announcement of her selection. Did they all turn out on the chance she would get the appointment? Maybe.

Council members chose other candidates in the first round of voting, for acknowledgment or payback, I would guess. But somehow, miraculously, they all coalesced for Jara in the second round. Actually, it was 5-1 but Sue Himmelrich, engaging in her pernicious pastime, later changed her vote to make it unanimous.

Jara is a Latina who is opposed to district voting and testified at the trial. Our City has decided to spend more than the millions already spent to appeal the decision, of the lawsuit claiming racial discrimination by Santa Monica governments over many decades. No California city out of a couple dozen similarly challenged has ever won that fight.

Despite flimsy rationales for opposing the switch to districts, the real reason is that it threatens the political structures they've built over decades to maintain power. District voting would lessen the influence of big money donors and the unions and most of all of kingmaker Santa Monicans for Renters Rights (SMRR), and give an ordinary, unbeholden citizen a chance to knock on every door and maybe be elected.

SMRR

Nearly every Council member elected over the last 40 years or so knows they wouldn't be there without the blessing of SMRR, a once-needed organization formed to protect the renting majority in Santa Monica, now seemingly more concerned with maintaining their political power.

I certainly can't know what was inside those six Council heads, but they arrived that night with their marching orders from the boss. SMRR Co-Chair Patricia Hoffman issued this statement prior to the decision: "Diversification on the Council should be a priority. Ideally, we really do want a diverse Council that's reflective of the population of the city. Holding up a cultural mirror is important. It can't be ignored."

I agree wholeheartedly. And Jara fits that description. The perfect candidate. For them. But she is a pawn in the power brokers' maneuvering. She now owes her Council position to SMRR and the other six who voted for her, all SMRR loyalists. Come the next election she will have the extreme benefit of incumbency, and if we do go to district voting, that will make it tough on that Oscar de la Torre guy they can't stand, who would be competing with Jara in the Pico neighborhood. (His wife Maria Loya brought the lawsuit.)

I'VE SEEN IT TOO MANY TIMES

Very recently, the survey we were asked to take, to determine our priorities for our City government. We were given 23 areas to choose from, but among them was NOT mobility, overdevelopment, or senior services. Yet they were of such concern to those who took it (we hope residents, but who knows?) that they all landed in the top 12 as WRITE INS. "Built environment" was there, but without an explanation I have no idea what that means. Also, no "traffic" option among the 23, but no one cares or talks about that, right? Why do you think those topics were omitted? Were we being played?

It reminds me too much of the behavior of the tRump regime. Oh, the wrecking crew in Washington are a bit less sophisticated and they probably care less about appearances (like, zero) but the intent and the process is the same: we're in power (and we got there through highly dubious means) and we're calling the shots and there's not a thing you can do about it, but we will give some cockamamie rationale for all the embarrassing stuff we're forcing down your gullets. And some of you will actually buy it.

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YOSEMITE NATIONAL PARK

California's national parks returning to normal operations

California's signature national parks are getting back to normal operations following the 35-day partial federal government shutdown.

Yosemite National Park's entrance stations were staffed by rangers on Monday to collect fees and provide information.

Elsewhere in the Sierra Nevada, Sequoia and Kings Canyon national parks said they would resume regular winter season operations Tuesday.

In the deserts, staff is back at work at Death Valley and Joshua Tree, although the parks advise that not all functions or areas will be immediately back to normal for reasons including the need to flush and test water systems and clear storm debris.

Operations have also resumed in the huge Santa Monica Mountains National Recreation Area west of Los Angeles but large areas remain closed due to damage from the Woolsey wildfire.

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DES MOINES

Harris: Unpopular positions part of being attorney general

Democratic presidential candidate Kamala Harris defended positions she took as California's attorney general that are unpopular with some Democrats, saying they reflected her duty as the state's top law enforcement officer.

During a CNN town hall-style event Monday night at Drake University, Harris was asked about prosecuting death penalty cases as well as legislation in California to require her office to investigate all police-related fatal shootings.

Harris, who was attorney general from 2011 until she took office as a U.S. senator in 2017, said she enforced the death penalty despite opposing it.

"It's a flawed system. It is applied unequally based on race and based on income," she said in answering student Riley Fink's question in the school's Sheslow Auditorium in Des Moines.

Harris said she chose not to take a public position on the fatal shootings legislation in 2015 because her office would write the law and enforce it. She did say at the time, however, that she did not support the notion of superseding local prosecutors.

Fatal shootings by police of unarmed black men have become a rallying point among a swath of Democratic-leaning voters.

Harris has faced scrutiny of her background as a prosecutor early in the 2020 presidential discussion. The town hall Monday night was her first public event in Iowa – the state will host the first presidential caucuses of the primary season – since she declared her candidacy.

Sens. Kirsten Gillibrand of New York and Elizabeth Warren of Massachusetts, who have taken steps toward presidential bids of their own, also have been confronted with questions about potential liabilities during appearances in Iowa this month.

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DEMOCRATIC

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and I think that really resonated with voters," said Sion Roy, a returning delegate and newly elected SMC trustee. "Progressives in California want to maintain our influence on the strongest state Democratic Company in the country because what we say informs the direction of the national party, which is super important as we head into the presidential election."

Steve Bott, a member of the Grassroots Slate who was elected, said the two slates' platforms did not significantly differ but each slate represented different parts of the Westside.

"We wanted representation for Hollywood, West Hollywood and Mid-City, mainly because most of the Progressive Slate was from Santa Monica," Bott said. "We also tried to bring folks pursuing progressive agendas in their communities who weren't plugged into Democratic politics into the fold."

Bott said the slate is interested in making future delegate elections more accessible.

"Both slates worked harder to turn out their supporters this year," he said. "I think turnout will continue to increase, and it's great for the party because it's a way to expose people who haven't been involved in this kind of politics."

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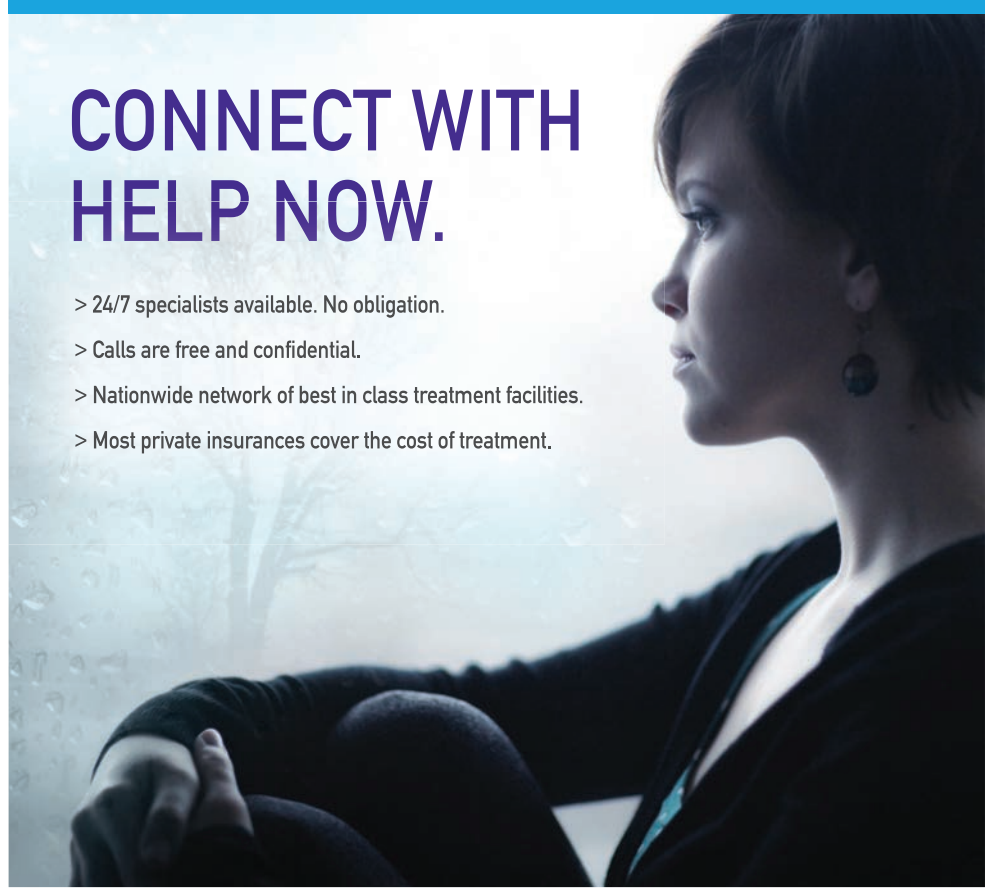
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Apple to fix FaceTime bug that allows eavesdropping

Apple has disabled a group-chat function in FaceTime after users said a software bug could let callers activate another person's microphone remotely.

With the bug, a FaceTime user calling another iPhone, iPad or Mac computer could hear audio – even if the receiver did not accept the call. The bug is triggered when callers add themselves to the same call to launch a group chat. That makes FaceTime think the receiver had accepted the chat.

The bug, demonstrated through videos online, comes as an embarrassment for a company that is trying to distinguish itself by stressing its commitment to users' privacy.

"This is a big hit to their brand," said Dave Kennedy, CEO of Ohio-based security firm TrustedSec. "There's been a long period of time people could have used that to eavesdrop. These things definitely should be caught prior to ever being released."

Kennedy, however, commended Apple's quick response this week following reports of the bug by tech blogs. He predicted the reputational dent could soon be forgotten if it doesn't become part of a pattern.

"We're aware of this issue and we have identified a fix that will be released in a software update later this week," Apple said in a statement Tuesday.

Its online support page noted that there was a technical issue with the application and that Group Facetime "is temporarily unavailable."

Apple had introduced the 32-person video conferencing feature in October for iPhones, iPads and Macs. Regular, two-person FaceTime calls aren't affected unless the caller turns it into a group chat.

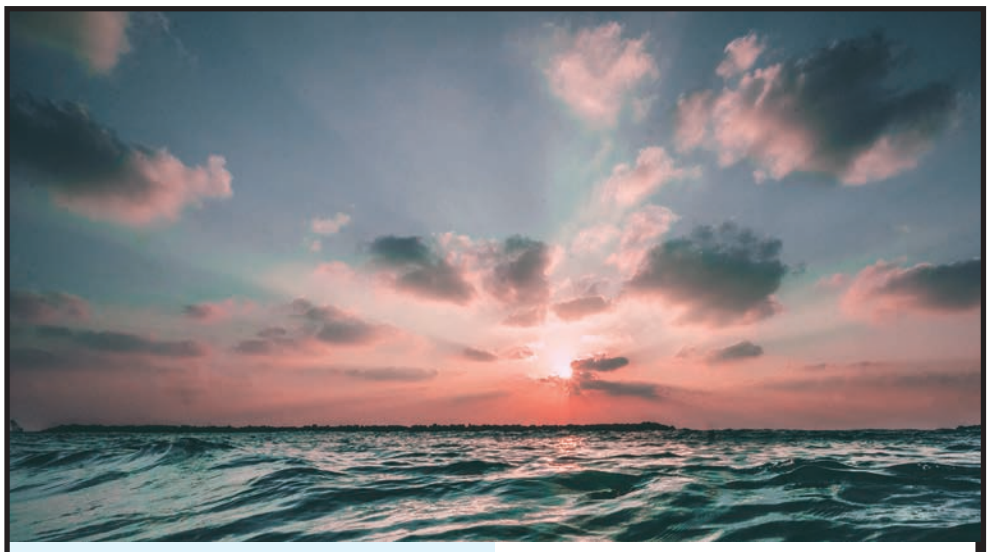
It's hard to know if anyone exploited the bug maliciously, said Erka Koivunen, chief information security officer for Finnish company F-Secure. He said it would have been hard to use the bug to spy on someone, as the phone would ring first – and it's easy to identify who called.

New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo released a statement warning people about the bug and urging people to disable the app until Apple fixes the issue.

Apple was due to report its latest quarterly earnings Tuesday amid intense investor interest in the company's financial health. Earlier this month, Apple said that demand for iPhones was waning and that its earnings for the final quarter of 2018 would be below expectations – a rare downgrade from the company.

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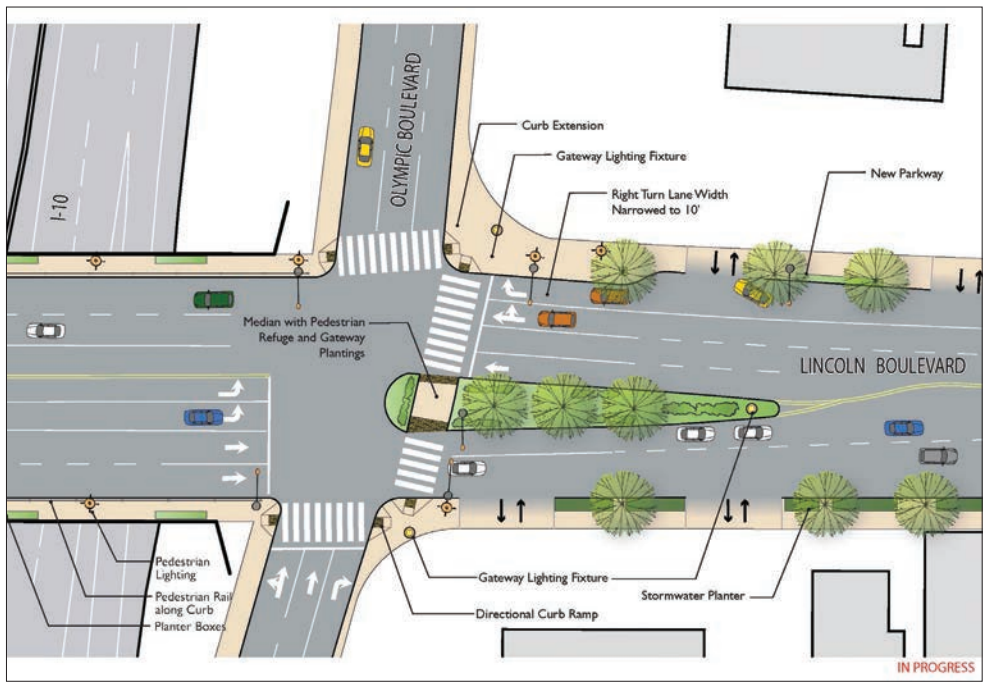
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PLANS: **Some if the changes will require ongoing funding to maintain.**

LINCOLN

FROM PAGE 1

2021, Lincoln will have new medians, curb ramps and bike connectors, as well as new workers to maintain the corridor.

South of the 10, Lincoln features fast food joints and hole-in-the-wall restaurants, car rental companies and gas stations, grocery store Gelson's and Olympic High School. The plan is meant to lure new visitors and businesses to the corridor with attractive landscaping, banners above Olympic and Ozone and a business improvement district (BID) that will keep the street clean and deploy ambassadors similar to those in downtown Santa Monica.

Planners said the BID will be necessary to maintain the improvements LiNC will put in and will put Lincoln businesses on the same playing field as other Santa Monica districts with BIDs.

Business owners have reacted favorably to paying assessments on their properties to fund a $250,000 annual budget that would pay for cleaners, ambassadors and a part-time coordinator to plan special projects to activate the corridor, planners said.

The City plans to start forming the BID by the end of February by circulating a petition, mailing ballots to property and business owners and holding a public hearing. The BID could be up and running as early as July 2020.

New pedestrian and bicycle infrastructure will make the busy corridor safer. There will be three new crosswalks on Grant Street, Pine Street and Wilson Place. Small groups of restaurants cluster around Grant and Wilson and Pine intersects Lincoln in front of Olympic High School.

The City will also enhance existing crosswalks at Olympic Boulevard, Pearl Street, Hill Street and Ashland Avenue. When the plan is completed, pedestrians will be able to traverse Lincoln at almost every cross street.

The City may also add more than 100 new LED pedestrian lights at 15-foot intervals along the street after 2021 if it has enough money to do so.

Construction will be separated into five zones of three to four blocks between the 10 freeway and Ozone Avenue and each zone will take three to four months to complete. Two lanes in each direction on Lincoln will remain open, but some side streets may be closed for two to three weeks and bus stops may be temporarily relocated.

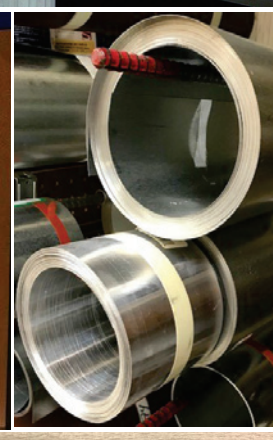
Nearby residents who attended a LiNC community meeting Monday night said they were satisfied with the City's efforts to minimize disruption during construction but were concerned that the project will draw new visitors to Lincoln who will increase demand for parking.

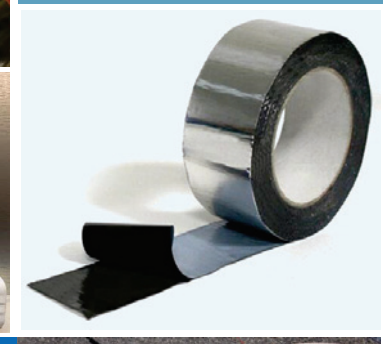
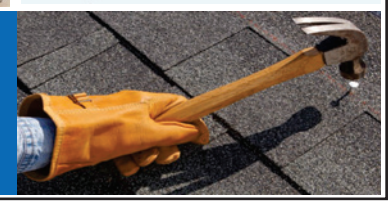
LiNC principal planner Peter James said the City did not yet have a parking plan but raised the possibility of adding meters to the side streets along Lincoln.

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WEDNESDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 2-3 ft waist to stomach high
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Living in a vehicle 2600blk Centinela Ave 12:08 a.m.
Battery 1300blk 2nd St 12:32 a.m.
Battery 300blk Santa Monica Pier 12:57 a.m.
Armed robbery Cloverfield Blvd / Virginia Ave 3:59 a.m.
Encampment 1100blk Lincoln Blvd 4:52 a.m.
Shots fired 900blk 6th St 5:05 a.m.
Petty theft 1500blk Berkeley St 5:40 a.m.
72 hour psychiatric hold 1600blk 5th St 5:42 a.m.
Burglary 1400blk 4th St 5:47 a.m.
Burglary 1200blk Sunset Ave 6:41 a.m.
72 hour psychiatric hold 300blk Olympic Dr 7:41 a.m.
Hit and run misdemeanor 2900blk 31st St 7:59 a.m.
Encampment 200blk Santa Monica Pier 8:07 a.m.
Vehicle parked in alley 1200blk 23rd St 8:20 a.m.
Burglary 100blk Colorado Ave 8:23 a.m.
Medical emergency 2200blk Ocean Front Walk 8:30 a.m.
Violation of temporary no parking signs 300blk Ashland Ave 8:32 a.m.
Hit and run misdemeanor 2900blk 31st St 8:39 a.m.
Petty theft 1500blk Berkeley St 8:53 a.m.
Sexual assault 300blk Olympic Dr 9:16 a.m.
Fight 19th St / Delaware Ave 9:23 a.m.
Violation of temporary no parking signs 1900blk Montana Ave 9:39 a.m.
Malicious mischief 1400blk 6th St 9:48 a.m.
Battery 26th St / Colorado Ave 9:56 a.m.
Indecent exposure 1200blk Wilshire Blvd 10:06 a.m.
Hit and run misdemeanor 1400blk Pacific Coast Hwy 10:30 a.m.
Burglary 900blk Wilshire Blvd 10:52 a.m.
Injured person 2600blk Main St 11:05 a.m.
Petty theft 1200blk 3rd Street Prom 11:19 a.m.
Petty theft 300blk Bay St 11:22 a.m.
Battery 3200blk Santa Monica Blvd 11:28 a.m.
Overdose 700blk Grant St 11:33 a.m.
Speeding Lincoln Blvd / Pico Blvd 11:37 a.m.
Battery 1100blk Yale St 11:38 a.m.
Vehicle blocking driveway 100blk Palisades Ave 11:47 a.m.
Hit and run 2700blk Santa Monica Blvd 11:54 a.m.
Vehicle blocking driveway 1800blk 9th St 12:09 p.m.
Death 800blk 4th St 12:13 p.m.
Trash dumping 900blk 6th St 12:26 p.m.
Death investigation 800blk 4th St 12:29 p.m.
Fraud 900blk 20th St 12:32 p.m.
Burglary 2800blk Highland Ave 12:35 p.m.
Hit and run 18th St / Wilshire Blvd 12:37 p.m.
Person down 7th St / Wilshire Blvd 12:58 p.m.
Vehicle parked on sidewalk 2000blk 3rd St 12:59 p.m.
Burglary 3200blk Olympic Blvd 1:22 p.m.
Domestic violence 12th St / California Ave 1:40 p.m.
Check temporary no parking signs 1300blk 19th St 2:06 p.m.
Fraud suspect 1500blk Ocean Ave 2:42 p.m.
Traffic collision with injuries 7th St / Michigan Ave 3:22 p.m.
Prowler 100blk Hollister Ave 3:47 p.m.
Encampment 200blk Santa Monica Pier 3:58 p.m.
Auto burglary 1300blk Palisades Beach Rd 4:03 p.m.
Petty theft 300blk Arizona Ave 4:06 p.m.
Burglary 700blk Ermont Pl 4:08 p.m.
Vandalism 2400blk Main St 4:09 p.m.
Battery Lincoln Blvd / Arizona Ave 4:12 p.m.
Battery 1500blk Olympic Blvd 4:17 p.m.
Expired registration 1500blk 2nd St 4:41 p.m.
Hit and run 2600blk Ocean Park Blvd 5:13 p.m.
Battery 900blk Ocean Front Walk 5:17 p.m.
Petty theft 300blk Bay St 5:19 p.m.
Burglary 2800blk Highland Ave 5:19 p.m.
Person down 1400blk 14th St 5:37 p.m.
Fight 26th St / Santa Monica Blvd 6:49 p.m.
Traffic collision - unkn injuries 400blk Interstate 10 7:02 p.m.
Petty theft 300blk Bay St 7:10 p.m.
72 hour psychiatric hold 1600blk Santa Monica Blvd 7:17 p.m.
Grand theft 400blk Pacific Coast Hwy 8:19 p.m.
Petty theft 500blk Montana Ave 8:20 p.m.
Encampment 2400blk Barnard Way 8:36 p.m.
Prowler 1400blk Yale St 8:40 p.m.
Threats 1300blk 15th St 8:48 p.m.
Found person 1400blk 16th St 9:08 p.m.

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EMS 400blk Expo Line 4:57 a.m.
EMS 1400blk 15th St 6:30 a.m.
EMS 800blk Pico Blvd 7:30 a.m.
EMS 1300blk 17th St 8:00 a.m.
EMS 1300blk 15th St 8:13 a.m.
Automatic alarm 1700blk Cloverfield Blvd 9:05 a.m.
EMS 2800blk Wilshire Blvd 9:17 a.m.
EMS 300blk Santa Monica Pier 9:49 a.m.
EMS 1400blk 16th St 10:43 a.m.
EMS 1300blk 15th St 10:49 a.m.
EMS 2600blk Main St 10:51 a.m.
EMS 700blk 25th St 11:20 a.m.
EMS 700blk Grant St 11:33 a.m.
Automatic alarm 1900blk Olympic Blvd 1:18 p.m.
EMS 1700blk Ocean Ave 1:26 p.m.
EMS 1400blk Ocean Ave 2:25 p.m.
EMS 300blk Pico Blvd 2:38 p.m.
Automatic alarm 600blk Pico Blvd 3:31 p.m.
EMS 2000blk Santa Monica Blvd 4:24 p.m.
EMS 900blk Idaho Ave 5:09 p.m.
EMS 800blk Palisades Beach Rd 5:18 p.m.
EMS 1800blk Berkeley St 5:25 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1200blk 15th St 6:07 p.m.
EMS 1500blk 4th St 7 p.m.
Traffic collision with injury 400blk Interstate 10 7:02 p.m.
EMS 200blk Pico Blvd 7:06 p.m.
Smoke investigation Main St / Colorado Ave 8:13 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1400blk Ocean Ave 8:34 p.m.
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■ A doctor walked into the room and looked intently at the patient.
■ "Flu?" asked the patient.
■ "No, drove to work today," replied the doctor.

Observation

■ "You're thinking I'm one of those wise-ass California vegetarians who is going to tell you that eating a few strips of bacon is bad for your health. I'm not. I say it's a free country and you should be able to kill yourself at any rate you choose, as long as your cold dead body is not blocking my driveway."

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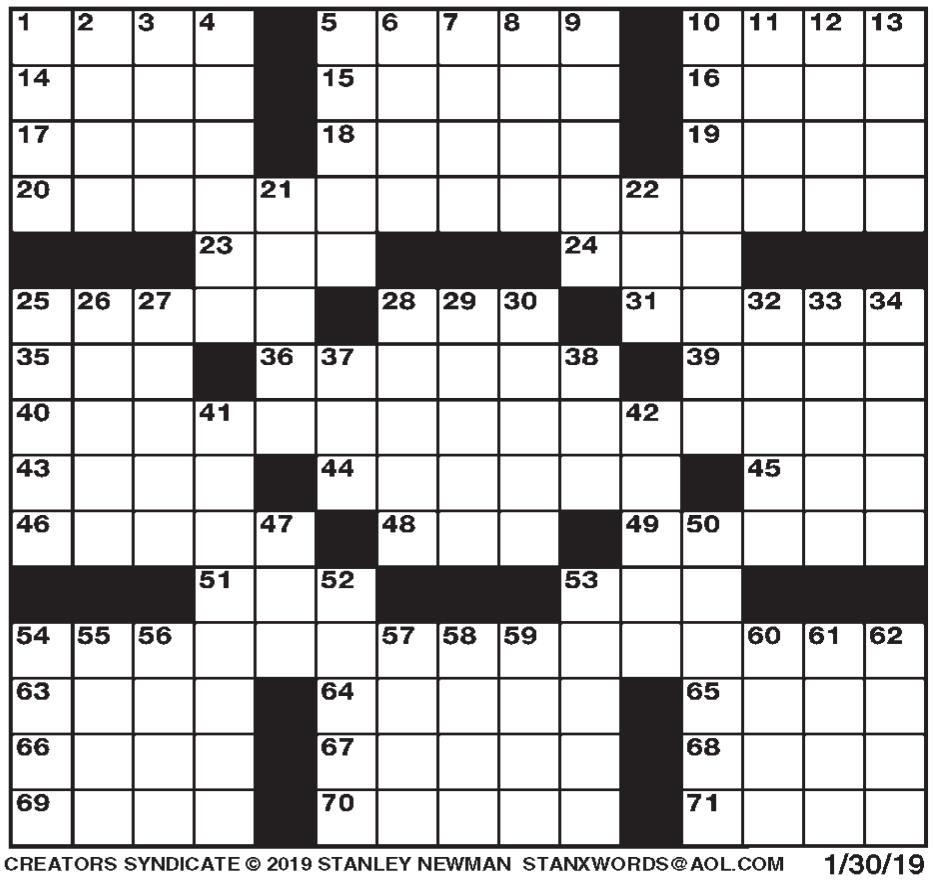
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10 Surface for 1 Across
14 Additional
15 Writer of poetic tributes
16 Muscle quality
17 Woodwind instrument
18 Florida Gulf city
19 Black-and-white dolphin
20 Guy with an agricultural hobby
23 __ Holiness (papal title)
24 Cook in oil
25 Celestial streaker with a tail
28 Small, mischievous one
31 Ping-Pong surface
35 Skating surface
36 Accolades
39 Dappled horse
40 Troop campout novice
43 Reduce the pressure of
44 Try to make it on one's own
45 Dugout VIP
46 Breaks sharply
48 Football official
49 Suspicious
51 Assembly line org.
53 Relatives
54 Computer program spec writer
63 Asian cuisine
64 Of __ (pointless)
65 Flying-related prefix
66 Helper
67 Rich cake
68 A US alliance
69 Supervisor
70 Seat at the bar
71 "Doggone it!"

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4 Be silently furious
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32 Explosive sounds
33 Respond to a joke
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41 Sheriff's assistants
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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 30)

You're not worried what people think of you, which liberates you to either experiment and try new approaches and identities or to go deeper into the old ones – whatever you want. You're incredibly free, and yet more purposeful than ever. The trust you have in yourself translates to awesome confidence and action. Aries and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 42, 20, 1 and 17.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
There is a social adjustment to be made – an addition or subtraction to help you stay on the road of health. Pinpoint what needs to be done, make a plan and execute it. This won't take time so much as will.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Where the physical space is tight, you can make emotional space. Think: passengers on a plane who wear headphones. Where emotional space is tight, make physical space.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)
You could distill things down to dollars and cents, but it wouldn't be an accurate assessment of the situation – far from it. In fact, mostly the situation is about invaluable things.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)
You're not about to use guilt as a tactic. While it may work well enough, it's just not an emotion you want people to feel. Either they get you, or they miss out. Guilt doesn't need to play into the equation in the least.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
To get momentum, there must be a push. That push comes today and not a moment too soon. You're in a good position. It's going to be even better once you use this push and get to work.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
For today's approach to relationships, the most critical things to get right all begin with a "T," that is to say, truthfulness, tone and timing. Be honest, keep it light, stay aware and wonderful things will happen.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
While many can do what they're told, fewer can figure it out on their own and even fewer can see the opportunity on their own and then figure it out from there. You're in the final category, and without much competition.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)
The hard worker will win against the "gifted" person every time. And if you have both going for you in a category, it's something to bank on. Believe in yourself, and put your resources behind it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Your friends are the ones who stand by you when you need it, when you don't, when you're right, and when you're wrong. Your best friends are the ones who tell you you're wrong and stand by you anyway.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
The control freak is not very much fun. Why? Because this person is trying to insure against mystery – every risk calculated, every move audited. What a bore. Embrace mystery, relinquish some control, have fun.

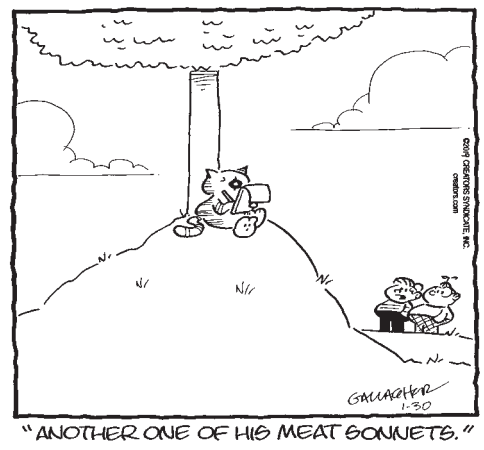
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
Adults usually have a purpose for moving and rarely wander without a destination. But if you have the time for it, such wandering could benefit you today, as it will allow you to access an unreasonable sort of knowing.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
Patience and long-term thinking are the orders of the day. The big problems will be solved through creating systems that will work for you every day. The big problems will be solved over time.

Moon of Social Impact
When you look back, there are characters that stand out as being highly influential in your life, though you wouldn't have guessed it at the time. And presently, there are people around you who are having more of an impact than you think, and you are influencing them more than you know, too. The Sagittarius moon drives this social swirl.

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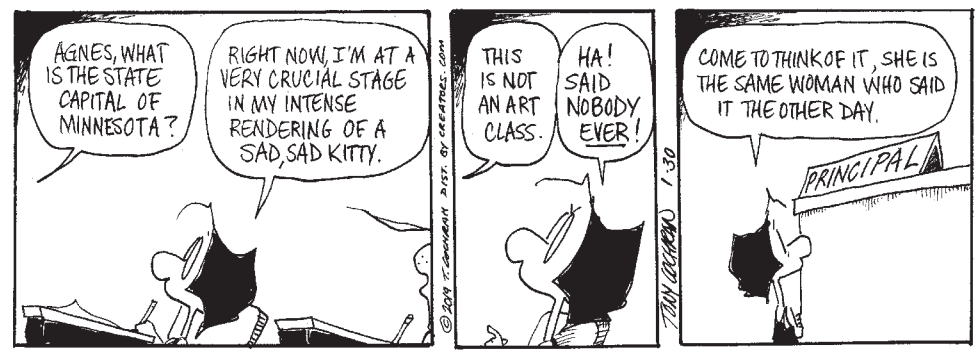
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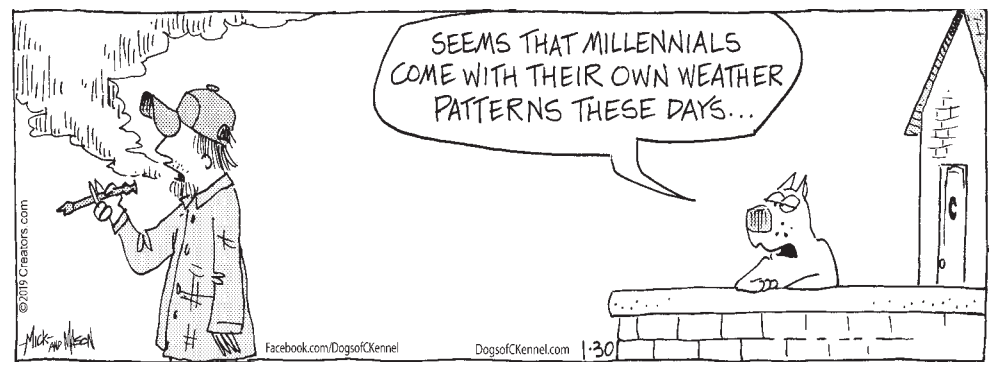
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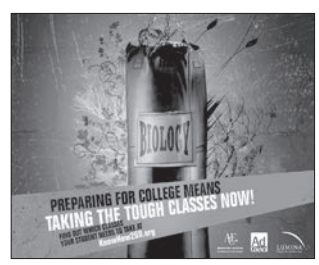
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‘My happy place.’ Workspaces for women rise in #MeToo era

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Entering the year-old workspace ModernWell feels like coming into a comfortable spa. Clean lines give way to cozy touches like footstools covered with faux fur and a roaring fire surrounded by comfortable armchairs. Women type away on laptops at tables scattered throughout.

There is not a man in sight.

ModernWell is one of a growing number of women-only and women-focused workspaces around the country. While many predate the #MeToo movement, their growth has been interlinked with it as it put combating workplace harassment on the national agenda. They’re also tapping into a desire among many women to build a community and supportive environment at work that’s different from a stereotypical corporate workplace culture.

The spaces provide more than just desks and a coffee machine. They offer programs like high-profile speakers or yoga classes, and a chance to build a social and business network with like-minded women. It’s like WeWork, minus the beer on tap and tech bro atmosphere.

“I think women, especially, are craving safe spaces where they can go and be inspired and do really important work without interruption, and without being reminded of all that, too. There’s literally no risk that somebody’s going to sexually harass me here,” said Renee Powers, a ModernWell member who founded her business, Feminist Book Club , in the space.

The biggest player is The Wing , which opened in 2016 in New York and has been expanding rapidly across the country. Its San Francisco location opened in October with a nod to the #MeToo movement, naming a conference room after Christine Blasey Ford, who testified before Congress that Supreme Court nominee Brett Kavanaugh had sexually assaulted her in high school. Kavanaugh denied the allegation and was confirmed to the court. Membership to use one location costs $2,350 annually, and the company now has more than 6,000 members, spokeswoman Zara Rahim said.

Most of the spaces allow men, but some do not. The Wing was sued by a Washington, D.C. man who alleged discrimination. Its board soon after approved a membership policy providing that an applicant’s gender identity would not be considered, a development first reported by Insider. Rahim said the policy was being developed before the lawsuit and was unrelated to it. The Wing is also under investigation by the New York City Commission on Human Rights for gender-based discrimination. The Wing said it is working with the commission.

Another fast-growing space is The Riveter , with five locations in Seattle and Los Angeles and plans to open in Austin, Texas, in March. On Tuesday, it announced plans to open five more locations in cities including Minneapolis and Atlanta.

About 20 percent of its members are building venture-scale startups, but the majority are small businesses with just a few employees, or people who work on their own such as lawyers or real estate agents, founder and CEO Amy Nelson said. It ranges from $99 to hundreds of dollars monthly.

About one-quarter of The Riveter’s 2,000 members are men, Nelson said, but the difference is that “out of the gate we’re putting women first.”

“I think that we’re seeing a societal shift that isn’t going to go away,” she said. “Women’s voices are being heard.”

The space has brought in high-profile speakers such as Sheryl Sandberg and offers activities such as office hours with a venture capital firm and seminars on digital mindfulness or wellness. That kind of programming sets the spaces apart from more general ones, said Steve King of Emergent Research, who studies the future of work and the rise of the independent workforce.

ModernWell founder Julie Burton, an author and wellness instructor, teaches yoga at her space, which also offers events such as a class on women’s memoir writing. Burton said her space grew out of a writing group she co-founded in 2015, which coincidentally was women-only. After the 2016 presidential election, she said many women she knew were upset and she felt galvanized to build a business to help women support each other and empower themselves.

“Whether you are out marching or not marching, I felt we had work to do, and I wanted to be part of the work,” she said.

The space has given women from different industries and professional backgrounds a chance to connect, she said.

Those connections help women support each other, battling feelings such as “impostor syndrome,” where women question whether they have the qualifications to start a company or embark on a particular venture, Burton said.

That community feeling is what draws some women to the spaces, said Jamie Russo, executive director of the Global Workspace Association.

Co-working spaces in general are on the rise, and as the sector grows, different niches have developed to serve different groups, such as attorneys or people working in real estate, technology, big data or artificial intelligence. For the operators, niche spaces tend to be more profitable than more general workspaces, Russo said.

An analysis by King’s firm estimated more than 14,000 coworking spaces and 1.7 million members globally in 2017 and forecast around 30,000 spaces and 5.1 million members by 2022. There’s little data about women-centric spaces, and while the segment is growing, it is expected to remain a relatively small niche in the industry, King said.

Some spaces offer child care, but until now it’s been rare, likely due to complicated state and local laws around child care, King said. That may be changing. The Wing will offer child care starting this week in one of its New York City locations and soon in Los Angeles.

Jasna Burza, a life and business coach, has a home office but prefers to do her work at ModernWell, where there is a community of women to greet her. She compares coming to the space to the old TV show ‘Cheers,’ where everyone knows her name.

“It can be really isolating to be on my own,” Burza said. “I come here, and it’s my happy place.”

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