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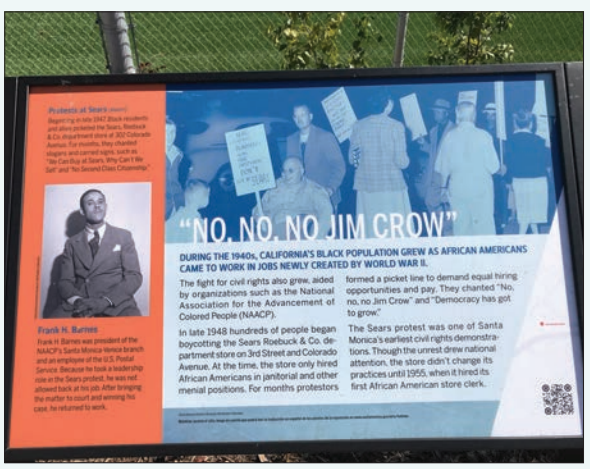
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HISTORY: **Construction of the new field at the Civic Center includes an exhibit about the history of Santa Monica's Black residents. In addition to several informational signs, the area includes a sculpture referencing the historic shotgun houses that used to dominate the area.**

Leaders to discuss the road to recovery at 'State of the City'

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SMDP Staff Writer

As vaccination rates trend upwards and Covid case rates decline, local businesses and community leaders are eager to see the City on the road to recovery, which is the theme of the Chamber of Commerce's upcoming 'State of the City' summit.

This year the annual event will air live on CityTV Channel 16 and be streamed on the City of Santa Monica's YouTube channel on Feb. 24 from 5:30 to 7 p.m. Registration is offered free to the community to encourage all residents to take part in the City's economic recovery.

"Let's make this a pivotal moment to reflect on all that we've worked so hard together to achieve in the shadow of the unprecedented pandemic and economic challenges," said Mayor Sue Himmelrich. "We can seize this opportunity to look to the future and how we'll rebuild together. Please, join us!"

Himmelrich, alongside Interim City Manager Lane Dilg, will deliver the 2021 State of the City Address and discuss both the progress made on local recovery so far and the steps needed to help businesses get back on their feet moving forward.

"Covid-19 has spotlighted our resilience as a community and our care for one another," said Dilg. "Santa Monica's road to recovery will be paved by our talented residents, businesses, and workforce working together to address our challenges together and to seize this moment of opportunity."

Congressman Ted Lieu will also speak at the event, discussing economic recovery on a national level and ways that the federal government can support business revitalization in Santa Monica. Chamber President Laurel Rosen will deliver opening remarks.

"This change and this recovery is coming, bit-by-bit, one step at a time," said Rosen. "It is all of our responsibilities to help one another

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Malibu corruption allegations target City Manager, former Los Angeles Mayor and local businessmen

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In December 2020, former Malibu City Council Member Jefferson "Zuma Jay" Wagner announced an affidavit that detailed alleged corruption within the City of Malibu. Those implicated in the allegations have denied any wrongdoing and, eight weeks out, evidence has not yet emerged to back up Wagner's claims.

Among those was the allegation that former Los Angeles Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, current Malibu City Manager Reva Feldman, and Simon and Daniel Mani (Mani Brothers), the real estate moguls who own Malibu Beach Inn, were tangled up in a 2018 dirty deal.

A representative of the Mani Brothers has since issued a statement to The Malibu Times responding to those allegations. Feldman has also replied via statements from her attorney, Therese Cannata.

Back in 2018, a new crosswalk was installed on PCH by contractors for the Malibu Beach Inn, a property the Mani Brothers acquired from business magnate David Geffen in 2015 for a record price. The roadwork angered locals who were stuck in 45 minutes' worth of traffic.

TMT's reporting from 2018 said that the construction of the crosswalk was required by a 30-year-old California Coastal Commission deal to facilitate public beach access that was only made good decades later in 2018.

Wagner's affidavit alleged it was

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Democratic Club wades into hotel worker dispute

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Local residents and workers are rallying around JW Marriott housekeepers who are attempting to resolve a dispute with hotel management in the wake of rumors that the hotel may soon be sold.

In 2019, Santa Monica City Council passed a housekeeper protection ordinance that sought to guarantee fair pay for heavy workloads and prevent employers from matching minimum wage increases with additional responsibilities. The law also established required training on public health issues and worker protections and ensured worker retention in the event of a sale.

Former JW Marriott Santa Monica Le Merigot employee Nellie Ruiz, who participated in a rally outside of the hotel Wednesday, remembers fighting for the passage of 2019 ordinance even though she was no longer employed by the company. She said in an interview shortly after Wednesday's events that workers have clashed with management over many issues in addition to the unlawful polling of employees.

"In November, 2016, an overwhelming majority of us voted to join a union, and since then, it's been a journey negotiating with the company," Ruiz said, mentioning there's still no contract in place and the General Counsel of the National Labor Relations Board has issued eleven complaints against the JW Marriott Santa

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Monica Le Merigot Hotel for violations of the National Labor Relations Act.

The Santa Monica Democratic Club also supported Santa Monica's housekeeping protections, and in the months since the ordinance took effect, members have kept a close eye on the Marriott situation. Now, the group intends to vote on a resolution this week that calls on the Columbia Sussex Corporation to immediately abide by local law and orders from the National Labor Relations Board regarding all sanctions and settlements.

The proposed resolution concludes by calling on the Columbia Sussex Corporation and its current management personnel to neither seek nor accept any offer to remain in control of hotel operations management following the sale of the JW Marriott Santa Monica Le Merigot Hotel.

"And in the event the sale is not completed by December 31, 2021, the current management personnel, including any managers employed during the period in which the violations of labor law occurred, will be replaced and have no managerial authority for operations of the Hotel," the resolution reads.

Ruiz said it feels amazing to have the support of local organizations and residents despite it being five years since the union campaign began.

"It's great that we still have people in the community who show their support. It gives us the strength to be able to do this kind of fight and it's really encouraging to us. I think that's why we've been able to go on for so long, because we not only have belief in justice and feel that we deserve it, but knowing that we have the support of others helps us to continue," Ruiz said, noting Wednesday that she's not exactly sure how a sale will affect her peers and the pending lawsuits.

"But the ordinance that Council passed in 2019 included a worker-retention aspect so the hope is that the new buyer would respect that aspect of the ordinance. We also want to see a resolution to the years-long labor dispute before they sell the property," she added as she detailed how the California Division of Labor Standards Enforcement has scheduled hearings in May for wage claims that eleven housekeepers filed in 2018 against Columbia Sussex.

And with Wednesday's rally in the books, Ruiz said she and JW Marriott workers are now looking to prepare for the labor standards hearings.

"There's always been ongoing organizing on the inside with workers because we are always in communication with one another, even though a lot of workers aren't working. We still meet regularly over Zoom to organize and to plan on how to move ahead with what we need to do to continue the fight," Ruiz said as she emphasized the importance of communication and asked residents to help out the cause by sharing the stories of the local housekeepers.

"Honestly, the best thing to do is share our story because it can be difficult for workers to talk about what we went through and the stuff we've experienced and what we're having to do to fight for justice," Ruiz said. "We want more people to know about our cause because, hopefully, the people who are thinking of buying the hotel will see what's been going on — and I'm hoping that we'll get somebody who wants to resolve a lot of these issues; that would be great."

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SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT

SANTA MONICA MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT BID NOTICE

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District of Los Angeles County will receive sealed proposals on the following: RFP# 21.16 – High Speed Lit and/or Dark Fiber Optic Network. Fitness and quality being equal, supplies grown, manufactured, or produced in the State of California will be given preference. Due to COVID-19 Stay Safer at Home Orders, all proposals must be electronically submitted with bid name and number via ARC Southern California file share at https://www.ishipdocs.com/Filetransfer/TransferFiles.aspx to the attention of: Kim Nguyen, Director of Purchasing - Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District at knguyen@smmusd.org on or before: **March 22, 2021; 2:00 pm.** PRE-BID JOB WALK: Thursday, February 18, 2021 of Santa Monica sites **and** Friday, February 19, 2021 of Malibu sites. All contractors are to RSVP with knguyen@smmusd.org by Wednesday, February 17, 2021 at 12:00 p.m. to receive bid forms and specifications.

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In Australia, Google makes publisher deals, Facebook walks

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Associated Press

Google is striking deals in Australia to pay for journalism but Facebook is vowing to restrict news sharing as Australian lawmakers consider forcing digital giants into payment agreements.

Rupert Murdoch's News Corp. announced a wide-ranging deal with Google Wednesday. Major Australian media organization Seven West Media reached a deal earlier, its rival Nine Entertainment is reportedly close to its own pact and Australian Broadcasting Corp. is in negotiations.

But Facebook said it "will restrict publishers and people in Australia from sharing or viewing Australian and international news content." The dominant social network blamed Australia's proposed law for its decision, and said the law "fundamentally misunderstands the relationship between our platform and publishers who use it."

Google is rushing to negotiate generous deals with big and small Australian media companies.

News Corp. said it would receive "significant payments" from Google in the three-year agreement, which includes heavyweight news organizations throughout the English-speaking world, such as the Wall Street Journal and New York Post in the U.S., the Times and the Sun in the U.K., and the Australian and Sky News in Australia. The deal spans audio and video and News Corp. will also get an ad revenue share from Google.

News Corp. CEO Robert Thomson thanked Australian officials in a statement, saying they "have stood firm for their country and for journalism."

Australia's Treasurer Josh Frydenberg confirmed earlier Wednesday that state-owned Australian Broadcasting Corp. is also in negotiations and plans to spend any Google revenue on regional journalism.

"There are negotiations going on with all the major players and the minor players at the moment," Frydenberg said. "This will help sustain public interest journalism in this country for years to come."

Frydenberg said "none of these deals would be happening" if not for proposed legislation to create a so-called News Media Bargaining Code.

Lawmakers were debating amended legislation to create the code in the House of Representatives on Wednesday.

The code would create an arbitration panel to set a binding price for news in cases where Google and Facebook fail to reach deals with media companies whose original journalism they link to.

"Everything that I have heard from parties, both in the news media business and in terms of digital platforms, is that these are generous deals," Frydenberg said.

"These are fair deals. These are good deals. These are good deals for the Australian media businesses," he added.

Google and Facebook, which take a combined 81% of online advertising in Australia, have condemned the code as unworkable.

Frydenberg said after weekend talks with Facebook CEO Mark Zuckerberg and Sundar Pichai, chief executive of Alphabet Inc. and its subsidiary Google, that he was convinced the platforms "do want to enter into these commercial arrangements."

Frydenberg denied he had given ground to Zuckerberg and Pichai by agreeing to amend the legislation.

"We have held the line and held it strongly," Frydenberg said. "And the digital giants have been left in no doubt about the . . . government's resolve."

Google did not provide the terms of its News Corp. deal Wednesday.

The Australian deals with Google are being negotiated under Google's own model, News Showcase. The company has reached pay deals with more than 450 publications globally since it launched News Showcase in October.

Investment bank JPMorgan estimated that Seven West Media could receive between 39.5 million Australian dollars ($30.6 million) and AU$69.2 million ($53.6 million) a year from its content deal with Google based on an analysis of similar deals in France.

Nine signed a letter of intent with Google for a deal worth more than AU$30 million ($23 million) a year for five years, The Sydney Morning Herald, which is owned by Nine, reported.

The newspaper cited anonymous industry sources familiar with the negotiations who could not speak publicly because of confidentiality agreements.

Nine said in a statement it was having "constructive discussions" with Google and Facebook.

Google announced two weeks ago that it had begun paying seven far smaller Australian websites under News Showcase. Prices have not been revealed.

Facebook has a comparable product called Facebook News, but it's not available in Australia. Spokeswoman Mari Melguizo said Facebook was "not able to commence our planned partnerships" with Australian news publishers.

Some media analysts are surprised that Australian media companies would strike News Showcase deals when they stand to make more money from compulsory arbitration under the government's code.

Frydenberg suggested that Google's threat to quit Australia had receded as the "speed of these negotiations has picked up."

"We have sought to keep the major players in Australia," Frydenberg said. "Google had talked about leaving Australia. We never wanted that to take place. They are an important part of the digital landscape era."

Marcus Strom, president of the Media, Entertainment and Arts Alliance, the Australian journalists' union, said media companies have a moral obligation to revenue from the digital platforms in news gathering.

"Any monies from these deals need to end up in the newsroom, not the boardroom," Strom said. "We will be pressing the case for transparency on how these funds are spent."

Google is facing pressure from authorities elsewhere to pay for news. Last month, it signed a deal with a group of French publishers that paves the way for it to make digital copyright payments. Under the agreement, Google will negotiate individual licensing deals with newspapers, with payments based on factors such as the amount published daily and monthly internet site traffic.

AP Technology Writer Tali Arbel in New York contributed to this article.

DAILY POLICE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 231 CALLS ON FEBRUARY 16

Traffic/Vehicle Stop Lincoln Blvd / Grant St 1:35 a.m.
Petty Theft Now 3000blk Pico Blvd 2:15 a.m.
Burglary Investigation/Walk Through 3000blk Lincoln Blvd 4:36 a.m.
Burglary Report 1000blk Montana Ave 6:40 a.m.
General Parking Problem 2800blk Wilshire Blvd 7:29 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1400blk 11th St 7:42 a.m.
Auto Burglary Report 2500blk Arizona Ave 7:56 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 2100blk 22nd St 8:02 a.m.
Drinking In Public Euclid St / Pearl St 8:05 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 15th St / Santa Monica Blvd 8:42 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 2200blk Virginia Ave 8:48 a.m.
Person With A Gun 600blk Santa Monica Blvd 9:02 a.m.
Harassing Phone Calls Report 10th St / Idaho Ave 9:06 a.m.
Petty Theft Report 800blk 5th St 9:11 a.m.
Violation Of Posted Sign 700blk Michigan Ave 9:19 a.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1800blk Santa Monica Blvd 9:37 a.m.
Traffic Control Request - Level 1 Moomat Ahiko Way / Ocean Ave 9:39 a.m.
Traffic Control Request - Level 1 Moomat Ahiko Way / Ocean Ave 9:41 a.m.
Identity Theft 2000blk Olympic Blvd 9:44 a.m.
Out Of Order Traffic Signals Ocean Ave / Colorado Ave 9:56 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 2200blk Ashland Ave 10:56 a.m.
Burglary Report 400blk Marguerita Ave 11:00 a.m.
Panhandling 3000blk Pico Blvd 11:25 a.m.
Auto Burglary Report 800blk 5th St 11:33 a.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 18th St / Santa Monica Blvd 11:41 a.m.
Abandoned Vehicle 1200blk Ocean Ave 11:44 a.m.
Failure To Pay Parking Fee 2000blk Ocean Ave 11:46 a.m.
Strongarm Robbery Report 1400blk 14th St 11:48 a.m.
Traffic Control Request - Level 1 18th St / Santa Monica Blvd 11:48 a.m.
Check Temporary No Parking Signs 2600blk Centinela Ave 11:53 a.m.
Petty Theft Report 2700blk Ocean Park Blvd 12:01 p.m.
Found Senile Person 2800blk 4th St 12:29 p.m.
Indecent Exposure Just Occurred 1500blk 2nd St 12:31 p.m.
Traffic/Vehicle Stop 2nd St / Arizona Ave 12:32 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1500blk San Vicente Blvd 12:35 p.m.
Burglary Report 1600blk Washington Ave 12:36 p.m.
Public Intoxication 5th St / Arizona Ave 12:38 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1200blk Yale St 12:39 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 1500blk Yale St 12:41 p.m.
Check Temporary No Parking Signs 900blk 14th St 12:42 p.m.
Defrauding Innkeeper In Progress 300blk Santa Monica Pier 12:43 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1700blk 10th St 1:09 p.m.
Panhandling 600blk Wilshire Blvd 1:09 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred Ocean Ave / Colorado Ave 1:16 p.m.
Petty Theft Report 3300blk Pearl St 1:19 p.m.
Burglary Report 1500blk 14th St 1:31 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 2500blk Santa Monica Blvd 1:31 p.m.
Oversize Vehicle Violation 1900blk 22nd St 2:03 p.m.
Stolen Vehicle Recovered 200blk Pico Blvd 2:09 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 25th St / Washington Ave 2:10 p.m.
Traffic/Vehicle Stop 300blk 7th St 2:16 p.m.
Theft Of Recyclables 200blk San Vicente Blvd 2:16 p.m.
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Battery Just Occurred 2400blk Pico Blvd 2:41 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 1400blk Ocean Ave 3:01 p.m.
Missing Person 800blk 2nd St 3:09 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 3100blk Highland Ave 3:13 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1400blk 25th St 3:20 p.m.
Stalking Report 800blk Broadway 3:28 p.m.
Encampment 1100blk Lincoln Blvd 3:43 p.m.
Encampment 1800blk Ocean Front Walk 3:50 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1100blk 4th St 3:52 p.m.
Traffic/Vehicle Stop 100blk Broadway 4:16 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1900blk 19th St 4:21 p.m.
Petty Theft Report 3300blk Pearl St 4:26 p.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 3100blk Ocean Park Blvd 4:29 p.m.
Fraud Report 1400blk 6th St 4:54 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1000blk 16th St 5:03 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 900blk Pacific Coast Hwy 5:15 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 3rd Street Prom / Arizona Ave 5:16 p.m.
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Battery Just Occurred 1400blk Pacific Coast Hwy 5:42 p.m.
Grand Theft Report 00blk Pico Blvd 6:27 p.m.
Fraud Suspect Just Left 300blk Santa Monica Pl 6:40 p.m.
Traffic Hazard 5th St / Colorado Ave 6:47 p.m.
Public Intoxication 2nd St / Broadway 6:47 p.m.
Municipal Code Violation 500blk Arizona Ave 7:10 p.m.
Report Of Shots Fired 1500blk Ocean Ave 7:12 p.m.
Missing Person 800blk 2nd St 7:31 p.m.
Battery Report 1400blk Palisades Park 7:41 p.m.
Traffic Collision - Unknown Injuries Centinela Ave / Pearl St 7:54 p.m.
Construction Noise 3200blk Colorado Ave 8:06 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 300blk Arizona Ave 8:46 p.m.
Petty Theft Now 500blk Wilshire Blvd 8:57 p.m.
Encampment 500blk Hollister Ave 9:13 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1400blk 2nd St 9:20 p.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 800blk 4th St 9:31 p.m.
Person With A Gun 11th St / Broadway 9:46 p.m.
Drunk Driving Investigation 2700blk Main St 9:48 p.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1700blk Appian Way 10:11 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 300blk Olympic Dr 11:11 p.m.
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Traffic Collision With Injury 18th St / Santa Monica Blvd 11:41 a.m.
EMS 21st St / Santa Monica Blvd 11:42 a.m.
EMS 700blk Raymond Ave 11:54 a.m.
EMS 2200blk 24th St 12:39 p.m.
EMS Stanford St / Arizona Ave 1:49 p.m.
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NOTICE TO CONTRACTORS CALLING FOR BIDS
DISTRICT: SANTA MONICA COMMUNITY COLLEGE DISTRICT
BID: 012821SF
TITLE : Cosmetology Floor

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named California Community College District, acting by and through its Board of Trustees, hereinafter "the District" will receive up to, but not later than the below-stated date and time, sealed Bid Proposals for the Contract for the Work of the Project generally described as: Bid 012821SF Cosmetology Floor: Furnish prevailing wage labor, materials, equipment, transportation to remove existing carpet, tile, VCT flooring, and all associated adhesives and appurtenances. Patch and repair existing concrete slab in preparation of new finishes. Polish and refinish existing concrete floor. Adjust all thresholds, transitions, and floor mounted appurtenances as required for flush installation at finished floor.

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PROJECT ESTIMATE: $206,000.

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Noteworthy

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Until Live Music Again Blesses Us

LIGHT UP YOUR SCREENS, IT'S REGGAE MONTH!

Nicole will recommend some seductive Mardi Gras listening and viewing below, and I would like to throw in my too sense. I've checked out Criterion TV before, at her urging, and found it to be thought-provoking, well-curated films, interviews, docs and music, and pretty addicting. As with everything, not every offering was my cuppa tea but if I kept watching or came back, they pulled me back in again.

None of these "channels" are strictly music, they mix it up, and I like that. My good friend Tom Linton, a lifelong travel industry pro who has been affectionately dubbed by Jamaicans "the Minister of Travel," sent to Nicole and me the link to a February-long celebration of the island's top export, reggae music. It's from the Jamaica Cultural Development Commission, and I wish the USA had more "government" like that. Making a few appearances throughout is the Hon. Olivia "Babsy" Grange, whose official title is Minister of Culture, Gender, Entertainment and Sport — you rock (steady), Babsy! President Joe, THAT is a new cabinet post that we need!

THE PEOPLE DESERVE MUSIC

In the mid-'70s when I was criss-crossing Europe by campervan, my first major urban stop was Copenhagen and I was thrilled to discover that legendary jazz bassist Charles Mingus was performing in a small club that night — until I got a look at the price of a ticket. It was definitely not in my budget for my year long journey. But then a nearby local, noting my disappointment, offered, "Well, don't worry, it will be broadcast live on the national TV network." I was delighted, but as an American, was floored. Your government is broadcasting Charles Mingus into homes and bars? My government doesn't even know who he is.

At that time and earlier, of course, England had some really groovy music shows too, government sponsored. Here in the Land of Capitalism Is King, Ford or Marlboro decide if you get music shows or not. But no Mingus from a cool club stage, no jazz at all. You can have the bands Dick Clark chooses, lip syncing, or Lawrence Welk. Art, and especially music, has never been considered a human necessity in America, despite all studies finding otherwise. Only a tolerated indulgence. Or even, subversive.

SANTA MONICA COULD LEAD

I've been saying for many years, as has Phil Brock (but now a City Council member), that Santa Monica is oozing artists and especially musicians, and we should have a city government that promotes and capitalizes on that. We should become known as the SoCal city with its own live soundtrack, music everywhere, all the time, outdoors and in, day and night. Who doesn't love some kind of music?

We need to bring the economy back, but not in the same way. The Arts are a clean industry. Stop all the construction!! It would bring people, the right kind of tourists and probably the right numbers of them, who would want to stroll around (when things get back to normal), in our great weather year-round, see what we've got, listen and look, do some shopping and dining, not just grab a new Gucci and split. Austin puts bands in their airport. I think we can do even better than that.

We've already got a high quality TV studio here. I used to use public access studios here and in Eagle Rock, in the '90s. to produce my Not Just Another LA Music Show, 75 of 'em. Live performers, and interviews. I had cajun accordion man Geno Delafose, the late lamented Blazers, the English Beat with Dave Wakeling (dropped down from his longtime home in Pacific Palisades), recently passed Simon Stokes, and Brantley Kearns, Yes-King Crimson drum god Bill Bruford, Dr. Yacub & the Cave Dwellers (parts of Fishbone), Wild Man Fischer (only his second TV appearance, after Laugh In many years before), and former Rolling Stone Mick Taylor, twice. No budget, a volunteer staff, old studios and equipment.

Someone (not me) could do so much better with our setup here. Get a syndication deal, go nation-wide — international! — build our rep, draw bigger and bigger artists and the people who want to see them. And stop the overdevelopment!!

HERE'S YOUR REGGAE MONTH LINK

Jamaica Cultural Development Commission is broadcasting live video on Reggae Month TV 6th Feb 2021, and every day in Feb.

Just go in and explore. They're livestreaming about 4-5 hours every day, but it's all archived so you haven't missed a thing. It's a treasure chest of delights — no, 28 of them. You don't have to be a reggae fan, or know anything about it. If you watch a while it's like going to Jamaica. You can really get a sense of the people and their culture, not just the music, which of course is superb. I've been to Jamaica four times, once not even for a music festival, and it is one of my favorite places on earth, and I love the people there. They are, overwhelmingly, kind and generous to a fault. Jamaica is poor in capital but so rich in humanity.

NICOLE RECOMMENDS:

NOT TOO LATE FOR MARDI GRAS — Mardi gras was just a couple days ago, but it's not too late to celebrate! I recently watched

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Governor, lawmakers to announce new virus spending

KATHLEEN RONAYNE
Associated Press

California Gov. Gavin Newsom and lawmakers have reached a spending deal on small business grants, stimulus checks for individuals and housing for farmworkers infected by the coronavirus, Newsom said Wednesday.

It includes a fresh $24 million for a program that puts farm and food processing workers up in hotels if they contract the virus and have no place to isolate, Newsom said as he spoke at a community vaccination clinic in the Coachella Valley, a region that's home to many farmworkers.

"It's candidly been underutilized, and we recognize that," Newsom said of the farmworker housing program. "And the purpose of this new appropriation is to maximize its effectiveness."

Newsom said he and lawmakers would release a joint statement with details on the other spending items later Wednesday. It will include money for grants of $5,000 to $25,000 for small businesses, nonprofits and cultural centers.

The deal will also cover Newsom's proposed stimulus plan to give a $600 one-time payment to low-income Californians.

The governor's visit to the Coachella Valley was his latest stop in a tour around the state to highlight vaccination efforts as California's virus numbers continue to improve. Local and county governments have teamed up with nonprofits and community groups in the valley to vaccinate farmworkers and at-risk populations.

"We're helping to ensure that we not only talk about equity, but more so that we deliver a solid plan and act on that plan to make sure that the vaccine is equitably administered to the people of color, and that our communities have a chance to survive and prosper," Coachella Mayor Steven Hernandez said.

California has now administered more than 6 million vaccines, but the rollout has been slow and rocky and demand continues to far exceed supply. The state is in the process of shifting to a new distribution system run by insurer Blue Shield, which will take some decision-making power away from counties.

The state's virus numbers continue to improve. The state's test positivity rate, hospitalizations and deaths are all down. The rate of people spreading the virus to others is now at its lowest in months, Newsom said.

The positive news means more counties will soon be allowed to reopen businesses for indoor services like dining, Newsom said Monday.

California created a four-tiered reopening system last summer that controls how businesses and schools must operate and sets guidelines for gatherings. By next week, a "substantial" number of counties are likely to enter the "red" tier, which allows indoor dining at 25% capacity and other indoor spaces such as movie theaters, museums and gyms to open with limits, Newsom said.

A half dozen rural counties in Northern California and along the Sierra Nevada are already in the red or orange tier. State data indicates at least five small counties are moving toward the red tier.

The more populous counties will take longer.

Associated Press journalist Amy Taxin in Orange County contributed.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide

Roosevelt Elementary School Playground Closed for Service and Repair

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District has closed the Roosevelt Elementary School playground for a repair and service project beginning February 16, 2021. The temporary closure for school and community use includes the field, play structure, handball courts, blacktop and outdoor restrooms.

The playground is expected to reopen on March 9, 2021.

The CREST program will continue after school with access to the outdoor basketball courts only, with access from Lincoln Blvd. This is for the after-school program only. No public access.

Other SMMUSD playgrounds continue to be available as per our agreement with the City of Santa Monica. Hours are posted for each site and all COVID safety precautions such as wearing a face covering and keeping six feet apart are in effect. Schools with open playgrounds are: Franklin, McKinley, Muir / SMASH, Rogers, Grant and Edison. Lincoln Middle School is now open on weekends from 3-5 p.m. for community use.

SUBMITTED BY GAIL PINSKER

CRIME WATCH BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

Crime Watch is culled from reports provided by the Santa Monica Police Department. These are arrests only. All parties are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

ON SATURDAY, FEB. 6 AT APPROXIMATELY 7:50 P.M.

SMPD officers observed a silver Toyota Corolla driving westbound in the 1300 block of Santa Monica Boulevard at a high rate of speed blowing through a STOP sign. Officers activated the overhead lighting to conduct an enforcement stop based on the violations. Upon further investigation, officers suspected the driver, Saul Recinos Machado, was driving under the influence. A search of the suspect's vehicle uncovered drug paraphernalia. Recinos Machado was charged with 11377(a)HS- Possession of the controlled substance, 23103(a)VC – Reckless driving, and 23152(f)VC - Driving Under The Combined Influence Of Alcohol And Drugs along with a host of other vehicle codes.

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NOTEWORTHY

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Les Blank's "Always For Pleasure" (1978), a very special documentary about social traditions in New Orleans filmed around the time of Mardi Gras. In typical Les Blank fashion, it captures not just the traditions, but the feeling of that time and place.

The film can be viewed online with a Criterion Collection subscription (https://www.criterion.com/films/28658-les-blank-always-for-pleasure), or you can rent it from Cinefile (https://www.cinefilevideo.com), or if you are dying to catch even just a glimpse, there are several scenes on youtube. I would highly recommend searching for The Wild Tchoupitoulas clip for some great music, incredible costumes, and a little social history.

While you're on youtube, check out the live studio performance of Dr. John with The Meters and Professor Longhair in 1974 (https://youtu.be/-x7CNYQ2j_w). And if you want to immerse not only your ears but also your tongue, how about a fried oyster and barbecue shrimp po'boy with a side of beignets and chicory black coffee, from LA's critically acclaimed Little Jewel of New Orleans, in Chinatown. (http://littlejewel.la).

Laissez les Bon Temps Rouler!

Charles Andrews has listened to a lot of music of all kinds, including more than 3,000 live shows. He has lived in Santa Monica for 34 years and wouldn't live anywhere else in the world. Really. Send love and/or rebuke to him at therealmrmusic@gmail.com



Courtesy photo

CELEBRATION: When the sound of music used to fill local streets.

Max Poole Bennett



Bennett passed away peacefully on January 28, 2021, at home, with his wife by his side. He was 99 years old, or as he liked to say, he was in his hundredth year, having been born December 8, 1921.

Max was born at home in the small fishing village of Fortune, Burin Peninsula, Dominion of Newfoundland to Effie Poole Bennett and Charles Edward Bennett. He lived a life from which movies are made. He had six brothers who ran free and happy in Fortune and had many adventures that would put Tom Sawyer to shame. Before he was 17 he had already been shipwrecked 2 times. As soon as he turned 18 in December 1939 he enlisted with the Newfoundland Royal Artillery of the British Army to fight in World War II. He spent long years in Europe with the British Army. He shared many stories of humor from those years, but the horror of it weighed heavily on his mind through all his years.

He left for Europe a citizen of the British Colony of Newfoundland and returned to find that he became a Canadian Citizen when Newfoundland joined Canada in 1949. After the War he moved to Toronto, Ontario to attend radio school where he met his soon to be wife, Isabell Susannah Alice Wilson (bd 7/1/1927). They were married August 5, 1948 on Isabell's parent's farm in Sandhill near Toronto.

His career in the Canadian Avro Aircraft, maker of the Arrow, resulted in him finally settling in Santa Monica, California. Once there, he never wanted to move to a cold climate again. Before retirement in 1984 he climbed the corporate ladder to become Vice President of Ampex Corporation, a Fortune 500 Company. Quite a feat for a boy from Fortune with a high school education. Later he did receive graduate education from the USC School of Business. He was awarded a Key to Fortune to honor his accomplishments.

He was preceded in death by his parents, five brothers Edward Stewart Bennett, Thomas Poole Bennett, Donald Crosley Baxter Bennett, Charles Allison Bennett, Harold Bertram Waterman Bennett, and granddaughter Sara Alicia Bennett Frieda.

He is survived by his wife, brother John Frederick Bennett. Children: Gary Charles Bennett and wife Susan Clare (Haslop) Bennett, Linda Isabell Bennett-Frieda and her husband Dennis Joseph Frieda. Five Grandchildren: Simone Charlotte Bennett and husband Mac Schwager. Mikaela Suzanne Bennett and husband Seyed Ali Nojoumi, Dustin Bennett Frieda and wife Briana Joy (Bassman) Frieda, Matthew Bennett Frieda, Ryan Bennett Frieda, and Tyler Bennett Frieda. Four Great-Grandchildren: Delaney Josephine Isabell Frieda, Jasper Bennett Schwager, Cameron Schwager Bennett. and Sophie Schwager Bennett.

Max was a man who always looked out for the benefit of his family and loved them dearly. He was devoted to his wife even as dementia had taken its toll on her. Though not a social man he was friendly. He loved to laugh at jokes, satire and witticisms. Though not a man to flaunt money, he was generous to all he held dear. He will be missed.

Plans for a Celebration of Life are currently on hold due to Covid restrictions.
A charity he held dear to heart was the Salvation Army as they provided so many necessary needs while at war.
Family would welcome any questions, thoughts or memories. We can be contacted at Gary Bennett: alphabenn@gmail.com or Linda Bennett Frieda: lbfrieda@gmail.com
Max's death was a result of Covid and we hope that all who read this use it to help remind yourself and others to be safe and take precautions.

MALIBU

FROM PAGE 1

at the behest of the Mani Brothers "in order to facilitate the possible addition of a pool to the hotel and accommodate the required additional parking for the 40 plus rooms," the document stated.

The affidavit went on to say that Villaraigosa, who was then running to be the Democratic candidate for governor of California, called Wagner in 2018. Allegedly, the pair spoke on the phone about two things: Feldman's upcoming salary negotiation and the Mani Brothers.

Villaraigosa mentioned a campaign contribution from the real estate moguls, Wagner wrote, pointing out that they had also donated to Wagner's reelection campaign. In a phone interview with TMT, Wagner elaborated that he found the tone of the conversation "very informational and very pleasant."

The crosswalk was constructed with no council vote. Wagner's affidavit said that the project was not submitted to the city's planning or public works commissions, nor city council.

"Instead, it is my understanding that the matter was handled by the city staff, who perform under the supervision ... of the Malibu city manager," Wagner wrote. At the time, the city issued a statement that the project was directly under the purview of Caltrans.

A statement issued to TMT from the Mani Brothers' representatives echoed the city's statement.

"It is important to clarify that the crosswalk to which Mr. Wagner referred was approved by the California Coastal Commission and was constructed by the California Transit Authority (Caltrans)—a decision in which, to our knowledge, Mr. Wagner was not involved," the statement said.

The brothers' representative also wrote the moguls were surprised and dismayed at the insinuation that Villaraigosa leaned on Wagner to get the crosswalk and parking lot approved on their behalf.

"We did not ask former Mayor Villaraigosa to call any Malibu city official nor did we have any knowledge of the alleged conversation between Mr. Wagner and Mr. Villaraigosa involving our organization. We are certainly disheartened to hear of any insinuations to the contrary," the statement said.

As for the parking lot, the Mani Brothers said they had applied for the right to park vehicles off-site in 2015, but that to this day they have not been granted that permission.

The statement also said that the $50,000 the Mani Brothers gave to Villaraigosa was to fund a LA Unified School District-related nonprofit, and "was in no way a contribution to any political campaign."

Villaraigosa did not respond to interview requests from TMT, nor did his 2018 campaign manager, Eric Jaye.

During the same 2018 phone call Wagner described in his affidavit, Villaraigosa also allegedly checked with Wagner that everything was "good" with him on amending Feldman's contract, which was up for an extension and/or salary increase. A "disturbed" Wagner reportedly would not commit to the salary increase.

"I told Mr. Villaraigosa that he would see how I vote on the Malibu City Manager's contract when the issue comes up for discussion," the affidavit stated.

Villaraigosa contacted two other Malibu City Council members, Skylar Peak and Rick Mullen, around the same time as his call with Wagner in 2018. Both Peak and Mullen told TMT they recalled being contacted but neither said they spoke with Villaraigosa about either the Mani Brothers or Feldman's contract.

Peak said that he received a voicemail from Villaraigosa but that the two never connected.

Mullen summarized his recollection of his call with Villaraigosa.

"Congrats on getting elected to council," Mullen remembered Villaraigosa telling him. "Tell me what your concerns are. I love Malibu and I'm running for governor."

Wagner told TMT that he had never spoken to Villaraigosa again after the 2018 call. He also said he never spoke to either Peak or Mullen about the phone call because it would have violated the Brown Act, which barrs elected officials from discussing some topics privately.

Feldman did get her salary increase and contract extension; Wagner was the only dissenting vote.

Two days after the vote, Wagner's home was raided by police who had a search warrant signed by then-LA County District Attorney Jackie Lacey.

Wagner emphasized in his interview that this was actually the second time deputies had come to his home unannounced. The first time, the deputies had not had a search warrant. Wagner's longtime girlfriend Candace Brown let them in and gave them a tour. Wagner had not been home.

Neither raid turned up anything, according to the former council member.

"If you have nothing to hide ... you let them in and you don't argue and you don't call attorneys. That's what I did and I was resolved of any wrongdoing," Wagner told TMT.

Wagner's affidavit insinuated the raid happened at the behest of Feldman and Villaraigosa, describing Lacey as "a politician with known ties to Mr. Villaraigosa."

In his affidavit, Wagner drew a connection between Villaraigosa and Feldman: "Although Mr. Villaraigosa did not state the reason for his interest in the City Manager's contract, it has been publicly reported that the Malibu City Manager has a relationship with a close relative of Mr. Villaraigosa."

Wagner told TMT that he linked the former mayor and city manager after the raid when people began to tell him about Feldman and Villaraigosa socializing together and emailed him photos of the two together at events.

In a statement emailed to TMT, Therese Cannata, an attorney who represents Feldman, denied the city manager had any contact with the former mayor.

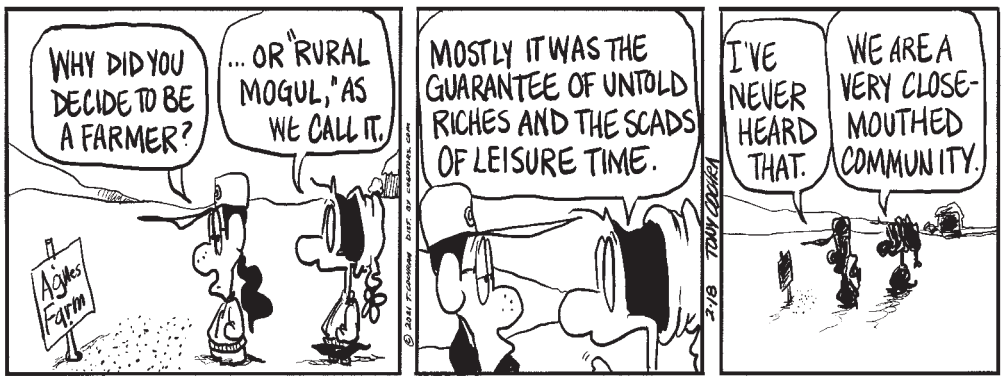
"Ms. Feldman's ex-boyfriend was a relative of Antonio Villaraigosa. That relationship ended acrimoniously in 2012. She's had no personal or professional contact with that person, or any member of his family, for almost a decade," Cannata wrote.

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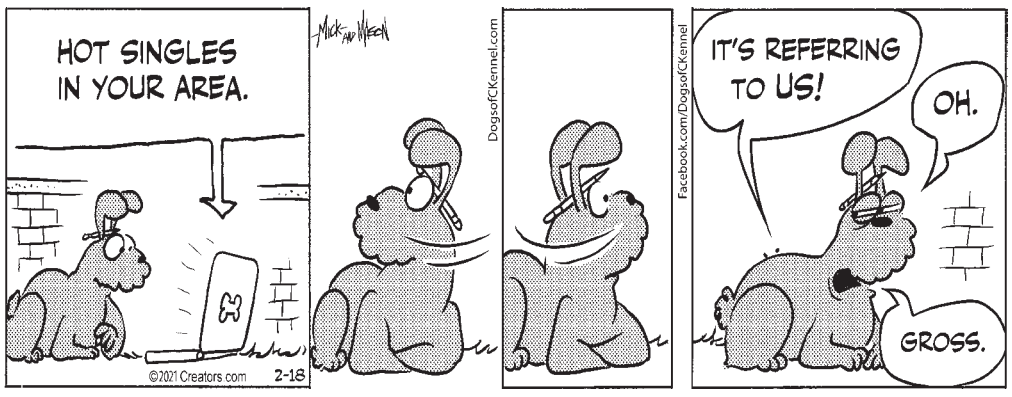
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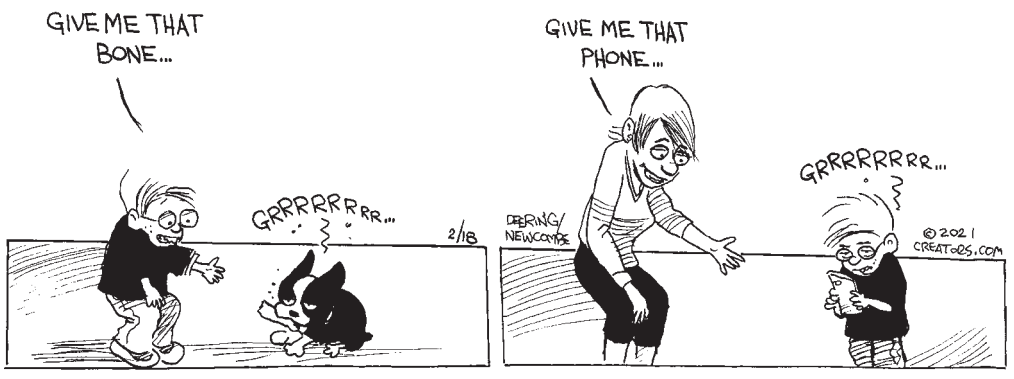
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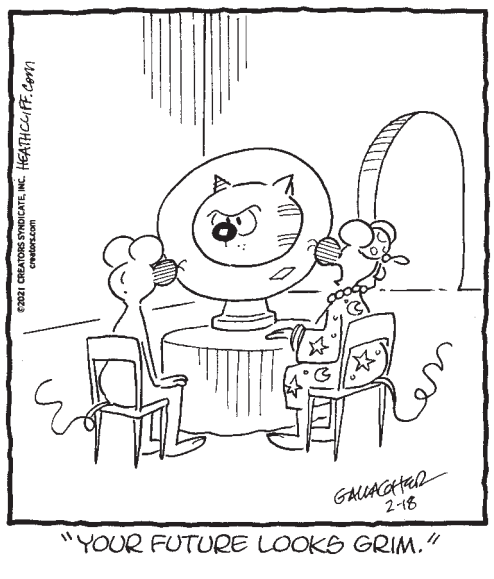
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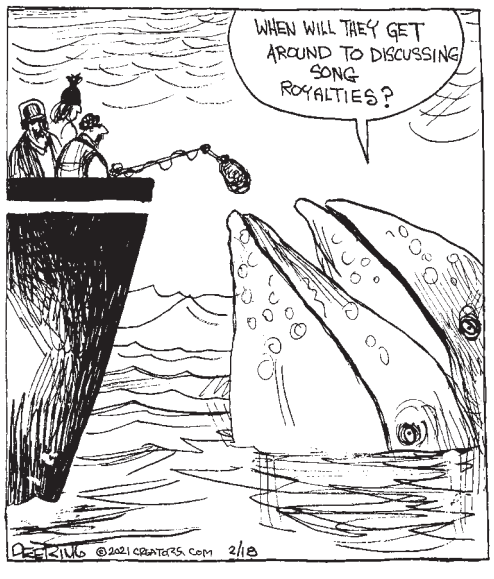
Heathcliff

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Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING





SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 55.4°

THURSDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 3-4ft Waist to chest high
Peaky fun for the beachbreaks with offshore flow for the morning. Onshore W wind for the PM but protected points should stay pretty clean.

FRIDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft Thigh to waist high occ. 4 ft
Peaky and fun for the beachbreaks but easing. SSW swell holds, WNW swell eases. Light offshore flow for the morning.

WEATHER

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 66.
Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 50.
Friday: Sunny, with a high near 65.

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Draw Date: 2/16
EVENING: 7 8 2
Draw Date: 2/16
MIDDAY: 5 1 8

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 2/16
1st: 12 - Lucky Charms
2nd: 05 - California Classic
3rd: 03 - Hot Shot
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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (FEBRUARY 18)

The more you give, the more people expect of you – a cycle you alternately celebrate and interrupt this year. You'll love lavishing someone with attention and care; it fulfills you! Then it's your turn to accept heaps of love, which is not as comfortable for you, but you will get plenty of practice and soon be used to it. Libra and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 10, 4, 44 and 18.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Since body language accounts for the majority of all communication, it only makes sense to prioritize physical education and to learn and experiment with movement in the same way you grow and update vocabulary.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You can and will get over a fear. You will prevail because you're willing to put in the time, make the mistakes and ride with the ups and downs of an awkward process.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Resistance takes many forms. It can come on as tiredness or arrogance, anxiety or apathy. Recognize its basis in fear and decide to be brave and move through it, not letting it stop you from what you want.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You have a talent for acknowledging the traits of others without judging them, and this makes you an extremely desirable friend to have. The real progress comes when you point the same nonjudgmental spirit inwardly.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You may start with the intention of being cool and laissez-faire, but, of course, once you see an opportunity to guide the situation in a direction you deem best for all you can't help but invest, care and be very much in the mess of it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). If you needed permission to be keenly aware of the best within you and even to celebrate it openly, cut out this horoscope, sign it and give it to yourself while boarding the bus of self-appreciation.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your main contract is with yourself. It plays out with other people, and you wouldn't be able to learn without them. But at the end of the day, and for every hour within, you're the one you get to live.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Small events happen throughout the day, moving your mood up and down the scale of 1-10; it's a crude measurement to be sure, but you need art, not math, to account for the colors and depths.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Here comes a wave of accelerated growth in your area of recent concentration. Because a focus is so natural and instinctive for you, you don't even consider this a learning progress, and it's free of growing pains.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). True, you favor certain people and relationships. And if the value of a relationship were strictly calculated on the improvements reflected in you because you participated, it would be an entirely different list.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You are compelled to expand your horizons. It's not done by singing optimistic songs whilst dancing toward the sun. Go toward the sun, but stay aware and curious about the unshakeable shadow that walks with you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You're trying to keep it easy breezy and what happens? Someone comes at you with an intensity that slows the process but also grounds it in some realities that need to be dealt with sooner or later.

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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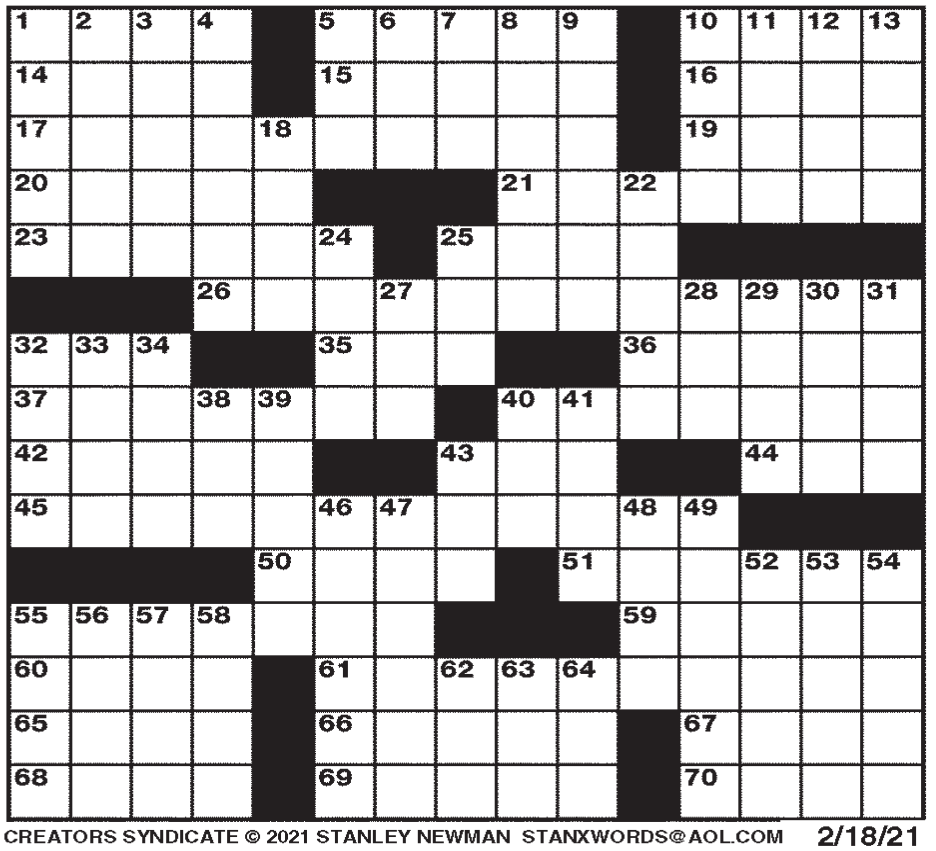
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Newsday Crossword

FOUR FOR A FAN by Steve Faiella
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ACROSS
1 Misstep
5 Mexican marinade
10 "Knock it off!"
14 Yearn (for)
15 TV host O'Brien
16 Hemingway nickname
17 Outlandish, as an idea
19 Big bovines
20 Agribusiness giant
21 Workout activity
23 Missteps
25 __ fides (credentials)
26 Minimum historical level
32 What to call a clipper
35 Ultimate goal
36 Something to stream
37 Birth of a notion
40 Swear to what you saw
42 Celebrity elite
43 One's thing
44 __ Moines
45 5'4" or so, for women
50 Canadian singing superstar
51 Searched for
55 Remorseful feeling
59 Up __ (stuck)
60 Wind-quartet member
61 Ethically superior position
65 "And another thing . . ."
66 Eagle nest
67 Pull apart
68 Highly insightful
69 Plain talk
70 Leave in stitches

DOWN
1 Wedgwood rival
2 Career soldier
3 Deduce from evidence
4 Lorry fuel
5 Highly skilled
6 Industrial Average name
7 Off __ tangent
8 Something to cast
9 Surfing the Net, say
10 Catch sight of
11 Urban transport
12 Shop window sign
13 Guilty feeling
18 Medal earner
22 Raises cash crops
24 Equal exchange
25 Slangy sound of impact
27 Humorist's talent
28 Word: Fr.
29 Highly devoted
30 Plentiful
31 Alicia once of *The Voice*
32 Swindler's plan
33 Tunnel, essentially
34 Oklahoma city
38 CBS police franchise
39 Chopin practice piece
40 Mai __ cocktail
41 Seuss' green stuff
43 Jerry's partner
46 Unfortunate event
47 Sock merchant
48 Wintry coating
49 Instructs privately
52 Oliver Twist meal
53 Dye for temporary tattoos
54 Bear with a ribbon
55 Drench
56 Up to it
57 Prescribed amount
58 Vividly colored
62 Cultivation, in product names
63 __ Majesty the King
64 "Imagine that!"



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Binary Puzzle

Each cell should contain a zero or a one. No more than two similar numbers below or next to each other are allowed. Each row and each column is unique and contains as many zeros as ones.

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This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 17 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle. © australianwordgames.com.au 5028

New Year fireworks

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G E N T E R T A I N M E N T A
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Amok	Entertainment	Horns	Project
Baby	Exercise	Hotel	Responsible
Ball	Explode	Hugs	Revel
Bars	Feast	Idol	Save
Cheers	Flirt	Keep	Selfless
Chips	Funny	Kisses	Show
Crowd	Games	Loud	Snacks
Debt	Glow	Melee	Soda
Diet	Hats	Night	Tolerant
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Embrace	Hope	Play	

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RECOVERY

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find the tools, resources, inspiration, strength, and courage to keep moving ahead. It is up to us to do whatever we can, to see where support is needed, and to learn how we can be there to help others."

The summit will be attended by many business and community leaders, with event sponsors including Boston Properties, Providence St. John's Health Center, Cedar Sinai, Optimum Seismic, UCLA Health and Santa Monica Travel and Tourism.

This year there is additional emphasis placed on encouraging non-member residents to tune in, with the understanding that robust and rapid recovery will require the entire community working together.

The event will also discuss the many ways residents can get involved in recovery efforts, such as volunteering at food distribution centers, helping fund one of the Chamber's Covid-19 small business recovery grants, and of course continuing to abide by social distancing and masking protocols.

"This city is filled with amazing people, whether they live here, work here, or run businesses here. People have shown a huge amount of tenacity and strength to pivot, adapt, and keep moving forward," said Rosen. "Please help us help other people, so we can get back to business and have a city that's thriving again."

For more information and to register, visit http://members.smchamber.com/events/details/state-of-the-city-2021-18384

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STATE OF THE CITY: The annual event will focus on ways to recover from the pandemic.



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