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# Fresh Finds: Black Cherry Tomatoes




Kate Cagle

**YOU SAY TOMATO: A variety of tomatoes are available at the Santa Monica Farmers Markets.**

**KATE CAGLE**
Daily Press Staff Writer

Who says tomatoes have to be red?

Under the shady canopy of Tamai Family Farm's stall at the Wednesday Downtown and Saturday Virginia Avenue Park markets, you can find cherry tomatoes in orange (sungold), red (sweet aztecas) and purple (black cherry).

While cherry tomatoes are technically out of season, the Tamai's keep their plants producing ten months out of the year in large hoop houses on about 30 acres of land in Camarillo.

"They grow in the ground in soil but become a lot sweeter than the ones in season because it takes them a lot longer to ripen," said Julia Tamai, who has been helping to sell produce at Santa Monica's farmers' markets since she was about ten years old.

The black cherry tomatoes are a rare variety that have the distinct rustic color and buttery flavor of an heirloom tomato. Tamai says this weekend is the perfect time to give one a try.

"They are usually a lot juicer but now that it's getting cold the skin is getting a little firmer," Tamai said. "That's probably the sweetest one right now. It's reminiscent of a big heirloom tomato."

Tomatoes are an interesting case study in globalism. The Aztecs were the first to cultivate the tomato and called it 'tomatl' near present day Mexico City. When the Spanish colonized the Americas, they brought the nightshade back to Europe and then all over the world. It took the vines more than a century to make it to British colonies in North America. Thomas Jefferson ate them in Paris and sent some seeds back home, according to the book The Tomato in America: Early History, Culture and Cookery.

If you're wondering if it's a fruit or a vegetable - it's technically a berry but legally a vegetable in the United States. The Supreme Court declared it so in 1893's Nix v. Hedden, a case involving differing tariffs on fruits and vegetables. Even though the dictionary declared them a fruit, the justices unanimously agreed that everyone considers them a vegetable, as well as cucumbers, squashes, beans and peas.

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# Police searching for home invasion suspect




Matthew Hall

**INVESTIGATION: Several areas had police tape around them Friday as officers searched for a home invasion suspect.**

**MATTHEW HALL**
Daily Press Editor

Police officers are actively searching for a suspect connected to a violent home invasion attempt near Santa Monica High School at about 3:30 a.m. Friday morning.

According to Lieutenant Saul Rodriguez, officers were called to the 1700 block of 5th Street (between Santa Monica High School and the Doubletree Hotel) for an "unknown trouble" call in an apartment complex. Officers found a woman suffering from stab wounds and determined a male suspect had broken into her home while she was sleeping.

"The suspect grabbed a knife from the kitchen and demanded money and property," said a state-

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# SMMUSD Education Foundation provides quarterly report

**ANGEL CARRERAS**
Daily Press Staff Writer

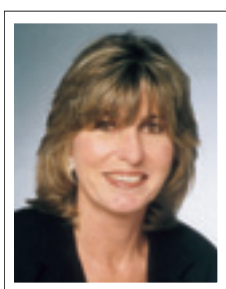
Santa Monica-Malibu Education Foundation has seen donations and participation increase in the past year as the local organization continues to reach out to parents and corporations to fund schools.

On February 15, SMMEF provided their quarterly report, an update on money fundraised and future goals to the Board of Education.

Established in 1982, the Education Foundation was "organized by a dedicated group of parents, community leaders, and local business owners to enhance and supplement the curriculum of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District," according to the foundation's website.

Associate Director Rachel Faulkner presented the item to the board, highlighting that par-

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# What's Up Westside

## OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

## Saturday, February 24

### Mural Painting on the Big Beach Book

Free. Debra is creating a gigantic group-created book - the Big Beach Book - during her residency, and you are invited to learn bookmaking skills while taking part. Explore mural and decorative painting techniques on Big Beach Book pages using paint pens - with the view out the Art Lab window and the surrounding environment for inspiration. Use your newly acquired techniques on a takeaway card. 1450 Ocean, 3 – 4:30 p.m. Register at (310) 458-2239 Or https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search/62866

### Spring and Summer Gardening in Southern California at Fairview

Master Gardener Yvonne Savio Yvonne teaches what to plant now for delicious vegetables and beautiful flowers lasting through Southern California's warm and hot seasons. Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Blvd, 2 p.m.

### "Babywearing" Dance Party

Learn early literacy tips while dancing with your little one! Young children are also invited to dance with their favorite toy. For Families. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 11 – 11:45 a.m.

### Downtown Walking Tour

Discover downtown Santa Monica's architectural gems, history and culture with our team of highly-rated docents. From Art Deco to Victorian and Romanesque Revival, you'll explore the various styles that fill the streets of our city. See where Jim Morrison played his first show and where the once-secret special commandos trained on the Santa Monica Beach, and hear about the start of the modern movie industry. The walking tour covers about 6 blocks in 2 hours and is open to all ages. 1436 Second Street, every Saturday at 10 a.m. $5 members / $10 general public. www.smconservancy.org/events-programs/downtown-walking-tours/

## Sunday, February 25

### Guest House Tours

Free tours begin at 11 a.m., 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. No reservations needed. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 PCH.

## Monday, February 26

### Social Services Commission Meeting

Meetings are held on the 4th Monday of each month at 7 p.m. at the Ken Edwards Center (1527 4th St).

### Airport Commission Meeting

The Santa Monica Airport Commission meets the 4th Monday of each Month at 7 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers. City Hall, 1685 Main St.

### Preschool Explorers: Tornadoes

Explore the science of tornadoes with stories and hands-on activities. Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St, 3:30 – 4:15 p.m.

## Tuesday, February 27

### Teen Writing Workshop

Luis Alfaro leads a workshop for teen writers co-presented by Santa Monica Cultural Affairs, the Virginia Avenue Park Teen Center and the Santa Monica Library Pico Branch. Interested teens can apply to join by emailing Carla.Fantozzi@smgov.net. 2200 Virginia Ave. 4 – 5:30 p.m.

### Reducing Social Anxiety

Using tools drawn from Cognitive Behavioral Therapy, Mindfulness Practice and Mind Body Relaxation techniques, psychotherapists Rob Feiner and Rachel Fintzy teach you powerful tools to alleviate social, performance and test taking anxiety and help you to connect with others in more meaningful ways. Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Blvd, 6:30 p.m.

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# COMMUNITY BRIEFS

LOS ANGELES

## California continues cold but still without much moisture

Cold and blustery weather blew through California on Friday, scattering snow showers in the mountains and making travel on icy roads potentially hazardous but still failing to deliver winter's normal measure of precipitation.

A new coat of white in the San Bernardino Mountains east of Los Angeles led to a snow day for kids in the Rim of the World school district, and classes were also canceled in Amador and El Dorado counties after up to 3 inches (7.6 centimeters) fell in parts of the Sierra Nevada.

Various levels of chain controls were in effect on sections of U.S. 395 in Mono and Inyo counties along the Eastern Sierra and on eight state routes in the region, the California Department of Transportation said.

Vital Interstate 5 received flurries in towering Tejon Pass north of Los Angeles, but authorities did not have to shut it down.

High wind advisories, however, were posted for sections of I-5 in the pass and in the San Joaquin Valley, and Caltrans said travel was not recommended for vehicles with trailers and campers. The same advisory was posted for Interstate 80 at the San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge.

Gale warnings and small craft advisories were issued all along the coast.

After a warm start to February, temperatures plunged this week with the arrival of a very cold air mass from Canada that triggered crop-threatening freezes. Numerous low temperature records were set or tied, but despite the turnabout, the system didn't bring typical winter rains.

The minimal moisture was emphasized when the National Weather Service noted that downtown San Francisco's 28-day midwinter dry spell had finally been snapped when 0.01 inch (0.25 millimeter) fell Thursday.

For growers who have been defending crops against the cold all week, Saturday was expected to bring another challenge. Forecasters said a freeze warning would be in effect in the agriculturally rich San Joaquin Valley from 2 a.m. to 8 a.m.

The almond crop was particularly at risk.

"With almonds being the first flowering crop and extremely susceptible to frost, we are deeply concerned for our grower-owners and all California farmers who are affected by these freeze conditions," Mark Jansen, president and CEO of Blue Diamond Growers, said in a statement this week. The cooperative represents more than 3,000 of California's almond growers.

More cold low pressure systems are expected to drop down the West Coast next week, but forecasters aren't optimistic about rain.

In Los Angeles, where downtown has recorded less than 2 inches (5 centimeters) of rain since Oct. 1, a chance of showers was predicted for Monday and Tuesday.

"By no means does this look like a large rain maker for the region," the weather service said.

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NEW YORK

## Gothamist news sites brought back to life by public radio

Gothamist, a pithy news website covering New York City shut down last year after reporters unionized, and satellites in Los Angeles and Washington, D.C., are getting a new life thanks to public radio.

Public radio stations WNYC in New York, KPCC in Los Angeles, and WAMU in Washington announced the purchase Friday. They said that the acquisition was funded largely through two anonymous donors and stations partners.

"We are committed to telling stories rooted in New York and that matter to New Yorkers," said Laura Walker, president and CEO of New York Public Radio. "As we've seen a decline in local journalism in even the largest metropolitan areas across the country, even at a time when it's so vital, we remain committed to strong, independent reporting that fills the void."

Terms of the deal were not disclosed. Gothamist, LAist and DCist will re-launch in the spring.

For about a decade, the sites in the three cities along with others around the country offered quirky takes on city life, from news to restaurant reviews to to-do guides. Gothamist was purchased last year by Joe Ricketts, the billionaire owner of the Chicago Cubs and local news sites DNAinfo.

About a week after New York staffs voted to unionize, Ricketts shut them all down, calling it a business decision. He said combined daily news reports were sent to a half-million email addresses.

The deal also gives the public radio stations control over story archives, internet domains and social media sites from DNAinfo, as well as Chicagoist and SFist in San Francisco. WNYC officials said they were exploring ways to find new homes for those sites to "ensure the kind of quality local news" they provided to their communities.

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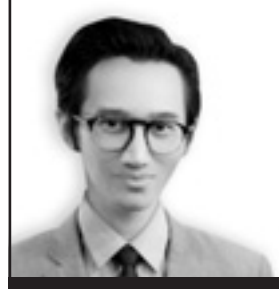




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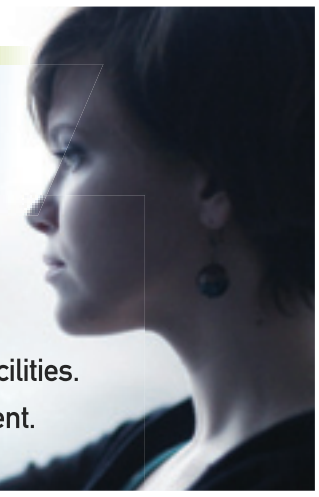
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# Educator Spotlight

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## Nahla Seikali

**Malibu High School**


SEIKALI

**THE EDUCATOR SPOTLIGHT RECOGNIZES** those who contribute to the education of local students. Educators were chosen by consulting with site PTA, student government organizations and staff. Educators were chosen for their reputations with students, staff, parents and the community.

Nahla Seikali has been at Malibu High School for the past three years, but has been teaching for 20 years. Her career in math started when she volunteered to help with Math testing at her own childrens' school. She realized how much she enjoyed testing, but more so that she would like to teach them the concepts, not just test them. She has always been passionate about math, was at the top of her class, and loves seeing kids light up when they finally get concepts they have been struggling with; their hard work inspires her.

Seikali was the department chair at her previous school and has taught every math class from 7th grade up to AP Calculus AB, including Business Math, AP Statistics and all three Integrated Math classes.

**SEIKALI SPEAKS**

I am most excited about the fact that I teach Algebra and upper classes at the same time. So, I have had the pleasure of teaching some students as freshmen and now, I have them in Pre-Calc. I can see the change in maturity and the growth during those years, socially, emotionally and academically.

I don't feel that the new standards have affected my Pre-Calculus and Calculus classes. However, it has majorly affected my algebra teaching. It has forced my students to think and apply, rather than memorize and plug.

I hope to teach my students how to appreciate not only math, but themselves. I hope to show them how to understand math, not just replicate formulas. My goal in doing this is to show the students that they can do more than they ever thought before.

Even though I have been in Malibu for three years only, I already feel that it is home. I love the school, the staff, the students, the parents and the whole community.

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ticipation and donations with the foundation have risen in comparison to last year.

For this school year, as of January 31, the Foundation has raised $2,316,673.

Parents of students in the district comprised a large amount of donations, with 2,557 parent donors at an average of $590 per household. However, this is with only around 36% parent participation and donation.

Faulkner adds money raised by the Foundation via fundraising campaigns, endowments, and event proceeds provides funding for many things, $500,000 for scholarships, endowments, and programs at sixteen schools in the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified District.

Recorders for third graders, additional library books, money allocated to hire instructional assistants, even ballroom dance for 5th graders have all been program benefits.

Faulkner was touched by the donations thus far, sharing a personal anecdote with the Board of how beneficial these donations have been for students.

"We hear from teacher and principals about the Education Foundation and its impact on students," Faulkner started. "I recently got an email from an arts teacher, there's one that child comes to her class before school just to say, 'hi.' The one day a week he has art he comes in and he's excited about the project he's working on. What's striking is, the student is homeless. School is a constant for this child. The art class brings him joy. It's one of many ways donors are impacting our kids."

Faulkner outlined fundraising goals through June 30, naming parent renewals, foundation and organization fundraising, and corporate partnerships as goals. Corporate partners have donated over $186,000 so far this year. "This is the time companies sign on as sponsors, we expect a 10% growth in donations this year."

Faulkner also listed "two big events" as fundraising opportunities, The Greg Coote Concert for the Arts on March 10 as well as The Santa Monica-Malibu Wine Auction on May 6.

Boardmember Maria Leon-Vazquez thanked Faulkner, adding the foundation "does a lot." A key thing, for Leon-Vazquez, was boosting percentage in parent participation, saying corporate partners look for participation. "The higher percentage, the more they'll give. Back to the parent engagement. The more parents feel a part of this district, the more they'll participate. It's not the amount that's important, it's the participation."

Faulkner commented that over 1,000 calls in the month of January alone happened through parent volunteers. "Corporate partners do pay attention to number of families that donate," Faulkner said.

"To tell families their donation matters, they felt more compelled to give. They know it goes to the betterment of the community."

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# COMMUNITY BRIEFS

11th Street

## Santa Monica College Presents Popular Spring Jazz Series

The Santa Monica College Music Department will present this year's Spring Jazz Series, featuring the Connie Han Trio, Dave Tull Quartet, and Jon Mayer Quartet.

The popular concert series opens with the Connie Han Trio on Friday, March 9. All concerts are held at 7 p.m. in the Music Hall at the Santa Monica College Performing Arts Center, 1310 11th Street (at Santa Monica Boulevard), Santa Monica.. Tickets cost $10.

The Spring 2018 lineup is:

• Friday, March 9: Connie Han Trio. A rising star who is unquestionably destined for greatness, Connie Han is one of the most exciting new jazz pianists on the scene today. At age 21, she has already been featured in Keyboard magazine and performed for audiences around the world at events like the Montreal Jazz Festival.

• Friday, April 20: Dave Tull Quartet. Renowned for 30 years as a world-class jazz drummer, Dave Tull has also built a reputation in the past 10 years as a great jazz singer, songwriter, and bandleader.

• Friday, May 11: Jon Mayer Quartet, Master bebop pianist Jon Mayer – described by Downbeat magazine as a musician who "mixes introspective lyricism and a hard-bop drive"—and his fellow jazz musicians never fail to entertain and enlighten.

This popular concert series brings the best of America's jazz music to SMC and sells out quickly. For tickets and information, please see www.smc.edu/eventsinfo or call (310) 434-3005 or (310) 434-4323.

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Malibu

## 2018 Season of the Malibu Library Speaker Series Continues

Gabriel Thompson, an independent journalist who has written for publications that include the New York Times, Slate, The Nation, Mother Jones and Harper's, is the next guest speaker for the 2018 Malibu Library Speaker Series. He will discuss his work, philosophy and book, "Chasing the Harvest" on Wednesday, March 21, 7 p.m. at the Malibu Library.

A Steinbeck Fellow in Creative Writing at San Jose State University, Thompson is the author of five books. On March 21, Thompson will discuss his most recent book, "Chasing the Harvest: Lives from an invisible community—the migrant farmworkers of the United States," an oral history collection from California's fields.

"Public libraries are such important resources of education in our community, and I am proud to welcome Gabriel Thompson to our local library," Mayor Rick Mullen said. "Thompson's work is highly relevant right now, as the country grapples with the question of immigration in our society."

"The Grapes of Wrath" brought national attention to the condition of California's migrant farmworkers in the 1930s. Cesar Chavez and the United Farm Workers' grape and lettuce boycotts captured the imagination of the United States in the 1960s and '70s. Yet today, the stories of the more than 800,000 men, women, and children working in California's fields — one third of the nation's agricultural work force — are rarely heard, despite the persistent wage theft, dangerous working conditions, and uncertain futures they face.

This book of oral histories makes the reality of farm work visible in accounts of hardship, bravery, solidarity, and creativity in California's fields, as real people struggle to win new opportunities for future generations.

This event will take place at the Malibu Public Library, located at 23519 W. Civic Center Way, Malibu. The event is free, but space is limited and RSVPs are required. For more information or to RSVP, visit www.MalibuCity.org/LibrarySpeakers or call the Malibu Library at 310-456-6438.

The 2018 Malibu Library Speaker Series is a program of the County of Los Angeles Public Library, Malibu Branch, and the City of Malibu, featuring experts, authors and notable figures discussing a wide range of subjects, including the entertainment industry, literature, science, motivation, the arts, education, sports, travel, food and the environment.

Past notable speakers in the Library Speaker Series include best-selling author Jeannette Walls, famed civil rights lawyer Gloria Allred; climate change champion and author Bill McKibben; prolific comedy writer and director Tom Shadyac, author of the best-selling novel "Eat, Pray, Love" Elizabeth Gilbert and award-winning documentary filmmakers Rory Kennedy and Mark Bailey.

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Prospect Ave

## The Prospect Kids Kindness First

The Prospect kids (a group of kids who live in Santa Monica and want to change the world ) are holding a Farmers Market on February 25.

They are supporting an organization called The Cambodian Childrens Fund. CCF is an organization that gives Cambodian children education for a better future.

The kids will be selling fruits, vegetables, crafts, spices, Cambodian drinks, and food packets. All of their produce is locally grown in nearby neighbors gardens and from one of the Prospect Kids school's garden. They also will have CCF's very own Shelby Grates at the Farmers market to tell people more about CCF. After all that, they will hold a raffle for honey, mead, and pie.

If you would like to come to the Farmers Market, it will be held on Prospect Ave. and Marine street from 12 to 2 p.m. on February 25.

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**VEGETABLE:** **Tomatoes at the Santa Monica marekts vary in taste, texture and color.**

## TOMATOES

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Either way, the Tamais grow thousands of the cherry tomatoes every year. Their sungolds taste like candy. The sweet aztecas hit the tomato flavor on the nose. Depending on the weather, they will likely have them until the end of April.

"I usually don't like the texture of the purple but now that it's cold they are just perfect," Tamai said. "They just pop in your mouth."

No need to cook them. Just eat straight out of the carton.

Santa Monica has four weekly farmers markets including the Wednesday Downtown market on Arizona Avenue between 4th and Ocean from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., the Saturday Downtown market on Arizona Avenue between 4th and 2nd Streets from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., the Saturday Virginia Ave. Park market at 2200 Virginia Avenue from 8 a.m. to 1 p.m., and the Sunday Main Street market at 2640 Main Street from 8:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

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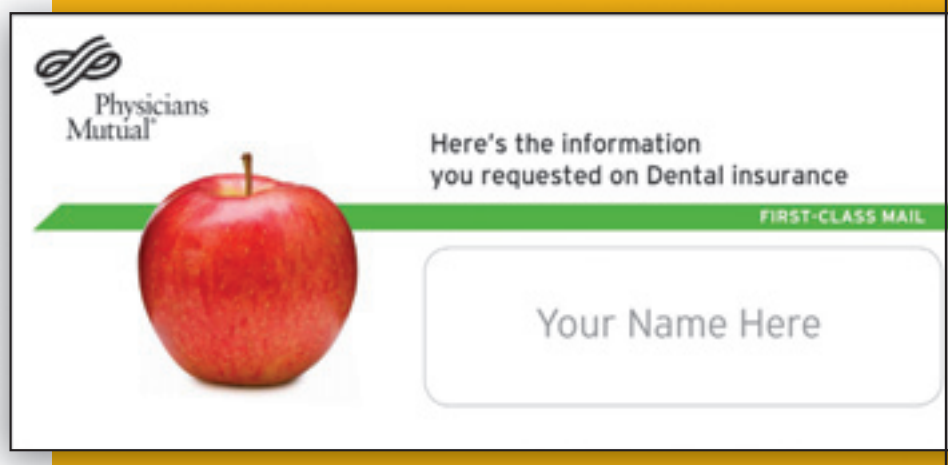
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Matthew Hall

**TRAIL:** **The police department called in a K-9 unit to track a blood trail left by the suspect.**

## SUSPECT

FROM PAGE 1

ment issued by SMPD. "The suspect stabbed the victim in the arm and jumped on top of her. A struggle ensued and the victim was able to fight off the suspect. The suspect fled the apartment through the front door. The suspect is described as a black male, 25-30 years old, wearing a red beanie and dark colored camouflage sweatpants."

SMPD said the suspect likely suffered a significant cut to his right hand.

Officers said they located a blood trail in the 1500 block of 12th Street that they believe is connected to the suspect and further investigation suggests he continued to travel east.

The department's police dogs and SWAT team were both used to conduct a search of the area but the suspect had not been arrested by press time.

The victim was transported to a local hospital for surgery.

Anyone with information related to this investigation is encouraged to contact the Santa Monica Police Department at (310) 458-8491.

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## SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: **57.3°**

SATURDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** Knee to waist high
Small NW/WNW swell mix. Small S swell shows.

SUNDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** Thigh to waist high
NW/WNW swell mix continues. Small S swell.




# 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 FEBRUARY 14, AT ABOUT 7:35 P.M.

Officers responded to a radio call for service at Marisol Restaurant – 401 Santa Monica Pier – regarding a subject that left the restaurant without paying for his food and was being followed by the restaurant's manager. Officers met with the manager and detained the subject for an investigation. The manager told officers the subject ate at the restaurant and did not pay his $63.72 bill. The manager desired prosecution. Donald Eugene Richardson, 50, homeless, was arrested defrauding an Innkeeper. Bail was set at $500.

## DAILY POLICE LOG

### The Santa Monica Police Department Responded To 358 Calls For Service On Feb. 22.

HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE CALLS CHOSEN BY THE SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

Drunk driving 2700 block 3rd 12:43 a.m.
Burglar alarm 2600 block Montana 1:25 a.m.
Hit and run 1300 block 2nd 3:16 a.m.
Grand theft auto 00 block Vicente Terrace 4:58 a.m.
Public intoxication 1800 block 4th 5:22 a.m.
Death 2500 block 4th 5:50 a.m.
Auto burglary 2300 block Oak 6:54 a.m.
Armed robbery 1400 block 19th 6:59 a.m.
Fire 1600 block Ocean 7:12 a.m.
Burglar alarm 1000 block California 7:27 a.m.
Burglary 2300 block Pearl 7:58 a.m.
Petty theft 1300 block 4th 8:53 a.m.
Fraud 100 block Wilshire 9:16 a.m.
Traffic collision 1500 block 10th 9:32 a.m.
Burglary 3300 block Ocean Park 9:42 a.m.
Identity theft 2500 block Euclid 9:47 a.m.
Petty theft 300 block Colorado 10:09 a.m.
Grand theft auto 1500 block 16th 10:15 a.m.
Bike theft 1200 block 21st 10:20 a.m.
Fraud 300 block Santa Monica Pier 10:52 a.m.
Trespassing 1700 block 14th 10:55 a.m.
Petty theft 3100 block Wilshire 11:25 a.m.
Burglar alarm 2100 block La Mesa 11:40 a.m.
Drinking in public 1500 block Palisades 12:20 p.m.
Fight 1000 block 9th 12:26 p.m.
Battery 1000 block 9th 12:28 p.m.
Threats 600 block Pico 12:37 p.m.
Hit and run 23rd / Wilshire 12:43 p.m.
Fraud 3000 block Wilshire 1:14 p.m.
Battery 1000 block 7th 2:08 p.m.
Petty theft 1700 block Cloverfield 2:42 p.m.
Burglar alarm 400 block 15th 3:33 p.m.
Petty theft 1300 block 4th 4:20 p.m.
Traffic collision 1600 block Lincoln 4:27 p.m.
Grand theft 200 block Ashland 4:54 p.m.
Battery 2400 block Lincoln 4:58 p.m.
Fight Main / Ocean Park 6:52 p.m.
Fight 2600 block Main 6:57 p.m.
Grand theft 1400 block 4th 6:58 p.m.
Battery 4th / Santa Monica 7:05 p.m.
Drunk driving 4th / San Vicente 7:30 p.m.
Drinking in public 2500 block Main 7:42 p.m.
Fight 1500 block Palisades Park 7:59 p.m.
Attempt burglary 900 block 9th 8:39 p.m.
Public intoxication 2400 block Main 8:43 p.m.
Trespassing 2500 block Main 9:28 p.m.
Panic alarm 1500 block 16th 9:59 p.m.
Drunk driving 1400 block Santa Monica 10:09 p.m.

## DAILY FIRE LOG

### The Santa Monica Fire Department Responded To 18 Calls For Service On Feb. 22.

HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE CALLS CHOSEN BY THE SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

Emergency Medical Service 2500 block Beverley 1:28 a.m.
EMS 2600 block 26th 3:00 a.m.
EMS 2300 block Ocean Park 3:58 a.m.
Automatic alarm 2600 block Montana 5:55 a.m.
Trash/Dumpster fire 1600 block Ocean 7:12 a.m.
EMS 1700 block Ocean 7:58 a.m.
EMS 1700 block Ocean 9:08 a.m.
EMS 900 block 7th 9:40 a.m.
EMS 2500 block Centinela 9:43 a.m.
EMS 2200 block Wilshire 9:58 a.m.
EMS 1800 block Cloverfield 10:20 a.m.
EMS 600 block Pico 12:01 p.m.
EMS 1600 block Arizona 6:14 p.m.
EMS 1900 block Pico 9:36 p.m.
EMS 11th / Santa Monica 10:22 p.m.
EMS 2800 block Donald Douglas Loop 10:23 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1500 block 5th 10:40 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1500 block Broadway 11:19 p.m.



## DAILY LOTTERY

**Powerball**
Draw Date: 2/21
7 15 31 34 36
Power#: 8
Jackpot: 269M

**Mega Millions**
Draw Date: 2/20
17 19 23 24 43
Mega#: 14
Jackpot: 204M

**Super Lotto**
Draw Date: 2/21
10 25 31 43 45
Mega#: 6
Jackpot: 12M

**Fantasy 5**
Draw Date: 2/22
1 16 20 23 27

**Daily 3**
Draw Date: 2/22
MIDDAY: 7 5 6
Draw Date: 2/22
EVENING: 7 5 4

**Daily Derby**
Draw Date: 2/22
1st: 01 Gold Rush
2nd: 07 Eureka
3rd: 11 Money Bags
RACE TIME: 1:46.09

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## WORD UP!

**Rasputin**

1. any person who exercises great but insidious influence.
2. Grigori Efimovich, 1871–1916, Siberian peasant monk who was very influential at the court of Czar Nicholas II and Czarina Alexandra.

## WELL NEWS BY SCOTT LAFEE

### Observation

■ "Refuse to be ill. Never tell people you are ill; never own it to yourself. Illness is one of those things which a man should resist on principle at the onset."

■ —English writer Edward G. Bulwer-Lytton (1803-1837), who is best remembered for phrases like "the great unwashed, pursuit of the almighty dollar, the pen is mightier than the sword," and the opening line of his novel "Paul Clifford": It was a dark and stormy night.

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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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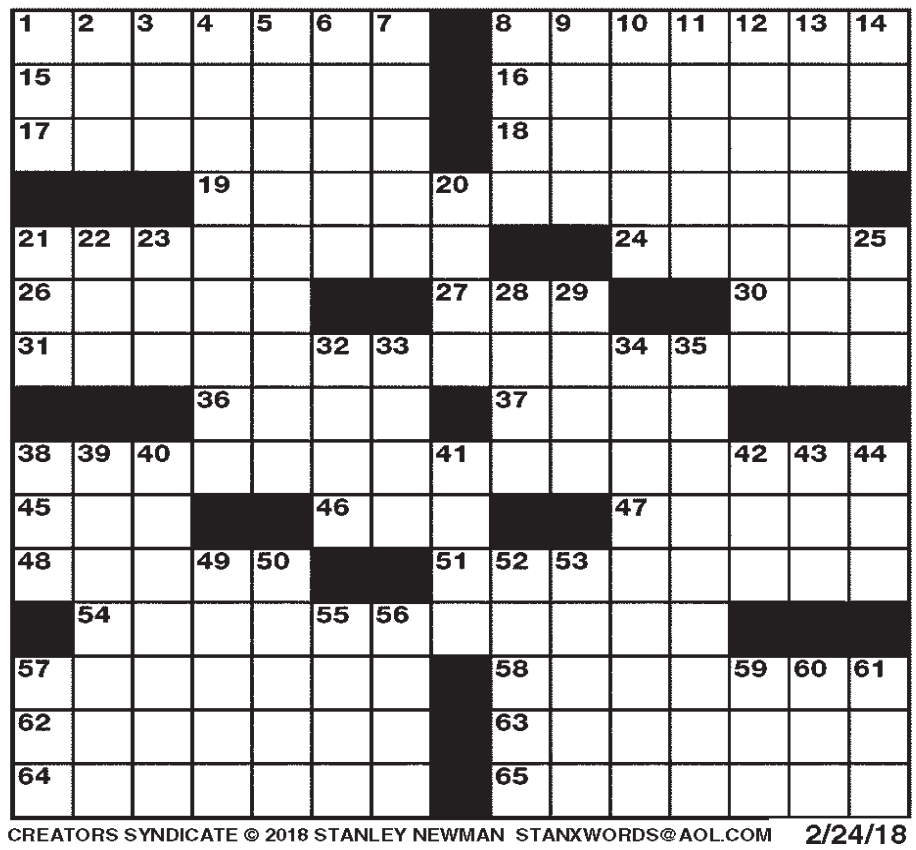
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### ACROSS

1 Covers for heat conservation
8 Resort rentals
15 Maker of monitors and monorails
16 With shrewdness
17 Applied forcefully
18 Made a quick trip
19 Home rule?
21 Cohost of *Larry King Live*'s final show
24 Domino number, e.g.
26 Small companies
27 Word from the Hittite for "on the hearth"
30 Opposite of "forward"
31 Disruption targets
36 Indecorous
37 Part of the *Big Bang Theory* logo
38 Collector's credo
45 Rumpus
46 Subj. that might use a picture dictionary
47 De-intensify
48 Depth-finder descriptor
51 Knight with six Olivier Awards
54 Subject in an Art History class
57 Italian city where Dante and Byron lived
58 They're handled with salsa
62 Lecturer whom Melville called "a great man"
63 Destination for many Buddha Air passengers
64 Series opener
65 Give away unintentionally

### DOWN

1 Craft, generally
2 First puffed-corn cereal
3 Devotional conclusion
4 GreenSet or DecoTurf product
5 School attended by Marilyn Monroe
6 Main melody
7 Banks as boundaries
8 Parking-lot corral occupant
9 Latter-day shampoo additive
10 Con
11 Kiribati component
12 One in the driest state
13 Female pub operator
14 Golan Hts. claimer
20 Red symbol on Mao's cap
21 Orchestration notation
22 "Be careful __ ye enter in . . .": Keats
23 Commercial insurance giant
25 Common comics convention costumes
28 Charge too much
29 Certain Bantu
32 Development unit
33 Farmer's autumn plantings
34 Not to be shared
35 Line on a basset hound T-shirt
38 Grisham regulars
39 John Waters film gimmick inspired by Smell-O-Vision
40 Defiant demurral
41 Lenten benevolent bestowal
42 Sodium compound, to pharmacists
43 Verb of frugality
44 "Puppy paws" dice roll
49 Phlegmatic
50 Often-repeated insistence
52 Color close to caramel, in two ways
53 *Taming of the Shrew* insult
55 Sharing
56 Sound
57 Tech __
59 Goofy collectible
60 Just-expected joiner
61 Brand in a "non-friction best seller" ad



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## TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (FEB. 24)

The year brings a quickening — you feel somehow more alive. The next three months bring ideas to invigorate your body and animate your life. There's a turn of power at work. The start of summer presents a choice that will affect domestic life. There's no wrong way, but life will be very different with each option. Aries and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 7, 44, 29 and 15.

### ARIES (March 21-April 19)
People do not stay interested in the same thing forever. Interests change on scale with personal growth. When your interests change rapidly, it's not that you're flaky — you're just growing quickly into someone new.

### TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
While it's possible to love someone with whom you have little in common, that love will have a limited means of expression compared with the many ways love is expressed between people with more common ground.

### GEMINI (May 21-June 21)
A secret talent is like an illicit love affair, occupying a dream space outside of place and time, not fitting into normal life. But sooner or later, the passion must integrate into daily living or it will fade away completely.

### CANCER (June 22-July 22)
People are not standards. They are not behaviors. They are flexible beings who can show up in many different ways. Much will depend on what you expect of them.

### LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
You were not adequately supported or tended to. So you worked harder, developed yourself further ... and came to a realization. They are never coming around. It's not you; it's them. You can live with it or seek different elsewhere.

### VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Faces diverted into glowing screens — a very uncharismatic look. Unnecessary phone usage is such a turnoff to you that a person's screen addiction could be relationship deal breaker.

### LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
An informational tidbit has the potential to set you spinning down a winding road for hours. Try to stick to your original intent. Tonight, your connection with a water sign (Cancer, Scorpio, Pisces) will refresh your soul.

### SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)
You'll jump into a project in the manner of the Looney Tunes cartoon character Tasmanian Devil. In your tornado whirl, obstacles will be uprooted, and they never even saw you coming.

### SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
With so many distractions of late, taking back the control of your time will feel terrific. Though you feel there's not a moment to waste on the mundane, some of it is more crucial to the big picture than it would seem.

### CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
If you don't make your work important, they won't either. It's about time to up the ante. This could mean asking for more attention, responsibility or money. It could mean claiming a higher rank or a better role.

### AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
It's not fair that you were born with so much social intelligence at your disposal you don't even see it as being a talent. It is. And people need your help. All you have to do is show up — suddenly, it's a whole lot better.

### PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
There are benefits to low self-esteem and benefits to high self-esteem. The most advantageous belief to hold about yourself is a flexible one that allows you to settle into the role and attitude that best serves all.

### Trendy Moon
The Gemini moon loves a trend. One that's currently popular in the realm of self-help is the idea of micro-habits. It may seem that making a goal to floss one tooth or do one situp won't make a difference in a person's life, but the accomplishment of even the smallest goal reinforces the identity of a person who accomplishes goals. Hop on board!

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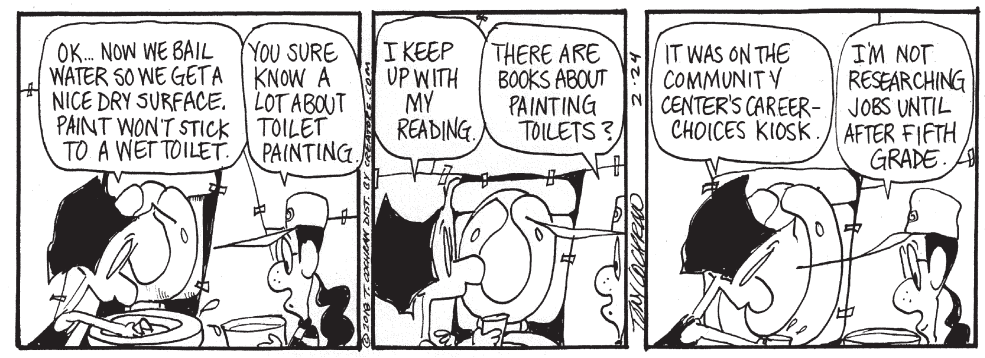
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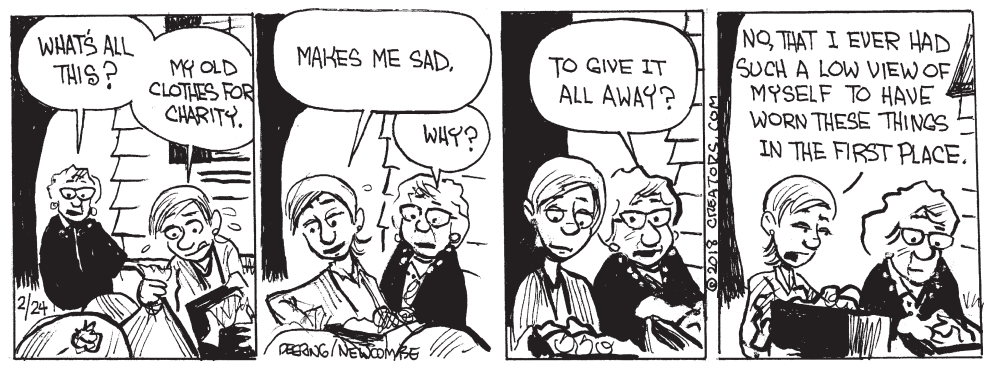

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**BY GENEVIEVE RIUTORT**
Westside Food Bank

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