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Activists press for district based elections

BY KATE CAGLE
Daily Press Staff Writer

Santa Monica activist Oscar de la Torre is highlighting his own election loss last November in a legal effort to dismantle the way the City has held elections for seventy years.

De la Torre is the board co-chair of the Pico Neighborhood Association, which has sued Santa Monica over the City's use of at-large elections. De la Torre's wife is also a plaintiff in the suit. The suit claims that citywide elections violate the California Voting Rights Act, which prohibits at-large elections if they can be shown to racially polarize voting.

To de la Torre, that's exactly what happened three months ago, when he lost his bid for a seat on the City Council. In the four precincts that lie entirely within the Pico Neighborhood, where many Latinos live, de la Torre received 1317 votes, slightly edging out Councilmember Terry O'Day, a white candidate who also lives in the Pico Neighborhood who received 1238 votes, according to new documents filed in court.

O'Day received far more support city wide – winning him a seat on the Council along with Ted Winterer and Gleam Davis. De la Torre now says he never had a shot at winning.

"The current at-large elections

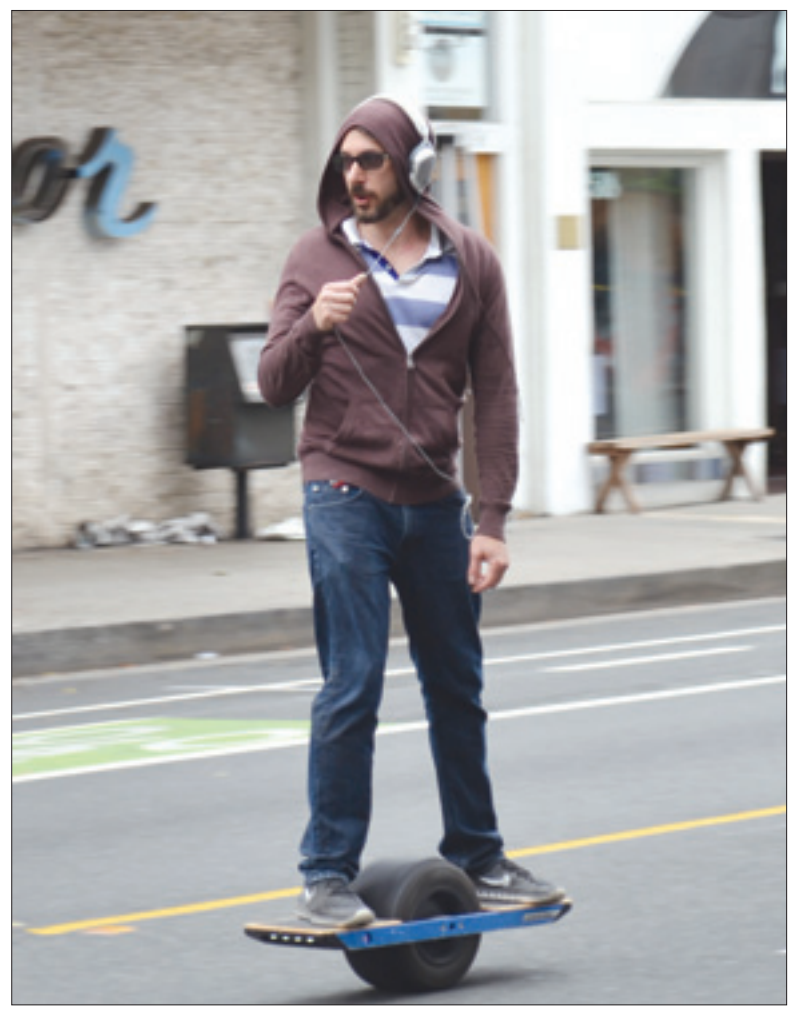
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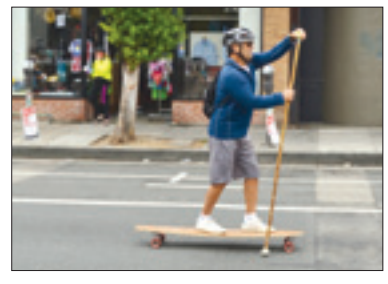
Open streets event coasts back to town in the fall



Matthew Hall

CAR-FREE: Part of Main Street will be closed for a day in 2017 as part of the returning Coast festival.







BY KATE CAGLE
Daily Press Staff Writer

At least one day a year traffic will not be a problem in downtown Santa Monica. After a successful launch last summer, Santa Monica's first open streets event is coming back for round two.

The City will merge last year's popular Coast Open Streets with Santa Monica Festival this fall, according to a newly released staff report. Staff members have not yet decided an exact date, but are looking at October since many Santa Monican's June event calendars are already packed with graduation ceremonies and holiday travel. A fall date would also bolster local businesses as the summer tourist season begins to slump off.

"Santa Monica no longer has an off season," Santa Monica chief communications officer Debbie Lee said. "In October, the weather is still nice and if there is a 'soft season' that would be the closest.'"

The newly named 2017 Coast Open Streets Festival is proposed as an annual event. Staff will aim to give community organizations that traditionally had a meaningful impact at Santa Monica Festival a

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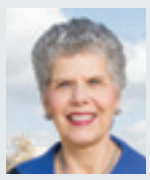
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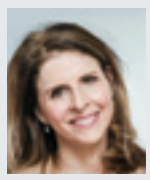
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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Wednesday, March 1

Planning Commission Meeting

Meeting of the Santa Monica Planning Commission. City Hall, 1685 Main St., 7 p.m. www.smgov.net/Departments/PCD/Boards-Commissions/Planning-Commission/

Happy Birthday Dr. Seuss!

Join the celebration to honor one of our all-time favorite authors with Seuss filled activities! Limites space. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd, 4 – 5:30 p.m.

Ocean Park Preschool Explorers: Space

Explore a new science topic each month with stories and hands-on activities. Best for ages 3-5.
Ocean Park Branch library, 2601 Main St., 10 – 10:45 a.m.

Thursday, March 2

Read a Play

Title: Cat on a Hot Tin Roof by Tennessee Williams (Part one of discussion). Discover great plays while uncovering your inner actor. This new monthly group will read through a different play each month, with each in attendance taking part in the read through. Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St., 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Documentary & Discussion: Equal Means Equal (2016)

Equal Means Equal offers an unflinching examination of gender inequality in the United States. A panel discussion follows. Co-presented with the National Association of Social Workers of California, Region H and the Westside Domestic Violence Network. (Film runtime: 93 min.) Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 6 – 8:30 p.m.

GED Prep Class

Get prepared to take the Reasoning Through Language Arts subject test of the GED. Class will be held in the Annex, next to Pico Branch Library. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd., 6 – 8 p.m.

March NOMA meeting

"What Makes the Santa Monica Municipal Budget Among The Highest Per Capita In California" at the North of Montana Association (NOMA) meeting, to be held at Montana Branch Library, 1704 Montana Avenue. Begins at 7 pm with focus on City employee salaries and pensions. A question and answer period will follow the forum. For further information, go to www.smnoma.org NOMA meets each first Thursday of the month.

Friday, March 3

Photo exhibit

Longtime Santa Monica resident and pro photographer Bob Friday will debut a major exhibition of his most recent photographic works at Le Pop Up Gallery, the former home of C.A.V.E. Gallery, 1108 Abbot Kinney in Venice, on Friday, March 3 until March 26. This show is the West Coast debut of his works. A 40-page book of the show's highlights will also debut at the gallery. Le Pop Up Gallery will be open daily from 11 a.m. – 6 p.m. This show is generously supported by Bulldog Realtors

Crescent Moon and Open Clusters

Take a look through a variety of telescopes at a fat six-day-old crescent Moon and its Sea of Tranquility and the Apollo 11 landing site area at dawn, then explore a wealth of open clusters of youngish stars overhead, beginning with the 'seven sisters' in the Pleiades, then moving to the constellation Auriga. The John Drescher Planetarium, Drescher Hall (1900 Pico Blvd.). Tickets are available at the door and cost $11 ($9 seniors and children) for the evening's scheduled "double bill," or $6 ($5 seniors age 60+ and children age 12 and under) for a single Night Sky or feature show or telescope-viewing session.

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

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Santa Monica
NOMA meets March 2

A forum will be held to discuss "What Makes the Santa Monica Municipal Budget Among The Highest Per Capita In California" at the North of Montana Association (NOMA) meeting Thursday, March 2, to be held at Montana Branch Library, 1704 Montana Avenue. Begins at 7 pm with focus on City employee salaries and pensions.

Forum speakers include: Santa Monica City Council Member Sue Himmelrich, Police Chief Jacqueline Seabrooks, Finance Director Gigi Decavalles-Hughs, Human Resource Director Donna Peter, and life long Santa Monica residents Robert or Dominic Gomez.

A question and answer period will follow the forum. For further information, go to www.smnoma.org NOMA meets each first Thursday of the month.

– SUBMITTED BY PHILLIS DUDICK

Downtown
An LA Opera Multimedia talk on The Tales of Hoffmann

The Santa Monica Public Library has announced this season's third multimedia talk, highlighting the upcoming production The Tales of Hoffmann. The program takes place on Saturday, March 4, at 3 p.m. in Main Library's Martin Luther King, Jr. Auditorium, 601 Santa Monica Blvd.

LA Opera's Community Educator Leonard Lipman provides an entertaining and informative audiovisual presentation on this opera by Jacques Offenbach. In the opera, Hoffmann's boozy recollections of the women he has loved and lost set the plot in motion. Urged on by his drinking buddies, Hoffmann recounts stories of the fascinating women who captured his heart—wind-up doll Olympia, conniving Giulietta, fragile Antonia and elusive Stella.

This program is free and all ages are welcome. Space is limited and on a first-arrival basis. This is an event of The Living Room ...a place for adults program series. For more information, visit smpl.org or contact the Santa Monica Public Library at (310) 458-8600. The Santa Monica Public Library is wheelchair-accessible. For special disabled services, call Library Administration (310) 458-8606 one week prior to the event. The Main Library is directly served by Big Blue Bus lines 1, 7, R7, R10 and 18. Big Blue Bus lines 2, 3, 3M, 5, 8 and 9 also stop within a short walking distance. Ride your bike. Bicycle parking racks are available at the library.

– SUBMITTED BY JUDITH S. GRAHAM, PUBLIC SERVICES LIBRARIAN

The Pier
Innovative free fun all day long

S.T.E.A.M. Machines, the daylong, free expo hosted by the Santa Monica Pier Corporation in partnership with Heal the Bay, returns to the Pier's East Deck on March 5. The day is devoted to science, technology, engineering, art, and mathematics, represented by a medley of innovative exhibitors and the LA regional Rube Goldberg Machine Contest.

Check out exhibitors from NASA's Jet Propulsion Lab, the Columbia Memorial Space Center, Heal the Bay's Santa Monica Pier Aquarium, as well a host of original, cutting edge enterprises.

The contest begins at 11:30 a.m., when teams from middle schools, high schools, and colleges face off in the Rube Goldberg Machine Contest, running their innovative, whimsical contraptions that complete the task of applying a Band-Aid through a complicated series of steps. Judges from JPL, SpaceX, and others will proclaim the winners, who advance to a national competition.

Come for the competition, the stimulating, hands-on opportunities to create – and for the ice cream churned with pedal power. Stop in the Aquarium below deck for an opportunity to operate an underwater ROV (remotely operated vehicle), tinker with snap circuits and robotic arms, and work with an inventive "Makey Makey" kit. The day's events will be updated regularly at http://santamonicapier.org/steam/

– SUBMITTED BY RANDI PARENT, OUTREACH MANAGER SANTA MONICA PIER AQUARIUM

Citywide
Board of Education Extends Deadline for Accepting Applications for District Advisory Committees

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education has extended the deadline for accepting applications to some of its district advisory committees (DACs).

Completed applications for the Intercultural Equity & Excellence and Special Education DACs will now be accepted through Friday, March 24. The deadline has been extended for these two DACs due to the fact that very few applications were turned in since the end of January. The board will approve appointments to these DACs at its regular meeting on April 20.

Applications can be found at http://www.smmusd.org/DAC/pdf/DACappEngSP.pdf.

Applications for the Early Child Care and Development, Health and Safety, and Visual and Performing Arts DACs were due today. The Board of Education will approve appointments to these three committees at its March 16 regular meeting.

Membership terms are for three years; however, this first round of appointments will see terms ranging from one to three years to allow for a balance of expiring terms each year.

District advisory committees provide a method whereby citizens and educators can understand better the attitudes and opinions that are held in the school-community environment. The attainment of excellence through equity focuses the work of these committees as they advise the on school problems, needs, and issues from a balanced, logical, and analytic perspective, as the need arises. It is not the intention that advisory committees become policy-making bodies or that they manage or direct staff. Committees are advisory in nature only; that is, they inform, suggest, and recommend to the Board of Education.

All DAC members are expected to:

1. Keep excellence through equity as the primary focus

2. Recognize and respect differences of perspective and style on the committee and among staff, students, parents and/or guardians and the community

3. Conduct him/herself in a dignified and professional manner, treating everyone with civility and respect

To learn more about each DAC, please visit: http://www.smmusd.org/DAC/index.html.

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BID #4262 FURNISH AND DELIVER OEM CUMMINS ENGINE PARTS.

Submission Deadline is March 10, 2017 at 3:00 PM Pacific Time.

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Requests for Proposals may be obtained by logging onto the City's bidding website at: http://www.smgov.net/planetbids/. Vendors wishing to be considered must submit Proposal containing all information required pursuant to the City's Request for Proposal.

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Tired of Trump? Cuba!!

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I'll be in Havana day after tomorrow, with the family, and can't wait. And I owe it all to art, and my Catholic high school in Albuquerque.

I never wanted to be there, at St. Pius X. My Catholic mother insisted. I wanted to go to Highland High, where the girls didn't wear dorky uniforms and the sports teams kicked ass. At Pius there were four Cuban kids, who somehow wound up in the high desert, but they were glad to be anywhere far removed from the evil influence of Fidel.

A few years after Castro threw the corrupt dictator Fulgencio Batista out and began his glorious revolution, our refugee classmates made their way from Florida to New Mexico. They didn't know much English but wound up kicking academic ass by the time they graduated. I always thought Lourdes Monserrat was one of the smartest people I ever met, but the years have shown that Ruben Rumbaut was the true star. I don't have the space to list his accomplishments, but, take my word.

Ruben now lives in Irvine, where he is a Distinguished Professor of Sociology at UCI. We got closer the last few years through class reunions and such. So when he found out a couple years ago that there was going to be a premier exhibit in Santa Monica of Cuban artists (still living in Cuba, an important distinction), that included his cousin Adrian, he let me know and we made arrangements to go see it together.

To cut to the chase, I fell in love with the art I saw, wrote a glowing review in my column, and got to know the woman who was responsible for it, Sandra Levinson. Sandy is one amazing lady. In her 70s, she has more energy than most teenagers. She co-founded the Center for Cuban Studies in New York in 1972, survived a bombing meant to destroy it, and has since led more than 200 tours of Cuba. Sandy knows Cuba.

We're joining her tour March 3 - 10. We will benefit from her vast knowledge and understanding of this fascinating nation, off limits to Americans for so long, and her contacts there. We will go to museums and synagogues and to artists' homes, watch them work and join them for lunch and conversation.

You couldn't find a better tour of Cuba. They offer several varieties at the CCS, laid out at the web site. I will write more about this before I go, and report on it when I return. Alaska Air just started offering direct flights to Havana from LAX, for an amazing $325 RT. Cuba Libre!!

NEIGHBORHOOD PRAISER/COMPLAINER

Without much thought I pulled into the same gas station I always go to, for years, corner of Lincoln and Ocean Park. Very convenient, best prices, free air pump.

Absent-mindedly I note, wait a minute — "debit card only"? I push my credit card in anyway and sure enough, no go (strike one), and I get a message to go inside (big strike two), see cashier. Then the credit card machine on the counter wants my pin number. I never need my pin number for my credit card because I never use

ATMs. Not sure I know it. After three tries (grrr, strike 2.5!), I get it right.

Then the nice young attendant asks me, how much? I'm going to fill it, I say. No, I need a dollar amount. Are you serious, I say? What if I guess too high, do I have to come in again for an adjustment? Too low and I wind up getting gas way too often in dribs and drabs? (Strike three!) I assure her I know none of this is her doing but would she please inform management that a long-time customer here will not, not, not be back.

Finally, it dawns on me: this is an Arco now. All Arcos are like this. "How long?" About three weeks, she answers. With a Prius and never getting out of Santa Monica because I can't (gridlock), I don't get gas often. I never use a debit card because I keep track of all expenses by using only one credit card, and because of that I've got enough points now to buy that Arco. I'm considering it.

GIVE ME A BREAK!

Actually, twice in the last few weeks, a parking ticket cop did. Once, I lost track of

time as I sat in my car, reading some material, ready to take off before the no parking time period began. I did not think it was past 1:00 so when I looked in my rearview mirror and saw the dreaded scooter parked behind me I thought, well, that's predatory, he's just waiting for it to be 1:01 so he can write a ticket. Then I saw him motion to me and I looked at the time, shocked, and gratefully waved thank you as I drove off. I love our City staff!

MORE FUN WITH NEXTDOOR

Really hard to figure those folks out. Posting my latest column, which was mostly about my not-so-fun experiences with that neighborhood-oriented social network, got me a notice within two hours that I had been reported. Again. Eight out of the last nine times, I think. But it wasn't taken down. Until Monday night.

Strong reaction from my neighbors. More than 20 replies under the post, and more people contacted me privately, all of them with discouraging words about Nextdoor. I don't mind being reported — I know there are loonies, and Trump supporters (am I being redundant?), in my lovely corner of the People's Republic of Santa Monica. But being censored through vague guidelines, without due process, because of an anonymous accuser, is just a little too Orwellian for my tastes.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK: If very, very high salaries and pensions to a very, very large City staff are a fiscal problem, even more so with Santa Monica facing possible budget shortfalls, and if all the union contracts are up for negotiation this year, will each City Council member pledge to cut those exorbitant benefits for future hires — even though the various unions poured buckets of money and endorsements into the campaigns of those City Council members? (Holding my breath…)

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: "I want to get out of this city alive, and make like an

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

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Carbon study for development

Editor:

The Santa Monica City Council is so proud of their commitment to sustainability that they are willing and determined to spend an additional $20 million on the planned expansion of City Hall just so they can almost (but not quite) earn a major international award from the Living Building Challenge. Yet they also intend to build a 12-story behemoth at 5th Street and Arizona instead of offering us a nice large urban green space. (They say they must build it to earn back all the money they spent on the property.) If you are concerned about climate change then you are probably aware that carbon dioxide emissions are one of the leading causes. However, you may not know that the cement industry is one of the primary producers of carbon dioxide, a major greenhouse gas.

Here is what I think should be included in the Draft Environmental Impact Report for this project: at what point in time will each option turn into a "carbon sink"? If a park is built that is mostly green space there will be a point somewhere in the future when it will have absorbed the same amount of carbon dioxide that was generated to produce it. After that point it will flip and begin to absorb more carbon dioxide from the atmosphere, i.e. a "carbon sink". All alternatives should have this timeframe included in their discussion. Is it 50 years for a green park, 100 years for a low-rise plaza, and 1,000 years for a 12 story building? This should be a relatively simple calculation to be performed for each option studied and it should be a focal point of the conversation. This option will require sacrifices of our "happy people in a happy city". Water will need to be conserved so it can be spent on the park and there will of course be maintenance and event programming costs. Hopefully, it will help keep us happy. City leaders pride themselves on their sustainability goals and achievements so far. This should be a high priority for our staff. The people of Santa Monica deserve to know what impact the council's choice will have on the future of the climate of our planet.

As a citizen and resident of Santa Monica, you have one last chance to make your voice heard by requesting that the DEIR make a large green park the primary subject of the study and all other options be considered alternatives. And don't forget to request the carbon sink study! Submissions must be sent to Rachel Kwok's email rachel.kwok@smgov.net before 5:30 pm March 1, 2017. Thank you for caring about your city's impact on the environment.

Andrew Hoyer
Board Vice President & Govt Affairs Officer
Santa Monica Mid City Neighbors

COAST

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spot in the new festival.

With two miles of streets closed to cars, locals can lace up their roller skates or hop on their bikes. Restaurants on Main Street pull out picnic tables and diners stretch out into the streets. Cultural groups give impromptu dance lessons on Ocean Avenue and neighbors relax in the traffic free atmosphere of their own city.

"We just want to encourage people to get out and explore and experience our city on foot and on bike and get used to getting around using public transit," Lee said.

Coast premiered last June to celebrate the opening of Expo Light Rail and the Colorado Esplanade. The event was considered a major success, with about 50,000 people turning out. Local blogs called it one of the best Los Angeles area events of the summer. Activities focused on art, sustainability and mobility.

The event will take place on the same route as the June 2016 event: Main Street between Colorado Avenue and Marine Street, Colorado Avenue between 4th Street and Ocean Avenue, and Ocean Avenue between Wilshire Boulevard and Colorado Avenue. Those streets will be open to pedestrians and cyclists only. Cars can cross the event on Main Street at Olympic Drive, Pico Boulevard and Ocean Park Boulevard.

A Metro grant, funds from the Santa Monica Festival, the GoSaMo initiative and other sources paid the $354,000 that it cost to put on Coast 2016. The Metro grant is not available for this year's event and costs are expected to reach $400,000.

Multiple City departments are involved in putting on the festival: the Cultural Affairs Division, Mobility Division, the Office of Sustainability and the Environment and the Office of Communications.

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The Santa Monica High School varsity baseball team opened their season hosting Hart High School in an Easton Tournament game and lost 13-1. Pictured are Michael Finikelstein bunting, Oscar Corona fielding a ball in the dirt, Corona reaching to tag a stealing Brooks Statley from Hart and Pitcher Dax Speakman catches the baseball for an out.

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Trump's budget plan has billions for border, cuts elsewhere

BY ALICIA A. CALDWELL
Associated Press

President Donald Trump wants billions of dollars to start building a wall at the Mexican border and fund efforts to find, jail and deport immigrants in the country illegally, according to White House budget documents The Associated Press obtained on Tuesday.

The Office and Management and Budget's financial outline for the Department of Homeland Security also calls on the Coast Guard to scrap the agency's counterterrorism Maritime Security Response Team, and all of its Maritime Safety and Security Teams. The rationale for the elimination of the programs isn't spelled out. Trump has made fighting terrorism a top priority and his overall budget outline calls for significant increases in military spending.

The Homeland Security budget outline includes money to start hiring new immigration and border agents. It largely adheres to Trump's promises to bolster security at the Mexican border and crack down on illegal immigration in the United States.

The Department of Homeland Security declined to comment on the documents, which are labeled "pre-decisional" and "not for public release," referring questions to the White House. The White House didn't immediately respond to requests for comment.

Trump's overall budget blueprint seeks a $54 billion surge in U.S. military spending for new aircraft, ships and fighters. It also slashes big chunks from domestic programs and foreign aid to make the government "do more with less." Trump's first budget is due in more detail to Congress next month. "Topline" figures were released Monday, a day before Trump addresses a joint session of Congress.

If Congress ultimately approves Trump's budget plans, Homeland Security would see an overall budget increase of about $2.7 billion to roughly $44 billion. That would include nearly $2 billion more for Immigration and Customs Enforcement's efforts in locating, arresting and deporting immigrants in the country illegally.

Under President Barack Obama's last budget, the government had about $3 billion for that task. That included money to jail 34,000 people at any given time. Obama's immigration authorities deported about 240,000 people during the 2016 budget year that ended in September. Trump has said he intends to increase deportations.

Though the Coast Guard became part of the civilian Homeland Security Department after the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks, the agency is treated as a branch of the military.

According to the Coast Guard's government website, the Maritime Security Response Team is a "highly specialized resource with advanced counterterrorism skills and tactics." Scrapping the team, the budget documents show, would save the government about $43 million.

The budget documents also call for cancelling a roughly $500 million new ship, described as "unplanned and unwanted." According to the Coast Guard website, the ship is under production.

The budget documents do not show how the savings from the Coast Guard cuts would be spent.

Associated Press writer Andrew Taylor contributed to this report.

ELECTIONS

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system makes it too expensive to have a viable shot at winning when you're running up against incumbents that are also protected from not having term limits," de la Torre said.

"Racially polarized voting is when there is a substantial difference between which candidate a minority voting bloc prefers and who the rest of the electorate prefers," said attorney Kevin Shenkman of Shenkman and Hughes PC who is representing the Pico Neighborhood Association in the lawsuit.

The case is slated to head to trial in October. Shenkman says expert analysis shows that precincts with majority Latino populations overwhelmingly voted for de la Torre in 2016, while white voters cast ballots for other candidates. It is one of four examples Shenkman says proves Santa Monica must change its election laws.

Attorneys for the City of Santa Monica have repeatedly sought to have the case dismissed, arguing the current system keeps elections focused on citywide issues and gives voters influence over all seven councilmembers. There are two Latinos currently serving on the City Council: Antonio Vazquez and Gleam Davis. There are also several Latino elected-officials serving on the Rent Control Board, Santa Monica College's governing body and the Santa Monica-Malibu School Board, including de la Torre himself.

To Shenkman, Santa Monica's election system is a relic of its segregated past and served to suppress minority votes. Critics of at-large elections argue minority candidates have more difficulty raising the amount of money it costs to run citywide campaigns. Davis and Vazquez are the only two Latinos voted to the City Council in 70 years.

Santa Monica is only the latest of about a dozen California cities to face a legal challenge from Shenkman over the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA).

"It's very rare that these go to trial; there's only been the one," Shenkman said, citing the case he won against Palmdale in 2013. "In that case, the city spent $7 million and in the end, their election system was changed to district elections and all their incumbent council members was put in the same district."

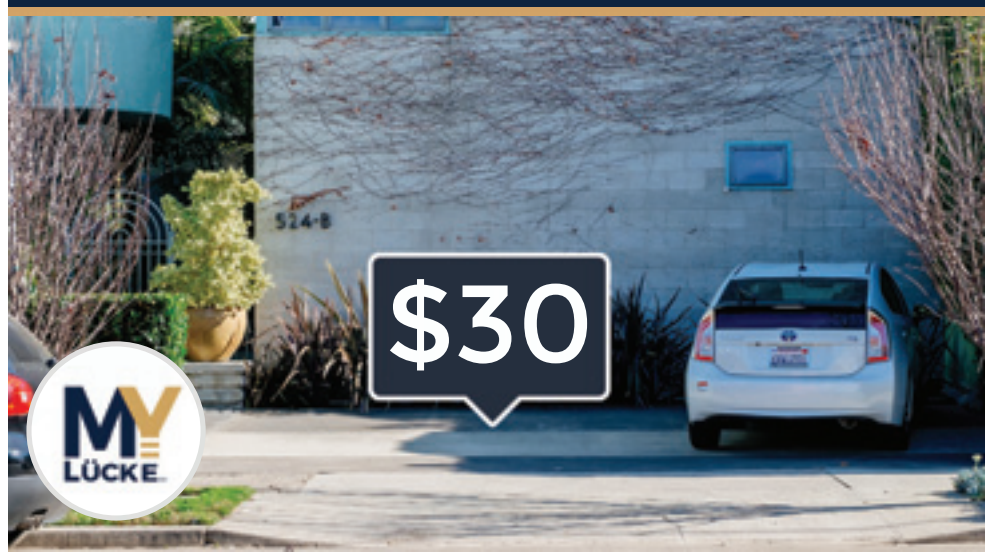
Just last week, the city of Santa Maria took action to change to district-based elections to avoid a costly lawsuit over the CVRA. The City Attorney there, Gil Trujillo, cautioned the city council he "was not aware of any city that has successfully defended against a California Voting Rights Act lawsuit," according to reports in the Lompoc Record. Cities across California have taken similar steps in the face of lawsuits: Compton, Escondido, Whittier, Modesto and Anaheim all buckled under pressure and changed their election systems.

Santa Monica put at-large elections under a microscope in 1990, when the City established a 15-member Charter Review Commission to review election policies. An article in the Santa Monica Outlook regarding the City's charter in 1946 noted the "interest of minorities is always best protected by a system which favors the election of liberal-minded persons who are not compelled to play peanut politics."

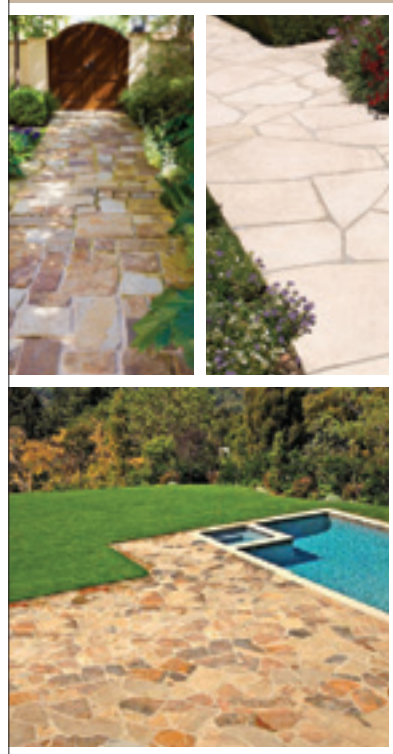
The Commission recommended the City change from at-large elections to districts or proportional voting in order to meet minority interests. But when the motion came up for a vote in 1992, the City Council struck down the idea with a four-three. Councilmember Vazquez, who was on the council at the time, was among those who voted for changing to district elections.

The issue has also gone to voters themselves. In 1975 and 2002 voters considered and rejected district elections in voter initiatives.

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WATER TEMP: **57.4°**

WEDNESDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** Knee to waist high
Small W-WNW swell lingers, while small/fun S swell shows. Favorable winds/conditions.

THURSDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** Knee to waist high
Modest to locally fun S swell, while minor W swell mix lingers.



Airports, legal volunteers prepare for new Trump travel ban

BY GENE JOHNSON
Associated Press

Airport officials and civil rights lawyers around the country are getting ready for President Donald Trump's new travel ban — mindful of the chaos that accompanied his initial executive order but hopeful the forthcoming version will be rolled out in a more orderly way.

The new order was expected as soon as Wednesday. A draft suggested it would target people from the same seven predominantly Muslim countries but would exempt travelers who already have visas to come to the U.S.

Since last month's ban, which courts have put on hold, a section of the international arrivals area at Dulles International Airport outside the nation's capital has been transformed into a virtual law firm, with legal volunteers ready to greet travelers from affected countries and ask if they saw anyone being detained.

Similar efforts are underway at other airports, including Seattle-Tacoma International, where officials have drawn up plans for crowd control after thousands crammed the baggage claim area to protest the original ban.

"The plan is to be as ready as possible," said Lindsay Nash, an immigration law professor at New York University's Cardozo School of Law who has been helping prepare emergency petitions on behalf of those who might be detained.

Trump's initial action, issued Jan. 27, tem-

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DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 293 calls for service on Feb. 27.

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

Traffic collision 2nd/California 12 a.m.
Runaway 1400 block Harvard 12:13 a.m.
Auto burglary 1300 block 4th 12:29 a.m.
Sexual assault 1500 block Lincoln 12:58 a.m.
Drunk driving 2nd/Colorado 1:44 a.m.
Traffic collision 100 block Ocean 2:22 a.m.
Encampment 1900 block Pico 2:36 a.m.
Encampment 1600 block Ocean Front Walk 2:38 a.m.
Encampment 1700 block Dewey 4:52 a.m.
Lewd activity 1700 block Dewey 6:52 a.m.
Auto burglary 900 block 26th 7:47 a.m.
Burglary 3400 block Ocean Park 7:58 a.m.
Indecent exposure 2900 block Exposition 8:27 a.m.
Traffic collision 2000 block Santa Monica 8:33 a.m.
Speeding 20th/Pico 8:34 a.m.
Hit and run 1400 block Yale 8:41 a.m.
Burglary 1400 block Stanford 8:44 a.m.
Traffic collision 2700 block Santa Monica 8:47 a.m.
Petty theft 1400 block Lincoln 8:53 a.m.
Auto burglary 1700 block Appian 9:15 a.m.
Runaway 300 block Olympic 9:18 a.m.
Fight 1500 block 2nd 9:25 a.m.
Theft of recyclables 2200 block 21st 9:29 a.m.
Panhandling 1000 block Wilshire 9:35 a.m.
Fraud 500 block Broadway 9:58 a.m.
Encampment 900 block 7th 10:03 a.m.
Death 2000 block Santa Monica 11:00 a.m.
Person with a gun Ocean/Colorado 11:40 a.m.
Traffic collision 400 block Wilshire 12:07 p.m.
Petty theft 1500 block Ocean 12:28 p.m.
Burglary 1400 block 6th 12:34 p.m.
Encampment 2600 block Wilshire 12:42 p.m.
Fraud 1500 block 26th 1:59 p.m.
Death 1400 block 2nd 2:01 p.m.
Traffic collision 700 block Broadway 2:30 p.m.
Fraud 2800 block Santa Monica 2:31 p.m.
Burglary 1400 block Stanford 3:05 p.m.
Petty theft 300 block Santa Monica Pier 3:28 p.m.
Encampment 1500 block Palisades Park 3:30 p.m.
Identity theft 700 block Pier 4:02 p.m.
Auto burglary 1700 block Appian 4:03 p.m.
Person with a gun 3rd Street Prom/Arizona 4:09 p.m.
Fraud 1200 block the beach 4:13 p.m.
Petty theft 300 block Colorado 5:01 p.m.
Petty theft 100 block Broadway 5:05 p.m.
Auto burglary 100 block Hill 5:14 p.m.
Petty theft 3100 block Main 5:54 p.m.
Traffic collision 1800 block Lincoln 6:00 p.m.
Injured person 1700 block Main 6:06 p.m.
Grand theft 300 block Colorado 6:08 p.m.
Grand theft 3200 block Ocean Park 6:43 p.m.
Fraud 800 block Ocean 6:49 p.m.
Petty theft 600 block Wilshire 7:04 p.m.
Shots fired 2200 block 25th 7:14 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 45 calls for service on Feb. 27.

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EMS 2nd/California 12:03 a.m.
EMS 1300 block Ozone 12:22 a.m.
EMS 900 block 17th 12:42 a.m.
EMS 800 block Santa Monica 12:45 a.m.
EMS 800 block 18th 1:14 a.m.
EMS 1600 block Arizona 2:27 a.m.
EMS 400 block 19th 3:24 a.m.
EMS 800 block 20th 5:57 a.m.
EMS 1300 block 17th 6:47 a.m.
EMS 800 block 10th 6:55 a.m.
EMS 800 block Woodacres 7:50 a.m.
EMS 500 block ocean 7:58 a.m.
Odor investigation 2200 block Oak 8:09 a.m.
Hydrant leak 2700 block Santa Monica 8:48 a.m.
Haz mat - level 1 1900 block 20th 9:19 a.m.
Automatic alarm 1200 block 10th 9:22 a.m.
EMS 2200 block Pier 9:26 a.m.
EMS 1200 block 16th 9:50 a.m.
EMS 2000 block Santa Monica 10:06 a.m.
EMS 900 block Yale 10:26 a.m.
EMS 2000 block Santa Monica 10:53 a.m.
EMS 2900 block 31st 10:56 a.m.
EMS 2000 block Santa Monica 11:01 a.m.
Structure fire 1300 block Pacific 11:48 a.m.
EMS 400 block Wilshire 11:59 a.m.
EMS 1400 block 2nd 2:02 p.m.
EMS 700 block Ocean 2:14 p.m.
EMS 1200 block 4th 2:25 p.m.
EMS 800 block 2nd 2:48 p.m.
EMS 1900 block Pico 3:34 p.m.
EMS 2900 block Colorado 4:02 p.m.
Haz mat - level 1 2200 block Colorado 5:17 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1200 block 5th 5:25 p.m.
EMS 800 block 2nd 6:02 p.m.
EMS 1800 block Lincoln 6:03 p.m.
EMS 1700 block Main 6:07 p.m.
EMS 3300 block Ocean Park 6:36 p.m.

DAILY LOTTERY

POWERBALL
Draw Date: 2/25
6 32 47 62 65
Power#: 19
Jackpot: 53M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 2/24
12 29 33 42 68
Mega#: 14
Jackpot: 73M

SUPER LOTTO
Draw Date: 2/25
3 11 24 30 46
Mega#: 15
Jackpot: 16M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 2/27
7 9 31 35 39

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 2/27
MIDDAY: 6 5 0
Draw Date: 2/27
EVENING: 5 8 8

DAILY DERBY
Draw Date: 2/27
1st: 04 Big Ben
2nd: 06 Whirl Win
3rd: 10 Solid Gold
RACE TIME: 1:42.73

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WORD UP!

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1. to grant absolution to (a penitent).
2. to impose penance on (a sinner).
3. to hear the confession of (a person).

WELL NEWS BY SCOTT LAFEE

Get Me That, Stat!

■ More than 1,000 times a minute, or roughly 554 million times a year, Americans eat a Jack in the Box taco. It is the most-sold item on the San Diego-based fast food chain's menu. The tacos are deep-fried tortillas containing a beef filling, topped by American cheese, lettuce and hot sauce. That's it. The Wall Street Journal offers the description of "a wet envelope of cat food." The paper could find no source able to explain the tacos' enduring popularity. (They've been around since the 1950s.)

Phobia of the week

■ Koniophobia: fear of dust

MYSTERY PHOTO

Matthew Hall *matt@smdp.com*



The first person who can correctly identify where this image was captured wins a prize from the Santa Monica Daily Press. Send answers to *editor@smdp.com*.

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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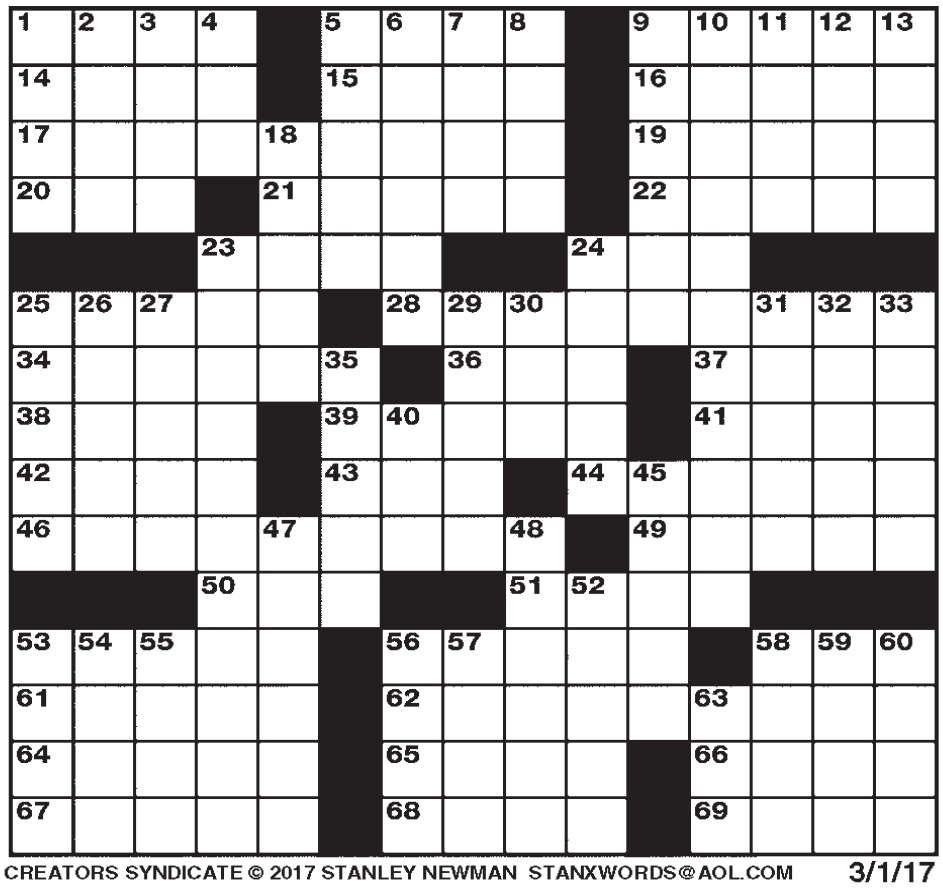
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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Prescribed amount
5 Horse's hair
9 Capital of Ghana
14 Render a verdict
15 Aroma
16 Obstruct, as a river
17 Reykjavik resident
19 Make up (for)
20 Prof's deg., often
21 Underground water sources
22 Well-mannered guys
23 Top of the head
24 Title for a knight
25 Italian resort isle
28 Daytime TV drama
34 Parcels out
36 Finance deg.
37 Mosque leader
38 Korean cars
39 Notions
41 Place to bowl
42 *"¿Cómo ___ usted?"*
43 Remind too much
44 Speak ill of
46 Crustacean with edible claws
49 Bundled, as hay
50 Change the color of
51 PC rival of Dell
53 Sufficient room
56 Nursery rhyme dieter
58 Oxygen or neon
61 Yuletide tune
62 *Peanuts* bird
64 Drop ___ to (write to)
65 Oscar actress Hathaway
66 Dress of India
67 *Beauty and the* ___
68 Final or midterm
69 Said "Not guilty," perhaps

DOWN
1 Leaky faucet sound
2 "That smarts!"
3 Winter coaster
4 Electrified fish
5 Impressionist painter Claude
6 Confuses
7 Yuletide tune
8 Makes a blunder
9 Slow tempo
10 Butterfly-to-be
11 "We gotta go!"
12 Smallest of a litter
13 Chimps and gorillas
18 Stand by for
23 Details to be debated
24 Muscle twitch
25 Bakery array
26 Celebrity roster
27 Greek philosopher
29 End of the Greek alphabet
30 Group for D.A.'s
31 Smartphone message
32 Mountain chain
33 Modify, as legislation
35 From then until now
40 Women's patriotic org.
45 Assists in wrongdoing
47 Hole for a shoelace
48 British nobles
52 West Point student
53 Sign of healing
54 Drained of color
55 Operatic solo
56 Sharp blow
57 Cornmeal bread
58 Project's objective
59 Farmland measure
60 Winter driving mishap
63 Cookbook amt.



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BAN

FROM PAGE 8

porarily barred citizens of Iran, Iraq, Syria, Yemen, Somalia, Sudan and Libya from coming to the U.S. and halted acceptance of all refugees. The president said his administration would review vetting procedures amid concerns about terrorism in those seven nations.

Protesters flooded U.S. airports that weekend, seeking to free travelers detained by customs officials amid confusion about who could enter the country, including U.S. permanent residents known as green-card holders.

Attorneys also challenged the order in court, including officials from Washington state. That lawsuit, which Minnesota joined, resulted in a federal judge temporarily blocking the government from enforcing the travel ban, a decision unanimously upheld by a panel of the 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals.

Many civil rights lawyers and activists have said they don't believe a new order would cure all the constitutional problems of the original, including the claim that it was motivated by anti-Muslim discrimination.

Trump has said he singled out the seven countries because they had already been deemed a security concern by the Obama administration. And in a speech Friday to the Conservative Political Action Committee Friday, he said, "We are going to keep radical Islamic terrorists the hell out of our country."

Last week, analysts at the Homeland Security Department's intelligence arm found insufficient evidence that citizens of the seven Muslim-majority countries pose a terror threat to the United States.

"It's not enough to just tweak an order and not change the nature of why it was issued in the first place," said Rula Aoun, director of the Arab American Civil Rights League in Dearborn, Michigan, which sued over the initial ban and is prepared to do the same with the rewrite if necessary.

In New York, American Civil Liberties Union attorney Lee Gelernt said the organization was ready to go to court if the administration tries to immediately enforce its new order.

"The primary focus is being able to respond immediately to any request by the government to lift any of the injunctions, before the courts have had a chance to examine the new order," he said.

Activists and airport officials alike said they hoped it would be phased in to give travelers fair warning, which might preclude any detentions from arriving flights.

"We are prepared and willing," said Rebecca Sharpless, who runs the immigration clinic at the University of Miami School of Law. "But it's unlikely to cause the same kind of chaos of last time."

At Dulles, Sea-Tac, Minneapolis-St. Paul and other airports, legal volunteers have greeted arriving travelers in shifts every day since the initial ban, wearing name tags or posting signs in different languages to identify themselves.

The legal-services nonprofit OneJustice was ready to send email alerts to 3,000 volunteers in California if needed, deploying them to San Francisco and Los Angeles airports for people affected by any new order, chief executive Julia Wilson said.

In Chicago, travelers have been signing up for an assistance program started by the local Council on American-Islamic Relations office to ensure swift legal help if they're detained.

Groups urged those arriving at 17 other airports, including Miami, Atlanta and San Diego, to register with Airport Lawyer , a secure website and free mobile app that alerts volunteer lawyers to ensure travelers make it through customs without trouble.

Asti Gallina, a third-year student at the University of Washington Law School, volunteered at Sea-Tac for the first time Tuesday. It was quiet, she said.

"An essential part of the American narrative is the ability to come to America," Gallina said. "Any infringement of that is something that needs to be resisted."

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 1)

Tender connections will happen often for you. You'll read people well and use this gift to care for your loved ones, communicate well and detect the hidden motivations of others that might affect your plans. The character-building work of the spring makes you even more beautiful and attractive. Capricorn and Aries adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 42, 13, 28 and 45.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

If you can win small, you can win big. You'll do both. Along the way, you'll also lose on either side of the equation, and that's just part of it. The important thing is to have courage and take none of it personally.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

You may want to be different, but the point of the game isn't to change yourself. This is about accepting yourself more and more fully. As you do this, you'll become increasingly powerful.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)

Don't worry if your focus of interest isn't everyone's today. A subject doesn't have to be broadly trending to be absolutely compelling. It only has to be fascinating to you.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)

The challenge is simple. The circumstance is straightforward. It's something to be protective of because this dynamic can change in an instant -- the instant a complicated person gets involved.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

You may be changing the world, but it's difficult to see the change over the course of a day. That's where hope and faith come in and on days like today it's hard to generate that on your own. Stick by the hopeful, faithful people.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

It's as though there's something in you that doesn't like to be too good for too long. It's the quality that keeps you absolutely riveting to some people around you. So go on and spice it up. They're expecting you to bring the fun.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

Nature is one way, the facts of which cannot be changed today. However you can use what nature gives you in a way that enhances and improves your experience.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

Your life is your own recipe. You may pull inspiration from various places -- the internet, fiction, friends -- but ultimately no one has the exact instructions for this dish. It's your own magnificent creation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You would pass one of your responsibilities onto another if there were someone around who could handle it half as well. Alas, this is important, and if it's to be done right, it is to be done by you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

Some jobs are important and urgent and must be completed quickly, for better or worse, to serve the bigger picture. Other jobs are even more important and must be handled right no matter how long that takes.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

When people act right because they are afraid to do something wrong, it doesn't count as virtuous. The true mark of good character is one who feels they have a full range of choices and yet they still choose right.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

No one can blame you for being a little extreme today. When all goes well, drudgery will be redeemed by success, and the parts remembered will be the dazzling highs and the dismal lows, not the tedium in between.

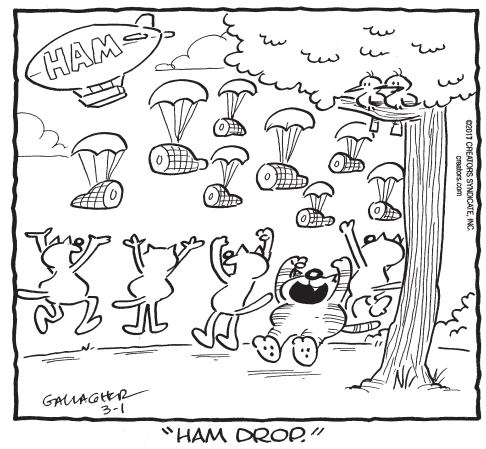
Sun and Neptune Conjunction

Abraham Lincoln said that the best thing about the future is that it comes one day at a time. The sun and Neptune conjoin to give us future-seeing spectacles. Don't let the vision overwhelm you; this is a time for planning, not for fretting. And if you can't see where you're headed, don't worry. It only means you're at a winding section of this road.

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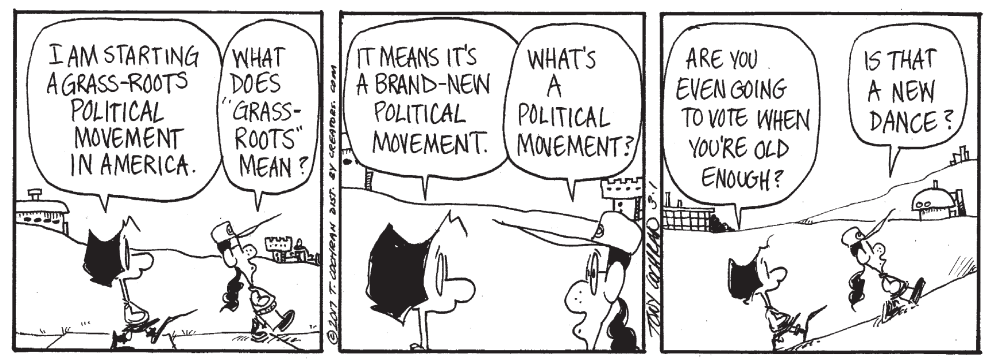
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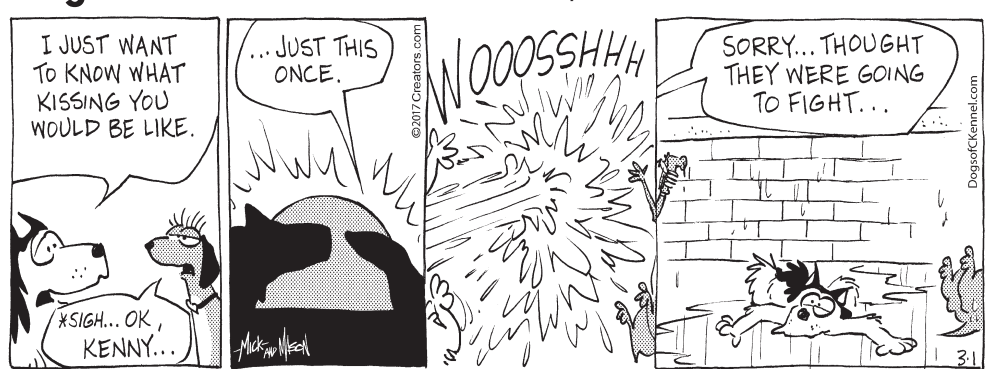
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