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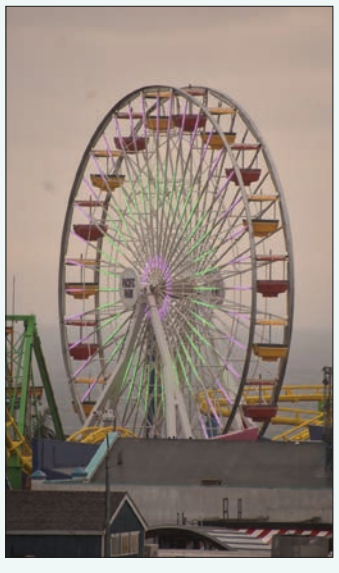
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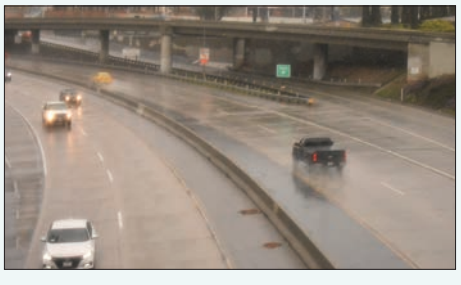
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More facilities have closed as fears over Coronavirus have grown.
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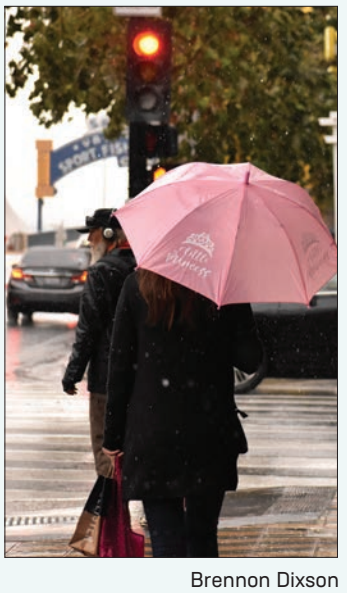
Late-winter storm brings rain to Southern California











Brennon Dixson

STORM: Rain continued throughout most of Thursday with additional wet weather expected for several days.

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Rain fell heavily on parts of Southern California on Thursday as a low-pressure system drew subtropical moisture into the region at the tail-end of an extremely dry winter.

Flood advisories were issued for western parts of San Diego, Riverside and Orange counties, and flood watches were in effect for mountains and deserts to the east.

Some high elevation mountains could get "substantial" snow by Friday, forecasters said.

The next weather system is expected to begin bringing rain and snow to Northern California during the weekend and reach the southern half of the state by Monday.

With spring just a week away, California is way below normal winter rain and snowfall levels.

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Santa Monica allows housing projects to bypass lengthy approval process

MADELEINE PAUKER
SMDP Staff Writer

Santa Monica City Council voted unanimously Tuesday to allow all affordable housing projects and many market-rate projects to go through a rapid approval process as the city prepares to meet a state requirement to zone for 8,800 units of housing over the next decade, drawing ire from community groups who say the city should be fighting the mandate.

Affordable and market-rate projects less than 60 feet tall that comply with existing zoning will be approved by city staff without going through Planning Commission hearings, which city officials say will make housing production faster and cheaper. All projects will continue to undergo design review at public Architectural Review Board hearings.

The emergency ordinance City Council approved, which went into effect Tuesday night, includes restrictions on corporate housing and a requirement that developers hold a community meeting to gather input on a project before submitting

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Santa Monica cancels all events, schools close to contain coronavirus

MADELEINE PAUKER
SMDP Staff Writer

Santa Monica canceled all events and local schools announced plans to close Thursday as the number of coronavirus cases in Los Angeles County reached 32 and the World Health Organization declared a global pandemic.

Local officials announced Thursday afternoon that all events, programs and activities hosted by the city of Santa Monica and other groups will be canceled in alignment with guidances issued by state and county public health officials. Santa Monica schools closed, moved to remote instruction or canceled all non-essential events, although they confirmed that no students or staff had tested positive for COVID-19.

The list of canceled city events includes all recreational classes and the March 21 Airport Art Walk. Parks, public recreational facilities and beaches will remain open and the Santa Monica Farmers Market will remain open for the time being, said city spokesperson Constance Farrell.

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: **Appeal 20ENT-0016 of the Landmarks Commission approval of Landmark Designation 19ENT-0372**

633 21st Street

APPLICANT: Diana Rothschild
APPELLANT: Diana Rothschild
PROPERTY OWNER: Helen Lin Trust

Appeal of the denial of Landmark Designation application 19ENT-0372 for the property located at 633 21st Street. The City Council will consider the designation application to determine whether the subject property should be designated as a City Landmark and if designated as a Landmark, whether an associated Landmark Parcel should be defined and described in order to preserve, maintain, protect, or safeguard the Landmark.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, MARCH 24, 2020 at 6:30 PM**

LOCATION: Santa Monica Civic Auditorium, East Wing
1855 Main Street, Santa Monica

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the City Council public hearing, or by writing a letter. Written information will be given to the City Council at the meeting.

Address your letters to: City Clerk
Re: 633 21st Street
1685 Main Street, Room 102
Santa Monica, CA 90401

Or email to councilmtgitems@smgov.net

MORE INFORMATION
If you want more information about this project or wish to review the project file, please contact Steve Mizokami, Principal Planner, City Planning Division, at (310) 458-8341 or by email at steve.mizokami@smgov.net. The Zoning Ordinance is available at the Planning Counter during business hours and on the City's web site at www.smgov.net.

The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. If you have any disability-related accommodation requests, please contact (310) 458-8431 or TTY (310) 458-8696 at least three days prior to the event. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request Santa Monica Big Blue Bus Lines 1, 2, 3, Rapid 3, 7, 8, 9, 10 and 18 serve City Hall and the Civic Center area. The Expo Line terminus is located at Colorado Avenue and Fourth Street, a short walk to the Civic Auditorium. Public parking is available in front of City Hall, on Olympic Drive and in the Civic Center Parking Structure (validation free).

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

Español
Este es un aviso de una audiencia publica sobre una solicitud para remodilar un edifecio que tiene valor historico importante. Para mas informacion, por favor llame a Carmen Gutierrez en City Planning Division al numero (310) 458-8341.

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Biden, Sanders try to show they would be better in a crisis

BILL BARROW AND RANDALL CHASE
Associated Press

Democratic presidential candidate Joe Biden on Thursday called for a sweeping national response to the coronavirus outbreak, chiding President Donald Trump for a response he said was woefully insufficient and warning that the widening public health crisis should not be viewed through a lens of politics.

"This administration has left us woefully unprepared for the exact crisis we now face," Biden said in a speech delivered from his hometown of Wilmington, Delaware, and tailored to draw sharp contrasts between the former vice president and the Republican incumbent he hopes to topple this fall.

A short time later, Biden's last Democratic presidential rival, Vermont Sen. Bernie Sanders, said the outbreak may isolate Americans working from home and in quarantine and he suggested the country needed to band together, not divide.

"If there ever was a time in the modern history of our country when we were all in this together this is the moment," Sanders said. He said of Trump's White House, "We have an administration that is largely incompetent and whose incompetence and recklessness have threatened the lives of many, many people in our country."

Biden said he is already up to meeting such challenges better than Trump.

"No president can promise to prevent future outbreaks, but I can promise you this, when I'm president we will be better prepared, respond better and recover better," Biden declared. "We will lead with science, listen to the experts, will heed their advice. We'll build American leadership and rebuild it to rally the world to meet the global threats that we are likely to face again."

Biden cautioned that the virus, which some Trump allies have dismissed as overblown fodder for the president's critics, "does not have a political affiliation." And in a direct dig at Trump, Biden added another pledge: "I'll always tell you the truth. This is the responsibility of a president. That's what is owed the American people."

The former vice president and Sanders gave their dueling addresses on the coronavirus less than 24 hours after Trump spoke to the nation from the Oval Office about a public health crisis he'd previously downplayed.

Sanders called on Trump to declare a national emergency and said a hotline should be established for people seeking information about coronavirus.

He also said the U.S. was at a "major disadvantage" compared with other countries since many people have no medical insurance.

Sanders has advocated for fully government-financed health care under a "Medicare for All" system that is the centerpiece of his campaign. But he said Thursday that in the meantime during the outbreak, the government must ensure that, "Everyone must be able to get all of the health care that they need without cost." He added that if a vaccine to the virus is developed, it should be free.

"We need an emergency response to the current emergency," Sanders said, "and we need it immediately." With his speech, Biden unveiled a slate of policy proposals and said Trump is "welcome to adopt all of it today." Biden called for all medically necessary testing for the virus to be accessible and without cost. He called for Congress to enact paid leave for all Americans, both as a temporary fix in responding to the current health crisis and a long-term solution to what he describes as a key gap in U.S. labor practices. Biden also proposed mobilizing federal resources to ensure at least 10 testing sites in every state and providing federal aid, including from the Pentagon, to put a stand-up hospital in any American city where an outbreak exceeds the capacity of existing health care infrastructure. Biden pledged that his administration would hold daily briefings in any such crisis, with top public health professionals in front of cameras to address the nation directly.

Hours later, Biden campaign leaders said in a memo that beginning Saturday, all campaign staff -- at Philadelphia headquarters and in field offices around the country -- will work from home. All Biden offices will be closed to the public.

The campaign also said all fundraisers will become virtual events indefinitely, with pooled press access. Biden has virtual campaign events scheduled for Friday in Illinois and Monday in Florida, replacing planned rallies.

The memo, signed by senior strategist Anita Dunn and new campaign manager Jen O'Malley Dillon, states that "small gatherings are safe," according to public health officials, provided no exposed persons participate. "We will continue to hold smaller events like roundtables, house parties, and press statements, as well as virtual events, like tomorrow's virtual town hall," the pair wrote.

Similarly, Sanders spokesman Mike Casca announced that "out of an abundance of caution for our staff, volunteers and supporters" the campaign has asked all staff to work from home and "will no longer hold large events or door-to-door canvasses, instead moving to digital formats and outreach wherever possible."

Aides said the aim of Biden's speech, besides addressing the current situation, was to give voters a practical example of one of his core arguments: that he'd be ready on Inauguration Day to handle whatever trials reach the Oval Office. In some ways, the dynamics recall the financial crisis that mushroomed late in the summer of 2008. The meltdown further damaged outgoing President George W. Bush and his Republican Party, dealing GOP nominee John McCain a new setback and granting a wider opening for Democratic nominee Barack Obama and his running mate, Biden. But that unfolded weeks before the election — Biden must keep making his case for nearly eight months.

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Disneyland to close amid coronavirus concerns

DON THOMPSON
Associated Press

Sweeping guidance for Californians to avoid unnecessary gatherings to try to prevent the spread of the new coronavirus will likely extend beyond March, Gov. Gavin Newsom said Thursday, just before Disneyland announced it would close its California theme parks.

The statewide guidance applies to sporting events, concerts and even smaller social gatherings in places where people can't remain at least 6 feet (2 meters) apart. Major changes to daily life and business will ripple across the nation's most populous state and the world's fifth-largest economy.

Disneyland Resort cited the guidance in saying it would close Disneyland Park and Disney California Adventure Park through the end of the month, though there have been no reported cases of the new virus. The announcement doesn't affect Disney World in Florida.

Newsom told reporters earlier Thursday that the guidance did not yet apply to amusement parks, but after Disneyland's announcement, said the company made the "right call in the interest of public health." His statement said to expect more such announcements.

An extended restriction on large gatherings could further affect Major League Baseball, which just canceled spring training and postponed its season for at least two weeks. California is home to five professional baseball teams.

The guidance is not an official ban — like the Seattle metro area and San Francisco have instituted — and Newsom said California's legal authority is limited when it comes to enforcement.

"I have all the expectation that it will be advanced and will be adopted. Invariably, what happens if it isn't? I'm not concerned about that," the Democratic governor said, adding that the state has ways it can step up enforcement if necessary.

Newsom said 21 more Californians tested positive for the COVID-19 virus Wednesday, bringing the total to 198 infections. Four people have died.

Initially, some of the state's testing kits were not complete because they lacked certain chemicals, Newsom said. All testing backlogs have since been eliminated, but the federal government needs to work closely with state and local governments to ensure complete tests are available, he said.

The California Department of Public Health advisory says events with 250 people or more should be postponed or canceled and gatherings of people at higher risk for severe illness from COVID-19 should be limited to no more than 10.

"Not holding that concert or community event can have cascading effects — saving dozens of lives and preserving critical health care resources that your family may need a month from now," Newsom said in a statement Wednesday.

The guidance was formalized in an executive order Thursday that eliminates a one-week waiting period and delays the tax filing deadline for people and businesses affected by the virus, allows state and local legislatures to hold meetings via teleconference and more. It also allows the state to commandeer property if necessary that could be used for quarantining and treating infected people or otherwise managing the outbreak.

It vastly expands California's response to the outbreak as cities and others have instituted ever-increasing methods to curtail the spread of the virus. San Francisco, Oakland and Santa Clara County, which includes Silicon Valley, banned gatherings of 1,000 or more people.

Still, both houses of the state Legislature met as planned, allowing members of the public to watch, and leaders have announced no plans to halt sessions. In contrast, Los Angeles City Hall closed to non-city employees, and Mayor Eric Garcetti halted all meetings and gatherings at city properties expected to attract more than 50 people.

Corrections officials canceled daily visits at all state prisons until further notice. There are no suspected or confirmed cases of the virus at any lockups.

Meanwhile, officials in Oakland will continue the painstaking process of removing nearly 500 passengers remaining on the cruise ship hit by the virus, all of them non-California residents and foreigners. About 2,000 passengers have been moved off the Grand Princess and transported to military bases around the U.S. for a two-week quarantine.

More than 20 passengers have been diagnosed with the virus, as well as 19 crew members. After being forced to idle off the coast for days and then docking Monday, the ship was originally slated to leave Thursday, but California will allow it to remain through Sunday, Newsom said.

Princess Cruises announced a two-month pause of global operations on Thursday that will gradually sideline all 18 of its cruise ships.

After a woman in her 90s died of the coronavirus, health officials defended a decision not to quarantine a senior living facility in Elk Grove near Sacramento.

Carlton Senior Living, which has 13 assisted living facilities in Northern California, said the resident died at a hospital Tuesday.

Associated Press writers Kathleen Ronayne and Adam Beam in Sacramento, Olga R. Rodriguez in San Francisco, and Christopher Weber and Stefanie Dazio in Los Angeles contributed to this story.

CITY OF SANTA MONICA
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica invites Contractors to complete and submit sealed bids for the:

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SP2475

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DAILY POLICE LOG

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Drunk Driving Investigation 800blk Pacific Coast Hwy 12:15 a.m.
Defrauding Innkeeper In Progress 2800blk Pico Blvd 1:21 a.m.
Living In A Vehicle 4th St / San Vicente Blvd 2:37 a.m.
Encampment 200blk 4th St 4:43 a.m.
Sexual Assault 200blk Arizona Ave 6:47 a.m.
Encampment 2600blk Ocean Front Walk 7:06 a.m.
Abandoned Vehicle 100blk Kinney St 7:17 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1900blk Ocean Way 7:28 a.m.
Construction Noise 2500blk Beverley Ave 7:32 a.m.
Encampment 1600blk The Beach 8:12 a.m.
Encampment 1600blk Ocean Front Walk 8:23 a.m.
Found Property 1600blk Ocean Front Walk 8:39 a.m.
Traffic Collision - Unknown Injuries Lincoln Blvd / Marine St 8:47 a.m.
Fraud Report 2200blk Delaware Ave 8:49 a.m.
Illegal Weapon 1500blk California Ave 9:00 a.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 2800blk Stevens Creek Blvd 9:07 a.m.
Found Property 1000blk Colorado Ave 9:14 a.m.
Found Property 1600blk Ocean Ave 9:44 a.m.
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Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1400blk 17th St 9:57 a.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 20th St / Arizona Ave 10:05 a.m.
Fight 5th St / Wilshire Blvd 10:06 a.m.
Burglary Report 600blk Broadway 10:10 a.m.
Identity Theft 3200blk 18th St 10:13 a.m.
General Parking Problem 900blk Santa Monica Blvd 10:14 a.m.
Elder Abuse 1300blk 15th St 10:26 a.m.
Elder Abuse 2200blk Colorado Ave 10:27 a.m.
Elder Abuse 1300blk 20th St 10:28 a.m.
Elder Abuse 1100blk 7th St 10:28 a.m.
Elder Abuse 1100blk Euclid St 10:31 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1200blk 10th St 10:56 a.m.
Petty Theft Report 1200blk 5th St 10:59 a.m.
Sexual Assault 1300blk 3rd Street Prom 11:02 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred 300blk Santa Monica Pl 11:13 a.m.
Grand Theft Report 3000blk Delaware Ave 11:19 a.m.
Battery Now 1600blk Ocean Front Walk 11:21 a.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 300blk Santa Monica Pl 11:25 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1600blk Ocean Front Walk 11:27 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 300blk Civic Center Dr 11:43 a.m.
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Encampment 200blk Palisades Beach Rd 11:47 a.m.
Malicious Mischief Just Occurred 9th St / Montana Ave 12:02 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 900blk 9th St 12:31 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries City Prop Involved 4th St / Broadway 12:43 p.m.
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Coronavirus forces small businesses to rethink strategies

JOYCE M. ROSENBERG
AP Business Writer

Renee and Michael Brown planned to open a third location for their coffee company — and put their plans on hold when the coronavirus hit.

Sales at the Browns' San Francisco coffee shop, Weaver's Coffee & Tea, are down about 4%; while that's not drastic, the coronavirus outbreak in the U.S. is still in its early stages and the Browns feel it's too risky to make a big commitment.

"We're safe the way we are right now," Renee Brown says. "But what if it becomes a pandemic where you can't leave your house?"

As the coronavirus spreads, many small business owners are rethinking their strategies and adjusting the way they work. They're responding to a drop in revenue as customers stay home, cut back on purchases or demand that companies help protect them from the virus that has sickened more than 1,300 people in the U.S. and more than 127,000 worldwide. And some small manufacturers and retailers, the first to deal with fallout from the virus as it stalled Chinese exports, are still struggling to get product shipments even as China's factories have been reopening.

Businesses are also feeling the impact of the economic uncertainty created by the virus and the ensuing turbulence in the stock market, which forced the Dow Jones Industrial Average down more than 28% since it reached a new closing high Feb. 12. The market turbulence has discouraged the Browns from seeking investor money to fund their planned expansion. They're aware that would-be investors are reluctant to commit money to small companies amid unknowns like how widespread the virus will be and what damage it will cause to the economy.

"We need to wait until things dissipate," Brown says. "I'm probably going to focus on what I can accomplish today."

At some businesses, the spread of the coronavirus is forcing owners to change the fundamental ways they work. At Fracchia & Co., a company that offers counseling and advice about professional, career, marriage and relationship issues, staffers are now agreeing to clients' requests for meetings over the phone rather than in person. That's something the Sydney, Australia, practice has not done in the past. But nearly two-thirds of the firm's clients have asked for phone meetings since the virus outbreak began, and while co-founder Danielle Fracchia has reservations, she's saying yes.

"Face-to-face is more engaging," Fracchia says. "You can't be feeling their energy, seeing their body language, picking up cues when you're on the phone."

Some clients asked in the past to work over the phone, but "we haven't entertained them for all these reasons," Fracchia says.

The outbreak has forced businesses of all sizes to adjust — for example, business travel is being canceled and meetings are held via videoconferencing. But small businesses can be particularly vulnerable to changes in spending by consumers and other companies. The cancellations of meetings, social events and the suspension of public gatherings including NBA games hurts companies that provide food, equipment and services for hosts and event organizers, and these are often small businesses.

Business is down by nearly half at Jet City Device Repair's two Seattle-area locations that repair smartphones and other electronic devices.

"People aren't getting out. They're choosing to live with cracked screens," owner Matt McCormick says. He also has a store in Chicago where business is down slightly.

McCormick isn't cutting his staffers' hours although business is so slow. But, he says, "if this is a three- or six month issue, we would have to start."

Some brand-new entrepreneurs are being forced to rework their strategies. Randi Braun, who began running her executive coaching company full-time three months ago, is pleased with how the business is going but her growth is coming from individual clients — some prospective new corporate clients have put their conversations with her on hold. She in turn is rethinking some of the investments she was planning for her business, such as starting a new training program.

"I'm watching my spending much more carefully than I was just six weeks ago," says Braun, who's located in Washington, D.C. "I hate being part of that domino effect, but the prudence feels necessary."

The outbreak is prompting some businesses to accelerate planned changes. Dr. Adam Mamelak, a dermatologist in Austin, Texas, has considered adding telemedicine to his practice; that would allow him to diagnose patients' conditions using video. No cases or suspected cases of coronavirus have been reported yet in Austin, but the big South by Southwest film, media and music gathering in the city scheduled to start Friday has been canceled.

Mamelak has had patients request consultations via video when they're too busy to come in. If and when the coronavirus spreads to Austin, he expects to hear more of those requests.

"People are afraid they could expose themselves coming to the office," he says. "Many of us feel that this is definitely coming and we have to have our avenues open to telemedicine."

After the virus was first reported in China, many factories shut down in January or February to try to slow its spread. Some have reopened, but the flow of goods is weak, leaving some U.S. companies struggling and their owners trying to decide their next step.

Yungi Chu is worried that he might have to cut his employees' hours. He can't get most of the headsets he sells on his website, HeadSetPlus.com, can't contact some of his suppliers and he hears that others are working with skeleton crews.

"Most of our factory orders are still on back

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CORONAVIRUS

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branches will be closed March 14 through March 31, except for the Pico Branch Library, will will close starting tomorrow. The Virginia Avenue Park campus facilities will be closed tomorrow through March 16.

The city will also close City Hall to the public and suspend all public meetings except Planning Commission and City Council through the end of March.

Residents and businesses who need to do business with the city can call 310-458-8301, email info@santamonica.gov or visit santamonica.gov/coronavirus to get more information on how to proceed, Farrell said.

"In cooperation with federal, state and county guidance, we are taking bold and aggressive steps to reduce the spread of illness — while continuing to serve our community with vital services," said City Manager Rick Cole. "This is a time of social distancing, but Santa Monica's strong social fabric is what will see us through this challenging time."

Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Supt. Ben Drati said students will be dismissed from school Friday and Monday at all campuses in the district, including preschool and childcare programs. Teachers and staff will be required to report to work to prepare for possible school closures next week.

SMMUSD spokesperson Gail Pinsker said the district has canceled its annual Stairway of the Stars concerts and rehearsals and is preparing to cancel or postpone field trips, overnight trips and other gatherings.

Drati said there are no confirmed cases of coronavirus at SMMUSD schools, but a community member with children in district schools was exposed to coronavirus.

"We are taking this action to thoroughly clean our schools and evaluate the state of illness in our communities in order to make an informed decision for Tuesday into next week," Drati said. "We have noticed a higher than normal absentee rate on our campuses today and will take this time to determine if students are ill, with what type of illness or if parents are keeping students home during the coronavirus pandemic."

As of Thursday afternoon, Los Angeles Unified School District had not announced plans to close schools.

Crossroads School, a private K-12 school in Santa Monica, announced Wednesday night on its website that it would close Thursday and Friday as the school prepares to move to remote instruction in the weeks ahead.

Crossroads said it would notify families by the end of the day Friday if school will reopen Monday or if it will proceed with remote instruction.

Santa Monica College announced Wednesday that it will transition as many classes as possible to remote instruction by Wednesday, March 18. Classes will be canceled Friday, March 13 through Tuesday, March 17 to provide time for faculty members, staff and students to prepare for the transition to remote instruction.

The college remains open for business and most college operations will continue during this time. Student Services, computer labs, the library and other resources will remain open.

Select courses that require in-person instruction — for example, some performing arts, lab, and physical education courses — will continue to meet on campus as scheduled. Athletic events will continue whenever possible without spectators.

SMC President Kathryn Jeffery said the college has administered a survey to students today to assess their technology and support needs.

"Many students lack technology resources and SMC seeks to ensure that no students are left behind during this transition," Jeffery said.

In keeping with guidance from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention regarding older adults being at high risk from COVID-19, SMC has temporarily suspended all classes at SMC Emeritus, the college's program for older adults.

Officials encouraged residents to maintain a distance of at least six feet from other people, stay home if they are sick, wash their hands often and avoid touching their faces.

"We appreciate your cooperation as we all work together to follow the guidance of public health authorities to mitigate the impact of the novel coronavirus across our larger community," said city spokesperson Constance Farrell.

As of Wednesday, 32 people in Los Angeles County tested positive for coronavirus and a woman older than 60 with underlying health issues died, according to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health.

On Thursday, the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce issued a list of resources for local employers experiencing a slowdown in their business.

Employers may apply for a the state Employment Development Department's work sharing program that allows them to reduce employee hours and partially offset their wages.

Businesses planning to close or lay off workers can take advantage of the EDD rapid response program, in which dedicated teams meet with employers to help avert potential layoffs and provide immediate services to assist workers facing job losses.

Any business experiencing hardship as a result of COVID-19 may request up to a 60-day extension to file their state payroll reports and deposit state payroll taxes without penalty or interest. Employers may call the EDD Taxpayer Assistance Center at 1-888-745-3886 with questions.

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Can It Get Any Worse? (Don't Answer That!)

On February 29 at 2 p.m., Donald Trump announced that a Coronavirus death had occurred in the U.S. "It was a woman in her 50s with underlying health problems." Typical Trump, at 5 p.m. we learned it was a man.

He also reported there were only 15 cases and those were improving so much soon the number would drop to 10 and then to zero. (While he called it a "hoax," and Kellyanne "alternative facts" Conway and Larry Kudlow insisted it was "contained," two weeks later the virus was a pandemic.)

Trump also predicted that when the weather warms up in April, "magically" it will all disappear. (Which is what I wish he would do.) Related to the virus, Trump's friend, Alex Jones, the right-wing conspiracy shill, who claimed the murders at Sandy Hook were staged, has a new con. His "Superblue Fluoride-Free Toothpaste," infused with "nanosilver," kills the Coronavirus and for only $7.47.

Alex, however, is a tad behind Jim Bakker, the convicted felon evangelist who infamously claimed "God chose Trump so we better obey him." In 1989, however, Bakker was sentenced to 45 years for mail and wire fraud but was released after five years. Bakker has been hawking a $300 a bottle snake oil that purports to also kill the virus. (Both Bakker's and Jones' outrageous scams have a long way to catch Don the Con's $25 million rip-off, Trump University.)

On Wednesday, an extremely "low energy," raspy-voiced Trump gave a boring 11-minute speech announcing a 30-day ban of flights from Europe to the U.S. Again, typical Trump, minutes later the White House scrambled to correct errors in the speech. My guess is Trump's "plan" will be as effective as Jones' toothpaste and Bakker's snake oil.

Regarding the virus, Trump has displayed massive incompetence and disinformation. But Mike Pence is still praying, and Trump is reportedly waiting on "Public Health Expert" Jared Kushner before deciding on declaring a national Coronavirus emergency. (Assuming there is a God, I hope She takes pity on us.)

I'm still reeling from the things Trump has said and done, or not done, as in testing for the virus. Whereas Italy has tested 826 people per million and South Korea 4,000 per million, we've tested five people per million.

Speaking of Italy, they're under a countrywide lock down. And many U.S. epidemiology experts estimate we are approximately 10 days behind Italy. (So what's the bad news you ask?)

Trump has met with experts but he doesn't listen. Remember his 2016 campaign proclamation, "I, alone, can fix this." Take for example his meeting with scientists at CDC. He showed up wearing white pants, an open shirt and a windbreaker like he was coming from a backyard barbecue. All he needed was a spatula. As people are dying and the stock market is crashing, Trump was wearing a "Keep America Great" campaign hat. (How about "Keep America Alive?")



Twitter

TRUMP: Due to the mass shooting in El Paso, the baby is an orphan but Trump is all smiles.

Trump proceeded to boast how impressed the doctors supposedly were with his medical knowledge. He even said, "Maybe I should have gone into that instead of running for president." (I'm screaming at the TV, "If only!")

Trump's staggering lack of empathy almost seems sub-human. It was clearly evidenced following the 2019 horrendous mass shooting in El Paso that left 22 dead. Eight badly injured survivors were being treated at a hospital that Trump insisted on visiting. (Despite all eight insisting they didn't want to even see his face!)

So there's Trump talking about crowd size with medical staff who clearly wish they were somewhere else, anywhere else. "You know I was here just a few months ago and we had the biggest rally in El Paso history. Crazy Beto (O'Rourke) had a rally and only 400 showed up."

Later, Trump posed for a photo with Melania who's lovingly holding an infant who, as a result of the mass shooting, is now an orphan. But Trump, thumbs up, is smiling from ear to ear as if he's at the grand opening of one of his golf courses.

In this same vein, ten days ago, Nashville was hit by a horrific tornado leaving mass destruction and twenty-four dead. Again, wearing a campaign hat, Trump toured the area fascinated that an 8-year-old boy was blown in the air three blocks away and survived. Finally, Trump casually asks about the boy's parents. "They died," an official says somberly, adding "his sister died, too. In fact, he lost his whole family."

Does Trump exclaim, "Oh, my God," or show a semblance of basic human empathy? Nope, he's such a malignant narcissist, he's incapable. Instead, he's still amazed the tornado blew the kid in the air three blocks away.

As I wash my hands for the 10th time today, I'm haunted by the "what if" of Trump's suggestion maybe he should have done something else than run for president.

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DAILY FIRE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 35 CALLS ON MAR. 11

EMS 1300blk 17th St 12:14 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1500blk 7th St 12:24 a.m.
EMS 1300blk 15th St 12:53 a.m.
EMS 4th St / Broadway 1:08 a.m.
EMS 1000blk 3rd St 3:01 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1300blk 2nd St 3:28 a.m.
EMS 1100blk 6th St 3:57 a.m.
EMS 1200blk 10th St 4:37 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1300blk 7th St 7:54 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury Lincoln Blvd / Marine St 8:47 a.m.
EMS 900blk 3rd St 9:19 a.m.
EMS 400blk Expo Line 9:56 a.m.
EMS 1100blk Santa Monica Blvd 11:00 a.m.
EMS 1700blk Main St 11:25 a.m.
EMS 1600blk Ocean Front Walk 11:26 a.m.
Haz Mat - Level 1 3000blk 18th St 11:51 a.m.
EMS Main St / Bicknell Ave 12:32 p.m.
EMS 2800blk Santa Monica Blvd 12:57 p.m.
EMS 700blk Broadway 1:02 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 400blk California Ave 1:11 p.m.
EMS 1300blk 17th St 2:15 p.m.
EMS 1100blk 7th St 2:46 p.m.
EMS 1000blk Wilshire Blvd 2:49 p.m.
EMS 1300blk 17th St 3:14 p.m.
Miscellaneous Outside Fire 4th St / Interstate 10 3:29 p.m.
Elevator Rescue 1100blk 12th St 3:46 p.m.
Smoke Investigation 2900blk 4th St 3:58 p.m.
EMS 1300blk 15th St 4:53 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 1300blk 2nd St 5:36 p.m.
EMS 400blk Idaho Ave 6:59 p.m.
EMS 20th St / Pico Blvd 7:29 p.m.
EMS 1500blk 2nd St 8:34 p.m.
EMS 400blk 25th St 9:41 p.m.
EMS 1100blk 4th St 10:45 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 300blk Olympic Dr 11:41 p.m.

STORM

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The U.S. Drought Monitor report issued Thursday shows more than 48% of California now in moderate drought and another 30% characterized as abnormally dry after January and February passed with precipitation far below normal.

Moderate drought covers most of the Central Valley and the Sierra Nevada, extending north to the Oregon border and west to part of the north coast, the San Francisco Bay Area and south to the Los Angeles and Central Coast regions.

A swath of southeastern California extending west to San Diego remains free of drought or abnormal dryness.

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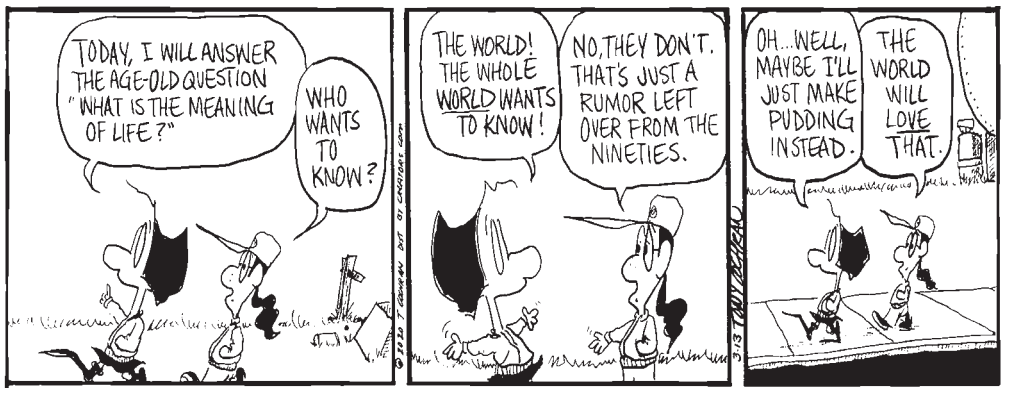


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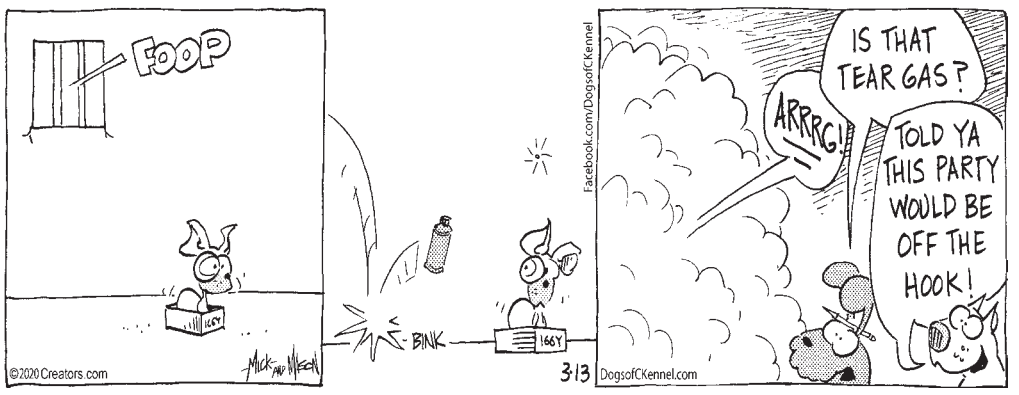
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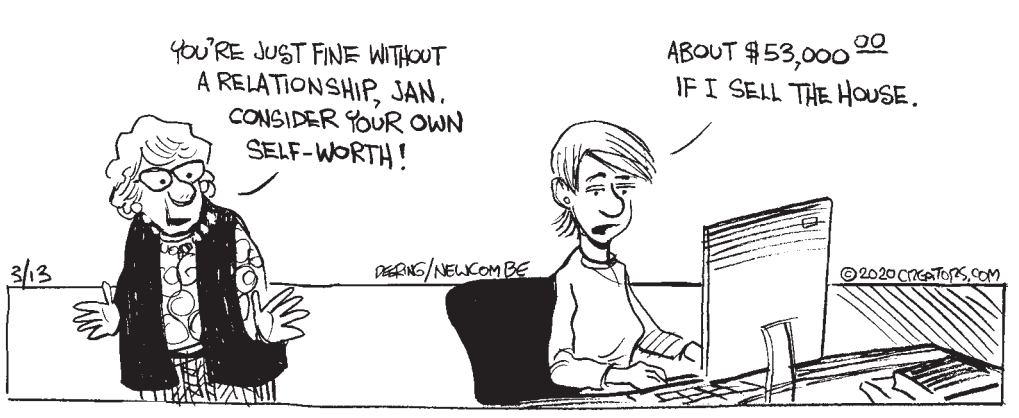
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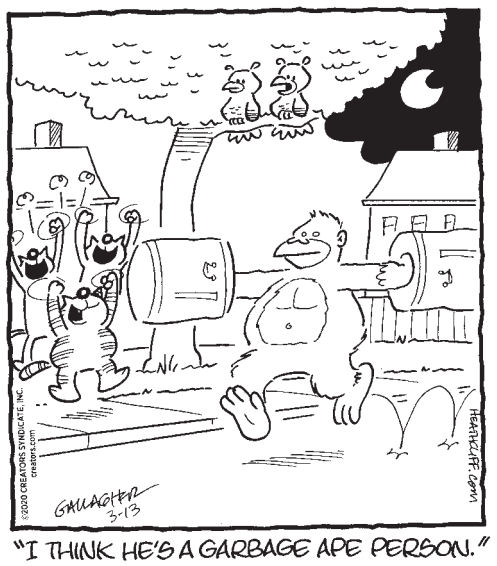
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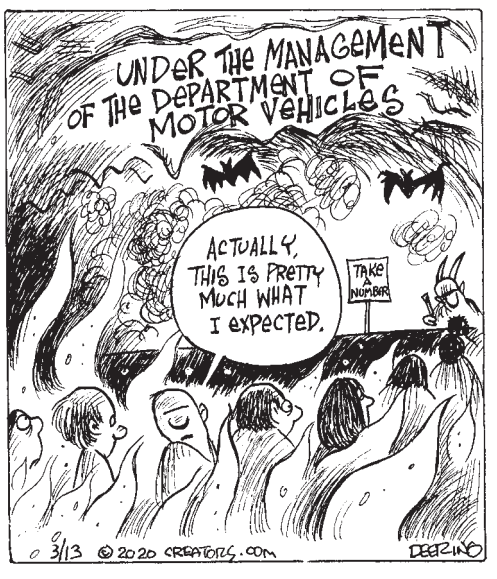
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Strange Brew

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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 61.3°

FRIDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 3-4ft+ Waist to shoulder high
Modest new WNW swell moves in as S swell eases. Morning winds looking manageable.

SATURDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft+ Waist to stomach high occ. 4 ft
S swell continues to ease, mixing with modest WNW swell. Light onshore flow most of the day.

WEATHER

Friday: A slight chance of rain after noon. Mostly sunny, with a high near 65.
Friday Night: A slight chance of showers before 11pm, then a chance of rain after 11pm. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 55.
Saturday: A 30 percent chance of rain before 11am. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 62.
Saturday Night: A slight chance of rain after 11pm. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 53.
Sunday: A 20 percent chance of rain. Partly sunny, with a high near 60.
Sunday Night: A chance of rain, mainly after 11pm. Mostly cloudy, with a low around 53.

Date	Day of the Week	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
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2020/03/13	Fri	07:01 AM	0.02	L
2020/03/13	Fri	1:06 PM	3.85	H
2020/03/13	Fri	6:39 PM	1.08	L
2020/03/14	Sat	01:10 AM	5.23	H
2020/03/14	Sat	08:12 AM	0.20	L
2020/03/14	Sat	2:28 PM	3.14	H
2020/03/14	Sat	7:19 PM	1.79	L
2020/03/15	Sun	02:06 AM	4.96	H
2020/03/15	Sun	09:46 AM	0.28	L
2020/03/15	Sun	4:35 PM	2.83	H
2020/03/15	Sun	8:17 PM	2.41	L
2020/03/16	Mon	03:21 AM	4.69	H
2020/03/16	Mon	11:24 AM	0.11	L
2020/03/16	Mon	6:45 PM	3.09	H
2020/03/16	Mon	10:35 PM	2.73	L
2020/03/17	Tue	04:50 AM	4.60	H
2020/03/17	Tue	12:37 PM	-0.17	L

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Power#: 2
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Mega Millions
Draw Date: 03/10
6 17 48 54 69
Mega#: 12
Jackpot: 80 M

SuperLotto Plus
Draw Date: 03/11
5 10 20 43 44
Mega#: 10
Jackpot: 10 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 03/11
2 13 23 24 30

Daily 3
Draw Date: 03/11
Evening: 2 1 7
Draw Date: 03/11
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Key into your own life and times as though you were a journalist writing a story about it. There's something in "witnessing" your own life from that point of view that will liberate you to make this year an adventure slightly beyond what you were used to. Young people emulate you, and older people need you. Libra and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 22, 48, 10 and 5.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). A strange communication is happening between your mind and your heart, and it has the effect of placing the one you love at the center of all of your activities whether or not said activities have anything to do with that person.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). As for the one standing on a mountain of achievement, or declaring a nuanced personal philosophy, or delving geekishly into a niche... when do they find the time? Time isn't found; it's used. And you'll use it well today, too.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Fear can be more than just a feeling. Fear can be a habit, a personality, a passion. Fear can be a friend. You diffuse your fear by inviting it in for a congenial and short visit.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You hate confrontation so much that sometimes you give generously or even foolishly just to get out of having to come face to face with a bit of unpleasantness. Today, it will be better to take things on and get them over with.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Defeat isn't the end. It's just another step, a chance to regroup, change the plan, give it another go.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Knowledge is obtained through study. Wisdom, on the other hand, cannot be learned this way, nor can it be had through observation. There is only one way to become wise and that is through experience.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The interesting ideas will come and go, giving little sparks to your day. It's the great ideas that will stick around, lighting a fire in you that keeps you burning into the night.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There's a time to doubt yourself and a time to go full-on, fool-heartedly forward. Both will occur over the course of the day, but don't let them overlap. Once you decide, step with confidence and don't look back.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Ordinary thinking does not recognize extraordinary qualities. You've the higher intelligence to appreciate originality and to discern the wonderful nuances between things in the same category.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Let things come and go without worrying too much about what's really yours. If it's yours, then it can't be taken from you, won't leave you, and there's nothing you can do to rid yourself of it either.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Follow the time traveler's rules today. Any action that changes the course of any person, including you, will alter the timeline and thereby matter significantly.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Today offers a prime combination of calm stability and exciting chaos. This is partly due to the characters who populate your life, all of them spectacular in their own way.

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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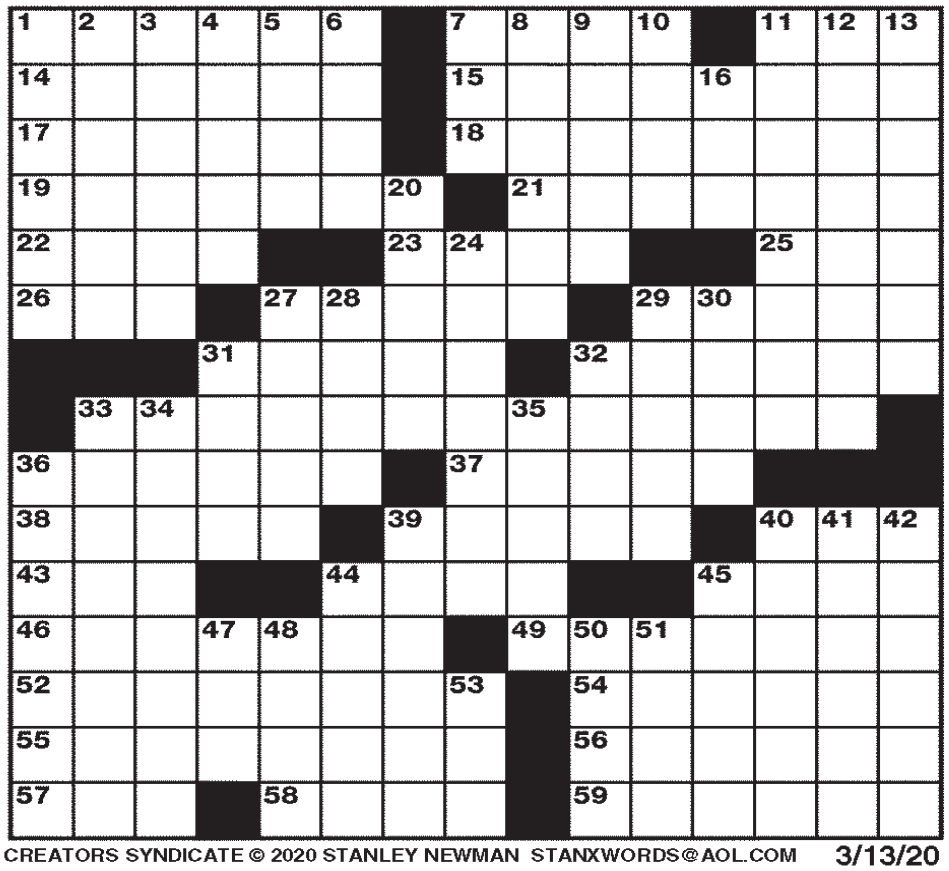
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1 Kept chattering
7 Wisecrackers
11 The Gem St.
14 Recently
15 French diarist
17 Of *Survivor* teams
18 Eastwood's maverick cop
19 TRAVEL BY DROMEDARY
21 CHEETAH'S RUNNING MEASURE
22 Fruit of a rose
23 Ivy League grads
25 Ender meaning "belief"
26 Magazine supporters
27 *Pravda* founder
29 Sandy shade
31 Sole portion
32 Father of Zeus
33 Title of puzzle
36 Makeshift Frisbee
37 Watery rings
38 Uneasy feeling
39 Board flaws
40 Major success
43 Quaint assent
44 Flaky mineral
45 Caesar's "good"
46 NOT-AT-ALL-LOUD NECKWEAR
49 CITRUS JUGGLER'S ROUTINE
52 Hopeful
54 Sartre play
55 Legislative enactments
56 AL East city
57 "__ be silly not to"
58 Iconic marshal
59 Threw out

DOWN
1 "I see"
2 Trepid
3 Aerial photography fleet
4 Innocents
5 Series shortener
6 Supermarket section with slicers
7 WWII auxiliary
8 Aleve alternative
9 Fancy fundraisers
10 Delta material
11 Secluded
12 Acting class subject
13 Wings without feathers
16 *Casablanca* pianist
20 Precept
24 LO-CAL KIDS' LUNCH
27 Maximum or minimum
28 Exuberant spirit
29 Sausages, for short
30 Ages and ages
31 Is becoming to
32 Bloke
33 Film fan
34 Yellow pages for notes
35 Atoll material
36 Hand over bills
39 Sausage
40 Elaborate deceptions
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42 Summed (up)
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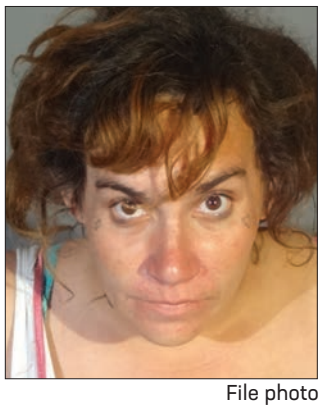
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Officers responded to 2525 5th Street regarding a battery that just occurred. Upon arrival officers found that the victim claimed she was spat on. The victim provided the description of the suspect. Officers were able to locate the suspect two blocks away.

Officers learned that the victim had approached the suspect (Cassie Gonzalez) when she heard Gonzalez yelling at another individual. The victims stated she attempted to speak with Gonzalez; however, Gonzales yelled and cursed at her. The victim then stated Gonzalez spat on her twice.

The victim was desirous of prosecution.

Cassie Joe Gonzalez, 35, from Los Angeles was placed under arrest for battery and held on $20,000 bail.



File photo

CASSIE JOE GONZALEZ

BIDEN

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Biden now leads Sanders by more than 150 delegates after winning four more state primaries Tuesday, with Washington state still being counted. And his advantage could expand considerably next Tuesday when the delegate-rich states of Florida, Illinois and Ohio hold primaries.

Biden and Sanders will meet in a debate Sunday night on CNN, without a live audience.

For most people, the new coronavirus causes only mild or moderate symptoms, such as fever and cough. For some, especially older adults and people with existing health problems, it can cause more severe illness, including pneumonia.

Sanders is 78. Biden is 77.

The vast majority of people recover from the new virus. According to the World Health Organization, people with mild illness recover in about two weeks, while those with more severe illness may take three to six weeks to recover.

Regardless of how Biden handles the moment, the coronavirus outbreak comes at a political juncture for him.

He's solidified his position as the prohibitive favorite for his party's nomination, but Sanders has made clear he's not ready to abandon his campaign, and many of the senator's supporters on the progressive left aren't enthusiastic about embracing Biden as the Democratic standard-bearer. That slice of the Democratic coalition likely isn't enough to derail Biden's nomination, but it could complicate his efforts in a general election campaign, just as it did for Hillary Clinton in 2016 after she defeated Sanders but lost to Trump in November.

Projecting leadership on a grave public health matter could be a boon with the middle of the electorate, especially independents and moderate Republicans wary of Trump. But it won't necessarily corral Sanders supporters who also will play key roles in deciding battleground-state outcomes in November.

For his part, Trump said Thursday he's "very happy to run against" Biden.

"One of the reasons I ran for president was because of Joe and the job they did," Trump said, referring to Biden's time as Obama's vice president. "It's maybe the way it should be."

Barrow reported from Atlanta. Associated Press writers Aamer Madhani and Will Weissert in Washington contributed to this report.

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order there. We have many customer orders that are canceled due to no stock," says Chu, whose business is based in Redwood City, California. He estimates that his business is down by more than 10%.

Chu is trying to plot his strategy in the face of so many unknowns. He might have to turn to a manufacturer in another country if the recovery in China is protracted, but that's time-consuming and expensive.

"If nothing changes in six months I'm going to be in big trouble," he says.

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PROJECTS

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an application to the city.

Officials said streamlining the approval process for housing will help the city build the 8,800 units Santa Monica will be allocated under the Southern California Association of Governments' Regional Housing Needs Assessment. RHNA will require Southern California cities to build more than 1.3 million units during the state's next eight-year housing cycle to ease the regional housing crisis, with more units allocated to cities like Santa Monica with abundant jobs and transit.

"Streamlining certain approvals leaves the zoning unchanged but will make it easier and faster to get housing built and occupied, particularly 100% affordable housing," Mayor Kevin McKeown said in a statement. "Our state is suffering from a housing crisis, and Santa Monica is committed to being part of the solution."

Between 2021 and 2029, Santa Monica will have to approve 1,100 units per year, 750 of which must be affordable, to accommodate a total of 6,000 affordable units and just under 3,000 market rate units. The city currently approves 200 units per year, about 40 of which are affordable.

Planning Director Jing Yeo said the lengthy Planning Commission process stymies affordable housing because the tax credit process that funds affordable housing sets strict deadlines by which projects must be approved.

"A discretionary process places time delays and uncertainty on 100% affordable housing," Yeo said.

Planning Commission Chair Leslie Lambert said the commission, which recommended last month that City Council adopt the ordinance, has had no real power to deny or make changes to market-rate housing that complies with existing zoning since the state government reformed the Housing Accountability Act in 2017.

Requiring such projects to go to the Planning Commission adds unnecessary time and expense, Lambert said. She said she thinks Architectural Review Board hearings will be sufficient to address community concerns about specific projects.

"It takes a developer one to three years to get to us, and then we cannot do anything," she said. "It basically makes it more expensive to build housing."

A group of six neighborhood organizations and three community groups sent a letter to city officials ahead of Tuesday's vote urging Santa Monica to appeal the RHNA allocation. The letter was signed by organizations representing the North of Montana, Mid-City, Northeast, Wilshire Montana, Sunset Park and Pico neighborhoods, as well as slow-growth groups Santa Monica Coalition for a Liveable City, Residocracy and Santa Monica Architects for a Responsible Tomorrow.

Several cities in Orange County are appealing RHNA on the basis that SCAG calculated the allocations without public input and consideration of cities' infrastructure and geographical limitations, the letter said.

The groups said building enough housing to meet Santa Monica's RHNA target would result in a population increase that would strain the capacity of public services and generate crushing traffic. The population growth would also make it impossible for the city to achieve its sustainability goals for water and energy use and greenhouse gas emissions, the groups said.

Instead, the groups said the state should let Santa Monica continue producing affordable housing in the quantities it has produced in the past and ask nearby communities that have produced less affordable housing to ramp up development.

"We deserve to be commended for creating more affordable housing than prior RHNA allotments required ... and retain our local control over how best to build affordable housing over the next housing cycle as we balance reasonable growth and environmental challenges," the letter said.

Councilmember Sue Himmelrich said she does not support appealing RHNA because of the stipulation that 69% of the units built must be affordable for low- and moderate-income households.

"We can build more market-rate housing in our sleep, but I want to see more affordable housing built so the people working in this town and one whose backs we built this town — our minimum wage hotel and restaurants workers — don't have to travel for two hours back and forth to see their children," Himmelrich said.

Councilmember Ted Winterer said the state will cut off funding and potentially impose financial penalties if Santa Monica doesn't meet the RHNA target.

"There's great momentum at the state level to potentially take away local control in the interest of propagating housing," he said. "We just have to acknowledge this is a new world we live in and while it might be discomfiting for us to figure out to accommodate these new units, it's the direction the state is moving in."

The concern shared by policymakers, slow-growth groups and pro-housing organizations is how to fund 6,000 affordable units over the next decade. Streamlining the approval process for nonprofit affordable developers will only get Santa Monica so far, Himmelrich said.

"I do agree with people who say Governor Newsom's proclamation that we need to build (hundreds of thousands) of affordable homes in Southern California is an unfunded mandate," she said. "We need to get some ongoing funding from the state."

Planning Commission Chair Lambert said making market-rate housing easier and cheaper to build will produce more affordable housing because Santa Monica requires developers to include affordable units in market-rate projects.

"Given the incredibly large affordable housing requirement we have under the new RHNA, I think we should looking at market-rate developers to contribute to that number," she said. "Neither the city nor the state has the money to build all the units required under RHNA — that's insane."

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