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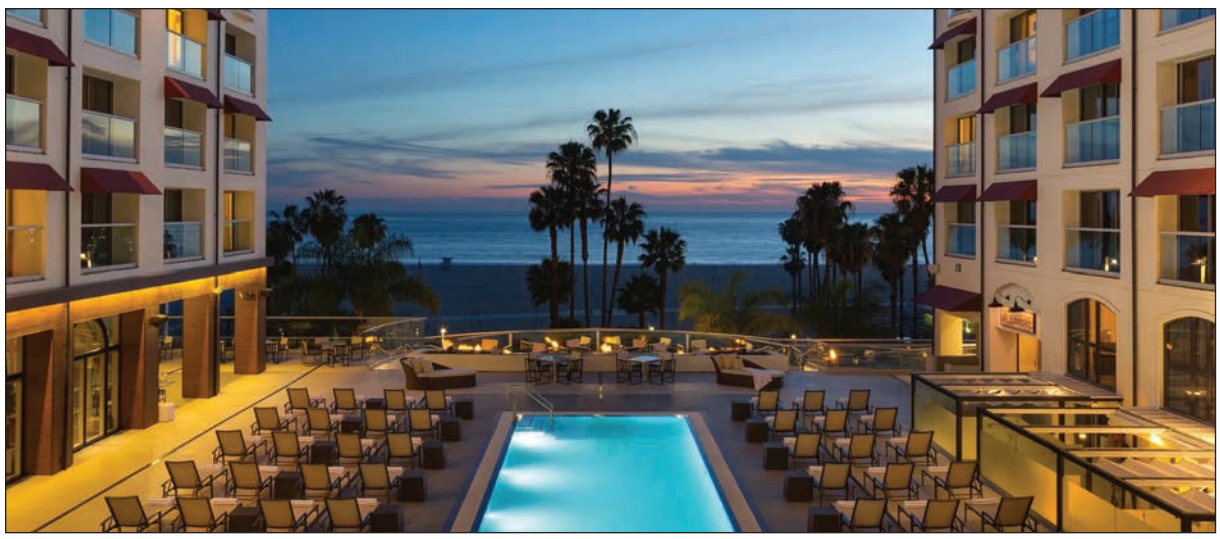
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Former Loews hotel to become the Regent in ownership change



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HOTEL: Regent brands is taking over the Loews location and will reopen the hotel at the end of this year.

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SMDP Staff Writer

As the Daily Press reported back in January, Loews beachfront hotel announced it was set to close and potentially lay off over 300 staff. We also revealed that the luxury venue was being made part of the IHG Hotels & Resorts portfolio, which itself is part of the Strategic Hotels & Resorts group, and now the new identity and proposed plans have been officially released.

The iconic, Pacific-facing property will be rebranded as the Regent Santa Monica Beach and "will usher in a new era of extraordinary experiences to the California coastline." Scheduled to

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SMMUSD to discuss turning former headquarters into housing

GRACE INEZ ADAMS
SMDP Staff Writer

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD) is exploring possibilities for its former headquarters at 1651 16th Street, including potentially converting the building into housing.

If approved by the Board of Education at their upcoming March

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Courtesy Photo

DISTRICT: The old offices could become housing.

Lawsuit alleges harassment at UCLA Medical Center



Courtesy Photo

LAWSUIT: The hospital is accused of creating a hostile work environment and retalitating against two women who were part of previous lawsuits.

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

UCLA Santa Monica Medical Center is being sued by a pair of women who claim they were subjected to racist and sexist abuse while on the job.

Namesha Cavitt and Takesha Essombe filed the suit last week claiming the hospital failed to prevent a pattern of abuse and unfairly targeted the pair for disciplinary action as retaliation for reporting hate speech.

According to the lawsuit, both women provided testimony in previous lawsuits against the organization that alleged discrimination and harassment at the hospital's clinical lab. These prior lawsuits included a $1.6 million jury verdict in August 2019 awarded to a Black female phlebotomist who was the target of persistent racist comments from co-workers and was fired after she complained. Two other similar lawsuits settled out of court.

Following those cases, the suit claims the two women were subjected to threats and harassment.

Within hours of reporting incidents of harassment and bullying at UCLA Santa Monica Medical Center last spring, the pair of Black, women, phlebotomists, found threatening notes inside their lockers that read "STOP complaining LESBO, N******," according to the lawsuit.

In response, UCLA held a 90-minute training seminar about harassment but no-one has been disciplined or dismissed for leaving

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Trump is still the favorite for California GOP delegates

ALEXEI KOSEFF
Special to the Daily Press

If the latest public polling is to be believed, Republican voters in California, like party faithful across the country, are swinging rapidly toward favoring Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis in next year's presidential primary.

But if the attendees at the latest California Republican Party convention — a gathering of the GOP's most dedicated activists, volunteers and local officials that took place over the weekend in Sacramento — are anything to go by, former President Donald Trump is still unquestionably the man to beat as he seeks his party's nomination for a third time.

"Nobody comes up to me and says, 'What about DeSantis?'" said Deborah Baber, a delegate from Ventura County, as she hawked MAGA Republican buttons outside a Saturday lunch banquet headlined by the new House Speaker (and Bakersfield's favorite son) Kevin McCarthy, the weekend's marquee event.

Clad in a stars-and-stripes "Make America Great Again" jumpsuit and flashing a red, white and blue rhinestone Trump purse, Barber's unmissable display of support for the former president was a common motif at the convention. Trump's name and slogan were everywhere to be seen, on signs and apparel and campaign paraphernalia; DeSantis, who it should be noted has not yet declared that he is running for president, not so much.

Outside the entrance to the convention center downtown, in a light drizzle, Ed Malik stood beside a handwritten poster declaring that "Trump is the ONLY anti-war candidate"



Photo by Rahul Lal, CalMatters

GOP: An attendee prepares to leave after U.S. House Speaker Kevin McCarthy spoke during the state Republican Party convention in Sacramento on March 11, 2023.

and handing out a four-page packet warning that "Ron 'DeSanctimonious' is not what his manufactured persona suggests he is."

Though not a delegate to the convention, Malik and a friend had driven up from Alameda County as volunteers for the Lyndon LaRouche Political Action Committee, to shore up support for a man that they worried might get pushed aside by party insiders after his contentious loss in the 2020 presidential election.

"It's going to be a battleground," Malik said.

By the only real metric we have at this point, roughly a year before Californians weigh in with their primary ballots next March, that is certainly the case.

The UC Berkeley Institute of Governmental Studies released a poll in late February that found DeSantis leading a list of 11 possible candidates among GOP voters in the state, with 37% support, ahead of Trump with 29%. That was a reversal from six months earlier, when Trump led DeSantis by nearly the same margin.

The spiked barbs that DeSantis regularly trades with California's Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom, over policy and hair care routines, has only solidified his standing among conservatives in the Golden State over the past year. He made a brief swing through Southern California last week, including a sold-out event at the Ronald Reagan Presidential Library to promote his new book.

By more unscientific measures, however, it's not even close — at least here among the most committed and hardcore Republicans in the state.

Take the grassroots straw poll that Orange County delegate Evelyn Nunez Jones and Los Angeles County delegate Rudy Melendez were organizing at the convention by handing out business cards with a QR code link to an online survey. Early results, with about 150 participants, showed Trump running away with three-quarters of the vote, they said, ahead of a field including DeSantis, former United Nations Ambassador Nikki Haley

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Biden issues order to strengthen gun background checks

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Associated Press

President Joe Biden signed an executive order on Tuesday aiming at increasing background checks to buy guns, promoting more secure firearms storage and ensuring U.S. law enforcement agencies get more out of a bipartisan gun control law enacted last summer.

The Democratic president was to address his latest efforts to curb gun violence in a speech in this suburban Los Angeles community, where a gunman stormed a dance hall and shot 20 people, killing 11, following a Lunar New Year celebration in January. He was also meeting with families of victims and with first responders from that day.

Biden's rhetoric has grown ever stronger about guns — he routinely calls for banning assault weapons — in pushing a vocal gun-control platform even tougher than during the Obama administration when he was vice president. He has been emboldened by the midterm elections when his regular talk of gun control didn't result in massive losses, and he's expected to continue to argue for strong changes as he inches toward a 2024 reelection run, his aides say.

Biden was greeted at the Los Angeles airport Tuesday by Brandon Tsay, the 26-year-old who wrestled the semiautomatic pistol away from the gunman in Monterey Park. The two shook hands; Biden had invited Tsay to his State of the Union address in January where he praised the young man's heroism.

But the president has only limited power on guns to go beyond bipartisan legislation passed by Congress last summer after the killings last year of 10 shoppers at a Buffalo, New York, grocery store and 19 students and two teachers at a Uvalde, Texas, elementary school.

Tuesday's action does not change U.S. government policy. Rather, it directs federal agencies to ensure compliance with existing laws and procedures — a typical feature of executive orders issued by presidents when they confront the limits of their own power to act without cooperation from Congress.

Biden, in the order, acknowledged Congress' opposition, but said, "In the meantime, my administration will continue to do all that we can, within existing authority, to make our communities safer."

The order directs the Cabinet to work on a plan to better structure the government to support communities suffering from gun violence. The plan calls on Attorney General Merrick Garland to shore up the rules for federally licensed gun dealers so they know they are required to do background checks as part of the license.

Biden is also mandating better reporting of ballistics data from federal law enforcement for a clearinghouse that allows federal, state and local law enforcement to match shell casings to guns. But local and state law enforcement agencies are not required to report ballistics data, and many do not, making the clearinghouse less effective.

And the president is asking the Federal Trade Commission to issue a public report analyzing how gun manufacturers market to minors and use military images to market to the general public.

"President Biden's executive order today is a home run for public safety," said John Feinblatt, president of Everytown for Gun Safety. "This is the latest example of President Biden's leadership on gun safety, and we're proud to stand with him as he takes robust action to help close the gun-seller loophole — which will significantly expand background checks on gun sales, keep weapons out of the hands of dangerous people and save lives."

The bill passed last year, known as the Safer Communities Act, is viewed by gun control advocates as a good start but one that doesn't go far enough. After the law was signed, there were 11 other mass shootings, according to a database of mass killings since 2006 maintained by The Associated Press, USA Today and Northeastern University. Those killings don't include shootings in which fewer than four people were killed — and gun violence is also rising nationwide.

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> - Katie Pointer Baney

Pro-gun groups said the order would do little to stop growing gun violence.

"The reality is that nothing in the president's executive order today would have done anything to prevent the recent mass shootings in California, Michigan or elsewhere," said Katie Pointer Baney who is the Managing Director of Government Affairs for the U.S. Concealed Carry Association. "It's time for the president and political leaders across the country to have an honest conversation with the American people and acknowledge there is no legislative fix that will permanently solve

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Chevron hasn't complied with new California gas pricing law

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Associated Press

Chevron has not complied with a new California law requiring it to disclose how much money it is making from selling gasoline in the state, setting up a showdown with state regulators over data that Gov. Gavin Newsom's administration requested in order to impose the nation's first penalty on excessive oil profits.

The law requires oil companies to report their monthly "gross refining margin," meaning the difference between how much refineries paid for crude oil and how much the company sold it for as gasoline.

State lawmakers and regulators believe that the data will give them a clearer picture of what has driven sharp increases in California's gas prices, which are consistently the highest in the nation. The average price for a gallon of gas in California on Tuesday was $4.90, which is $1.44 higher than the national average, according to AAA.

California's average price-per-gallon for gasoline hit an all-time high last summer of $6.44 per gallon. That prompted Newsom and state lawmakers to send cash rebates to most drivers and enact a new law requiring oil companies to disclose more data about their prices. Newsom followed that up with a bill in the state Legislature this year to penalize oil companies for making excessive profits, a proposal that is closely tied to the data that Chevron has not reported.

Representatives for Chevron did not respond to a request for comment.

The deadline for oil companies to report pricing data for January was March 2. Of the big five oil companies that provide 97% of the state's gasoline, four of them met that deadline: Marathon, PBF Energy, Phillips 66 and Valero, according to the California Energy Commission, which is collecting the data.

Chevron only submitted a "small fraction of the data required," according to the commission, and objected to reporting anything else. The California-based company accounts for about 30% of all gasoline sold in the state, giving it the largest share of the market. The commission has now given Chevron until the end of Tuesday to comply or to face fines of up to $2,000 per day.

In a letter to the California Energy Commission, Chevron attorney Melissa Sladden asked the commission to delay enforcing the law in favor of a lengthy rule-making process to clarify which data must be reported. Sladden said the data required by the law "paints a false picture of actual refinery profit margins by significantly undercounting refinery costs."

"Getting this term right is doubly important as it is currently being contemplated by legislators as a measure on which to impose a tax on refiners," Sladden wrote. "Legislating or regulating based on inaccurate data could result in unintended consequences, such as decreased investment in gasoline production and higher long-term prices at the pump."

The dispute reflects a larger conflict between the oil industry and Newsom, who is just beginning his second term and is seen as a possible presidential candidate one day. Newsom has pushed aggressive climate policies, including banning drilling new oil wells within homes, schools and community sites.

But the oil industry is one of the most powerful lobbying groups in the state, donating lots of money to state lawmakers' political campaigns. The industry is backing a referendum to overturn the ban on drilling oil wells near sensitive sites. And Newsom's proposal to penalize oil companies for making too much money has made little progress so far in the state Legislature, with several Democrats voicing concerns about it during a public hearing last month.

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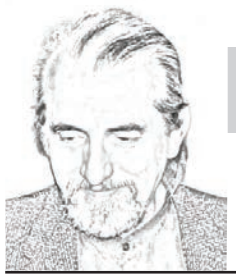
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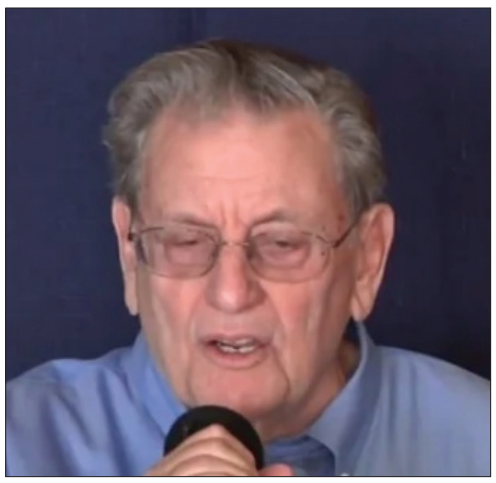
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Walgreens, No Thank You

I will certainly be boycotting them, and I hope everyone does the same. What is their sin? They buckled to the political pressure of 20 (red) state attorneys general threatening prosecution and a massive lawsuit if those states – several of which legally allow abortions – don't stop dispensing Mifeprestone, an abortion pill approved by the FDA years ago and used safely ever since.

Gov. Gavin Newsom did the right thing. He told Walgreen's (second largest pharmaceutical distributor in the country) that the state of California will no longer do business with them, and cancelled a $54M contract for our correctional facilities. Walgreen's is crying we are reacting to "false and misleading information." Right. And those were peaceful tour groups in DC on Jan. 6th.

The influence of Christian nationalists is a huge threat to our freedoms and democracy itself. We have ideologues in Santa Monica too, pushing their beliefs on everyone. Even elected officials, sworn to serve the constituents, not special interests, particularly those who believe (or really don't) that densification is the only solution to 21st century urban problems, even for a small city that is already built out and too dense and takes in another 200,000 visitors a day. There is no evidence to support that "solution" for Santa Monica, so you have to wonder what is behind it. I'll let you figure it out. But don't forget to follow the money. And follow it in a straight line to Sacramento. Our two newest City council members, Carolyn Torosis and Jesse Zwick, along with our mayor Gleam Davis, seem very enthusiastic to build, build, build here, damn the consequences.



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JERRY: Vote with your wallet. Manpearl did.

WHY?

You will hear mostly two reasons, both baloney: that we desperately need the handful of "affordable" units that come with massive market rate housing developments. To solve the "homeless problem," and lower prices overall. Except it can't be shown that building such density does lower prices – in fact, just the opposite. Such overdone development ruins neighborhoods and current residents seem overwhelmingly against it. But ideologues usually don't care about the effects on others. Their cause is righteous.

Will the good, liberal, progressive citizens of Santa Monica boycott cowardly Walgreens? I doubt it. First, because that whole "progressive city" is a false trope, a useful PR lie but not supported by what we do, as opposed to what we say. And second, I don't think the city that didn't raise a peep, or, god-forbid, demonstrate, when Chik-fil-A came to town, will vote with their wallets on Walgreen's. In fact, the Chik-fil-A on Lincoln seems to be the busiest fast food emporium in the city, with customers' cars constantly spilling out of the parking lot and blocking traffic on Lincoln. (Are there any laws we enforce in Santa Monica?) But no one showed up when they came to town, to protest a company whose CEO regularly funnels profits to anti-gay causes and legislation. (Same with Home Depot.)

I'll get my home supplies from Lowe's, thank you, cook my own chicken and get my meds through the mail from CVS. Voting with your pocketbook happens every day, and it can be very effective. It is the only thing corporations understand.

JERRY MANPEARL: LIFE IS LIKE BASKETBALL

The buzzer beater. That last-second shot that drops in just as the clock hits zero and snatches defeat from the jaws of victory, crushes a team and all its followers who were all set just the moment before to celebrate a great win.

In my previous CURIOUS CITY I wrote of local luminary Jerry Manpearl, whose hospitalization for something minor turned into pneumonia, a useless lung and a dire inability to breathe. Doctors put him on intubation and a gaggle of tubes that could keep him going but only for two weeks. Then would come the moment of truth: could he breathe on his own? If not, there were no good options.

Talk about facing your mortality, with a sense of humor, his signature sarcasm, outrageous texting and wild hand gestures Jerry made it easier for loved ones, and drew a bedside crowd, of not just friends and family but also hospital staff. "He was the star of the ICU," his wife Jan Goodman declared. "Typical."

"DEATH WATCH"

Jerry had his granddaughter Izzy make a sign to post in his room: "DEATH WATCH: DAY 14 AND COUNTING" and declared, concerning Tuesday, that he wanted his family to have both a vanilla malt and a casket ready for him.

How ghastly! No, it fit right in with Jerry's well-known sarcasm and sardonic sense of living life fully every moment. Jerry was 85 and certainly had a dynamic, influential life. He flew planes for fun and drove race cars for the thrill, he wrote extensively and he argued twice before the U.S. Supreme Court, and helped write the legislation that resulted. Above all, he was proud of his large, loving family.

His longtime home on San Vicente was the perfect rambling gathering place for causes and candidates, spacious both inside and out. The kitchen put forth a steady stream of tasty hors d'ouevres and drinks, and in between speakers, people could mingle and meet. I had many thoughtful, pleasant but provocative conversations there, with acquaintances and new friends I disagreed with completely on local issues, but when you chat in that kind of atmosphere you can't help but recognize people's humanity, and all the things you do agree on – a safe city, a nation that works for everyone, a livable world free of pollution and armed conflict, the best life possible for your children and grandchildren. Their first fundraiser-soiree was for Santa Monica's own Tom Hayden, among the most recent, for now-LA Mayor Karen Bass, hosting folks from Dennis Kucinich to Chucho Valdes, Gore Vidal to Barbara Boxer. Always, Jerry and his wife Jan worked tirelessly for universal health care. They believed passionately that the problem is not the political system, but the scarcity of candidates of humanity and compassion. They worked together for decades to make a difference.

HOSPITAL STAFF

Would linger near Jerry's room, Jan said, to admire his good spirits. Besides his large family at his side, he had a lot of visitors. Family friend and Grammy-winning violinist Lily Haydn came and fiddled for Jerry, improvising to the sound of his breathing machine like it was her rhythm section.

The morning after I submitted my column was his moment of truth and there was joy all around when the machines were shut off and Jerry could breathe! But it was not to be, and he passed by high noon. That damnable buzzer beater.

No one dodges the final whistle, but Jerry Manpearl and his family and wide circle of friends can rest easy and be proud that he was in the game right up to the last.

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City of Santa Monica

PUBLIC NOTICE OF A SPECIAL MEETING FOR THE SANTA MONICA GROUNDWATER BASIN GROUNDWATER SUSTAINABILITY AGENCY

This is a Notice that the Santa Monica Groundwater Sustainability Agency (GSA), which is composed of the cities of Santa Monica, Culver City, Beverly Hills, and Los Angeles through its Department of Water and Power, and the County of Los Angeles, is holding a Special Public Meeting on Wednesday, March 15, 2023, at 1:00 PM at City Hall East, to discuss proposed well installation procedures under the Groundwater Sustainability Plan (open session) and pending litigation (closed session). City Hall East is located at 1685 Main Street in Santa Monica and the entrance to City Hall East is located on Olympic Boulevard next to (west from) the Public Safety Building at 333 Olympic Drive, Santa Monica, CA, 90401. Parking for City Hall East is located at Civic Center Parking Structure located at 333 Civic Center Drive, Santa Monica, CA 90401, across Olympic Blvd from City Hall East.

Materials and information about the meeting may be obtained at the GSA website: https://www.santamonica.gov/gsp

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New atmospheric river brings rain, wind to soggy California

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Associated Press

The latest powerful atmospheric river to drench California has put nearly 27,000 people under evacuation orders as of Tuesday due to flooding and landslide risks. On the central coast, workers hauled truckloads of rocks to plug a broken river levee amid steady rain and wind.

At one end of the muddy Pajaro River's ruptured levee, the long arm of a yellow earth-moving machine pressed rocks into place before big boulders were brought in to fill the gap that opened late Friday, about 70 miles south of San Francisco.

Forecasters warned of potentially damaging winds with gusts up to 70 mph and there were numerous reports of falling trees. Power outages hit more than 330,000 utility customers in northern and central areas, according to poweroutage.us, which tracks outages nationwide.

The new storm initially spread light to moderate rain over the state's north and center. But the National Weather Service said the storm was moving more quickly than expected and most of the precipitation would shift southward.

So far this winter, California has been battered by 10 previous atmospheric rivers — long plumes of moisture from the Pacific Ocean — as well as powerful storms fueled by arctic air that produced blizzard conditions. On the East Coast, the start of a winter storm with heavy, wet snow caused a plane to slide off a runway and led to hundreds of school closings, canceled flights and thousands of power outages Tuesday.

Along the Southern California coast, evacuation orders began at 8 a.m. in Santa Barbara County for several areas burned by wildfires in recent years, creating increased risk of flash floods and debris flows.

The storm added to woes that caused emergency declarations for 40 counties.

In addition to evacuation orders, more than 71,600 people were under evacuation warnings and 546 people were in shelters, said Brian Ferguson, spokesperson for the California Office of Emergency Services.

More flooding was expected on the central coast, where the Pajaro River swelled with runoff from last week's atmospheric river. Authorities had not received reports of any deaths or missing persons related to the storm as of Monday afternoon.

The levee breach grew to at least 400 feet since the failure late Friday, officials said. More than 8,500 people were forced to evacuate, and about 50 people were rescued as the water rose that night.

Pajaro, an unincorporated community known for its strawberry crops, was largely flooded. Some residents of the largely Latino farmworker community stayed. Others went to an emergency shelter where they wondered what became of their homes.

"We live seven houses away from the river and the water level was six feet high, seven probably," said evacuee Andres Garcia. "So we probably lost everything."

A second 100-foot breach in the levee opened closer to the Pacific coast, providing a "relief valve" for floodwaters to recede near the mouth of the river, officials said at a news conference Monday.

Built in the late 1940s to provide flood protection, the levee was a known risk for decades and had several breaches in the 1990s. Emergency repairs to a section of the berm were undertaken in January. A $400 million rebuild is set to begin in the next few years.

> "We live seven houses away from the river and the water level was six feet high, seven probably"
>
> - Andres Garcia

"We had so many years of drought and they could've fixed the levee way back and they didn't," said Garcia, the Pajaro evacuee. "This is the second time it happened. Back in 1995, same thing. We lost everything."

The river separates Santa Cruz and Monterey counties. Highway 1, a main link between the two counties, was closed along with several other roads.

Monterey County officials also warned that the Salinas River could cause significant flooding, cutting off the city of Monterey and the rest of the peninsula.

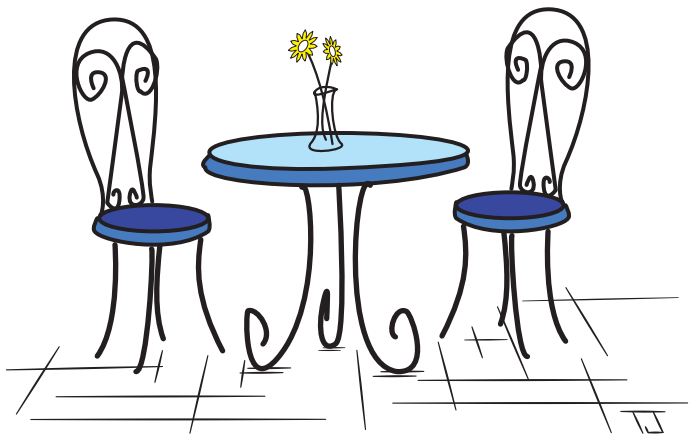
Undersheriff Keith Boyd said first responders have rescued about 170 people who were stranded within the county's evacuation areas since Friday, including a woman and her baby who got stuck trying to drive through high waters.

Winery and agricultural experts from the region said they are concerned about the storms' effect on crops — both ones in the ground that are currently submerged and ones that should be planted for the upcoming growing season.

Antczak reported from Los Angeles. AP writers Stefanie Dazio and Christopher Weber contributed from Los Angeles.

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open in late 2023, the site is being remodeled as a "resort" rather than just a hotel experience.

The Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel opened in 1989 at 1700 Ocean Ave. It's known for an impressive outdoor dining area with 13 fire pits, a pool deck that looks directly out over the beach to the Pacific Ocean and has been a popular spot for locals over the years taking advantage of its restaurant, gym and spa. The 347-room hotel completed a $4.5 million renovation in 2021 and has been featured on national commercials for Los Angeles tourism.

"Following a complete transformation, the resort will celebrate the beauty of unexpected harmony through contrasts, delivering inspired stays through a blend of serenity and a touch of decadence," the company said in a press release.

Julienne Smith, Chief Development Officer, Americas, IHG Hotels & Resorts, said in the same release, "More than five decades ago, Regent changed the face of luxury hospitality and set the new standard through innovation, extraordinary views, landmark destinations and exceptional service. We're redefining what it means to be a luxury hotel by combining Regent's renowned legacy with the expertise of IHG Hotels & Resorts.

"Regent Santa Monica Beach is the start of a bright future for the brand in the Americas, emphasizing our strategic focus on luxury and lifestyle growth globally. We are also particularly thrilled to be partnering with Strategic Hotels & Resorts, a trusted owner of IHG-branded hotels for many years, on this endeavour [sic]."

Regent already owns an impressive collection of extremely high-end hotels, including Kuala Lumpur in Malaysia, Canggu in Bali, Jakarta in Indonesia, Hong Kong and the Carlton Cannes on the French Riviera.

André Zotoff, Chief Executive Officer, Strategic Hotels & Resorts, said in a statement, "As the needs and expectations of the modern luxury guest continue to evolve, we recognized an opportunity to reinvent our Santa Monica beachfront property to truly become one of the most prestigious, entertaining and beautiful hotels anywhere in the world.

"Strategic Hotels & Resorts has been a part of the vibrant Santa Monica community for more than 25 years and we look forward to collaborating with the teams at IHG Hotels & Resorts to build upon the Regent brand's history of legendary properties and constant innovation to make this flagship Americas resort a must-visit destination for locals and visitors alike."

Interestingly, the press release also stated that "Regent Santa Monica Beach will welcome guests from near and far … including a restaurant concept created in collaboration with an acclaimed celebrity chef as well as a high-end artisanal marketplace."

However, that was the extent of the information provided at this stage, but the Daily Press will keep you informed as soon as we hear more ourselves.

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UCLA

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the notes.

The lawsuit alleges that the women were not allowed to take paid leave while the threat was being investigated or while they received treatment for anxiety and post-traumatic stress. It alleges their supervisors failed to take immediate action and that the pair were forced to return to the lab and continue using the locker room while knowing that the person or people who made the threats had neither been located nor held accountable.

The pair say they were targeted for disciplinary review following their complaints.

"UCLA's harassment of and retaliation against these two women has been persistent, insidious, and illegal," said attorney V. James DeSimone, who is representing Cavitt and Essombe. "This unlawful workplace behavior has been going on since at least 2015 and no one has yet been held to account. If this is how employees are being treated for nearly a decade, it raises a question of whether this racism extends to Black and minority patients when they seek medical treatment."

The lawsuit seeks damages for race, sex, gender and perceived sexual orientation discrimination; retaliation; failure to prevent harassment and retaliation; and other violations of federal and state employment laws.

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UCLA declined to comment on the lawsuit.

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GUNS

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the issue of gun violence."

Biden will also direct his Cabinet to make sure law enforcement agencies understand the benefits of the new law, particularly around red-flag laws, also known as extreme risk protection orders, which are intended to temporarily remove guns from people with potentially violent behavior and prevent them from hurting themselves or others.

Last month, the Justice Department sent out more than $200 million to help states and the District of Columbia administer red-flag laws and other crisis-intervention programs.

Long reported from Washington. Associated Press writer Lindsay Whitehurst contributed to this report.

CRIME WATCH

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

ON MARCH 4

A call was received by the City of Santa Monica Dispatch center related to a male subject shoplifting items from Zara on the Promenade. Upon arrival, officers met with onsite security that witnessed a repeat offender enter the store and begin to remove items from the shelves. Store staff approached and asked Jefferson Alvarez to leave. He ignored their request and continued to move about the store. Alvarez exited the store with multiple items, but was spotted by the SMPD drone near Palisades Park. He was arrested without incident , still in possession of the stolen items valued at approximately $560. Alvarez was transported to the Santa Monica Jail.

SMMUSD

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15 meeting, the district will move ahead with a study to explore the potential of a residential development at the 22,000 square foot site. According to the district, this site could be turned into affordable housing, fair market housing, workforce housing or a combination.

Last fall, Governor Gavin Newsom signed a bill which loosened zoning laws to make it easier for school districts statewide to use district-owned property to build affordable housing for teachers and other staff.

As is the case in much of California, rent prices are too high in Santa Monica for many SMMUSD staff to afford, however they make too much to qualify for affordable housing. District-owned workforce housing could be a solution that would allow more teachers and other staff to live in the city where they work.

The site study and conceptual planning needed to explore the feasibility of this type of project will cost up to $35,000 and is estimated to take approximately four to six weeks if approved.

In coming months there will be informational sessions for board members and some staff as well as a survey for faculty and staff to help assess the need and desire for workforce housing. Depending on the findings and whether the district decides to move forward there will be opportunities for community input on the matter.

100% CLEAN POWER TRANSITION

Following a discussion about sustainability in SMMUSD at their Jan. 19 meeting, the board is poised to approve transitioning the district to receive 100% green energy through the Clean Power Alliance.

Currently, 40% (excluding Samohi and Malibu High School) of the district's power comes from renewable, carbon-free sources. The estimated cost of switching to a 100% clean energy plan would be an additional $30,000 to $40,000 per year. However, with new solar projects coming online in the district and plans for better energy management, it is possible this cost could be reduced or even fully eliminated.

In response to community comments in support of the move at the Jan. 19 meeting, board members appeared to be in support.

"At the end of the day we're talking about a $30,000 investment every year, which is really nothing compared to what we spend," Board Chair Maria Leon-Vasquez said.

The District spends an average of $1.3 million on electricity every year.

"But more importantly than anything, as we're looking at the world and what we already have suffered in California with climate change, I think this is... the direction the board should take, moving forward on this," she added.

OTHER AGENDA ITEMS

At the March 15 meeting, board members will also receive an update on student achievement metrics. This will include the results of diagnostic testing for math and English language arts as well as insight into attendance data.

Also on the agenda is an update on planning for phase 4 of the Samohi Campus plan which includes the demolition of the Language Building/Library and the construction of a new visual arts department and a semi-subterranean vehicle and bicycle parking structure.

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The March 15 public meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. The boardroom at the district's new headquarters not operational so the meeting will be held at John Adams Middle School Performing Arts Studio at 2425 16th Street. Virtual commenting will not be an option for this meeting and those wishing to speak must attend in-person and fill out a public speaking card. The full agenda can be viewed at: https://simbli.eboardsolutions.com/SB_Meetings/ViewMeeting.aspx?S=36030435&MID=18662

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Manager, CRM Technology sought by Snap Inc. (Santa Monica, CA) *Hybrid work permitted - Snap practices a "defaulttogether" approach and expects team members to work in Santa Monica office at least 80% of time (average 4 days/wk).Architecture, dsgn and ops of critical cloud-based bus apps. BS or for. eq. + 6 yrs exp OR MS or for. eq. + 4 yrs exp req.Base salary: $230,000-$335,000/yr. Eligible for discretionary performance-based bonus award. Eligible for equity in formof RSUs. Our Benefits: https://careers.snap.com/benefits. Email Resume: apply2snap@snap.com. Ref. Job Code #MCRM-0223-SB. EOE.

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TRUMP

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(who is running for president) and former Congress Member Liz Cheney (who has not announced a campaign).

Or consider merchandise sales. Marty Miller's "My Campaign Wear" booth in the convention hall featured Trump 2024 flags and powder blue t-shirts with "DeSantisland" written in the Disney script above a map of the United States — a nod to the Florida governor's star-making battle against the corporate giant — alongside "Let's Go Brandon" baseball caps and hot pink buttons proclaiming "hot chicks vote Republican."

Miller estimated that Trump gear was outselling the DeSantis offerings 85% to 15%. He had loaded up on DeSantis items because his supplier, who is based in Florida, "thought the DeSantis stuff would go really big out here. And it hasn't."

Among those shopping was Napa County Republican Party chair Doris Gentry, sporting a Trump lanyard for her convention credential and a sparkling American flag brooch. She remained loyal to the former president, she said, because "we know what he did, so we know what he will do."

Like many other Trump supporters in attendance, she did not dislike DeSantis. But she urged him to hold off running for president and continue to build his power in Florida, which would make him an even more powerful contender four years from now.

"When he went to the bathroom" at the Reagan Library, she joked, "Reagan whispered, 'It's not your turn. Wait until 2028.'"

"Then in 2028," she added, "he'll be jet fuel."

Heather Matsen, a volunteer for the Sacramento County GOP who was staffing a neighboring booth, agreed that Trump's experience made him best suited to take on President Biden next year and then fix the direction of the country in a second term.

"We're not going to have four years to find his footing," Matsen said. "He learns from his mistakes. So where (the) house didn't get cleaned before, he's going to clean house right away."

Mingling with other delegates outside committee meetings, Mark Rizk of Los Angeles County was a rare DeSantis supporter. He had purchased a t-shirt ("Ron DeSantis For President: The Courage to be Free") earlier in the day, which he proudly pulled out his bag to show off.

DeSantis is "someone who has a lot of the same great ideas that Trump has, but not the baggage that he has," said Rizk, who began drifting away from the former president after the Jan. 6 "fiasco" where rioters stormed the U.S. Capitol in an attempt to help Trump overturn the results of the 2020 election.

Rizk said he has been making a strategic case to his fellow Republicans: that DeSantis would do better among independent voters, while nominating Trump again would only alienate them and hurt down-ballot GOP candidates in 2024. It did not seem to be resonating at the convention.

"They have vested their heart in it. Their heart is so into Donald Trump," he said. "They're basically going to throw the party under the bus for his ego."

But there's still a year — and a formal campaign— left to change those hearts and minds. Rizk sees it in Biblical terms, with DeSantis as the Israelite leader Joshua.

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> - Mark Rizk

"Moses led the Israelites out of bondage in Egypt, but God anointed Joshua to lead the Israelites into the Promised Land," Rizk said. "He will be our Joshua leading us into the Promised Land."

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CHEVRON

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Chevron not complying with the new pricing law could anger some lawmakers enough that it might influence their votes, said Jamie Court, president of Consumer Watchdog, an advocacy group that is pushing for a penalty on oil profits.

"This is just a big (refiner) giving the finger basically to the state," Court said. "I don't think that's going to bode well when the legislation hits."

State Sen. Ben Allen, a Democrat from Santa Monica who authored the law requiring oil companies to disclose more data, said he still has some questions about Newsom's proposal for a penalty on excessive oil company profits. But he said it was "disappointing" that Chevron had not complied with the law he wrote.

"The fact that all of the other industry players were able to do it and they weren't, I just don't know what's going on with them," Allen said. "We're going to hold them accountable."

The energy commission has already denied a request from the Western State's Petroleum Association, an oil industry lobbying group, to delay enforcing the law requiring more data on pricing. The association is set to ask the commission to reconsider its ruling on Tuesday.

Sophie Ellinghouse, the association's vice president, general counsel and corporate secretary, wrote in a letter to the commission that the request for profit numbers will generate "burdensome, inaccurate, and inconsistent" information.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 15)

Welcome to your year of savoring. The sensory world opens new channels for you and you'll have fresh favorites in many areas including food, places, music and people. Personal development efforts pay off with better connections and professional advancement. More highlights: You'll follow a map to treasure; you'll get the coaching or incentives you need to nab a challenging achievement; and you'll make lighthearted alterations that attract fun people. Libra and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 1, 4, 44, 17 and 30.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Beware of wanting so intensely that you actually push the object of your desire further away from you. Also, wanting predisposes you to see what you wish instead of what is. Turn the heat down and you'll get some clarity.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Flakiness is one of your least favorite qualities in a person, which is why you make every effort to follow through on your word. The size of the commitment doesn't matter today. Fortune favors you as you deliver on big and small agreements alike.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Everything you do and touch has your energy in it. Some believe even what you think about or extend your heart to gets your energetic touch. As you tend to and lift yourself, you lift the world.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You prefer not to ask favors, though sometimes it's politically better to do this. People like most the people they help. You can ingratiate yourself by asking for something extremely easy for the other person to deliver.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). People around you may behave unpredictably, change their minds or try to go back on their word. While you can't control the decisions of others, you can influence them with your steadfast example and calm handling of business.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). These days you choose your friends carefully. A friend isn't merely a person with whom you share your time with. Each relationship is a world and every world an influence on those who enter.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). With the exception of legal documents, the actual words used are often the least revealing part of communication. Body language, tone, timing, inflection, context and more are what give the fullest meaning today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're agreeable, congenial, doting even! Yet certain people can't be pleased; they don't want to be. Their favorite mode is finicky. This allows them to feel superior and thus in control. Don't take it personally.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're seeing the scene differently from others, so who is right? Consider what everyone is looking through. Objects in a spoon are upside down, and in the mirror they are backward and possibly larger than they appear.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). "I know you from when you were a tree. From those times," says author Cristina Rivera Garza. You'll feel the presence of one you know so deeply it's as though you are woven together with the threads of infinity.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll play with opposites today to fantastic effect. Take a cultured approach to the low-brow subject or be unbridled inside a high-brow one. Whisper when they expect a shout or sing without a sound.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). While you may not yet know what sort of personality you're dealing with in a person, you'll be so good at reading and responding to what the situation needs that nearly everyone will feel safe, calm and logical around you.

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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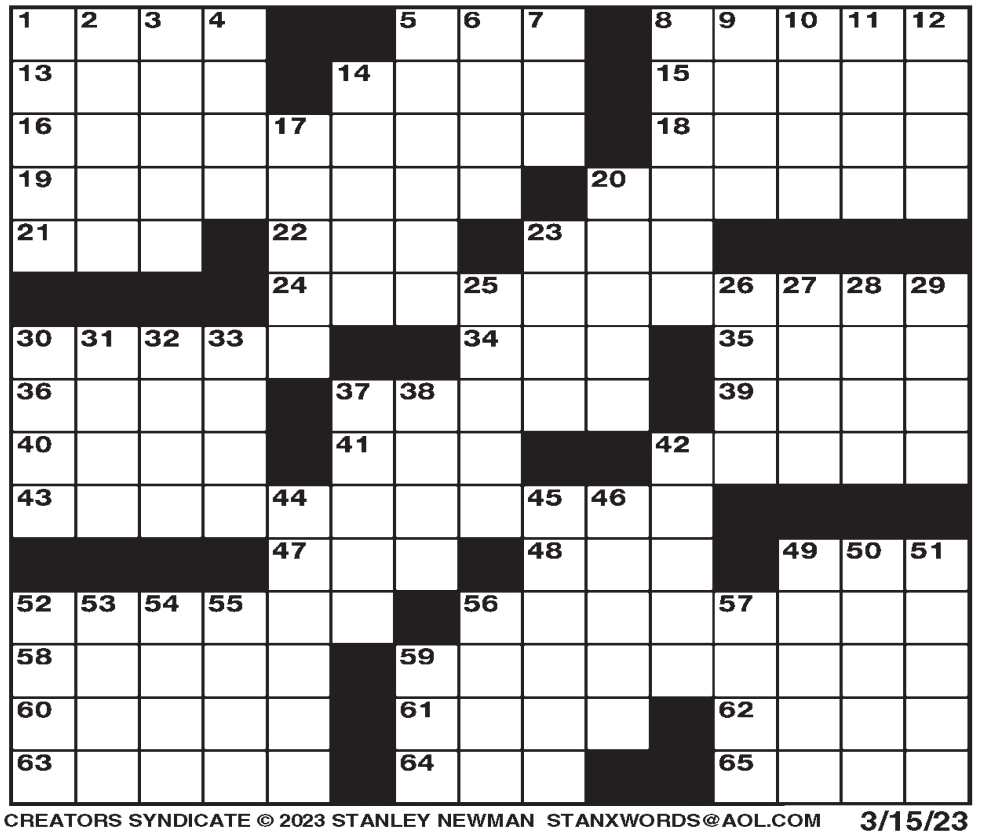
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1 Buck, bull or ram
5 __ carte menu
8 Gather in quantity
13 Actor Alda
14 One with top billing
15 Turn on one foot
16 From 42nd Street to 43rd Street
18 Self-esteem
19 Have no accomplices
20 Two-person playground ride
21 Itty-bitty
22 Non-prescription: Abbr.
23 Place for a massage
24 Reverse direction quickly
30 Hands over legally
34 Scratch up
35 Soft French cheese
36 *Jeopardy!* host before Ken and Mayim
37 Cats' weapons
39 Doing mess hall duty
40 Adjective for "India" ale
41 Luau garland
42 Return to 000
43 Realistic TV ad style
47 Hill-building bug
48 Dad, to Grandpa
49 Encountered
52 Cherry red
56 Ancestor
58 Writer of poetic tributes
59 Golf club for a trap
60 Auto owner's document
61 __ and crafts
62 Bank's property claim
63 Guide a ride
64 Prefix meaning "world"
65 Frying medium

DOWN
1 Brightly colored parrot
2 Guest of the Mad Hatter
3 Foamy coffeehouse order
4 Irish New Age singer
5 Without delay
6 Shoe's string
7 Genesis ship
8 Come into view
9 Swampy ground
10 Rival of Hertz
11 Fast-food beverage
12 Slow cooker concoction
14 Slow-moving mammal
17 Gusts of wind
20 Trains in a ring
23 Serving of shredded cabbage
25 Online message
26 Woodwind instrument
27 Large vases
28 Reebok competitor
29 Corp. division
30 Tops of mushrooms
31 Israeli airline
32 Cold cuts department
33 Corporate officer
37 Genetic duplicate
38 Went away
42 Extend a subscription
44 Sunday after Lent
45 Knows the truth about
46 Crosses, as a stream
49 Social __ (Facebook, Instagram, etc.)
50 Anxious to get started
51 What's in vogue
52 Canvas beds
53 Revise prose
54 Solemn ceremony
55 Robinson Crusoe's home
56 Cost of a bus ticket
57 Cat collar attachment
59 Droop



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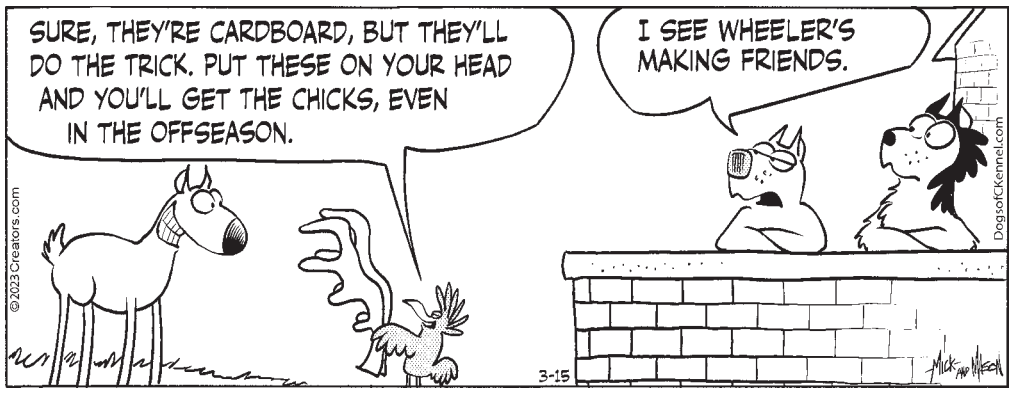
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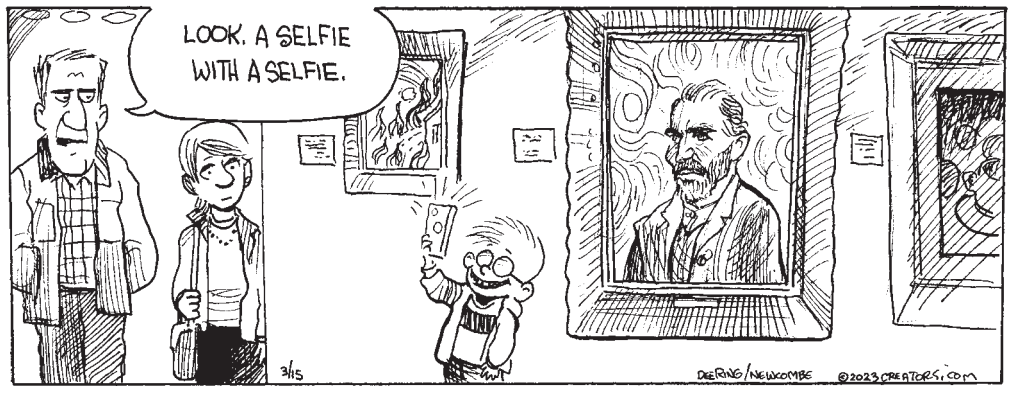
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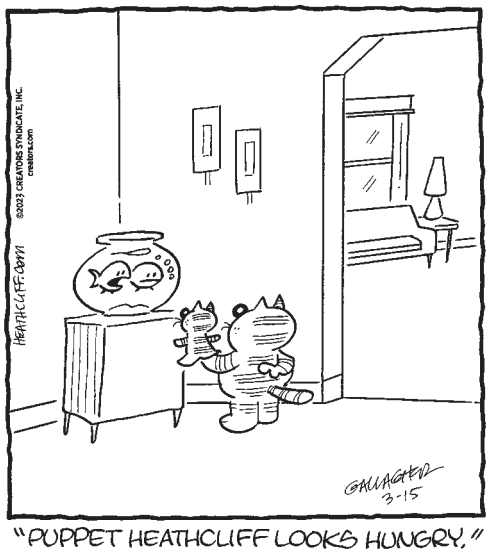
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This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 15 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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Camp	Halls Creek	Olio	Timor Sea
Canoe	Heat	Open	Tolga
Cyclones	Huge	Rest	Tour
Derby	Ingham	Roma	Trip
Dust	Innisfail	Rough	Tropics
Fire	Kununurra	Safaris	Tuna
Flat	Lakes	Stop	Vast
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WEDNESDAY | MARCH 15

PLANNING COMMISSION
Established in 1946, the Planning Commission envisions Santa Monica as a city of wellbeing, sustainability, and equity, and seeks to balance the many needs and priorities within our community in accordance with the City's General Plan and Specific Plans. The Commission acts through open and civil discourse that is informed by public input, impartial analysis, and best practices in land use and planning.

THURSDAY | MARCH 16

AN EVENING OF CHRISTOPHER WHEELDON
Christopher Wheeldon is a major choreographer of our time. Los Angeles Ballet presents an evening of three iconic Wheeldon works exclusively at The Broad Stage in Santa Monica. The Eli and Edythe Broad Stage 1310 11th St Santa Monica, CA https://rb.gy/savlkd

WESTSIDE LAUGH PARTY STAND-UP COMEDY
Westside's Laugh Party is a monthly standup show produced by Dennis Gubbins featuring the best comics from around the country with surprise drop-ins by the likes of Tig Notaro, Zach Galifianakis, Ali Wong, Demetri Martin, Damons Wayans and many others! The proceeds for each show are donated to a local charity... so there is that too! Come on out and laugh! Who knows who will show up this month.... party! Purchase tickets at westsidecomedy.com

FRIDAY | MARCH 17

ST PATRICK'S DAY FRIDAY PUB CRAWL PARTY
Biggest Pub Crawl of them all: The World-Famous St. Patrick's Day Weekend PubCrawl Santa Monica Edition: $4 Drafts, 2-for-1 Mixers, $5 Shots Circle Bar 2926 Main St.

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SATURDAY | MARCH 18

NOTHIN' BUT SAND BEACH CLEANUP
Join Heal the Bay for our March Nothin' But Sand Beach Cleanup. REGISTRATION WILL OPEN SOON!!! Save the Date for a beach cleanup with a big impact. Check back later to reserve your bucket and we'll SEA you on the sand February 18, 2023. Help us make Nothin' But Sand a zero-waste event by bringing your own buckets, garden gloves, and a reusable mask and water bottle Be prepared to be outside for 2-3 hours. Beach weather can be unpredictable, so we recommend dressing in layers. Water is available at all cleanups. If you have any questions or concerns please email our Beach Programs Manager, at sgebhardtrath@healthebay.org

SUNDAY | MARCH 19

DOWNTOWN SANTA MONICA WALKING TOUR
Discover the architectural gems and rich history of Downtown Santa Monica with a docent! Visit a 12-story Art Deco office tower, the British pub where Jim Morrison played his first show, our city's best example of a Queen Anne Victorian home, a lavish hotel that housed a speakeasy during Prohibition and more! Tours are approximately 2 hours and cover 6 blocks. Reservations suggested. Open to all ages. Hostelling International Santa Monica 1436 2nd St Santa Monica, CA 90401. $10.

MONDAY | MARCH 20

THE WOMEN OF DOUGLAS AIRCRAFT
Visit the Main Library throughout March to see a photo exhibit of the women workers of Santa Monica's Douglas Aircraft plant during WWII. All photos are from the Library's Image Archives. From 3-5pm on March 8, librarians will be on hand to share sites related to Women's History Month and demonstrate how to use the Library's Image Archives database.

TUESDAY | MARCH 21

HOW TO TRANSFER TO UCLA AND OTHER UC'S
3:45pm-5:00pm Santa Monica College 1900 Pico Blvd Santa Monica, CA

WEDNESDAY | MARCH 22

GEEKS WHO DRINK TRIVIA NIGHT AT NOSTALGIA BAR AND LOUNGE
Modeled after pub quizzes in Ireland and the U.K., Geeks Who Drink is an authentic homegrown trivia quiz. It's a great way to drink with friends, without burning brain cells. And it's where useless knowledge means everything.
For more information visit: https://www.eventvesta.com/events/31675-geeks-who-drink-trivia-night-at-nostalgia-bar-and-lounge

THURSDAY | MARCH 23

DRAG BINGO AT THE BUNGALOW
Join The Bungalow every Thursday at 7pm for Drag Bingo hosted by Alejandro Queen.
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SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **56.8**

WEDNESDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:**	2-3ft Thigh to waist	Seeing some model disagreement on wind, so expecting to have better clarity on that in the next 24hrs. Regardless, coastal storm moves into the region for fun, holding W swell. Stay tuned.
THURSDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:**	3-4ft Waist to shoulder	Could be looking at a pretty good clean up window in the morning as leftover W swell trends down. Potential for manageable afternoon onshores too. Stay tuned.

WEATHER

Wednesday: Rain likely, mainly before 11am. Cloudy, then gradually becoming mostly sunny, with a high near 60.
Wednesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 51. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.
Thursday: Partly sunny, with a high near 61. East wind 5 to 10 mph.
Thursday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 51.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2023/03/15	Wed	03:21 AM	4.72	H
2023/03/15	Wed	11:59 AM	-0.08	L
2023/03/15	Wed	8:04 PM	3.03	H
2023/03/15	Wed	10:17 PM	2.96	L
2023/03/16	Thu	05:01 AM	4.94	H
2023/03/16	Thu	12:58 PM	-0.61	L
2023/03/16	Thu	8:05 PM	3.42	H
2023/03/17	Fri	12:10 AM	2.58	L
2023/03/17	Fri	06:17 AM	5.36	H
2023/03/17	Fri	1:44 PM	-1.04	L
2023/03/17	Fri	8:26 PM	3.83	H
2023/03/18	Sat	01:14 AM	1.96	L
2023/03/18	Sat	07:18 AM	5.76	H
2023/03/18	Sat	2:24 PM	-1.29	L
2023/03/18	Sat	8:51 PM	4.26	H
2023/03/19	Sun	02:05 AM	1.30	L
2023/03/19	Sun	08:10 AM	6.01	H
2023/03/19	Sun	3:00 PM	-1.32	L

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3 10 24 46 63
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Jackpot: 63 M

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Draw Date: 3/10
9 20 59 60 63
Mega#: 5
Jackpot: 229 M

SuperLotto Plus
Draw Date: 3/11
13 16 35 36 38
Mega#: 25
Jackpot: 41 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 3/13
5 8 18 26 36

Daily 3
Draw Date: 3/13
EVENING: 0 3 8
Draw Date: 3/13
MIDDAY: 9 8 5

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 3/13
1st: 11 - Money Bags
2nd: 05 - California Classic
3rd: 01 - Gold Rush
Race Time: 1:44.84

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