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Santa Monica police officers face lawsuit after high court ruling

BY KATE CAGLE
Daily Press Staff Writer

A Santa Monica murder trial so sensational it was featured as an hour-long special on 48 Hours is back in the headlines.

This week, the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals ruled the woman acquitted of a young model's murder can sue detectives with the Santa Monica Police Department for violating her right to a fair trial.

Kelly Soo Park was acquitted by a jury in 2013 of the 2008 murder of Juliana Redding. Redding, a Santa Monica College student and aspiring model/actress, was found beaten and strangled to death in a Santa Monica bungalow. When detectives first entered Redding's home, the gas was on and the sus-

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YOUTH OF THE YEAR

Courtesy Photo

Jonathan Flores, the Boys & Girls Clubs of Santa Monica 2017 Youth of the Year and BGCA Youth of the Year candidate is moving on to the second round of competition. This news comes after having competed in the first round with other candidates from the Los Angeles County area. Local officials said they are extremely proud of Jonathan and their staff at the club who helped him prepare. Pictured is Sean Robins, St. Anne School Branch Site Director and Jonathan Flores.

Marathon to close local roads on March 19

When the Los Angeles Marathon returns to Santa Monica on Sunday, March 19 it will bring 24,000 runners along San Vicente Blvd. and onto Ocean Ave. City officials are warning residents to

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Friday, March 17

Crafts with Friends

Enjoy an afternoon at the library making crafts with friends. Instructions and materials provided. Fairview Branch Library. 2101 Ocean Park Blvd., 12 – 2 p.m.

TILT! Equinoxes and Solstices Explained

Most of us are only vaguely aware of what equinoxes and solstices are. Organizers try to remedy this disconnect from the natural world – and dispel some myths, like that egg story. The John Drescher Planetarium, is located near the elevators on the second floor of Drescher Hall (1900 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica). Tickets are available at the door and cost $11 ($9 seniors and children) for the evening's scheduled "double bill," or $6 ($5 seniors age 60+ and children age 12 and under) for a single Night Sky or feature show or telescope-viewing session. 8 p.m. For information, please call (310) 434-3005 or see www.smc.edu/eventsinfo or www.smc.edu/planetarium. All shows subject to change or cancellation without notice.

Saturday, March 18

Ten Thousand Waves of Women's Voices

Honoring the 100th anniversary of women getting the vote, this is a chance to express yourself by sharing your creative works. The two-hour workshop will be facilitated by Katya Williamson and Peggy Barrett, local writers and activists. Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St., 2 – 4 p.m.

Saturday Adventurers' Club: The BUZZ about Bees

Ruth Askren of the Hive Tribe will bring bees and honey and showcase the importance of bees to our planet. Ages 7- 12. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 10:30 – 11:30 a.m.

Master Gardeners at the Market

Master Gardeners provide free gardening tips, solutions to gardening problems, seeds and seedlings as well as their technical expertise based on the Master Gardener Volunteer Training Program which provides intense gardening training emphasizing organic gardening and covers vegetables, fruits, flowers, shrubs, trees, soils, composting, pests and harvesting. The Master Gardeners of Los Angeles visit the Pico Farmers Market on the third Saturday of each month 9:30 am - Noon. Virginia Avenue Park, 2200 Virginia Ave.,

Hands on History Workshop for Children

The Santa Monica History Museum is excited to invite children and their families to their free Hands on History workshop on from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. at the Santa Monica History Museum at 1350 7th Street. The theme of March's workshop will be Women's History Month and the history of Girl Scouts.

Lego Club

Come have fun with LEGOS and build something amazing. Board games also available. Ages 4 & up. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 3 – 4:30 p.m.

Sunday, March 19

Photo exhibit

Two side by side exhibits, "Going East on Sunset" and "Red" will be presented by The Los Angeles Photography Project (LAPP) from March 14 - April 14, at the Blue 7 Gallery, 3129 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica. Opening reception: Sunday, March 19, 2 - 4 p.m., no charge.

Los Angeles Marathon

Runners will cross the Santa Monica Finish Line starting at about 9:30 a.m. Road closures throughout the day along the course. Visit smgov.net/lamarathon for more information.

Santa Monica Certified Farmers Market

The Main Street market hosts a variety activities including bands, a bi-weekly cooking demonstrations, arts and crafts, a face painter, a balloon animal designer as well as seasonal California grown fruits, vegetables, nuts, meats and cheeses. 2640 Main St. @ Ocean Park. 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

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Lincoln Blvd.

Fatal traffic collision

At approximately 6:15 a.m. on March 16, the Santa Monica Police Department (SMPD) responded to a radio call for service regarding a traffic collision involving a pedestrian at the intersection of Lincoln Blvd and Hill Street. Upon arrival, officers discovered a pedestrian in the roadway with significant injuries. The involved vehicle along with the driver were on scene when officers arrived. Santa Monica Fire Department Paramedics responded and treated the pedestrian at the scene. The pedestrian was transported to a local hospital for treatment to her injuries. The driver of the vehicle was not injured.

SMPD's Major Accident Response Team responded to the collision to conduct an investigation. A preliminary investigation revealed the pedestrian was walking in the crosswalk at Lincoln Blvd and Hill Street. The vehicle was travelling northbound along Lincoln Blvd and struck the pedestrian. The driver of the vehicle is cooperating with the investigation and there have been no preliminary indications the driver was impaired.

Unfortunately, the pedestrian succumbed to her injuries at a local hospital in the late morning.

The investigation is ongoing and investigators are interested in speaking with anyone who was in the area near the time of the collision. Anyone with additional information is asked to contact Investigator Jason Olson at (310) 458-8954, Sergeant Joseph Cortez at (310) 458-8713 or the Santa Monica Police Department at (310) 458-8495.

– SUBMITTED BY LIEUTENANT SAUL RODRIGUEZ

Citywide

Santa Monica Assistant City Manager Elaine Polachek announces plans to leave the City in July

After nearly 27 years with the City of Santa Monica and nine years serving in the City Manager's Office, Assistant City Manager Elaine Polachek has announced she will leave her post in July. Elaine shared the news while accepting an OWLie Award at the Santa Monica Chamber's Organization of Women Leaders International Women's Day Breakfast last Friday, March 10.

"When I came to Santa Monica in the summer of 1984 looking for a job, it never occurred to me that I would spend my career here. It has been one of the great honors of my life to serve this community. I leave proud of what we've achieved together and excited for Santa Monica's future."

Elaine has a vast grasp of City operations from her time at the Pier, Community and Cultural Services, Community Maintenance, and in the City Manager's Office. In 2015, she served as Interim City Manager before Rick Cole was selected. During her tenure with the City, Elaine has been involved in such efforts as the revitalization of the Santa Monica Pier, Council adoption of a new Zoning Ordinance that guides implementation of the Land Use and Circulation Element, and a Facilities Renewal Program that increased and enhanced proactive maintenance of existing City facilities. She also developed a Council-adopted community events ordinance and guidelines, and negotiated agreements for major events and exhibitions including LA Marathon, Ashes and Snow, Cavalia, and Cirque du Soleil.

"The passion, precision, and compassion Elaine has shared with Santa Monica all of these years is something we are all better for," said Mayor Ted Winterer. "Her leadership will leave an indelible mark on this community."

As Assistant City Manager, Elaine oversees the day-to-day administration, supervision, and coordination of 11 departments. She focuses on developing, enhancing, and sustaining relations with community and neighborhood organizations, and key city business partners such as the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce, Convention and Visitors Bureau, Downtown Santa Monica, Inc., and the Pier Corporation.

"It's been a great privilege working with Elaine and seeing the impact she has on nearly every aspect of City operations," said Mayor Pro Tem Gleam Davis. "It's very hard to see such talent leave the City, but we are thankful for her 27 dedicated years of service."

In 2016, Assemblymember Richard Bloom selected Elaine as the 50th Assembly District's Woman of the Year. In 2014, she received the John H. Nail Award from the League of California Cities City Managers' Department.

An executive search will be conducted for the Assistant City Manager position.

– SUBMITTED BY CONSTANCE FARRELL SANTA MONICA PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

NOTICE
Public Lien Sale

Notice is hereby given that a public lien sale of the following personal property will be sold at the hour of 11:30am on Thursday, March 30, 2017 at 1620 14th Street, Santa Monica, County of Los Angeles, State of California. The property is being stored at SANTA MONICA MINI STORAGE. This lien and its enforcement are authorized by chapter 10 commencing with section 21700 of the California Business and Professions Code.

Unit #'s: 256A Stanley Glanz, 602B Robert Allen, 626B Robert Allen, 672B Matthew Leddy, 615B Tracey Charniere. General household goods such as furniture, artwork, luggage, clothing, electronics, office furniture and or miscellaneous items.

Purchases must be paid for at the time of sale, cash only. Items sold as is and must be removed at the time of sale. There is a $100 cleaning deposit, refunded after units are completely empty and cleaned. Sale is subject to cancellation in the event of settlement between owner and obligated party. AD DATES: March 16 & March 23, 2017.

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REGULAR MEETING

DATE/TIME: March 20, 2017, 7:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Council Chambers, (wheelchair accessible)
Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street

PROPERTIES:

- 16ARB-0461: 1127 Santa Monica Boulevard: Automobile Dealership
- 16ARB-0604: 2216 Pier Avenue: Single-Family Residential
- 17ARB-0038: 900 Wilshire Boulevard: Office
- 17ARB-0068: 1041 17th Street: Multi-Family Residential
- 17ARB-0082: 1540 Appian Way / 1543 Ocean Front Walk: Stormwater Harvesting Facility (City Project)

CONCEPT REVIEW(S): None

More information is available on-line at http://santa-monica.org/planning/planningcomm/arbagendas.htm or at 310/458-8341 (en espanol tambien). Plans may be reviewed at City Hall during business hours. Comments are invited at the hearing or in writing (FAX 310-458-3380, e-mail rathar.duong@smgov.net, or mail Santa Monica City Planning Division, 1685 Main St., Rm. 212, Santa Monica, CA 90401). The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. For disability-related accommodations, please contact 310-458-8701 or TTY 310-450-8696 a minimum of 72 hours in advance. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Santa Monica "Big Blue" Bus Lines #1, #2, #3, Rapid 3, #7, #8, #9, Rapid #10, and #18 service City Hall and the Civic Center area. The Expo Line terminus is at Colorado Avenue and Fourth Street, a short walk to City Hall. Public parking is available in front of City Hall, on Olympic Drive and in the Civic Center Parking Structure (validation free).

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FILM REVIEW

TABLE 19

Rated PG-13
87 Minutes
Released March 3

Table 19 is a charming date night movie for couples that can admit they're not perfect. There is a depth of relationship psychology at the base of the story. Personalities that seem to be mismatched turn out to be excellent balancers for each other, especially when the ability to forgive is part of the equation.

This is definitely not a big budget "tent pole" movie – however that alone is refreshing. Table 19 is a table at a wedding reception, and it happens to be the proverbial "rejects" table. Each of the social misfits at this table are quirky and fascinating and have traits with which we can easily identify – found in our friends or in ourselves. The plot is not rocket science. However the story does look beneath the surface of its characters and the story illustrates how sometimes the people who appear to be the strongest can be the most vulnerable inside, and those who tend to hide in the shadows can harbor compassion and heroism.

The action takes place entirely in one location. It's the faces that provide the landscapes in this film. There are several excellent performances to enjoy. Wyatt Russell, son of Goldie Hawn and Kurt Russell, plays "Teddy," the classic clueless "dumb jock." He endows his character with an unexpected vulnerability that becomes endearing. Writer/actor Stephen Merchant, creator of "The Office" TV series, is hilarious as a painfully awkward geek. Lisa Kudrow and Craig Robinson are a bickering couple who sling a constant shower of hilarious barbs at one another. Tony Revolori who was "Zero" in Grand Budapest Hotel, displays an excellent grasp of deadpan humor as a naïve teen dealing with the struggles of puberty. June Squibb, at the age of 87, gives a performance that has as much energy and charisma as any actress a quarter of her age, as "Jo Flanagan" the nanny. Thomas Cocquerel lights up the screen in a brief appearance. I'm guessing we will see more of this Australian. Anna Kendrick carries the story as a headstrong misfit without a filter who seems to unknowingly accelerate the momentum of the chaos with every step she takes.

The cast of Table 19 presents outstanding ensemble work. You will feel that these people really get to know each other over the time period of the wedding that is the centerpiece of the action. I can recommend that you take your date to this movie - or anyone with whom you now have or have ever had any kind of relationship.

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9th Circuit judges to Congress: Leave us alone

BY MARY CLARE JALONICK
Associated Press

Three federal judges on Thursday asked Congress not to break up the vast, San Francisco-based 9th U.S. Circuit Court of Appeals, a longtime target of Republicans and a recent foil to President Donald Trump.

The 9th Circuit in February refused to immediately reinstate Trump's ban on travelers from seven predominantly Muslim nations, prompting the administration to release a new, narrower ban. On Wednesday, Trump renewed his criticism of the court, saying at a Nashville, Tennessee, event that "people are screaming" to break up the 9th, which encompasses nine Western states.

"Take a look at how many times they have been overturned with their terrible decisions," Trump said. "Take a look. And this is what we have to live with."

Republicans have floated efforts to split the circuit for decades, arguing that the court has a liberal slant, a high caseload and distances that are too far for judges to travel. The circuit is the largest of the federal appellate courts, representing 20 percent of the U.S. population. It includes California, Alaska, Hawaii, Washington, Oregon, Montana, Idaho, Nevada, Arizona, Guam and the Northern Mariana Islands.

All of the proposals to split it, including the last in 2005, have failed in Congress. Those battles have often pitted lawmakers from California against members of the smaller, more conservative states.

"Circuit division would have a devastating effect on the administration of justice in the western United States," said Sidney Thomas, the chief circuit judge for the court. "A circuit split would increase delay, reduce access to justice, and waste taxpayer dollars."

Thomas, who is based in Billings, Montana, was appointed by former President Bill Clinton. The other two judges who testified against the split were Pasadena, California-based Judge Alex Kozinski, appointed by former President Ronald Reagan, and San Francisco-based Judge Carlos Bea, appointed by former President George W. Bush. None were involved in the hearing on Trump's travel ban.

"I think you should take into consideration the views of people on the ground — the litigants, practitioners and judges in the circuit," Bea said. "The overwhelming majority of the people directly involved is against a split of the Circuit."

Rep. Darrell Issa, a Californian and a conservative, led the Judiciary subcommittee hearing to examine ideas for restructuring the court.

"We are all trying to figure out whether to split the court for reasons that should not be ideological," he said.

But some of his Republican colleagues were more partisan, confronting the judges about their court's decision on Trump's ban and other immigration decisions.

"There are a lot of us who are outraged," said Rep. Jason Chaffetz, R-Utah.

The circuit has 29 judges, many more than the 5th, which is the next largest circuit with 17 judges. It was created in 1891 when the American West was much less populated.

The hearing did not focus on specific bill, but there are at least four bills that would create a split. Lawmakers have been hoping for some momentum since the court's high-profile decision on Trump's ban.

Arizona Sen. Jeff Flake, a Republican, has introduced one of the bills. His would carve out Arizona, Nevada, Washington, Idaho, Alaska, and Montana and create a new so-called mountain circuit.

"I have no doubt that the 9th Circuit works well for its judges," Flake said in a statement submitted for the hearing. "My concern is whether or not it works well for the people of Arizona. It does not."

Democrats have opposed the split. Sen. Dianne Feinstein, D-Calif., was a leading opponent in the 2005 push, which she said was politically motivated. She has suggested adding judges to the court instead.

At the hearing, New York Rep. Jerrold Nadler said he believes Republican attempts to break up the circuit are dangerous.

"Like clockwork, we see proposals to split up the 9th Circuit whenever it delivers a controversial decision with which conservatives disagree," the Democrat said.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

LOS ANGELES

President approves California storms disaster declaration

President Donald Trump on Thursday approved a disaster declaration for California to address damage from January storms that were part of the state's extremely wet winter.

The action, in response to a request by Gov. Jerry Brown, makes federal funding available to state, local and tribal governments as well as certain nonprofit groups.

The assistance covers emergency work and repair or replacement of facilities damaged from Jan. 18 to Jan. 23 in 16 counties, and hazard mitigation measures statewide.

Counties named in the declaration included El Dorado, Kern, Los Angeles, Mendocino, Napa, Orange, Riverside, Sacramento, San Diego, San Luis Obispo, San Mateo, Santa Barbara, Santa Cruz, Trinity, Tuolumne and Yolo.

January saw California come under siege by powerful storms fed by a series of so-called atmospheric rivers, causing flooding and mudslides. More storms followed in February, continuing the damage while covering the Sierra Nevada with a massive snowpack.

Earlier requests by Brown for federal assistance to help with damage from early January storms and problems at the Oroville Dam, where the main spillway broke apart and an emergency spillway eroded, were granted previously.

The governor, meanwhile, has declared a state of emergency in almost all of California's 58 counties. Work to tabulate damage from storms through February is continuing, said Brad Alexander of the governor's Office of Emergency Services. The White House says other declarations may be made later depending on damage assessments.

March has trended dry and warm — with a heat wave in Southern California that spiked into the 90s — but the National Weather Service said "the storm door will try to crack back open" this weekend, ushering in several rain systems during the week.

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SAN FRANCISCO

California justice doesn't want immigration arrests in court

The chief justice of the California Supreme Court asked federal immigration agents Thursday to stop making arrests at courthouses, saying "stalking undocumented immigrants" at the facilities thwarts people's access to justice.

Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye wrote in a letter to top federal officials that she is concerned about recent reports of immigration agents going to the courts to track down immigrants for arrest, saying the practice will affect the public's confidence in the court system.

"Courthouses should not be used as bait in the necessary enforcement of our country's immigration laws," she wrote in the letter to Attorney General Jeff Sessions and Homeland Security Secretary John Kelly, adding that crime and domestic violence victims and witnesses all go to the courts seeking justice and due process of the law.

Immigration and Customs Enforcement had no immediate comment on the letter. A Justice Department spokesman also declined to comment.

It comes amid a series of reports of arrests at courthouses in California, Oregon and Texas as federal immigration agents have been called on to step up deportations under President Donald Trump.

Last month, immigration agents in Texas arrested a woman at an El Paso courthouse while she was obtaining a protection order against an alleged abuser. The arrest sparked an outcry from victim's advocates, saying it would dissuade others from coming forward to report abuse for fear of being deported.

ICE also has made arrests in recent months at courthouses in Oregon and Southern California, according to the agency.

Courthouses can be seen as a relatively safe place for federal immigration agents to make arrests because people pass through metal detectors to enter. But many advocates for immigrants and victims decry the practice, saying immigrants will be afraid to report crime or show up for hearings.

"Enforcement policies that include stalking courthouses and arresting undocumented immigrants, the vast majority of whom pose no risk to public safety, are neither safe nor fair," Cantil-Sakauye wrote. "They not only compromise our core value of fairness but they undermine the judiciary's ability to provide equal access to justice."

Several years ago, advocates raised concerns about deportation agents making arrests at courthouses in California's Kern County. At that time, ICE said it would refrain from making such arrests, except in "exigent circumstances."

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NEW YORK

Google hopes to improve search quality with 'offensive' flag

Google is trying to improve the quality of its search results by directing review teams to flag content that might come across as upsetting or offensive.

With the change, content with racial slurs could now get flagged under a new category called "upsetting-offensive." So could content that promotes hate or violence against a specific group of people based on gender, race or other criteria.

While flagging something doesn't directly affect the search results themselves, it's used to tweak the company's software so that better content ranks higher. This approach might, for instance, push down content that is inaccurate or has other questionable attributes, thereby giving prominence to trustworthy sources.

The review teams — comprised of contractors known as "quality raters" — already comb through websites and other content to flag questionable items such as pornography. Google added "upsetting-offensive" in its latest guidelines for quality raters. Google declined to comment on the changes, which were reported in the blog Search Engine Land and elsewhere.

The guidelines , which run 160 pages, are an interesting look into how Google ranks the quality of its search results. For instance, it gives examples of "high-quality" pages, such as the home page of a newspaper that has "won seven Pulitzer Prize awards," and "low-quality" pages, such as an article that includes "many grammar and punctuation errors."

The guidelines cite an example of "Holocaust history" as a search query. A resulting website listing "Top 10 reasons why the holocaust didn't happen" would get flagged.

The new "upsetting-offensive" flag instructs quality raters to "flag to all web results that contain upsetting or offensive content from the perspective of users in your locale, even if the result satisfies the user intent." So even if the results are what the person searched for, such as white supremacist websites, they could still get flagged. But it doesn't mean the results won't show up at all when someone searches for them.

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TRIAL

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pect had left a burning candle, presumably to blow up the bungalow on Centinela Avenue.

The lead investigator, Detective Karen Thompson, eventually matched DNA found in the bungalow and on the victim's neck to Park. Despite the fact the two women had never met, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office eventually charged Park with her murder.

But before she faced a jury, Park sought to introduce evidence that Redding's murderer was actually her boyfriend at the time of her death, John Gilmore. At first, another one of Gilmore's former girlfriends agreed to give crucial testimony in Park's defense.

The girlfriend, Melissa Ayala, allegedly told an investigator hired by Park that Gilmore had turned violent one night after she brought up Redding's death.

Gilmore allegedly asked, "You want to see how she felt?" when he choked Ayala the first of three times. Gilmore was eventually convicted of domestic violence against Ayala.

But investigators thought Gilmore had a solid alibi.

Detective Thompson allegedly contacted Ayala before the trial, telling her the ex-boyfriend was "really upset" about her statements. In her lawsuit, Park alleged Thompson knowingly made false representations to Ayala about the nature of the evidence against herself, urging Ayala to avoid testifying by saying "you're not under any obligation to do anything."

After the conversation, Ayala backed out of testifying. Because she withdrew, the trial judge said Park's attorney could not present any evidence that someone else committed the murder, according to court documents filed in the lawsuit.

On Tuesday, 9th Circuit Court judges ruled the fact Park was eventually acquitted did not bar her from suing over violations of her rights during the underlying criminal investigation and prosecution. The judges concluded Ayala's potential testimony would have cast some doubt on the evidence against Park during the trial.

The Santa Monica Police Department declined to comment on the lawsuit.

Park and the victim did not know each other but were connected by Park's employer, Dr. Munir Uwaydah, another former boyfriend of Redding who fled the country before the trial. The prosecution said Redding's father had broken off a business deal with Uwaydah five days before the murder and characterized Park as an enforcer who was sent to "confront and intimidate" the young model on the day of her death. Despite the DNA evidence linking Park to the scene, the jury found it was not enough to put Park behind bars.

Since her acquittal, Park has been indicted in a $150 million insurance fraud scam that also involves Uwaydah and several other associates. The doctor is still at large and Park is out on bail.

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ROADS

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prepare for several hours of road closures along the route and budget extra time in their day for travel to accommodate the changes.

The first batch of runners is expected to cross the finish line at about 9:30 a.m. Local road closures will begin between 5 and 6 a.m. on Sunday. Northbound Ocean Ave. between Colorado Ave. and Santa Monica Blvd. will reopen around 4 p.m. with other roads expected to start reopening at about 5 p.m. Roads could fully open at about 9 p.m. All road closures and reopening are under the control of the Santa Monica Police Department.

According to the city, the westbound lanes of San Vicente Blvd. will be open. The eastbound lanes of San Vicente Blvd. will be closed.

Ocean Ave. will be closed between San Vicente Blvd. and Colorado Ave. Northbound and southbound traffic will be allowed on Ocean Ave. from Pico Blvd. to Moomat Ahiko Way to enter Pacific Coast Highway.

Southbound 2nd St. will be closed between Wilshire Blvd. and Colorado Ave. Northbound traffic will not be permitted to turn right at each intersection beginning at 6 a.m. As traffic increases, motorists will be pushed east towards Lincoln Blvd. to access the Santa Monica Freeway.

Northbound 5th St. will have left turn restrictions between Colorado Ave. and Arizona Ave. All traffic will be directed to Wilshire Blvd. and 4th St. to access the parking garages.

Main St. will be closed between Pico Blvd. and Colorado Ave. The California Incline will be closed. Colorado Ave. will be closed between 5th St. and 4th St.

4th St. will be closed in both directions between Colorado Ave. and Broadway from approximately 6 a.m. – 12 p.m., and will reopen when traffic conditions require additional capacity for southbound 4th St.

The race will detour Big Blue Bus and Metro buses.

BBB Lines 1, 2, 3, Rapid 3, 5, 7, Rapid 7, 8, 18, and 41/42 will be impacted until about 5 p.m. Route 9 will not be in service. The western boundary of BBB service on race day will be 14th St.

Busses will operate from a single hub on race day at the 17th/SMC Expo stop. All BBB busses will stop at the hub Sunday as will Metro buses 4/704, 20/720, 33/733, and 534. Metro bus riders with a tap card can transfer to the westbound Expo Line at no additional charge.

This is the first year train service will be available for the marathon. Service on the Expo line will be every nine minutes with three-car trains.

Metro busses impacted by one of the race related road closures include: 2, 4, 10, 14, 16, 20, 28, 30, 33, 40, 45, 48, 55, 60, 68, 70, 71, 76, 78/79, 81, 83, 90/91, 92, 94, 96, 105, 180/181, 200, 201, 204, 206, 207, 210, 212, 217, 218, 222, 237/656, 487, 534, 603, 704, 720, 733, 745, 754, Silver Line (910).

For details on bus detours, check Metro's Service Advisories page on metro.net or call (323) GO-METRO.

City Hall is encouraging the use of bicycles on race day.

There will be four bike valet stations available on race day: Washington Ave. at 2nd St. from 8:30 a.m. — 3:30 p.m., The Bike Center on Colorado Ave. at 2nd St. from 8 a.m. – 8 p.m., Parking Structure 6 at 1431 2nd St. from 8:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. and the Main St. Farmers' Market from 8:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Parking is expected to be severely limited on race day and city owned lots will implement temporary restrictions race day.

From midnight to 6 a.m. the Civic Center will be reserved for race participants. All other public lots will be closed until 6 a.m. and meter parking will operate on normal regulations. From 6 a.m., all city owned lots will be open. Rates will vary and there will be no free parking for the Main Street Farmers Market that day.

Drivers can visit parking.smgov.net for more information about parking availability or download the ParkMe app.

Residents with marathon specific questions on race day can contact Cynthia Lillavois at info@goconqur.com or (213) 542-3000. The Santa Monica Police Department can be reached at (310) 458-8491for non-life threatening calls.

Visit www.smgov.net/lamarathon for more information about the City's marathon preparation or on race day for updates on parking. For more information about the race and street closures/updates residents can follow several social media accounts including @SantaMonicaCity, @UnifiedLA and @LAMarathon on Twitter, Facebook and Instagram.

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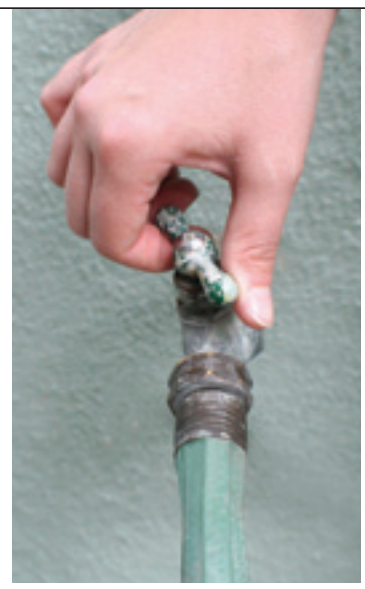
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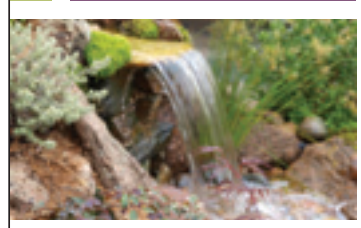


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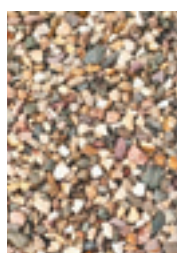














SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: **58.3°**

FRIDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-3 ft** ankle to waist high
Leftover SW swell. WNW swell rebounds, strongest in the AM hours. Stay tuned.

SATURDAY – **POOR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** ankle to knee high
Smaller leftovers from the WNW currently look likely.



CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

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

ON MARCH 6, AT ABOUT 8:05 A.M.

Officers responded to 1619 Santa Monica Blvd. regarding a man waving a knife and not allowing the victim to enter a business. Upon arrival, officers located the suspect to the rear of the building and detained him. Officers determined the suspect had forced his way into the property through a rear door and ransacked an office, taking several items. A building maintenance employee noticed damage to the building and tried to make his way in but the suspect did not allow the employee access and began waving a knife at him in a threatening manner. The suspect was taken into custody and transported to SMPD Jail. Donnie Eugene Akins, 21, from Moreno Valley, was arrested for burglary and criminal threats. Bail was set at $ 50,000.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 338 calls for service on March 15.

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

Encampment 500 block Santa Monica Pier 2:45 a.m.
Burglary 100 block Santa Monica Pl 3:01 a.m.
Encampment 1400 block 4th 3:02 a.m.
Rape 200 block Santa Monica 3:31 a.m.
Encampment 1300 block 3rd Street Prom 4:52 a.m.
Drunk driving Ocean/California 5:43 a.m.
Shots fired 4th/Washington 6:27 a.m.
Missing person 100 block Wilshire 6:32 a.m.
Battery 1500 block Lincoln 6:59 a.m.
Drunk driving 1300 block Pico 7:20 a.m.
Speeding Pacific Coast Hwy/California Incline 7:51 a.m.
Grand theft 1600 block Hill 8:38 a.m.
Battery 900 block Montana 9:00 a.m.
Auto burglary 0 block Arcadia 9:37 a.m.
Burglary 800 block 2nd 9:45 a.m.
Theft of recyclables 1400 block 17th 9:53 a.m.
Vandalism Lincoln/Marine 10:10 a.m.
Hit and run Lincoln/Pico 10:47 a.m.
Petty theft 1900 block Wilshire 10:55 a.m.
Vehicle with excessive tickets 600 block California 10:57 a.m.
Petty theft 1900 block Lincoln 11:43 a.m.
Person down 2100 block Lincoln 12:16 p.m.
Indecent exposure 1900 block Santa Monica 12:55 p.m.
Theft suspect 1300 block Wilshire 1:15 p.m.
Traffic collision 9th/Wilshire 1:27 p.m.
Petty theft 1800 block Lincoln 1:34 p.m.
Traffic collision 1600 block Pico 1:35 p.m.
Stakeout 3100 block Wilshire 1:39 p.m.
Out of order traffic signal Lincoln/Wilshire 1:40 p.m.
Traffic collision block Michigan 1:54 p.m.
Vandalism 2200 block Pico 1:55 p.m.
Encampment Stewart/Expo Bike Path 2:02 p.m.
Grand theft 1200 block 18th 2:07 p.m.
Bike theft 2000 block Ocean 2:10 p.m.
Hit and run 2000 block Cloverfield 2:52 p.m.
Identity theft 2100 block Delaware 2:59 p.m.
Vandalism 1400 block 26th 3:07 p.m.
Traffic collision 1400 block 3rd Street Prom 3:11 p.m.
Encampment 2200 block Pearl 3:37 p.m.
Person down Ocean/Santa Monica 3:48 p.m.
Expired registration 1900 block Alta 3:51 p.m.
Hit and run 25th/Santa Monica 3:53 p.m.
Indecent exposure Chelsea/California 4:16 p.m.
Fraud 300 block Olympic 4:35 p.m.
Auto burglary 2800 block 28th 4:46 p.m.
Battery now 1900 block Pico 5:01 p.m.
Assault now 1300 block 19th 5:22 p.m.
Petty theft 2800 block Santa Monica 5:33 p.m.
Identity theft 500 block 15th 6:09 p.m.
Theft suspect 2600 block Lincoln 6:11 p.m.
Party complaint 1200 block Yale 6:42 p.m.
Battery 3000 block Pico 6:47 p.m.
Injured person Ocean/Marguerita 6:53 p.m.
Indecent exposure 1100 block Pico 7:44 p.m.
Petty theft 1400 block Harvard 7:50 p.m.
Petty theft 1300 block 3rd Street Prom 8:12 p.m.
Petty theft 200 block Santa Monica 8:25 p.m.
Burglary 2900 block Neilson 8:30 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 41 calls for service on March 15.

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

Emergency medical service (ems) 1200 block Stanford 1:37 a.m.
EMS 200 block Santa Monica 3:01 a.m.
EMS 200 block Santa Monica 3:37 a.m.
EMS 2nd/Santa Monica 4:24 a.m.
Broken water main 2200 block of Colorado 4:54 a.m.
EMS 200 block California 7:46 a.m.
EMS 21st/Ocean Park 8:05 a.m.
EMS 100 block Colorado 8:59 a.m.
Automatic alarm 1500 block of 20th 9:37 a.m.
EMS 1300 block Wilshire 9:41 a.m.
Automatic alarm 300 block of Euclid 10:28 a.m.
EMS 1900 block Pico 11:22 a.m.
EMS 2100 block Lincoln 12:18 p.m.
EMS 3000 block Highland 12:30 p.m.
EMS 500 block Ocean 12:39 p.m.
EMS 1900 block Pico 12:48 p.m.
EMS 2400 block Lincoln 12:54 p.m.
EMS 500 block Olympic 2:12 p.m.
EMS 1400 block 6th 2:22 p.m.
Automatic alarm 200 block of 19th 2:44 p.m.
EMS 1300 block 20th 2:45 p.m.
EMS 100 block Santa Monica 3:49 p.m.
ems 600 block San Vicente 4:19 p.m.
EMS 1000 block 11th 4:24 p.m.
EMS Lincoln/Interstate 10 5:16 p.m.
EMS 1100 block Pacific Coast Hwy 5:31 p.m.
EMS 21st/Arizona 5:39 p.m.
EMS 1500 block ocean Front Walk 6:22 p.m.
Haz mat - level 1 1400 block Marine 6:30 p.m.
EMS Ocean/Marguerita 6:53 p.m.
EMS 2500 block Main 7:22 p.m.
EMS 1500 block Ocean 7:25 p.m.
EMS 1700 block 18th 7:26 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1400 block 3rd Street Prom 7:32 p.m.
Automatic alarm 600 block Pico 8 p.m.
EMS 1000 block 11th 8:21 p.m.
EMS 1400 block 2nd 8:28 p.m.
EMS 6th/Washington 8:50 p.m.
EMS 4th/Colorado 8:52 p.m.

DAILY LOTTERY

POWERBALL
Draw Date: 3/15
16 30 41 48 53
Power#: 16
Jackpot: 141M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 3/14
16 23 28 33 59
Mega#: 13
Jackpot: 131M

SUPER LOTTO
Draw Date: 3/15
13 31 34 36 44
Mega#: 1
Jackpot: 21M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 3/15
8 15 27 33 39

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 3/15
MIDDAY: 6 8 9
Draw Date: 3/15
EVENING: 5 1 0

DAILY DERBY
Draw Date: 3/15
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2nd: 06 Whirl Win
3rd: 07 Eureka
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WORD UP!

code-switching

1. the modifying of one's behavior, appearance, etc., to adapt to different sociocultural norms: For many female Muslim students, code-switching from their home environment to that of school requires forgoing the hijab.

WELL NEWS BY SCOTT LAFEE

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■ The federal government paid $33.2 billion per day in 2015 for Medicare Part D catastrophic coverage, up 208 percent from 2010. The increase was largely driven by high-price drugs, those with an average cost of more than $1,000 per month that are typically used for diseases like cancer, multiple sclerosis and hepatitis C.

■ Out-of-pocket costs for those drugs jumped too: 47 percent to an average of $257 per month per medication.

Never Say Diet

■ The Major League Eating record for Mars Bars is 36 in 5 minutes, held by Patrick Bertoletti of planet Earth.

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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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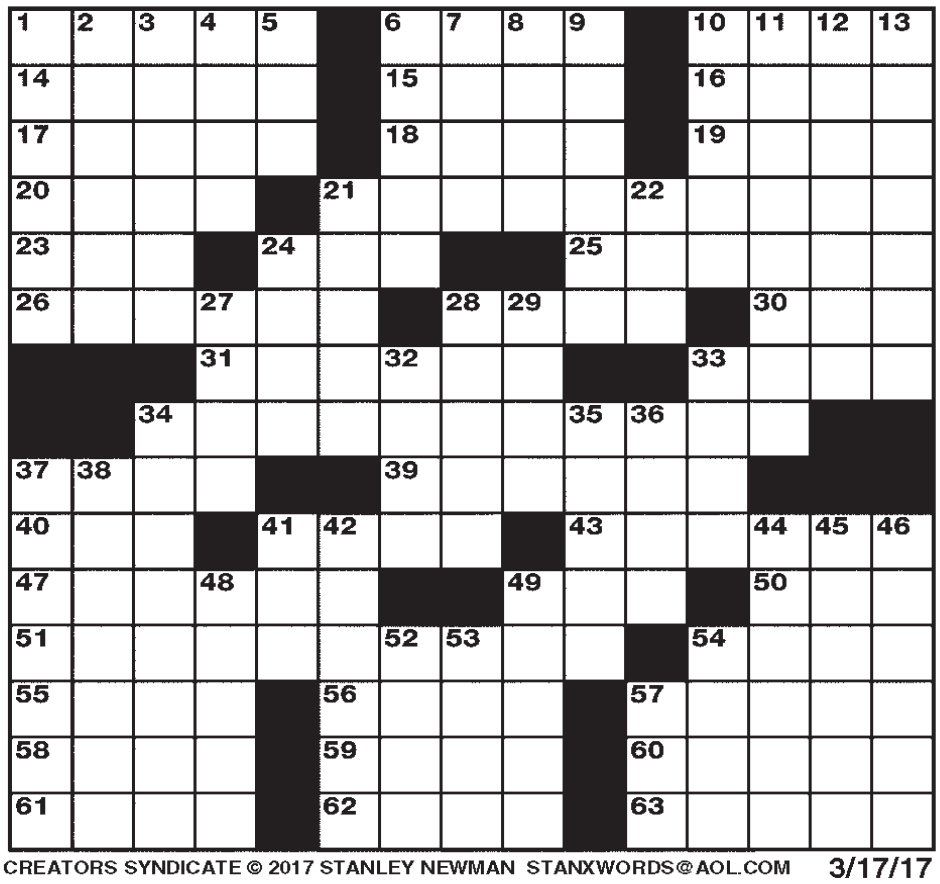
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1 Chum
6 Things to learn first
10 Expression of dread
14 Japanese port
15 As deemed fit
16 Highly efficient
17 Phased-out Canadian money
18 Surgeon on TV
19 *Señora*
20 Spin in a stream
21 Amish Country excursions
23 *Saison française*
24 Expense limit
25 Disney World patrons
26 Permeable
28 '60s Motown star
30 14 Across agreement
31 Fundamental
33 Gets stuck, with "down"
34 Position for effective advocacy
37 Chapters of history
39 *Walden*, for one
40 Prefix meaning "green"
41 Will prove profitable
43 Water south of Sinai
47 Botanical shelters
49 Ready to roll
50 Ballpark figs.
51 Eastertide outfits
54 DW Griffith leading lady
55 Galaxy Tab alternative
56 Tolstoy title character
57 Country-style
58 Fashion monthly
59 Awesome one
60 Beside oneself
61 Bog grass
62 Standing apart
63 Alive with activity

DOWN
1 Nursery rhyme subject
2 Fully comfortable with
3 Anger, informally
4 Designer initials
5 Exclamation of exultation
6 Sound logical
7 Small town
8 Thick-soled shoe
9 Celestial alignment
10 Blast from the past
11 Photo with some résumés
12 Trade show handout
13 Groom in 1968 headlines
21 Soup seasoning
22 Repent of
24 Biceps-building exercise
27 Tchaikovsky's __ 71 (*The Nutcracker*)
28 Shows disbelief
29 *The Penn Stater* recipient
32 Words of surprise
33 Small singer
34 Caramel-colored beverage
35 Fuzzy, as some monitor images
36 Artist Mondrian
37 More like an otter's paws
38 Not many
41 Dig too deeply
42 Besiege
44 Persian rug city
45 Synthetic
46 Welsh fashion designer
48 Ran its course
49 Far from avant-garde
52 Disentangle
53 Advised of
54 Sanskrit word for "teacher"
57 Gentle tease



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Westside Food Bank Reflects on St. Patrick's Day Parade

BY MICHAEL GIRSBACK
Development Associate, Westside Food Bank

On March 17, 1762, the first ever St. Patrick's Day parade was held not in Ireland, but in New York City. The holiday parade was part of a celebration started by Irish soldiers as a way to help them overcome their homesickness while serving in a new land. Coming together and connecting to their roots through familiar music and food, the Irish newcomers gained joy and strength as they realized they were not alone in their struggle to adapt to their new environment.

Every day, many of our neighbors on the Westside feel alone in their efforts to find enough nutritious food to put on their table. Today, Westside Food Bank shines a light on the first St. Patrick's Day parade, which brought together individuals to help them see they are not alone in their struggles. We do our best to help our struggling neighbors by providing more than 4.5 million pounds of wholesome food annually to more than 70 social service agencies on the Westside of LA County. Each year, our nutritious food reaches 105,000 people in need, including homeless individuals, veterans, seniors on fixed incomes, and low income families.

With so many supporters in our community, we know that we are not alone in our struggle to fight hunger. If you would like to learn more about Westside Food Bank and ways to help, or to find a local food pantry, please visit our website at: www.wsfb.org



TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 17)

You'll be surprised and inspired. You'll make the first move often this year and the second one, too -- then the universe answers with move No. 3 and soon all the world seems to be moving either for you or out of your way. The road forks in May. Money comes in lump sums in August and October. Aquarius and Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 20, 44, 19 and 38.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
There are so many reasons to spend time with the people who make you laugh. First of all, it's more fun. Secondly, you'll get the added benefit of sharpening your own sense of humor, which helps many areas of your life.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
You've been given the raw goods but not much in the way of instruction. That's fine. It's actually better this way. You'll build it into something that's all yours and utterly different from what others expected.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)
Parents fully appreciate what it takes to get other (sometimes unwilling) people dressed, ready and where they need to be at the expected time. You'll have a similar responsibility today.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)
Everyone gets lost. This is especially easy to do today regarding the seemingly minor matters of good taste. If you're attracted to something and you love it, it can't be all bad. And maybe it's very right. Start there.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Life is complicated enough without any help from an overactive mind and imagination. When you feel yourself edging toward unnecessary "what if" scenarios, stop before you start.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
It is very important to obey your thirst. The scientists suggest that by the time you realize you are thirsty and go searching for water you are already dehydrated. The same goes for your thirst for certain kinds of attention.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
The others may believe that a mystical and elusive force is at your command, but the reality is that you have purposefully trained to increase your capacity to produce brilliant results.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)
Solitude is not necessarily isolation. Just because you want to be alone doesn't mean you (SET ITAL) are (END ITAL) alone. Your favorite people will be the ones who understand and honor your need for peace and quiet, which is intensified now.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
In musical terms, when two unharmonious notes are played together and cause tension that goes unresolved, it's called "dissonance." Today it happens in nonmusical areas, too, intensifying a craving for resolution.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Don't take your senses for granted, as exploring the textures and processes of life will amplify your joy. And if there's a part of your everyday world that's an eyesore, this is the day to handle it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
In order to accomplish a lofty aim, you'll need to solve a problem not just once but perpetually. This will take stamina. There are a few habits and structures in your life that could be fine-tuned to accommodate the goal.

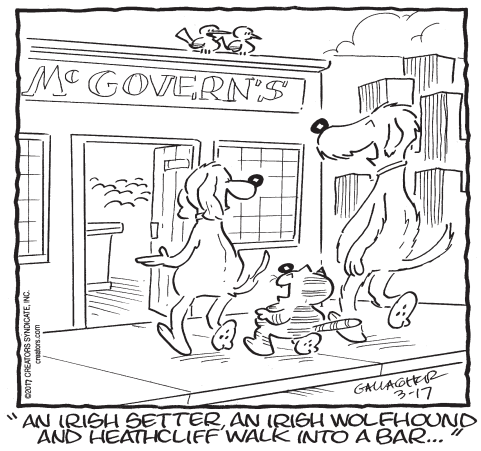
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
Matters of scale will affect the social swirl. What seems to you to be a small effort could be quite large in the mind of one who endeavored it. Measure not with rulers and scales but with social awareness.

Pisces-Sun Profundity

Incongruent with the usual festive tone of St. Patrick's Day festivities, the Pisces sun squares with Saturn to call for a deep respect of the times we're living in. As one American president said, "There is a mysterious cycle in human events. To some generations much is given. Of others generations much is expected" (Franklin Delano Roosevelt).

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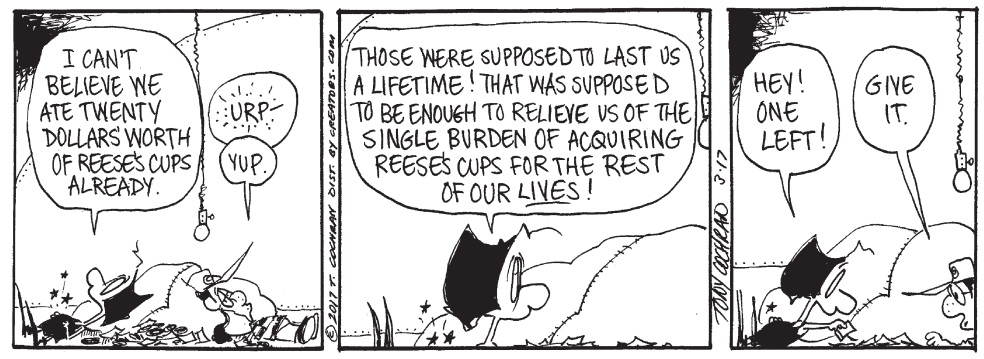
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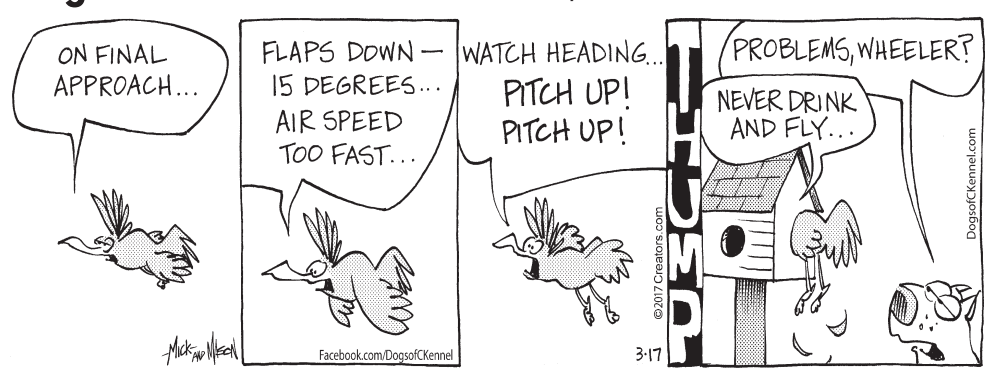
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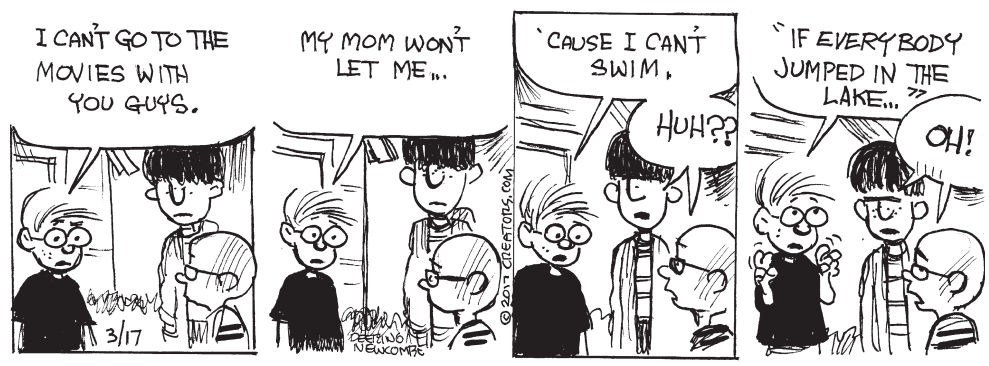
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