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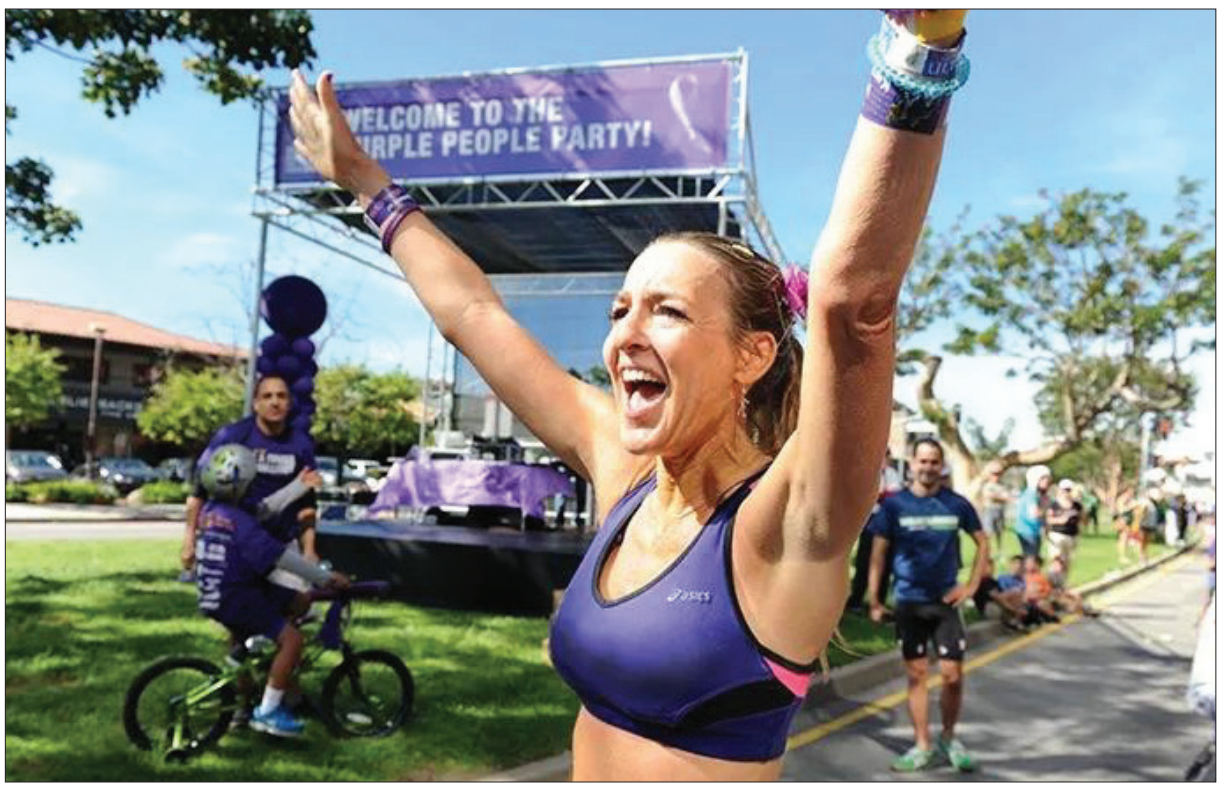
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# ‘Marathon Goddess’ celebrates raising $1 million dollars for cancer research in her 116th race




Julie Weiss

**RUNNER:** Julie Weiss will continue her fundraising work at the LA Marathon this weekend.

**SCOTT SNOWDEN**
SMDP Staff Writer

This Sunday, over 22,000 runners will cross the start line of the 38th annual Los Angeles Marathon, attempting to finish the 26.2 mile race in the best time they possibly can. One of those athletes is a remarkable woman by the name of Julie Weiss. And incredibly, this will be her 116th marathon.

Julie, a 52-year-old real estate accountant from Santa Monica first took to running 15 years ago as a way to improve both her physical and mental health. At that time, she was a single mother, regularly taking antidepressants. However, what started out as a healthy hobby turned into a life-transforming journey as she was able to discover her true calling.

“I don’t have any shame in admitting that I needed antidepressants, they quite possibly saved my life because at the time I was very depressed. But I had to find another way and when I started running, I found I didn’t need them. Running lifted me and I just kept going.

“I lost 35 pounds and my whole life turned around and then it turned into this journey of love,” Julie says.

In addition to the obvious, immediate rewards, the transformation in her life had many additional benefits, including a much improved relationship with

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# School District to transition to 100% renewable energy

**GRACE INEZ ADAMS**
SMDP Staff Writer

The Santa Monica Malibu-Unified School District (SMMUSD), one of the city’s largest energy consumers, is set to begin the transition to running on 100% renewable energy.

The move, which was approved by the Board of Education with a unanimous thumbs-up at their March 15 meeting, is expected to be finalized by the end of the year.

The decision follows mounting pressure from district staff, teachers and students for SMMUSD to take greater strides towards sustainability in the face of climate change.

“We are currently at one of the most critical points in the history of our planet…” Samohi student and member of the school’s Team Marine club Maya Williams told the board. “We need strong leaders such as yourselves to stand up for what we know to be right, to listen to the science and move away from the fossil fuel industry.”

SMMUSD previously ran on 100% green power through the Clean Power Alliance from March

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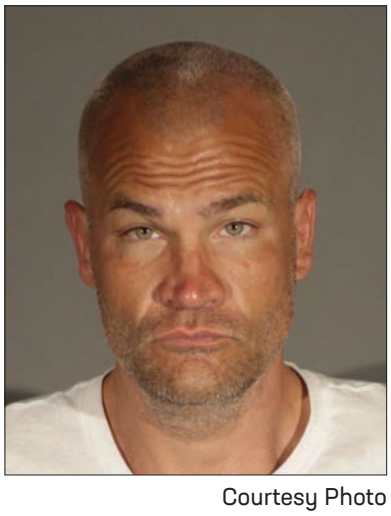
# Arrest for Palisades Park stabbing

**MATTHEW HALL**
Daily Press Editor

A homeless man has been arrested after stabbing a city worker in the chest.

The assault occurred at 8:15 a.m. on March 15 when the city employee attempted to move the suspect from the area around Camera Obscura in Palisades Park. The suspect, later identified as Allen Cranford Barna stabbed the employee in the chest and then fled the area. A Downtown Ambassador reported the incident and the victim was transported to a local hospital for non-life-threatening injuries.

Detectives with SMPD’s Criminal Investigations Division located Barna on Thursday morning and arrested him at about 11 a.m. Barna is charged with aggravated assault and anyone with information pertaining to this incident or person involved is strongly encouraged to contact SMPD Detective Pollnow at 310-458-8455 or steven.pollnow@santamonica.gov or the Watch Commander (24 hours) at 310-458-8426.



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**ARREST:** Allen Cranford Barna.

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# California bill would fund deportation defense for all immigrants, including those with felonies

**WENDY FRY**
Special to the Daily Press

In California, when the federal government tries to deport someone the funds for that person's legal defense may come from an unlikely source: the state budget.

Each year the state sets aside about $45 million for grants to nonprofits that provide defense and other legal services to low-income immigrants and their families. So far, the program called One California has paid for legal representation for more than 1,000 Californians facing detention, deportation or family separation, state officials say.

The money also provides outreach, education services and "affirmative immigration relief," which is when an immigrant applies for asylum directly to immigration authorities while not involved in deportation proceedings.

Not everyone can access these legal reserves. Immigrants who have been convicted of serious or violent felonies are excluded from accessing state funds for legal representation during removal proceedings.

Assemblymember Reggie Jones-Sawyer, a Democrat from Los Angeles, wants to remove that barrier to legal support. In February he introduced a bill that would expand the One California program by excising its exclusions for immigrants convicted of serious or violent felonies.

Serious and violent felonies cover a wide variety of crimes, ranging from robbery to murder.

> "The Rep for All Immigrants Act ensures racial justice and true equitable access to crucial immigration services for all – not some
> - Jones-Sawyer

Jones-Sawyer views this as a civil rights issue, saying immigrants should have the same rights to representation and due process

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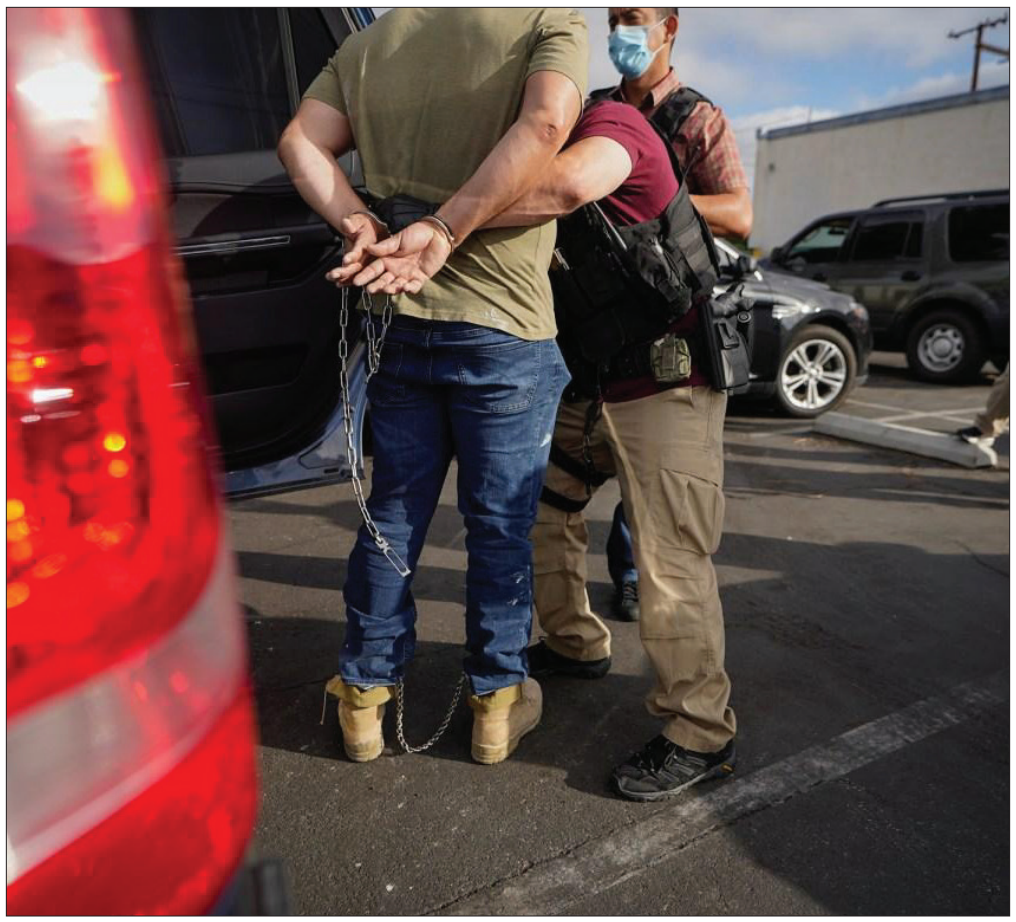


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**ARREST:** U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agents transfer an immigrant after an early morning raid in Duarte on June 6, 2022.



# Storms end Southern California water restrictions for 7M

**JOHN ANTCZAK AND STEFANIE DAZIO**
Associated Press

California's 11th atmospheric river left the storm-soaked state with a bang Wednesday, bringing flooded roadways, landslides and toppled trees to the southern part of the state as well as drought-busting rainfall that meant the end of water restrictions for nearly 7 million people.

Even as residents struggled to clean up before the next round of winter arrives in the coming days — with some 27,000 people still under evacuation orders statewide Wednesday — the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California's decision brought relief amid the state's historic drought.

The district supplies water for 19 million people in six counties. The board imposed the restrictions, which included limiting outdoor watering to one day a week, in parts of Los Angeles, Ventura and San Bernardino counties last year during a severe shortage of state water supplies.

But weather woes remained Wednesday, as an additional 61,000 people remained under evacuation warnings and emergency shelters housed more than 650 people, according to the California Governor's Office of Emergency Services.

Meanwhile in Arizona, the city of Sedona urged people in a dozen areas to immediately evacuate Wednesday evening because of predicted flooding of Oak Creek. The churning waters had submerged a roadway near a mobile home park and forecasters said it could rise to 15 feet, a foot above flood stage.

In Southern California, flooding also closed several miles of the Pacific Coast Highway through Huntington Beach, south of Los Angeles on the Orange County coast, and potholes disabled more than 30 cars on one Southern California freeway. More than 144,000 utility customers statewide remained without power Wednesday afternoon, according to poweroutage.us.

Some Southern California beaches were closed as heavy rain overwhelmed sewage systems and sent thousands of gallons of raw sewage to the sea.

In Los Angeles, a man who clung to a concrete wall of the rushing, rain-swollen Los Angeles River was saved from being swept away when a Fire Department rescuer, dangling from a helicopter, reached him and he was hauled up to safety.

Gov. Gavin Newsom surveyed flood damage in an agricultural region on the central coast, noting that California could potentially see a 12th atmospheric river next week. Officials have not yet determined the extent of the winter storms' damage, both structurally and financially.

"Look back — last few years in this state, it's been fire to ice with no warm bath in between," the Democrat said, describing "weather whiplash" in a state that has quickly gone from extreme drought and wildfires to overwhelming snow and rain.

"If anyone has any doubt about Mother Nature and her fury, if anyone has any doubt about what this is all about in terms of what's happening to the climate and the changes that we are experiencing, come to California," the governor said.

California's latest atmospheric river was one of two storm systems that bookended the U.S. this week. Parts of New England and New York were digging out of a nor'easter Wednesday that caused tens of thousands of power outages, numerous school cancellations and whiteout conditions on roads.

Remaining showers across Southern California were expected to decrease through Wednesday evening as the storm headed toward parts of the Great Basin. The weather service said California will see minor precipitation this weekend, followed by another substantial storm next week.

Three clifftop apartment buildings were evacuated Wednesday morning when earth slid away from their backyards in coastal San Clemente, the Orange County Fire Authority said. Residents were also cleared out of a nearby building as the severity of the slide was studied.

Orange County had already declared a local emergency when a similar hillside collapsed March 3 in Newport Beach, leaving a house uninhabitable and endangering others.

For downtown Los Angeles, the National Weather Service said just under two feet of rain has been recorded so far this water year — making this the 14th wettest in more than 140 years of records.

An overnight mudslide onto a road in the Baldwin Hills area of Los Angeles County trapped two cars, KNBC-TV reported. Another hillside in the neighborhood also gave way, threatening the foundation of a hilltop home.

Weather in the northern and central sections of the state had dried out earlier, following Tuesday's heavy rain and fierce winds that blew out windows on a San Francisco high-rise and gusted to 74 mph at the city's airport.

Forty-three of the state's 58 counties have been under states of emergency due to the storms.

Despite California's rains winding down, flood warnings remain in effect on the central coast for the Salinas and Pajaro rivers in Monterey County and other rivers in the Central Valley as water runs off land that has been saturated by storms since late December.

Runoff from a powerful atmospheric river last week burst a levee on the Pajaro River, triggering evacuations as water flooded farmland and agricultural communities. Nearly half of the people under evacuation orders were in Monterey County. Closed sections of the Pacific Coast Highway in the area were expected to reopen Wednesday night.

The first phase of repairs on the 400-foot levee breach was completed Tuesday afternoon, and crews were working to raise the section to full height, county officials said.

Damage continued to emerge elsewhere in the state. In the Sequoia National Forest, the Alta Sierra Ski Resort said it would be closed for at least two weeks because of extensive flooding and infrastructure damage, citing

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# Newsom to start California tour with homelessness proposal

**ADAM BEAM**
Associated Press

California Gov. Gavin Newsom announced plans Thursday to build 1,200 small homes across the state as part of an effort to help house the nation's largest homeless population and to address an issue that has persistently plagued the state during his time in office.

The announcement, confirmed by the governor's office, came in Sacramento on the first stop of Newsom's planned four-city tour, during which major policy announcements are expected on housing, health care and public safety. The tour is replacing the governor's traditional State of the State address.

Newsom dedicated his 2020 State of the State speech to homelessness, calling it a " disgrace " in a land of so much wealth. California, home to nearly 40 million people, has nearly one-third of the nation's homeless population, and their numbers are growing much faster than in other states, according to an analysis of federal data by the Public Policy Institute of California.

The governor has approved more than $22.3 billion in new housing and homelessness spending since taking office, according to the Legislative Analyst's Office, yet the homeless population has continued to grow.

Newsom said the state will pay to build and install the 1,200 small homes, which can be put up quickly and placed on public land to house people living in encampments along roads and rivers. Sacramento will get 350 homes, Los Angeles will get 500, San Jose will get 200 and San Diego will get 150.

"In California we are using every tool in our toolbox — including the largest-ever deployment of small homes in the state — to move people out of encampments and into housing," Newsom said. "The crisis of homelessness will never be solved without first solving the crisis of housing — the two issues are inextricably linked."

Newsom's office did not say how much the homes will cost or where they will go. It would be up to local governments to decide the latter, which could be tricky since many residents may not want the homes near where they live.

Most of the state funding for homelessness programs has gone to local governments. But a lack of progress has led the governor to clash with local leaders.

Last fall Newsom delayed $1 billion of funding for local government homelessness programs because he didn't like how they planned to spend it. Cumulatively, the local governments' plans aimed to reduce the homeless population by just 2%. Newsom later released the money after a meeting with local leaders.

On Thursday the governor said local leaders have revised their plans with a goal of a 15% reduction. Newsom said he likes that much better and announced he is releasing another $1 billion.

California's homelessness problem is in part a byproduct of its shortage of affordable housing, an issue that advocates say impacts many more people than simply those living on the streets.

Leaders of the state's biggest cities and counties want Sacramento to define more clearly their role in addressing homelessness and how the state will measure the success of local programs that receive state funding.

Currently state homelessness funding has "all sorts of rules that have to be put in and half a dozen different state departments involved in order to find one program," said Graham Knauss, executive director of the California State Association of Counties. "That needs to change. That is not government at its best."

The association's solution is to ask the state Legislature to pass laws clearly defining the responsibilities of local and state government, coupled with recurring state funding for local governments every year. Knauss said the

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**SANTA MONICA**
**ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD**
**REGULAR MEETING**
**SANTA MONICA CITY HALL**

**DATE/TIME:** **Monday, March 20, 2023, 7:00 PM**

**LOCATION:** Council Chambers (wheelchair accessible)
Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Room 250

**PUBLIC HEARING:**

- 2455 Chelsea – 22ARB-0152: Building and Landscape Design for a two-story, 3-unit condominium.

**PRELIMINARY REVIEW:**

- 1215 19th Street: Building and Landscape Design for a five story, 60-unit mixed-use project with ground floor commercial space.
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OPINION **LAUGHING MATTERS**

***Jack Neworth***

Send comments to editor@smdp.com

# *Where is Bennett When You Need Him?*

This Sunday will mark the 38th running of the L.A. Marathon and my friend, Charles Bennett, is entered in what will be his 33rd marathon. His first was 1974 and then, oddly, as Charles is occasionally prone to be, he didn't enter another until 2002. He jokes now that if he runs two marathons a year, at age 100 he will have competed in 100.

I first met Charles in 1986 when he was a security guard at The Shores apartments where I've live. Ever diligent, he was by far the best guard at the Shores even though there was almost zero crime. Years before Bennett, I was a Shores security guard and might have been among the worst because I spent more time writing my novel than patrolling the grounds. ("An Eight Pound Six Ounce Lawyer" was a semi-autobiographical 70's comedy featuring a Jewish mother who wanted her son to be a lawyer but he was a hippy working for the Forest Service.)

The all-time worst security guard had to be a short, bald Egyptian in his 50's named Fahmy who insisted on being called Sergeant Fahmy because he wore a leather jacket from a previous security job with Sergeant stripes on it. Fahmy worked from midnight to 8 am during which he was often having sex with women in the building. (He turned the rental office with its black leather couches into a boudoir, with mood lighting, a stereo, a TV and a bottle of scotch.)

An indication of Charles' dedication to the job occurred when a neighbor on the 9th floor was moving and had some furniture she thought I might want outside her door. It included a night stand, a desk, lamps and a cabinet with glass doors that opened to shelves and a chest of drawers.

It was a struggle to move the chest by myself but when I returned to my surprise the desk was gone. I called Charles in the Security Office to report it and, like a hard boiled cop, he grilled me about the height,width and color of the desk as he seemed to be taking copious notes. But when I went back to the 9th I was surprised again. My friend's neighbor sincerely apologized for having taken the desk thinking they just left it for anyone. She even helped me put it on the elevator.

When I phoned Bennett to explain there was no theft he was crestfallen. "So you won't be pressing any charges, Mr. Neworth?" The irony is that with so much crime these days I'm prone to say "Where's Bennett when we need him?" Technically, we don't have security guards as they are called "Courtesy Attendants."




Courtesy Photo
**RUNNER:** Former Shores Security Guard, Charles Bennett always finishes.

Charles was born and raised in England but came to America to join the Marines and then the Air Force. His military training may have helped in his often harrowing 40 year career as a security guard. He's had a gun pointed at him numerous times and once was threatened with a knife, all of which he seemed to take in stride. He's remarkably reliable, honest and is a true minimalist.

For example, Charles has no: TV, computer, answering machine, cellphone or car and walks to and from work located on Santa Monica Blvd. That said, he's very content with his life. He reads newspapers, magazines, and especially the Bible almost every night. He even found a passage he believes refers to security guards in Isaiah chapter 62, verse 6, "I have said watchman upon my walls oh Jerusalem which shall never hold their peace day or night."

Bennett's greatest passion are marathons for which he prepares assiduously. He has run in heavy rain,

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# California colleges rush to get more students on food assistance before pandemic rule ends



Photo by Rahul Lal, CalMatters

**STUDENTS:** Jocelyn Gonzalez Fierros, a Chico State University student, at her residence in Chico on March 15, 2023.

**JEANNE KUANG AND MIKHAIL ZINSHTEYN**
Special to the Daily Press

Students, add this to the to-do list between now and finals week: Apply for federal food assistance before the fast-approaching end of a rule that allows more folks to qualify.

Starting June 10, students whose families could not contribute a dollar to their education or who are approved for federal or state work-study programs will no longer be automatically eligible for CalFresh, the program formerly known as food stamps. Instead, students will have to seek those benefits through a stricter set of eligibility rules that limit how many low-income people enrolled in college can receive food aid.

The imminent deadline — the result of a federal health order sunsetting — is putting pressure on California campus officials, both public and private, and state agencies to inform students these benefits are ending soon.

Everyone — advocates, researchers, college social service coordinators and county officials — says the time is now for students to apply. Seeking the aid before the rules tighten again could buy a previously ineligible student as much as a year of time on food assistance, they say. A qualifying student could get up to $281 a month to pay for groceries.

Beyond a matter of basic necessity, ensuring students aren't hungry has clear academic benefits, including higher college graduation rates, studies have shown.

"There is a scramble right now," said Brandi Simonaro of CalState Chico's Center for Healthy Communities, which holds a state contract to help students apply for food assistance on 48 mostly public college campuses statewide.

Part of the challenge, she said, is misinformation among campus officials about CalFresh's complex and changing eligibility rules; she fears the confusion will discourage students from applying.

Marcia Garcia guides students through the CalFresh application process at UC Berkeley and sees firsthand how pressed for time they are, especially for those with jobs or children.

"I think there's always this concern, right, that not everyone is going to learn about these resources in time," she said.

The rush to get the word out underscores advocates' long-held frustration with the federal government, which they say blocks many students from vital food aid — a policy holdover from the 1970s when most college students in the U.S. were thought to be well-off.

Today, far more students from low-income families attend college — and need food assistance that most don't get. Before the COVID-19 pandemic, an estimated 127,000 California college students received CalFresh, even though anywhere from 416,471 to 689,233 students were likely eligible, according to a 2020 state report that relied on 2018-2019 data. In the same year, according to the California Student Aid Commission, 1 in 3 students reported experiencing food insecurity in any given month.

The low participation rate has made college students a group of particular focus for policymakers and anti-hunger advocates in California, which already struggles to deliver food aid to all who qualify. Only about 70% of Californians who are eligible for food stamps receive them, compared to about 82% for the rest of the nation.

There's evidence the expanded eligibility rules led to more college students receiving CalFresh. In December 2020, a month before the temporary new rules kicked in, nearly 120,000 college students in California were receiving CalFresh. By September 2021, that number grew to over 140,000, according to the California Department of Social Services, citing its most recent data in an email to CalMatters.

The department said it lacks the data to know how many students will lose CalFresh benefits once the health emergency ends.

The expanded eligibility triggered a huge jump in student applications. On the 48 campuses where the Center for Healthy Communities works, the number of students applying for food aid jumped from 2,963 in late summer of 2020 to 12,051 a year later and just over 16,000 in late summer 2022.

But because of complex eligibility rules, students often have their food aid applications denied by county welfare departments, which administer CalFresh on behalf of the state. For example, Simonaro said the state told the center only about half the applications it has helped students submit are approved.

## FOOD ASSISTANCE ELIGIBILITY

Under a 1977 federal law, most college students are ineligible for food assistance by default.

It's a rule based on outdated notions of who's attending college, advocates say.

"There was definitely an image of traditional college students ... that they were 18- and 19-year-olds right out of high school, with no dependents being supported by their parents even if they weren't living with them," said Elizabeth Lower-Basch, deputy executive director for policy at the left-leaning Center for Law and Social Policy.

Students who are enrolled in classes at least half-time and are between the ages of 18 and 49 can normally only get food aid if they work at least 20 hours a week — an amount of time that some research says ultimately hurts students academically.

Or, they must satisfy one of roughly a dozen narrow exemptions, such as being a single parent, having a disability or enrolling in specific academic and workforce training programs. Students also then need to meet the program's regular income requirements: a maximum of about $27,000 a year for a single-person household, not including grants, loans and scholarships, and then a second income test.

The patchwork of eligibility criteria and exemptions hits community college students in particular.

Some students receiving the state's main financial aid award — the Cal Grant — qualify for food assistance if they also meet income and campus meal plan requirements. California pays for the awards with some federal welfare funds, and anyone receiving a welfare-funded program can also get CalFresh.

But the shortcut only applies to Cal Grant students who attend a California State University, University of California or a private college — and not to the vast majority of community college students. That's because only Cal Grant awards that cover tuition are funded with welfare dollars. Cal Grants for community college students don't pay for tuition but instead provide them cash awards, which don't qualify for federal welfare funding. Federal rules say financial aid can lead to CalFresh eligibility only if the aid covers tuition and course fees. As a result, most community college students can get CalFresh through the Cal Grant only after they transfer to a four-year university in California.

California lawmakers could change this, a Century Foundation researcher argued in

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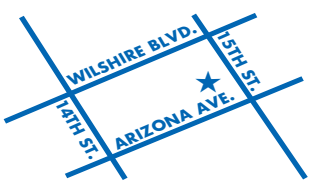
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# US jobless aid claims fell last week as layoffs remain low

**MATT OTT**
AP Business Writer

Fewer Americans applied for jobless claims last week as the labor market continues to thrive despite the Federal Reserve's efforts to cool the economy and tamp down inflation.

Applications for jobless claims in the U.S. for the week ending March 11 fell by 20,000 to 192,000 from 212,000 the previous week, the Labor Department said Thursday.

The four-week moving average of claims, which flattens out some of week-to-week volatility, fell by 750 to 196,500, remaining below the 200,000 threshold for the eighth straight week.

Applications for unemployment benefits are seen as a barometer for layoffs in the U.S.

In a note to clients, analysts at Oxford economics said there are still few signs that the recent jump in layoff announcements, particularly in the tech sector, is translating to a rise in unemployment.

"Many announced layoffs don't end up happening, and those that have been laid off are quickly finding work elsewhere, reflecting the ongoing imbalance between labor demand and supply," the analysts wrote.

At its February meeting, the Fed raised its main lending rate by 25 basis points, the eighth straight rate hike in its year-long battle against stubborn inflation. With recent data showing that those rate hikes have done little to bring down inflation and even less to cool the economy and labor market, many analysts were expecting the Fed to raise rates by another half-point when it meets next week.

However, the second- and third-largest bank failures in U.S. history over the last week — which have been blamed in large part to rising interest rates — have some economists thinking Fed officials will tread more lightly next week and either raise its rate by 25 basis points or perhaps not at all.

The central bank's benchmark rate is now in a range of 4.5% to 4.75%, its highest level in 15 years. Before the banking sector turmoil that began last week, the Fed had signaled that two more rate hikes were likely this year. Some analysts had even forecast three increases that could push the lower end of that rate to 5.5%.

The Fed's rate increases are meant to cool the economy, labor market and wages, thereby suppressing prices. But so far, none of those things have happened, at least not to the degree that the central bank had hoped.

Inflation remains more than double the Fed's 2% target, and the economy is growing and adding jobs at a healthy clip.

Last month, the government reported that employers added a substantial 311,000 jobs in February, fewer than January's huge gain but enough to keep pressure on the Federal Reserve to raise interest rates aggressively to fight inflation. The unemployment rate rose to 3.6%, from a 53-year low of 3.4%.

Fed policymakers have forecast that the unemployment rate would rise to 4.6% by the end of this year, a sizable increase historically associated with recessions.

Though the U.S. labor market remains strong, layoffs have been mounting in the technology sector, where many companies overhired after a pandemic boom. IBM, Microsoft, Amazon, Salesforce, Twitter and DoorDash have all announced layoffs in recent months.

Earlier this week, Facebook parent Meta said it was slashing another 10,000 jobs, in addition to the 11,000 culled in November. The social media giant also said it would not fill 5,000 open positions.

The real estate sector has taken the biggest hit from the Fed's interest rate hikes. Higher mortgage rates — which have risen closer to 7% again in recent weeks — have slowed home sales for 12 straight months. That's almost in lockstep with the Fed's rate hikes that began last March.

About 1.68 million people were receiving jobless aid the week that ended March 4, a decrease of 29,000 from the week before. That number is close to pre-pandemic levels.

## HOMELESS

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association is talking with lawmakers and the governor's office about passing legislation.

"We certainly should not expect that we're going to get ongoing progress on homelessness while using one-time funding to do it," he said.

The stakes are high for people like Nathen Avelar, 18, who has struggled with unstable housing most of his life. Avelar grew up with his mother and twin brother in the Central Valley city of Merced, where he said there is plenty of new housing but all out of their reach.

For a few years, they lived in a home that was infested with mold, which aggravated his brother's asthma and forced them to leave. They moved in with his grandmother; if not for her home, which they often shared with multiple other family members, Avelar said they likely would have been homeless.

"I remember a couple of times we drove around looking for houses, and we always saw these nice houses on the street and I knew we would never be able to afford them," he said. "That was really disheartening."

Avelar, who worked part-time for a voter engagement group that supported Newsom during an unsuccessful 2021 recall attempt, said he wants the governor's administration to build more affordable housing.

## Funeral Announcement

The funeral for JD Harber is this Sunday March 19th at 1 p.m. @ First Presbyterian Church of Santa Monica 1220 2nd st 90401 in smaller chapel, not main sanctuary. Reception to follow.

## MARATHON

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her father, Maurice.

"We didn't have a particularly strong relationship when I was growing up, but when I started running, I felt the love from him that I hadn't gotten before. He became my biggest fan whereas before he was my biggest critic," Julie says.

> "Once I ran the Boston Marathon, I realized I need to do more to raise awareness, I need to do more to honor him, his memory and also for so many others that are affected by this disease
> - Julie Weiss

Tragically, Maurice was only able to witness the first two years of Julie's new, rapidly developing running career as he was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer and died in 2010. He was 75. At the time Julie was attempting to qualify for the Boston Marathon. Unlike many other major marathons, including Tokyo, London, Berlin, Chicago and New York City, runners must complete a prior, certified 26.2 mile race within a specific time based on your age in order to compete.

But qualify she did. And once Julie had completed the Boston race, it became clear that her mission in life was only just beginning.

"Once I ran the Boston Marathon, I realized I need to do more to raise awareness, I need to do more to honor him, his memory and also for so many others that are affected by this disease," Julie says.

The American Cancer Society (ACS) estimates over 64,000 people in the United States will be diagnosed with pancreatic cancer this year and more than 50,000 will lose their lives. A recent ACS report concludes that the overall risk of cancer is declining, but it remains the second leading cause of death for Americans, behind heart disease. Pancreatic cancer is the fourth deadliest cancer in both men and women. The five-year relative survival rate is now 12 percent, an increase of 1 percent since last year.

At this point Julie took on a seemingly impossible challenge. When she crossed the finish line of the Los Angeles Marathon in 2013, she accomplished an astonishing feat, having raced in and completed 52 marathons in 52 weeks in an effort to raise money for pancreatic cancer research. All while still holding down a full-time job.

That was 10 years and well over 3,000 miles ago and to commemorate that — and to celebrate the fact that she's now raised over $1million — she will be running once again in Sunday's Los Angeles Marathon. Pancreatic cancer survivors and supporters will gather to greet Julie both as she crosses the finish line and at the Hirshberg Foundation's Purple People Party Cheer Station near Mile 21.

Julie got engaged to her coach, David Levine, in 2012 and in May of 2013, she was named Woman of the Year for the 28th Senate District.

Julie is now a grandmother and while she might not be running quite as much, her love for the sport remains solid. "I am not running a marathon a week, that's for sure," she laughs. "But this past year, I set out to do 12 races in 12 months, but because I'm human, I ended up getting injured. So I ended up running just five and the rest were like half marathons and five and 10 kilometers.

"But I kept going, I just changed it up a little bit and race number 12 will be this Sunday," and despite this interview taking place over the phone, it was still possible to hear her smiling.

Julie continues to raise money for pancreatic cancer research and each year, she trains and fundraises with the Hirshberg Training Team, a running program to train runners and walkers for the Los Angeles Marathon.

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**MAP:** The Los Angeles Marathon is this weekend.

# Big banks create $30B rescue package for First Republic

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Eleven of the biggest banks in the country announced a $30 billion rescue package for First Republic Bank on Thursday, in an effort to prevent the California-based bank from becoming the third bank to fail in less than a week.

First Republic serves a similar clientele as Silicon Valley Bank, which failed Friday after depositors withdrew about $40 billion. It appears that First Republic, which had deposits totaling $176.4 billion as of Dec. 31, was facing a similar crisis.

In a statement, the group of banks confirmed that other unnamed banks had seen large amounts of withdrawals of uninsured deposits, which are those that exceed the $250,000 level insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation. First Republic's shares dropped more than 60% Monday, even after the bank said it had secured additional funding from JPMorgan and the Federal Reserve.

Thursday the bank's shares were down as much as 36%, but rallied after reports the rescue package was in the works, and closed up nearly 9%.

JPMorgan Chase, Bank of America, Citigroup and Wells Fargo have agreed to each put $5 billion in uninsured deposits into First Republic. Meanwhile Morgan Stanley and Goldman Sachs would deposit $2.5 billion each into the bank. The remaining $5 billion would consist of $1 billion contributions from BNY Mellon, State Street, PNC Bank, Truist and US Bank.

"The actions of America's largest banks reflect their confidence in the country's banking system," the banks said in their statement.

The nation's banking regulators also issued a statement in support of the bank rescue package.

"This show of support by a group of large banks is most welcome, and demonstrates the resilience of the banking system," said Treasury Secretary Janet Yellen, Acting Comptroller of the Currency Michael Hsu, Federal Reserve Chair Jerome Powell and FDIC Chairman Martin Gruenberg.

The news could help calm the nerves of bank investors after the collapse last week of Silicon Valley Bank, which was the second biggest bank failure in U.S. history after the demise of Washington Mutual in 2008.

The shuttering of Silicon Valley Bank Friday and of New York-based Signature Bank two days later has revived bad memories of the financial crisis that plunged the United States into the Great Recession of 2007-2009.

Over the weekend the federal government, determined to restore public confidence in the banking system, moved to protect all the banks' deposits, even those that exceeded the FDIC's $250,000 limit per individual account.

## RENEWABLE ENERGY

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2019 until March 2020, when the decision was reversed for cost reasons. Since then, district schools and offices have received just 40% renewable energy, except for Samohi and Malibu High School which were downgraded to zero percent.

SMMUSD Sustainability Manager Austin Toyama said that in addition to growing public support, transitioning back to fully renewable energy at this time makes financial sense due to rate hikes by Southern California Edison's (SCE), the district's energy supplier.

He said this has decreased the added cost of switching all of the district's accounts to a 100% green power plan from a previous estimate in January of $109,000 per year to just $30,000 to $40,000, a fraction of the $1.3 million yearly average the district spends on electricity. Furthermore, he said this cost will likely be fully offset by new solar systems and better power management.

"SCE and Clean Power Alliance rates will continue to change year to year, that's inevitable, but our energy conservation efforts and increased solar generation will help reduce any added costs for sourcing renewable energy," Toyama said.

He added that SMMUSD's energy use has been on the rise in recent years, due in part to construction, and said this move will lessen the negative environmental impacts.

"As district energy use increases, so does our carbon emissions – we have so many buildings and facilities that we have a large environmental footprint in the community," he said. "We can significantly curb these emissions by sourcing electricity from renewable sources instead of fossil fuels."




SMMUSD

**SAMOHI SOLAR:** Solar panels on the roof of a Samohi building.

SCE will still serve as the pipeline to deliver electricity to the district, however through the partnership with CPA it will come from energy generated by renewable sources rather than natural gas.

Now that district staff have been authorized by the board to move forward, Toyama said it will take approximately six months to fully complete the transition. While the accounts currently on the 40% renewable plan through CPA can be upgraded to 100% immediately, it will take longer to get Samohi and Malibu High School on board.

Toyama said he thinks student advocacy was key in the district reaching this milestone.

"Students are just really up to date and are well-informed, so knowing that the push for renewable is coming from our youth and our students, it makes a big difference."

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## DEPORTATION

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as everyone else.

"The Rep for All Immigrants Act ensures racial justice and true equitable access to crucial immigration services for all – not some," he said.

### ONE CALIFORNIA

In 2016 then-state Sen. Ben Hueso, a Democrat from San Diego, introduced a similar bill, called the Due Process for All Act. It was part of a legislative package answering President Donald Trump's anti-immigrant threats to deport millions of people.

Hueso's bill did not pass the Assembly, but it became part of a budget trailer bill. Since 2017, it has been part of the One California program.

The legal assistance is one of the ways the California Legislature has attempted to stand against anti-immigration policies. Other measures have expanded eligibility for state-run health insurance and the state's earned-income tax credit to more undocumented immigrants.

In many states, immigrants facing deportation are generally not provided free legal counsel in federal immigration courts, not even children.

Opponents of Jones-Sawyer's bill question using funds for this purpose while California faces a $22.5 billion budget deficit, though it's unknown how much expanding the services would cost.

Advocates say putting up barriers to legal services for individuals convicted of serious crimes creates a two-tiered system of justice, where only certain people get due process.

"This bill will ensure immigrant Californians can access high-quality, comprehensive services, relief and protections, allowing them to continue their lives with dignity and fairness," said Shiu-Ming Cheer, deputy director of programs at the California Immigrant Policy Center, a co-sponsor of the law.

The bill would pay for legal representation, investigative services, interpreters and translations, expert witness services, and supportive and rehabilitative services to people facing removal from the United States.

### UNEVEN ODDS

Legal representation is among the most important factors determining whether an immigrant in federal removal proceedings gets to stay in the country or not. Yet the majority of people facing deportation do not have legal representation, data shows.

In fiscal year 2022, 58.3% of Californians facing deportation — 50,982 people — did not have legal representation, according to TRAC, a nonpartisan immigration database. That same year, 76.7% of people who lost a removal case in California and were ordered deported lacked legal representation.

By contrast, national statistics show that lawyers represented 94% of the people who won their cases in immigration courts. A comparable statistic was not available for California.

Assemblymember Bill Essayli, a Republican from Riverside, said the people Jones-Sawyer's bill is likely to help already had due process of law in criminal court.

"Every person has a right to a defense in a criminal case," he said.

"The people we're talking about in this bill have already been convicted of a serious felony, after being afforded their government-paid defense. I see no legal or rational basis for why the California taxpayer should then be financially responsible for defending the deportation proceeding of a convicted felon."

### OTHER PRIORITIES

Essayli added that the state doesn't have funds for its other priorities.

"We are facing a budget deficit, and tax dollars must be prioritized for hardworking Californians struggling to make rent, buy groceries, and pay the electric bill. This bill does not do that," he said.

One California falls under the purview of the state Department of Social Services. That agency vets nonprofit organizations that apply and awards them contracts to provide attorneys for immigrants. The nonprofits must have experience representing immigrants in asylum, juvenile status, human trafficking and other criminal cases.

Some grants already are allocated for legal services for unaccompanied immigrant children who are transferred to the custody of the federal Office of Refugee Resettlement in California.

Jones-Sawyer's proposed bill also would expand how much cost information is available about One California. The Department of Social Services would provide the Legislature with an annual report and publish it on the department's website.

The bill was assigned to the Judiciary Committee, which began meeting March 12.

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## LAUGHING MATTERS

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severe heat and windy conditions and yet has completed every race except one when it was so cold he suffered from hypothermia.

While Charles has a considerable sense of humor, he's generally stoic, especially in his unique monotone British voice. Don't ask how or why, but over the years I learned to imitate his voice "to a t" as the Brits might say. Proof of that came one day a few years back when Charles called to report he just had a phone conversation with his brother in England, "Whom I haven't talked to in ten years. But I suddenly became convinced it was you, Mr. Neworth!" I asked nervously, "What did you do?" "I hung up on him," Charles replied casually.

Concerned I might have inadvertently caused a cross continent family feud, I apologized profusely. But Charles comforted me, "Don't worry, Mr. Neworth, I don't much care for him."

So Charles, my good man, as a former security guard to you, a dean of security guards, I wish the best of luck on Sunday. Remember, you only need 67 marathons more to hit 100!

With an estimated 25,000 participants, the L.A. Marathon is Sunday, March 19th and starts at Dodger Stadium, Lot H at 6:55 a.m. It will be broadcast by KTLA (channel 5) from 6:00 a.m. until 11 p.m. and at Facebook.com/LAMarathon. Jack can be reached at: Jackdailypress@aol.com.

## FOOD

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a 2020 report, by using federal welfare funds to pay for the Promise Grant, a tuition waiver nearly 1 million community college students receive. That would allow those students easy eligibility for food assistance if they also meet the income rules.

California has added ways for students to qualify for aid. For example, a 2021 law requires campuses to tell the state which academic programs could boost students' abilities to get jobs — programs that would allow students to get CalFresh. To date, thousands of programs are on the list.

### STUDENT CONFUSION

Chico State senior Jocelyn Gonzalez Fierros only learned she was eligible for CalFresh because the university emailed her to say she met one of the pandemic-induced expanded eligibility criteria.

She's still receiving CalFresh this year, but under a different exception: Because her parents' incomes rose, she's no longer getting the state financial aid, but still qualifies for food assistance through her job as an outreach coordinator for the Center for Healthy Communities.

"It's very confusing just because your situation can change within a course of six months," Fierros said.

Researchers and college aid administrators said beleaguered counties can create additional roadblocks for students seeking aid.

Because county agencies are funded based on how many people already receive aid and not how many apply, welfare officials say they're understaffed for surges in student applications, which can take longer to process and are harder to qualify because of the student eligibility rules.

It took Raksha Rajeshmohan, 19, two tries to get CalFresh, despite easily qualifying because she works two part-time jobs on top of taking a full courseload at UC Berkeley.

The second-year public health student applied for CalFresh online after hearing about it from a friend. She had trouble her first attempt. A letter from the agency scheduling a phone interview arrived a week late; she said the phone call never came. After waiting more than a month, she got a denial letter for turning in images rather than documents of her paystubs.

An agency spokesperson did not respond to a request for comment.

Rajeshmohan was approved for CalFresh this January after turning in more detailed documentation. The roughly $250 a month she gets allows her to pick more nutritious, costlier foods at the store, and pack lunches rather than skipping them.

"I wouldn't be surprised if students studying other things or who don't have knowledge about this program aren't as motivated to apply and see it through," she said. "I think the way that the system is laid out is quite confusing."

### WHAT'S NEXT

Once a student receives CalFresh under the expanded criteria, they'll continue getting the food aid until they have to recertify their eligibility — usually after about a year.

But students who have already enrolled under the expanded criteria will need to recertify that they're eligible under the more limited list starting this July. It's likely that many students will lose eligibility, but the department of social services did not know just how many would drop off the aid.

"If they don't meet another exemption and are still looked at as a student (when it's time to recertify eligibility) then they will no longer be eligible, which is really scary," Simonaro said.

While the state cannot change federal eligibility rules, it is working to ease the process of renewing or applying for CalFresh.

Already 45 counties are accepting public benefits applications, including for food aid, on a new website called BenefitsCal.com with a student-friendly section as well. By November, all 58 counties are expected to be using the site. For the first time, applicants can schedule appointments with their county case managers digitally, message them online, update their address or report a change in their circumstances.

The website also allows users to upload and receive all their necessary documents to maintain their eligibility. Moving more of the process online should help students, Garcia of UC Berkeley said. Last week she met a student who for six months had been approved for benefits but didn't know it. The student never got a call or letter from the county informing them of their benefits.

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## STORM

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the U.S. Forest Service. There is also "massive slide potential" on the highway serving the resort, the resort tweeted.

California was deep in drought before an unexpected series of atmospheric rivers barreled into the state from late December through mid-January, causing flooding while building a staggering snowpack in the Sierra Nevada.

Storms powered by arctic air followed in February, creating blizzard conditions that buried mountain communities under so much snow that structures began collapsing.

The water content of the Sierra snowpack is now more than 200% of the April 1 average, when it normally peaks, according to the state Department of Water Resources.

Michael McNutt, a spokesperson for the Las Virgenes Municipal Water District, said the end of the Southern California restrictions is good news but cautioned people to continue to conserve water even in non-drought years.

"We all know that the next drought is just around the corner," he said Wednesday. "We've got to treat the water coming out of our taps as the liquid gold that it is."

The district depends almost entirely on state water supplies and had adopted aggressive conservation measures, including putting devices that drastically restrict water flow onto the homes of hundreds of people — including celebrities — who were deemed to be wasting water.

That program is now on hold, as is the district's restrictions on lawn watering.

AP Writer Krysta Fauria contributed to this report.

## TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 17)

Welcome to your year of angelic audacity. You'll have the sort of gumption you don't have to work up. It will just come to you in the moment you need it. The outcome of these bursts may bring you bounty, but none so rich as the knowledge that you are connected to the churning of the world. Returned with interest: your generosity, affection and attention. Education brings a financial boost. Scorpio and Aries adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 14, 20, 5, 19 and 30.

## HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Maybe being lazy is good after all. There's a way to handle today's problem that's more useful to others and less work for you. It's not difficult to find once you stop assuming that hard work is always the way.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You really try to put yourself in another person's shoes and see the world from there. This is an act of respect that will smooth your interactions, build your relationships and bless your future.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your self-esteem will waver, but don't let that knock you off your game. Even though you find yourself among people doing similar things, do not forget that your spiritual essence is unique and beautiful in a way that no one else's could ever be.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). When you open your eyes to the day, it can come rushing in like a cold wave or it can just as easily roll out before you, resplendent. It's not your schedule or responsibilities but how you feel about them that makes the difference.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Accept uncertainty and let go of control. Life is unpredictable, and there are times when trying to steer is counterproductive. Let the wheel turn. Don't fight it. You'll pick it back up at the conclusion of the spin.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). In this game, if you think you're winning, you're winning, mostly because it's your game. Have a little talk to yourself about the rules. Imagine the most supportive and creative Mary Poppins type was on your side. What would she allow?

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). "Are you with me or are you against me?" they will ask. It would be better for you if you didn't have to draw so stark a line. To blur into the gray areas would be more comfortable and truer. If anyone can do this, you can.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll give generously and then be a little surprised at what they still need from you. Time to lay a boundary. You'll diplomatically begin with common ground and positivity and move gently to less comfortable realms.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The rule of gratitude is not to evaluate what you have by comparing it to what others have or what there is to have or what you didn't get. Gratitude is being thankful you have a thing, as compared to not having it at all.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Is there a problem? There could be, but why build a case for it if there's not tons of evidence to support the premise? To worry needlessly robs you of precious enjoyment of life.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You appreciate support, but you don't depend on it. There's something in the idea of a solo journey that challenges your mind now. You want to know who you are, and what you can do. You will find out.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Sometimes felicity is a bluebird landing on your shoulder. But happiness will be a build-it-yourself kit today. You have all the elements, though assembly is not included. It will be there because you put it there.

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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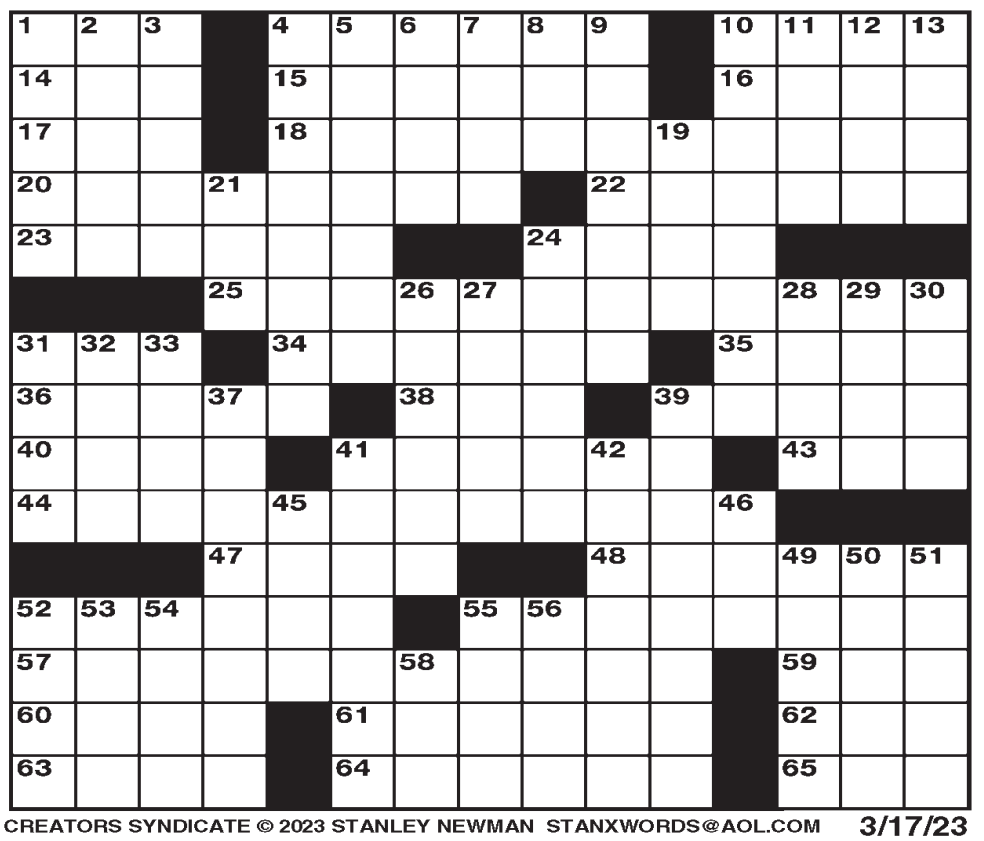
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4 Rich frozen desserts
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15 Where the Ebro River flows
16 Somewhat improper
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18 Record once held by Edison
20 Places for cup holders
22 Tour aide
23 Twist-era dance
24 Certain Iraqi
25 What the crow flies, supposedly
31 USO visitor
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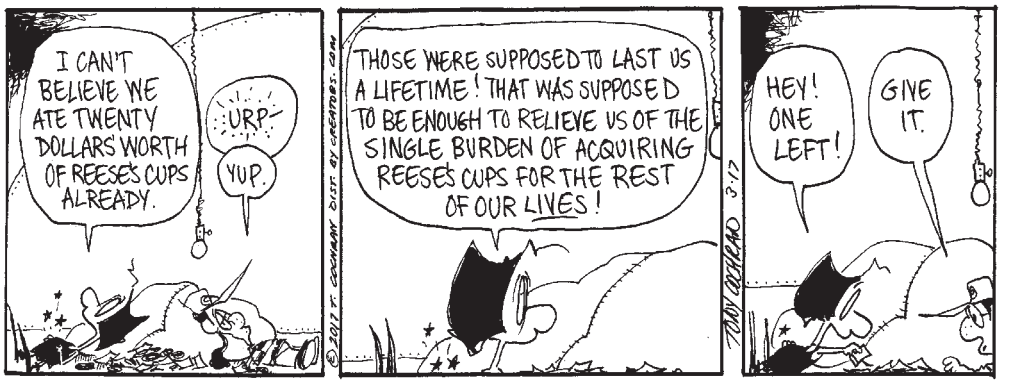


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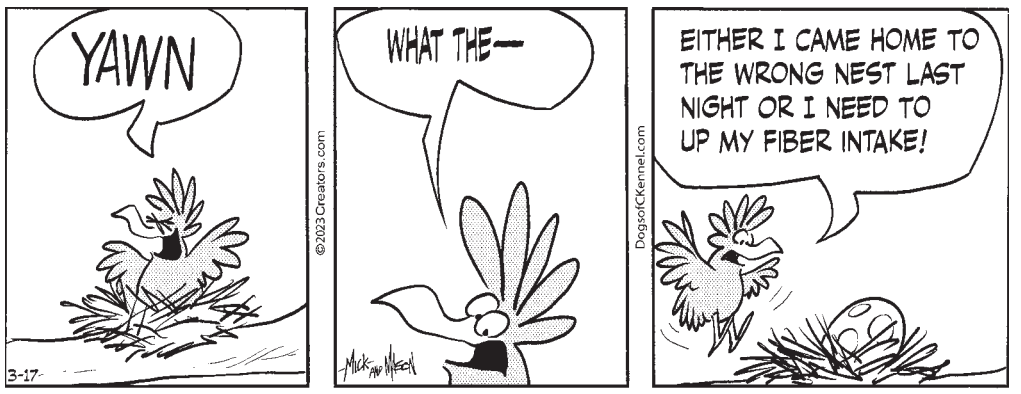
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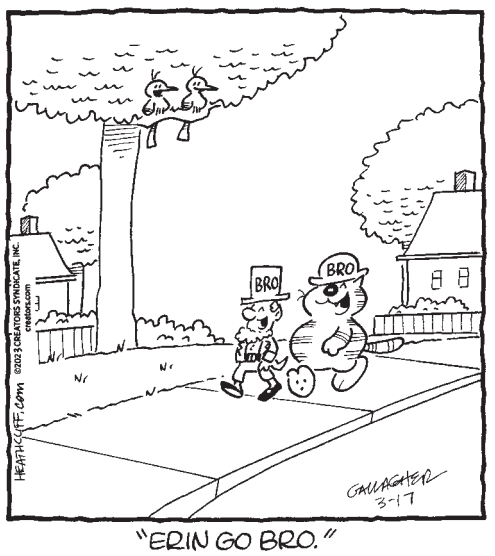

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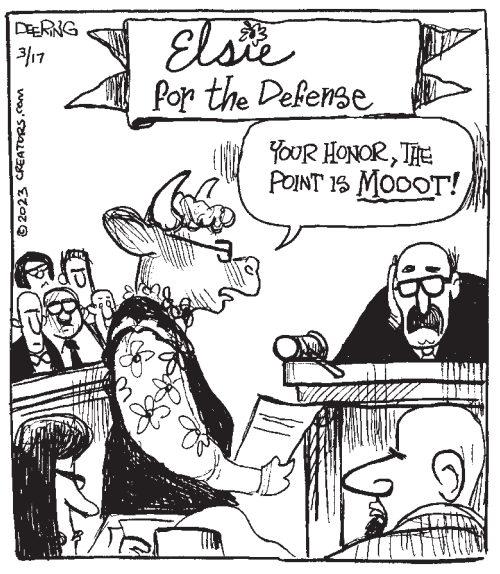
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"ERIN GO BRO."

## Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING




# FIND THE WORDS

**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 17 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.**

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## Raising teenagers

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## 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.

**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. Morphoses is an athletic ballet for four dancers. Each couple presents a complex pas de deux requiring flexibility and lyricism. "Ghosts" offers a realm where ethereal beings manifest in a shadowy playground. "Fool's Paradise", set to a shimmering, filmic score by Joby Talbot, presents a series of luminous encounters in a setting described as "Hollywood meets Mount Olympus." The Eli and Edythe Broad Stage 1310 11th St.

## 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. info.sm@thebungalow.com (310) 393-8355

## FRIDAY | MARCH 24

**BEYONCE NIGHT : A NIGHT OF RENAISSANCE**
This event is 21 and over. Any ticket holder unable to present valid identification indicating that they are at least 21 years of age will not be admitted to this event, and will not be eligible for a refund. The Venice West 1717 Lincoln Blvd, Venice, CA https://rb.gy/jyaews

## SATURDAY | MARCH 25

**BHAKTI NIGHT WITH GRAMMY AWARD ARTIST MICHAEL GUNGOR**
Bhakti Night with Grammy award artist Michael Gungor. 7:30pm-9:00pm. 1235 4th St. Santa Monica, CA

## SUNDAY | MARCH 26

**LOS ANGELES YOUTH ORCHESTRA SPRING 2023 CONCERT AT BARNUM HALL**
The Los Angeles Youth Orchestra presents the Spring 2023 Concerts, 'To Stir the World', on Sunday, March 26 at 7:30pm at Barnum Hall in Santa Monica and Monday, March 27 at 7:30pm at Ambassador Auditorium in Pasadena. The Symphony Orchestra, conducted by Russell Steinberg, will perform Dvorak's Symphony No. 7. The Ruth Borun Concert Orchestra, conducted by Jorge Padron, will perform Saint-Saens' Intro and Royal March of the Lions; Rachmaninoff's Vocalise; Grieg's Holberg Suite; and De Falla's Ritual Fire Dance. www.eventbrite.com/o/los-angeles-youth-orchestra-19228767714

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## SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **56.8**

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| FRIDAY *POOR TO FAIR* | **SURF:** | 2-3ft Thigh to waist | Small out there off easing W swell and steep NW swell. Winds remain light/manageable, but quality is lower end given the lack of size. |
| SATURDAY *POOR TO FAIR* | **SURF:** | 1-2ft Knee to thigh | Even smaller as W swell becomes tiny and steep NW swell eases. Fresh but small S swell due. Likely another day lacking in the size department, keeping quality low |

## WEATHER

**Friday:** Mostly cloudy, with a high near 60. East northeast wind 5 to 10 mph.
**Friday Night:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 51. West southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.
**Saturday:** Partly sunny, with a high near 63. North northeast wind 5 to 10 mph.
**Saturday Night:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 54.

| Date | Day | Time (LST/LDT) | Predicted (ft) | High/Low |
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| 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 |
| 2023/03/19 | Sun | 9:18 PM | 4.70 | H |
| 2023/03/20 | Mon | 02:52 AM | 0.68 | L |
| 2023/03/20 | Mon | 08:58 AM | 6.01 | H |
| 2023/03/20 | Mon | 3:33 PM | -1.13 | L |
| 2023/03/20 | Mon | 9:47 PM | 5.09 | H |
| 2023/03/21 | Tue | 03:38 AM | 0.18 | L |
| 2023/03/21 | Tue | 09:43 AM | 5.75 | H |

## DAILY LOTTERY

Although every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the winning number information, mistakes can occur. In the event of any discrepancies, California State laws and California Lottery regulations will prevail. Complete game information and prize claiming instructions are available at California Lottery retailers. Visit the California State Lottery web site at http://www.calottery.com

**Powerball**
Draw Date: 3/15
16 18 33 37 50
Power#: 8
Jackpot: 78 M

**Mega Millions**
Draw Date: 3/14
1 7 23 38 55
Mega#: 2
Jackpot: 254 M

**SuperLotto Plus**
Draw Date: 3/15
6 9 20 28 30
Mega#: 6
Jackpot: 42 M

**Fantasy 5**
Draw Date: 3/15
11 18 26 34 39

**Daily 3**
Draw Date: 3/15
EVENING: 9 4 9
Draw Date: 3/15
MIDDAY: 2 1 8

**Daily Derby**
Draw Date: 3/15
1st: 06 - Whirl Win
2nd: 11 - Money Bags
3rd: 08 - Gorgeous George
Race Time: 1:44.55

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