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Two serious traffic accidents, one fatality over the weekend

MADELEINE PAUKER
Daily Press Staff Writer

Two people were hit by vehicles in Santa Monica last weekend, with one collision resulting in a fatality.

On Friday night, a man fell off an electric scooter and died after being struck by a vehicle in Ocean Park. Two days later, a teenage girl riding a bicycle was hit by a Metro bus in front of the Santa Monica main library.

The man, 41, was riding a personally owned electric scooter – a City Hopper, manufactured by Bike Rassine – south on 3rd Street between Hill Street and Ashland Avenue after 8 p.m. when he fell onto the road, according to the Santa Monica Police Department (SMPD). A vehicle also traveling south hit him. The driver got out of his vehicle but fled the scene before first responders arrived.

The man suffered significant head and body trauma and died shortly after he was transported to a local hospital in critical condition.

The vehicle is an older, off-white or tan sedan, possibly a Toyota Camry with damage to its front passenger's side. The driver is a white man in his 30s and is 6 feet 2 inches tall with a medium build. He has a shaved head or short hair and was wearing prescription glasses.

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 encouraged to contact Investigator Scott Pace at (310) 458-8954 or SMPD at (310) 458-8495.

The Santa Monica High School

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Courtesy photo

TABLE TENNIS: The SMC team has advanced to the national Championship. See Page 3 for more information.

Renewable energy program expanding to businesses

MADELEINE PAUKER
Daily Press Staff Writer

Santa Monica residents have been receiving cleaner electricity since February and local businesses soon will too.

City Council decided last September abandon Southern California Edison (SCE) in favor of Clean Power Alliance (CPA), a new utility that provides electricity from renewable sources such as wind and solar. Residents now receive 100 percent of their energy from renewable sources as a default and the average customer pays about $6 more per month for electricity. Customers can also opt down to 50 or 36 percent

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Beachfront car chase snarls PCH

MADELEINE PAUKER
Daily Press Staff Writer

A police chase down Pacific Coast Highway (PCH) Sunday afternoon resulted in an arrest of a man suspected of breaking into multiple cars and pretending to be a parking attendant at a beach parking lot.

The Santa Monica Police Department received a call at about 5:20 p.m. that a man was looking into parked cars at Lot 5 North, a parking lot along PCH across from the California Incline. The man ran south when he saw the officers and then fled in a car with a woman. Officers pursued the car and caught it at Olympic

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Flower crowds overwhelm Southern California city

AMY TAXIN AND JULIE WATSON
Associated Press

Like Dorothy in the "Wizard of Oz," the Southern California city of Lake Elsinore is being overwhelmed by the power of the poppies.

About 150,000 people flocked over the weekend to see this year's rain-fed flaming orange patches of poppies lighting up the hillsides near the city of about 60,000 residents, about a 90-minute drive from either San Diego or Los Angeles.

Interstate 15 was a parking lot. People fainted in the heat; a dog romping through the fields was bitten by a rattlesnake.

The city had tried to prepare for the crush of people drawn by the super bloom, a rare occurrence that usually happens about once a decade because it requires a wet winter and warm temperatures that stay above freezing.

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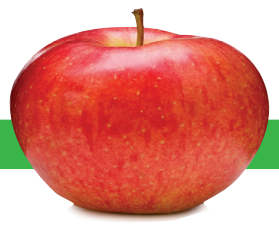
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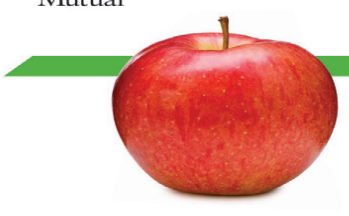
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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Tuesday, March 19

Ocean Park Mystery Book Group

Join organizers as they discuss the latest authors in the mystery genre. Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month. Emphasis on international authors and locations. All are welcome. No registration required. Ocean Park Branch Library. 7 - 8:30 p.m. 'Red Sparrow' by Jason Matthews

Ana Maria Alvarez in conversation with Wally Rudolph

In 'Creating Art in Times of Strife,' Beach House Writer-in-Residence Wally Rudolph presents a series of one-on-one conversations with socially conscious artists across disciplines. In March, Choreographer Ana Maria Alvarez joins Beach House Writer-in-Residence Wally Rudolph to discuss how the current state of socio-political polarization and environmental crisis affect and inform their process and practice.Annenberg Community Beach House. Register online at http://annenbergbeachhouse.com/beachculture. 6:30 - 8 p.m.

Gentle Yoga at Fairview

In a class that is safe for seniors and beginners, as well as relaxing and stress-releasing for pros, veteran instructor Raghavan guides you through a gentle session of yoga and meditation. Space is limited. Please bring a mat or towel to the program. Fairview Branch Library, 6:30 p.m.

Walk-In Tutoring

Friendly volunteer tutors provide help with basic reading, writing, and computer skills; using the Internet to search for information; opening and using an email account; filling out online forms or applications; learning how to write a resume or cover letter; and more. Main Library, 1 - 3 p.m.

Wednesday, March 20

Vernal Equinox Offering with Jeremy Hahn

Free! $15 suggested donation. Jeremy Hahn, creator and facilitator of the Expressive Body workshop series at the Camera Obscura, presents a ritual offering in celebration of the Vernal Equinox. Open to the wisdom of your heart while dancing, reflecting, and listening deeply to a live sonic soundscape by multi-instrumentalist Craig Shields. This invitation is open to those who hunger to explore the spirit of movement as an intentional practice for a spring of transformation. 7 - 9 p.m. 1450 Ocean, register online at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/vernal-equinox-offering-with-jeremy-hahn-tickets-53758013666

Planning Commission Meeting

The Santa Monica Planning Commission normally meets on the first and third Wednesdays of every month in the City Council Chamber. City Hall, 7 p.m.

Movie: Love, Gilda (2018)

Join organizers as they celebrate Women's History Month with a two-night movie tribute to pioneering comedian Gilda Radner. On the first night, they screen the recent documentary, Love, Gilda (88 min), covering her life from precocious childhood to her legendary comedy career, through to her final battles with cancer. Stick around afterwards to discuss the film, Gilda, and other women comedians who made an impact on your life. Fairview Branch Library, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Springtime Puppet Parade

Franklin Haynes Marionettes presents a delightful spring puppet surprise with Peter Cottontail hopping down the bunny trail! He's bringing everyone lots of springtime joy! Tickets required; space is limited. Free tickets available 30 minutes before event. Pico Branch Library Ages 4 -12, in The Thelma Terry Room. 4 - 5 p.m.

Kids' Writers Group: The Once Upon A Time Project

Join this group for kids who love to write. Be part of a project to publish an anthology of our own writing! Ages 8-12.Main Library, 3:45 - 4:45 p.m. main Library.

The Commission for the Senior Community Regular Meeting

Santa Monica's Commission for the Senior Community focuses on preserving and improving the quality of life for Santa Monicans 60 and older. The Commission advises City Council on a wide range of issues relevant to older adults. The Commission also provides opportunities to educate seniors, their families and caregivers on these issues. Please note: Dates, times and locations are subject to change up to 24 hours in advance of a meeting. 1:30 p.m. Ken Edwards Center.

Thursday, March 21

Women Who Shape Santa Monica

An annual event honoring women who are a positive influence in shaping Santa Monica. $40 to pre-pay, $50 at the door. 7-10 p.m. at Ocean House (2107 Ocean Avenue)

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide

Current council can remain during CVRA appeal

Implementation of district-based elections will be on hold pending the City's appeal of its recent loss following a recent ruling by the California Court of Appeal.

Judge Yvette Palazuelos ruled Feb. 15 that the City of Santa Monica's at-large election system violates the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA) because it suppresses the voting power of the Santa Monica's Latino population. The ruling prohibited councilmembers who were elected in at-large elections from serving past Aug. 15 and ordered the City to hold a special election on July 2 to elect councilmembers according to a seven-district map drawn by the plaintiffs in the case, Maria Loya and the Pico Neighborhood Association.

The City's appeal automatically halted the order to hold new elections but Palazuelos' order for current members to vacate their seats required additional judicial action. Palazuelos declined to issue a stay on that part of her order but the Court of Appeals issued a ruling in the City's favor on Monday clarifying current councilmembers would be able to retain their seats for the duration of the appeal. Lawyers for the plaintiffs can file their opposition by March 21.

MATTHEW HALL, SMDP EDITOR

LOS ANGELES

Man arrested in Los Angeles mall panic incident

Los Angeles police have arrested a Missouri man they say caused a panic at a mall last week.

Police say officers at Venice Beach recognized 25-year-old Nicholas K. Oates around 8 p.m. Saturday and took him into custody.

The panic occurred Friday when a man entered a store at Westfield Century City mall, took books from shelves and began to ignite them.

Police say an employee attempted to stop the man but he pulled a handgun, causing the employee to evacuate the store.

People fled the mall, and social media was flooded with erroneous reports of an active shooter.

A car left at the mall led police to identify Oates, who was held for investigation of arson and assault with a deadly weapon.

It's unclear if he has an attorney.

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NEW YORK

Lyft opens its IPO road show, to offer more than 30M shares

Lyft officially kicked off the road show for its initial public offering with more than 30 million shares expected to sell for between $62 and $68 per share.

That would raise more than $2 billion for the San Francisco ride-hailing company, which could be valued between $20 billion and $25 billion eventually.

Lyft has been in a race with Uber to be first to offer its stock to the public.

Lyft released financial details for the first time this month, reporting $2.2 billion in revenue but $911 million in losses. Lyft executives warned that the company could struggle to turn a profit.

The company has lost nearly $3 billion since 2012, but has brought in more than $5 billion in venture capital.

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Citywide

Santa Monica College Table Tennis Team Heads to National Championships April 12-14

The Santa Monica College (SMC) Table Tennis Team has qualified to advance to the National Collegiate Table Tennis Association (NCTTA) tournament–the national championship–to be held in North Carolina, April 12-14.

In order to qualify for the nationals, SMC won the divisional tournament held Feb. 9 at the SMC Pavilion, defeating UCLA 3-1; California State University, Northridge 3-2; and Cal Poly, San Luis Obispo 4-0. Subsequently, SMC advanced to the regionals held March 9-10 at the Orange County Table Tennis Academy. There, the team defeated University of Washington (3-1), USC (3-1) and Stanford University (4-0) to advance to the National Championship.

"We have a very talented team. They worked really hard to make it to the national championship, and I am so proud of them!" said Kamran Khairzad, the SMC team's coach (he is also an SMC alum). The SMC Table Tennis Team is composed of Ayush Kapoor, who is majoring in statistics at SMC and has played for the junior national team in India; Tiziano Aiello, an SMC Business major who played for the junior national team in Italy; Ari Arratio, from Venice, California, who plays for Team USA Paralympics, an SMC Computer Science major; and David Chow, a Los Angeles native who also plays for several local clubs.

The SMC Table Tennis Program – an inductee into the California Table Tennis Hall of Fame – has a storied history in the world of table tennis. In 1971, the late Glenn Cowan (1952-2004) – a table tennis champion since childhood, and an SMC student from 1969 to 1972 – was the youngest member of the first U.S. table tennis team to go to China and compete in what became known as "Ping-pong diplomacy", a development that helped open the doors for diplomatic relations between the two nations. Cowan was posthumously inducted into the California Table Tennis Hall of Fame in 2014.

Retired SMC professor Jo Kidd founded SMC's Community Recreation (Co-Rec) Program and introduced table tennis–often referred to as "ping-pong"–at SMC as a physical education course with transferable units (She was also honored by the California Table Tennis Hall of Fame for these efforts). SMC's free community recreation program – now known as Sunday Co-Rec Sports – invites students and community members to the SMC Pavillon to play table tennis, badminton, and basketball. The program holds weekly round robin competitions, and has also hosted USATT tournaments.

USATT - organized under the United States Olympic Committee as the national governing body for the sport of table tennis in the U.S. and a member of the International Table Tennis Federation (ITTF) - promotes opportunities for athletes and coaches to participate in more than 250 clubs and over 350 tournaments across the nation annually, and selects and trains teams for international competition, including the Pan American and Olympic Games.

Santa Monica College - a California Community College established in 1929, accredited by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges (WASC), and California's leader in transfers to University of California campuses - provides a comprehensive array of educational, athletic, and recreational opportunities to the public.

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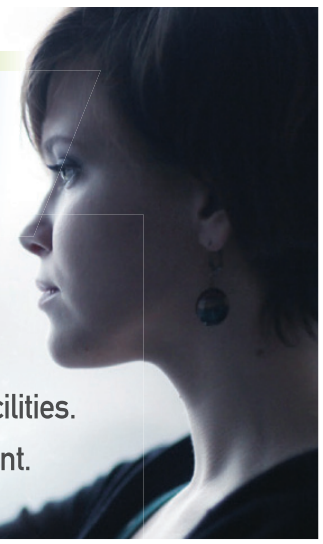
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What's the Point?

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Key Tips for Entrepreneurs - Part 1

Americans are raised with the belief that they can start their own company, work hard and success is assured. This is the first of two articles on entrepreneurship, next week I'll be discussing what I see women do that is effective and different from the way that men act.

In my career as a divorce lawyer I've represented many a male entrepreneur who feels entitled. Men in particular are acculturated to believe that they can "go it alone" and build their dream company. Sadly, that is generally not the case.

There are three cardinal rules that anyone who wants to start their own company needs to know: 1) The best entrepreneurs take stock of their own skills and deficits 2) Hire help slowly and fire quickly, and lastly 3) Find creative solutions to their time management problem – every one has one - because burnout will cost you more in the long run. Having the desire to be your own boss, does not mean that you have the skills necessary to be an entrepreneur. The good news is they can be learned, if you are willing to put in the effort.

I've helped dozens of people over the past 25 years who wanted to "hang out their shingle" and leave the corporate world behind. Thankfully many of them are still in business today, some sold their companies and others failed to listen to seasoned advice and paid the price by losing their companies.

Being a man in America we are fed a steady diet of expectations and "rules" which we are supposed to live by, but if you want to strike out on your own, you need to take a hard look at yourself. The successful entrepreneur has dug deep to determine what they are good at, and more importantly what they are bad at. It's those deficits that we as men tend to minimize, hide, feel shame around and ignore. That's a mistake, because those are the things that will come back to bite you when you've not outsourced, or delegated them to someone who is better equipped to handle them.

There is one company in Santa Monica that I've been counseling for the past 4 years. The owner is brilliant in the kitchen, but because they refuse to put their recipes down in a written form, they're spending way too much time retraining staff every time someone leaves. I've explained the value in having a writing book of procedures, sales training, grilling, baking and food prep – all to no avail. That lesson of "go it alone" just wont be unlearned.

Men are not supposed to admit weakness, but the only way to win the war is to recognize strengths and weaknesses and shore up the easily attacked places. I've used an inventory process for wannabe entrepreneurs for years and it has a way of surfacing the places where the problems are most likely to crop up for people. I've used this with partners as well as individuals, because often partnerships are formed with two people who are too alike. This can create a future problem if there's a critical area that neither partner is strong in. For example, if two engineers decide to start a company, if neither of them is good at sales, they may have a great product, but without sales, it won't go anywhere.

My partner and I are often questioned on how we make a partnership work for over 20 years. After all, we're both divorce lawyers, so you'd think there'd be lots of conflict, but the truth is we complement each other in our skills. I'm the outgoing one who will walk into a roomful of people, chat up three people and find out who needs help with their child custody or divorce case, and I'll leave with a client. My partner hates those events. He'd rather make sure the rent is paid and the phones are working. Our differences are what make us a good team.

Hiring well is another skill set that most men tend to need some education on. Unless you've been a leader on a team before, it's a common practice to hire people you like, over ones that are less likable, but better equipped for the job. This is a totally normal human thing to do, but a bad business practice, after all, we're leaving the corporate world to get away from the people we didn't like.

Being the boss means putting in longer hours than the staff. The responsibility of being a CEO/Founder is immense. Oftentimes men will let it take over their lives to the exclusion of other things like their health, family and friends. The problem they run into is that overworking leads to burnout, burnout leads to mistakes, mistakes can cost a company a prized contract, or a reputation. Every CEO/Founder needs to manage their time in an efficient way and this is when delegating and outsourcing becomes crucial.

Anything that can be put onto an outside source or delegated should be dispatched as quickly as possible. Marketing, graphic design, Information Technology, Sales Support all of these require focused attention and an overworked, sleep deprived CEO/Founder is likely to make mistakes.

The skills necessary to be a good entrepreneur are completely learnable, and the tools needed to be a success as an entrepreneur are available - the biggest obstacle that most men have to their own success is getting their old programming out of the way, and setting aside their egos that tell them they have to do everything themselves. The self-reliant man may have been a good idol in the 1800's, possibly the early 1900's but by 1950 was definitely due to be replaced, and certainly in the 2010's we need to overhaul what a man needs to know, be and do, as an entrepreneur.

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Westside Together

By Robin Petering

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Yoga & Mindfulness: Strategies for Empowerment & Violence Prevention Among Homeless Youth

Dr. Petering and the MyPath Program are part of an ongoing partnership supported by SPY's 4-year Innovations contract with LA County's Department of Mental Health.

"You need to try mindfulness and Yoga. It's hard to live in the streets when you are homeless, people can't live like that. The pain is too much, it's too stressful and some people can't handle it, so they take their own life. Let's try these mindfulness techniques and yoga poses and see how much it will change, and things will come to you." -MyPath Program Participant

These are the words of a homeless youth participating in Safe Place for Youth's (SPY) MyPath Program, a mindfulness and yoga peer-ambassador intervention program designed to reduce violence among homeless youth. Violence is a complex phenomenon that impacts adolescents and young adults across America. It occurs in multiple ways including interpersonal violence, intimate partner violence, gang, and gun violence. Homeless youth experience all types of violence at higher rates than housed youth. This is the result of many contributing factors including childhood experiences of trauma, subsistence survival strategies, and exposure to perpetrators while living on the streets. The consequences of violence are severe. In addition to injury and/or death, violence can cause non-physical ailments such as post-traumatic stress disorder, depression, and externalizing behavior (delinquency and aggression), arrest, and interruption of receiving supportive services.

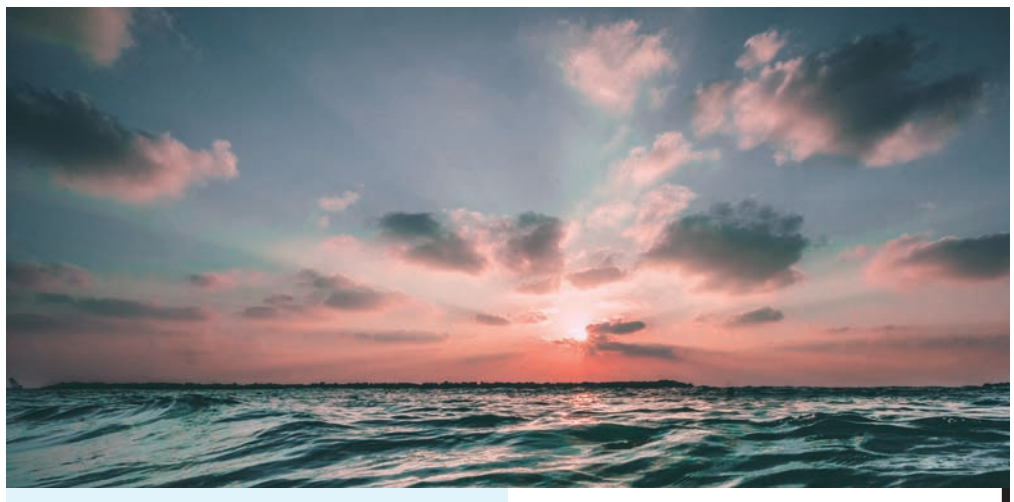
Violence is a social behavior. It happens between two people. If your friends experience violence, you are more likely to experience violence. Violence is closely related to difficulties in regulating emotions. Evidence suggests that mindfulness may be particularly effective in improving emotion regulation. Yoga has been characterized as "mindfulness in motion." However, yoga and mindfulness interventions remain particularly under-utilized for persons experiencing homelessness. Given these facts, myself and my colleagues asked, "How can we make mindfulness and yoga contagious amongst young people experiencing homelessness?"

Before obtaining my PhD, I taught hundreds of yoga classes in community settings. I've taught adults living on skid row; mothers and their children living in supportive housing programs; and youth and young adults at drop-in centers, including My Friend's Place and SPY. After hundreds of classes, I learned many things that made me a better community-based yoga teacher. Mostly, I learned how to reduce barriers. As a teacher I always come in my street clothes (aka jeans and a tee). I almost never use yoga mats and primarily teach standing or poses that use a chair. I always include breath work and I rarely have a class that goes longer than thirty minutes. However, the biggest and most persistent challenge I faced was finding folks to attend the classes in the first place. In community-based yoga, if you build it, they will not come. After years of offering yoga classes to individuals who had/were experiencing homelessness, finally, something clicked. The missing component of community-based yoga was community empowerment and education. That is why we created MyPath.

MyPath is unique because it harnesses a community's strengths and strategically introduces mindfulness and yoga as a tool for regulating emotions and reducing inclinations towards violence through Peer Ambassadors. Our Peer Ambassadors were incentivized to continue to their practice during an open class at SPY and also to encourage their friends and acquaintances to practice with them as well. As the weeks progressed, MyPath Ambassadors took more responsibility in guiding the class structure and took opportunities to teach specific poses of breathing exercises to their peers. At the end of the eight-week MyPath program, there was an 85% increase in the number of SPY youth who practiced regular mindfulness and yoga. The MyPath peer-based model is an ideal approach as it leverages the relationships that have the most influence of behavior for young people (i.e. their friends), while gaining access to traditionally hard to reach population and promoting community empowerment. Community-empowered yoga, and programs like MyPath at SPY, have the ability to create a new normal as we continue to invite more people and communities to the table. Reducing violence in the lives of homeless youth is imperative as it contributes to a young person's ability to safely and successfully exit homelessness and lead a long safe life in society.

If you are interested in learning more about SPY's work to reduce homelessness amongst youth in the community, consider scheduling a tour of our facility in Venice and learning more about our housing programs, case management, pregnant and parenting support, health and wellness care, education and employment services, community garden program, and of course MyPath! Please email our team at info@safeplaceforyouth.org and/or visit our website www.safeplaceforyouth.org to connect, subscribe to our mailing list, and/or make a donation.

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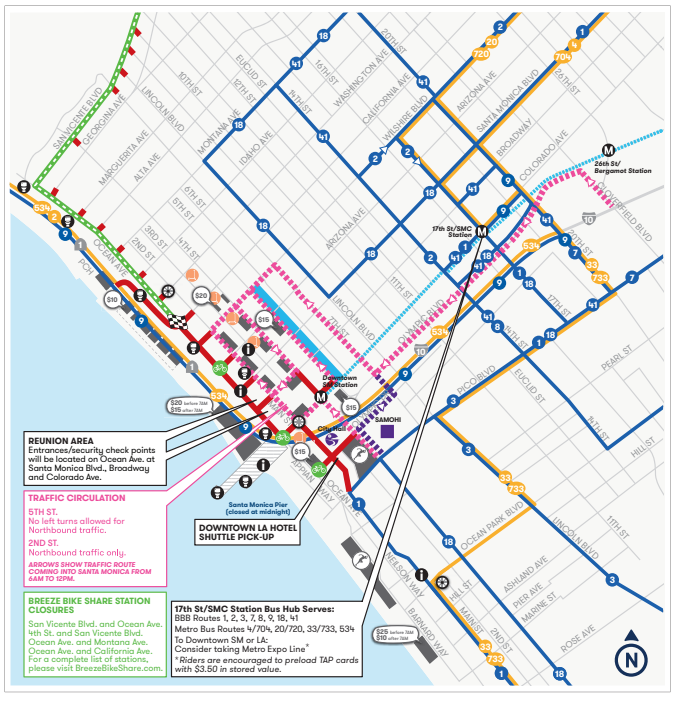


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Marathon Route — Route closed to traffic during event
Runner/Rider Share
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Traffic Circulation
Students Run LA — Student Run Los Angeles post race reunion is at Santa Monica High School (access via baseball field on 5th St. and Olympic Blvd.)

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Finish Line
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ACCIDENTS

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student was an experienced bicyclist and was riding in the bike lane to the library Sunday afternoon when the bus struck her, her family said. She was conscious when Santa Monica Police Department (SMPD) officers arrived at the scene at about 2 p.m., said Lt. Saul Rodriguez.

Santa Monica saw an uptick in traffic fatalities and accidents in 2016 – nine people died, up from an average of four to five each year – but zero people died in traffic collisions in 2017. Still, 40 percent of residents feel uncomfortable navigating city streets, according to a recent City of Santa Monica survey.

The City launched a Vision Zero road safety initiative in 2016, following cities like Los Angeles and San Francisco, branding the campaign with the slogan "Take the Friendly Road." City planners have been making changes to intersections, bike lanes and crosswalks, as well as deploying citywide safety advertising, to reduce collisions, with a goal of zero fatalities by 2026.

Pedestrians and bicyclists make up 70 percent of traffic fatalities on average and accidents are mainly caused by drivers who fail to yield, speed or drive under the influence, said principal transportation planner Jason Kligier.

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CHASE

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Boulevard and Bundy Drive and took Kevin Lamont Holmes, 30, into custody.

Officers determined that Holmes had also been pretending to be a parking attendant and taking money from people driving into the lot. Several cars had been broken into, but SMPD is unsure if he is responsible yet, said Lt. Saul Rodriguez. Holmes also matches the description of a man connected to a residential burglary near the lot.

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ENERGY

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renewable energy, however, or opt out of CPA entirely.

CPA will be enrolling business, industrial and agricultural customers in Santa Monica and 27 other communities in May, said Allison Mannos, the utility's senior marketing manager.

"We emphasize setting competitive rates and keep our overhead low, and we're negotiating longer-term power agreements to keep our prices stable, which is something that would hopefully appeal to our business customers," Mannos said.

Enrollment will be automatic and customers will receive four informational notices in the mail, two before service starts in May and two afterward. The mailers will describe the three tiers businesses can choose: 36 percent clean power (a one to two percent bill savings), 50 percent clean power (at parity with SCE rates), and 100 percent green power (a seven to nine percent bill premium).

Commercial customers with solar who generate excess energy will also be able to sell their electricity to CPA at a rate 10 percent higher than SCE's.

Customers will be able to opt up, down or out at any time once they receive a pre-enrollment notice in the mail through CPA's website or customer service call center: www.cleanpoweralliance.org or 888-585-3788.

About 1.6 percent of Santa Monica households have opted out of CPA, Mannos said. Less than one percent have opted down to lower tiers. If every Santa Monica household opted for 100 percent renewable energy, the city's total emissions would be 35 percent lower than they were in 1990, according to City of Santa Monica staff.

Commercial customers who remain with CPA will have the opportunity to help design new local programs for the business community, and customers who choose the 100 percent plan will also receive special recognition and marketing opportunities through Clean Power Alliance's forthcoming green business recognition program, Mannos said.

"Part of our vision of regional emission reduction means serving our local larger commercial customers with tailored programming, such as special recognition of our business leaders who have stepped up and committed to 100 percent green power," said Diana Mahmud, CPA's board chair.

Laurel Rosen, president and CEO of the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce, said the Chamber supports the switch to clean energy has been meeting with businesses to explain why the program is important and the options available to them during the transition.

"People are always going to have the best intentions and want to support environmental initiatives, but they're also going to be concerned about their bottom line," Rosen said. "The important thing about CPA is that it gives businesses choices based on what works for them."

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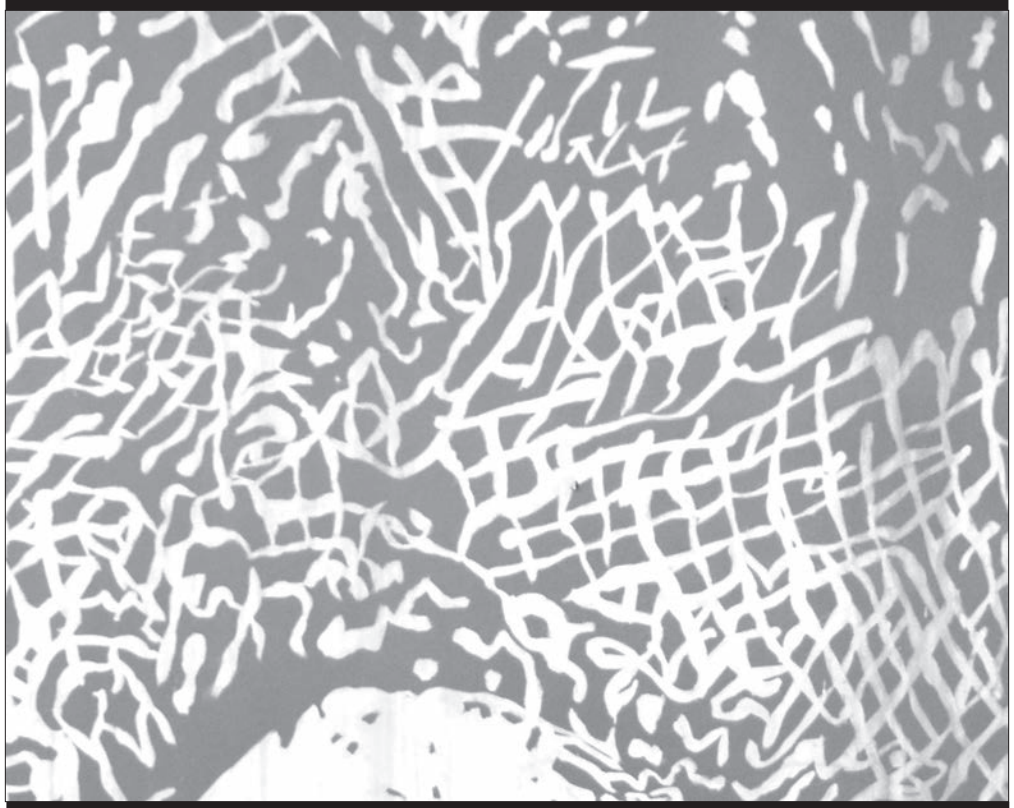
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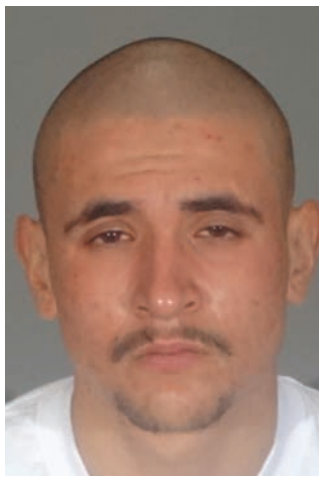
CRIME WATCH

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 7, 2019 AT ABOUT 2:40 P.M.

While patrolling the area of 14th Street and Olympic Blvd, officers saw a car traveling at a high rate of speed eastbound on Olympic Blvd. The vehicle also had an expired registration. An enforcement stop was conducted. Officers recognized the driver from previous contacts and were aware that he was on probation for auto theft. As officers approached the car, the driver exited the car and fled. The subject was holding a backpack as he fled. Following a foot pursuit, the subject was taken into custody no longer in possession of the backpack. With the assistance of several witnesses, officers recovered the backpack along the route run by the suspect. A search of the backpack led to the recovery of individually packaged marijuana, psilocybin mushrooms, additional packaging material, a digital scale and other narcotics sales indicators. The subject was transported to SMPD Jail for booking. Ricardo Prado, 18 was arrested for transportation of narcotics for sale and resisting arrest. Bail was set at $30,000.



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RICARDO PRADO.

DAILY POLICE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 347 CALLS ON MARCH 17

Theft of recyclables 1900blk 11th St 1:50 a.m.
Traffic collision with injuries Main St / Ocean Park Blvd 7:27 a.m.
Vehicle cite & tow (parking problem) 900blk 16th St 7:43 a.m.
Vehicle blocking driveway 300blk Georgina Ave 8:32 a.m.
Auto burglary 2400blk 10th St 8:32 a.m.
Burglary 1900blk Ocean Ave 8:56 a.m.
Burglary 2300blk Main St 9:06 a.m.
Exhibition of speed Lincoln Blvd / Pico Blvd 9:08 a.m.
Burglary 2900blk 3rd St 9:27 a.m.
Vehicle blocking driveway 1000blk 10th St 9:48 a.m.
Traffic collision with injuries 1100blk Pacific Coast Hwy 11:02 a.m.
Alcohol & beverage code violation 2900blk Main St 11:19 a.m.
Bike theft 2nd St / Santa Monica Blvd 11:20 a.m.
Battery 2nd St / Broadway 11:29 a.m.
Attempt burglary 1500blk Princeton St 11:31 a.m.
Indecent exposure 5th St / Santa Monica Blvd 11:37 a.m.
Burglary 1100blk Washington Ave 11:42 a.m.
Burglary 1300blk 14th St 11:48 a.m.
Traffic collision - no injuries Pacific Coast Hwy / California Incline 12:15 p.m.
Panhandling 2400blk Pico Blvd 1:08 p.m.
Traffic collision - no injuries city prop involved 3000blk Airport Ave 1:17 p.m.
Traffic collision - unkn injuries 6th St / Santa Monica Blvd 1:56 p.m.
Theft of recyclables 1900blk 11th St 1:50 a.m.
Traffic collision with injuries Main St / Ocean Park Blvd 7:27 a.m.
72 hour psychiatric hold 300blk Olympic Dr 2:11 p.m.
Burglary 400blk Idaho Ave 2:12 p.m.
Petty theft 600blk Marguerita Ave 2:19 p.m.
Petty theft Neilson Way / Bay St 2:44 p.m.
Fight 1200blk 4th St 2:45 p.m.
Critical missing person 1500blk the beach 3:23 p.m.
Battery 1400blk Ocean Ave 3:33 p.m.
Petty theft Neilson Way / Bay St 3:36 p.m.
Malicious mischief 1200blk Franklin St 3:36 p.m.
Fraud 1400blk 3rd Street Prom 3:47 p.m.
Vehicle blocking driveway 3100blk Broadway 4:08 p.m.
Petty theft 1300blk Wilshire Blvd 4:24 p.m.
Petty theft 1200blk 4th St 4:35 p.m.
Petty theft 600blk Wilshire Blvd 4:40 p.m.
Petty theft 900blk Santa Monica Blvd 4:52 p.m.
Burglary 1400blk 5th St 4:54 p.m.
Petty theft 1200blk 4th St 5:17 p.m.
Traffic collision - no injuries Ocean Ave / Broadway 5:19 p.m.
Bike theft Barnard Way / Ocean Park Blvd 5:21 p.m.
Hit and run 1500blk 2nd St 5:35 p.m.
Hit and run 2200blk Cloverfield Blvd 5:47 p.m.
Stolen vehicle recovered 1300blk Broadway 5:53 p.m.
Urinating/defecating in public 1400blk 3rd Street Prom 6:14 p.m.
Hit and run 1500blk Pacific Coast Hwy 6:22 p.m.
Petty theft 1300blk 3rd Street Prom 6:35 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 47 CALLS ON MARCH 17

Emergency Medical Service 2100blk Ocean Ave 12:33 a.m.
EMS 1500blk Ocean Ave 2:36 a.m.
Elevator rescue 100blk Broadway 3:52 a.m.
EMS 1100blk 7th St 6:18 a.m.
EMS 7th St / Olympic Blvd W 7:16 a.m.
EMS 1100blk 15th St 7:32 a.m.
EMS 1300blk 15th St 7:49 a.m.
Traffic collision with injury 1200blk Pacific Coast Hwy 11:03 a.m.
EMS 1800blk 10th St 11:03 a.m.
EMS 1200blk Ocean Front Walk 12:29 p.m.
Flooded condition 2500blk Montana Ave 1:50 p.m.
EMS 200blk Palisades Beach Rd 1:54 p.m.
Traffic collision with injury 6th St / Santa Monica Blvd 1:56 p.m.
EMS 11th St / Santa Monica Blvd 2:21 p.m.
EMS 1500blk Ocean Front Walk 2:32 p.m.
EMS 2100blk Virginia Ave 2:45 p.m.
EMS 2400blk Wilshire Blvd 3:00 p.m.
EMS 1400blk Palisades Park 3:35 p.m.
EMS 1200blk 6th St 3:36 p.m.
EMS 2000blk Lincoln Blvd 3:59 p.m.
EMS 1100blk Lincoln Blvd 4:18 p.m.
EMS 1200blk 16th St 4:46 p.m.
EMS 2000blk Arizona Ave 4:56 p.m.
Automatic alarm 3100blk Wilshire Blvd 5:17 p.m.
EMS 2400blk Wilshire Blvd 5:23 p.m.
EMS 2200blk Wilshire Blvd 5:45 p.m.
EMS 2400blk Main St 5:48 p.m.
EMS 1900blk Colorado Ave 6:01 p.m.



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Draw Date: 3/16
30 34 39 53 67
Power#: 11
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MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 3/15
3 29 56 62 64
Mega#: 4
Jackpot: $45 M

SUPER LOTTO PLUS
Draw Date: 3/16
2 21 23 28 45
Mega#: 11
Jackpot: $28 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 3/17
1 3 9 17 18

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 3/18
Midday: 4 3 2
Draw Date: 3/17
Evening: 6 5 8

DAILY DERBY
Draw Date: 3/17
1st: 8 - GORGEOUS GEORGE
2nd: 4 - BIG BEN
3rd: 1 - GOLD RUSH
RACE TIME: 1:47.16

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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 59.2°

TUESDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 3-4 ft waist to chest high
Modest WNW swell. SSW swell continues for exposures. Deep mid AM high tide.

WEDNESDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 4-7 ft shoulder high to 2 ft overhead
Stronger WNW swell. New SSW swell builds. Winds/conditions sketchy. Deep mid AM high tide.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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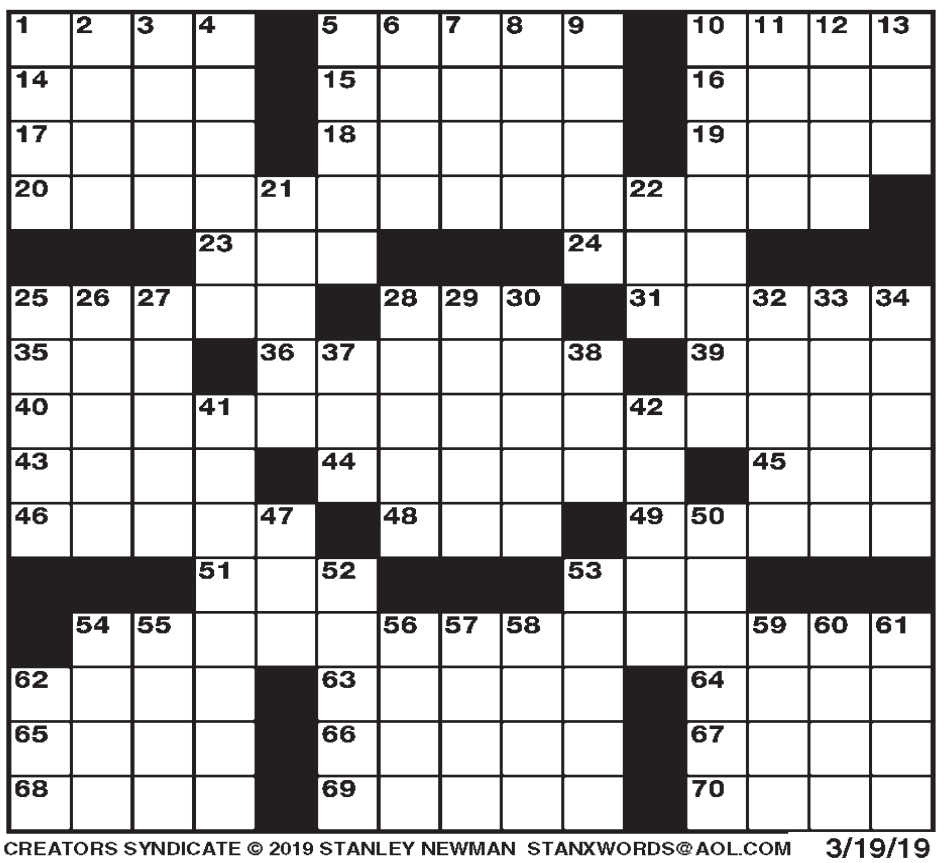
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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Karate move
5 Neck-warming wear
10 Muscle soreness
14 Mystical glow
15 Irrigate
16 Gloom and __ (dire prediction)
17 Mice, to owls
18 Wear away
19 After-dinner candy
20 Does whatever it takes
23 Ventilate
24 Big __ (California region)
25 Cider fruit
28 Sailor's "yes"
31 On a need-to-know __
35 Cube in Monopoly
36 Strike out on one's own
39 Women's links org.
40 Say something
43 Largest of the Three Bears
44 Perfect world
45 Misfortune
46 "Have a taste"
48 U-turn from NNW
49 Flap above a windshield
51 Prefix meaning "modern"
53 Guys
54 Municipal law
62 Long-gone bird
63 "__ a vacation!"
64 Autumn
65 Flash of inspiration
66 Small glass bottles
67 Egg-shaped
68 Sparrow's home
69 Cancel a project
70 Workout centers

DOWN
1 Baseball hats
2 Feeling offended
3 Creme-filled cookie
4 Internet purchase method
5 Take a vow
6 Golfer's transport
7 Like __ of bricks
8 Change the decor of
9 Worries
10 Top fleet officers
11 Nickel or dime
12 __ Kong (Chinese port)
13 CPR expert
21 Prolonged attack
22 Center of a wheel
25 Highly skilled
26 *Toy Story* studio
27 Energetic
28 Aides: Abbr.
29 Toys on strings
30 Wed on the run
32 Gushes
33 Traditional Arctic home
34 More secure
37 Buckeye State coll.
38 Yes, in Paris
41 Wet-weather apparel
42 Black bird
47 Coffee alternative
50 Perplexed
52 Martini garnish
53 Central part
54 Vein of ore
55 Poetic tributes
56 From here __ (henceforth)
57 Peruse
58 Local sandwich shop
59 10 Down's employer
60 Chowder morsel
61 Right-angle shapes
62 Loud noise



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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 19)

You're no longer trying to do the right thing. Now, it is all you can do, as you're aligned with truth and beauty, the best sort of rut. Your compassion will bring you what ambition couldn't – satisfaction, peace and certainty in your contribution. When it's your moment in the sun, revel. Don't be too quick to hand off your joy. Cancer and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 30, 7, 22, 28 and 45.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). New factors will change the way you view relationships. You'll learn and understand people with more clarity. It's not good or bad, it's just a deeper knowledge that requires a more complex and nuanced approach.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Persuasion should be unfelt. The minute you feel it, is the minute it ceases to have influence. Use this principle for business and in relationships of all kinds. It will apply across the board.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There are things in life you can't change. To accept that is to accept adulthood, essentially, as immature ideas of power fall away to more practical and cooperative mental frameworks.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're versatile. You can exist as a contributing and interdependent member of a group, or you can exist as a separate and self-supporting entity. What's more, you can be perfectly happy either way.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You have no idea what people are going through until you ask. But asking seems so nosey. You don't want to intrude, and you certainly don't want to be denied information. So you observe, and observe quite well at that.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There are people who really do understand you. You realized this the moment your heart lit up and your blood pulsed a little faster. Yes, to be understood is a thrill beyond what many ever experience!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Sometimes your benefits come simply because your deficits do not. In other words, prevention is better than the very best medicine because prevention makes medicine null and void.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Recharge your battery. Like some wonderful modern batteries, yours is fast on the uptake. Once you remember to plug in, you'll become energized in no time at all.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Pay attention, focusing on only one task at a time. A slip of the finger is all it takes to send an accidental email, erase your work or worse. You'll stay alert and all will go well.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your idea about the future clashes with that of your cohort, and this produces a third version, a version that pleases neither and also offends neither. Anyway, there's stuff to hash out on the future-front.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You know what your own pressures are. You'll give a thought to the pressures that others face and experience a feeling of being impressed, inspired, jealous, humbled and a myriad of other things...

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You're an adventurer, and your adventure will always come with adversity. The adversity is always something to handle first. Get it over with, and your entire day will be better.

Final Moments of the Pisces Sun

This is the last day of the Pisces sun 2019 and an excellent time to go into yourself with a few questions: "What have I learned lately about myself?" "Who do I know is on my side?" "How can I better support myself going forward?" The spring equinox is coming and so is a renewal of spirit and purpose.

10 CRIB NOTES FROM URANIA, MUSE OF MYSTICS

1. The asteroid 30 Urania is a large main belt asteroid.
2. Urania the Muse is the eldest of nine sisters. She is also the muse of astronomy and astrology, which were, back in the day, the same thing.
3. Mysticism deals in a knowledge that's inaccessible to intellect.
4. Once upon a time, mysticism stood in for science, as it was a way of explaining the unknown universe, which at the time was, essentially, the entire universe.
5. The more you know, the more you don't, right? This is because questions are among the most fertile entities of the universe, each sprouting multiples.
6. Science is, by definition, unbiased, a quality that makes for a vastness of information that begs to be organized. Mysticism, which is at its core a story told by a storyteller, is, by definition, strongly biased and so has a way of organizing things right-quick.
7. If you want to know what is possible and available to do, ask science.
8. If you want to know what to do, ask mysticism, preferably your own.
9. Is there a version of you who knows better? Of course. And how is that different from any other person's version?
10. One theory: To be in control of your life is to be in charge of your story. At least that's a topic to discuss and debate.

CELEBRITY PROFILES

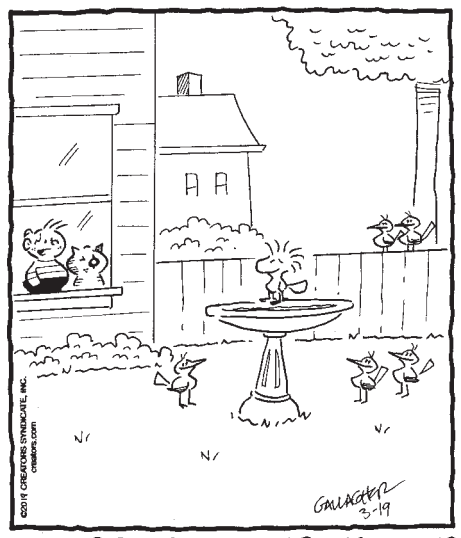
A little-known fact about Pisces Bruce Willis is that he overcame the stutter he wrestled with for the first 20 years of his life before he rose to fame. The A-list movie star and producer was born when the sun and communication planet Mercury were in sensitive Pisces. Saturn in Scorpio suggests great power through the integration of subconscious and conscious desire.

WORD UP!

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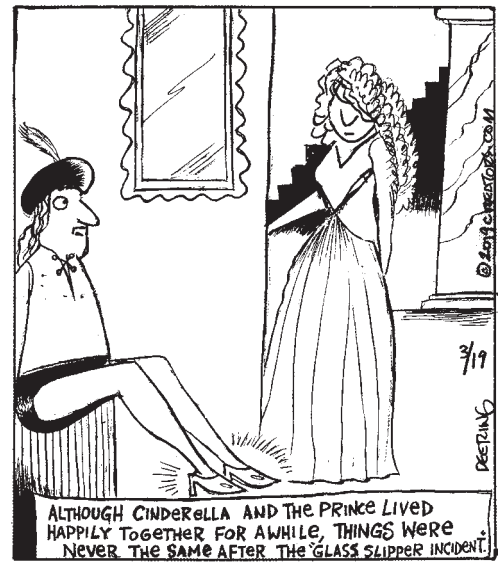
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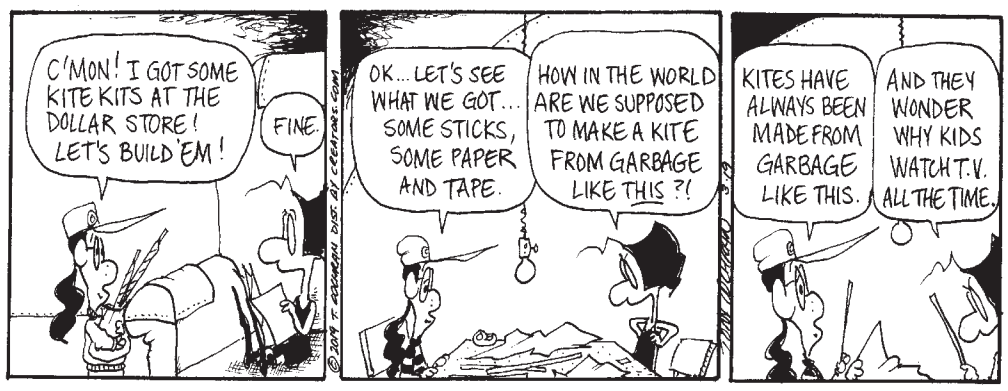
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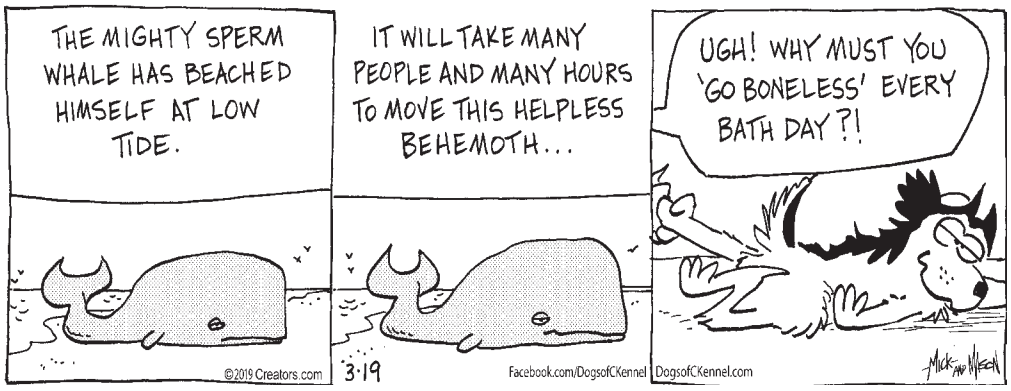
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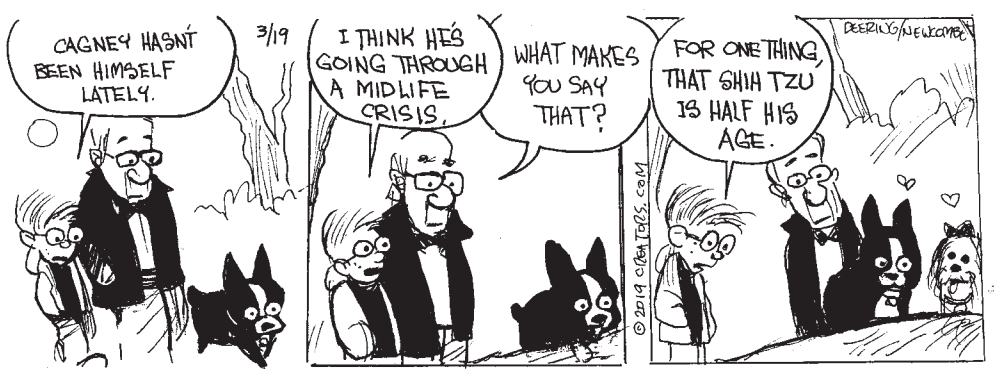
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POPPIES

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It offered a free shuttle service to the top viewing spots, but it wasn't enough.

It became so bad Sunday that Lake Elsinore officials requested law enforcement assistance from neighboring jurisdictions. At one point, the city pulled down the curtain and closed access to poppy-blanketed Walker Canyon.

"It was insane, absolutely insane," said Mayor Steve Manos, who described it as a "poppy apocalypse."

By Monday the #poppyshutdown announced by the city on Twitter was over and the road to the canyon was re-opened.

And people were streaming in again Monday.

The lure of poppies was used in the "Wizard of Oz" when the wicked witch infuses them with poison knowing Dorothy cannot resist them. She falls asleep in a vibrant field before her friends carry her off to break the spell.

Young and old visitors to the Lake Elsinore area seemed equally enchanted as they snapped selfies against the natural carpet of iridescent orange.

Some contacted friends and family on video calls so they could share the beauty in real time. Artists propped canvasses on the side of the trail to paint the super bloom, while drones buzzed overhead.

Patty Bishop, 48, of nearby Lake Forest went back Monday for her second visit. The native Californian has never seen such an explosion of color from the state flower. She battled traffic Sunday but that didn't deter her from going back Monday for another look. She got there at sunrise and stayed for hours.

"There's been so many in just one area," she said. "I think that's probably the main reason why I'm out here personally, is because it's so beautiful."

Stephen Kim and his girlfriend got to Lake Elsinore even before sunrise Sunday to beat the crowds but there were already hundreds of people.

The two wedding photographers hiked on the designated trails with an engaged couple to do a photo shoot with the flowers in the background, but they were upset to see so many people going off-trail.

"There were lots of disrespectful tourists flying drones, letting their dogs off leash, taking photos in the fields, stomping on flowers to get on top of a rock for a selfie," said Kim, 24, of Carlsbad. "Looking at all these people, I realized this is not sustainable. This bubble is going to burst and it's going to get taken away because people are taking advantage. Four hours later I looked at Facebook and saw it was closed."

Kim said they were also distraught to see so much garbage. They picked up as many discarded water bottles as they could carry.

"You see this beautiful pristine photo of nature but then you look to the left and there's plastic Starbucks cups and water bottles on the trail and selfie sticks and people having road rage because some people were walking slower," he said.

Andy Macuga, honorary mayor of the desert town of Borrego Springs, another wildflower hotspot, said he feels for Lake Elsinore.

In 2017, a rain-fed super bloom brought in more than a half-million visitors to the town of 3,500. Restaurants ran out of food. Gas stations ran out of fuel. Traffic backed up on a single road for 20 miles.

The city is again experiencing a super bloom.

The crowds are back. Hotels are full. More than 6,000 people on a recent Saturday stopped at the visitor's center at the Anza-Borrego Desert State Park, California's largest park with 640,000 acres (1,000 square miles).

It helps that the masses of blooms are appearing in several different areas this time, and some sections are fading, while others are lighting up with flowers, helping to disperse the crowds a bit.

Macuga said, most importantly, the town's businesses prepared this time as if a major storm was about to hit. His restaurant, Carlee's, is averaging more than 550 meals a day, compared to 300 on a normal March day.

"We were completely caught off guard in 2017 because it was the first time that we had had a flower season like this with social media," he said. "It helps now knowing what's coming."

Watson reported from San Diego. Associated Press writer Amanda Lee Myers in Los Angeles contributed to this report.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Standing Together

Editor:

We are writing in reaction to the United Methodist Church's decision to exclude LGBTQ individuals and their allies from full participation in the United Methodist Church. As an organization that supports a culture of fair treatment, inclusion, and equal access to opportunities, we believe that every human being deserves respect and dignity.

This is not an issue that is specific to the United Methodist Church, but rather an issue that has torn apart families, friends, and communities across the United States and the globe.

Both United Methodist congregations in Santa Monica are diverse and inclusive and open to all. The decision made by the UMC General Conference not only harms LGBTQ individuals of that faith, but demeans all people. A person's sexual orientation or gender identity is not a basis for judging their worthiness to be a good marriage partner or to be ordained.

We stand together against this intolerance. We stand together in support of LGBTQ ministers, parishioners, laity, and community members. We send a message of solidarity and support to every individual who has had their heart broken by the rejection of their faith community. We support those whose families or friends have rejected them on "religious" grounds. We stand together for what is right.

LGBTQ individuals do not choose their orientation or gender identities. We choose how we treat others and we choose to stand together for a better future for all.

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