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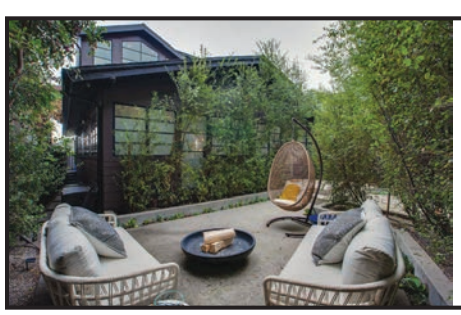
Samohi surfers smash expectations

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SMDP Staff Writer

The Santa Monica High School surf team does not have an easy ride.

As they are technically a club and not an official sport team, they lack privileges afforded to other Samohi teams or regional surf teams like a salaried coach or the ability to alter their class schedule for competitions or practice. They

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Fire and rain: West to get more one-two extreme climate hits

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AP Science Writer

The one-two punch of nasty wildfires followed by heavy downpours, triggering flooding and mudslides, will strike the U.S. West far more often in a warming-hopped world, becoming a frequent occurrence, a new study said.

That fire-flood combination, with extreme drenchings hitting a spot that burned within a year, could increase as much as eight-fold in the Pacific Northwest, double in California and jump about 50% in Colorado by the year 2100 in a worst-case climate change scenario of increasing greenhouse gas emissions, according to a study in Friday's Science Advances.

The study said that as human-caused climate change intensifies, 90% of extreme fire events will be followed by at least three extraordinary downpours in the same location within five years.

Study authors said it's because even though the West is getting drier overall — making wildfire season longer — concentrated bursts of intense rain are increasing and coming earlier so areas can get hurt by both extremes.

> One disaster is bad. Two disasters in rapid succession is even worse because you're already reeling from the first one

said study co-author Samantha Stevenson, a climate scientist at the University of California Santa Barbara. "But in the particular case of wildfire plus extreme rain, the wildfire is setting you up for worse consequences because you're losing your vegetation, you're changing soil properties and making that landscape more conducive to destructive flooding."

Stevenson knows because the Thomas Fire, which started in late 2017 and was followed a month later by a downpour of half an inch of rain in just five minutes, caused mudslides in Montecito that killed 23 people.

"Oh yeah, it was crazy," Stevenson said. "Like the entire highway was blocked off with like a wall of mud. There were boulders in people's living rooms."

For study co-author Daniel Swain, a western weather expert at UCLA who lives in Colorado, it hit even closer to home. Last week, he had to evacuate his Boulder home because of a fire. Today is the start of flash flood season.

Especially in the Pacific Northwest, fire and flood seasons keep getting longer and closer to each other. While both are get likely to get worse, extreme rainfall should increase more, Swain said.

"That's another sort of a double whammy, a situation where you have the candle burning at both ends," Swain said. "It's entirely foreseeable that some of these places will literally still have fires burning when the first extreme rainfall event extinguishes them."

The report looked at 11 Western U.S. states, concentrating on four of them where the projected increase in fires followed by downpours was most noticeable.

Study authors acknowledged that the worst-case warming scenario they studied, using dozens of large-scale climate model simulations, is becoming increasingly less likely because many but not all countries, including the United States and Europe, have been cutting emissions of heat-trapping gases.

They said they were unable at the time to use simulations of more likely scenarios with some moderate emission reductions. But in the more likely scenarios the Pacific Northwest would probably still see a four-fold increase in fire-and-flooding, said study lead author Danielle Touma, a National Center for Atmospheric Research climate scientist.

The simulations were of fire weather, not fires themselves, and downpour conditions. University of California at Merced climate scientist LeRoy Westerling, who wasn't part of the study, said he worries about the accuracy of global computer model simulations being able to work on such a small scale. Still, he said, the results make sense.



US added 431,000 jobs in March in sign of economic health

PAUL WISEMAN
AP Economics Writer

America's employers extended a streak of robust hiring in March, adding 431,000 jobs in a sign of the economy's resilience in the face of a still-destructive pandemic, Russia's war against Ukraine and the highest inflation in 40 years.

The government's report Friday showed that last month's job growth helped shrink the unemployment rate to 3.6%. That's the lowest rate since the pandemic erupted two years ago and just above the half-century low of 3.5% that was reached two years ago.

> We need to attract people back into the workforce

Despite the inflation surge, persistent supply bottlenecks, damage from COVID-19 and now a war in Europe, employers have added at least 400,000 jobs for 11 straight months. In its report, the government also sharply revised up its estimate of hiring in January and February by a combined 95,000 jobs.

The job growth in March, though solid, was the lowest since September and slightly below what economists had expected. Still, Vincent Reinhart, chief economist at Dreyfus and Mellon, said the numbers show that "the U.S. economy continues to have underlying momentum and that firms are taking workers when they can."

The March report sketched a bright picture of the job market, with steady hiring and rising wages. Average hourly pay has risen a strong 5.6% over the past 12 months, welcome news for employees across the economy. For leisure and hospitality workers, including people who work in hotels, restaurants and bars, average pay has jumped 11.8% from a year earlier — "a clear sign that employers are desperate for staff," said Saru Jayaraman, president of One Fair Wage, which advocates for better pay and conditions for service employees.

For most workers, though, pay raises aren't keeping up with the spike in inflation that has put the Federal Reserve on track to raise rates multiple times, perhaps aggressively, in the coming months. Those rate hikes will result in costlier loans for many consumers and businesses. In the meantime, worker pay raises, a response in many cases to labor shortages, are themselves feeding the economy's inflation pressures.

The steady job growth has failed to buoy President Joe Biden's flagging popularity, with the gains overshadowed in the public's mind by chronically high inflation. With Russia's invasion of Ukraine driving oil and gasoline prices higher, Biden has announced plans to release a million barrels of oil daily from the U.S. strategic reserve for the next six months.

Since the pandemic struck in 2020, many Americans have remained on the sidelines of the job market, a trend that has contributed to the worker shortage in many industries. But in an encouraging sign for the economy, 418,000 people began looking for a job in March, and many found one. Over the past year, 3.8 million people have rejoined the labor force, meaning they now either have a job or are looking for one.

Across the economy, hiring gains were widespread last month. Restaurants and bars added 61,000 jobs, retailers 49,000, manufacturers 38,000 and hotels 25,000. Construction jobs rose by 19,000 and have now returned to their pre-pandemic level.

Some economists sounded a note of caution, though, suggesting that the prospect of much higher borrowing rates engineered by the Fed will inevitably slow the job market and the overall economy.

"We continue to expect that the Federal Reserve will move rates up expeditiously to counter surging inflation, and that this report only adds more urgency to their plans to do so," said Mike Fratantoni, chief economist at the Mortgage Bankers Association.

For now, the job market continues to rebound from the coronavirus recession. Fueled by generous federal aid, savings amassed during the pandemic and ultra-low borrowing rates orchestrated by the Fed, U.S. consumers have spent so fast that many factories, warehouses, shipping companies and ports have failed to keep pace with their customer demand. Supply chains have snarled, forcing up prices.

The proportion of Americans who are either working or looking for work — the so-called labor force participation rate — ticked up to 62.4% last month, the highest since the early days of the pandemic in March 2020. Even so, the participation rate remains a full percentage point below its pre-pandemic level, limiting the pool of potential job applicants employers can choose from. Many Americans remain on the sidelines because of lingering health concerns and trouble finding childcare.

"You can't keep adding 400,000 workers a month without running out of workers," said Reinhart, a former high-ranking Fed economist.

Reinhart said he expects higher interest rates, on top of the expiration of government aid, to eventually slow hiring to "a more sustainable" pace.

"The bad news," he said, "is we haven't yet recovered the pre-pandemic level of employment, and it will take longer" to get there.

Labor Secretary Marty Walsh suggested Friday that the streak of hiring gains may be "sustainable for a little while" but that "the key to us going forward" would be drawing more Americans back to the job market.

Karen Fichuk, CEO of the staffing company Randstad North America, noted that the economy now has a record 1.7 job openings for every unemployed person.

"Even if you get all the unemployed workers back, it still leaves a gap," she said.

In particular, Fichuk said, businesses need

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Loud Music 600Blk 10th St 12:51 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 700Blk 21st Pl 2:04 a.m.
Party Complaint 1100Blk 9th St 2:09 a.m.
Party Complaint 200Blk Washington Ave 2:21 a.m.
Fight 800Blk Arizona Ave 2:34 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1100Blk 12th St 3:12 a.m.
Burglary 2300Blk 6th St 3:15 a.m.
Loud Music 900Blk 7th St 3:21 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1100Blk 12th St 4:20 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now Ocean Ave / Colorado Ave 5:48 a.m.
Encampment 2800Blk The Beach 6:42 a.m.
Encampment 1200Blk Palisades Park 6:55 a.m.
Vandalism 1300Blk Ocean Ave 6:58 a.m.
Theft Of Recyclables 1300Blk Pacific St 7:02 a.m.
Violation Of Temporary No Parking Signs 1100Blk 23rd St 7:04 a.m.
Handicap Zone Violation 700Blk 24th St 7:51 a.m.
Vehicle Cite & Tow (Parking Problem) 1400Blk 18th St 7:53 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 2nd St / Santa Monica Blvd 8:08 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto 300Blk 21st Pl 8:15 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1800Blk 7th St 8:18 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 2400Blk Broadway 8:27 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1200Blk 10th St 8:34 a.m.
Attempt Auto Theft 1200Blk Berkeley St 8:57 a.m.
Vandalism 1600Blk Ocean Park Blvd 9:08 a.m.
Encampment 1800Blk The Beach 9:13 a.m.
Petty Theft 2000Blk Arizona Ave 9:28 a.m.
Loud Music 2300Blk Main St 9:30 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1200Blk 12th St 9:31 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1800Blk 7th St 9:31 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 700Blk 7th St 9:32 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1600Blk Wilshire Blvd 9:47 a.m.
Petty Theft 1800Blk 11th St 9:48 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 800Blk 10th St 9:48 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 1400Blk 2nd St 10:01 a.m.
Person With A Gun 10th St / Broadway 10:14 a.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 2800Blk Santa Monica Blvd 10:18 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1800Blk 14th St 10:20 a.m.
Extortion Investigation 1700Blk Hill St 10:24 a.m.
Petty Theft 300Blk Olympic Dr 10:34 a.m.
Encampment 2900Blk Lincoln Blvd 10:38 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 400Blk Montana Ave 10:45 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2500Blk Marguerita Ave 10:52 a.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 10:58 a.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries Lincoln Blvd / Broadway 11:29 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1700Blk Franklin St 11:32 a.m.
Fraud 1200Blk Euclid St 11:51 a.m.
Auto Burglary 1500Blk 2nd St 11:54 a.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 400Blk 23rd St 12:13 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1700Blk 10th St 12:25 p.m.
Health & Safety Code Violation 900Blk 2nd St 12:30 p.m.
Petty Theft 200Blk Broadway 12:42 p.m.
Assault Just Occurred 2200Blk Virginia Ave 12:43 p.m.
Handicap Zone Violation 700Blk 24th St 12:45 p.m.
Auto Burglary 2200Blk Wilshire Blvd 12:50 p.m.
Lewd Activity 300Blk Santa Monica Pier 1:11 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1200Blk 23rd St 1:18 p.m.
Assault Just Occurred 3000Blk Wilshire Blvd 1:47 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 2100Blk Oak St 1:55 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 1200Blk 10th St 1:56 p.m.
Theft Suspect In Custody 200Blk Broadway 2:35 p.m.
Grand Theft 1400Blk 3rd Street Prom 2:39 p.m.
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Violation Of Restraining Order In Progress 900Blk Ocean Ave 2:50 p.m.
Burglary 1900Blk 19th St 2:51 p.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 1100Blk Harvard St 2:52 p.m.
Found Property 300Blk Olympic Dr 2:54 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1400Blk Yale St 2:58 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1200Blk Yale St 3:01 p.m.
Vehicle Parked On Sidewalk 1700Blk Dewey St 3:12 p.m.
Vandalism Just Occurred 100Blk Wilshire Blvd 3:17 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries City Prop Involved 26th St / Wilshire Blvd 3:33 p.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 1400Blk Lincoln Blvd 3:34 p.m.
Child Endangerment 900Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 3:49 p.m.
Identity Theft 2100Blk Wilshire Blvd 3:56 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 2600Blk Santa Monica Blvd 4:00 p.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 3000Blk Pico Blvd 4:39 p.m.
Person With A Gun 1500Blk 2nd St 4:43 p.m.
Violation Of Temporary No Parking Signs 900Blk 7th St 4:49 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 1700Blk 17th St 4:59 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2400Blk Virginia Ave 5:05 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 300Blk Olympic Dr 5:12 p.m.
Arson 19th St / Arizona Ave 5:53 p.m.
Drunk Driving Investigation 23rd St / Wilshire Blvd 6:05 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2300Blk 30th St 6:08 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 100Blk Wilshire Blvd 6:24 p.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 300Blk Olympic Dr 6:32 p.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 2200Blk 5th St 6:36 p.m.
Vandalism Just Occurred 1600Blk 7th St 6:39 p.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 2300Blk 6th St 6:50 p.m.
Indecent Exposure Just Occurred 1800Blk 4th St 7:05 p.m.
Armed Robbery Just Occurred 1700Blk Lincoln Blvd 7:16 p.m.
Grand Theft Just Occurred 1400Blk 4th St 7:26 p.m.
Keep The Peace 400Blk Pico Blvd 7:37 p.m.
Silent Burglar Alarm 100Blk Broadway 7:42 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 400Blk 19th St 8:24 p.m.
Death Investigation 1900Blk Main St 8:25 p.m.
Found Property 300Blk San Vicente Blvd 8:30 p.m.
Vandalism Now 1800Blk 20th St 8:38 p.m.
Extortion Investigation 2200Blk 20th St 8:57 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation Cloverfield Blvd / Olympic Blvd 8:59 p.m.
Harassing Phone Calls 1500Blk 7th St 9:11 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1900Blk 11th St 9:25 p.m.
Assault W/Deadly Weapon Now 1400Blk Ocean Ave 9:30 p.m.
Vandalism Just Occurred 1400Blk 4th St 9:39 p.m.
Critical Missing Person 1200Blk Ocean Park Blvd 9:44 p.m.
Oversize Vehicle Violation 200Blk 18th St 10:02 p.m.
Assault 1800Blk Stewart St 10:34 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 10:50 p.m.
Vandalism 1400Blk 4th St 10:54 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2300Blk Santa Monica Blvd 10:57 p.m.
Loud Music 900Blk 7th St 11:13 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 800Blk 10th St 11:13 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 900Blk 7th St 11:21 p.m.
Public Intoxication 600Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 11:30 p.m.
Drinking In Public 2000Blk Stewart St 11:42 p.m.
Loud Music 1500Blk 16th St 11:46 p.m.
Shots Fired 2700Blk Arizona Ave 11:55 p.m.

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EMS 2400Blk Broadway 8:27 a.m.
EMS 1200Blk 16th St 9:41 a.m.
EMS 1300Blk 15th St 11:24 a.m.
EMS 2300Blk Pearl St 12:03 p.m.
EMS 2000Blk Cloverfield Blvd 3:54 p.m.
EMS 1500Blk 5th St 5:22 p.m.
EMS 2400Blk Main St 5:48 p.m.
Lock In/Out 1300Blk 2nd St 6:11 p.m.
EMS 1100Blk 10th St 6:18 p.m.
EMS 2000Blk 20th St 6:37 p.m.
Flooded Condition 1700Blk 15th St 6:59 p.m.
EMS 1400Blk 17th St 7:30 p.m.
EMS 1500Blk 5th St 7:52 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 2600Blk Washington Ave 8:43 p.m.
EMS 2500Blk Michigan Ave 10:27 p.m.
Odor Of Natural Gas 1400Blk 6th St 10:54 p.m.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Send comments to editor@smdp.com

I would like to remind everyone that leaf blowers are illegal in Santa Monica, and have been since the ban was passed in 1991. They are also totally or partially banned in Beverly Hills, Los Angeles, and about 20 other southern California cities. Gas-powered leaf blowers will be illegal in the entire state of California in 2024.

In Santa Monica ALL leaf blowers are illegal, including the quieter electric and battery-powered versions. They still blow dust around and add to pollution.

This morning on my walk in northern Santa Monica, I spoke with three gardeners using leaf blowers. One believed his battery-powered blower was okay because a salesperson in a store told him it was. Another said that "everyone" uses them, which of course does not make his use of one acceptable. In fact, many property owners are aware of the law. My own condo complex employs gardeners who use rakes and brooms to clear surface debris.

The city relies on citizens to follow the law. The law, the reasoning behind it, and instructions for reporting violations are found on the city website at https://www.smgov.net/departments/ose/categories/landscape/leaf_blower_ban.aspx or just search "leaf blowers Santa Monica."

Kathleen Sheldon, Santa Monica

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA

The following is a summary of Ordinance Number 2697 (CCS) prepared by the Office of the City Attorney:

Ordinance Number 2697 (CCS) ("the Ordinance") amends the Santa Monica Municipal Code by modifying Section 7.12.170 to add water recycling requirements for new development, as defined in that section. Specifically, the amendment requires that all new development use the City's recycled water within the City's recycled water service area in-lieu of potable water for all approved non-potable uses consistent with all applicable federal, state, and local laws. The amendment also provides certain exceptions. Non-potable uses include, but not limited to, surface irrigation, certain outdoor water features, and dual plumbing for toilets and urinals. Section 7.12.170 will be effective on January 1, 2023.

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SURFERS

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further are disadvantaged by the consistently poor waves available locally and, when compared to rival teams' home cities of Manhattan Beach or Palos Verdes, the lack of a distinct surf culture to generate a wide talent pool of surfers.

In team members' own words, it feels like the study body doesn't know they exist.

Yet despite this, the Samohi Surf Team is producing powerhouse surfers, who are racking up competitive victories, including an impressive team win against the historically dominant Palos Verdes surf team.

"It's a big victory because there's a bunch of schools with surf teams that have surfing as their first period. They're from beach towns and all that and Santa Monica never really had that. This was kind of a breakthrough win for us," said Ethan Foley, Senior Co-Captain.

The competition was a nail-biter and came down to the scoring in the final heat with Samohi clinching a 77-72 win against Palos Verdes High School.

The Samohi team is also blazing the way for women in surfing. It has the only female coach in the South Bay Scholastic Surfing Association and is the only team to put female surfers into boys heats.

Girls competing in boys heats is almost unheard of and only came into being through many years of persistent effort from Samohi coach Marion Clark, who has long been frustrated by the fewer competition spots open to female surfers. Although the Samohi competition team has a 50/50 gender split, competitions typically have three times as many boys heats as girls heats.

"Any guy heat I participate in, if I get third or above, I'm stoked for that, because it shows like even though I am a woman and there's so many things trying to exclude me in the top surfing world, when I'm matched up against guys it shows my skill level just as a surfer and it's not relating to whether I'm a woman or whether I'm a dude," said Junior Co-Captain Genevieve Nevius.

Nevius like Clark is frustrated with the way that the women's competitions are deprioritized by organizers. She once drove an hour to arrive at a competition at 7 a.m. only to be told that the first women's heat wouldn't run until 1 p.m. Not feeling up to waiting for six hours to surf in the windier and less optimal conditions, she simply turned around and went home.

According to Clark, the main reason competitions offer less spots for women is because there is a smaller pool of female competitive surfers, but she doesn't think this is the way competitions have to be run. She spent years trying to get the Scholastic Surf Series to open more spaces for women, until ultimately giving up and forming her own Ohana Nalu local surf series.

"Every year we would ask (the Scholastic Surf Series) can we get more spots for girls and every year they'd be like sure and nothing ever happened, and after five years of listening to this, it became clear that they were never going to do anything; they were never going to make a difference," said Clark.

When her Samohi surfers were yearning to compete against surfers from a broader geographic area, she brought them into the South Bay Scholastic Surfing Association, but only on the condition that she could enter her team members into any heat regardless of their gender. To her shock, the association agreed.

"I consider a team a team. I'm not really looking at gender. I'm putting team people in spots," said Clark. "That's how I think about surfing because the waves in the ocean have no idea if you're advanced or beginner, if you're really wealthy or if you're not, where you live relative to the ocean or how you (gender) identify."

There are several factors behind the underrepresentation of female surfers. Traditionally, it has been a male dominated sport, which can create an unwelcoming environment for girls to paddle out into. Advanced surfing also demands a high level of physical strength and bravery.

"I think that girls don't get into surfing because it's such a testosterone driven sport," said Nevius. "A lot of girls from the beginning of when they're even like born are steered away from any type of high level sport. It's also just hard for us to be the only girl out there; like a lot of the times that I'm in the lineup I am one of the only girls."

There is also a cultural factor as the sport is sometimes not considered appropriate for girls and parents won't often encourage their girls to pursue it.

> If you go out anywhere and you say you're from Santa Monica that's not the most respected place, because there hasn't been generations of surfers there that raise each other. It's kind of a new thing arising

"I'll never forget there's this father at Samo(hi)... I said is your daughter interested in surfing and being on the surf team?' And he looked at me and said 'you know, mamas don't let their boys grow up to be cowboys and fathers shouldn't let their daughters grow up to be surfers," said Sarah Paulis, who is Genevieve Nevius's mother.

Even while Paulis is incredibly proud of what Nevius has accomplished as a surfer, she said that there are challenges that come with her being a female in the sport. For example, as a mother, it is less than ideal to have her teenage daughter disappear for hours at a time on the weekends to go surf with her surf buddies in Orange County. Paulis noted that this lack of supervision would never be the norm in a sport like soccer or volleyball and added that there are some rough characters who surf.

"When I go to any spot it's mainly just male dominated and I only kind of feel very comfortable when I'm surfing when I have a friend with me or like obviously when I'm with the team," said Sofia White, who is Junior Co-Captain with Nevius. "You kind of want to have a better community of girls so that you feel more secure and it doesn't feel kind of like you're just singled out."

The Samohi Surf Team is an anomaly in the league when it comes to its high rate of female participation. This is in no small part due to the leadership of Clark, who follows in the footsteps of her mother who helped establish the Women's International Surfing Association, which has now merged with the World Surf League.

"The main reason why my dad really pushed me to do it (join the team) is because Marion is a female coach and he really wanted me to be influenced by her because he knew how male dominated surfing is," said White.

White also said that Clark is an excellent coach for both boys and girls and has witnessed some less than ideal male coaching of female surfers at competitions, including a coach verbally berating a girl for lacking the strength to paddle out in rough conditions.

Nevius and White have achieved remarkable feats under Clark's coaching, including placing third and fourth respectively in the open women's division at a recent South Bay Boardriders Club contest in El Porto. Samohi Senior Co-Captains Ethan Foley and Beau Werger also performed impressively, clinching second and fifth place respectively in the juniors division.

"Marion is literally like my second mom," said Nevius, adding that Clark has a long list of skills including excellent knowledge of how to maintain her team's physical health and knowledge of every team members' strengths and weaknesses in their respective surfing techniques.

It is this skill set and level of care that has enabled Clark to bring her underdog team to notable victories. She also initiated away practices where she takes surfers to better breaks outside of Santa Monica.

"Santa Monica is not the best of waves when you want to learn how to do new things and get good waves, and so we started doing Saturday practices where we'd go to spots where the contest would be and I think that's really helped out the team," said Senior Co-Captain Beau Werger.

On top of this, Clark's most determined surfers are putting in extra sessions as much as they can, traveling up and down the coast to sleuth out the best surf.

"Anytime I have a chance to get a ride somewhere, I'm taking it; like any sacrifices on the weekend or whatever it has to be to go travel to better waves, because that's really where the improvement comes from," said Sophomore Captain Graham Slater.

The Samohi team is working to create a new reputation for Santa Monica, which is not known for producing competitive surfers. The team has also welcomed many new surfers and is working to train them to competition excellence. For example, freshman Arden Hittner has been a rising star at practice and competition and Graham Slater is already shredding on a shortboard after only starting surfing during the pandemic.

"If you go out anywhere and you say you're from Santa Monica that's not the most respected place, because there hasn't been generations of surfers there that raise each other," said Slater. "It's kind of a new thing arising."

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House panel's possible options for alleging Trump 1/6 crimes

MARY CLARE JALONICK
Associated Press

The Senate acquitted former President Donald Trump last year of inciting the Capitol insurrection. But neither Trump nor any of his top advisers have faced charges over the attack in a court of law, and it's uncertain if they ever will.

But increasingly, lawmakers on the House committee investigating the Jan. 6 assault are pressing Attorney General Merrick Garland to investigate Trump and his associates. They've been laying out possible crimes in at least one court filing and openly discussing others, all related to that day's violent attack by Trump supporters looking to disrupt Congress' formal certification of his reelection defeat.

Here's a look at some of the suggested crimes floated by the House panel:

CRIMINAL CONSPIRACY TO DEFRAUD THE UNITED STATES

After floating possible crimes for several months, lawmakers on the panel put it on paper for the first time in a March court filing. The filing was in response to a lawsuit from John Eastman, a lawyer and law professor who was consulting with Trump while attempting to overturn the election and who tried to withhold documents from the committee.

The committee argued that it has evidence supporting the idea that Trump, Eastman and other allies of the former president "entered into an agreement to defraud the United States." The panel says Trump and his allies interfered with the election certification process, disseminated misinformation about election fraud and pressured state and federal officials to assist in that effort.

OBSTRUCTION OF AN OFFICIAL PROCEEDING

Late last month, U.S. District Court Judge David Carter appeared somewhat swayed by the panel's arguments. In ordering Eastman to turn over the materials, Carter wrote that the court "finds it more likely than not that President Trump corruptly attempted to obstruct the Joint Session of Congress on January 6, 2021."

In the filing, the committee argued that Trump either attempted or succeeded at obstructing, influencing, or impeding the ceremonial process on Jan. 6 and "did so corruptly" by pressuring Vice President Mike Pence to overturn the results as he presided over the session. Pence declined to do so.

"President Trump and members of his campaign knew he had not won enough legitimate state electoral votes to be declared the winner of the 2020 Presidential election during the January 6 Joint Session of Congress, but the President nevertheless sought to use the Vice President to manipulate the results in his favor," the committee wrote.

COMMON LAW FRAUD

The committee has also floated a charge of "common law fraud," or falsely representing facts with the knowledge that they are false. Trump embarked on a wide-scale campaign to convince the public and federal judges that the 2020 election was fraudulent and that he, not Biden, won the Electoral College tally. Election officials and courts across the country, along with Trump's attorney general, rejected those claims.

As an example of such fraud, the committee noted in the Eastman filing that a Justice Department official told Trump directly that a Facebook video posted by his campaign "purporting to show Georgia officials pulling suitcases of ballots from under a table" was false, yet the campaign continued to run it. Georgia officials also repeatedly denied the claim.

"The president continued to rely on this allegation in his efforts to overturn the results of the election," the committee said.

DERELICTION OF DUTY

Though they didn't lay it out in the Eastman filing, leaders of the House panel suggested earlier this year that they believe Trump could also be liable for "dereliction of duty," or inaction as his supporters violently broke the windows and doors of the U.S. Capitol.

Rep. Bennie Thompson, D-Miss., the committee chairman, said in January that "the harm that I see is the president of the United States seeing the Capitol of the United States under siege by people he sent to the Capitol and did nothing during that time."

The committee's vice chairwoman, Rep. Liz Cheney, R-Wyoming, noted that same month that the panel knows from "firsthand testimony" that Trump watched the attack happen on television. "We know that he did not walk the very few steps to the White House briefing room, get on camera immediately, and tell the people to stop and go home," she said.

Cheney said it was hard "imagine a more significant and more serious dereliction of duty" than Trump's failure to quell the insurrection.

FINANCIAL CRIMES

While the committee hasn't floated specifics, it has created an internal task force to investigate financing for the massive rally on the National Mall the morning of Jan. 6 and any donors who might have backed transportation or other costs that could have helped foster the violence.

Asked earlier this year on CNN if they have any evidence of financial fraud, Thompson said members of the committee "have some concerns, but we have not made those concerns public at this point."

"We do think it's highly concerning on our part that people raised monies for one activity, and we can't find the money being spent for that particular activity," Thompson said. "So, we will continue to look at it. And the financing is one of those things that we will continue to look at very closely."

UNCERTAINTY AHEAD

More than 775 rioters have been arrested for crimes related to the insurrection. Yet legal consequences have been elusive for Trump and the other top officials who told lies about election fraud and laid the groundwork for their actions.

Congress has no authority to prosecute, but can send so-called criminal referrals to the Justice Department. Garland can then decide whether to act.

Justice Department action would be far from guaranteed. And it's uncertain whether

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City of Santa Monica

City of Santa Monica
Ordinance Number 2698 (CCS)
(City Council Series)

AN EMERGENCY INTERIM ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA EXTENDING INTERIM ZONING REGULATIONS ESTABLISHED BY EMERGENCY INTERIM ZONING ORDINANCE NUMBER 2688 (CCS) AMENDING SANTA MONICA MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 9.37.070 TO EXTEND PERMIT TIMEFRAMES DUE TO UNAVOIDABLE DELAYS CAUSED BY THE COVID-19 PANDEMIC AND TO FURTHER ECONOMIC RECOVERY EFFORTS

The following is a summary of Ordinance Number 2698 (CCS) prepared by the Office of the City Attorney:

Ordinance Number 2698 (CCS) ("the Ordinance") is an Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance extending interim zoning regulations established by Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance 2688 (CCS) amending Santa Monica Municipal Code ("SMMC") 9.37.070 to codify permit timeframe extensions for permits issued under the City's Zoning Ordinance that were previously established by emergency order due to unavoidable delays caused by the COVID-19 pandemic. The Ordinance also extends eligibility for such timeframe extensions through December 31, 2022 and allows for flexibility in requesting certain additional extensions to permit timeframes to further the City's economic recovery efforts. Specifically, the Ordinance:

1) Extends deadlines to exercise and continuously pursue the rights granted under planning entitlements, permits and approvals issued and still active as of March 13, 2020, issued between March 13, 2020 and December 31, 2022, or for which complete applications were received between March 13, 2020 and December 31, 2022 by two years; and

2) Allows applicants for planning entitlements, permits and approvals issued and still active as of March 13, 2020, issued between March 13, 2020 and December 31, 2022, or for which complete applications have been received between March 13, 2020 and December 31, 2022 to request a First Time Extension or Other Extension pursuant to SMMC Sections 9.37.090(C)(1) and 9.37.090(C)(2) at any time at least 30 days prior to the expiration of the permit.

The Ordinance was adopted on March 22, 2022 and became effective immediately upon its adoption. The Ordinance will expire on December 31, 2022, unless otherwise extended by the City Council in accordance with Section 9.46.090(C) of the Santa Monica Municipal Code.

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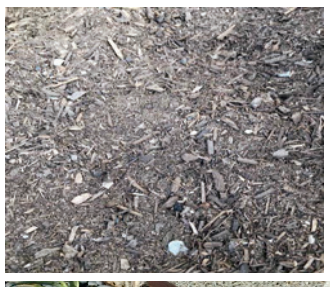
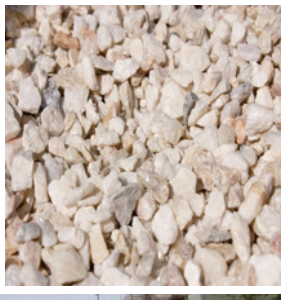
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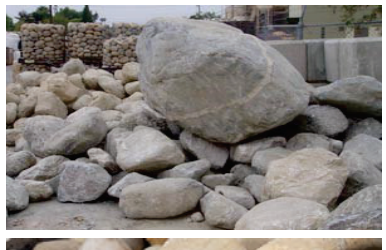


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COMMUNITY NEWS

Citywide

Heal The Bay seeks Earth Month volunteers

Environmental nonprofit group Heal the Bay announced its Earth Month events calendar for April 2022, which includes activities that protect clean water through science, advocacy, education, and community action.

The Santa Monica-based nonprofit has launched a series of volunteer opportunities for individuals, families and households, schools, businesses, and community organizations seeking to protect and improve our neighborhoods, coastal waters, rivers, creeks, and beaches.

Heal the Bay is hosting several hands-on events that will draw thousands of participants throughout the month of April. No special training or experience is required. Donations to Heal the Bay are encouraged at www.healthebay.org/earthmonth.

PLASTIC POLLUTION HAPPY HOUR ADVOCACY TRAINING - VIRTUAL // THURSDAY, APRIL 7, 4:30 - 5 P.M.

Heal the Bay's Plastics Initiative team is hosting an advocacy event to provide information about current critical state bills and local policies that address the enormous plastic pollution issue. Attendees can participate in reducing plastic-related pollution in LA County and California by completing specific actions! Registration link: https://www.eventbrite.com/preview?eid=307173453067/

VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION MEETUP - VIRTUAL // MONDAY, APRIL 11, 6:30PM - 8PM PST

Get an introduction to Heal the Bay, our current issues, and how you can take part in our exciting volunteer programs. Founded on the principle that one person can make a difference, Heal the Bay has empowered thousands of volunteers to improve their environment, and now you can make a difference too. Our Orientation is ideal for those who want to learn more about how to take part in our Beach, community science, and Aquarium programs. Registration link: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/new-volunteer-orientation-2022-virtual-event-tickets-264527377507

BIOBLITZ THE BAY - IN-PERSON // SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 8:30 - 10:30 P.M.

Heal the Bay's MPA Watch team is adventuring out to a Marine Protected Area for an early morning tidepool tour and bioblitz. Experts will instruct guests on how to safely observe and document wildlife while discovering more about local marine ecosystems. This event is an introduction to one of Heal the Bay's most popular community science programs where volunteers take long walks on the beach to collect data and protect precious marine habitats. Registration link: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/tidepool-bioblitz-training-registration-294329847497

EARTH MONTH NOTHIN' BUT SAND BEACH CLEANUP - IN-PERSON // SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 10 A.M. - NOON PST

Heal the Bay's big Earth Month cleanup helps to ensure safe, clean, and healthy local beaches! This Nothin' But Sand beach cleanup is a meaningful opportunity for volunteers to directly improve the condition of our beaches while enjoying the outdoors. Cleanup supplies are provided and speakers will share ocean pollution facts and safety talks for people of all ages. This is Heal the Bay's first Earth Month cleanup since 2019 - at that time, 1,072 volunteers picked up 271 pounds of trash and debris that would have otherwise entered our ocean. This year we are restricting capacity due to health and safety concerns from the pandemic. Please note: April's cleanup location will be provided in a CONFIRMATION EMAIL after you complete the registration at Eventbrite. If the event says it is SOLD OUT, you can still come! Please bring your own gloves and buckets to participate in the cleanup. For those of you who can't register because it is sold out, we will announce the location on the Eventbrite page a few days before the cleanup, so check back then to find out where Heal the Bay will be. Registration link: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/earth-month-nothin-but-sand-beach-cleanup-april-2022-tickets-302889519707

Thank you to Heal the Bay's April Nothin' But Sand Sponsors: Don Francisco's Coffee, Amalfi Estates, Interactive Brokers, ARES Management, and EarthDay.org

HEAL THE BAY AQUARIUM FREE BEACH WHEELCHAIR RENTALS - IN-PERSON // SATURDAY, APRIL 16, 9:30 - 11 A.M.

Need a Beach Wheelchair to enjoy some fun in the sun? Heal the Bay Aquarium has manual, beach wheelchairs available for FREE public rentals. Join Heal the Bay Aquarium staff for a guided beach exploration to learn more about the California coast and the thriving ecosystems we strive to protect. Visitor information: https://healthebay.org/beach-wheelchairs-santa-monica-pier/

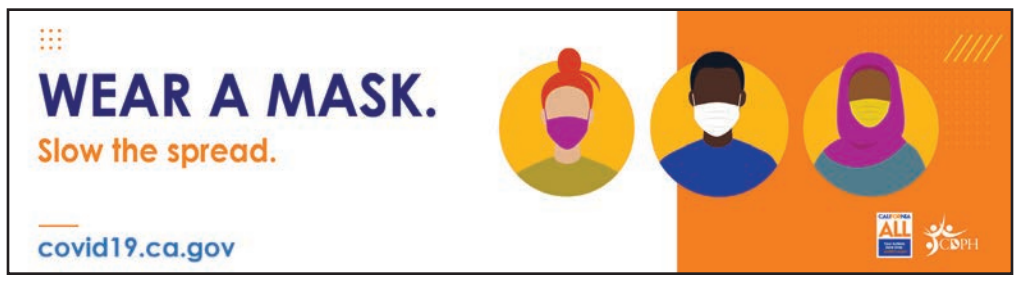
HEAL THE BAY AQUARIUM EARTH MONTH CELEBRATION - IN-PERSON // SATURDAY, APRIL 16, NOON - 4 P.M.

The award-winning Heal the Bay Aquarium located at the Santa Monica Pier has programmed an afternoon filled with fun Earth Month activities. Featuring exciting exhibits and demonstrations, it's a great way for the entire family to experience the Santa Monica Bay and observe the local animals that call it home. Visitor information: https://healthebay.org/aquarium/

PLACE, POWER & JUSTICE: LAND REMATRIATION NOW PANEL - VIRTUAL // WEDNESDAY, APRIL 27, 6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

Jointly hosted and co-moderated by Sacred Places Institute for Indigenous Peoples and Heal the Bay in honor of Earth Month, the panel includes experts and activists in the Land/Water Back and Rematriation Movement.The panel will be held via Zoom and streamed to Heal the Bay's Facebook Live. Registration link: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/panel-discussion-earth-month-2022-tickets-295435624907

SUBMITTED BY TALIA WALSH



COMMUNITY NEWS

Citywide

Committee for Racial Justice presents: DEI : Diversity, Equity, & Inclusion What Does That Look Like?

For April 3, the Committee For Racial Justice (CRJ) monthly workshop title will be DEI : Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion – What Does That Look Like? This question will be answered, in part, by a panel of folks involved in three of the areas of focus for current CRJ work: Education, Housing, and Police Oversight. This workshop, open to all, will start at 6:30 p.m. on zoom on Sunday evening 4/3/22. To attend, you need to first register at this link: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYucumsqj8rH9MawNevXSA7ORfmtKKsf8sY

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information to use that night to join the meeting.

CRJ began over 10 years ago with a focus on issues in the educational system and this has remained a priority area. A recent school board meeting in Santa Monica voted to abolish the tracking system that resulted in mostly white students in 9th and 10th grade English honors classes. Sarah Rodrigez, one of the English teachers at SAMOHI, will lay out some of the issues involved and will bring some students who welcomed this change to share their perspectives.

This change toward equity was met with some resistance and CRJ hopes to clarify the importance of this decision made by the English Dept. of SAMOHI and adopted by the SMMUSD school board.

Tara Barauskas, Executive Director of Community Corporation in Santa Monica has been working to develop affordable housing since 1999 and is chair of the CRJ housing committee. She will share some of the work of that group. They have developed a survey on the Right to Return program, which seeks to make affordable housing available to those people whose houses were destroyed in order to make way for the 10 Interstate Highway, as well as the mostly Black families displaced by the destruction of the Belmar Triangle area in Santa Monica.

They also want to make people aware of a recent, disturbing decision to Landmark the home of a leader, in the early part of the last century, of the efforts to block Black people from owning property in or moving to Santa Monica. Dolores Sloan will share some of her perspective on that decision. She is in the last year of a 2nd term on the Santa Monica Landmarks Commission and has served as Chair for one term. She's also on the Executive Board of the SM Democratic Club, where she founded and is the welcome person of the Club's Diversity & Inclusion Committee.

The third area addressed by the panel will help see what DEI looks like in the first attempt to have a police oversight commission where civilians can have some influence for the first time on how policing is done in Santa Monica. George Brown, attorney and the Executive Director of the Stanford Center for Racial Justice, recently resigned as chair of the Santa Monica Public Safety Reform and Oversight Commission and he will talk about some of the obstacles and issues that have arisen in the efforts to make this new commission get off to a good start. He will discuss what folks can do to help efforts to reimagine policing in our neighborhoods.

There will be Q & A to allow for further sharing about all these current efforts to move toward DEI : Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion. Come and join in this timely discussion.

Join organizers from 6:30 – 8 p.m. on April 3 by clicking https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZYucumsqj8rH9MawNevXSA7ORfmtKKsf8sY to register and then you will be sent the link for that Sunday evening meeting.

For more information, call Joanne at (310) 422-5431.

SUBMITTED BY JOANNE BERLIN

JOBS

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to draw more women back by, for example, offering flexible hours and childcare centers or stipends for childcare expenses.

It's unclear how long the economy can maintain its momentum of the past year, especially as high inflation pinches family budgets and the Fed's rate hikes slow economic activity. Hourly pay, adjusted for higher consumer prices, fell 2.6% in February from a year earlier — the 11th straight month in which inflation has outpaced year-over-year wage growth. According to AAA, average gasoline prices, at $4.23 a gallon, are up a dizzying 47% from a year ago.

At the same time, the job market has kept hurtling ahead. Employers posted a near-record 11.3 million positions in February. Nearly 4.4 million Americans quit their jobs, a sign of confidence that they could find something better.

At Threshold Brands, a company in Newport Beach, California, that operates eight brands specializing in home services and repair, franchisees are struggling to hire fast enough to keep up with orders.

"If they could just add more people, they could meet all that demand," said Hagan Kappler, the company's CEO. "They're having to turn business away."

Some businesses are trying novel ways to hire and retain employees. InHome Therapy in King of Prussia, Pennsylvania, needs highly skilled physical, occupational and speech therapists to treat patients in their homes. Besides paying therapist salaries of $90,000 to $120,000 a year, InHome provides company cars and helps employees repay student loans.

"They longer they stay with us," said CEO Matt Murphy, "the more of their student loans we'll help them pay back."

AP Writer Josh Boak contributed to this report.

TRUMP

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any charges against the oft-investigated president would hold up in court. It could be difficult for prosecutors to craft a winning case against Trump.

The president urged on his massive crowd of supporters that morning and returned to the White House and watched them break into the Capitol on television. The rioters beat police, sent lawmakers running and interrupted the certification of President Joe Biden's victory.

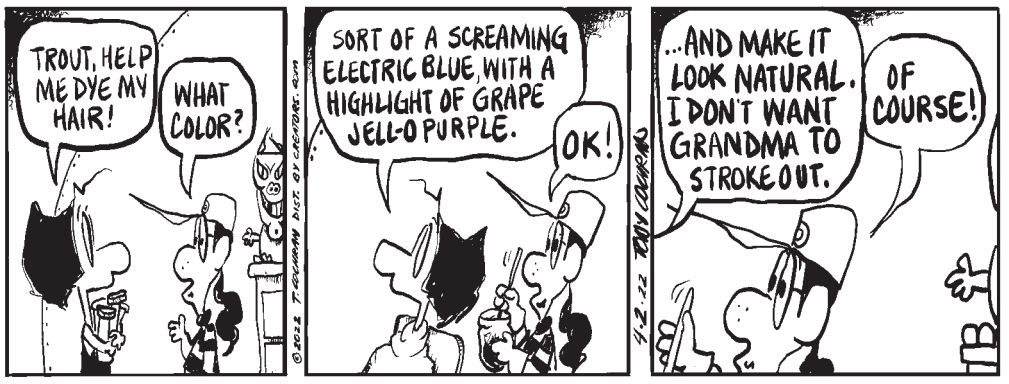
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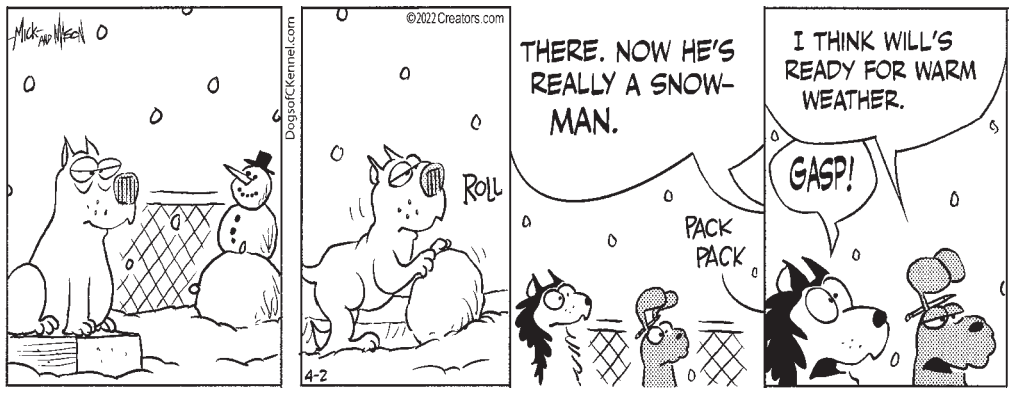
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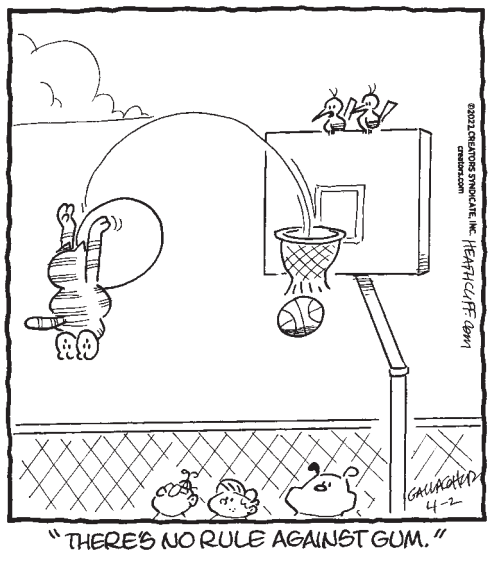
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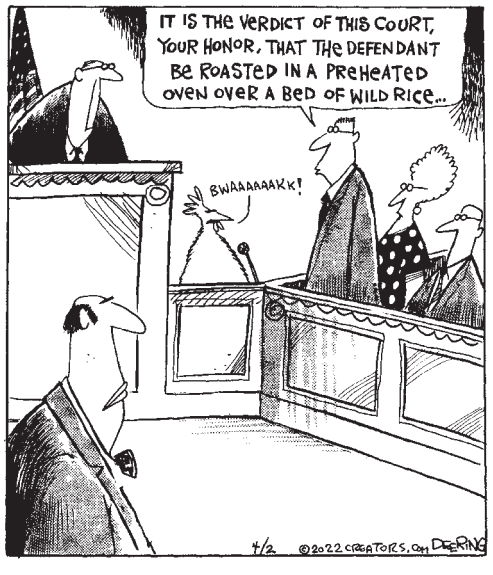
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SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **59.7**

SATURDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:** 2-3ft+ Thigh to stomach	Target AM window with low incoming tide and clean conditions. WNW swell eases, while new, long-period NW swell slowly fills in. S swell continues for occ. peaks at combo magnet.
SUNDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:** 2-3ft Thigh to waist	Low incoming tide and clean conditions for the morning with a few rideable waves for the small wave gear. Little NW swell builds through the PM as S swell lingers.

WEATHER

Saturday: Mostly cloudy, with a high near 62.
Saturday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 55. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.
Sunday: Cloudy, then gradually becoming mostly sunny, with a high near 63.
Sunday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 52.

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 2)

You know what it's like to be lost, so you appreciate the value of this year's cosmic birthday gift: strong conviction that carries you to a worthy purpose. Focused and productive, you'll ultimately be paid to inspire and teach others. Family will uplift and show up for one another in times of need and, more often, in times of celebration. Taurus and Leo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 30, 2, 22 and 18.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). What people say they want isn't what they really want. It's not because they are lying; it's because they don't know themselves as well as they think they do. To know yourself, look at your unguarded, unwatched behaviors.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). People can be like wallpaper in a design catalog: the same patterns repeating page after page. Maybe the colors change, the scale is different, but at some point, you know what you can expect when you turn the page.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). One person may spark your good mood. You'll keep the flames alive even after this person has left. The love around you will not be an abstract concept, but a reality you can feel.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll be tempted to reveal your heart. What happens next is a defining moment. Will you be strategic or messy? You cannot make a mistake either way — it's just a matter of style.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You don't need to work so hard for what you want because it's there for the asking. Just ask! That will be hard enough at first, but it gets easier with practice.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Intensity is up and a strong sense of urgency has you in a flurry of productivity. Much will be accomplished. It's a good day to put an idea to the test. You won't have to ask too many questions to get to the truth.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Origami artists and physicists agree that the essence of life is folding. Things crease and collapse onto one another, forming new shapes. From DNA to paper to the social fabric, much will change today with a deliberate fold.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Give yourself the time and space to do what you want to do. It sounds simple enough, and yet it hasn't happened in a while. Why? You'll unravel the puzzle and give yourself some peace.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You can like someone without having to be like that person. Today highlights your ability to relate, empathize and be enriched by those who are very different from you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). There will be a mutual attraction between you and the subject that fascinates you. You need more of the subject and the subject needs more of you. Consider taking a class.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Reading is not a tangent or indulgence, though it sometimes feels that way. You'll absorb what you read. Your knowledge of people and command of language will increase your power and influence.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Some relationships are built on insecurity and fraught with drama. It doesn't make them worthless though — intensely imperfect situations have much to teach.

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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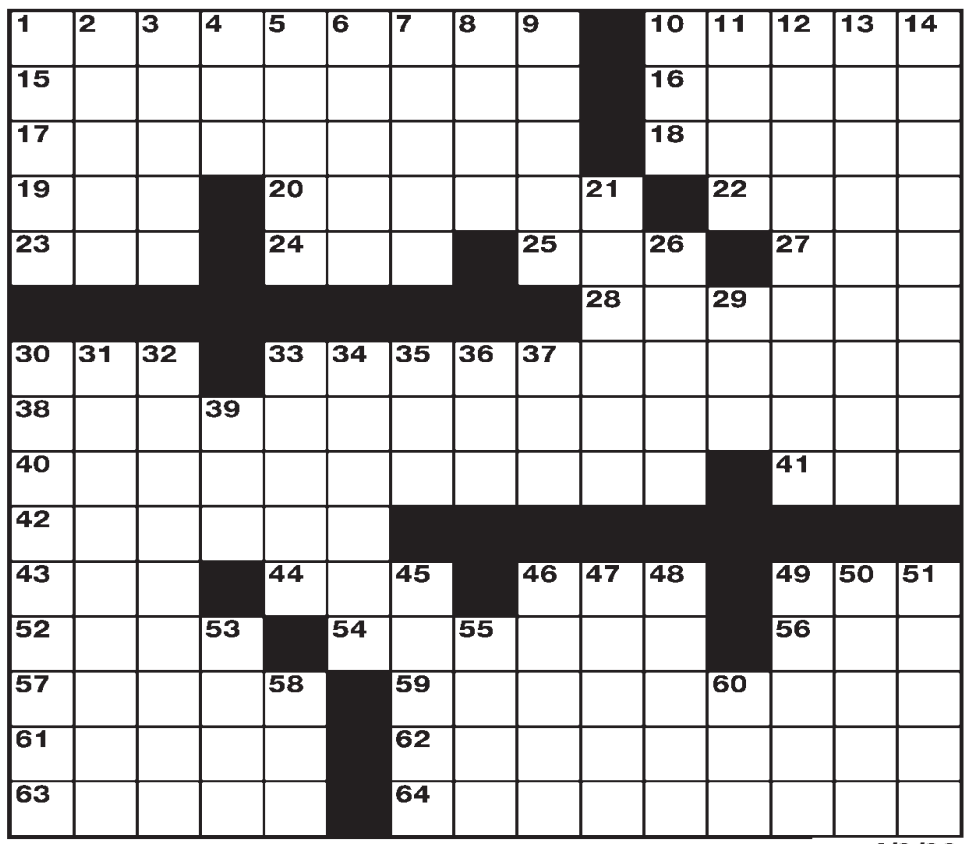
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Newsday Crossword

SATURDAY STUMPER by Anna Stiga
Edited by Stanley Newman
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ACROSS
1 One playing video games all day
10 Dove's desire
15 Beverly Hills' Restaurant Row
16 What may end a turn
17 Theo van Gogh's occupation
18 Going on, in brief
19 Caribbean audible export
20 Common attic discovery
22 Next in line
23 Kept
24 Unacquainted with candor
25 Trifle with
27 M.'s analog
28 *Maison de Balzac*, et al.
30 Traffic cops' employer
33 Bonus for boldness
38 Expression of uncertainty
40 Tropical dessert fruits
41 15-hour flight from LAX
42 Stops the show
43 Sound of sarcasm
44 Org. working for universal coverage
46 Major multiple of LXX
49 Household brand spelled with two (not three) dots
52 Hardly at all
54 Maker of guitars and golf carts
56 Extremity
57 Canon's compatriot
59 "Yesterday," as first performed
61 Flip
62 Chart-busting download
63 Step into
64 Contemporary convertible comment

DOWN
1 URL essential
2 Ski shop purchase
3 *Nutcracker Suite* numbers
4 Disembarrass
5 Is prolific
6 SpongeBob's pet
7 Food processor
8 Let sit
9 "A lucky man is __ than a white crow": Juvenal
10 The JCS Chairman is its military advisor
11 Short "Speaking of changing the subject . . ."
12 bubblyprofessor.com subject
13 High science
14 Even now
21 Garb in an early *Sound of Music* lyric
26 Brings elation to
29 Family name
30 Cannonade, e.g.
31 Effort to equal
32 Silky coat wearer
33 Overspread
34 Literarily low-end
35 "Sure do"
36 Single circuit
37 Labor leader
39 Its HQ is near the World Bank's
45 Promising statements
46 Whom Chaucer called a "grete poete"
47 Committed
48 Latin for "is wanting"
49 "Liberate Your Spirit" spirit
50 Noisy no more, maybe
51 Sunflower seed, essentially
53 "Inside" stuff
55 Roar relative
58 Dinghy designation
60 Canon debut of '59



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What's Up Westside

out and about in Santa Monica

SATURDAY | APRIL 2

DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET
Arizona Ave. (between 2nd & 4th)
8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

PICO FARMERS MARKET
Pico Blvd. & Cloverfield Blvd.
8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

OCEAN PARK BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP
Join a discussion of books chosen by the group. Contact jeff.schwartz@santamonica.gov for the Zoom link. 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

MAKE & TAKE WITH MAD SCIENCE: COTTON CANDY
Ever wonder how that fluffy cotton candy is made? Taste the science behind the magical transformation of solid sugar crystals into spun floss. Space is limited. Ages 7-13. Register: bit.ly/YouthProgramSignUps. 1:30 to 2:30 p.m. / Main Library, Central Courtyard

NATIONAL POETRY MONTH: ONLINE CHALLENGE
April is National Poetry Month. Inspired by Amanda Gorman's historic inaugural performance, we're celebrating young poets everywhere this month. Poetry can motivate us to find beauty, hope, and power, no matter what we encounter. Read, watch, and listen to poets' work through activities and log your reading to earn badges all month long. For grades K-12. Register: smpl.beanstack.org

FRIENDS BOOK & AUDIOVISUAL SALE
The Friends of the Santa Monica Public Library hosts a book and DVD sale on Saturday, April 2, 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. in the North Courtyard of the Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. Paperback, hardback, fiction, non-fiction, and DVDs. Only cash and checks will be accepted as payment (no credit cards). The Friends raise funds and support library programs to enhance library service throughout the community. For more information, visit the Friends website.

PYRITE RADIO: DISPATCH
In this workshop, you will learn how to record your own sounds and create new collections of your neighborhood. You can also bring recordings of sounds to contribute, which can be sourced from your favorite music, sounds, lectures, and more. Following the workshop, guests will be asked to share recordings for a special performance. Virtual event. https://18thstreet.org/event/pyrite-radio-workshop/. 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

SUNDAY | APRIL 3

MAIN STREET FARMERS MARKET
2640 Main Street.
8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

MONDAY | APRIL 4

SNOOZER'S STORYTIME ADVENTURES
Checkers Library TV presents Snoozer's Storytime Adventures, a virtual series that brings children's books to life with an uplifting story, craft, and song. Access the program here: youtube.com/user/SantaMonicaPL/playlists. 12 - 12:30 p.m.

SANTA MONICA AIRPORT COMMISSION MEETING
The Airport Commission acts in an advisory capacity to the City Council in all matters pertaining to the Municipal Airport and to aviation matters generally to the extent that they affect the City. 6 p.m.

DISABILITIES COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING
This is a virtual meeting. Please visit the Commission's webpage for instructions on how to join the meeting: https://www.smgov.net/portals/AccessibleSM/agendas.aspx. 6:30 p.m

PARENTING WHILE BLACK: RECLAIMING, CENTERING, AND AFFIRMING OUR JOY IN RAISING BLACK CHILDREN
This webinar series offers a safe and welcoming space to join and engage in powerful conversations for and by Black families. Moderated by Eurnestine Brown, Ph.D., Director of Relational Equity and Belonging at the Brazelton Touchpoints Center. Register: https://bit.ly/3pO0WKI. April 4 & 18 / 12 to 1 p.m.

TUESDAY | APRIL 5

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WEDNESDAY | APRIL 6

CANCELLED: PLANNING COMMISSION

THURSDAY | APRIL 7

NOMA MEETING
A report on current library services and a presentation by Michael Soloff, former SM Housing Commissioner, on a newly proposed City Initiative currently signature gathering for additional funding for Homelessness Prevention, Affordable Housing, and SM Schools through an increase in the real estate transfer tax will be on the agenda of the North of Montana Avenue Association (NOMA) online meeting Thursday, April 7, at 7 p.m. The public is invited and Zoom access can be found at www.smnoma.org.

For help submitting an event, contact us at
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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 19 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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Erne
Falcon
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