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## Los Angeles County "remains an abortion safe haven"

**SCOTT SNOWDEN**
SMDP Staff Writer

The decision came as late on Friday afternoon as it possibly could, given the time difference between Washington DC and the West Coast, and frankly it could've gone either way. However, the Supreme Court voted to protect access to a widely used abortion drug by freezing lower-court rulings that placed restrictions on its usage as appeals play out. Consequently, the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA) approval of the drug mifepristone will remain in place, potentially for some time to come.

"LA County is clear: we won't go back. I was proud to join Vice President Kamala Harris, Mayor Karen Bass, and many leaders at Women's March Los Angeles to use our collective voice in raising awareness as well as fighting against disinformation and extremist attacks on our fundamental rights," Lindsey Horvath, Member of the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors, told the Daily Press.

"Los Angeles County remains an abortion safe haven, where everyone's right to safe, comprehensive, culturally-competent healthcare, including abortion, is protected."

The result is an important victory for supporters of pro-choice, which suffered a hard-hitting defeat last year when the conservative majority of the Supreme Court reversed the Roe v. Wade precedent that protected abortion rights

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## SMC celebrates opening of new campus in Malibu



Zsuzsi Steiner Photography and Grace Adams

**SMC:** Over a decade after first being introduced as a concept, the Malibu satellite campus of Santa Monica College has finally become a reality. The three acre campus opened its doors to students earlier this year and a ribbon cutting ceremony and open house were held this past weekend to celebrate the occasion.
Local representatives and leaders spoke at the event including California State Senator Ben Allen, Los Angeles County Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath, LA County Sheriff Robert G. Luna and Malibu Mayor Pro Tem Steve Uhring. SMC Superintendent and President Kathryn E. Jeffrey and SMC Board of Trustees Vice Chair Margaret Quiñones-Perez also made remarks.
The campus includes a two-story educational building with an art studio space, a science classroom, two general education classrooms, a multi-purpose physical activity space, a 100-seat lecture hall and a computer lab.
The site also houses a LA County Sheriff Substation in a one-story wing of the campus, the first to be located within Malibu City limits since the early 1990s. Parts of the campus are also designed to serve as an operations center if necessary.
SMC previously offered Emeritus Program Classes for older adults at the Malibu Senior Center in City hall as well as evening classes at Webster Elementary School. The new campus will allow the college to expand offerings to the local community to include for-credit classes and noncredit vocational and workforce preparation courses as well as additional Emeritus offerings and community education programs such as seminars and workshops.
The new campus is located at 23555 Civic Center Way, Malibu CA 90265, just north of the Malibu Pier.
For more information visit: https://www.smc.edu/about/campuses/malibu/

## A tale of racism and love for two Santa Monica brothers

**GRACE INEZ ADAMS**
SMDP Staff Writer

It was March of 1994 and Peter Slate was dancing at a nightclub on Santa Monica's Third Street Promenade. According to witnesses, Slate, who was biracial, was dancing with a white woman when a white man confronted him, leading to a brief argument before another white man smashed a beer bottle against Slate's head, leaving him bloodied and missing an eye.

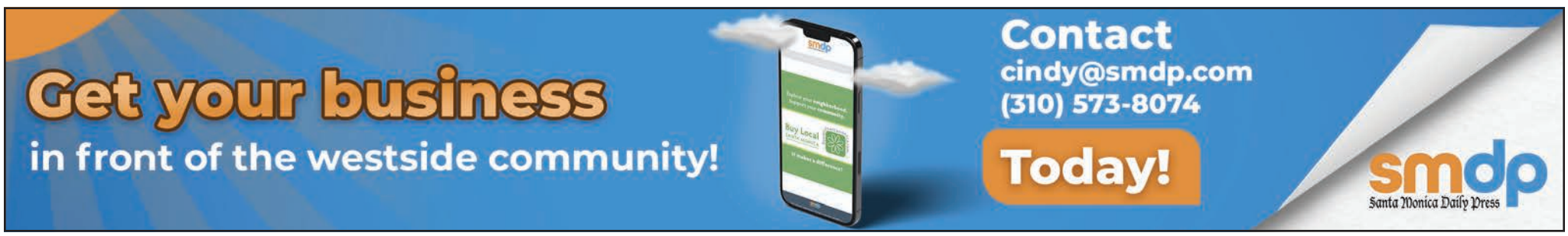
Peter Slate passed away in a car accident in 2003, but his younger brother Nico Slate recently published a book, "Brothers: A Memoir of Love, Loss and Race," examining the events of that night, the effects they had on his brother's life and his own and the role that race played in all of it.

While the Slate brothers shared a white mother, they had different fathers, with Peter's being Black and Nico's being white.

"I came to realize that there's a lot of layers to what happened that night, but I still continue to feel that if my brother had looked like me, he very well might have left that club with both of his eyes," Slate said. "Understanding what happened that night is really at the core of the book."

Nico Slate, who is now the Head of the History Department and a professor at Carnegie Mellon University, said his brother's life greatly shaped the trajectory of his

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# Vegas-to-California high-speed train gets bipartisan backing

**KEN RITTER**
Associated Press

A bipartisan congressional group from Nevada and California asked the Biden administration Monday to fast-track federal funds for a private company to build a high-speed rail line between Las Vegas and the Los Angeles area.

All six of Nevada's elected federal lawmakers and four House members from California sent the letter to U.S. Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg. They said they're on board with a proposal from Brightline West to spend more than $10 billion to lay tracks along the Interstate 15 corridor.

Traffic jams on the interstate often stretch for 15 miles near the Nevada-California line as motorists head home after weekend or holiday travel to Las Vegas.

The Mojave Desert is largely open space, and the electric-powered trains could potentially cut the four-hour trip in half, carrying passengers at speeds of nearly 200 mph.

"This project is a major priority because it will make southern Nevada more accessible to millions of visitors each year," said U.S. Sen. Jacky Rosen, the Nevada Democrat leading the group. She said it "will boost our economy and create more good-paying jobs."

Union labor will be used during construction, the company and the Southern Nevada Building Trades Union have announced in recent weeks.

Brightline West is seeking $3.75 billion in federal funding from the Biden administration-backed federal infrastructure law.

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> - Jacky Rosen U.S. Sen.

The project could be "the blueprint for how we can connect major city pairs that are too short to fly and too far to drive," said Mike Reininger, CEO of Florida-based Brightline Holdings LLC, the only privately owned and operated intercity passenger railroad in the United States.

The lawmakers' letter pointed to company projections of 35,000 construction jobs, 1,000 permanent jobs and reduced planet-warming greenhouse gas emissions from vehicles.

A draft environmental assessment of the Nevada-California project was made public last October 2022 and the Federal Railroad Administration is expected to finalize permits in July. The company said about 70% of funding will be private, using a combination of debt and equity.

Amtrak passenger service to Las Vegas ended in 1997 with the demise of a train called the Desert Wind. The concept of building a bullet train through the Mojave Desert dates back to at least 2005 under various names. It has seen starts and stops over the years and became sidetracked during the COVID-19 pandemic.

In Florida, Brightline West's sister company began sharing the Florida East Coast freight line between Miami and West Palm Beach in 2014 and is building an extension to Orlando. High-speed trains running through urban areas have drawn criticism for numerous crashes with vehicles at rail crossings. Investigators found deaths were not the railroad's fault, determining that many were suicides or drivers or pedestrians trying to beat the trains.

Other places where high-speed trains have been proposed include the 240 miles from Dallas to Houston in Texas, and a 500-mile system linking Los Angeles and San Francisco.

The California line depends on funding and other unknowns.

A 2023 report by the California High-Speed Rail Authority says environmental clearance has been obtained for 422 miles and construction is underway for 119 miles in California's Central Valley.

Cost estimates have swelled to more than $100 billion — far greater than the $33 billion that voters approved in 2008.

In Texas, a study published last month by Reason Foundation, a libertarian think tank, concluded the state's fast rail project is stalled by climbing costs, lack of legislative support and opposition from farmers, ranchers, and other landowners "who objected to having their land bisected by a train traveling at 200 miles per hour over 30 times each day." It noted the Texas Legislature passed a law prohibiting spending any funds on the project.

Brightline West trains would connect Las Vegas, Victorville, California, and Rancho Cucamonga — a city in San Bernardino County with a passenger station on a suburban Los Angeles light rail line.

U.S. Sen. Catherine Cortez Masto, a Democrat, and Nevada's four House members

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# LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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Santa Monica strives to be a diverse and inclusive city. That's what so many of us love about this community and why so many of us, the three of us included, chose to make Santa Monica our home. At Tuesday's Council meeting, the Santa Monica City Council will have the opportunity to take an important step towards becoming a more diverse, inclusive, and equitable community by passing an ordinance to make newly constructed and renovated public restrooms gender neutral, as we are permitted to do through SB 1194, authored by our very own Senator Ben Allen and co-sponsored by the Cities of Santa Monica and West Hollywood.

Gender neutral restrooms provide a safer experience for trans and gender non-conforming people. The Williams Institute at the UCLA School of Law found that 70% of trans respondents in surveys reported being denied access, verbally harassed, or physically assaulted in public restrooms. Gender neutral, multi-stall restrooms remove the stigma associated with using the perceived "wrong" restroom. Additionally, and just as importantly, gender neutral restrooms have significant accessibility benefits for disabled people, single parents with opposite sex children, caregivers of opposite sex individuals, and for cisgender women by reducing wait times and reducing the social isolation that can more readily exist in separate sex restrooms. Gender neutral restrooms are more cost effective for businesses than having multiple facilities with separate plumbing entry points, sinks, electrical, and design standards, not to mention separate supplies and additional janitorial labor hours.

We caution against repetition of tropes and misinformation that have been debunked for decades; several concerns recently expressed by community members in the press and on social media about gender neutral restrooms are red herrings. Research does not support concerns around safety and privacy issues. In fact, multiple studies from venerable research institutions have debunked these myths over the past decade. The Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA) includes "use of multiple-occupant, gender-neutral restroom facilities with lockable single occupant stalls" as a best policy for restrooms. So, this isn't an item that staff hasn't thoughtfully thought out. This issue is so widely supported that SB 1194 passed the California State Legislature unanimously in both the Senate and Assembly; not even Republicans opposed Santa Monica's co-sponsored legislation.

We urge the Council to approve this common-sense, widely supported ordinance and require gender neutral public restrooms in new and renovated buildings. We must continue the work towards becoming the inclusive community that we all know we can and should be.

Dan Hall, Natalya Zernitskaya, and Danny Ivanov are LGBTQ+ millennial leaders in Santa Monica. Dan and Natalya serve respectively as the Vice President of Political Action and Secretary of the Santa Monica Democratic Club. Danny serves as a Rent Control Board Commissioner and was a previous Vice President of the Santa Monica Democratic Club.

Editor's Note: Councilwoman Lana Negrete is out of town but submitted a statement regarding Council's discussion of gender neutral bathrooms. The news article referenced was not published in the Daily Press.

Editor

I am sorry I cannot be here to say these words.

I support gender neutral bathrooms, period.

Creating policy is complicated, it requires knowledge and wisdom, which I strive for at every opportunity.

My quotes in a recent news article contemplating policy were reported out of context, an update has been requested and I hope that the groups who used this information against me will now use the update to support me.

The news and its spin can only be used as a weapon if we let it. Our democracy and its process is unyielding and I appreciate this platform, via proxy, to share my support for this item.

COUNCILWOMAN LANA NEGRETE




# CRIME WATCH

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

## ON APRIL 9

SMPD officers responded to 2505 Santa Monica Blvd (CVS) at approximately 8:40 a.m. Store employees stated that a male suspect entered the store and began concealing items within a bag. The male, later identified as Keshawn Douglas, was taken into custody by SMPD officers and ultimately issued a citation for shoplifting.

City of Santa Monica

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**NOTICE INVITING BIDS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica invites Contractors to complete and submit sealed bids for the:

**Street Lighting Modernization Program – Package 3**
**SP2598**

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**MANDATORY PRE-BID JOB WALK: N/A**

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City of Santa Monica

**NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL**

**SUBJECT:** Proposed Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance to extend Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance 2739 (CCS) and Proposed Amendments to the Text of the Santa Monica Municipal Code to Confirm the Applicability of Certain Zoning and Health and Safety Regulations to Wireless Facilities Subject to Santa Monica Municipal Code Chapter 9.32, Personal Wireless Service Facilities

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to introduce and adopt an Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance extending interim zoning regulations established by Interim Zoning Ordinance 2739 (CCS) adopted by the City Council on March 14, 2023, that confirmed the applicability of certain zoning and health and safety regulations to wireless facilities subject to Santa Monica Municipal Code Chapter 9.32, Personal Wireless Service Facilities.

The City Council will also consider amendments to the text of Article 9 of the Santa Monica Municipal Code (Zoning Ordinance) to confirm the applicability of certain zoning and health and safety regulations to wireless facilities subject to Santa Monica Municipal Code Chapter 9.32, Personal Wireless Service Facilities. On April 12, 2023, the Santa Monica Planning Commission adopted Resolution Number 23-009 recommending to the City Council that the City Council adopt the proposed amendments to the text of the Zoning Ordinance.

**DATE/TIME:** **TUESDAY, MAY 9, 2023 AT 7:00 PM**

**LOCATION:** City Council Chamber, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

**HOW TO COMMENT:**
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Members of the public unable to attend a meeting but wishing to comment on an item(s) listed on the agenda may submit written comments prior to the public hearing via email to councilmtgitems@santamonica.gov or via mail to City Clerk, 1685 Main Street, Room 102, Santa Monica, California 90401. Written public comment submitted before 12:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be available for online viewing. All written comments shall be made part of the public record. Please note the agenda item number in the subject line of your written comments.

You may also comment in person at the City Council hearing. Please check the agenda for more detailed instructions on how to comment in person.

Address your comments to: City Clerk
Re: Extension of Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance 2739 and Proposed Amendments

**VIA EMAIL:** councilmtgitems@santamonica.gov
**VIA MAIL:** 1685 Main Street, Room 102
Santa Monica, CA 90401

**MORE INFORMATION:** If you want more information about this project, please contact Tony Kim at (310) 458-2200 ext. 5522 or by e-mail at tony.kim@santamonica.gov. For disability-related accommodations, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (310) 458-8211 at least 72 hours in advance of the meeting. Every attempt will be made to provide the requested accommodation. All written materials are available in alternate languages provided the request is received 72 hours prior to the meeting. Santa Monica Big Blue Bus Lines serve City Hall and the Civic Center area. The Expo Line terminus is located at Colorado Avenue and Fourth Street, and is a short walk to City Hall. Public parking is available in front of City Hall, on Olympic Drive, and in the Civic Center Parking Structure (validation free).

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the public hearing.

**ESPAÑOL:** Esto es una noticia de una audiencia pública para revisar applicaciónes proponiendo desarrollo en Santa Monica. Si deseas más información, favor de llamar a Carmen Gutierrez en la División de Planificación al número (310) 458-2275.



# COMMUNITY NEWS

**The Pier**

## Jet Ski Rescue

On Friday, April 21, at approximately 4:30 p.m., with clear skies and a temperature of approximately 62 degrees, SMPD Harbor Officers were dispatched to a report of a jet ski collision half a mile offshore of the Santa Monica Pier with one person unconscious and in the water.

Two Harbor Officers quickly launched the Tango-1 vessel to respond. When they arrived on scene a male, approximately 40-50 years old was found unconscious/unresponsive in the water with his two friends on a jet-ski clinging to his lifejacket, struggling to keep the subject's head above the water. The victim had a deep laceration to the left side of the forehead and was bleeding moderately. Witnesses reported two jet-skis had been involved in a head on collision at a speed of approximately 10-15mph.

Harbor Services Officer (HSO) Kingsbury updated dispatch and communicated with the U.S. Coast Guard and Los Angeles County Fire Department, Lifeguard Division, while HSO Sardisco entered the water to rescue the victim. With LA County Baywatch enroute, HSO's decided to extricate the victim out of the water onto the larger LA County vessel.

The victim was brought to the West End of the Pier, where he was loaded into the stokes basket and hoisted to the pier deck with assistance from HSO Marshall and Buchanan. Patient care was transferred to the Santa Monica Fire Department Paramedics with the victim ultimately being transported to a local hospital by ambulance.

SUBMITTED BY SMPD

**Citywide**

## Samohi Choir Wins Top Honors at the Worldstrides Festival in Seattle

Three of Samohi's choirs won top prizes at the WorldStrides Performing Arts Heritage Festival in Seattle, Washington last weekend. Chamber Singers won a First Prize Gold Award, Madrigal Ensemble won a Second Prize Gold Award, and Samohi Chorale won a First Prize Gold Award in each of their respective divisions, consisting of competing choirs from across the country. All three choirs performed so well at Saturday's competition that they each qualified for an Adjudicator's Trophy which includes an invitation to perform in 2024 at a Festival in Carnegie Hall in New York City, one of the premier music festivals in the world. Chamber Singers tied for the overall highest scoring choir in the competition, and all three choirs received the choral sweepstakes award. Four of the choir students were also recognized by the judges with Maestro Awards as outstanding soloists.

Under the direction of Jeffe Huls, Director of Vocal Music at Santa Monica High School (Samohi), these advanced choirs historically traveled annually to a music festival, either domestically or abroad. However, this tour in Seattle marked their first return to a festival since Covid disrupted their last planned tour in Spring 2020; when the seniors in these choirs were freshmen. "It has taken a lot of work and dedication on the part of the students to return to such high achievement," said Huls. "Training the voices through masks, sitting outdoors, eight feet apart, was a tough job. These students persevered and kept going. I am so proud of them for that."

Information about the Samohi Vocal Music program, upcoming concerts and how to support the program is found on the Samohi Choral Music website at samohichoir.org.

> "It has taken a lot of work and dedication on the part of the students to return to such high achievement"
> - Jeffe Huls, Director of Vocal Music at Santa Monica High School

SUBMITTED BY LEANNA EINBINDER

**11th Street**

## SMC Symphony Orchestra Presents Concert April 30

The Santa Monica College Music Department will present a concert showcasing the SMC Symphony Orchestra on Sunday, April 30, at 4 p.m. in The Broad Stage at the SMC Performing Arts Center, 1310 11th Street (at Santa Monica Boulevard), Santa Monica.

Director Mercedes Juan Musotto and Concertmaster Andrea Sanderson will lead the orchestra in a lively concert of classical music and an unforgettable tribute to Western, Spanish, and Latin American music, highlighting women composers and played on a variety of instruments by dedicated musicians.

The event features performances by mezzo-soprano Janelle DeStefano and dancers Wendy Castellanos and Ryan Rockmore.

Tickets are $10 general admission (plus a modest service charge); free for students with any student I.D. Advance tickets can be purchased online at smc.edu/tickets or by calling 310-434-3005 (Monday-Friday; limited hours). Tickets may also be purchased — starting 45 minutes before the performance begins — at The Broad Stage Box Office at the SMC Performing Arts Center. Free parking on premises. Seating is strictly on a first-arrival basis.

With mask requirements subject to change, guests should visit smc.edu/coronavirus for up-to-date details before heading to the concert.

More information is available by calling 310-434-4323. All performances subject to change or cancellation without notice.

SUBMITTED BY GRACE SMITH

GUEST COMMENTARY

Send comments to editor@smdp.com

# *Flavoring medicine is vital for kids. California may soon make it harder*

I encounter dozens of parents daily who enter my pharmacy with a desperate look when their child is sick. All parents, including myself, have been there at one point, and know that helpless and concerned feeling.

One of the more comforting aspects of this profession is knowing that we can respond in a way that offers parents personalized solutions that provide relief to their children. But the medicine pharmacists provide only works if children take it.

Historically, this problem would result in battles between parents and their children which can sometimes lead to non-adherence and shortened therapy, or drug resistant infections. To establish peace, for decades, pharmacists in California have been able to add flavoring – bubble-gum flavored clindamycin, for example – to prescription medicines.

Using specialized equipment, the act of medication flavoring takes place at more than 3,000 community pharmacies in California and nearly 40,000 pharmacies nationwide each year as a point-of-care service to help facilitate children's liquid medication. For a child struggling to take their medicine, flavoring the medication literally helps make the medicine go down.

But recently, the California Board of Pharmacy has created some ambiguity in the regulatory language related to flavoring. This is raising concerns for many pharmacists.

Flavoring has been uncontroversial for a long time. For decades, there have been no reported incidents of patient harm or death from using medication flavoring. The practice and science of flavoring have also become more sophisticated over the years.

Today, typical flavoring agents are independently tested, manufactured in FDA-registered facilities and chemically inert. And flavoring medication can now be automated by flavoring machines.

In pharmacies with this specialized equipment, the pharmacist is no longer required to add the various sweeteners and flavoring agents physically. Instead, the flavoring process is fully automated and accomplished by scanning a barcode and confirming information on a screen.

Flavoring has, for the most part, never been regulated as part of a "compounding" process. A compounding pharmacy is a specific type that makes custom medications for people with highly specific medication needs and requirements.

Compounding pharmacies must adhere to different regulatory requirements than standard pharmacies. For over 10 years, California's state regulators have determined that the act of flavoring does not rise to the level of traditional compounding in any practical way. And in that time, millions of medications have been flavored without causing any harm to a child.

Late last year, United States Pharmacopoeia, an independent, non-governmental organization establishing pharmaceutical compounding standards, updated its definition of compounding and the requirements to perform compounding. They also took the opportunity to reiterate their long-held belief that flavoring should not be subjected to compounding standards.

Right now, 48 out of 50 State Boards of Pharmacy do not regulate flavoring as compounding. In fact, 98% of children 11 or younger live in a state that does not consider flavoring of medications to be compounding. That includes the 6 million children under the age of 11 living in California.

Without this exemption, California's pharmacies will likely begin phasing out their flavoring services to avoid unnecessary, time-consuming and expensive regulations. This will have an effect on our business and, more importantly, the health and wellbeing of our youngest patients.

California's community pharmacies provide a simple and safe service to flavor medications for our customers. This new regulation the California State Board of Pharmacy is considering will take away this service that pharmacists can offer to sick children and worried parents alike.

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Sonya Frausto is a pharmacist and pharmacy owner of Ten Acres Pharmacy in Sacramento. She has over 17 years of experience, with a focus on immunizations, women's health and functional medicine. This article was originally published by CalMatters.

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leap healthy meals

**REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL**

THE LEARNING ENRICHMENT AFTER-SCHOOL PROGRAM (**leap**) REQUESTS PROPOSALS (RFP) TO SERVE BOTH SUMMER AND AFTERSCHOOL MEALS FROM JULY 1, 2023 THROUGH JULY 1, 2024 TO OVER 30 SITES SERVING 25-200 STUDENTS EACH DAY THROUGHOUT LOS ANGELES, THE SAN FERNANDO VALLEY, AND SAN BERNARDINO COUNTY. ADDITIONAL LOCATIONS MAY BE PROVIDED IN THE RFP. ONCE AWARDED, THIS RFP CAN BE RENEWED UP TO FOUR TIMES FOR A RENEWAL PERIOD OF 12 MONTHS EACH.

PROPOSALS WILL BE ACCEPTED FROM APRIL 25 2023 UNTIL MAY 18, 2023 AT 4:00PM AT 6060 W. MANCHESTER AVE. SUITE 203, LOS ANGELES, CA 90045. THE BID OPENING WILL BE MADE PUBLIC AT THIS DATE AND TIME. ALL MEALS OF EACH TYPE MUST MEET THE MINIMUM STANDARDS SET BY THE USDA FOR THE SFSP AND CACFP MEALS OF THAT TYPE.

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# Fox News ousts Tucker Carlson, its most popular host

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Fox News on Monday ousted prime-time host Tucker Carlson, whose stew of grievances and political theories about Russia and the Jan. 6 insurrection had grown to define the network in recent years and make him an influential force in GOP politics.

Fox said that the network and Carlson had "agreed to part ways," but offered no explanation for the stunning move, saying that the last broadcast of "Tucker Carlson Tonight" aired last Friday. Carlson ended the show by saying, "We'll be back on Monday."

The break comes amid a cascade of bad legal news for Fox and Carlson. A week ago, Fox agreed to pay more than $787 million to settle a lawsuit with Dominion Voting Systems over the network's airing of false claims following the 2020 presidential election — shortly before Carlson was expected to be called to testify.

CBS' "60 Minutes" on Sunday aired a report about a man caught up in a Jan. 6 conspiracy theory who said Carlson was "obsessed" with him, and whose lawyer has put Fox on notice of potential litigation. Carlson was also recently named in a lawsuit by a former Fox producer who said the show had a cruel and misogynistic workplace, and that she had been pressured to give misleading testimony in the Dominion case.

Meanwhile, CNN axed its own embattled anchor, Don Lemon, part of a one-day bloodletting in cable television news on Monday. Lemon had been a bad fit with his fellow morning hosts and was forced to apologize to GOP presidential candidate Nikki Haley for his comment that she was past her prime.

Carlson, however, had a greater influence, higher viewer count and more shocking exit. He worked at both CNN and MSNBC earlier in his career, then ditched his bow-tie look and quickly became Fox's most popular personality after replacing Bill O'Reilly in the network's prime-time lineup in 2017.

His populist tone about elites who are out to get average Americans rang true with Fox's predominantly conservative audience, even leading to talk about Carlson becoming a political candidate himself one day.

He did not immediately return a message seeking comment on Monday.

Shares of Fox Corp. slid 4% within seconds of the announcement of Carlson's departure, then recovered to be down 2.9% at the end of trading.

"Tucker Carlson had become even bigger than Fox News," said Brian Stelter, who is writing an upcoming book about Fox, "Network of Lies." "His sudden ouster will have profound consequences for Fox News, for TV news and the Republican Party."

When Carlson's exit was announced during a live showing of the ABC daytime talk show "The View" on Monday, the studio audience applauded. Host Ana Navarro then led the crowd in a singalong to a line from the song, "Na Na Hey Hey Kiss Him Goodbye."

Earlier this year, House Speaker Kevin McCarthy gave Carlson exclusive access to security tapes from the Jan. 6, 2021 Capitol riot, which the show used to conclude: "The footage does not show an insurrection or riot in progress." His interpretation was denounced by many, including Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell.

The "60 Minutes" report Sunday was about Raymond Epps, a former Marine and Trump supporter from Arizona who was in Washington on Jan. 6, 2021. He was later falsely accused of being a government agent conducting a "false flag" operation to start trouble that would be blamed on Trump supporters. Epps and his wife had to sell their business and home because of threats tied to these conspiracy theories.

On CBS, Epps said Carlson was "obsessed" with him and "going to any means possible to destroy my life."

Carlson was expected to be called as a witness if Dominion's case had gone to trial, but the two parties settled last Tuesday on the same day that opening statements were anticipated.

Dominion had contended that some Fox programs had falsely aired allegations that the company had rigged the election against former President Donald Trump, even though several Fox executives and personalities didn't believe them. Carlson's show was not among the chief offenders; he'd be an unlikely candidate to take the fall for that lawsuit.

In several messages, though, Carlson spoke candidly about his distaste for Trump at the time and his fear that the network was losing viewers among the former president's fans.

He was also quoted using profane language to describe Sidney Powell, the Trump supporter and conservative attorney who was given airtime on other Fox shows to spread lies about Dominion, and called her a "psychopath."

Carlson was recently named in a lawsuit filed by Abby Grossberg, a Fox News producer fired after claiming that Fox lawyers had pressured her to give misleading testimony in the Dominion lawsuit. Grossberg had gone to work for Carlson after leaving Maria Bartiromo's Fox show.

The lawsuit says that Grossberg learned "she had merely traded in one overtly misogynistic work environment for an even crueler one — this time, one where unprofessionalism reigned supreme, and the staff's distaste and disdain for women infiltrated almost every workday decision."

On her first day of work at Carlson's program, Grossberg said in her lawsuit, she was met with large, blown-up images of Rep. Nancy Pelosi in a bathing suit with a plunging neckline.

Fox has called the lawsuit "baseless."

On his show, Carlson has also been outspoken in questioning the United States support of Ukraine, following its invasion by Russian forces.

"It might be worth asking yourself since it is getting pretty serious: What is this really about?" Carlson said on his show. "Why do I hate Putin so much? Has Putin ever called me a racist? Has he threatened to get me fired for disagreeing with him? Has he shipped every middle-class job in my town to Russia?"

"Fox News Tonight" will air in Carlson's 8 p.m. Eastern prime-time slot, hosted by a rotating array of network personalities, for the time being.

"We thank him for his service to the network as a host and prior to that as a contributor," the press release from the network said.

## MEMOIR

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career.

"I study the history of the struggle against racism, the Civil Rights Movement here in the US and also other similar struggles in India and elsewhere," he said. "I do that, I think, largely because I saw the impact of racism in my brother's life."

He said that the book presents a nuanced view of race-related issues in the United States, that he hopes helps readers understand the persistence, weight and severity of racism in the country but also see reasons for hope and the potential for change.

"I hope that readers will be able to hold on to two ideas at the same time that can sometimes be in tension with each other, but I think they're both true: one of them is that racism is still a huge problem in our society and yet at the same time, there are many, many individuals and families that are able to love across racial divides," he said.

He added that he also hopes the book shows and honors the person who his brother was. Neither of the brothers' fathers were present in their lives and Nico said that Peter, who was seven years older, took on that role for him.

"He was the greatest big brother you could imagine," he said. "He took it very seriously because he didn't have a father either and so he really put a lot of himself into being a father figure for me... he was able to love me for who I was, and yet at the same time, believe in my future and he would push me and challenge me but still, ultimately, I always knew that he loved me and that combination was foundational to my entire childhood."








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**BROTHERS:** One night in Santa Monica changed both lives.

Slate said that his decision to write the memoir arose out of a desire for his children to feel connected to their uncle, who Slate said inspired him to want to be a father, but who they never got the chance to meet.

"I always knew I wanted to be a father because I had such a positive relationship with my brother and it shaped how I am with my own children now..." he said. "I realized that I really wanted my children to know their uncle better and so I started to research his life, starting with that night in Santa Monica."

While the memoir's official release date is May 12, it is currently available to order online.

To learn more and purchase a copy visit: https://nicoslate.com/books/

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# Don Lemon fired from CNN after divisive morning show run

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CNN fired longtime host Don Lemon on Monday following his short and disastrous run as a morning show host, a little over two months after he apologized for on-air comments about Republican presidential candidate Nikki Haley being past her prime.

The move quickly turned nasty. While CNN chairman and CEO Chris Licht announced, after Lemon had co-hosted the show Monday, that they had "parted ways," Lemon characterized it as a firing and said it was surprise to him.

"After 17 years at CNN I would have thought someone in management would have the decency to tell me directly," Lemon said. CNN said that Lemon was given the opportunity to meet with management but released a statement on Twitter instead.

CNN offered no public explanation for Lemon's dismissal. During a February discussion on "CNN This Morning" with co-hosts Poppy Harlow and Kaitlan Collins about the ages of politicians, he said that the 51-year-old Haley was not "in her prime." A woman, he said, was considered in her prime "in her 20s, 30s and maybe her 40s."

Harlow challenged Lemon, trying to clarify what he was referencing: "I think we need to qualify. Are you talking about prime for childbearing or are you talking about prime for being president?"

"Don't shoot the messenger, I'm just saying what the facts are," Lemon responded.

Lemon issued a statement the same day saying he regretted his "inartful and irrelevant" comments. He was subsequently absent from the show for three days, returning the following week with a tweeted apology but no mention of the episode on air.

Haley, who had criticized Lemon's statements as sexist and used the incident to fundraise in February, took to Twitter on Monday to call Lemon's ouster "a great day for women everywhere," linking to the beverage sleeves emblazoned with "Past my prime? Hold my beer."

Lemon used to host the prime-time "Don Lemon Tonight" but moved when the network launched "CNN This Morning" last November, just before the U.S. midterm elections, as one of the first major programming moves under Licht.

He attracted negative attention last fall by saying that the U.S. men's soccer team should be paid more than the women's team, saying that the men were "more interesting to watch."

Lemon had a well-publicized on-air tiff with Collins last December, when he accused her of trying to interrupt him.

Lemon also had a tense on-air interview last week with Republican presidential contender Vivek Ramaswamy where Lemon, who is Black, disputed Ramaswamy's interpretation of racial history.

It's all a bad look for a morning news show, where the audience is primarily women and casts try to depict themselves as a big happy family. The show has made little headway in the ratings against the more popular "Fox & Friends" and "Morning Joe" on cable news competitors.

The lousy vibes were beginning to cost CNN advertising sales and some potential guests were becoming reluctant to appear on "CNN This Morning," said a CNN staff member familiar with the decision to oust Lemon but not authorized to speak publicly.

Some people close to Lemon have suggested that the morning job was essentially a demotion for him, and he was given little support to succeed.

> "At no time was I ever given any indication that I would not be able to continue to do the work I have loved at the network"
> - Don Lemon

Lemon said he learned of his firing from his agent.

"At no time was I ever given any indication that I would not be able to continue to do the work I have loved at the network," he said.

Associated Press Writer Meg Kinnard contributed reporting from Columbia, South Carolina.

## COMMUNITY NEWS

**Los Angeles**

### Ex-Postal Service Mail Carrier Sentenced to 15 Months in Prison for Stealing from Her Mail Route Debit Cards Containing Public Benefits

A former United States Postal Service (USPS) mail carrier was sentenced today to 15 months in federal prison for her role in a scheme that defrauded banks out of more than $200,000 via the theft of debit cards containing unemployment insurance and other benefits from her mail route and giving them to a co-schemer in exchange for cash payments and gifts.

Toya Toshell Hunter, 45, of South Los Angeles, was sentenced by United States District Judge John F. Walter, who also ordered her to pay $206,212 in restitution.

Hunter pleaded guilty in December 2022 to one count of bank fraud.

From at least August 2015 to May 2020, Hunter schemed to defraud Bank of America by using her position as a USPS mail carrier to steal mail containing California Employment Development Department (EDD) debit cards that contained unemployment insurances benefits. Hunter also stole debit cards containing Economic Impact Payments for federally issued monetary relief because of the COVID-19 pandemic, United States Treasury checks, and other mail containing personal identifying information related to victims assigned to Hunter's mail route.

Hunter would then give the stolen EDD and other cards to co-defendant Michalea Latise Barksdale, a.k.a. "Miichii Bee," 34, of Corona, who then activated and fraudulently used them. Hunter provided Barksdale the stolen debit cards in exchange for future payments and gifts.

During the scheme, Hunter helped Barksdale make fraudulent and unauthorized cash withdrawals from 68 separate victims' accounts and stole approximately $204,812 from Bank of America.

In July 2021, Hunter stole from the mail and fraudulently activated a stolen EIP card belonging to a victim. Hunter then used this card to make fraudulent purchases and cash withdrawals from ATMs and stole approximately $1,400 from Fiserv, a Wisconsin-based financial institution.

"[Hunter]...abused her position by stealing access devices, checks, and personal identifying information from mail assigned to her mail routes," prosecutors argued in a sentencing memorandum. "These access devices were cards intended for people who

were struggling financially: those that were unemployed or impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic."

Barksdale pleaded guilty on March 6 to one count of bank fraud and one count of possession of 15 or more unauthorized access devices. She has agreed to forfeit her ill-gotten gains from the scheme, including 103 EDD debit cards, 78 EIP cards and four iPhones. Barksdale will face up to 40 years in federal prison at her July 10 sentencing hearing.

The United States Postal Inspection Service; United States Postal Service Office, of Inspector General; and the United States Treasury Inspector General for Tax Administration investigated this matter.

Assistant United States Attorney Kyle W. Kahan of the General Crimes Section is prosecuting this case.

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## SUPREME

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nationwide. Justices Clarence Thomas and Samuel Alito publicly dissented and the votes of the other justices were not disclosed.

President Joe Biden praised the order, saying in a statement following the announcement, "As a result of the Supreme Court's stay, mifepristone remains available and approved for safe and effective use while we continue this fight in the courts."

This case is considered the most significant abortion-related issue to end up at the Supreme Court since Roe v. Wade was overturned in June of last year, which resulted in many conservative states attempting to either completely ban the procedure or make it virtually impossible to legally perform. The focus is on FDA's authority to regulate mifepristone, which has been deemed safe to use and has been by millions of women across the country in the 20 years plus that it has been available.

According to a new NPR/PBS NewsHour/Marist poll released on Monday, a sizable majority of Americans do not support laws that would prohibit access to drugs used in medication abortions. The poll found that 64 percent oppose a law that bans access to a medication abortion — the use of a prescribed pill to end a pregnancy. Moreover, it shows the result has support from all sides, with 73 percent of Democrats opposing it, together with 57 percent of independents and 55 percent of Republicans.

During a press conference last week, in anticipation of the Supreme Court ruling, Governor Gavin Newsom, "It's heartbreaking and beyond frustrating that women's health and safety continue to be put in jeopardy because of a deep rooted, pernicious patriarchal strategy to dominate and control our bodies and our lives."

Los Angeles County Health Services said in a statement on Friday, "Abortion is legal in California," adding, "Safe and confidential abortion care remains available to pregnant people of any age, regardless of immigration status, or insurance coverage. LA Health Services patients can find more information on our Abortion services, including safe and confidential access to mifepristone."

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including Republican Mark Amodei signed the letter with Rosen seeking federal-state partnership funding through the Federal Railroad Administration's Intercity Rail Grant Program.

California Democratic House members Nanette Barragán and Jimmy Gomez from the Los Angeles area and John Garamendi of the East Bay area signed on, along with Republican Jay Obernolte, who represents the Victorville and San Bernardino County area.

"This bipartisan delegation from Nevada and California are pleased to support the federal resources necessary to develop essential transportation access between this highly trafficked corridor," the lawmakers said.

## TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 25)

An unexpected turnaround sets your year off on a joyful high. What you were struggling against suddenly gives in to your power, and you move your life into the realm you once only dreamed about. Love blossoms in the spirit of freedom and acceptance. Fortune favors your search for excellent partners, professional alliances and team members. Ideal relationships are not unchanging but built around changing together. Gemini and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 10, 3, 33 and 28.

## HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). If you think you're not doing enough, but at the same time you're too tired to do more, there's a reason: You skipped the recuperation phase. Rest is what gives you the strength to take on the next challenge.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Even the most observant creature on Earth can only witness the minuscule capsule of their own reality. So even as you work toward a more comprehensive understanding of things, it is wise to accept the gargantuan mystery.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). It's not necessary to condemn the parts of life that are not for you. Be grateful for the contrast that nonpreferred circumstances provide. Life is simpler when what matters stands out against the negative space of what doesn't.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). It's possible an authority holds power over you for no reason other than because you gave it to them. Is there something you're receiving from others that you could provide for yourself? Autonomy is power.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Explore more ideas, options and relationships. If you have been doing something counter to your goals, this is your lucky day. New insights and tools will give you the breakthrough you need to succeed.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There is a well of compassion and goodness in people even if they don't seem to be drinking from it. When confronted with bad attitudes, remain constant and things will eventually tilt your way.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Being uncomfortable is a good sign that you're growing. The way forward usually involves some degree of discomfort. Your willingness to endure it allows for your blossoming. Lateral moves aren't usually uncomfortable but, by definition, offer little benefit.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It's annoying when someone makes you work for attention. Then again, you appreciate that kind of attention all the more because you know you've earned it. Stay conscious of subtle power dynamics in play.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The role you fill in an organization or in your family is not one just anyone could step into. It requires compassion, depth and a combination of complexities unique to you. Today, they just need you to relax and be you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Processing life is not always easier just because things are going well. Any fluctuation from the norm requires you to adapt, even if it's a fluctuation in the direction you want. Give yourself a chance to stabilize.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You are charming without knowing it, and you can't help who falls under your spell. People will open up to you and trust you. You'll be a social leader with no other agenda but to make things fun.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). People will go out of their way for you, a reaction to the great affection you inspire. You may feel awkward about receiving this graciousness, but don't worry; all you have to do is accept it with a smile.

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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.

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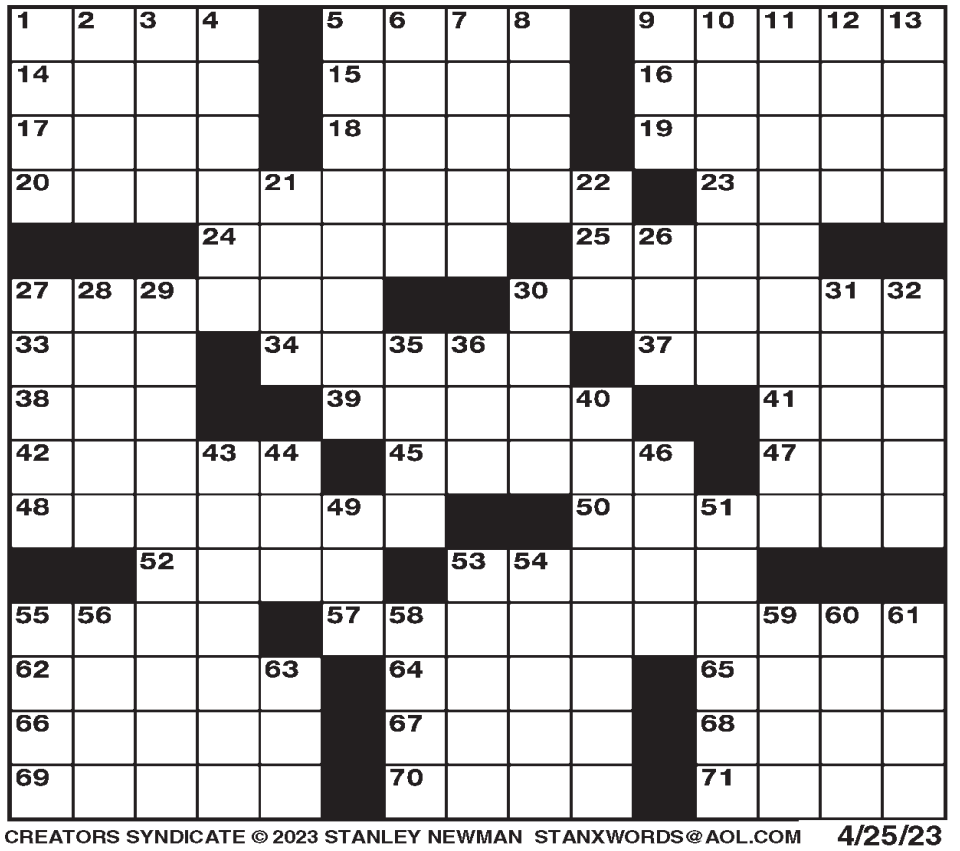
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## Newsday Crossword

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**ACROSS**
1 Frog relative
5 Better late ___ never
9 Bible guy swallowed by a big fish
14 Actress Hathaway or author Rice
15 "Wish you ___ here"
16 Stand up
17 Bread with a pocket
18 Person with debts
19 Gain entry
20 Manual auto transmission
23 School transcript nos.
24 Pungent slice on a burger
25 Palm berry "superfruit"
27 Gave a harsh review to
30 Hypnotic states
33 Male friend in France
34 Joined with in marriage
37 Small keepsake
38 Carry with difficulty
39 Bread, before it's baked
41 Nest-egg acronym
42 Theater attendant
45 Set of steps between floors
47 Chill in the air
48 Any term of endearment
50 Small canyons
52 Extend credit (to)
53 Nevada/California lake
55 Overly formal
57 "It was fine with me"
62 Inflexible
64 Make over, as a kitchen
65 Mental spark
66 Turn the ___ cheek
67 Keep ___ (be persistent)
68 Close a door noisily
69 Gullible one
70 Dog biscuit shape
71 Theater backgrounds

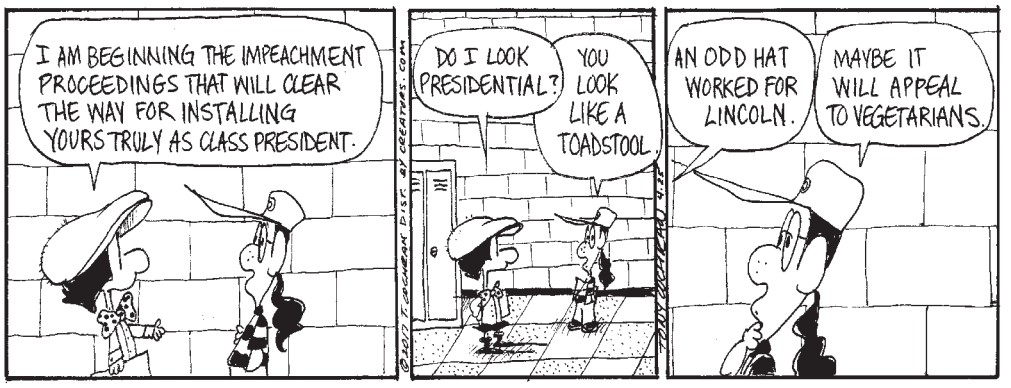
**DOWN**
1 "Lights out" bugle tune
2 "Don't bet ___!"
3 Prefix meaning "against"
4 Church officer
5 Reversible, as a jacket
6 "___ hesitates is lost"
7 "The results ___!"
8 Spongy ball brand
9 Sporty British car, for short
10 Pizzeria herb
11 Quibbling about small details
12 Largest continent
13 Barnyard birds
21 Was certain about
22 Road's black surface
26 Pet that purrs
27 Get chummy (with)
28 Keep entertained
29 Small bulb in a bedroom
30 Formal wear in old Rome
31 Spooky
32 Breaks sharply
35 Measure of medicine
36 Boy king of Egypt
40 Positive statement to "end on"
43 Foes
44 Left in a hurry
46 Cheer for your team
49 1501, in Roman numerals
51 Neglectful
53 Link with
54 Give as a bonus
55 Any theatrical accessory
56 Tequila cocktail, on bar menus
58 Colorless
59 Just sitting around
60 Not cluttered
61 River-blocking structures
63 No longer damp



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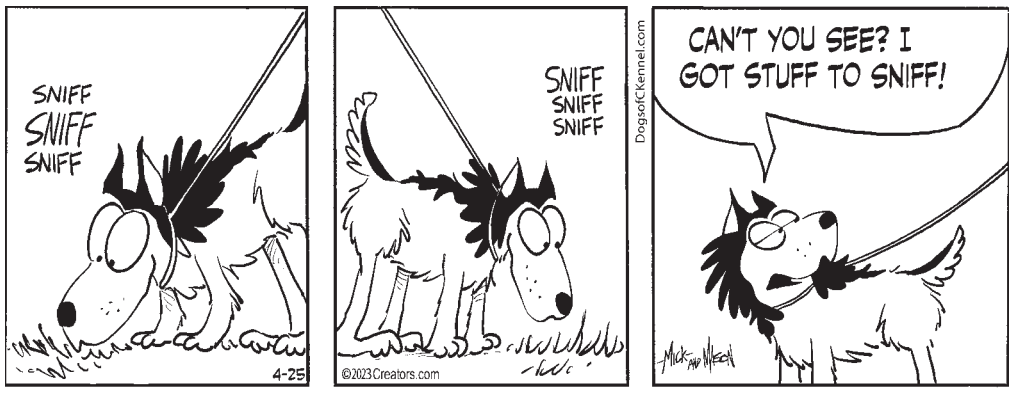
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By TONY COCHRAN



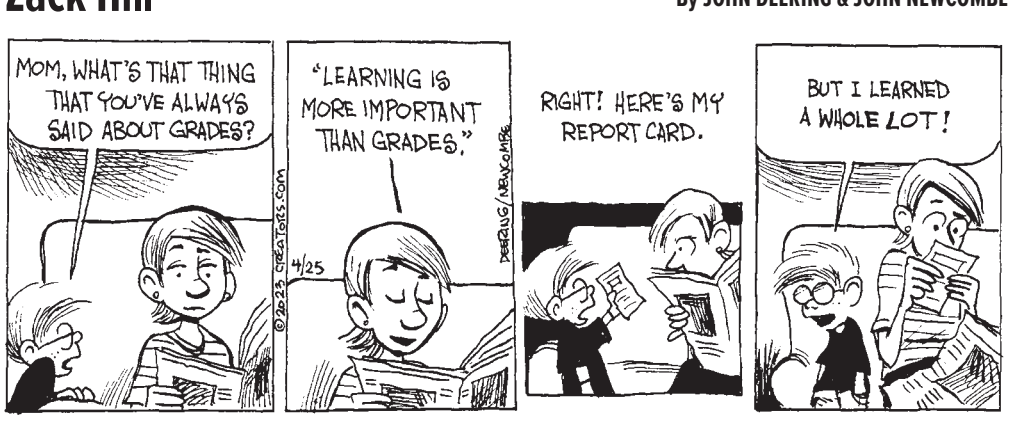

## Dogs of C-Kennel

By MICK & MASON MASTROIANNI & JOHNNY HART




## Zack Hill

By JOHN DEERING & JOHN NEWCOMBE



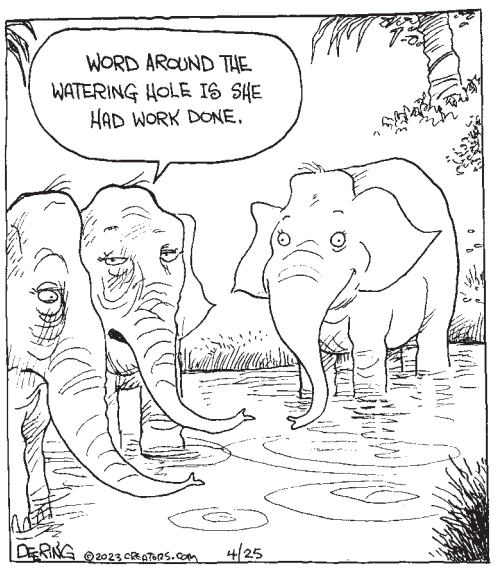

## Heathcliff

By PETER GALLAGHER




## Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING




# FIND THE WORDS

**This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 16 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.** © australianwordgames.com.au 5825

## The Murray River

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| Awed | Irrigation | Nets | Seafood |
| Barmah | Line | Nyah | Snag |
| Camp | Logs | Ournie | Trees |
| Canoe | Mannum | Outboard | Troll |
| Carp | Meal | Paddle | Undergrowth |
| Cattle | Merbein | Party | Weed |
| Cobram | Moama | Pasture | Weir |
| Dams | Monak | Race | |
| Echuca | Muddy | Renmark | |
| Eels | Murray cod | River | |

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S WORDS PUZZLE.
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# What's Up Westside

out and about in Santa Monica

## TUESDAY | APRIL 25

**COLLEGE FAIR**
Santa Monica College has over 26,000 full and part-time students, and 900 international students from 100 different countries. SMC's college fairs have become very popular and thanks to the schools' interest in our students our fair has become the largest of all other California community colleges. In the past fall, 150+ colleges and universities were present. College representatives are available to answer your transfer admissions questions. We look forward to seeing you! Get a full list of schools attending and registration information on the College Fair webpage. https://www.smc.edu/student-support/academic-support/transfer-center/college-fair/

**GRAPHIC NOVEL CLUB**
SMC Library book club that meets monthly to discuss graphic novels. Santa Monica College 1900 Pico Blvd Santa Monica, CA. For more information visit https://www.smc.edu/calendar/index.php#event-details/bece1797-a4e6-46fd-a1fb-b2a73886862f

## WEDNESDAY | APRIL 26

**FREE COMMUNITY RUN CLUB IN SANTA MONICA**
Run Club Every Wednesday Night Starting at Road Runner Sports in Santa Monica. Check in at 5:30pm, run from 6pm-7pm. Walkers also welcome! Come log your mid week miles and make some new friends. Road Runner Sports 1338 4th St. Santa Monica, CA

## THURSDAY | APRIL 27

**OZOMATLI**
Over the course of Ozomatli's 25 year career, the group has sold hundreds of thousands of albums, won two Grammy Awards, consistently sold out concerts around the world, and performed on high profile TV shows like The Today Show, Jimmy Kimmel, Tonight Show w/Jay Leno, and Austin City Limits. 8:00 PM (Doors 6:00 PM) The Venice West 1717 Lincoln Blvd. Venice, CA 90291 https://www.ticketweb.com/event/ozomatli-the-venice-west-tickets/12957305

## FRIDAY | APRIL 28

**EMBROIDERY- YOUTH ENRICHMENT**
The Enrichment Program at Virginia Avenue Park is a component of the Virginia Avenue Park After School program. The Enrichment program is comprised of Artists in Residence who are hired to teach enrichment classes to the youth in our program. These programs are high quality and teach the youth with a hands-on approach. Virginia Avenue Park 2200 Virginia Ave. Santa Monica, CA 90405

## SATURDAY | APRIL 29

**WOMENS HEALTH & WELLNESS GALA**
A gala event focused on womens' health and wellness featuring: food, music and dancing renown broadcast journalist master of ceremony guest dignitary speaker business awards to 5 entrepreneurial women charity fundraiser with donations to women's resources Submit your award nominees. Santa Monica Pier 200 Santa Monica Pier, Ste A. Santa Monica, CA (310) 458-8901

## SUNDAY | APRIL 30

**CONNECTIONS FOR CHILDREN: BETSY AWARDS & FUNDRAISER**
Every year, Connections for Children hosts a fundraising event honoring early childhood champions. The Betsy Awards are named after nationally renowned early childhood pioneer Betsy Hiteshew, who helped found Connections for Children in 1976. This year, we plan to posthumously honor long-time Chamber member Iao Katagiri and Baby2Baby-who was instrumental in helping Connections for Children provide diapers, wipes, and other essential items to hundreds of child care providers during the pandemic. The event will include a seated luncheon and awards program, along with live music. All funds raised will benefit Connections for Children. Santa Monica College 1900 Pico Blvd. Santa Monica, CA https://members.smchamber.com/events/details/connections-for-children-betsy-awards-fundraiser-19254

## MONDAY | MAY 1

**20 QUESTIONS TRIVIA @ O'BRIEN'S**
20 Questions Trivia is like no other trivia show, because you're a part of the show. Wrong answers count for partial credit if they're funny. Every week the show has a theme, and all the questions and/or answers revolve around that theme. That makes it possible to figure out the answer even if you don't know it. And every question is followed by a song, which is usually an additional clue to the correct answer. O'Brien's Irish Pub & Restaurant 2226 Wilshire Blvd. Santa Monica, CA 310-829-5303

## TUESDAY | MAY 2

**DEADENDIA BOOK LAUNCH WITH AUTHOR HAMISH STEELE**
Join us for a release day book launch event with Eisner Award-winning author Hamish Steele for the deluxe editions of his DeadEndia graphic novels. Main Library. 601 Santa Monica Blvd.

For help submitting an event, contact us at
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## SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **60.4**

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| TUESDAY *FAIR* | **SURF:** 2-3ft Thigh to waist | Morning stays small but new SSW swell creeping in during the afternoon nudges waves up a bit. Afternoon onshores look to ease towards the end of the day - worth a look. |
| WEDNESDAY *FAIR* | **SURF:** 2-3ft+ Thigh to stomach | Small again but will probably be clean at least in the morning. Little SSW swell pulses up a touch more, although average breaks likely top out at waist high, with most waves under that. |

## WEATHER

**Tuesday:** Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 65.
**Tuesday Night:** Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, increasing clouds, with a low around 55.
**Wednesday:** Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 69.
**Wednesday Night:** Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 58.

| Date | Day | Time (LST/LDT) | Predicted (ft) | High/Low |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2023/04/25 | Tue | 12:20 AM | 4.76 | H |
| 2023/04/25 | Tue | 08:32 AM | 0.19 | L |
| 2023/04/26 | Wed | 01:11 AM | 4.30 | H |
| 2023/04/26 | Wed | 09:59 AM | 0.38 | L |
| 2023/04/27 | Thu | 02:39 AM | 3.92 | H |
| 2023/04/27 | Thu | 11:14 AM | 0.40 | L |
| 2023/04/27 | Thu | 7:09 PM | 3.50 | H |
| 2023/04/27 | Thu | 11:30 PM | 3.01 | L |
| 2023/04/28 | Fri | 04:26 AM | 3.80 | H |
| 2023/04/28 | Fri | 12:06 PM | 0.35 | L |
| 2023/04/28 | Fri | 7:21 PM | 3.74 | H |
| 2023/04/29 | Sat | 12:28 AM | 2.52 | L |
| 2023/04/29 | Sat | 05:42 AM | 3.87 | H |
| 2023/04/29 | Sat | 12:44 PM | 0.33 | L |
| 2023/04/29 | Sat | 7:35 PM | 4.01 | H |
| 2023/04/30 | Sun | 01:08 AM | 1.98 | L |
| 2023/04/30 | Sun | 06:38 AM | 3.99 | H |
| 2023/04/30 | Sun | 1:14 PM | 0.37 | L |

## DAILY LOTTERY

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

**POWERBALL**
Draw Date: 4/22
17 36 47 63 68
Power#: 25
Jackpot: 28 M

**MEGA MILLIONS**
Draw Date: 4/21
3 21 29 46 63
Mega#: 9
Jackpot: 26 M

**SuperLotto PLUS**
Draw Date: 4/22
12 22 41 42 43
Mega#: 18
Jackpot: 53 M

**Fantasy 5**
Draw Date: 4/23
7 11 13 14 38

**Daily 3**
Draw Date: 4/23
EVENING: 6 1 1

Draw Date: 4/23
MIDDAY: 9 4 0

**Daily Derby**
Draw Date: 4/23
1st: 04 - Big Ben
2nd: 10 - Solid Gold
3rd: 07 - Eureka
Race Time: 1:40.62

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