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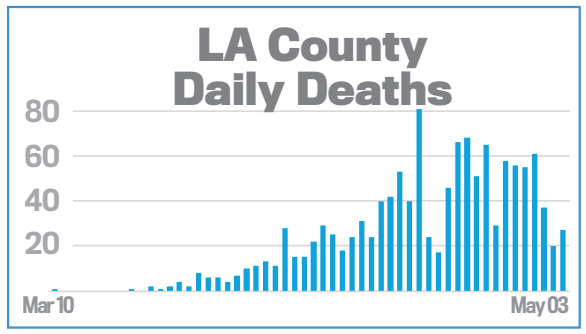
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Cuts will be deep but some programs will remain.
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## CORONAVIRUS DEATHS per 100,000 in 5 Largest States

| CALIFORNIA | TEXAS | FLORIDA | NEW YORK | PENNSYLVANIA |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 5.8 | 3.3 | 6.8 | 126.8 | 22.2 |

SMDP Graphic - Data from Johns Hopkins, WHO, LA County Public Health




# Man arrested for train station stabbing

**MATTHEW HALL**
SMDP Editor

The Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department arrested a man Saturday morning after a stabbing at the Downtown Metro station.

According to Ramon Montenegro, a Public Information Officer with the Sheriff's Transit Services Bureau, the victim was stabbed in the chest but is expected to survive.

Montenegro said officers responded to the location at about 5 a.m. on May 2 and found the

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Matthew Hall

**METRO: A fight at the Downtown Metro station ended with one man stabbed in the chest over the weekend.**

# 21 new coronavirus cases confirmed in Santa Monica since Friday

**MADELEINE PAUKER**
SMDP Staff Writer

Public health officials reported 21 new coronavirus cases among Santa Monica residents over the last three days.

Four new cases were confirmed Saturday, three on Sunday and 14 on Monday, according to the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health. The total number of residents with the virus increased 20% over the last week to 185 after rising 24% the week before. Since last Tuesday, the death toll has remained at nine, according to a county dashboard.

Additionally, 111 patients and staff in five Santa Monica nursing

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# Grades and taxes on tap for SMMUSD meeting

**BRENNON DIXSON**
SMDP Staff Writer

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District will meet for the third time online via Zoom this Thursday at 5 p.m. as a result of the ongoing safer-at-home orders, which have been implemented across the state.

It's been more than a month since the district's board of education last met, and there are a number of important items that are set to be discussed, according to the posted agenda.

Though it's listed in the Major Action Items portion of the agenda, a public hearing on a 2020-21 Measure R Parcel Tax is set to kick off Thursday's meeting.

"It is recommended that the Board of Education hold a public hearing on the matter of the Special Parcel Tax (Measure R) regarding applying a Consumer Price Index (CPI-U) adjustment," the agenda states before detailing how the public hearing is a standard process that is required prior to levying of the special tax each fiscal year.

"Subsequent to the public hearing, the board of education will formally consider the adoption of a $435.06 per parcel assessment for 2020-21 (3.4% increase from the current $420.75 per parcel rate based on the change in the CPI-U between February 2019 and February 2020)," the agenda states.

Communications items, the consent calendar and a ten minute Earth Day Climate Presentation are

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**RETIRED: Local USPS postman, Edward Cameron, retired on April 29 after 26 years delivering mail. Here he is at the Westminster Towers seniors' housing building on 7th Street, where he received some farewell gifts from the residents.**

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# CITY OF SANTA MONICA
## NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
## BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA PLANNING COMMISSION
## VIA TELECONFERENCE
### Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 Issued by Governor Gavin Newsom

**SUBJECT:** Proposed amendments to the Downtown Community Plan (DCP) authorizing Tier 3 housing projects greater than 90,000 square feet within the Downtown to be reviewed through a Development Review Permit, text revisions to the definition of a "housing project", and proposed amendments to Section 9.10.070 of the Zoning Ordinance to establish project requirements for Tier 3 Downtown housing projects greater than 90,000 square feet.

A public hearing will be held by the Planning Commission to consider a Resolution recommending to the City Council the adoption of amendments to the text of the Downtown Community Plan (Sections 9.10.050 and 9.10.050(A)) to authorize Tier 3 housing projects greater than 90,000 square feet within the Downtown to be reviewed through a Development Review Permit instead of a Development Agreement and text revisions to the definition of a "housing project". The Planning Commission will also consider a Resolution recommending to the City Council the adoption of amendments to Section 9.10.070 of the Zoning Ordinance to establish project requirements for Tier 3 Downtown housing projects greater than 90,000 square feet.

Prior to this hearing, the Planning Commission will be considering a Resolution of Intention at its May 13, 2020 hearing declaring its intention to consider these proposed amendments. If the Resolution of Intention is not adopted on May 13, 2020, then the subject item will not be heard by the Planning Commission on May 20, 2020, and it will be rescheduled for a future hearing date.

**DATE/TIME:** **WEDNESDAY, MAY 20, 2020, AT 5:30 P.M.**

LOCATION: In an effort to reduce the risk of spreading Coronavirus (COVID-19), members of the Planning Commission and City Staff will participate via teleconference. The meeting will be broadcast on CityTV Channel 16 and streamed on the City's website as normal but participants may also join the teleconference via https://primetime.bluejeans.com/a2m/live-event/bfdfcuqd or by dialing in at 1-415-466-7000 (PIN: 5196939 #)

**HOW TO COMMENT**
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Those wishing to give public comment must make that request via email to planningcomment@smgov.net. Written information received prior to 12 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be distributed to the Planning Commission prior to the meeting and posted online. Written information received after 12 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be read aloud at the meeting subject to time constraints.

Address your comments to: Steve Mizokami, Principal Planner
Re: Downtown Community Plan Amendments

**MORE INFORMATION**
If you want more information about this proposal, please contact Steve Mizokami at (310) 458-8341, or by e-mail at steve.mizokami@smgov.net. The Downtown Community Plan is available on the City's web site at https://www.smgov.net/Departments/PCD/Plans/Downtown-Community-Plan/

For disability-related accommodations, please contact (310) 458-8341 or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. Every attempt will made to provide the requested accommodation.

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) 458-8341.

LET US KNOW YOUR OPINION
Santa Monica Daily Press editor@smdp.com

# Your column here

By Judy Abdo and Juan Matute | Send comments to editor@smdp.com

# Equity, Transparency, and Efficiency on the Road to Economic Recovery

The magnitude of the crisis facing Santa Monica and the hard choices we must make cannot be understated. The unsurprising but likely devastating absence of a federal relief strategy for cities like Santa Monica means that many communities will be forced to make painful cuts. When governments make cuts, it is almost always the most vulnerable among us who suffer the most.

The path ahead for Santa Monica, laid out in the staff report released Friday, is a bleak one. We stare down a potential $300 million deficit over the next two years. But while it is clear that we have to be realistic about how to respond to this crisis, we must do so in a way that does not compromise our values by disproportionately impacting the most vulnerable members of our community nor forces us to abandon our commitment to a sustainable future. To do this, we have to make fact-based decisions not only about cuts, but also how we can increase revenue so that we can close the gaps these unforeseen losses in revenue have created.

We need a response more in the spirit of the New Deal than the one hoped for by the Mitch McConnells of the world. The answer is not to shrink government to oblivion. It is to govern well, guided by values. Some may see the shrinking of Santa Monica's government as something to cheer, but if we want to stay true to the vision that has made Santa Monica into the great place it is today and will make it into an even better place tomorrow, our response to this crisis must be rooted in three major values: equity, transparency, and efficiency.

**EQUITY**

Yes, cuts will have to be made and we -- as a community -- will have to make sacrifices. But if we are committed to progressive values, it is our responsibility to ensure the burden of those cuts do not fall disproportionately on the shoulders of the most vulnerable in our community.

Affordable housing, childcare for working families, access to safe streets, and reliable transit are not luxuries to be compromised -- they are bedrock services that mean the difference between life and death, having a home or being out on the streets, for thousands of families in our city. For our community and our economy to recover, Santa Monica families need to be confident that they will have roofs over their heads, and we need to preserve before-and after-school care so parents can return to work quickly. We also need to maintain our commitment to sustainability, which includes making sure our streets are safe and accessible for all who use them, from the dishwasher who rides his bike from the train to the family that walks in their neighborhood for exercise.

Creating a big-picture vision for a broad economic recovery is really the only way we can, in the long-run, ensure that revenues recover quickly and give us the resources necessary to get back on track, restore services and programs that had to be eliminated or reduced, and redouble our commitment to being an equitable and inclusive community.

**TRANSPARENCY**

In this critical period, we need a more transparent process of City financial decision-making. Working with the limited publicly available data sources, we have developed a financial projection tool - available at santamonicaforward.org/financial-projections. This tool allows anyone to consider the facts and choose among options to boost revenue and reduce expenses in the City's budget. In the interest of transparency and to promote further fact-based dialogue, the City should be regularly releasing updated financial data via the City's Open Data Portal.

**EFFICIENCY**

To get the economy moving again, the City needs to make it easier for small businesses to operate. Interim and permanent zoning reforms can make it easier for shuttered businesses to reopen and convert commercial vacancies into thriving enterprises. We can provide access to desperately needed new housing, preserve neighborhoods, and set a course for a sustainable future by reducing the layers of process required to get projects off the ground. We support proposed streamlining of unnecessary layers of review, but are concerned that some of the proposed cuts will reduce the ability to digitize processes and improve online customer service.

While the above ideas are by no means exhaustive, the foundational values that should guide our approach are indispensable. Time and again, at the ballot box, at public meetings, and through our hard work as a community, Santa Monica has shown we are committed to an equitable and just society and to a better future where our children and planet can thrive. Now, in the midst of crisis, is not the time to dismantle the social safety net we have spent decades building or to abandon our goals for an environmentally and economically sustainable future.

We look forward to working together as a community in the spirit of cooperation and good faith discussion. We may be facing dark times, but we can work together to get through them.

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Judy Abdo and Juan Matute submitted this commentary on behalf of Santa Monica Forward

# COMMUNITY BRIEFS

**Citywide**

## Santa Monica Public Library Celebrates Asian Pacific American Heritage Month

May is Asian Pacific American Heritage Month (APAHM), honoring the achievements and contributions of Asian Americans and Pacific Islanders in the United States. This year, Santa Monica Public Library invites you to celebrate by participating from home.

Check out our collection of recommended APAHM reads for adults and youth, available online as ebooks or downloadable audiobooks with your Santa Monica Public Library card. Need a library card? Apply for a temporary e-card today and start reading!

Learn about the history of APAHM with this brief video. Settle in with a month-long schedule of cultural and historical programming on public television. And join the Library online for two very special, live family programs.

**ORIGAMI CRANES WITH EMMY LAM**

WED, MAY 20 / 4 to 5 p.m. / Event link: https://tinyurl.com/y9nv6uaj

Come together through the art of Origami! Learn the precise art of folding origami cranes during this live tutorial with Emmy Lam. If you don't have origami paper on hand, upcycle letter-sized paper by making them into squares before the program. Japanese legend promises a wish when 1,001 cranes are made. Make a paper crane or two (or a hundred) and send a photo to libraryprograms@smgov.net to share in this community endeavor of hope and healing. For all ages.

**JAPANESE STORYTIME**

WED, MAY 27 / 3 to 3:30 p.m. / Event link: https://tinyurl.com/ycves55y

Join us for stories and songs in this live bilingual English/Japanese story time with language educator and mom Hiromi Lathrop. For families.

SUBMITTED BY BARBARA CHANG FLEEMAN, REFERENCE SERVICES LIBRARIAN

**Citywide**

## Virtual Town Hall on Renter/Landlord Rights & Responsibilities and Support for Businesses

LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl will host a virtual town hall to answer County residents' questions about Covid19-related renter and landlord rights and responsibilities, as well as resources for small businesses. Supervisor Kuehl will be joined by Joe Nicchitta, the Director of the County Department of Consumer and Business Affairs.

Wednesday May 6 from 7 - 8 p.m. The event will be live-streamed on Supervisor Kuehl's Facebook page. Members of the public are invited to begin posting questions starting at 6:45 p.m.

The virtual town hall will be live-streamed on Supervisor Kuehl's Facebook page. https://www.facebook.com/sjkuehl/.

The COVID19 pandemic has profoundly affected the way LA County residents live and work. Many residents have lost their jobs or are living on reduced income, and many businesses are dealing with a steep decline in revenue. This virtual town hall will provide an opportunity for residents to ask questions (via Facebook comment box) that will be answered by LA County Supervisor Sheila Kuehl and the Director of the Department of Consumer and Business Affairs, Joe Nicchitta.

SUBMITTED BY BARBARA OSBORN, COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR

**Citywide**

## Virtual Town Hall for the Westside

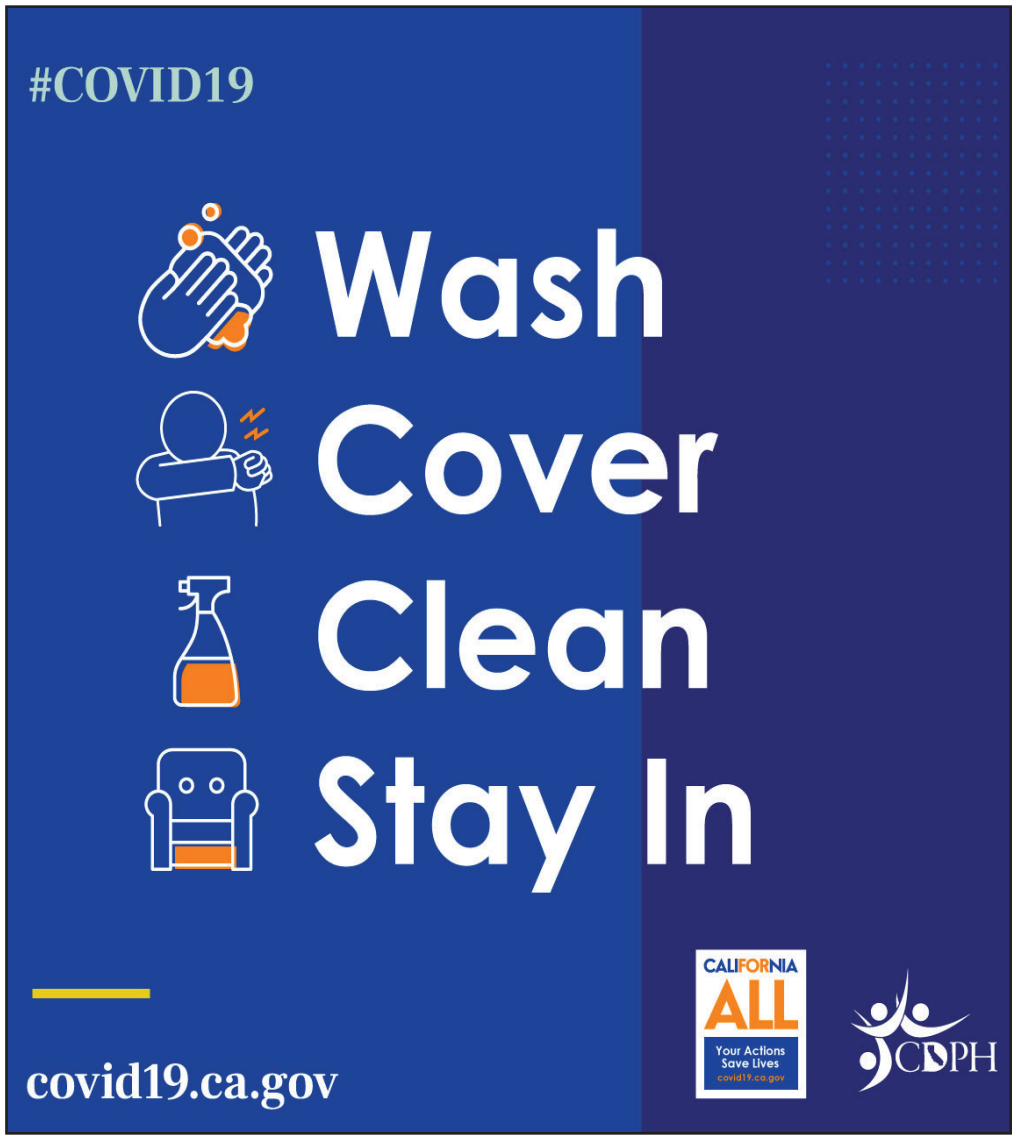
Senator Ben Allen (D – Santa Monica), Congressman Ted Lieu, Los Angeles City Councilmember Mike Bonin, and LAUSD Board Member Nick Melvoin will host a virtual town hall to discuss resources and programs available to residents of the Westside during the COVID-19 outbreak.

Wednesday, May 6, 5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. The event will be livestreamed on Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/benallencalifornia/) and (https://twitter.com/BenAllenCA).

Q&A portion will be reserved for constituents only. Constituents are encouraged to submit questions ahead of time via email to senator.allen@senate.ca.gov by 5/5 at 5 p.m. with the subject line "Westside Virtual Town Hall 5/6 Question."

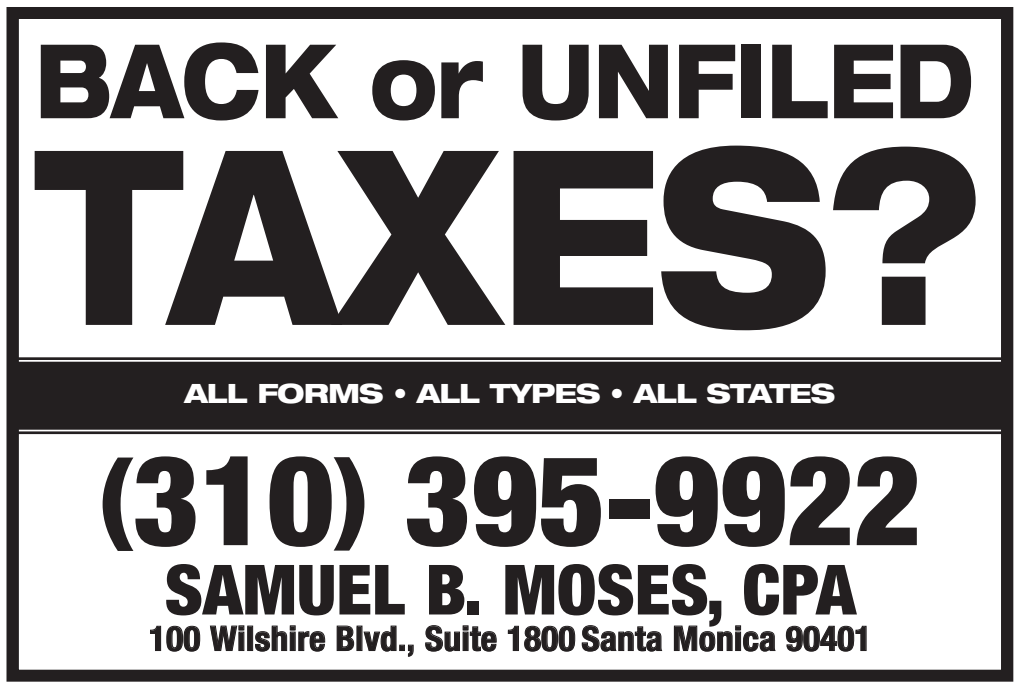
California State Senator Ben Allen represents the Westside, Hollywood and coastal South Bay communities of Los Angeles County

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EMS 1200blk Ocean Ave 8:35 a.m.
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EMS 1100blk 7th St 9:38 a.m.
EMS 2200blk Colorado Ave 9:46 a.m.
EMS Main St / Bay St 10:09 a.m.
EMS Ocean Ave / California Incline 11:25 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1500blk 11th St 12:03 p.m.
EMS 2200blk Colorado Ave 12:29 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury Cloverfield Blvd / Santa Monica Blvd 1:14 p.m.
EMS 2600blk Barnard Way 3:12 p.m.
EMS 400blk Euclid St 4:26 p.m.
EMS 2000blk Ocean Ave 4:48 p.m.
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Automatic Alarm 1300blk 20th St 8:49 p.m.
EMS 1800blk 10th St 10:37 p.m.
Elevator Rescue 1400blk 16th St 11:34 p.m.

## EDITORIAL

# What to keep in a world of cuts

Santa Monica is in the midst of an economic crisis and despite the headlines surrounding budget cuts, we don't think the magnitude of the problem has fully permeated the public consciousness yet.

This city is going to lose a lot of people, services and programs that have vastly improved the quality of life for residents. These cuts are going to be hard on everyone and absolutely devastate many but they are truly unavoidable if the economic projections are correct and they may actually be too little if the estimates prove too optimistic.

While we are going to lose a lot, there are services that will remain and some concepts should be put at the top of the list.

### CHILDREN AND SENIORS

Seniors and children are among a population's most vulnerable residents and they deserve special recognition when evaluating budget cuts. Seniors, many of whom are on a fixed income, need to be protected, physically, mentally and socially. Programs that provide housing, food, entertainment, education and emotional wellbeing should be at the top of the preservation list for our city.

Similarly, we should do everything we can to provide safe, stable and educational homes for youth.

Some programs will have to be cut impacting both these groups but there's probably the ability to retain many of these vital services. There's also a direct economic benefit to many of these programs because working-age adults are more able to return to the workforce if their extended family are cared for.

### PUBLIC SAFETY

When you're looking to cut overtime payments and limit disability overages, the Police Department looks like a ripe target for cuts. However, this is not the time to cut sworn officers.

We've just come through a long process of hiring a new chief, reorganizing to put more cops on the street and finally filling the dozens of open spots in the sworn officer ranks.

More importantly, under almost any scenario we will need the police department fully functional.

When public spaces open, a no or reduced bail reality will require a heavy police presence to preserve quality of life that was already suffering in places like Ocean Front Walk. If the economy recovers quickly, we know we need the fully staffed department to handle the amount of crime that was already here. If it dives into a full depression, the desperation caused by a truly dire economy will prompt a rise in property crime. No matter how you slice it, the short term future of the city will demand uniformed officers on the streets.

The same can be said of the fire department. Santa Monica requires a well trained group of firefighters who need to do so much more than fight fires. We need individuals trained to perform cliff rescues, equipment to handle plane crashes and paramedics who will be on the front line of the next pandemic.

That's not to say there's not room for efficiency in Public Safety, there certainly is. Calls related to homelessness overtax our system and there needs to be careful thought given to the kind of response that's issued for most Emergency Medical Service calls but at the end of the day, this is a priority that demands retention.

### BUSINESS SERVICES

Santa Monica's economy will not rebound without the ability to attract and retain high quality businesses both retail and commercial. Tourism is our lifeblood and there was already a dangerous trend towards Santa Monica becoming Everywhere USA. We need unique businesses, shops and services to separate us as a world class destination and we can't

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Encampment 14th St / Santa Monica Blvd 6:59 a.m.
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Traffic Hazard 1300blk 2nd St 8:36 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 2100blk Delaware Ave 8:41 a.m.
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Drunk Driving Investigation 600blk Wilshire Blvd 9:13 a.m.
Hit And Run Felony Investigation 600blk Wilshire Blvd 10:05 a.m.
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Person Down 1700blk Ocean Ave 10:22 a.m.
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## What's the Point?

David Pisarra
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# Stop With The Apps, Buy Local, Buy Wisely

Back in 1925 President Calvin Coolidge was addressing an association of newspaper editors, safe to say his relationship to the press was a bit more friendly than the current occupant of 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue, when he said, "After all, the chief business of the American people is business. They are profoundly concerned with producing, buying, selling, investing and prospering in the world." Nothing has changed, other than everything.

We remain, at core, a capitalist society that has the same dreams, goals and aspirations as our forebears did in 1925, 1825, and 1776. The current crisis that is afflicting the world has historical equivalents and we can look to them, to see our future.

The world was in the midst of a recovery from the 1918-1920 Spanish flu pandemic and the emotional state of America was ebullient exuberance. That happens when people survive a great trauma. The 20s followed the Spanish flu and World War I, the 50s and 60 followed World War II, the Renaissance followed the Dark Ages and the Black Plague.

So what does that tell us? Survive.

Survive to fight another day. Survive to see the sun dawn. Survive to see business come back, people return to sociability and to enjoy the community and camaraderie of friends again.

I know it sounds very pollyannish of me to be singing "the sun will come out tomorrow" but it is too darn easy to fall into the dark pit of despair and see only the devastation. When this first broke I was panicked, not about the disease – there was little then or now I can do about that – no it was the business devastation that I saw coming.

As a divorce lawyer who represents mostly men, I also do a fair bit of business coaching/consulting with clients. I keep up with the latest business trends and marketing options. I delve deep into the finances with clients and know how razor thin some of their margins are, especially in the restaurant industry. I worked my way through law school fixing restaurants that were in trouble so I have had many an up close and personal experience with their business models.

The restaurant industry was being decimated (that's one in 10 killed) BEFORE this shut down, thanks to the high fees that the delivery services are extracting from them. This past weekend an article made the rounds of just what GrubHub actually takes as a commission and in upcharges from a food company. Basically, they take 30-40% off the top, and then the restaurant owner can have their marketing expenses taken out as well. In the article the operator started with $1,042 in sales, paid $340 in fees to GrubHub plus a $231 fee for "promotions" and $131 in order adjustments, netting out about $376. That $376 was left to pay for food, labor, packaging, rent, insurance, taxes, utilities and in a fantasy world, profit.

Now GrubHub is not alone in this, they are not a lone bad actor, they're no different in impact than UberEats, Postmates, Doordash and any of their competition. I am not trying to paint them as horrible, they're a development of the stay at home, "bring it to me" mentality of so many of us these days.

But their impact is what is killing restaurants that cannot possibly survive in a city like Santa Monica, paying high commercial rent, only to have an additional 55% of their top-line revenue consumed by a delivery company. It's just basic math. Using these services is convenient, and may be helping those people who drive for them a smidgen, but in the end, we're killing the restaurants.

Then along came Covid-19 and what we're about to see in the next 20-60 days is that many, many, many restaurants are about to go under. Which is bad for many of the owners who will be forced to file bankruptcy in order to start over in a year.

However, in all darkness there is light. My friend Andrew Smith owns The Bike Shop on Main Street. I stopped in there last week to have my bike repaired and tuned up. It hadn't been out much, and when I started using it in the current crisis, found that it needed some attention. As I stood in the parking lot patiently waiting a socially distanced amount, I was one of half a dozen people who were dropping off bikes to be repaired, or picking up bikes that were coming out of the shop.

Turns out that people are finding it makes more sense to repair something than to throw it out and get a new one. The Bike Shop is open for repairs and is doing well enough in this current pandemic to keep the staff employed and occupied.

I want to encourage everyone to buy local, shop local, and examine the true path of the money. Ordering from your favorite restaurant is important, but do it in a way that benefits them the most, call them directly. Don't use the easy app, there's a reason that app exists, and it's not to make the restaurants more money. Get your bike fixed, call Andrew or drop in and say I sent you.

Americans do love to be "producing, buying, selling, investing and prospering" but we have to do it with greater thought and care.

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# Letter to the Editor

By Morris Kushner

Send comments to editor@smdp.com

## Don't Cut Services

Having worked in the city attorney's office many years ago and lived in Santa Monica for over 40 years a financial crisis was inevitable even without the pandemic. The city, despite having some of the highest taxes in the state and tons of money from tourism, has spent like there is no tomorrow.

Do we really need a "Quality of Life" employee? Do we need attorneys in rent control who have to hire outside attorneys when the city is sued? Do we have to pay employees obscenely high pensions (and I am pro union). I could keep going on all the frivolous spending. Why are we spending money on attorneys to fight a lawsuit to vote by districts when most people think it's the fair thing to do?

And what do we decide to cut during the crisis. Not high end, high paying administrative jobs, but services that help the average person including libraries, buses, pools, parks, senior's services etc. It is sad that our citizens have to suffer now due to years of poor city management and wild spending. Hopefully this will be a wakeup call and we can soon be back to normal having learned a sad lesson.

Morris Kushner is a Santa Monica resident.

## STABBING

FROM PAGE 1

suspect near the station at 4th and Colorado. The victim was able to identify the suspect who was standing nearby and officers placed him under arrest. Montenegro said he could not release the suspect's name but said he had admitted to the assault.

While the attack occurred on Metro property, Montenegro said the two homeless men began their interaction in another part of the city and they walked to the station. Neither of the two had boarded a train and the Sheriff's Department is responsible for the incident because it occurred at the station.

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Every Californian can safely help their community during these difficult times. Here are some ways you can make a difference:

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Donate to a shelter or food bank
During this time organizations are running low on food items, help them stay well stocked for those in need. Visit www.serve.ca.gov to find one near you.

Volunteer at a food bank
Food banks are in great need of volunteers to help pack and sort food. They are taking precautions to prioritize volunteer safety. Visit California Association of Food Banks at www.CAfoodbanks.org

Support Nonprofits
Nonprofit organizations serving vulnerable communities – like seniors and low-income families – need your help. Find a fund to donate to nonprofits in your community on the Philanthropy California COVID-19 Response Page: www.philanthropyca.org/covid-19-response.

Wellness Checks
Check on Older Neighbors with a Call, Text or Talk through the door

Hygiene Kits
Create hygiene kits and drop off at a shelter for people experiencing homelessness to help them stay healthy.

Donate Blood
Donated blood has decreased dramatically. Healthy, eligible donors are urged to come out and give to ensure there's lifesaving blood on the shelves for those who need it most. Visit the American Red Cross: www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/find-drive

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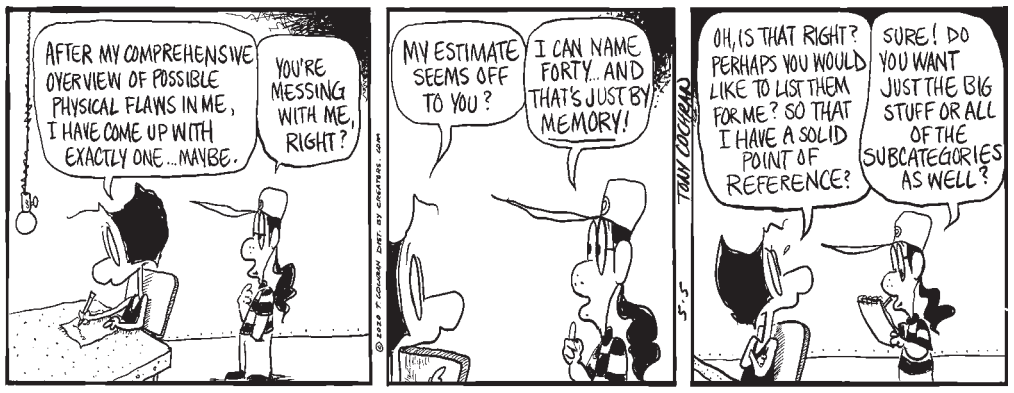
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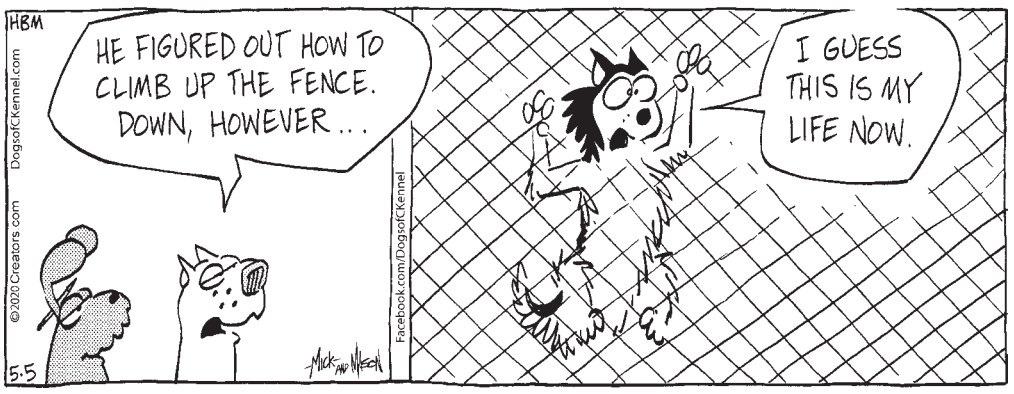
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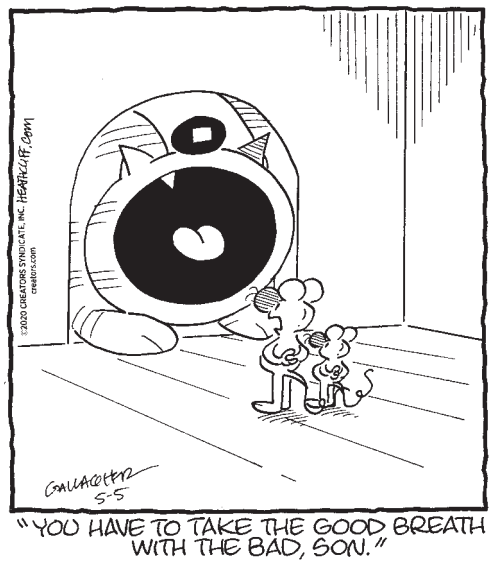

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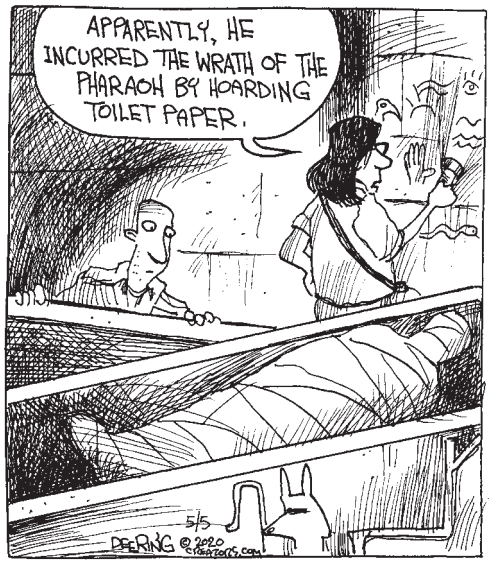
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"YOU HAVE TO TAKE THE GOOD BREATH WITH THE BAD, SON."

## Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING







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**Tuesday:** Sunny, with a high near 78.
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**Wednesday:** Sunny, with a high near 82.
**Wednesday Night:** Clear, with a low around 64.
**Thursday:** Sunny, with a high near 83.
**Thursday Night:** Partly cloudy, with a low around 64.
**Friday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 74.

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| 2020/05/07 | Thu | 9:55 PM | 6.49 | H |
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| 2020/05/08 | Fri | 11:12 AM | 4.09 | H |
| 2020/05/08 | Fri | 4:17 PM | 1.34 | L |
| 2020/05/08 | Fri | 10:33 PM | 6.39 | H |
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**calottery MEGA MILLIONS**
Draw Date: 05/01
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Mega#: 14
Jackpot: 215 M

**SuperLotto PLUS calottery**
Draw Date: 05/02
4 7 21 37 43
Mega#: 7
Jackpot: 25 M

**calottery Fantasy5**
Draw Date: 05/03
5 7 13 27 31

**calottery Daily3**
Draw Date: 05/04
Midday: 0 8 8
Draw Date: 05/03
Evening: 0 2 5

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3rd: 12 - LUCKY CHARMS
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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Science proves that memory is unreliable, but in the digital age, we don't have to depend on it nearly as much. You'll find that emotional communication is more important than remembered details anyway.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Once upon a time, you couldn't get motivated. But you forced yourself, and it turned out to be the right move. Now you can use your experience to help someone else.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). When you're living your story, fully immersed in its reality, it is easy to lose track of where you are in it. It seems like what's going on is all that is, but it's just a chapter, not the whole book.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). There is a lack of generosity and compassion in the world, and you'll help make up for some of this today. You'll make kindness the rule, and what happens next is full of grace and felicity.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). In the moment that you're stuck, does it really matter what got you there? Don't look back. Instead, move on to what's next -- wiggling out, probably by changing your outlook.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Big things are not as big as you think. Or at least they're not as relevant to your life right now. You'll live in appreciation of normalcy, as the small things are actually a pretty sizeable gift.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There are judgment calls to be made in the realm of communication, and they have to do with tact, manners and honesty. Be strategic. Not everyone needs to know all there is to know.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If the rewards came easily and quickly, everyone would clamor to rake in the easy bounty. But the rewards only come after a fair amount of work over an extension of time. Endurance is the quality you'll call on.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your mindset is as important as the mind that's setting it. Regardless of your particular talents and gifts, it's the effective and consistent focus of your mind that will ultimately determine success.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You're starting to think of your current position as not just a job but a calling. You love it enough to stick with it even when things get rocky. When you get knocked down, you get right back up.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll be asked to do things you cannot yet do. But just because the demand exceeds your current skill doesn't mean you should turn down the challenge. This is an excellent opportunity to find out just how quickly you can grow.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You're in a sort of race. The winners will be the ones who refuse to quit. Many very lucky and talented people will drop out or lose interest before they cross the finish line.

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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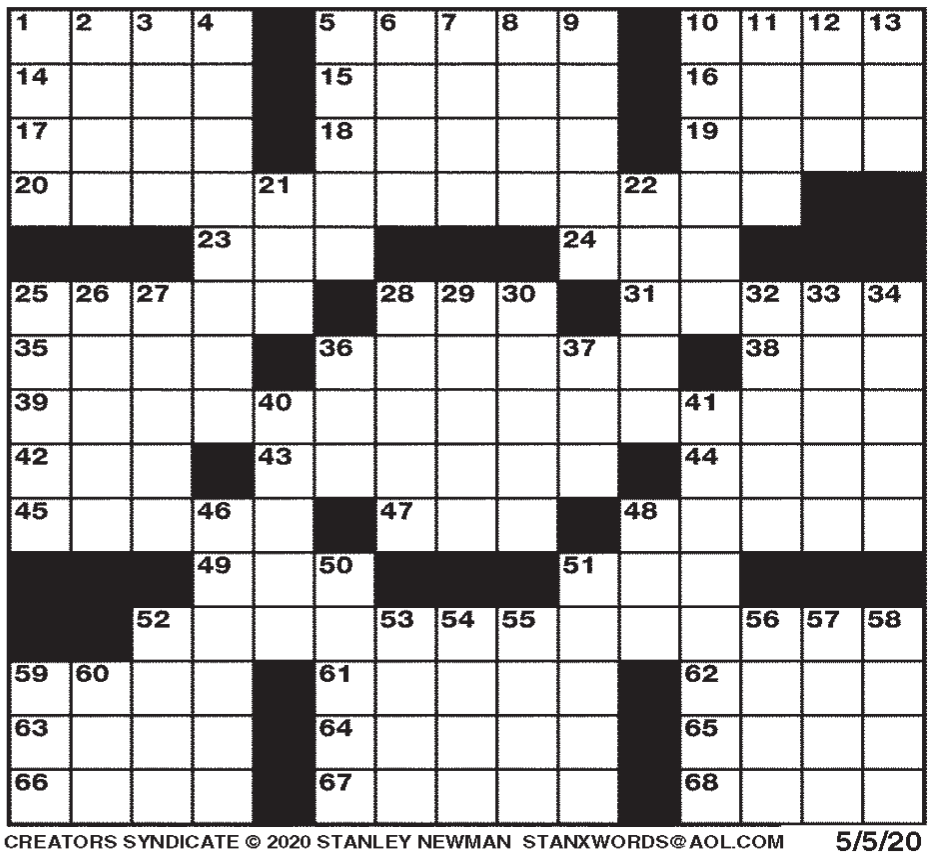
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## Newsday Crossword

**BALLPARK FIGURES** by Billie Truitt
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**ACROSS**
1 Addition totals
5 Grain storage towers
10 Stiffly proper
14 India's continent
15 Difficult, as a challenge
16 Slight amount
17 Home for a hatchling
18 Mom's brother
19 React to a shock
20 One mowing an outfield
23 Singer Orbison
24 Person paid to play sports
25 Academy Award
28 Sound system booster
31 Not applicable
35 "Be __ as it may . . ."
36 Decorates with ornaments
38 Animal hair
39 Person calling balls and strikes
42 The first woman
43 Very nearly
44 Neighborhood
45 Race with batons
47 Last year's jrs.
48 Beagle or basset hound
49 Airport vehicle larger than a van
51 Golfer's peg
52 Stadium seller of kernel snacks
59 Cleaner of hotel rooms
61 Opera solos
62 Fork prong
63 Not doing anything
64 Run out, as a subscription
65 Dry as a desert
66 "What difference __ it make?"
67 Skirt fold
68 Glass in binoculars

**DOWN**
1 Performed in a choir
2 Software buyer
3 Japanese soup
4 Soak thoroughly
5 Prepare for an exam
6 Charged atoms
7 Good fortune
8 Stare at
9 Ewe or lamb
10 Bird in city parks
11 Lion's sound
12 "__ about time!"
13 Weather report chart
21 Neither's partner
22 Light-bending crystal
25 "On the __ hand . . ."
26 Push roughly
27 Desert caravan beast
28 President John Quincy __
29 Engine
30 Flatten with an iron
32 In flames
33 Baby food consistency
34 Tire surface
36 Everyone
37 Pecan or cashew
40 Settle a debt
41 Of moms and dads
46 "Humble" dwellings
48 Hive insect
50 Top of one's head
51 Sports bar screen
52 Large stack
53 Requiring talking
54 Ready to harvest
55 Outer space agency
56 In __ straits (needing help)
57 "Door's open, come __!"
58 Scarlet and crimson
59 Prefix meaning "center"
60 Commotion



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## Binary Puzzle

Each cell should contain a zero or a one. No more than two similar numbers below or next to each other are allowed. Each row and each column is unique and contains as many zeros as ones.

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## Probate

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF DANIEL JAMES REID
To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both, of DANIEL JAMES REID:
A Petition for Probate has been filed by CURT FAHNDRICH in the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, Los Angeles County Superior Court Case No. 19STPB11500
The Petition for Probate requests that CURT FAHNDRICH be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.
The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.
The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.
A hearing on the petition will be held in Los Angeles County Superior Court as follows: Date: May 12, 2020, Time: 8:30 am Dept 9. The address of the court: 111 North Hill Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012.
If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.
If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the deceased, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.
You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.
Attorney for: Petitioner, Curt WH Fahndrich, in Pro Per, 62 Cumberland Mills Square, London, E14 3BJ, United Kingdom.
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## DBA

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# COVID-19 UPDATE

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homes have tested positive and 12 have died.

The Rehabilitation Center of Santa Monica has reported 14 cases among staff and 29 among residents. Nine deaths have been confirmed at the facility.

At Beachwood Post-Acute & Rehab, 13 staff and 23 residents have tested positive. The facility has reported three deaths.

Ocean Pointe Healthcare Center has confirmed cases among six staff and 15 residents, and Brentwood Healthcare Center has seven staff and three residents with the virus. Brookdale Ocean House Assisted Living has reported one positive resident.

An earlier county investigation at The Manor, a residential facility for adults with developmental disabilities, has been closed.

Over the last week, coronavirus cases in Los Angeles County have increased 28%, and the total number of cases stands at 26,217, Public Health Director Barbara Ferrer said Monday. More than 172,000 people have been tested, with 13% testing positive.

Nearly 3,000 healthcare workers and first responders have contracted coronavirus, an increase of about 1,000 since last week that Ferrer attributed to county-mandated testing at nursing homes. 4 in 10 workers with the virus are nursing home employees, and another 3 in 10 work at hospitals.

Across the county, 1,256 people have died from COVID-19, with 314 deaths — a quarter of all coronavirus deaths in L.A. County — occurring over the last week. Deaths at institutional settings, mostly nursing homes, now make up 49% of all COVID-19 deaths. Fifteen healthcare workers — 12 of whom worked at nursing homes or assisted living facilities — have died.

Ferrer said the number of people currently in the hospital has been down over the last few days. On Monday, 1,819 people were hospitalized. 30% were in the ICU and 17% were on ventilators.

Gov. Gavin Newsom said at a Monday news conference that some California retailers could reopen for pickup as early as Friday, including stores that sell books, toys, flowers, music or sports equipment. He said counties would be able to choose when they allow more businesses to reopen if they can demonstrate they have sufficient testing supplies, hospital beds and the ability to trace new cases.

Ferrer did not say Monday when the county would reopen, although she said the Department of Public Health was working on plans to reopen parks and beaches with enhanced physical distancing measures.

When businesses do reopen, they will have to adhere to strict protocols, she said.

"There is a lot at stake as we reopen," she said. "The virus has not changed ... it remains deadly. COVID-19 will still spread in our community for months to come."

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# GRADING POLICY

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expected to follow the hearing.

### RESOLUTIONS AND ACTION ITEMS

Shortly after the adoption of Resolution No. 19-40, which pertains to the previously discussed Measure R Parcel Tax, the board is expected to approve a number of other resolutions, including one that recognizes May 13, 2020, as California Day of the Teacher and another that acknowledges May as Asian/Pacific American Heritage Month.

An attached resolution was not yet listed under the final Major Action Item of the night, which calls for a revised grading policy throughout the district. The item was previously titled, "Adopt BP and AR 6157 – Distance Learning," according to the agenda. Once posted, the resolution will outline the grading policy that will be implemented by the district for the Spring 2020 term.

Prior to the close of the meeting, the board is expected to announce the rescission of 13 preliminary layoff notices.

Members of the public who wish to make a public comment at the upcoming meeting can do so by completing a Google survey "sign up," according to the agenda. The survey can be found online at shorturl.at/buC36 and will be open to members of the public 30 minutes prior to the public meeting.

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# EDITORIAL

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have a bunch of large corporate businesses populate the city without losing our vital sense of place.

We have to make it easier for small entrepreneurs to open their concepts in a timely fashion and the budget should reflect those efforts by maximizing staff, services and programs that at a minimum explain, if not streamline, the already burdensome process.

### FOCUSED TOURISM

Bringing visitors back to the city is the only way Santa Monica will bring back all the services residents enjoy, but not all visitors are created equal. The City needs to keep an eye on the services that make Santa Monica an overnight destination. We don't know when, or even if, the international tourism market will recover so in the mean time we have to fill those hotel beds with Americans who want to partake in the beauty of the city and fortunately, many efforts that make the city a great place to visit also benefit locals. Services like street cleaning, programs to incentivize local retail and efforts to increase safety make Santa Monica a great place to live and to visit.

Everyone has something to lose in the next few weeks and some big changes will be necessary. There will be as many opinions as there are individuals who care and Council will have to disappoint many in order to set the course for a sustainable future. We will mourn the services we have to lose but everyone needs to come to grips with the grim reality that our future is a little dimmer for now. Making hard decisions today is the only way to get to the brighter tomorrow.

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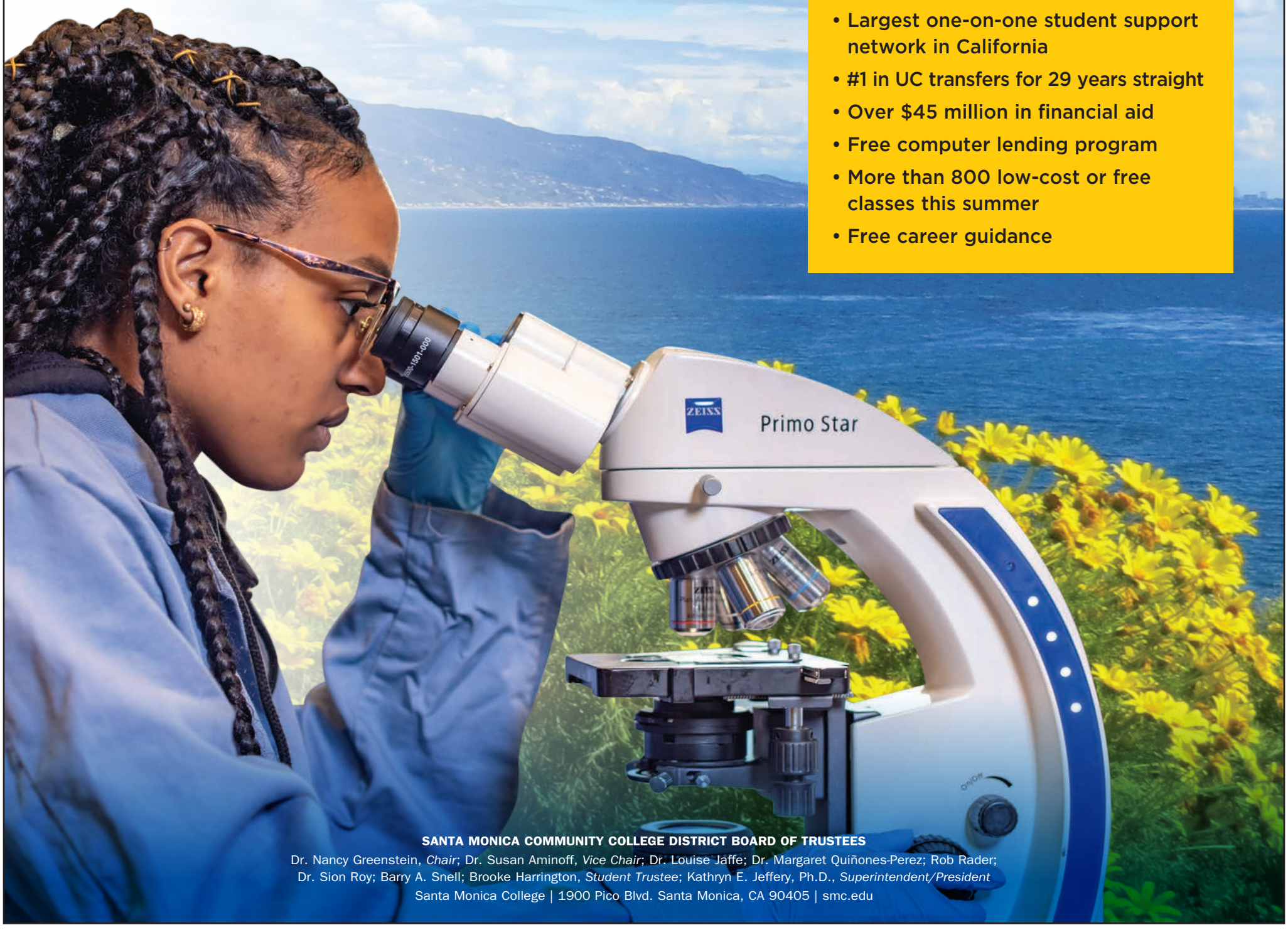
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