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# Elks award




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**WINNER: Past National President Robert L. Duitsman presents the All-American Lodge Division 1 winner for the California Hawaii Elks Association to Santa Monica Elks 906 Exalted Ruler Jaynee Roszhart, PER. The All-American Lodge award criteria is based on the Lodge's activities during the fraternal year 2020-2021.**

# Demolition of Downtown Parking Structure 3 is approved

**CLARA HARTER**
SMDP Staff Writer

On Thursday, Coastal Commission approved the demolition of Parking Structure 3, allowing the City to advance its efforts to build an affordable housing development on the lot.

The decision, which was met with opposition from some community members and Downtown business owners, grants the City permission to demolish the structure, repave the land and install a fence around the property.

The structure is located at 4th St and Arizona Ave, in close proximity to the Promenade, and contains 337 spaces.

Commission staff primarily based their recommendation on a study by Walker Consultants, which concluded that the loss of PS3's spaces would not adversely impact parking availability and coastal access in the surrounding area.




Todd James

**GARAGE: Coastal Commission has approved the removal.**

The study determined that the redistributed parking demand could be accommodated within

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# Venice's storied history soon to find a home in new museum

**DOUG RAPP**
Venice Current / SMDP Staff Writer

Los Angeles has nearly 100 museums, but the Venice Heritage Foundation thinks it's about time Venice gets its own commemorative space.

The Venice Heritage Museum would be the first-ever museum exclusively dedicated to Venice. Proposed as a campus on the grounds of Centennial Park, the museum will include a Pacific Electric Red Car trolley and a replica ticket booth, in addition to an information booth and a "community corner" event venue.

"It's long overdue," said Kristina von Hoffmann, VHF board secretary. "Venice is an internationally renowned city that draws millions of tourists each year and has put so many culture movements on the map."

A rendering of the historic Tokio Station and Red Car museum spaces in Venice of America Centennial Park. Image courtesy of Venice Heritage Museum & the Studio for Environmental Architecture.

von Hoffmann said that Venice's story starts with the indigenous Tongva people so it's important that they're centered in the museum. She said exhibits would also cover everything from Abbot Kinney's dream of an "impossible city" to 1960s art and music to "Dogtown" skate and surf culture.

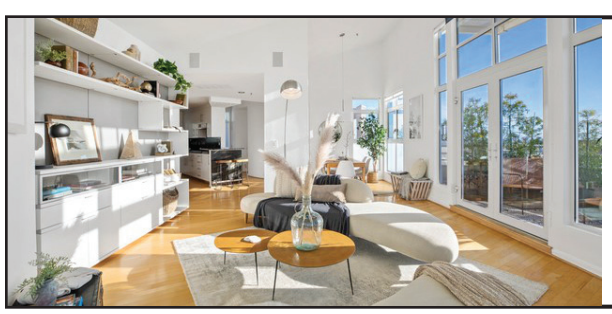
"Every decade of Venice history has its own kind of flavor and there's so many elements we can draw from," said von Hoffmann, who grew up on Venice's eastside. "There's so much rich history here that we don't want people to miss out on gaining a deeper understanding of where they are and where we've come from to get to this point where Venice is this incredible breeding ground for creativity and innovation and also for community."

The museum is currently in a fundraising phase, with an Indiegogo campaign that has raised over $23,000.

"It's been phenomenal," von Hoffmann said of initial fundraising. "The outpouring of community support that we've received is everything we could've hoped for and more."

In addition to personal donations ranging from $5 to $2,500, von Hoffman said the

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**INVITING APPLICATIONS FOR ANNUAL APPOINTMENTS TO CITY BOARDS & COMMISSIONS**

The Santa Monica City Council is now accepting applications for annual appointments of members to the following City Boards and Commissions:

| Board/Commission | Number of Appointments | Term End Date | Requirements |
|---|---|---|---|
| Airport Commission | 1 | 6/30/2025 | Santa Monica Resident |
| Architectural Review Board | 2 | 6/30/2025 | - |
| Arts Commission | 2 | 6/30/2025 | Work or Reside in Santa Monica |
| Audit Subcommittee | 1 | 6/30/2025 | Santa Monica Resident |
| Building and Fire-Life Safety Commission | 1 | 6/30/2025 | State of California Licensed or Registered Architect |
| | 2 | 6/30/2025 | - |
| Commission for the Senior Community | 2<br>2 | 6/30/2024<br>6/30/2025 | Santa Monica Resident; Over the Age of 60(2) |
| Commission on the Status of Women | 2<br>3 | 6/30/2024<br>6/30/2025 | Santa Monica Resident |
| Disabilities Commission | 3<br>3 | 6/30/2024<br>6/30/2025 | Santa Monica Resident; Self Identify Person with Disabilities(2) |
| Housing Commission | 2 | 6/30/2023 | Santa Monica Resident and Section 8 Member. One Section 8 Member must be 62 years of age or older. |
| | 2 | 6/30/2025 | Santa Monica Resident |
| Landmarks Commission | 2 | 6/30/2025 | Santa Monica Resident |
| Personnel Board | 1 | 6/30/2026 | Santa Monica Resident |
| Planning Commission | 1 | 6/30/2025 | Santa Monica Resident |
| Recreation and Parks Commission | 1 | 6/30/2025 | Santa Monica Resident |
| Santa Monica Library Board | 1 | 6/30/2025 | Santa Monica Resident |
| Santa Monica Travel and Tourism, Inc. | 2 | 6/30/2025 | - |
| Social Services Commission | 2<br>2 | 6/30/2024<br>6/30/2025 | Santa Monica Resident |
| Urban Forest Task Force | 9 | 6/30/2023 | Santa Monica Resident or Persons who do Business or are Employed in the City of Santa Monica |

**Applications due by noon, Tuesday, June 15, 2021.**
**Appointments to be made by City Council, Tuesday, June 22, 2021.**

No Santa Monica City Employee may serve as a member of any Board or Commission.

The State Political Reform Act requires certain officeholders to disclose their interest and income that may be materially affected by their official action. The applicant appointed to serve in this position will be required to file a Statement of Economic Interest (Form 700) upon assuming office, and annually thereafter.

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All current applications on file will be considered.

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## DAILY POLICE LOG

### SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 247 CALLS ON MAY 13

Audible Burglar Alarm 3200blk Wilshire Blvd 12:08 a.m.
Party Complaint 900blk 19th St 12:25 a.m.
Loud Music 3100blk Lincoln Blvd 12:51 a.m.
Loud Music 1500blk 6th St 1:02 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 2100blk 7th St 2:10 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Cloverfield Blvd / Michigan Ave 2:21 a.m.
Silent Robbery Alarm 100blk Santa Monica Pl 6:04 a.m.
Silent Robbery Alarm 100blk Santa Monica Pl 6:44 a.m.
Battery 1500blk Palisades Park 6:58 a.m.
Sexual Assault 2100blk Santa Monica Blvd 7:06 a.m.
Construction Noise 3000blk Wilshire Blvd 7:23 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 300blk Broadway 7:33 a.m.
Rape 2200blk Colorado Ave 7:35 a.m.
Traffic/Vehicle Stop 1200blk 15th St 7:39 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 7th St / Broadway 8:00 a.m.
Found Property Lincoln Blvd / Kensington Rd 8:06 a.m.
Citizen Flag 700blk California Ave 8:06 a.m.
Battery 26th St / Santa Monica Blvd 8:10 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1100blk 21st St 8:10 a.m.
Assault 6th St / Broadway 8:21 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1200blk Stanford St 8:37 a.m.
Violation Of Posted Sign 200blk San Vicente Blvd 8:47 a.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 200blk Ashland Ave 9:11 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 500blk Alta Ave 9:17 a.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 1500blk Maple St 9:36 a.m.
Assault W/Deadly Weapon Now 500blk Colorado Blvd 9:43 a.m.
Missing Person 300blk Olympic Dr 9:51 a.m.
Found Property 800blk 20th St 9:52 a.m.
Battery 14th St / Wilshire Blvd 10:04 a.m.
Encampment 1600blk Ocean Ave 10:04 a.m.
Check Temporary No Parking Signs 1300blk 26th St 10:09 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 600blk 12th St 10:32 a.m.
Check Temporary No Parking Signs 2900blk Montana Ave 10:48 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2900blk Wilshire Blvd 10:53 a.m.
Auto Burglary 800blk Ashland Ave 11:07 a.m.
Petty Theft 400blk Santa Monica Blvd 11:10 a.m.
Forgery 1400blk 9th St 11:18 a.m.
Indecent Exposure 2100blk Santa Monica Blvd 11:21 a.m.
Found Property 400blk Broadway 11:26 a.m.
Indecent Exposure 17th St / Wilshire Blvd 11:29 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1900blk Santa Monica Blvd 11:39 a.m.
Loud Music 300blk Bay St 11:40 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto 2700blk 6th St 11:55 a.m.
Violation Of Posted Sign 1300blk 3rd Street Prom 12:01 p.m.
Violation Of Posted Sign 1200blk Montana Ave 12:24 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 1400blk 2nd St 12:27 p.m.
Battery 400blk Pico Blvd 12:43 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 2600blk Ocean Park Blvd 12:49 p.m.
Encampment 1400blk 17th St 12:57 p.m.
Auto Burglary 700blk Ashland Ave 1:13 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1900blk Michigan Ave 1:13 p.m.
Violation Of Posted Sign 200blk Montana Ave 1:17 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 300blk Marguerita Ave 1:21 p.m.
Overdose 1300blk 11th St 1:26 p.m.
Person Down 4th St / Interstate 10 1:57 p.m.
Traffic Control Request - Level 1 7th St / Olympic Blvd W 1:59 p.m.
Indecent Exposure 500blk Colorado Blvd 2:10 p.m.
Citizen Flag 4th St / Adelaide Dr 2:16 p.m.
Drunk Driving Investigation 4th St / Santa Monica Blvd 2:26 p.m.
Violation Of Restraining Order 2400blk Wilshire Blvd 2:33 p.m.
Traffic Hazard Pacific Coast Hwy / California Incline 2:48 p.m.
Grand Theft 1400blk Ocean Ave 2:54 p.m.
Indecent Exposure 1700blk 21st St 3:20 p.m.
General Parking Problem 1500blk 6th St 3:24 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 900blk 12th St 3:26 p.m.
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Encampment 1400blk 17th St 3:43 p.m.
Traffic Hazard 1600blk Lincoln Blvd 3:51 p.m.
Grand Theft 900blk 16th St 4:07 p.m.
Person With A Gun 1400blk Lincoln Blvd 4:17 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 100blk Hart Ave 4:17 p.m.
Bike Theft 2900blk Neilson Way 4:22 p.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1000blk Grant St 4:24 p.m.
Loud Music 2nd St / Colorado Ave 4:25 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 1400blk 2nd St 4:29 p.m.
Grand Theft 200blk Montana Ave 4:41 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 2nd St / Wilshire Blvd 4:44 p.m.
Citizen Flag 1400blk 3rd Street Prom 4:57 p.m.
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Animal Related Incident 2100blk Pearl St 5:12 p.m.
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Battery 1500blk California Ave 5:58 p.m.
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Assault 800blk Pico Blvd 6:15 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 1700blk 4th St 6:27 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 1200blk Santa Monica Blvd 6:33 p.m.
Person Down 1400blk Maple St 6:54 p.m.
Encampment 1400blk 17th St 6:59 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 21st St / Ocean Park Blvd 7:27 p.m.
Burglary 1000blk Palisades Beach Rd 7:46 p.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1500blk 11th St 8:02 p.m.
Vehicle Burglar Alarm 700blk Raymond Ave 8:15 p.m.
Oversize Vehicle Violation 10th St / Bay St 9:20 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 2700blk 6th St 9:26 p.m.
Civil Dispute 1800blk Euclid St 9:39 p.m.
Battery 300blk Santa Monica Blvd 10:13 p.m.
Prowler There Now 400blk Raymond Ave 10:21 p.m.
Party Complaint 500blk Palisades Beach Rd 10:37 p.m.
Construction Noise 1500blk 5th St 11:57 p.m.

## DAILY FIRE LOG

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EMS 1100blk 20th St 5:49 a.m.
Structure Fire 1400blk 4th St 5:50 a.m.
EMS 2700blk 2nd St 7:04 a.m.
Wires Down 2400blk Oak St 7:58 a.m.
EMS 1100blk 6th St 9:11 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1700blk San Vicente Blvd 11:32 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 800blk Broadway 1:22 p.m.
EMS 1300blk 11th St 1:26 p.m.
EMS 900blk 3rd St 1:33 p.m.
EMS 4th St / Interstate 10 1:57 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury Cloverfield Blvd / Interstate 10 3:24 p.m.
EMS 2600blk Expo Line 3:46 p.m.
Wires Down 800blk Ozone Ave 3:55 p.m.
EMS 1300blk 2nd St 4:51 p.m.
EMS 1400blk Harvard St 4:59 p.m.
EMS 2400blk Wilshire Blvd 7:02 p.m.
EMS 700blk Broadway 7:12 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 2600blk 25th St 8:15 p.m.
EMS 100blk Ocean Park Blvd 9:07 p.m.
EMS 1800blk Wilshire Blvd 10:16 p.m.
EMS Lincoln Blvd / Pico Blvd 10:29 p.m.
EMS 900blk 19th St 11:20 p.m.
EMS 1000blk 9th St 11:31 p.m.
EMS 1300blk 15th St 11:43 p.m.

## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

**Citywide**

### Public Library Reopens for In-Person Service June 1

| | Main Library (In Person) | Pico Branch Library (Curbside) | Montana Avenue Branch Library (Curbside) | Telephone and Email Service |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| Monday | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. | Closed | Closed | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. |
| Tuesday | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. |
| Wednesday | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. | Closed | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. |
| Thursday | 2:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. | 2:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. | 2:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. | 2:00 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. |
| Friday | Closed | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. | Closed | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. |
| Saturday | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. 1st Saturday of each month | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. 1st Saturday of each month | Closed | 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. 1st Saturday of each month |
| Sunday | Closed | Closed | Closed | Closed |

Courtesy image

**OPEN: Library hours will vary by day and location.**

The City of Santa Monica is pleased to announce that on Tuesday, June 1, the Santa Monica Public Library Main Library at 601 Santa Monica Blvd., will reopen for limited in-person service to the community. The following services will be available at the Main Library: in-person browsing of the first-floor collection, checking out items, holds pick-up, public computer use (30 minutes per person), printing, and brief in-person interaction with staff.

"We are excited to safely welcome patrons back to the Main Library for in-person services, another significant milestone in our recovery," said Library Services Director Patty Wong. "The best way to make the most of your time at the Library is to plan your trip: wear a face mask, know the books or resources you'd like to check out or explore, and if there are any questions you have about returning to the Library, reach out to one of our dedicated Library staff."

The City and the Library are committed to a safe facility for patrons and staff. Library spaces were reconfigured to provide safe and welcoming environments while aligning the Library with the best practices of public libraries throughout California and the rest of the country.

In July, the phased approach to reopening continues when the doors of the Ocean Park Branch, 2601 Main Street, open through a unique self-service model, allowing patrons access to the Library collection, self-checkout of items, holds pick-up, and public computer use.

Curbside Pickup Service will continue at the Montana Avenue Branch and Pico Branch Libraries throughout the summer.

For more information on hours and services offered at each Santa Monica Public Library location, please visit smpl.org/reopening.

To help prevent the spread of respiratory diseases like COVID-19, when visiting the Library, maintain a 6-foot physical distance, wear a face mask over mouth and nose at all times, make your visit to the Library quick and efficient, follow posted signage, and adhere to Library capacity limits. Most importantly, if you are feeling sick, please stay home. The health and safety of Library patrons and staff is of immense importance.

Books and audiovisual materials are available for pickup through contactless curbside service. For more information visit smpl.org/curbside.

For general and reference questions call 310-458-8600 or email reference@smgov.net. Staff are available Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m. The Library's digital services are available 24/7 through the Online Library.

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| Clean Beaches & Ocean Parcel Tax Citizens Oversight Committee | 1 | 06/30/2022 | Santa Monica Resident |
| Commission for the Senior Community | 1<br>1 | 6/30/2022<br>6/30/2023 | Santa Monica Resident and Over the Age of 60 |
| Disabilities Commission | 1 | 6/30/2022 | Santa Monica Resident |
| Personnel Board | 1 | 6/30/2025 | Santa Monica Resident |
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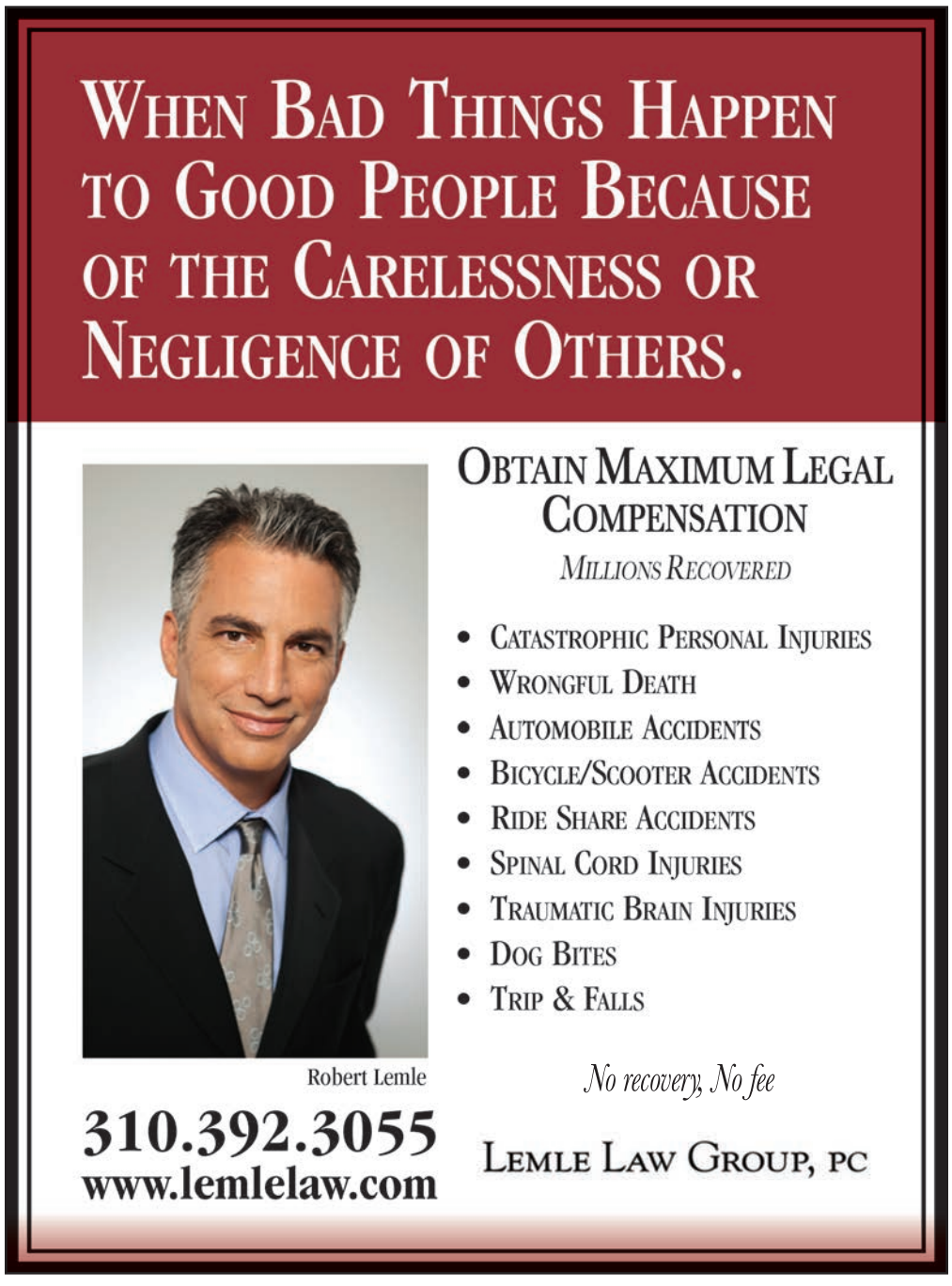
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## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

**Citywide**

### City of Santa Monica to Celebrate Cultural Diversity, Explore Identity during AAPI Heritage Month

The City of Santa Monica will celebrate Asian American Pacific Islander (AAPI) Heritage Month with two virtual community events on May 19 and 20 celebrating the diverse cultures within the AAPI community, highlighting AAPI contributions and exploring the challenges faced by the community during the pandemic. The upcoming events follow the recognition of AAPI Heritage Month by the Santa Monica City Council at its May 11 meeting through a proclamation and video from City of Santa Monica staff who are part of the AAPI community and shared their experiences and dedication to a thriving Santa Monica.

Community members are invited to celebrate AAPI Heritage Month through two events next week:

Community Forum: Wednesday, May 19, from 6-8 p.m.

A virtual community forum titled "Being AAPI in 2021: A Discussion on Identity, Community and the Model Minority Myth" will feature AAPI leaders who will discuss the current and historical challenges faced by the AAPI community and their experiences amid the heightened acts of hate against the community during the pandemic.

Panelists will touch upon topics that include identity and belonging, the AAPI community's history and contributions locally and nationally, the diversity of the AAPI community, the harm caused by the model minority myth, and the importance of coalition building to advance anti-racism work. Speakers include:

Congressman Ted Lieu will provide special remarks.

Jeff Nguyen, CBS2 / KCAL 9 reporter, will moderate.

Dr. Arlene Daus-Magbual, the Director of Asian American and Pacific Islander (AAPI) Student Services at San Francisco State University, will speak about AAPI history in the U.S. and AAPI hate.

Hakhamanesh Mortezaie, a staff attorney and Equity and Inclusion Officer for the City of Santa Monica's Rent Control Board, will focus on AAPI history in Santa Monica.

Christopher S. Tang, Distinguished Professor and the holder of the Edward W. Carter Chair in Business Administration at the UCLA Anderson School of Management, will focus on how the corporate glass ceiling has barred Asian Americans from leadership ranks for decades.

Attendees will have the opportunity to submit questions for the panelists during the event.

Register and learn more at Eventbrite. The forum will be livestreamed on CityTV Channel 16 and the City's YouTube channel.

Virtual Celebration: Thursday, May 20, from 10:30-11:30 a.m.

A virtual celebration titled "Honoring AAPI: A Celebration of Cultures" will feature segments from the following AAPI performance artists, magazine creators, and community members celebrating AAPI heritage and cultures:

Japanese drum group Kishin Daiko
Indian drum group Dholnation
Filipino-American singer Dasha Dorlandt
Samoan graphic artist Jason JP Pereira
Koreatown volunteer group Neighborhood Safety Companions
Venice Japanese American Memorial Monument Committee
Hapa Mag (soon to be Mixed Asian Media)

Register at Eventbrite. The event will be livestreamed on CityTV Channel 16 and the City's YouTube channel.

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museum will work with corporate sponsors and partnerships to be announced later. She estimated the total construction cost to be between $800,000-900,000, adding that material donations such as a classic Venice bungalow and the trolley car, given by the Orange Empire railway museum, will help cut costs.

The foundation hopes to present their business plan to the city later this summer to secure an honorary lease to Centennial Park. Construction could possibly begin later this year with von Hoffmann hoping for a July 4, 2023, grand opening.

Takara Tomeoni Adair, a third-generation Venice native and VHF board member, said she's been thinking of a Venice museum for nearly 20 years. Online searches led her to the like-minded people who form the Venice Heritage Foundation.

"Venice has had more than enough reasons to have a museum," Adair said, "such as the contributions that have come out of Venice for the world and how Venice's influence has shaped pop culture and so many different genres of art and expression and ideas. I really think that deserves to be recognized and celebrated."

"The museum campus will be a positive, pragmatic space," said von Hoffmann, noting that Venice lacks a central location for information, especially for tourists. "We need places like that to bring us together."

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## BRIEFS

**LOS ANGELES**

### Southern California wildlife bridge plan gets huge boost

A plan to build a bridge over a major Southern California highway to enable mountain lions and other wildlife to move between wilderness areas has received a $25 million challenge grant to advance the project, organizers said Friday.

The challenge grant from Wallis Annenberg and the Annenberg Foundation to the National Wildlife Federation's " SaveLACougars " campaign would raise donations so far to $44 million but requires that another $35 million be raised.

The proposed wildlife crossing would be built west of Los Angeles at Liberty Canyon, stretching over 10 lanes of the heavily traveled U.S. 101 freeway and an access road to connect the Santa Monica Mountains on the south to hill country to the north.

The federation hopes to break ground on the crossing in November.

Southern California's wilderness areas are extremely fragmented by freeways, roads and development that form tremendous – and often deadly – barriers to the movement of animals.

In particular, mountain lions in the Santa Monica Mountains are at risk of losing genetic diversity because of the difficulty of dispersing.

"There's a reason I wanted to support this crossing and issue this challenge: We need to move beyond mere conservation, toward a kind of environmental rejuvenation," said Wallis Annenberg, chairman, president, and CEO of the Annenberg Foundation.

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**TORRANCE**

### Los Angeles County tests new beach evacuation system

A full-volume test of a new emergency evacuation system on a Southern California beach was successful, officials said.

Sirens blared, lights flashed and alerts were issued Thursday in English and Spanish at Torrance Beach on the south Los Angeles County coast.

Decibel readings were not immediately available, but the announcements could be clearly heard in the neighboring city of Redondo Beach and 1,000 yards (914 meters) offshore, the county Department of Beaches and Harbors said.

The Beach Emergency Evacuation Lights System is intended for use in a variety of scenarios including tsunamis, earthquakes, severe thunderstorms, shark sightings, unsafe water conditions or other events.

The programmed warning announcements are customized for reach type of emergency, such as: "A tsunami warning has been issued. Please evacuate the beach immediately."

The county said it is the first such system in the world to incorporate lights to alert people who are deaf or hard of hearing.

Lights and speakers are mounted on permanent structures and some lifeguard towers.

Thursday's test was the third. A previous full-volume test encountered technical difficulties. More tests will be conducted May 20 and 27, but the county said they will not be loud.

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**VANDENBERG AIR FORCE BASE**

### Vandenberg Air Force Base to be renamed Space Force Base

California's Vandenberg Air Force Base will be renamed as a U.S. Space Force Base.

The name will be changed to Vandenberg Space Force Base during an afternoon ceremony on the parade field at the sprawling base on the state's Central Coast, which tests ballistic missiles and conducts orbital launches for defense, science and commercial purposes.

The Space Force was created as the sixth uniformed military branch in 2019 during the administration of former President Donald Trump. Personnel assigned to the Air Force Space Command were reassigned to the Space Force, ending its Air Force lineage.

"Redesignating Air Force installations as Space Force installations is critical to establishing a distinct culture and identity for the Space Force," a base statement said.

Vandenberg's host unit, the 30th Space Wing, will be redesignated Space Launch Delta 30, under Space Operations Command. Vandenberg was originally established in 1941 as Camp Cooke, an Army garrison for tank, infantry and artillery training.

Its geographical location made it ideal for missile tests and launches into polar orbit. During the Cold War, it was redesignated as Cooke Air Force Base and then Vandenberg in honor of Gen. Hoyt S. Vandenberg, the second chief of staff of the Air Force.

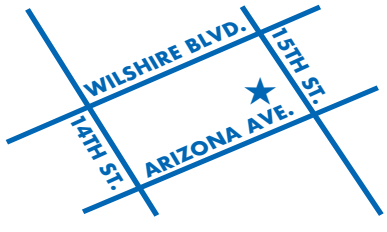
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# Letter to the Editor

**Geoffrey A. Neri** — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

I am a long-time reader of SMDP, but I don't understand how your paper would publish an article about a huge public safety "near miss" without identifying the cause (talk about an "elephant in the room"). Not to mention that hundreds of households in SM, including mine, would like to know who to look to pay for the thousands of dollars in damages (spoiled food, hotels) caused by the negligence of the yet-to-be-disclosed "third-party contractor."

Geoffrey A. Neri, Santa Monica

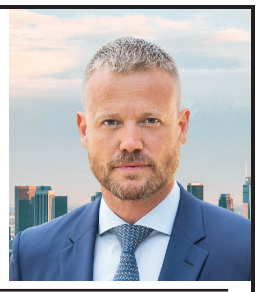
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## Lions Roar

Susan Lee DeRemer
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# Lions Roar

The Santa Monica Lions were happy to present $2000 to Santa Monica High School for two SM Lions Club scholarships in memory of Jerry Bruver this month. The recipients of the $1000 scholarships are Stephanie Mexa-Garcia and Shley Da Hee Suh. There were so many wonderful applicants, we were sorry we could only award two scholarships. We wish the Class of 2021 the best in their chosen fields of study.

We also hope that we will be able to resume our fundraising efforts this coming year and be able to offer more support to other organizations in the community. As we have no endowment to rely upon, all of the donations we make to local nonprofits come directly from our fundraising efforts of the previous year. We have high hopes for the rest of 2021.

As our Lions members are completing their vaccinations and quarantine periods, there is hope that things will gradually be returning to normal, or at least more normal. It has been challenging with meetings moving to Zoom, service activities, such as the Lions Eyes Across California, were suspended and our fundraising event was canceled.

Happily, the Lions have spent this time of isolation continuing to work together and envisioning a new and better Santa Monica Lions Club. Community needs and priorities have changed, and while vaccinations have allowed us to start coming together, there will be a lingering hesitancy as we get back out into the community. We have been considering how to meet these challenges.

Over the next couple of months, the Lions will be discussing when we hope to resume in-person meetings at the Elks Lodge and explore some new fundraising ideas going forward. We are also waiting to hear from our international headquarters and district leaders as to when some of our service activities might resume. When we know more, I will share our plans. If you would like to be a part of our planning, you can also reach out to our membership chair, or Yoriko Fisher, at yorikofisher@gmail.com or 443-883-1101 to learn more.

## PARKING STRUCTURE 3

FROM PAGE 1

the existing capacities of nearby Parking Structures 1, 2 and 4.

Mayor Sue Himmelrich said the City had already built spaces to account for the demolition of PS3 when it rebuilt PS6 with an additional 400 spaces in 2013.

Curtis Castle, a Civil Engineer who presented on behalf of the City, said that the plans for the demolition of PS3 stretch back to the early 2000s. The site was initially earmarked for a retail and cinema development, but this plan failed to materialize and in 2018 Housing Commission prioritized PS3 for a future affordable housing site.

Interim City Manager Lane Dilg said that the parking structure is aging and would require a $4.4 million investment to extend its usable life.

Several residents remained unconvinced by the City's logic and believe PS3 is an important parking resource that should be preserved. A petition to save the lot was started by local resident and landlord John Alle and has gained over 1,800 signatures.

"There is a need for further notification and discussion among all of us that are affected," said Alle, who owns several retail properties on the Promenade. "Many of our merchants and the farmers at our farmers market, and visitors, moms, dads and kids will stay away if garage three is taken away — they'll suffer."

Multiple business owners said that they should have been consulted in deciding the fate of PS3 as its construction was funded by Downtown businesses.

"Adequate downtown parking is the lifeblood of the district and a demolition of Parking Structure 3 is too important of a decision not to involve the business community that contributed to the success of Downtown from the beginning," said resident and property owner David Khedr.

The General Manager of Westside Comedy theatre voiced concerns about how the demolition would affect his business, which is located next to the lot and has been shut down for 15 months due to health officer orders.

"I haven't been talked to by the City, I haven't been notified by anybody," said Chris Ward. "The idea of six to eight months of this project is very scary to me because as a small business owner in a very expensive place like Santa Monica, I've taken out loans and we filed for grants and we renewed our lease."

Affordable housing advocates strongly support the project and believe it would provide urgently needed housing in an expensive area.

"If the demolition of PS3 is permitted the future project would bring activating street retail where there is currently a large parking vacancy and 150 units of affordable housing, 50 of which would be supportive housing for formerly homeless individuals and families that are currently living on the streets of Santa Monica," said Steve Spielberg, who works for EH Housing, one of the companies submitting proposals to redevelop the site.

Ultimately the Coastal Commission agreed with the City's conclusion that the demolition would not adversely impact the community and felt like there had been proper notice given about the plan. The vote passed unanimously and the demolition is currently slated to begin in 2022.

The City will need to pick a developer and undergo the lengthy approval process before proceeding to build any affordable housing project on the site.

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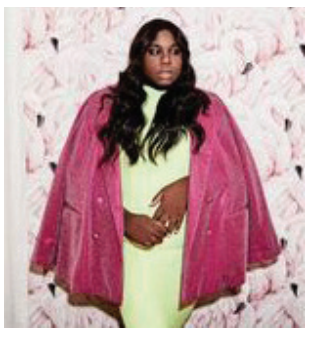


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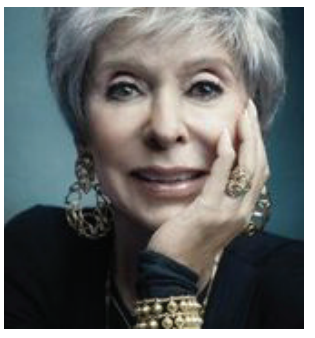
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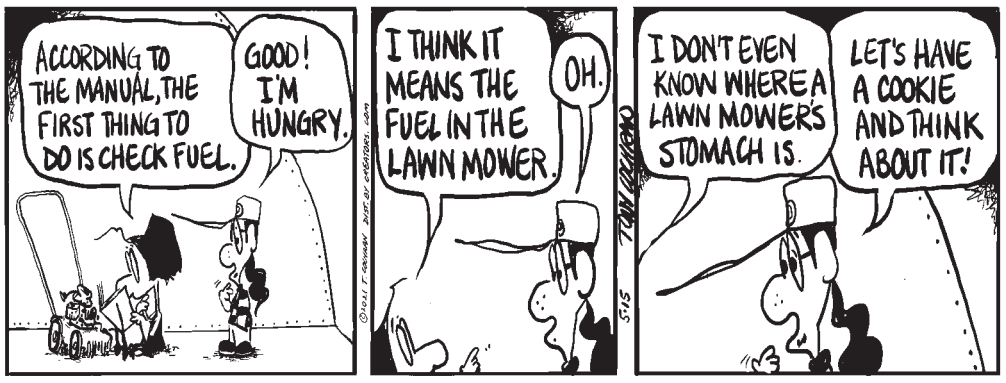
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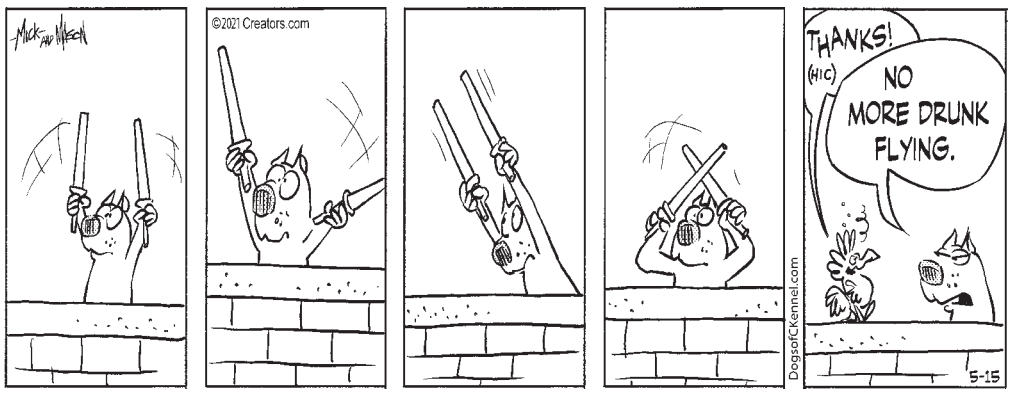
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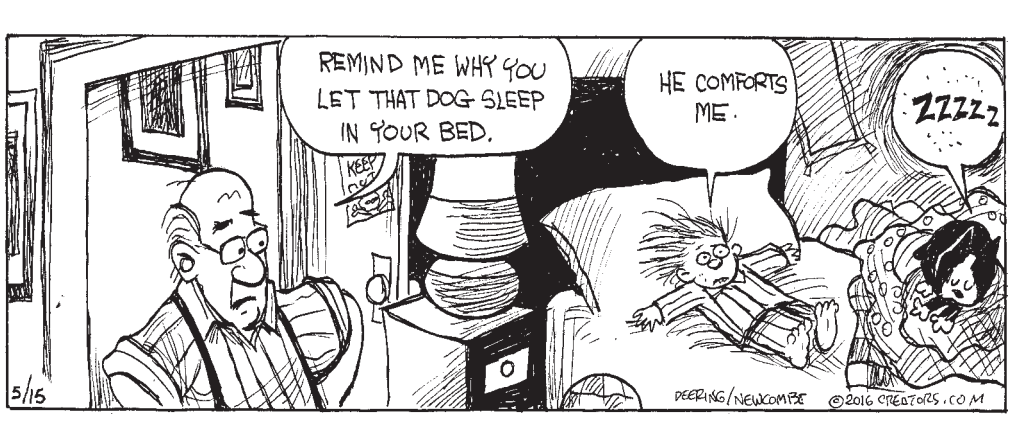

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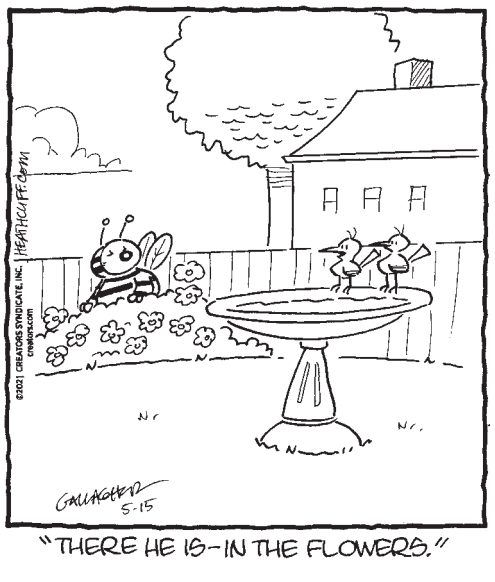

## Zack Hill

By JOHN DEERING & JOHN NEWCOMBE




## Heathcliff

By PETER GALLAGHER




"THERE HE IS—IN THE FLOWERS."

## Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING







## SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 63.1°

SATURDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 3-5ft Waist to head high
Watching wind in the morning - could have some texture. New SSW swell builds in, while fresh NW swell mix helps out beachbreaks in the shape department.

SUNDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 4-5ft Chest to head high
Mostly clean in the morning as long-period SSW swell builds towards an afternoon peak. Modest NW swell mix blends in, resulting in a few peaks at the combo breaks. Summer points best.

## WEATHER

**Saturday:** Patchy drizzle before 11am. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 64.
**Saturday Night:** Mostly cloudy, with a low around 55.
**Sunday:** Patchy drizzle with a chance of rain before 11am. Mostly cloudy, with a high near 62.

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| 2021/05/15 | Sat | 1:42 PM | 2.96 | H |
| 2021/05/15 | Sat | 4:55 PM | 2.64 | L |
| 2021/05/15 | Sat | 11:31 PM | 5.06 | H |
| 2021/05/16 | Sun | 07:27 AM | -0.03 | L |
| 2021/05/16 | Sun | 3:15 PM | 2.95 | H |
| 2021/05/16 | Sun | 5:23 PM | 2.88 | L |
| 2021/05/17 | Mon | 12:14 AM | 4.79 | H |
| 2021/05/17 | Mon | 08:26 AM | 0.13 | L |
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| 2021/05/18 | Tue | 09:33 AM | 0.21 | L |
| 2021/05/18 | Tue | 5:36 PM | 3.42 | H |
| 2021/05/18 | Tue | 8:57 PM | 3.19 | L |
| 2021/05/19 | Wed | 02:36 AM | 4.18 | H |
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| 2021/05/19 | Wed | 11:00 PM | 2.77 | L |
| 2021/05/20 | Thu | 04:11 AM | 4.03 | H |
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| 2021/05/21 | Fri | 12:07 AM | 2.06 | L |

## DAILY LOTTERY

**POWERball**
Draw Date: 5/12
1 19 20 38 54
Power#: 17
Jackpot: 183 M

**MEGA MILLIONS**
Draw Date: 5/11
7 8 20 36 39
Mega#: 22
Jackpot: 430 M

**SuperLotto PLUS**
Draw Date: 5/12
1 17 21 30 43
Mega#: 9
Jackpot: 46 M

**Fantasy 5**
Draw Date: 5/13
13 19 21 28 29

**Daily 3**
Draw Date: 5/13
EVENING: 1 1 5

Draw Date: 5/13
MIDDAY: 6 6 7

**Daily Derby**
Draw Date: 5/13
1st: 05 - California Classic
2nd: 01 - Gold Rush
3rd: 10 - Solid Gold
Race Time: 1:41.96

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## TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (MAY 15)

Instead of waiting for the work that fits your skills and talents, you quite brilliantly fit your skills and talents to the work at hand, thus multiplying all factors. And the skills, talents and opportunities aren't the only things swelling because money and relationships also expand in this ever-burgeoning year of abundance. Libra and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 1, 33, 38 and 15.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Take a step back and remember why you wanted to do a thing in the first place. Much has happened since; your purpose has evolved to fit the circumstances. But that initial kernel of intention is still the heart of this venture.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Confident in your abilities and choices, you'll find it unnecessary to compare and contrast with what others are doing. The habit of minding your own business will benefit 20 different ways today.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). People will pick up on things that you're dwelling on, which is why you'll consciously steer yourself to dwell on the things that you'll be happy for them to know about you.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Whether consciously or unconsciously, you keep placing yourself on the path of self-discovery. The respect and love you gather up is a natural byproduct you've earned along the way.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Egos are like those pot-bellied pigs sold as "miniature." Actually, those pigs can grow to any size, according to their feeding. Attention is the food of the ego. A small ego is the result of a restricted-attention diet.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). As much as you try to live in the moment, something keeps pulling you back. These memories are worth investigating. They hold the key to unlocking a fuller experience of the present.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Amusingly, attractions and aversions can sometimes be obvious to everyone around except the person in the thick of the spell. In such a case, the value of honest friends becomes apparent.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Every face has a default position, a latent pose that reveals the median mood of a person. You can't go wrong if by steering toward those with a pleasant resting face.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You don't have to like all the same things to like the person, but there's magic in the common ground. Where your taste intersects with another person's is not only a confluence of aesthetics; it's a soul connection.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The volume with which people comfortably express themselves can vary widely between individuals. It's a thing to be aware of as you match and mirror your way into establishing trust and connection.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). When loved ones want your assistance, your response is automatic. Today's situation warrants a contemplative pause. Consider that, sometimes, the very best way to help is by not helping.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Today's plot is a swirl of complexity. Before you reward the hero of the day, just make sure this person didn't actually cause the problem to begin with.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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## Sudoku

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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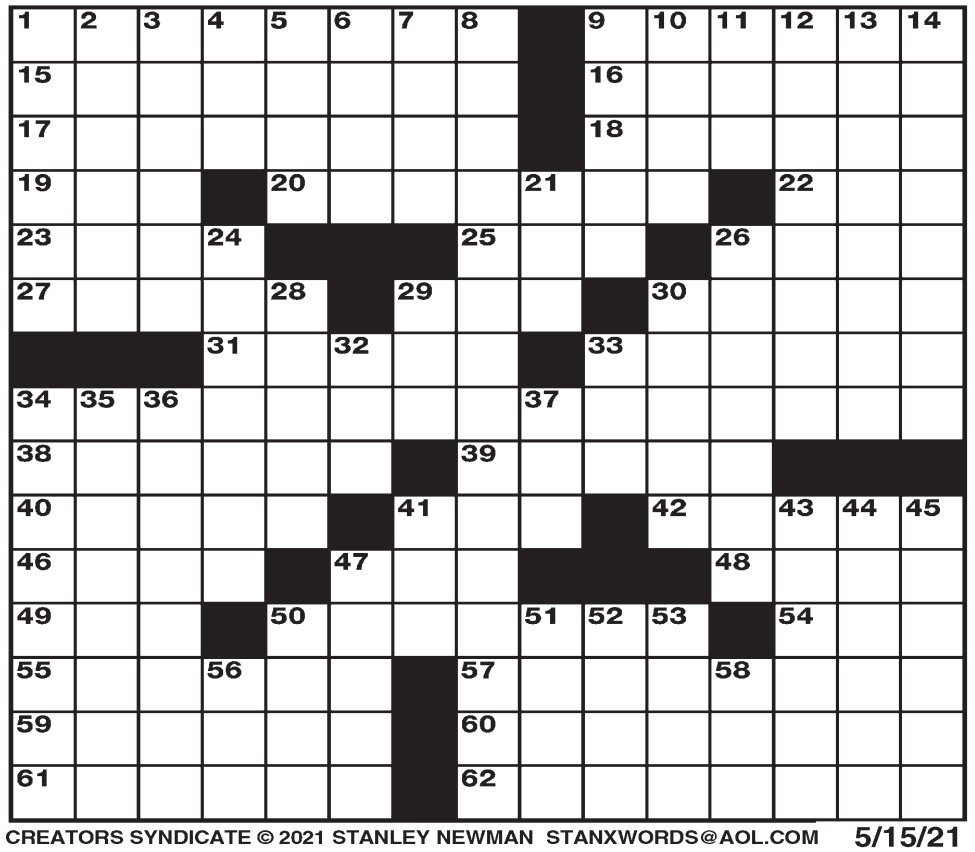
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## Newsday Crossword

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**ACROSS**
1 Elk antlers and Prime Bones
9 See 40 Across
15 Extremely ambitious
16 Historic city of northern Spain
17 Paper aide
18 Court dudes
19 Automated villain of sci-fi
20 They're in a book of Liszt's
22 What CRTs were used with
23 Odyssean
25 Know how
26 Not concerted
27 Diversionary tactic
29 1 Across consumer
30 Evacuation order
31 Fashions
33 Be destructive
34 2017 QEII celebration
38 Deny or sustain, say
39 Worst-case scenario
40 With 9 Across, Indo-European subgroup
41 Missal housing
42 Plant procedure
46 Much
47 Get a glider going
48 Show you really mean it
49 Quite a boor
50 What some calipers measure
54 Score for a leaner
55 Arrange nicely
57 Arrange nicely
59 Gnarled, as trunks
60 Held back
61 Weapons, to generals
62 Subject of an early Tom Wolfe book (1968)

**DOWN**
1 Spread dirt around
2 Books __ (misnamed audiobook seller)
3 Bread flavoring
4 NHL, NBA and NFL locale
5 Wild bunch
6 So
7 Knight on old 50-pound notes
8 Erie Canal Museum city
9 Important name in sleuthing stories
10 __ *Diary* (Twain book with an apple on the cover)
11 Settled (on)
12 Ecclesiastical antonym
13 Profession precursor
14 Food from the French for "finish"
21 Call on
24 Calls on, with no choice
26 Commander of the first manned Apollo mission
28 Quite a boor
29 By order of
30 More than kind
32 Diminutive suffix
33 Stinker
34 "The Pearl of the Indian Ocean"
35 Signature collectors' banes
36 Stops progressing
37 Spread dirt around
41 Seed case
43 Gets around
44 Milwaukee TV tribute statue in a two-thumbs-up pose
45 Subadolescent
47 Sondheim octet
50 Elongated region
51 Not yet caught
52 One more time, to Twain
53 Disappoint in performance
56 Small Roman numeral
58 Word on the first line of Mirren's Wikipedia article



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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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