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CRIMEWATCH SEE PAGE 8



PAL THANKS

The Santa Monica Police Activities League held its annual Recognition Dinner on May 20. In addition to presenting scholarships, the event was an opportunity to thank volunteers and recognize exemplary students.

Courtesy photos

ADJOURNMENTS:

Two parents of city employees pass

Editor's note: This is a semi-regular feature that announces the deaths of people who lived in or impacted Santa Monica. Oftentimes the names and information are gathered from the ends of City Council meetings, when council adjourns in the memory of those who've passed.

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON

Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL There's been much loss in Santa Monica recently. Santa Monica High School student Leo Castillo died after a collision between his scooter and an automobile. More than 300 people have contributed more than \$20,000 to Castillo's funeral on a website called GoFundMe. A collection box was also set up at the high

school.

Additionally, this month City Council honored the parents of two city employees who died recently.

MATTIE WILLIAMS

Mattie Williams, the mother of city employee Al Williams, was a longtime Santa Monica resident, Mayor Kevin McKeown said at council's recent meeting. She passed away on April 28 at the age of 84. Williams was born in a small town in southern Arkansas to Ike and Melissa Woods.

"She was raised as a sharecropper's daughter," McKeown said at the close of the meeting. "In 1949,

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El Indio Perdido

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON

Daily Press Staff Writer

PICO BLVD It's the mid-90s and Fernando Rodriguez's friend stops by with a pair of statues. They'd be perfect for watching the door of the family restaurant, Gilbert's El Indio, Rodriguez thinks and he buys one, for \$800: A Native American, chin turned proudly up, in a feathered headdress.

For two decades, kids, their parents, teenagers, and seniors take photos with the statue, it's marble eye watching them, before they head inside for pickled carrots or a super mule burrito.

Fast forward to 2015, the Friday before Cinco de Mayo, Fernando's mother, Carmen, the owner of the restaurant is heading into the Gilbert's at 7 a.m.

Something's missing. The door-watcher is gone. El Indio Perdido. The Lost Indian.

Customers start to notice his absence, too. Cinco de Mayo isn't the same without him. Fernando calls his pastor who agrees to give a blessing. Fernando's son, Andres Rodriguez, puts a call out on Gilbert's Facebook page, not expecting much.

The restaurant's 4,500 followers are incensed. The post is shared rapidly and ultimately viewed more than 30,000 times, Andres said.

Enter Thaddeus Warth. Thaddeus has been finding lost things — purses, wallets, money — since he was a kid. Maybe it's luck or maybe it's the way he sees the world.

Thad has a theory: "I think God trusts me. Coincidence is God's way of keeping his anonymity."

As a grade-schooler, he and his father, Dart, who passed a few

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Tuesday, May 26

Green Living Workshop

Join this Sustainable Works Workshop and learn how to save money, and positively impact your family, community, and ultimately the planet. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Zumba Craze with Diana Flores

Zumba is a Latin-inspired, calorie-burning, dance-fitness experience. In this fitness party, you will burn more calories than you thought you could. Join us for a workout that is so much fun you won't even feel like you're working out. All fitness levels welcome. Drop-in available for \$15. 1450 Ocean, 7 - 8 p.m., (310) 458-2239 or https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search?detailskeyword=handwork

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Bring your own sewing, beading, collage or accessorizing projects to get tips, or embark on something new. Some materials provided and others

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Learn To Knit

All levels welcome. Bring your own supplies. Ages 8 & up. For more information go to: www.fairviewknittingcircle.blogspot.com. Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Blvd. 5 p.m.

Wednesday, May 27

Book Club at Thyme: THE ROSIE PROJECT

Enjoy a change of scenery at the Thyme Café & Market (1630 Ocean Park Blvd.) as organizers discuss THE ROSIE PROJECT, a story about genetics professor Don Tillman and his logic-based quest to find the perfect wife. 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

City Council Meeting

Special Meeting of the Santa Monica City Council for budget hearings. City Hall, 1685 Main St., 5:30 p.m. <http://www.smgov.net/departments/clerk/agendas.aspx>

Sustainability Student Poster Contest Awards Ceremony & Celebration

Awards Ceremony - Prizes - Refreshments - View Student Posters - Splash Pad (bring swimsuit & towel) & More. RSVP to gina@sustainableworks.org Bike riding & carpooling encouraged. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 Pacific Coast Highway, 3:30 - 5 p.m.

Movie premiere: 'The Mama Sherpas'

Join the Pump Station & Nutury and Bini Birth during Pregnancy Awareness Month for the Los Angeles premiere of "The Mama Sherpas" from producer/director

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UCLA
Our Town at UCLA

HOOLIGAN Theatre Company will present Thornton Wilder's Pulitzer Prize winning play, Our Town. HOOLIGAN is topping off its tenth season with this timeless piece, which will run for one weekend only from May 29-31 at Jan Popper Theater in Schoenberg Hall at UCLA.

In the small town of Grover's Corners, two quintessential American families, the Gibbs and the Webbs, grow up side by side. They experience all of life's major milestones: everything from love and marriage to illness and death. Wilder's unique, meta-theatrical style allows the audience to feel immersed in the lives of the characters, while the minimalist nature of the show lets the audience ponder with clarity what it means to be human.

HOOLIGAN Theatre Company is a student-run, non-profit organization that provides professional theatre experiences for college students of all majors in order to enrich the theatre community. Past sold-out performances include The Wedding Singer, Thoroughly Modern Millie, Legally Blonde the Musical, and Fiddler on the Roof. In addition, HOOLIGAN operates an

ArtsE department, through which UCLA students teach theater in local middle and high schools. Since 2006, HOOLIGAN has worked to raise artistic awareness and generate a larger thespian art community in the Greater Los Angeles area through performance and educational programs.

Our Town will run from May 29 - May31, at Jan Popper Theater in Schoenberg Hall, UCLA. Tickets are available through the UCLA Central Ticket Office at (310) 825-2101 or online at www.ticketmaster.com. General admission is \$20, groups of six or more are \$15 each, non-UCLA students with ID are \$13, UCLA Faculty and Staff are \$15, and UCLA students enter free. Student tickets will be limited to one free ticket per BruinCard.

- SUBMITTED BY ARIANA BUSSIO

Downtown

TechFire Ignite 2015 to Feature Prominent Silicon Valley CEOs,

The second annual TechFire Ignite Summit on May 28 in Santa Monica will feature high-profile CEOs from Silicon Valley - speakers of the caliber that they've also taken the stage at some of the

world's leading tech conferences.

Last year, TechFire hosted seven events attracting 1700+ registrants from Los Angeles, San Francisco, and as far away as Miami and even Istanbul, who came to network and to hear prominent speakers like venture capitalists from Sand Hill Road firms like Kleiner Perkins & Greylock, and some of LA's leading startup CEOs.

Speakers include: Sam Shank, Co-Founder & CEO, HotelTonight. Tony Conrad, Co-Founder & CEO, about.me; & Partner, True Ventures. Dan Morehead, Founder & CEO, Pantera Capital. Therese Tucker, Founder, CEO & Chairman, BlackLine. Brandee Barker, Co-Founder & Partner, The Pramana Collective.

TechFire Ignite 2015 will be Thursday, May 28, in downtown Santa Monica. Doors open for networking at 8 a.m., and the program begins at 9 a.m.

Visit <http://techfire.co> for more information.

- SUBMITTED BY DAVID MURPHY

Marina del Rey

Catalina Island: Coping with Nature's Boating Disasters and Amazing

Successes in Island Restoration Projects

Join yachting enthusiasts on Thursday, May 28 - 6:15 p.m. for the California Yacht Club's monthly presentation on boating interests. At this Yachting Dinner, you will hear from two Catalina Island experts:

Armando Eason, former Catalina Island Two Harbors-Harbor Master will review what was learned from a recent weather catastrophe and Spencer Campbell, Development Manager for the Catalina Island Conservancy will provide updates on Catalina's wildlife and an exciting announcement about recreational opportunities on the Island. No-Host Cocktails - 6:15 p.m. Buffet - 7 p.m. followed by Presentation. \$26 includes Dinner, Tax, Service and Parking. Open to all who enjoy yachting and adventure, as a public service of CYC. Reservations Required, reservations@calyachtclub.net. California Yacht Club, 4469 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey, (310) 823-4567.

- SUBMITTED BY MARTIN MCCARTHY

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Bridget Mayor and executive producers Ricki Lake and Abby Epstein. VIP reception at 7 p.m., screening at 8 p.m. at Aero Theatre, 1328 Montana Ave. Tickets available through Eventbrite. Proceeds benefit Every Mother Counts.

Thursday, May 28

40th Anniversary Closing Event

Welcome by Emeritus College Acting Associate Dean Gita Runkle, presentation of resolution from State Assembly

Member Richard Bloom's office, and a special tribute to Retired Emeritus College Associate Dean Maggie Hall, Emeritus College Room 107, 12 - 1 p.m. For more information about Emeritus College and its 40th Anniversary activities, please visit www.smc.edu/emergitus or call (310) 434-4306.

Terry Carter & The Riffraffers.

Join Terry Carter and the guitar students of SMC as they perform Classic Rock, Pop, Blues, and Reggae in an epic concert. (Free. Complimentary tickets are available at the SMC Music Office in Room 211 of the Performing Arts Center.) The Edye, 1310 11th St., 11:15 a.m.

Unseen gallery opening and reception

Join the artists for the opening of "Unseen". Light refreshments. Open to all. Docents are available for guest house tours during this evening's Gallery Opening Reception. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 PCH, 6 p.m.

"In Case You Missed It:" Unbroken

A true-life tale of Louis Zamperini, the Olympic track star who survived a plane crash in World War II, only to fight for his life against nature and eventually as a prisoner of war. (Film runtime: 137 min.) Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 6 p.m.

Singing in the Summer with the Lyric Chorus of SMC Emeritus College Celebrate the coming of summer with the return of the Lyric Chorus Singing in the Summer. The twenty plus member chorus will put you in the mood for summer with their performance of songs of the season and Broadway tunes. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

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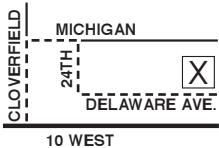


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Editor:
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Olympic High School
SMMUSD Announces New Principal for Olympic High School

The SMMUSD Board of Education approved the appointment of Anthony Fuller as the new principal of Olympic High School at its May 21, 2015 regular meeting.
Fuller has been a history and science teacher at Olympic High School since 2002. At Olympic, he has served on the leadership team, organized and facilitated many projects with students including beach cleanups, art exhibits at Santa Monica Museum of Art in conjunction with the Santa Monica Police Department, annual astronomy trips, site council meetings, parent meetings and school fundraising.
Fuller follows Dr. Janie Gates, who is retiring after 11 years as the principal of Olympic High School and 28 years at the Los Angeles County Office of Education. Under the leadership of Dr. Gates, Olympic High School has been designated a Model Continuation High School in California. This honor is for a three-year term and only a small percentage of schools receive this honor of nearly 500 continuation schools in the state each year.
Fuller currently teaches physical science, biology, government and the elective "the 20th century in film."
Prior to joining Olympic High School, Fuller worked for LAUSD from 1998-2002 at a magnet high school and middle schools. He started his teaching career in the San Francisco Unified School District in 1994.

"I'm honored to be chosen as the leader of Olympic High School, a school dedicated to the non-traditional learner," Fuller said. "Equally, I'm excited to be working with a collaborative and dynamic staff to build on the achievements of my predecessor, Dr. Janie Gates. I look forward to raising the profile of our programs within the community so all of our stakeholders can share in the success of Olympic as well as the Independent Study Program, the Off Campus Learning Center and our Adult School."
Fuller holds a Bachelor of Arts in history from College of Idaho, Master of Arts in education from National University and his administrative service credential from University of California, Los Angeles.
Fuller has served on the Santa Monica-Malibu Classroom Teachers Association board from 2012- present and was a state council representative from 2008-2014.
"Anthony will be a valuable addition to our district leadership team," Superintendent Sandra Lyon said. "I would like to congratulate him on his new position."
As a community of learners, the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District works together in a nurturing environment to help students be visionary, versatile thinkers; resourceful, life-long learners; effective, multilingual communicators and global citizens.

- SUBMITTED BY GAIL PINSKER

McKinley Elementary School
USC Capstone Events Coming to Santa Monica and Malibu

SMMUSD teachers are excited about delivering differentiated curriculum and instruction in their classrooms. But, what does that really mean for students?
Parents and community members are invited to find out at a session led by teachers who participated in a University of Southern California Differentiated Curriculum and Instruction Institute this year. One session will be held in Malibu and one session in Santa Monica.
USC CAPSTONE EVENT
Juan Cabrillo Elementary School
30237 Morning View Dr., Malibu
Tuesday, May 26
5:30 - 7 p.m.
USC CAPSTONE EVENT
McKinley Elementary School
2401 Santa Monica Blvd. Santa Monica
Thursday, May 28
6:30 - 8 p.m.

A cohort of 20 SMMUSD classroom teachers participated in this Capstone project focusing on increasing rigor in classrooms across all levels and in every content area. This instructional delivery method is rooted in Gifted and Talented Education (GATE) programs and introduces depth and complexity to students in order to uncover the full potential of every single learner.
USC faculty members Dr. Sandra Kaplan and Dr. Jessica Manzone provided the sessions and are providing ongoing support to members of the SMMUSD cohort.
Reservations are not required and both sessions are open to parents and community members of Malibu or Santa Monica. Please join teachers and SMMUSD educational services administrators for either capstone events where teachers will share how they apply the elements of depth, complexity, novelty and acceleration within their classrooms.

- SUBMITTED BY GAIL PINSKER

SACRAMENTO
Proposal to Assist Staving and Abandoned
Sea Lion Pups Passes Budget Committee

In response to the extraordinary number of sea lion pups that are washing up on California's shores emaciated, starving, and dehydrated, Assemblymember Richard Bloom (D-Santa Monica), Chair of the Assembly Budget Subcommittee on Resources and Transportation, led an effort to approve \$1 million to assist local animal rescue and rehabilitation centers in the efforts to save the animals.
"Volunteers and others from numerous animal rescue centers are working around the clock to try and triage this challenging and saddening situation," said Bloom. "Unfortunately, the resources to treat these baby seals are running out and the workers are forced to pick and choose which of these beautiful creatures they want to save. We

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cannot allow this to continue.”

For the third year in a row, usual numbers of sea lion pups are washing up on California shores. To date, there have been approximately 2,900 stranded sea lion pups, significantly more than the 1262 in 2013, which was previously the highest number recorded. In fact, the previous record was surpassed within the first three months of this year.

Unusually Warm waters along the West Coast are affecting food availability for nursing sea lion mothers, and the result is a generation of pups that are smaller than researchers have ever seen. These starving sea lions are washing ashore on California beaches in alarming numbers. Some areas of the Pacific are two to five degrees warmer than usual for this time of year-some of the warmest temperatures seen in our history, according to NOAA Scientists. Some scientists believe climate change may play a role as well-that warming sea-surface temperatures worldwide and reduced sea ice are amplifying this atmospheric abnormality.

Other large-scale impacts humans are having on the ocean environment, such as overfishing and pollution, are certainly not helping the problem either. Recent fisheries assessments reveal, for example, that the sardine population-a major food source for sea lions-has dropped 72 percent since its last peak in 2006. Regardless of why this major oceanographic change is happening, the ripple effects are being felt acutely along the coast of California as starving sea lion pups continue to wash ashore.

The California Marine Mammal Stranding Network, a network composed of scientific investigators, non-profit institutions, volunteer networks and individuals who work under authorization from the National Marine Fisheries Service have led the effort so far with no additional federal or state assistance. The network has handled the stranded sea lion pups on a case-by-case basis that is dependent on local capability, available resources, personnel, and logistics. Most are funded from dwindling federal sources and primarily through charitable contributions.

The action today by the Assembly Budget Subcommittee on Resources and Transportation appropriated \$1 million to the Wildlife Health Center at the University of California, Davis to administer grants to local marine mammal stranding networks that have provided assistance to stranded sea lion pups since the beginning of the year. The state has a history of using networks as the first responders for extraordinary circumstances, like the Oiled Wildlife Care Network, which is the first responder to oil spill catastrophes.

“If 9-year old Alana Thorgerson from Virigina can raise \$1,700 to assist these poor animals, this is the least we can do,” added Bloom referring to the young girl who raised money on a GoFundMe webpage after learning from her mother that sea lion pups were washing ashore. Alana donated the money to the Pacific Marine Mammal Center in Laguna Beach.

- SUBMITTED BY SEAN MACNEIL

Citywide

Mayor Kevin McKeown elected Vice-Chair of Westside Cities Council of Governments

Santa Monica Mayor and long-serving City Councilmember Kevin McKeown has been elected Vice-Chair of the Westside Cities Council of Governments, a multi-jurisdictional body addressing regional issues including traffic, transit, social services, and sustainability.

McKeown takes his position as Vice-Chair of the COG effective immediately, which puts him in line to chair the COG next year. Besides Santa Monica, the Westside Cities Council of Governments consists of Beverly Hills, West Hollywood, Culver City, and parts of the City of Los Angeles and Los Angeles County.

“Santa Monica is leading the region on sustainability and now bike-sharing, as light rail arrives in our downtown within the year,” said McKeown. “Mobility and traffic are our chief challenges on the Westside, and I look forward to continued multi-city cooperation on transit, traffic management, and responsible, sustainable land use.”

Mayor McKeown has served as Santa Monica’s delegate or alternate to the COG continuously since its formation in 2006, and before that was active in helping the less formal “Westside Cities” group come together as an official, regional Council of Governments. Among his contributions in the course of that formation were an agreement to consider joint social issues, including homelessness, and the procedural structure of the COG, favoring consensus rather than potentially divisive votes.

For many years, McKeown was co-chair of the COG’s Environmental Committee. “Air and water quality are clearly issues where regional cooperation is key,” he said. “Local solutions to global problems need a regional implementation, which our COG can help provide.”

In his first action as Vice-Chair, Mayor McKeown led the COG to support local control over short term rentals in potential state laws, further supporting Santa Monica’s recent pioneering vacation rental ordinance. At the same meeting, Jeff Cooper of Culver City was elected Chair, and Beverly Hills’ William Brien became Secretary.

- SUBMITTED BY GENISE SCHNITMAN

Citywide

The 10th Annual Santa Monica International Teen Film Festival

The 10th Annual Santa Monica International Teen Film Festival will take place on Saturday, June 6 and Sunday, June 7. The Festival is free to the public and a wonderful activity for film buffs and / or families looking for something unique and fun to do in Santa Monica.

This year the Festival will screen 38 short films (average length is 4 minutes) out of over 320 submissions from all across the United States as well as India, Russia, Ireland, Thailand, Mexico, England and more. Local filmmakers from Santa Monica High School, New Roads High School, Harvard Westlake and other area schools are also represented.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

BRIEF

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Saturday, June 7 from 7-9 p.m. at the Miles Memorial Playhouse, located at 1130 Lincoln Blvd. in Santa Monica. (www.milesplayhouse.org.) "Little Red", a creepy take on the "Little Red Riding Hood" tale by 17 year old Wynter Rhys from North Bend, Washington, which has won multiple film festivals, will be featured that night, as well as a very funny short by Will Smith of Lakeland, Florida called "Attack of the Killer Skeleton from Outer Space". This screening session is rated PG-13 due to some violence and mature themes.

The second screening will take place Sunday, June 7 from 2-4 p.m. at the Martin Luther King, Jr. Auditorium at the Santa Monica Main Public Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. This screening will feature animated works including an amazing Claymation film called "Bee Eff Eff's" by 17-year-old New Roads student Tiana Marsh. It will also include a wonderful experimental film "Will I Scatter Away" by 13-year-old Emma Penaz Eisner from San Francisco. This screening is rated G and open to all ages.

The awards ceremony will immediately follow Sunday's screening from 4-4:30 p.m., handing out over a dozen awards including "Best of the Fest", "Best Animation", "Best Documentary", "Best Music / Video Experimental" and "Best Live Action".

An "Audience Choice" award will also be given out after each screening. The winner will be chosen by the live audience via ballot immediately following the screening.

The festival is generously sponsored by the Relativity School. The first and only school of its kind created with a major Hollywood studio offering accredited BFA degrees in Film + Digital Content, Acting, Commercial Dance and Art. The overall winner of the Festival will receive a full scholarship to their three week summer intensive.

To celebrate the Festival's 10th year, a red carpet and step-and-repeat banner will be outside each screening venue.

The Festival is produced by the City of Santa Monica, including the Cultural Affairs Division, the Friends of the Santa Monica Public Library, SMPL Youth Services, the Virginia Avenue Park Teen Center, and City TV. Admission is free.

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she married Early Williams and the family moved to Santa Monica in 1953 where they — talk about putting down roots — raised six sons and three daughters here in Santa Monica.”

Williams was a member of the Cavalry Baptist Church. She was the proud grandmother of 16 grandchildren, 28 great-grandchildren and, 11 great-great grandchildren.

“All those kids were her life,” McKeown said.

ESTELA RODRIGUEZ

Estela Rodriguez, the mother of City Council office administrator Sonia Ramos, was honored at the close of council’s meeting earlier this month.

She was born on March 12, 1929 in Havana, Cuba, the daughter of Spanish immigrants, McKeown said. Estela and her husband, Vicente came to the United States in 1966 as political refugees. They joined

their children, including Sonia, after long years of separation, a result, McKeown said, of Cuba’s political climate.

“A homemaker in Cuba, Estela was also an accomplished writer and storyteller,” he said. “She hosted a weekly radio program that showcased her stories and her poetry. Here in the states, Estela first worked as a seamstress, stitching parachutes during the Vietnam War. She later worked for Bullocks and Bloomingdales.”

Rodriguez kept on working until her 77th birthday and, McKeown read, she was very proud of her newfound sewing profession.

“Estela was actively involved in her parish,” he said. “She cared deeply for others.”

Estela’s hobbies included cooking, reading, writing, and designing Halloween costumes for her grandchildren. She also designed costumes for their school plays.

McKeown extended sympathy on behalf of the council to both of the city employees and their families.

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WATER TEMP: 62.8°

TUESDAY – FAIR – SURF: 3-4 ft waist to chest high
S swell holds, more SW swell shows in the PM - strongest out west.
Minor NW swell-mix continues. Conditions a little suspect.

WEDNESDAY – FAIR – SURF: 2-3 ft thigh to chest high occ. 4ft
SW swell energy up a little further - strongest out west. S/SSE swell eases.
Larger sets for summer magnets. Minor NW swell-mix.

THURSDAY – FAIR – SURF: 4-5 ft Shoulder to head
Small long period swell from the south-southwest holding during the day.
Light and variable southwest winds with smooth seas.

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QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)

Number of sewage spills — 0
Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill — 0
Number of wet days — 14
Number of A grades for dry/wet weather — 33/20
Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather — 5/19

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LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Canillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
El Pescador State Beach, between Luchessa and Las Alas creeks.		
Escalante Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	B	A+
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	F
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	F	A+
Escalante Creek, just east of Escalante State Beach.	A+	F
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	F	A+
Solstice Canyon at San Becker County Beach.	A+	D
Puerto State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	A+
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerto Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd.	A+	F
Surfside Beach at Malibu Colony Ince.	A+	F
Surfside Beach (beach location) - daily.	A	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	ns	F
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	F
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point rent).	A+	A+
Big Rock Beach at 10948 PCH stairs.	A+	A+
Pena Creek at Las Tunes County Beach.	A+	F
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Tayanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	B
Castroville Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ns	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	B	F
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	B	A+

LEGEND

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WET — grades for days of recorded rainfall and the following 3 days
ns — no sample taken



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CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF



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These are arrests only. All parties are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

ON MAY 16 AT APPROXIMATELY 6:15 P.M.

An officer responded to a report of trespassing in the 1800 block of Lincoln Boulevard. Upon arrival, the officer noticed a subject, later identified as Cynthia Cantrell, 50-year-old transient, walking through passing vehicular traffic in his direction. While Cantrell was walking toward the officer, he noticed a female sitting in a wheel chair across the street waiving and yelling in his direction.
While all of this was occurring, the officer was advised by dispatch that they received a call concerning a possible assault and battery between two females. When Cantrell was asked if she was involved in a fight, she ignored the officer and walked past him. When the officer made contact with Cantrell, he could smell the strong odor of alcohol on her breath and person. Cantrell went on to say that she had done nothing wrong and did not want to deal with the woman across the street. Cantrell proceeded to walk away yelling meanwhile disregarding the orders she was given to standby. After continued attempts to detain Cantrell, the officer was finally able to initiate handcuffing. Cantrell was booked on public intoxication, willfully obstructing an investigation and violation of probation. Bail was set at \$10,000.

FOUND

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months ago, spent a day tracking down the owner of wallet they'd found with \$21 inside.
Thaddeus, a Santa Monica resident and longtime Gilbert's customer, saw Andres' post.
"It was funny," he said, "because I said: Either a fraternity prank or high school prank or at a cigar lounge."
Thaddeus is a cigar manufacturer. He's the COO of Hermosa Cigars. He routinely ducks into cigar shops all over Los Angeles County. On Thursday, he ducks into a West L.A. cigar lounge, chats with an employee, buys a cigar, smokes it, plays a lottery ticket, wins \$50, walks back to the counter to get paid.
"Out of the corner of my eye, I look over and said, 'wait a minute,'" Thaddeus said.
He calls over his buddy George, pointing to a statue in the back of the lounge.
George: "Yeah? So?"
Thaddeus: "Dude that's from Gilbert's, bro"
George: "That's not it."
Thaddeus smells wet paint. He pulls out

his phone, checks the Facebook post.
"Dude, that's it," he said. "It's just been painted."
Thaddeus calls Gilbert's. He used to play baseball with some of the Rodriguez family.
Fernando swings by the lounge. He smells the paint, sees the marble eye. He haggles with the lounge owner, who said he bought it off the back of a truck with Arizona license plates for \$180. Fernando gives him \$90 in restaurant certificates — a fifty-fifty loss. Two weeks after he disappeared, El Indio Perdido is home, watching the family restaurant.
Neither the Rodriguez's nor Thaddeus were willing to name the cigar lounge; the formers said they want to keep the story positive and the latter fears retribution against the owner with whom he is a friend.
"It's pretty awesome," said Andres Rodriguez. "It's amazing to see how many people are willing to look out for the restaurant. We had the whole city looking for him. He's a part of the restaurant's tradition and we want to keep that tradition going."
El Indio Perdido is sitting outside of Gilbert's El Indio, which has been open for 41 years, on Pico Boulevard by 26th Street.

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Difficulty Level ★★

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SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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- 1821** - Establishment of the Peloponnesian Senate by the Greek rebels.
- 1822** - 116 people die in the Grue Church fire, the biggest fire disaster in Norway's history.
- 1828** - Feral child Kaspar Hauser is discovered wandering the streets of Nuremberg.
- 1830** - The Indian Removal Act is passed by the U.S. Congress; it is signed into law by President Andrew Jackson two days later.

- 1857** - Dred Scott is emancipated by the Blow family, his original owners.
- 1864** - Montana is organized as a United States territory.
- 1865** - American Civil War: the Confederate General Edmund Kirby Smith, commander of the Confederate Trans-Mississippi division, is the last full general of the Confederate Army to surrender, at Galveston, Texas.
- 1869** - Boston University is chartered by the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
- 1879** - Russia and the United Kingdom sign the Treaty of Gandamak establishing an Afghan state.

NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

- **Sober Driver Pays:** Sapearya Sao, then 25 and sober that night in 2013 in Portland, Oregon, was rammed by a drunk hit-and-run driver (Nathan Wisbeck), who later rammed another drunk driver -- but Sao finds himself defending the lawsuit by the two people injured in Wisbeck's second collision. Sao recently settled the lawsuit brought by that second drunk driver, but still faces a \$9.8 million lawsuit brought by the estate of the second drunk driver's late passenger, which argues that if Sao had not pursued Wisbeck in an attempt to identify him, the second crash would not have occurred. (Of course, that crash also might not have occurred if the second driver -- 0.11 blood alcohol -- had been sober.)
- **British forensic scientist Dr. Brooke Magnanti, 39,** has written two best-selling books and inspired a TV series based on her life, but she recently filed a lawsuit accusing her ex-boyfriend of libeling her -- by telling people that she was NOT formerly a prostitute. A major part of Magnanti's biography is how she paid for university studies through prostitution -- which has supposedly enhanced her marketability.

CATCH UP WITH A FRIEND, CANCER

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Confusion and disruption could mar the early morning. By the afternoon, however, a certain area of your life simply seems to flow. Your efforts will pay off, and you'll have reason to smile. Curb being impulsive, if possible. Tonight: Get as much R and R as you can.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Your ingenuity comes into play as you try to bring different facets of your life together. You might want to proceed in a new direction once you realize that you have gained as much as you can on your present path. Discussions will prove to be enlightening. Tonight: Be playful.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You might opt for a slow day, especially after this past weekend. You will want to have a long-overdue conversation with someone who cares a lot about you. Your views are often different, but you work well together. A friend might shock you. Tonight: Happiest at home.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ You will tell it like it is. Someone who cares about you just might let it go, even if he or she doesn't agree with you. A relative could surprise you with an unexpected visit. You might need to adjust a lot more than you realize. Tonight: Catch up with a friend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ Curb a need to take over a situation. You could be jolted by an assertive friend who unleashes his or her anger on you. Know that this display has nothing to do with you; it is just the result of suppressed anger. Communicate rather than react. Tonight: Make it your treat.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ You beam and others respond. Some of you will experience jealousy today, whereas others will feel upbeat. Your perspective about a project might have changed recently. Let others know how different your view has become. Tonight: Make the most of every moment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★ You might be in a situation that feels awkward or difficult. Say little and observe a lot. Your perspective about a personal matter involving your home life could change as a result. You probably will need to be more flexible than in the recent past. Tonight: Get some extra zzz's.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ A meeting could prove to be far more important than you initially had thought. A partner might be difficult and accusatory. Use care when dealing with this person, and attempt to be nonreactive. Take an overview, and you will know what to do. Tonight: Where the crowds are.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You must deal with someone who is a powerhouse or who is in a position of authority. Your finances could be subject to change, which might force you to review your budget. Tonight: Put in an extra hour or two when dealing with a parent or older friend.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You could be in a period of profound change and not yet realize it. Others might react differently to you because of this slow metamorphosis. You also might find your domestic life subject to more changes than you had anticipated. Tonight: You can't complain of boredom.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ A partner might make an offer that you will need to consider. You might have a strong reaction at first, but your creativity will help even you out. You will find a way to incorporate a compromise. Others find you to be unpredictable. Tonight: Use care with spending.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Others will come forward with a slew of ideas and suggestions. Nevertheless, you must deal with a volatile situation in your personal life. Discussions might have a sarcastic tone to them. You'll pull the wild card financially. Tonight: Go along with someone's suggestion.

Tuesday, May 26, 2015

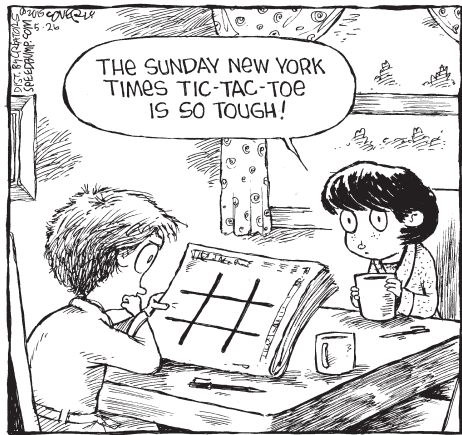
This year you deal with a variety of situations that could push you in different directions. When you discover that you are losing your temper, you'll need to call a halt to all the activity and detach. You are successful in any matter involving communication. An investment in real estate is likely after summer. If you are single, you are in a period where you could meet someone who makes a difference in your life. You also will smile much more. If you are attached, you seem to become even closer to your sweetie than in the past. You might decide to renew your commitment to each other. VIRGO can be a stick in the mud.

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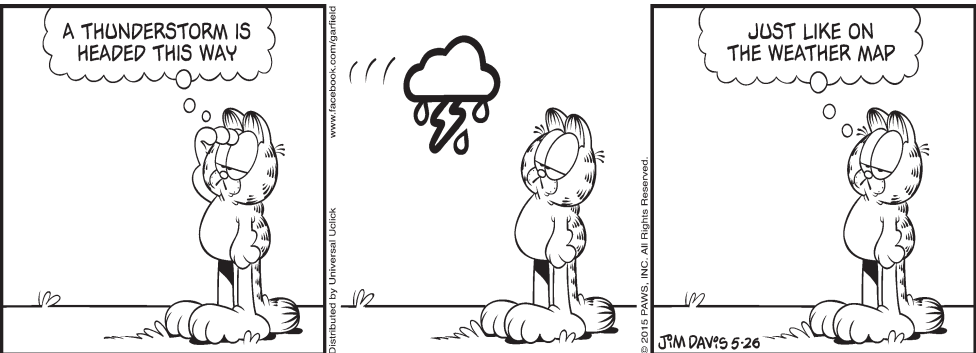
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