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At McKinley's Rainbow Club, an opportunity for acceptance



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McKinley Elementary Principal Ashley Benjamin believes a healthy school starts with students who feel safe and supported.

In May, the Principal — whose school recently earned a California Pivotal Practice Award Program, or CAPP, award for innovation during the pandemic — gave a presentation during Mental Health Awareness Month, focusing on initiatives in the school community designed to "foster the whole child," according

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Erica Cuyugan leads the next chapter at Santa Monica libraries

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With a slashed budget limiting services to around 30 percent of pre-pandemic levels, the Santa Monica Public Library continues to operate under challenging conditions, but with the appointment of Erica Cuyugan as Library Director, the system is in adept and experienced hands.

Cuyugan is no stranger to the Santa Monica Public libraries nor to this position as she first served as interim director following Maria Carpenter's departure in 2016 and has been holding the interim role again for the past ten months following Patty Wong 's departure in 2021. Cuyugan first joined Santa Monica libraries as a teen services librarian in 2006 and has spent the last sixteen years rising through the ranks and becoming familiar with almost every nook and cranny of the five library branches.

She is thrilled to be stepping into this role on a permanent basis, after beating out several other candidates in a nationwide recruitment search, and feels ready to lead the library into its next chapter.

"Regardless of what happens regarding the economy and budget, there's that love of the library that really makes you feel like we're part of the heart and soul of the neighborhoods and our city," said Cuyugan. "And so that's exciting

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Memorial Day





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FLAGS: The Santa Monica Elks with the help of the Girl Scouts, Daisies, Boy Scouts, and community members put flags on the graves of Woodlawn Cemetery. There were 50 scouts and community members helping the 23 Elks in attendance. The Santa Monica Elks started the official Memorial Day activities over 75 years ago at Woodlawn Cemetery.



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EXPLAINER: A look at Bill Cosby's sexual assault civil trial

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Eleven months after he was freed from prison when a Pennsylvania appeals court threw out his criminal conviction, Bill Cosby, 85, will again be the defendant in a trial over sexual assault allegations. This time, it will be in a civil case in California relating to events in mid-1970s Los Angeles. A jury in the coastal city of Santa Monica, California, has been chosen and opening statements begin Wednesday in the case that is expected to last two weeks.

Here's a look at the key elements of the case:

THE CASE AGAINST COSBY

Judy Huth, now 64, says when she was 16 years old in 1975, she and a friend met Cosby at a Los Angeles-area park, where he was filming the movie "Let's Do It Again" with Sidney Poitier. A few days later, Huth's lawsuit says, Cosby had her drink alcohol "as part of a game," then took her to the Playboy Mansion. There, according to the complaint, he took her into an isolated bedroom, kissed her on the mouth, slid his hand down her pants, and used her hand to perform a sex act on him. Huth filed a lawsuit against Cosby in 2014, seeking financial damages to be determined at trial.

Huth also filed a police report, but no criminal charges have been brought. The case has taken eight years to come to trial because of delays over Cosby's two criminal trials and the pandemic. Key witnesses at the trial will include Huth and her friend from the time.

THE CASE FOR COSBY

Cosby's attorneys have conceded that he met Huth and took her to the Playboy Mansion. An undated photo of the two of them there shows as much. But they thoroughly deny that any assault took place. And they say that Huth was actually 18 when the mansion visit occurred, which would make any violation significantly less serious under California law. Cosby's attorneys have not said what evidence they will use to demonstrate this, and emphasize the burden is on the plaintiffs to prove when the visit happened.

WHY THE TRIAL MATTERS

This case has taken on renewed significance as one of the few remaining legal actions against Cosby after Pennsylvania's highest court threw out his criminal sexual assault conviction last June and released him from prison, and after many other lawsuits were settled against his will by his insurer.

WILL COSBY ATTEND OR TESTIFY?

Cosby, who sat through two long criminal trials, is not required to attend this one, and has no plans to show up. His representatives say it's because his glaucoma has left him blind. Jurors said during the selection process that they would not let Cosby's absence affect their judgment, which the court requires. Still, attorneys in general like to have their clients present, both to give their side a human face and to show the client cares and takes the proceedings seriously.

He won't appear on the witness stand either. Cosby did give one video deposition in the case, but the judge ruled that he did not have to give a second, more wide-ranging deposition, nor will he be compelled to testify in person. The judge found that Cosby can invoke his Fifth Amendment privilege against self-incrimination because there's a chance he could still be prosecuted in California and other jurisdictions for sexual assault.

THE CASE'S COLDNESS

The biggest challenge, for both sides, will be in presenting evidence and testimony to a jury based on events from nearly 50 years ago. Many Playboy Mansion visitors and others who may have testified are dead, including Playboy Magazine founder and former mansion owner Hugh Hefner, though he did give a deposition before his 2017 death. An attorney for Playboy Enterprises says they can't find visitor logs from the mansion for the time in question. Memories will have to be tied to scraps of photographs, news articles and other archives to refresh recollections.

A KEY CHANGE

The problems with the case's age were illustrated by a major change Huth made to her story just weeks before trial, after evidence uncovered by her attorneys led them to believe she met Cosby on the movie set in 1975, when she was 16, not in late 1973 or early 1974, when she was 15. Among the things they used to reach the conclusion: a dated photo of Cosby with the beard Huth remembers him having. Cosby attorney Jennifer Bonjean called the late change an "ambush" that would make presenting a defense more difficult, but the judge declined to dismiss the case or delay the trial. He did allow a final last-minute deposition of Huth.

THE LAWYERS

Huth counts among her attorneys Gloria Allred, who has become nationally famous for representing women in high-profile cases like this one. But she is not expected to take an active role in the trial, ceding the presentation of evidence to two colleagues from her firm, Nathan Goldberg and David West. Cosby will be primarily represented by Bonjean. The mother of four has made a national name for herself in recent years through her aggressive representation of Cosby and R. Kelly. She has defended both as vigorously on Twitter as she does in court, though her account was deleted recently.

THE JURY

A jury of eight women and four men was selected last week. The group skews young for a jury — one member is just 19. This could break either way for Cosby. While many said during questioning that they did not grow up with his TV shows or stand-up comedy, and did not have special reverence for him, many of the same people said they also have paid little attention to the criminal trial or allegations against him.

REACHING A VERDICT

Jurors will have to decide whether Cosby committed the actions not beyond a reasonable doubt, but through a preponderance of the evidence. And unlike criminal cases, which require a unanimous jury, agreement among nine out of 12 will be enough.



DAILY POLICE LOGS

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 273 CALLS ON MAY 30

Drunk Driving Investigation 2nd St / Wilshire Blvd 12:33 a.m.
Battery 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 12:35 a.m.
Loud Music 2600Blk Main St 12:43 a.m.
Loitering 100Blk California Ave 12:43 a.m.
Grand Theft 2000Blk Ocean Ave 12:55 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 1600Blk Appian Way 2:30 a.m.
Party Complaint 2600Blk 34th St 3:08 a.m.
Person With A Gun 1400Blk 2nd St 3:29 a.m.
Party Complaint 1800Blk 12th St 5:04 a.m.
Burglary 1600Blk Lincoln Blvd 5:59 a.m.
Death Investigation 200Blk Ocean Ave 6:05 a.m.
Missing Person 1700Blk Ocean Ave 6:36 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 3300Blk Pico Blvd 6:42 a.m.
Stolen Vehicle Recovered 1100Blk 20th St 6:50 a.m.
Animal Related Incident Main St / Pacific St 6:54 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 900Blk Wilshire Blvd 7:45 a.m.
Vehicle With Excessive Parking Violations 2100Blk 7th St 8:05 a.m.
Fire Request Police 900Blk Palisades Beach rd 8:12 a.m.
Expired Registration 2100Blk 6th St 8:36 a.m.
Vehicle With Excessive Parking Violations 200Blk Pacific St 9:04 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 600Blk 10th St 9:10 a.m.
Construction Noise 800Blk 18th St 9:12 a.m.
Construction Noise 1000Blk Ocean Park Blvd 9:16 a.m.
Attempt Burglary 900Blk 19th St 9:25 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 1300Blk 3rd Street Prom 9:56 a.m.
Stolen Vehicle Recovered 1000Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 9:58 a.m.
Abandoned Vehicle 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 10:02 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1400Blk 7th St 10:14 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 23rd St / Navy St 10:22 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto 800Blk 22nd St 10:25 a.m.
Vehicle With Excessive Parking Violations 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 10:30 a.m.
Domestic Violence 800Blk 11th St 10:31 a.m.
Vehicle Parked On Sidewalk 900Blk Harvard St 10:39 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 2700Blk Colorado Ave 10:51 a.m.
Vehicle With Excessive Parking Violations 500Blk Bay St 11:01 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 1800Blk 7th St 11:05 a.m.
General Parking Problem 1900Blk 3rd St 11:19 a.m.
Petty Theft 1800Blk Lincoln Blvd 11:59 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 2200Blk Colorado Ave 12:00 p.m.
Fight Lincoln Blvd / Colorado Ave 12:10 p.m.
Fight 1500Blk Lincoln Blvd 12:11 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 800Blk Bay St 12:13 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 4th St / Olympic Blvd E 12:14 p.m.
Grand Theft 1500Blk Ocean Ave 12:16 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 800Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 12:17 p.m.
Assault W/Deadly Weapon 2000Blk 17th St 12:24 p.m.
Expired Registration 200Blk Pacific St 12:25 p.m.
Check Temporary No Parking Signs 1300Blk Washington Ave 12:30 p.m.
General Parking Problem 800Blk 12th St 12:47 p.m.
Encampment 2300Blk The Beach 12:47 p.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 100Blk Ocean Park Blvd 12:49 p.m.
Drunk Driving Investigation 1700Blk 4th St 12:49 p.m.
Health & Safety Code Violation 3400Blk Ocean Park Blvd 1:14 p.m.
Shots Fired 1600Blk Ocean Ave 1:25 p.m.
Auto Burglary 1100Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 1:48 p.m.
Armed Robbery/Auto Theft In Progress 3000Blk Nebraska Ave 1:51 p.m.
Auto Burglary 1100Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 1:59 p.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1400Blk Franklin St 2:01 p.m.
Auto Burglary 2000Blk Ocean Ave 2:02 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 1100Blk Montana Ave 2:07 p.m.
Strongarm Robbery 2200Blk 3rd St 2:32 p.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 2600Blk 2nd St 2:36 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 600Blk Palisades Ave 2:37 p.m.
Failure To Pay Parking Fee 2000Blk Ocean Ave 2:47 p.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 900Blk 16th St 2:55 p.m.
Expired Registration 1000Blk Pier Ave 2:57 p.m.
Vehicle With Excessive Parking Violations 1000Blk Marine St 3:22 p.m.
Health & Safety Code Violation 2900Blk Main St 3:36 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed Ocean Ave / Olympic Dr 3:51 p.m.
General Parking Problem 800Blk Euclid St 4:10 p.m.
Petty Theft 300Blk Olympic Dr 4:22 p.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 500Blk Pacific St 4:35 p.m.
Encampment 800Blk Palisades Park 4:40 p.m.
General Parking Problem 100Blk Broadway 4:49 p.m.
Public Intoxication 1600Blk The Beach 4:50 p.m.
Vehicle With Excessive Parking Violations 800Blk 15th St 4:54 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 300Blk Santa Monica Pier 4:55 p.m.
Public Intoxication Ocean Ave / Colorado Ave 5:00 p.m.
Petty Theft 1400Blk 3rd Street Prom 5:01 p.m.
Assault 100Blk Wilshire Blvd 5:02 p.m.
Petty Theft 1700Blk Lincoln Blvd 5:07 p.m.
Expired Registration 200Blk Mills St 5:34 p.m.
Lost Property 1300Blk 3rd Street Prom 5:35 p.m.
Assault W/Deadly Weapon 1400Blk Palisades Park 5:37 p.m.
Traffic Collision - Unknown Injuries 500Blk 17th St 6:01 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 1400Blk Olympic Blvd 6:03 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 3200Blk Olympic Blvd 6:04 p.m.
Petty Theft 1400Blk Ocean Ave 6:10 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries Centinela Ave / Interstate 10 6:43 p.m.
Petty Theft 300Blk Santa Monica Pier 6:50 p.m.
Health & Safety Code Violation 2000Blk Ocean Front Walk 6:53 p.m.
Construction Noise 2500Blk Georgina Ave 7:03 p.m.
Drunk Driving Investigation 20th St / Santa Monica Blvd 7:04 p.m.
Loud Music 21st St / Marguerita Ave 7:41 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2500Blk Main St 7:53 p.m.
Public Intoxication 1900Blk Lincoln Blvd 8:05 p.m.
Grand Theft 2000Blk Delaware Ave 8:10 p.m.
General Parking Problem 1300Blk 2nd St 8:36 p.m.
Petty Theft 1900Blk Wilshire Blvd 8:40 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation Lincoln Blvd / Ocean Park Blvd 8:49 p.m.
Defrauding Innkeeper In Progress 1600Blk Ocean Ave 8:53 p.m.
Defrauding Innkeeper In Progress 1400Blk 4th St 8:56 p.m.
Party Complaint 400Blk 21st St 8:58 p.m.
Runaway 1700Blk Ocean Ave 9:05 p.m.
Burglary Now 1700Blk Main St 9:15 p.m.
Traffic Collision - Unknown Injuries 1000Blk Interstate 10 9:59 p.m.
Person Down 1200Blk Ocean Ave 10:12 p.m.
Loitering 2100Blk Santa Monica Blvd 10:20 p.m.
Assault W/Deadly Weapon 200Blk Wilshire Blvd 10:23 p.m.
Oversize Vehicle Violation 2300Blk Pearl St 10:25 p.m.
Party Complaint Bryn Mawr Ave / 17th St 10:27 p.m.
Domestic Violence 2000Blk Ocean Ave 11:46 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOGS

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 32 CALLS ON MAY 30

EMS 600Blk Grant St 5:26 a.m.
EMS 1500Blk Berkeley St 5:31 a.m.
EMS 200Blk Ocean Ave 5:38 a.m.
EMS 1300Blk 17th St 6:29 a.m.
EMS 2200Blk Virginia Ave 7:06 a.m.
EMS 1400Blk 3rd Street Prom 7:06 a.m.
EMS 300Blk 21st Pl 9:05 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 300Blk Wilshire Blvd 9:18 a.m.
EMS 1500Blk Ocean Ave 9:21 a.m.
EMS 1500Blk 6th St 10:47 a.m.
EMS 1300Blk 15th St 11:21 a.m.
EMS 900Blk 3rd St 12:06 p.m.
EMS 2000Blk Arizona Ave 12:28 p.m.
EMS 800Blk Lincoln Blvd 1:36 p.m.
Alert 3 - Crash 3300Blk Donald Douglas Loop N 1:59 p.m.
EMS 700Blk Pico Blvd 2:36 p.m.
Miscellaneous Outside Fire 4th St / Interstate 10 3:23 p.m.
EMS 100Blk Wilshire Blvd 4:31 p.m.
Odor Of Natural Gas 1100Blk 12th St 4:35 p.m.
EMS 2100Blk Santa Monica Blvd 5:30 p.m.
EMS 1300Blk 15th St 6:06 p.m.
EMS 1300Blk Pacific St 6:11 p.m.
Elevator Rescue 100Blk Wilshire Blvd 7:06 p.m.
EMS 2100Blk Ocean Ave 8:11 p.m.
EMS 300Blk Olympic Dr 8:54 p.m.
EMS Ocean Ave / Arizona Ave 9:53 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury Interstate 10 / Lincoln Blvd 9:59 p.m.
EMS 1200Blk Ocean Ave 10:12 p.m.
EMS 2100Blk Santa Monica Blvd 10:20 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 300Blk Civic Center Dr 10:47 p.m.
EMS 1400Blk Sunset Ave 11:23 p.m.
EMS 2300Blk Santa Monica Blvd 11:39 p.m.

CRIME WATCH

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

FRIDAY, MAY 20 AT 12:59 P.M.

Officers responded to Nordstrom on the 200 block of Broadway regarding a battery just occurred. Upon arrival, the victim relayed that a subject had walked up to her with no provocation and threatened to hit her. The subject then proceeded to grab two shoes from a nearby display and throw them at the victim, hitting her on the elbow and causing a small laceration. The victim was desirous of prosecution. Kwami Miles Brown was located nearby and arrested for Battery.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Pacific Palisades

Doctor dies of heart attack in Will Rogers park

Officials have identified the man who died at Will Rogers State park over the weekend as 53-year-old Los Angeles resident Jay Goldberg.

According to the Los Angeles Fire Department, they responded to Rustic Canyon Road at about 11:39 a.m. on Sunday for a report of a man down on one of the trails. Two rescuers were lowered into the park where they found Goldberg. The Los Angeles County Coroner said he died of a heart attack.

Goldberg was an OBGYN working in Beverly Hills and news of his death prompted an outpouring of support on social media. Patients thanked him for his decades of delivering babies and mourned the loss of a man many said was a friend, mentor and beloved community member.

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After Uvalde, holiday weekend sees shootings nationwide

MICHAEL TARM AND COREY WILLIAMS
Associated Press

Even as the nation reeled over the massacre of 19 children and two teachers at an elementary school in Uvalde, Texas, multiple mass shootings happened elsewhere over the Memorial Day weekend in areas both rural and urban. Single-death incidents still accounted for most gun fatalities.

Gunfire erupted in the predawn hours of Sunday at a festival in the town of Taft, Oklahoma, sending hundreds of revelers scattering and customers inside the nearby Boots Café diving for cover. Eight people ages 9 to 56 were shot, and one of them died.

Six children ages 13 to 15 were wounded Saturday night in a touristy quarter of Chattanooga, Tennessee. Two groups got into an altercation, and two people in one of them pulled guns and started shooting.

And at a club and liquor store in Benton Harbor in southwestern Michigan, a 19-year-old man was killed and six other people were wounded after gunfire rang out among a crowd around 2:30 a.m. Monday. Police found multiple shell casings of various calibers.

Those and others met a common definition of a mass shooting, in which four or more people are shot. Such occurrences have become so regular, news of them is likely to fade fast.

There were at least two incidents in Chicago between late Friday and Monday that qualified as mass shootings, including one near a closed elementary school on the West Side in which the wounded included a 16-year-old girl.

Single-fatality shootings also rocked families and communities.

In Arkansas a 7-year-old girl was killed Saturday in a busy area near the Little Rock Zoo, in what police described as "an isolated event involving acquaintances."

And on Chicago's South Side, the body of a young man slain at an outdoor birthday party lay on the sidewalk early Sunday, covered by a white sheet. His mother stood nearby, crying.

Overall, Chicago recorded 32 gunfire incidents over the weekend in which 47 people were shot and nine died.

In the wake of the Uvalde shooting, by an 18-year-old who legally purchased an AR-style rifle, Texas Gov. Greg Abbott and other Republican opponents of tougher gun laws quickly pointed at Chicago as an example of how such measures don't work, saying, "more people are shot every weekend (there) than there are in schools in Texas."

High rates of gun violence in Chicago have made a series of Democratic governments there, including that of current Mayor Lori Lightfoot, vulnerable to criticism — sometimes from within their own party.

But the assertions by Abbott and others are misleading and oversimplify the situation in the country's third-largest city. Many guns used in the killing of Chicagoans were initially bought in other states with less stringent gun laws, like Indiana and Mississippi. Chicago officials also note that the city records fewer murders per capita than many other smaller U.S. cities.

Police chiefs there and in other cities canceled days off to boost the numbers of officers over the holiday, hoping it would act as a deterrent. Independent conflict mediators also hit the streets, using social media to identify simmering conflicts with the potential to explode into real-world violence.

In Detroit, Police Chief James White promised to strictly enforce a curfew aimed at youths and teens after three people were wounded during a shooting earlier this month in Greektown, a popular downtown restaurant and entertainment district.

Such strategies may have worked in individual cases, but statistics from several cities didn't indicate violence was kept at or below levels from previous years. Chicago's Memorial Day weekend death toll was three times last year's.

It's long been a rule of thumb in northern cities that hot weather means more violence. Temperatures in Detroit and Chicago were in the 80s — unseasonably warm — during the three-day weekend, bringing more people outside and increasing the chances of clashes, often between rival gangs. Alcohol at holiday parties can fuel personal beefs, some of which first fester online.

"The seasons may not have much of an impact on shootings in Los Angeles, where the weather is always good," said Rodney Phillips, a violence prevention worker and former gang member in Chicago. But in his city, Memorial Day weekend typically marks "the start of the killing season," he said.

Residents like Yvonne Fields, of Detroit, say they are especially cautious when Memorial Day rolls around. She, her children and grandchildren spent time closer to home this weekend.

"The holidays are not like they used to be," Fields said. "The gangs have taken over. They do drive-by shootings. Everyone is living in fear."

Police in big cities often say most homicides have some tie-in to gangs, though others point to poverty and the desperation that comes with it as underlying causes.

An organizational shift over the past three decades, from top-down gangs led by identifiable leaders who could assert control to more fragmented, loosely structured groups, has also contributed to the violence.

"These gang factions are getting younger and younger, bolder and more impulsive," Phillips said. "It's alarming. It's often children shooting children these days.

Malik Shabazz, who helps lead neighborhood safety and anti-crime patrols in Detroit, said the Detroit New Black Panther Nation/New Marcus Garvey Movement he founded looks for spikes in crime during the holidays when people gather in groups and have more free time away from work.

"What I see is both the perps and the victims of (shootings and violent crime) are becoming younger and younger, and the crime is becoming more heinous," said Shabazz, 59. "And people bring their guns and people have beef, 'now I can shoot you and I can stab you over an issue of respect, not talk it out or ignore it and walk it off.'"

Williams reported from Detroit and Jill Bleed in Little Rock, Arkansas, contributed.



COMMUNITY NEWS

Citywide

Santa Monica celebrates Pride Month

Every June across the United States, communities, institutions and individuals observe Pride Month, dedicated to celebrating LGBTQIA history and culture. Santa Monica has plans to mark this year's Pride Month with various activities for community members of all ages, all month long. Find a full listing at www.smpride.com/events

PARTY WITH A PURPOSE MIXER + FUNDRAISER

Thursday, June 2 / 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. / The Victorian on Main Street

Join organizers for a Pride mixer at the Victorian on Main Street, enjoy the comedy of Delia Danae Rawdon and support the LGBTQIA+ community. Proceeds from tickets go to fund the Trans Equity Scholarships, a partnership between the City and the Church in Ocean Park to help cover the costs associated with officially changing one's name and gender with the State. $10 online / $15 at the door

MADE WITH PRIDE

Every Friday, Saturday and Sunday in June / Santa Monica Place, Level 1

Santa Monica Place, in partnership with Streetlet, has created a unique retail pop-up, the 'Made with Pride' Marketplace. The market will showcase over 15 LGBTQIA+ business owners, highlight their stories, and feature local goods and services made, conceived, and curated in Southern California. Each vendor is provided a dedicated section within the marketplace to operate and will retain 100% of sales generated.

PRIDE PAWTY

Friday, June 3 / 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. / Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel

Join organizers beachside at Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel to celebrate Pride! Kick off June with a complimentary drink for you and puptails for your pawty animal. Go wild with temporary flash tattoos for you and your pup, a DJ and a photo booth you won't be able to resist! Make sure you both dress up in your finest Pride attire for a chance to win a Prize Pack with our Best-Dressed Contest.

RAINBOW FAMILY STORYTIME

Tuesday, June 7 / 10:30 to 11:00 a.m. / Main Library, Central Courtyard

Celebrate Pride Month with an inclusive storytime for LGBTQIA+ and ally families. Space is limited. For Ages 3 & up. Register: bit.ly/YouthProgramSignUps

ART PROJECT: SELF-PORTRAIT PUPPETS

Thursday, June 9 - Sunday, June 12 / Cayton's Children Museum, 395 Santa Monica Place

Your fashion, hairstyles, and even all the hobbies you have are all different ways you express yourself! One way we can express ourselves is by creating a puppet that represents us.

DRAG QUEEN STORYTIME AT THE BEACH HOUSE

Friday, June 17 / 10:00 to 11:00 a.m. / Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 Pacific Coast Highway

Celebrate LGBTQIA+ Pride Month with Drag Queen Story Time! Guest of honor, Pickle, leads an interactive story time designed to challenge gender stereotypes, encourage self-expression, and promote diversity and inclusion. Beach House parking is $3 per hour/$12 per day. For more info on all the Beach House has to offer visit annenbergbeachhouse.com.

SAMO PRIDE ON THE THIRD STREET PROMENADE

Friday, June 17, through Sunday, June 19 / Third Street Promenade

SaMo PRIDE events will be anchored by "Miles of Pride," a vibrant light installation which spans the Promenade and Santa Monica Place, illuminating the sky with a rainbow of colors to celebrate the LGBTQIA+ community, individuality, inclusivity and acceptance. The outdoor bazaar, Angel City Market, brings together local minority-owned small businesses for a day of shopping, good drinks and community connection on Saturday, June 18 from 3 p.m. to 9 p.m. The market will feature hand-crafted items from LGBTQIA+ artisans, as well as Pride-themed goodies and activations. Then SaMo PRIDE's Dance Master, Dane Sorenson, leads the high-energy dance aerobics class Dancing with Dane on Sunday, June 19 from noon to 1 p.m., suited for all ages and abilities.

QUEER PROM

Saturday, June 18 / 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. / Water Garden

Queer Prom is a celebration for LGBTQIA+ and allies age 16-20. Sponsored by the Samohi's Gender and Sexuality Alliance, Church in Ocean Park, Santa Monica Travel and Tourism, and the City of Santa Monica, this year's theme is Alice in Wonderland, so get ready to dance the night away in this magic-filled event. This Prom is for you if you are around High School age and are LGBTQIA+ or an ally. This is intended to be a safe prom where you can be yourself. (You will be asked to show us your vaccination status or a current negative COVID test when you arrive.) $8.

PRIDE SUNSET SWIM

Friday, June 24 / 6:00 - 9:00 p.m. / Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 Pacific Coast Highway

Join us for our first-ever Pride Sunset Swim for the LGBTQIA+ community and allies! Age 18 and up. Enjoy a queer, safe, accessible, judgment-free space for every, and all bodies; hosted by RuPaul's Drag Race All-Star Tammie Brown, with fabulous pool floats and s'mores at the historic Annenberg Community Beach House pool. Open to ages 18 and up. $10 / adults, $5 / seniors. Visit www.smpride.com/events/pride-sunset-swim.

PRIDE-CON

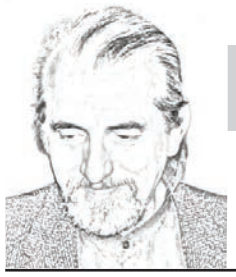
Saturday, June 25 / 12:00 - 5:00 p.m. / HI DE HO Comics

Hi De Ho Comics is happy to support SaMo PRIDE by hosting the Hi De Ho Comics SaMo PRIDE-Con. Diversity and inclusion remain goals that we work towards at Hi De Ho Comics and Hi De Ho Comics SaMo PRIDE-Con is a way for us to support LGBTQ+ creators and also introduce readers to content they may not have access to otherwise.

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OPINION | CURIOUS CITY

Charles Andrews | Send comments to editor@smdp.com

ON WAR, AND RANDY'S DONUTS

BURGERS, DOGS AND ZUCCHINI

On the grill, backyard or park, good friends and family, is a fine way to mark Memorial Day – as long as you know the reason behind your three day weekend. Acknowledging that would be fine too, even if only briefly. Maybe before everyone gets plastered. Just a quick reminder under the sunshine and ocean breeze and festive atmosphere – start of summer! – that this holiday came at a very dear price. Then, party on, Wayne!

The official US government definition is that it "commemorates all the women and men who have died while in military service." Fair enough. While I ascribe to the philosophy of Buffy Sainte-Marie's brilliant "Universal Soldier" song, I also know we are not there yet and we still need a "standing army." I don't want to have to learn Chinese or Russian. Whole different alphabet.

But often what you hear or read is that Memorial Day "honors our brave women and men who died fighting for our freedoms." That was mostly true up through WWII. But mostly not, since Viet Nam. Was napalming and machine gunning Vietnamese villages protecting our country, defending our freedoms? Our government hard-sold us on that at the time (and as an idealistic but misinformed teen, I bought it), and our government even made up an attack in the Gulf of Tonkin that gave us the excuse to go all out. But history has shown otherwise. Ho Chi Minh did not come very close to invading Los Angeles. He wanted an independent Viet Nam, finally free of the French - Japanese - French again - US occupiers, since 1858.

You do have to remember that the Commies then were very bad dudes, both the Chinese and the Russians aiming for world domination. "Stop them there before we have to stop them here!" they actually told us, and like so much political hooey from time immemorial, many believed it, and sent their sons (mostly) off to be fitted for a box.

I WAS DRAFTED

After losing my student deferment in 1966, pretty much the ugliest stretch of the war, I wound up in Germany but missed being shipped to Nam by a hair, by chance, big time very unlikely chance (a story I may have to tell you someday), but if I had been shipped west rather than east, my job description (MOS) pretty much guaranteed I would not be writing these words today, and my small high school class would have had its second casualty (RIP Gary Gadzial).

Ten years old is an agonizing age for the loss for a child, classmate, friend from a school shooting, but 20 is pretty tough too, and there were an awful lot of them. 58,220 American military died in Viet Nam, and a third of them were draftees, like me. And may we never forget the loss of a quarter million Vietnamese, from our war. They didn't sign up for it either, but when your country is invaded (Ukraine), brave people resist with all their might, no matter how overmatched.

The point is –



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BIRTHDAY BOY: Oh, grow up, Charles Andrews.

NOT ALL MILITARY DIED DEFENDING OUR FREEDOMS

Perhaps their loss is even more tragic, because they thought that was what they were risking their lives for, bringing devastation to those left behind but, some would say, they died for nothing. For some gray haired politicians' (LBJ, Putin) agenda that had nothing to do with defending our country and preserving our freedoms. I think about that often, for my fellows who bled and died in Viet Nam, for what? The same could be said for George W's Middle Eastern fiasco.

We can't bring them back, of course, but we can demand our government stop doing this, in our name. By different calculations, the United States has NOT been at war somewhere for only 17 years of our existence, since 1775. The USA is no more a leader for peace in the world (unless it serves our purposes) than Santa Monica is a progressive, inclusive, compassionate city. It's all propaganda.

Since Memorial Day was the day before yesterday, I haven't rained on your barbecue. But as a Vietnam-Era vet, I do think about these things, at least a couple of holidays each year. Our society and government are broken now, in ways the Founding Fathers never could have imagined. But like Aaron Sorkin and a lot of others, I believe the Constitution is a masterfully written (if terribly flawed) blueprint which can still lead us to achieve the ideals it envisioned. (Maybe Santa Monica needs a Constitution, or a Master Plan...)

"AMERICA IS NOT THE GREATEST COUNTRY IN THE WORLD ANYMORE"

I know, that's from a movie, "The Newsroom"(2012), but someone wrote those words that Jeff Daniels so memorably delivered: Aaron Sorkin. I still tear up every time I watch it. Sadly, even more true now than when it appeared 10 years ago.

Maybe now is the time to start working to make next Memorial Day really

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RAINBOW CLUB

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to Benjamin. Specifically, Benjamin and two educators, Melanie Levitt and Katy Buckner, spoke to the School Board about one such enterprise: Rainbow Club.

Rainbow Club, made up of fourth and fifth grade students at the MidCity Santa Monica elementary school, is dedicated to support and inclusivity for LGBTQIA students, families and allies — kids who may identify as lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, queer, intersex and/or asexual, or who consider themselves allies.

Benjamin described how the Club — currently 15 students strong — began with a group of fifth graders at the school who identified themselves as LGBTQIA approaching her to discuss how the school can be more inclusive and supportive of them and students like them.

"I was just blown away by these students, and so impressed with their confidence and passion and thoughtfulness," Benjamin said, later adding, "This inspired me to think about additional ways that McKinley could support our LGBTQIA students, families and allies, and I thought about potentially adding a student club, so I called the students back to my office and asked if they would be interested, and they were thrilled at the idea, and said they'd talk to all their classmates."

With the help of Levitt and Buckner, Benjamin said Rainbow Club was born.

"I sent out a blast to the whole school community, parents and staff, announcing the Rainbow Club and explaining its purpose so everyone was informed. We received a lot of wonderful feedback and great support from the McKinley community regarding this inclusivity," Benjamin said. "I also provided a parent permission slip so parents could sign up their fourth and fifth graders if interested. While at the middle and high school level a parent permission slip might not be as needed for extracurricular clubs, at the elementary school level, just given the age, we wanted to make sure parents were informed and involved. Permission slips are a consistent practice with all of our enrichment clubs."

The new Rainbow Club joined the ranks of other enrichment clubs at McKinley such as Film Club, Student Council, Green Team and Student Newspaper, according to Benjamin. For Rainbow Club, meetings are held twice monthly during lunch recess.

Benjamin said many club members are also Student Council members; a handful of participants described their experiences with the Club in a video presentation at the May 19 School Board meeting.

"Rainbow clubs are important because they create an anti-bullying message and promote support of all students," one club member said.

"Rainbow clubs are important because it teaches kids that it's OK to be LGBTQ and it's completely normal," another added.

Levitt said she felt it was important that students receive the message that it's "just another club in school, just like the dance club — that's so impactful for development now, for later development — it just can't be overstated."

In the Club, students play games, speak about current events, learn about LGBT history and participate in community building activities, including planning for Pride Month, which begins June 1.

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LIBRARY

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to me still, even with the cuts that we've had, that we have opportunities to rebuild, reimagine, reevaluate what we can be for our community."

A big part of restoring services is using creative strategies to reach library users. For example, at the end of July 2021, the Ocean Park Branch reopened for service two days a week using a self-service system and the Fairview Branch is slated to reopen for limited service using this same system this fall.

While Cuyugan wishes there could be in-person assistance and programming at these branches, she is grateful that this system currently allows around 300 to 400 visits to the Ocean Park Library a week that would not otherwise happen. And, with hours currently limited at every branch in the system, Cuyugan is also looking at ways to deliver services outside of the physical branches.

"We are loaning out experience backpacks for early literacy learners called reading to-go kits and we've got senior activity kits that we're rolling out again in partnership with Community Corps, so we are really trying to provide more in depth experiences with the materials and resources that we check out," said Cuyugan.

The library is not currently earmarked for a funding boost in the Fiscal Year 2022 to 2023 budget, which means that with the exception of the Fairview reopening, library hours will not be able to expand in the near-term future. However, Cuyugan is hopeful that as the local economy continues to rebound there may be room for more library funding during mid-year budget adjustments this winter. At the same time, she is helping lead a search for grant programs and other funding opportunities to make the library's finances more resilient and less dependent on the city.

Cuyugan believes it is the responsibility of the library to adapt its services around the evolving needs of the community and currently sees technology education and in-person connection as key focus areas.

"Those connections are super important. We know after two years of not having them, we've heard so much from families and seniors about how they value just being in the library, being able to talk with people and ask their questions and browse," said Cuyugan.

She is particularly excited about the summer reading program for children and teens, which is kicking off with a luau celebration in the Main Library on June 4th. On June 4th, the 20th anniversary of Santa Monica Reads also begins and adult readers can pick-up a free copy of Joan Didion's "Where I Was From" in preparation for the June 30 in-person book discussion.

On the technology front, the library is planning a number of educational workshops designed to help senior patrons use a variety of devices.

"Where I want to focus on is being more adaptable and more adept and more responsive and in tune with the communities that we serve," said Cuyugan.

For more information on library services, hours and programming visit https://smpl.org/

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Strand Street

Strong Arm Robbery Arrests

On May 30, at about 2:30 p.m., Santa Monica Police Department (SMPD) Officers responded to a radio call of a robbery in the area of 3rd & Strand Street. The caller reported a male subject took the victim's purse by force, then entered a nearby Ford Explorer and fled the scene. The caller gave Dispatch the suspect vehicle's last known direction of travel.

While responding to the call, SMPD Officers located the suspect vehicle, occupied by two subjects. The suspect vehicle failed to yield, and a short pursuit was initiated. The suspect vehicle collided into an unoccupied parked car in the 2300 block of 14th Street. The driver, later identified as Roderick Thompson, exited the vehicle and was immediately taken into custody. The passenger, later identified as Lavonte Montgomery, ran from the vehicle, and entered the backyard of a residence in the 1300 block of Pine Street. A perimeter was established, and Thompson was taken into custody without incident.

SMPD Officers located the victim's belongings inside the suspect vehicle. Officers also learned from the victim that during the commission of the crime, Montgomery pushed the victim's baby stroller with her 4-month-old inside it. The infant was not hurt.

The suspects were transported to the SMPD Jail and booked for the following:

• Suspect 1: Lavonte Anthony Montgomery a 32-year-old male of Los Angeles was booked for Robbery, Delaying Arrest, Reckless Driving / Evading, Child Cruelty and Parole Violation

• Suspect 2: Roderick Germell Thompson a 35-year-old male of Los Angeles was booked for Robbery, Delaying Arrest, and Reckless Driving / Evading.

Anyone with any additional information pertaining to this incident is strongly encouraged to contact Detective Nicole Murphy at Nicole.murphy@santamonica.gov or 310-458-8941 or the Watch Commander (24 hours) at 310-458-8426.

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meaningful. There is an election, you know.

ON TURNING 75

I guess it's no secret anymore, since I threw a big Sunday afternoon party in our very small OP condo. 75 people, exactly, showed up. Quite a few that I wanted there, weren't, because of my lack of IT expertise with scattered lists that kept some invitations from being emailed out. Sorry.

The hit of the party was hard to determine but it might have been the birthday "cake" constructed from 75 stacked-up Randy's chocolate long johns, from our local location. It was my mother-in-law's idea, but she didn't pitch in past the concept stage. That's OK. My wife and daughter handled the architectural feat perfectly. And it didn't exceed three stories.

What a remarkable group of intelligent, world wise, funny people, most so very accomplished in their fields. Three of my cousins surprised me by showing up, from AZ and WA State. Another dear friend came from NM, and we three attended the LA Phil's "Beethoven's 9th" Friday morning, a monumental musical achievement and an unforgettable spiritual experience. My other music gift to myself was Verdi's "Aida" last Saturday, also magnificently executed, by our LA Opera. And that... is why I moved here.

I am forever indebted to all those who made the effort to come to the party and who brought cards and sent anecdotes. I have read every one but may not have the time to answer each one. After all.. I'm 75, Ha ha ha ha ha ha ha ha!!

As Charles Andrews has lived in Santa Monica for 36 years and wouldn't live anywhere else in the world. Really. Send love and/or rebuke to him at therealmrmusic@gmail.com

City of Santa Monica

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA PLANNING COMMISSION
VIA TELECONFERENCE
Pursuant to AB361

SUBJECT: 22ENT-0076 (Conditional Use Permit)
1426 Montana Ave
APPLICANT: David Sarraf
PROPERTY OWNER: American Commercial Properties I, LLC

A public hearing will be held by the Planning Commission to consider the following request:

A Conditional Use Permit (22ENT-0076) to allow for the sale of beer and wine for off-site consumption (Type 20 ABC license) in conjunction with the operation of an existing 1,424 square-foot butcher shop within the Neighborhood Commercial (NC) district. Pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code Section 9.31.040(B), a Conditional Use Permit is required for the dispensation of alcoholic beverages for on-site or off-site consumption.

DATE/TIME: **WEDNESDAY, JUNE 15, 2022 AT 5:30 PM**

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/qpfkurwh or by dialing in at 1-415-466-7000 (US) (PIN: 3256634 #)

HOW TO COMMENT

The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Those wishing to give written public comment shall email comments to planningcomment@santamonica.gov. Comments 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. Please note the agenda item in your comments.

Additionally, public comment can be made by telephone by calling 1-408-740-7256 (Meeting ID: 258991948 and Passcode: 4825 followed by #) when the caller queue opens for the item on which you wish to comment. Remarks from the public made by telephone will be limited to up to 3 minutes per item. Please check the agenda for more detailed instructions on how to comment.

Address your letters to: Ana Fernandez, Associate Planner
Re: 22ENT-0076

MORE INFORMATION

If you want more information about this project or wish to review the project file, please contact Ana Fernandez by e-mail at ana.fernandez@santamonica.gov. The Zoning Ordinance is available on the City's web site at www.smgov.net. For disability-related accommodations, please contact (310) 458-8341 or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. Every attempt will be made to provide the requested accommodation. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the public hearing.

ESPAÑOL

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

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2022077479 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 4/11/22. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as 1) TRES LECHERIA 2) TRES LECHERIA LA, 1221 N FLORES ST #1 WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA 90069. The full name of the registrant(s) is/are CUBES BAKING COMPANY LLC, 2315 N 45TH ST, SEATTLE WA 98103. If corporation or LLC-Print State of Incorporation/ Organization This Business is conducted by: an LLC. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date) 01/2016 Registrant/ Corp/ LLC Name /s/: KEVIN MOULDER title: MANAGING MEMBER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/11/22 NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish,05/11/22, 05/18/22, 05/25/22, 06/01/22.

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CITY OF SANTA MONICA
ORDINANCE NUMBER 2705 (CCS)
(CITY COUNCIL SERIES)

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA A MONICA AMENDING SANTA MONICA MUNICIPAL CODE SECTION 6.40.050 TO EXTEND THE TERM OF THE SANTA MONICA OUTDOORS PILOT PROGRAM

The following is a summary of Ordinance Number 2705 (CCS) prepared by the Office of the City Attorney:

This Ordinance extends until September 30, 2022 the term of the pilot program under which eligible businesses are be allowed to continue, as previously authorized by emergency orders issued during the COVID-19 pandemic, to expand their operations to certain public outdoor spaces, while City staff develop and bring to Council a proposal for a permanent and expanded program for businesses to use public outdoor space for their operations. Prior to this amendment, the term of the pilot program was set to expire on June 30, 2022. This Ordinance is effective on June 24, 2022, 30 days from its adoption. The full text of this Ordinance is available upon request from the office of the City Clerk, located at 1685 Main Street, Room 102, Santa Monica. Phone: (310) 458-8211.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 1)

Your quest to find or achieve something beyond the usual limits of human experience will be satisfied. You'll practice a skill until masterful then stay open to the wonders born of your expertise; adventure ensues. More highlights: friendship expands into love or business, stylish means of travel, the resolution of ancient karma. Cancer and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 3, 33, 18, 2 and 10.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You like to shop where the price tags are visible because the cost of a thing figures into how much you want it. Your appetite shifts as you determine what it will take to have your desire -- and whether it's a price you wish to pay.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You wish you could know exactly what it is that ignites the passion in your heart, but such things are hard to define. It either clicks or it doesn't -- and, today, for whatever reason, it will.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Because following your heart is much easier when you also have practical tools, you'll pick up helpful communication skills. You'll find it's much easier to prevent misunderstandings up front than it is to resolve conflict later.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll be reminded of the far-reaching influence of small acts. Do not forget that taking excellent care of yourself is also a contribution to everyone you know -- indeed, to the whole of humankind.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). In some instances, cutting corners can be the intelligent way to go. Why work harder than you must to achieve the result? You'll be as efficient as possible without leaving out anything essential or integral to the quality of your work.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Today's optimism will be, at best, transformative, at worst, harmlessly wrong. On the other hand, there is no benefit at all that will come from pessimism.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Progress has its loops and stutters, its dashes and strolls, its grades and retrogrades. So don't worry too much about the step backward; that is also part of the dance, often followed by two steps forward.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The events of the day will reinforce certain group dynamics. People don't have to be in perfect agreement to work together. When you and your team act as a unified front, you become a unified front.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You are consumed by a project, but at least it is a healthy obsession. It's fine if you're not as accessible to people for a little while, but there will be consequences if you ignore your people for too long.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Some things are harder to admit, but if you resolve not to judge yourself, everything going on inside you becomes manageable. The more honest you are with yourself, the better you know yourself.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). When you were little, you played make-believe games -- and you are pretending still. Do not think of pretense as faking it or being false in any way, rather think of it as trying things on, as an early stage of becoming.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). What you thought was the end of a cycle wasn't even the midway point, but since you're still committed to getting what you need out of the situation, you'll hang in there, ready to do what it takes.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

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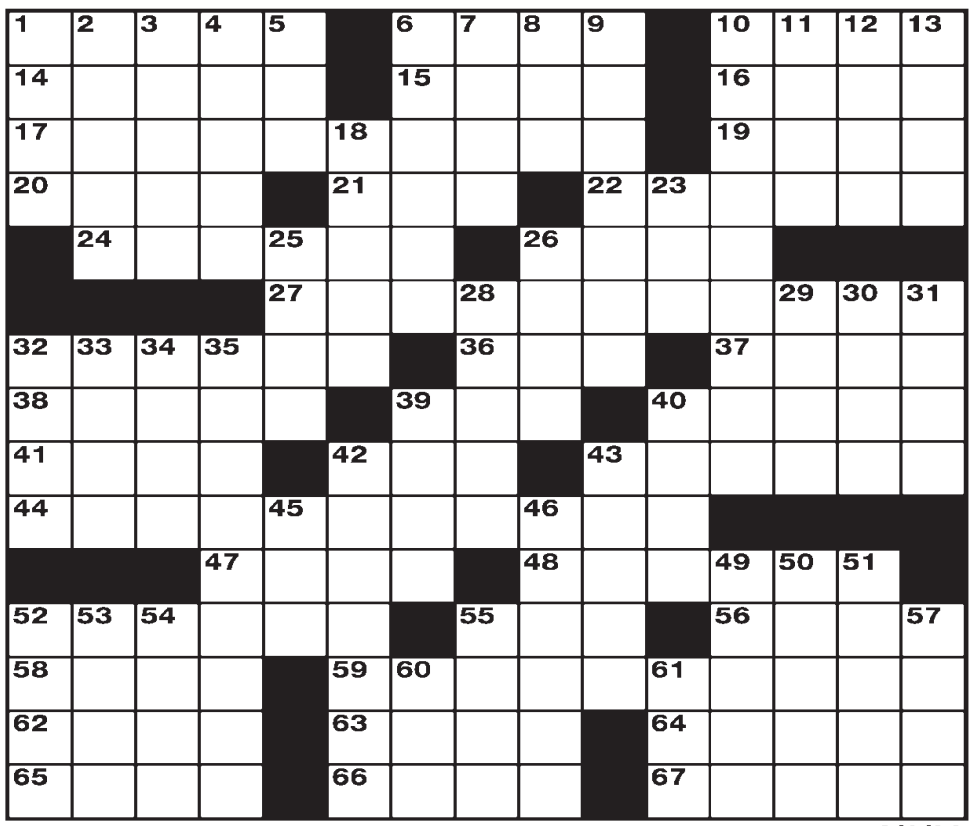
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Newsday Crossword

SAY THE WORD by Gary Cee
Edited by Stanley Newman
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ACROSS
1 Dish to serve dinner on
6 Jamaican citrus fruit
10 Very stylish
14 Solitary type of person
15 Sketch out a strategy
16 "__ we go again!"
17 Sheer pandemonium
19 Wet forecast
20 Business attire
21 Kept out of sight
22 Craving for water
24 Teacher's employer
26 Glances at
27 Legendary Swiss archer
32 Scream
36 __ Glory (American flag)
37 Writer Angelou
38 From Bangkok or Beijing
39 Love-seat capacity
40 Wed
41 Messy person
42 Watch closely
43 Theater walkways
44 Old West mail service by fast horses
47 Cowpoke's lasso
48 Bad-mouths
52 Gambling establishment
55 Compete at an auction
56 Butter portions
58 Ireland nickname
59 World leader's overseas travel
62 Clothes dryer fuzz
63 Formal name for 58 Across
64 Indoor sports venue
65 Eyelid hair
66 Real estate bill of sale
67 In a crabby mood

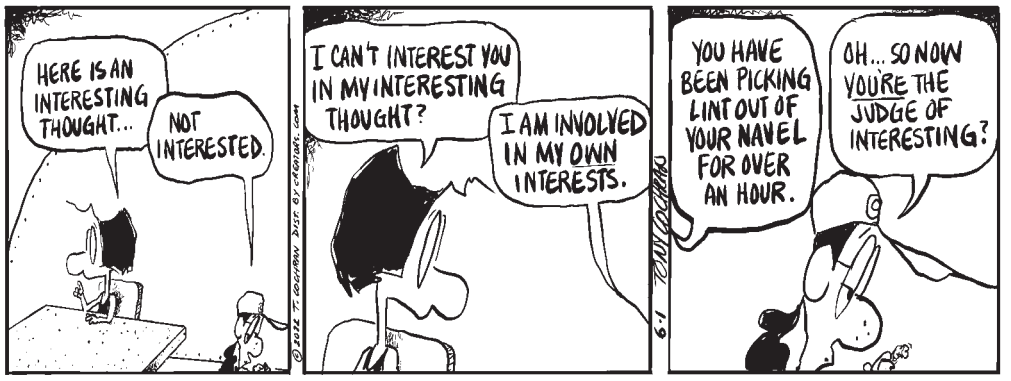
DOWN
1 In addition
2 Yoga "plant" position
3 Prank
4 Sharp parts of saws
5 Slip up
6 Toward a peak's top
7 Delighted
8 Cambodian neighbor
9 As an alternative
10 Year-end holiday
11 Be told of
12 Garden flower
13 Copper-coated coin
18 Church vocal group
23 Garment's sewn edge
25 Actor Wilson of *Wedding Crashers*
26 Farmer's tower
28 Farther down
29 British noble below duke
30 Renaissance fair instrument
31 Installs, as a carpet
32 Hinged door fastener
33 Capital of Norway
34 Jungle roarer
35 Complicated path to navigate
39 Compose an email
40 Feel nostalgic about
42 Revealed, as a secret
43 "All kidding __ . . ."
45 Very long period of time
46 Readied for publication
49 Church steeple
50 Lessens, as a load
51 Tour of duty
52 Beehive compartment
53 Solo in an opera
54 Moral misdeeds
55 Undecorated
57 Time spent at a hotel
60 Place a knot in
61 Winery tank



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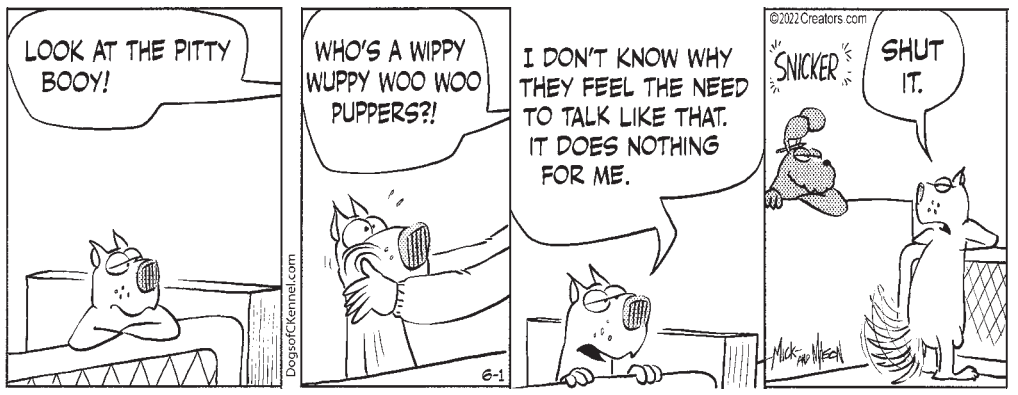
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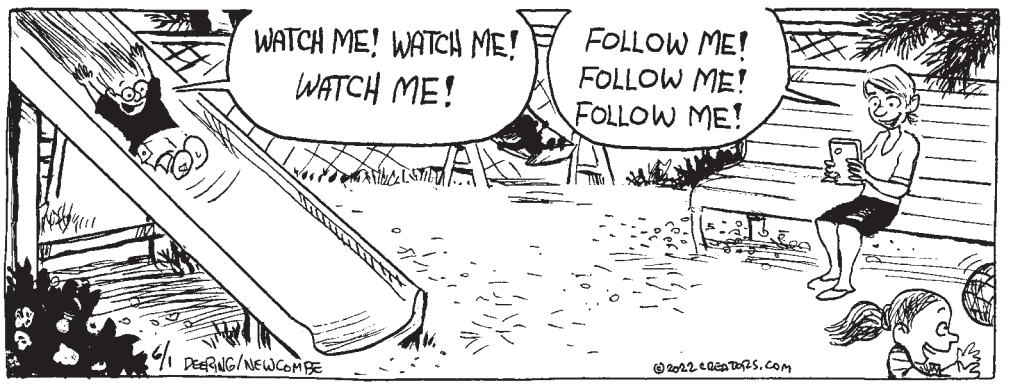
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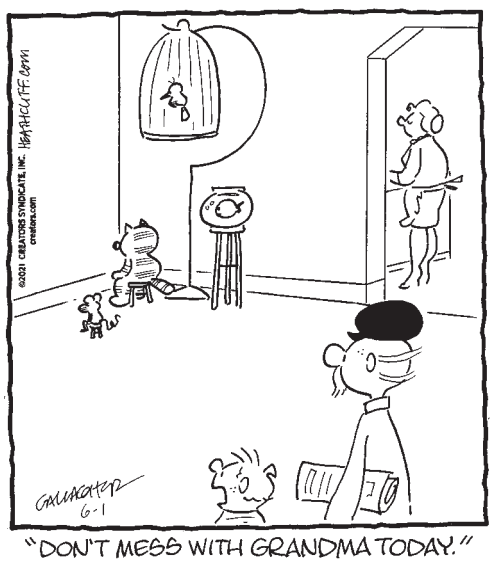
Zack Hill

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Heathcliff

By PETER GALLAGHER



"DON'T MESS WITH GRANDMA TODAY."

Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING



FIND THE WORDS

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 16 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle. © australianwordgames.com.au 5497

Fruit of the vine

R T S B E G A R O M A G N U M
H U N T E R V A L L E Y Y M G
O O B E I Z A R I H S E O E A
L E C Y M L E M O N A D E K M
I L V K U I L E E S E G E S E
D T A A L K D B T R L G P T S
A T S L L I O E A A S D A E M
Y O B U E D T T S B H T R A C
N B A S Y S I S E T S C G K L
V E C N I O E E R E A F I S U
W I G R N S R O U K T E L R B
H C N U P W S B E T I U R F J
I O O O S E X P O R T E R T A
T U R L V E K R O C D N A B T
E C Q E D T U E T S Z Z I F Z

Ales	Estate	Kids	Ruby
Aroma	Export	Lees	Sediment
Band	Fizz	Lemonade	Seve
Beer	Fruit	Magnum	Shiraz
Body	Games	Mead	Steaks
Bottle	Glasses	Moderation	Still
Brut	Grape	Mull	Sweet
Cab sav	Hock	Negus	Treat
Cake	Holiday	Punch	Urns
Club	Hunter	Rage	Vino
Cold	Valley	Reds	White
Cork	Jatz	Rich	Yeast
Crop	Kegs	Rose	

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WEDNESDAY | JUNE 1

MILES OF PRIDE LIGHT INSTALLATION
In celebration of SaMo PRIDE month, the Third Street Promenade will be illuminated in all the colors of the rainbow thanks to tens of thousands of colorful LED lights strung over the popular pedestrian mall, allowing visitors to bask in the love light. Third Street Promenade.

KID'S CLUB
A fun, family-friendly musical morning hosted by Twinkle Time, a bilingual, Billboard pop-artist for kids, and featuring special guests each month. This is an all ages event and free to attend for parents and children. Snacks will be provided by GOGO SQUEEZ (while supplies last). Visit https://www.santamonicaplace.com/Events/Details/570632 for more information. Santa Monica Place. 12 p.m.

EATING OUR WAY TO EXTINCTION ONLINE SCREENING AND PANEL
The City of Santa Monica and Sustainable Works are proud to present: Eating Our Way to Extinction Online Screening and Panel. Eating Our Way To Extinction takes audiences on a cinematic journey around the world, telling the story of our planet through shocking testimonials. A panel discussion will follow the screening. Sarah Spitz, UC Master Gardener, Los Angeles County, will moderate the panel. Online event. Register at http://www.sustainableworks.org/events/

THURSDAY | JUNE 2

BRING BACK THE BEACH GALA
Heal the Bay's Annual Gala is back after two years of hiatus due to the pandemic. They're excited to be back on the sand celebrating clean water and the people who protect it. Jonathan Beach Club, 850 Palisades Beach Road. Tickets required. Ticket and sponsorship information available online at https://donate.healthebay.org/event/heal-the-bay-bring-back-the-beach-gala-2022/e389762.

PARTY WITH A PURPOSE HAPPY HOUR
A fun (and funny) evening to raise awareness and funds for legal name and gender marker change application fees for the local trans community. The evening will include a comedy set from LA-based trans comedian, Delia Rawddon, raffle prizes and the wonderful ambiance of The Victorian (2640 Main St). $10. 7 p.m. https://www.eventbrite.com/e/party-with-a-purpose-trans-equity-fundraiser-tickets-330805457027

NOMA MEETING
The Homelessness Prevention, Affordable Housing, and SM Schools Initiative being proposed for the November ballot for an increase in the real estate transfer tax will be explained and debated by Marc Verville of the SM Audit Committee along with one of the initiative's principal authors at NOMA's monthly online meeting June 2 at 7 pm. Also, SM's new fire chief Danny Alvarez has been invited to meet the neighborhood. All SM residents are invited, the code for the virtual meeting available at www.smnoma.org.

FRIDAY | JUNE 3

MADE WITH PRIDE MARKETPLACE
Made with PRIDE will showcase over 15 LGBTQIA+ business owners, highlighting their stories, unique products, and services. Santa Monica Place. 8 a.m. - 10 p.m.

SATURDAY | JUNE 4

SUMMER READING LUAU
Join organizers as they say, Aloha to summer! Our kickoff event includes family activities, crafts and a hula performance. Preview summer reading prizes and sign up for the reading challenge! For families. Main Library. 10:30 - 11:30 a.m.

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

SOUNDWAVES OUTDOOR CONCERT
The Soundwaves new music series returns for three outdoor concerts this summer, featuring acclaimed performers presenting unique jazz-inspired music. Each concert is at 3:30 p.m. on the first Saturday of the month, at the Pico Library Annex in Virginia Avenue Park at the corner of Pico and Cloverfield. The West Coast Chamber Jazz Trio appear June 4. Led by drummer/composer Andrea Centazzo, they perform his compositions, drawing on his long career writing for film and classical groups and contributing to the development of European free improvisation and the Downtown scene alongside artists such as Steve Lacy, Derek Bailey, and John Zorn. The Virginia Avenue Park concerts are free and open to the public. There are no tickets or reservations. Free parking is available and the #7 Big Blue Bus stops at the park. 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

AIDA SIMULCAST
Gather your blankets and lawn chairs, pack your picnic and come experience the music and drama of Aida under the stars. LA Opera's production of Giuseppe Verdi's Aida will be transmitted live in high-definition video from nine cameras at the Dorothy Chandler Pavilion to large LED screens at Santa Monica Pier. Seating is general admission. Bring your own seating and arrive early to secure the best viewing areas, doors will open at 5:30 p.m. RSVP for more information and to enter for free gift. https://www.laopera.org/performances/2022-aida-simulcast-events/opera-at-the-beach-rsvp-2/

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SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **66.4**

WEDNESDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:** 2-3ft Thigh to waist	Wind looks favorable and clean early. SW swell eases for exposures -- offers best size at summer magnets west of Dume. NW windswell drops out.
THURSDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:** 2-3ft Thigh to waist	Old SW swell eases as a new, long period SW swell builds. Best size for the summer magnets west of Dume.

WEATHER

Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 72. East northeast wind 5 to 10 mph.
Wednesday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, increasing clouds, with a low around 59.
Thursday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 71.
Thursday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 59.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2022/06/01	Wed	05:39 AM	-0.53	L
2022/06/01	Wed	12:30 PM	3.23	H
2022/06/01	Wed	4:13 PM	2.59	L
2022/06/01	Wed	10:36 PM	5.53	H
2022/06/02	Thu	06:19 AM	-0.38	L
2022/06/02	Thu	1:24 PM	3.17	H
2022/06/02	Thu	4:45 PM	2.76	L
2022/06/02	Thu	11:10 PM	5.29	H
2022/06/03	Fri	07:01 AM	-0.18	L
2022/06/03	Fri	2:26 PM	3.17	H
2022/06/03	Fri	5:25 PM	2.93	L
2022/06/03	Fri	11:49 PM	4.99	H
2022/06/04	Sat	07:46 AM	0.04	L
2022/06/04	Sat	3:35 PM	3.27	H
2022/06/04	Sat	6:22 PM	3.10	L
2022/06/05	Sun	12:35 AM	4.64	H
2022/06/05	Sun	08:36 AM	0.26	L
2022/06/05	Sun	4:30 PM	3.47	H

DAILY LOTTERY

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

POWERBALL
Draw Date: 5/30
27 28 51 68 69
Power#: 22
Jackpot: 168 M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 5/27
3 14 40 53 54
Mega#: 8
Jackpot: 170 M

SuperLotto PLUS
Draw Date: 5/28
3 9 12 15 42
Mega#: 17
Jackpot: 15 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 5/30
3 5 11 14 29

Daily 3
Draw Date: 5/30
EVENING: 0 1 0
Draw Date: 5/30
MIDDAY: 8 9 7

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 5/30
1st: 02 - Lucky Star
2nd: 03 - Hot Shot
3rd: 04 - Big Ben
Race Time: 1:45.08

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