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Salvation Army to launch homeless outreach street team

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Pastor James Fleming is sick and tired of walking past unhoused individuals slumped on the streets of Santa Monica when he knows there are services ready to help them.

As a Lieutenant in the Santa Monica Salvation Army Corps, he assists many of the individuals who line up outside of his office on a daily basis, but Fleming wants to do more to reach those who don't know how to reach him. Now, thanks to a $250,000 grant from Providence Saint John's Health Center he will be able to bring resources directly to unhoused individuals through the launch of a street outreach team.

"I expect this team to have a ton of compassion and go out of their way to find the reasons why these guys aren't getting the help they need," said Fleming, later adding "we come across a myriad of problems and usually if you can knock down a few of the barriers that they're seeing you can easily find them some help."

His team will be staffed by two case workers, who will be equipped with phones, a tablet, a comprehensive list of regional services and a van. They will travel the streets of the city taking the time to get to know unhoused individuals and helping them overcome the hurdles to accessing shelter and services.

This concept is not new to Santa Monica, which already has a host of street outreach workers engaging

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Wine Auction raises $400,000 for Santa Monica schools







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AUCTION: The Santa Monica community came out in force to support local school children at this year's Santa Monica Wine Auction on Sunday, May 15, raising $400,000 for programs at Santa Monica's local public schools. This year's Wine Auction at the Miramar Hotel was the first to be held in person since 2019 and was dubbed a success by organizers. All together, the last seven Wine Auctions have raised a combined $1.75 million for public schools.
"The evening was absolutely incredible," Alison Havel, president of the Santa Monica Education Foundation's Board of Directors, said in a statement provided by SMEF. "After three long years, it was magical being back in person again. The excitement was palpable! We are grateful to our generous community — our sponsors, volunteers, tasting partners, student performers and donors — for their involvement and support."

School separation talks trump petition for district based voting

EMILY SAWICKI
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A pair of separate proposals, each with the power to dramatically reshape the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD), were formally joined at the hip this week. Staff for the LA County Office of Education (LACOE) said they would pause discussing a petition meant to force SMMUSD away from at-large voting while negotiations over splitting the district into separate Malibu and Santa Monica school districts continue.

'UNIFICATION' OF TWO NEW DISTRICTS

The years-long and often acrimonious negotiations over "unification" — a counterintuitive term for cleaving the district in two, each "unifying" into its own new district — appeared to be making progress, based on a report presented to the LACOE Committee on School District Organization, with officials saying they hoped to reach a resolution this month.

"The City [of Malibu] and the [Santa Monica-based] School District continue to engage in negotiations," attorney Christine Wood, one of Malibu's negotiators, told committee members during the Wednesday, June 1, meeting.

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HOMELESS

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with unhoused residents. These include teams staffed by The People Concern, the Santa Monica Police Department, Venice Family Clinic, Saint Joseph's Center, West Coast Care and the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority.

Fleming does not see his team as usurping these efforts, but acting as a complementary force that also has something a little different to offer. As a small team acting with independent funding, he wants his outreach workers to be nimble and flexible in their approach and take advantage of being unbeholden to bureaucratic restrictions.

"We're not just cut and dry, like 'oh you don't qualify, bye'," said Fleming. "Like if a guy doesn't have his ID on him, I'm still going to go out of my way to help him, so I expect this team to have a ton of compassion and go out of their way to find the reasons why these guys aren't getting the help they need."

The Salvation Army outreach team will connect people to services offered within its own organization such as food, shelter, addiction treatment, counseling and job training. It will also connect individuals to resources offered through the broader Los Angeles network of homeless service providers.

In particular, Fleming's team will target gaps in current outreach efforts by providing personalized attention to help individuals navigate the sometimes very complex requirements to access shelter or treatment.

To this end, a significant portion of the $250,000 in start-up funding provided by Providence is being designated for "problem solving costs." For example, the team may pay for an overnight hotel stay for a senior citizen until they are able to get in touch with an appropriate agency that can fund a shelter placement for them. Or, they might help an unhoused individual acquire an ID so they can register for housing assistance.

The goal is to connect people with services or shelter as soon as they are ready to accept help and not risk losing contact by promising to return when the placement or appointment is ready. Or, in the instance that an individual is not ready to accept help, the goal is to learn where they live and continue to visit them until trust has been established.



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OUTREACH: The Salvation Army will launch its own homeless outreach program with support from St. John's.

> "I think what's special about the Salvation Army honestly is that we're willing to really get nitty gritty and build a relationship with these guys" — Pastor James Fleming

"I think what's special about the Salvation Army honestly is that we're willing to really get nitty gritty and build a relationship with these guys," said Fleming. "The capacity just to meet somebody where they're at in the field is super important, to know where they stay, even if it's just a little corner of an alley and to have several touch points with them."

The other unique aspect of this new team is that they are going to target areas that outreach teams currently don't operate in such as underpasses and parks east of Lincoln Boulevard, in addition to known problem spots Downtown.

Because funding for the program comes directly from Providence Saint John's and not through a government program, Fleming is able to access it quickly and run the program independently.

The suggestion to reach out to Providence for start-up funding came from City Councilmember Phil Brock who serves on the advisory board for the Santa Monica Salvation Army.

"Whether Salvation Army takes that additional team and puts them Downtown or east of Lincoln we need more [outreach] teams, and the way to do it is not through municipal funding right now because we don't have that extra money," said Brock. "To me the way to do it is to have our business people get together and offer help."

Following Brock's advice, Fleming spoke with the CEO of Providence Saint John's Michael Ricks who agreed to provide $250,000 to run the outreach team for a year. This allows Fleming to rapidly roll out the program and also gives him time to apply for long-term grant funding. It's Fleming's goal to have the team hit the streets in the next month.

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Battery Now 1400Blk Ocean Ave 2:10 a.m.
Loud Music 1600Blk Sunset Ave 2:25 a.m.
Vandalism 1700Blk Lincoln Blvd 3:46 a.m.
Encampment 7th St / Olympic Blvd W 6:40 a.m.
General Parking Problem 2700Blk 6th St 7:05 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 17th St / Montana Ave 7:24 a.m.
Strongarm Robbery 4th St / Wilshire Blvd 7:29 a.m.
Traffic Collision - Unknown Injuries 4th St / Olympic Blvd E 8:03 a.m.
Encampment 1200Blk 22nd St 8:10 a.m.
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Auto Burglary 100Blk Idaho Ave 8:19 a.m.
Strongarm Robbery Now Cloverfield Blvd / Olympic Blvd 8:21 a.m.
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Grand Theft Auto 3000Blk Arizona Ave 8:46 a.m.
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Person With A Gun 1300Blk The Beach 9:15 a.m.
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Public Intoxication 500Blk Wilshire Blvd 9:24 a.m.
Grand Theft 2700Blk Highland Ave 9:25 a.m.
Encampment 1200Blk Palisades Park 9:25 a.m.
Theft Of Recyclables 3000Blk Delaware Ave 9:27 a.m.
Red Zone Violation 18th St / Alta Ave 9:38 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1100Blk Harvard St 9:41 a.m.
Encampment 1500Blk 18th St 9:42 a.m.
Expired Registration 1700Blk Colorado Ave 9:54 a.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 3rd St / Montana Ave 9:56 a.m.
Found Senile Person 1700Blk 4th St 9:58 a.m.
Burglary 1200Blk 6th St 10:28 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 2200Blk 20th St 10:36 a.m.
Violation Of Posted Sign 100Blk Hollister Ave 10:46 a.m.
Rape 1600Blk Ocean Ave 10:47 a.m.
General Parking Problem 3000Blk Wilshire Blvd 10:49 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1400Blk 4th St 10:53 a.m.
Abandoned Vehicle 800Blk 9th St 10:56 a.m.
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Petty Theft Now 1300Blk Wilshire Blvd 11:04 a.m.
General Parking Problem 600Blk Bay St 11:05 a.m.
Grand Theft 1600Blk Oak St 11:11 a.m.
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Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1100Blk Harvard St 2:26 p.m.
Stolen Vehicle Recovered 1600Blk 12th St 3:01 p.m.
Panic Alarm 400Blk 15th St 3:06 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 1500Blk 4th St 3:07 p.m.
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Animal Related Incident 2400Blk 3rd St 4:11 p.m.
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Assault W/Deadly Weapon Ocean Ave / Colorado Ave 4:33 p.m.
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Animal Related Incident 300Blk Santa Monica Pier 5:01 p.m.
Burglary 1400Blk 7th St 5:04 p.m.
Violation Of Restraining Order In Progress 5th St / Colorado Ave 5:06 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 2900Blk Pennsylvania Ave 5:10 p.m.
Abandoned Vehicle 300Blk Alta Ave 5:17 p.m.
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Vehicle Parked On Sidewalk 1100Blk 12th St 9:06 p.m.
Loud Music 2300Blk Ocean Ave 9:22 p.m.
Battery 1800Blk Wilshire Blvd 9:33 p.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 1400Blk 3rd Street Prom 9:43 p.m.
Burglary 1000Blk Pico Blvd 9:55 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 1700Blk Ocean Ave 10:34 p.m.
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EMS 2100Blk Oak St 4:40 p.m.
EMS 2700Blk Pico Blvd 4:48 p.m.
EMS 16th St / Broadway 4:51 p.m.
Miscellaneous Outside Fire 6th St / Arizona Ave 5:00 p.m.
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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Welcome to the neighborhood

As a nearby resident and the original owner of the Tavern on Main, I read Clara Harter's article on its coming rebirth with great interest.

I purchased the business from Willie Tiffany in the mid-'80s with the intent of turning the local bar into a neighborhood tavern with lunch and dinner daily and occasional live music. We tore out the grill at the bar and built a full kitchen in back, opened the front wall to the sidewalk and added an intimate patio in the rear. The Tavern featured 50 different beers from across the globe and the "Round the World" beer club where adventurous locals received honors – and discounts — for exploring new selections of those international varieties. The operation quickly became known for quality food, friendly staff and affordable prices.

The Tavern on Main was a double success for me, in that it was also where I grew to know my wife Jeanne, another local who was active in neighborhood community projects.

In the mid-90's I opened Rusty's on the pier, and as that business grew in popularity I turned to my then-manager Rick Clarke — who had earned the opportunity to own the business himself through his hard work and friendly attitude as manager – and we worked out a plan for him to purchase the business over time. He added "Rick's" to the sign and his own touch to its operation, and after he sold the business I continued to support The Tavern through Howard's tenure.

I talked with Rick by phone only a few months ago as we reminisced about the privilege we shared in serving this incredible Ocean Park community. I can assure Van Gessel this is a great neighborhood for the sort of operation he envisions.

It is exciting to hear the new owner's plans to reinvigorate the original spirit of The Tavern, and I can assure you that my wife and I will be among the first to experience the planned rebirth with a short stroll from our OP home. Hopefully the entire community will join us and turn out to support what promises to embrace the best of what The Tavern was originally conceived to be. To Van Gessel we say: "Congratulations, and Welcome to the neighborhood."

Russ Barnard, Santa Monica

COMMUNITY NEWS

Citywide

Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce Announces New President Judy Kruger

The Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce has announced Santa Monica resident Judy Kruger as their new President and CEO. Kruger has an extensive background in business and most recently served as Senior Director of Strategic Initiatives for the Los Angeles Economic Development Corporation (LAEDC).

"We are thrilled to have Ms. Kruger join us at the Chamber. Her extensive economic and business experience will benefit our City, regional community, and Chamber members as we support our growing local business community," said Michael Ricks, chair of the Santa Monica Chamber Board of Directors and CEO Providence Saint John's Health Center.

Kruger's impressive background has demonstrated her expertise in economic development and her understanding on how to support and grow businesses. At the LAEDC, Kruger led business councils and industry cluster development in clean energy transportation, zero electric vehicles (ZEVs); mobility, digital media, entertainment; and aerospace and space through successful business growth strategies. Before joining LAEDC, she ran her own small business specializing in providing consulting to companies that sought to grow in international markets. Ms. Kruger also had leadership roles in various companies and non-profit member-driven organizations.

"Santa Monica is a world class city and with Ms. Kruger's knowledge and experience, the Chamber is positioned to expand advocacy regionally while advocating for our local businesses. We will be an integral part of creating a thriving business climate that generates jobs, benefits local residents and serves our global community," said Greg Morena, incoming chair of the Santa Monica Chamber Board of Directors and chairman and partner of EST 1977 Group.

"I look forward to working with local businesses, city leaders and our community as we focus on strengthening our chamber to serve and support Chamber members. I appreciate the confidence of the Chamber Board and am eager to get started," said Kruger.

Kruger succeeds Laurel Rosen who retired after 22 years at the Chamber and 14 years as President and CEO. Ms. Kruger was selected after a rigorous search with many highly qualified candidates. She started on June 1.

The Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce advocates and represents business' interests and issues facing the community. For more information or to join the Chamber go to: www.smchamber.com.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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Without funding, governor's CARE Court plan is just an empty gesture

BY KARA CHIEN

A young man with a history of mental illness has been sitting in San Francisco County Jail for nearly a year. Six months ago, he was accepted into the county's Mental Health Diversion Court program. Due to the lack of funding and investment in our mental health care system, however, no residential program for him is available. He remains languishing in our jail system, waiting for an appropriate placement to get the medical help he needs.

It is disappointing that Gov. Gavin Newsom's proposal (Senate Bill 1338) to create a Community Assistance, Recovery, and Empowerment (CARE) Court would do nothing to help this young man or anyone else coming into contact with criminal or civil courts. That's because the solution is more care, not more courts.

The CARE Court proposal seeks to compel people with severe mental health disorders to access services via referrals to this new court system. San Francisco, like some other counties, already has a civil psychiatric court that sends people through an evaluation process that can result in conservatorship. San Francisco also has eight alternative courts in the criminal division, often called diversion programs, which are guided by the principle that helping people, rather than locking them up, is better for the individual and the community.

The governor's CARE Court proposal will neither solve homelessness nor treat individuals with mental health needs. It is a referral system to nowhere. The proposal doesn't include any provisions or funding for housing or treatment. In fact, the state would burden already-limited local resources by imposing fines on counties unable to carry out court orders for involuntary treatment.

Part of the governor's proposal would assign a public defender to represent a person referred to CARE Court. Public defender offices, while fiercely dedicated to advocating for the rights and well-being of our clients, are historically underfunded and overburdened. The San Francisco Public Defender's Office already represents clients with developmental disabilities and chronic and severe mental illness in criminal and civil court and conservatorships. We know that another court with insufficient resources to support its mission will not move us any closer to the mental health care solutions we seek.

Rather than setting up a new bureaucracy to impose short-term solutions to entrenched problems that require long-term engagement, the state should aggressively invest in measures that would improve outcomes for some of the most vulnerable Californians:

1. Equitable county mental health care systems that enable community members experiencing mental health crises, homelessness and substance use to access services before they end up in criminal or civil court.

2. Educational incentives to train more multilingual, culturally competent social workers and mental health care providers.

3. Ways to expedite state licensing so treatment sites can open in fewer than 12 months.

4. More Medi-Cal funding, which only pays for 23 hours of crisis care and requires people to reside in the county where they are trying to access services. We need to bridge the gaps to well-being for people these courts intend to help.

5. Housing for people living and suffering on our streets that will provide them with a safe place to sleep at night to help abate mental health crises and harm.

Without equitable access to holistic, long-term health care, people will continue to languish in jail and on our streets, experience more instability, and be trapped in legal limbo. Our most vulnerable community members should not suffer the trauma of incarceration and the stigma of criminalization while housed in cages designed to punish.

Lawmakers need to evaluate the governor's proposal with a critical eye toward what is redundant and ineffectual, including allowing counties with existing alternative courts to opt out of a CARE Court.

Californians should implore Gov. Newsom to move away from the short-sighted CARE Court proposal and instead directly fund robust mental health care systems statewide to help save lives and preserve liberties.

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Lawyer: Cosby used safe spaces to sexually abuse teen girl

ANDREW DALTON
AP Entertainment Writer

Bill Cosby used friendly spaces — a film set at a public park, a game room — to give 16-year-old Judy Huth a sense of safety before sexually abusing her, Huth's lawyer said Wednesday in opening statements at a civil trial.

Attorney Nathan Goldberg said the meeting of Cosby, already a major star in the spring of 1975, and Huth, then a typical Southern California teenager, was highly unlikely, and would lead to her life changing permanently.

"The odds of their world colliding and intermingling were slight to none," Goldberg said.

A few days later, Cosby would take Huth to the Playboy Mansion, where he led her and a 17-year-old friend to a room off the main house full of pinball machines and other games that they played.

Goldberg projected for the jury an old, washed-out photo that Huth's friend, Donna Samuelson, took of Cosby and Huth in the room, and left it up for most of his opening statement. Cosby, clearly recognizable, is wearing a red beanie and has a beard.

There were two bedrooms with their own bathrooms connected to the game room. When Huth left a bathroom at one point, she came out to find Cosby sitting on a bed, and padded the spot next to him, directing Huth to sit.

"After she sat down, he pounced," Goldberg said.

He attempted to put his hand down her tight pants, then exposed himself, forcing Huth to touch him sexually, Goldberg said.

The trial in its first day at a Los Angeles County courthouse stems from a 2014 lawsuit filed by Huth, now 64. It's one of the last legal claims against Cosby after his Pennsylvania criminal conviction was thrown out 11 months ago and many other lawsuits were settled by his insurer.

Cosby's attorneys will give their opening statement Wednesday afternoon. Cosby's attorneys will give their opening statement Wednesday afternoon, but have said no sexual abuse happened.

Goldberg said Huth and Samuelson, who will be the trial's first witness, went to Lacy Park in San Marino, California, most likely in March of 1975, to play frisbee when they came upon the set of the movie "Let's Do It Again," which Cosby was shooting with Sidney Poitier.

The two whispered with excitement when they saw Cosby, and the comedian mocked their whispers when he saw them.

"He couldn't have been friendlier," Goldberg said.

Cosby invited the girls to meet him a few days later at a tennis club, where he had them play a game of pool where the loser had to drink a beer. Goldberg said Huth had to drink at least one beer, but can't remember how many.

Without saying where they were going, Cosby got in his own car and led the girls in their car to the Playboy Mansion.

Goldberg said before Cosby molested Huth, he had been putting his hands on Samuelson's shoulder, but she "made it obvious to him that it was not OK."

Samuelson was oblivious and playing games when the abuse in the bedroom took place, but Huth told her about it as soon as Cosby left them alone, and she will tell the same story she heard then on the stand this week, Goldberg said.

The abuse would immediately lead to emotional problems for Huth.

"She was no longer the happy-go-lucky girl she had been," Goldberg said.

She would "bury" her feelings for decades, Goldberg said, but they would come rushing back, and she would suffer from serious anxiety. The effects increased when Huth's son reached the age she was when it happened, and when similar stories about Cosby began to emerge.

Two women will testify to similar experiences with Cosby when they were teenagers within a year of Huth's meeting him.

In his opening, Goldberg sought to head off potential defense arguments.

He emphasized that after 47 years, Samuelson and Huth's stories are bound to differ in the details.

"They don't remember everything exactly the same way," Goldberg said. "If they did you would be suspicious."

He said some previously stated details, like Huth remembering playing Donkey Kong, which wasn't invented until years later, in the Playboy Mansion game room, did not mean the core elements of her story were wrong.

"So she didn't get the name of the game right, so what?" Goldberg said.

Cosby is not attending the trial, and will not be compelled to testify. Parts of a video deposition he gave soon after the suit was filed will be played for the jury.

The Associated Press does not normally name people who say they have been sexually abused, unless they come forward publicly, as Huth has.

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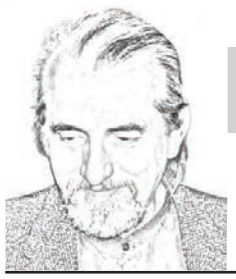
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Officers responded to Target on the 400 block of Broadway regarding a call about a battery. Upon arrival, an elderly victim relayed that the subject had shoved past him as he exited the store and then proceeded to kick him on his lower back. Officers located Seneca Bolak Kernahan and arrested him for Elder Abuse.

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LA OPERA SIMULCAST AT THE PIER!



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LA OPERA: "AIDA" will be simulcast to the Pier on Saturday.

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED:

TONIGHT! - CELSO SALIM & DARRYL CARRIERE – Would you like to see two LA dudes whomp the hell out of the blues with the best of them? I thought so. Salim plays a mean bottleneck guitar and sings, and Darryl blows the walls down with his harp and does the same with his dangerous scream and growl vocals. Thurs, 9:30 p.m., Harvelle's, Santa Monica, $10.

LA OPERA, VERDI'S "AIDA" – I don't pretend to be an opera aficionado (enthusiasm yes, not so much knowledge), but between the Santa Fe and LA Operas I've got a few under my belt now, and this "Aida" is among the best. Oh, I know, if you look up experts' opinions on The Best Operas Ever, Verdi shows up a lot, but not "Aida." Feh. So much depends on the singers and the staging. With arresting, often bright red-against-black tall columns of "modern hieroglyphics" by LA graffiti artist RETNA, and at least four stunning principal vocalists, this production knocked it out of the park. Give credit to international star director Francesca Zambello for her vision, and to conductor James Conlon. The orchestra, sometimes the least noticeable element, was the best I've ever heard them, precisely executing what I would consider a great piece of music by Verdi, inventive, taking some chances, that not only mirrored but drove the action on stage, and avoided cliches. The story line was great: ancient Egypt, a war against Ethiopia, and prominent figures on both sides falling in love. What a finish! The plot made real life sense, something often lacking in operas. I've seen a few Verdis, and if this is one of his lesser works, you couldn't prove it by this LA Opera production. It is a mesmerizing three hours of entertainment from at least five directions, and you may be able to snag a ticket for 34 bucks. Sat 7:30 p.m., The Music Center, LA, $34-399.

This performance will be simulcast to three points in LA, and our Pier is one of them. Free.

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RECOMMENDED:

TONIGHT! - "GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER" – Another hurrah goes up, the Ruskin is back! An arts gem of Santa Monica. With the LA premiere of Todd Kriedler's adaptation of the 1967 film about racial and generational family upheaval that, sadly, still has relevance half a century later. Directed by Lita Gaithers Owens. You can bet on whatever happens on the Ruskin stage. Thurs 8 p.m., Ruskin Group Theatre, SM Airport, $20-35.

DR. ANGELA DAVIS, "Power to the Imagination: The Role of Art and Creativity in Social Change" – Davis not only survived becoming a relic of a revolutionary time, she has thrived, in an academic career and a continuation of activism, showing it to be still needed. Here she focuses on the role of creativity, in a conversation about the role art has played in social justice movements and its potential to effect change today. Sun 7:30 p.m., Walt Disney Concert Hall, LA, $10.

"THE POINT" – This sounds like great fun, and a good cause fundraiser. Hallelujah! The summer outdoor theater season is about to begin, at the enchanting Theatricum Botanicum site in Topanga Canyon. They will present preview scenes from the four shows scheduled, followed by a performance of the precious Harry Nilsson album "The Point," a modern classic fairy tale (with a point), performed by a 14-piece band, sung by son of Schmilsson Keifo, assisted by Pamela Adlon (the voice of Benny "King of the Hill"). Sun 4 p.m., Theatricum Botanicum, Topanga Canyon, $80 premium seating and reception with performer;, $42 lower tier, $25 seniors, students, teachers, veterans, AEA; $10 ages 5-15; upper tier free.

TOLEDO DIAMOND — Every time the thought pops up, what shall I do with my weekend, you should remember you can blow the top off it by ending it in front of Toledo Diamond and his superb and unquestionably unique show at Harvelle's. Every Sun 9:30 p.m., Harvelle's, Santa Monica, $12.

SONNY GREEN, LA JUKE JOINT BLUES FESTIVAL – I don't know much about the other performers (7 or 8 of them) but here's what I do know: Sonny Green will be the ringmaster this night, and he is indeed a Southside LA legend. I first caught him in a packed, narrow joint in Inglewood about 30 years ago, and I love the guy. He won't knock you over like the next Otis Redding or Jame Brown, he's a bit laid back, but you can hear in his voice and performance a history of Louisiana and southside soul and R&B. Plus, he is a very sharp dressed man. You will probably have trouble getting tickets: I had to jump all over the place just to find out the starting time. Cadillac Zack is the promoter, you might try him. Worst info/tickets system I have ever seen. Mon 8 p.m., Maui Sugar Mill Saloon, Tarzana, $?.

COMING ATTRACTIONS: RAY BAILEY BIRTHDAY BLUES BASH, Harvelle's. 6/10; LA OPERA performs VERDI'S "AIDA," Music Center, 6/12; "GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER," Ruskin Group Theatre, 6/10 - 7/17; EMMYLOU HARRIS, Disney Hall, 6/11; BILL CUNLIFFE TRIO with Darek Oles, Mark Ferber, Sam First, 6/11; "THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR," 6/11-10/2, "A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM," 6/12-10/1, "THE WESTSIDE WALTZ," 6/25-10/1, Theatricum Botanicum; LIBRARY GIRL, Ruskin Group Theatre, 6/12; JON MAYER TRIO, Sam First, 6/15; CHRIS ISAAK, LYLE LOVETT and His Large Band, Greek Theatre, 6/17; 33rd Annual MARIACHI USA FESTIVAL, Hollywood Bowl, 6/18; MARY GAUTHIER, McCabe's, 6/18; TOM PAXTON, McCabe's, 6/24; HOLLYWOOD BOWL JAZZ FESTIVAL, 6/25; STEVE POSTELL'S NIGHT TRAIN MUSIC CLUB, McCabe's, 6/26.

Charles Andrews has listened to a lot of music of all kinds, including more than 3,000 live shows. He 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

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SMMUSD

FROM PAGE 1

"We really thought that we would be at a point of conclusion by now, but we are not."

For about seven decades, Santa Monica and Malibu have shared a single school district — the SMMUSD — but for the last decade or so, Malibu has desperately wanted out, citing what representatives say is a lack of local control and equal opportunities for students in the smaller and more sparsely populated city of Malibu.

Fed up with what they characterized as Santa Monica's lack of responsiveness, Malibu's representatives ended negotiations and filed directly with LACOE in 2021 — a move meant to put the decision into the County's hands. But soon after, spokespeople from both camps said they were making headway in negotiations and requested additional time from LACOE. That negotiation continues.

"Things are still moving along — things are positively moving along," Wood said Wednesday. "And so, we still continue to ask [that] the decision be stayed to give us an opportunity to negotiate, and we appreciate the fact that you guys have been so patient during this process."

BY-DISTRICT VOTING PETITION

The Committee agreed to a month-long extension for the negotiations and, in doing so, said a proposal to move SMMUSD from at large to a seven-district voting system would have to wait pending resolution of the negotiations.

That petition, filed in January 2022 following the ratification of a new state law — SB 442 — would allow the county committee to create so-called "trustee areas" or voting districts within the SMMUSD, in accordance with the California Voting Rights Act, or CVRA. The proposed map splits the current district into seven trustee areas, including two districts with shared portions of Malibu and Santa Monica. Many proponents of that petition are also in support of Malibu school district independence.

"Regarding the trustee-area petition, staff continues to review the petition to implement trustee areas and trustee-area voting within the Santa Monica-Malibu USD," LACOE Regionalized Business Services Coordinator Allison Deegan said. "We have determined that we need to have a demographer review the trustee-area map submitted and any underlying data that was used to create it and, if necessary, develop additional map scenarios at the direction of the county committee. We are in the process of engaging the demographer.

"It is not clear at this time when the petition will be scheduled for a public hearing," Deegan continued. "As you know, there are no timelines for review of trustee-area petitions under the education code. Additionally, if the Santa Monica-Malibu USD reaches a settlement, any action by the county committee to implement trustee areas and trustee-area voting within the SMMUSD would be moot as the SMMUSD will dissolve."

Attorney Kevin Shenkman and SMMUSD Board Member Craig Foster were among those who called in to the hearing on Wednesday asking that consideration of the by-district voting petition move forward even while the two sides continue to negotiate a school district split.

"You have both the authority and the obligation to hear it," Foster said during the public comment period of the Wednesday hearing.



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DISTRICT: There appears to be progress in talks to split Malibu from Santa Monica.

Shenkman said the Committee, in not considering the petition, needed to "think about the message you will be sending."

According to Shenkman, if the Committee did not pledge to consider the petition quickly, "we would be forced to instead sue school districts into compliance with the CVRA."

"A big part of the stated purpose of Senate Bill 442 is to avoid that costly CVRA litigation for school districts — a noble purpose," Shenkman continued. "This Committee's actions today will either affirm that purpose by scheduling the hearing by July 6, or thwart the legislature's purpose and cost school districts millions."

Shenkman's threatened lawsuit against the SMMUSD to force trustee-area voting would not be the only legal action taken up in relation to the issue of by-district voting in the SMMUSD. In March, the SMMUSD and City of Santa Monica jointly sued LACOE over its enforcement of SB 442, in a case designed to challenge the constitutionality of the new law.

The Committee did not formally schedule a time to discuss the petition.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARINGS
THURSDAY, JUNE 9, 2022

Public hearings on the following topics will be conducted during the Santa Monica Rent Control Board meeting on Thursday, June 9, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. via teleconference:

1) Consideration of imposing a $140 ceiling (or maximum increase) on the 2022 annual general adjustment of 6%;

2) Consideration and adoption of the Santa Monica Rent Control Board's Fiscal Year 2022-2023 Operating Budget;

3) Consideration of whether to amend subsection (b) of Regulation 11200 respecting an increase in the annual registration fee; and

4) Consideration of whether to recommend to the City Council that the City place on the November 2022 ballot an amendment to the City Charter and Rent Control Amendment allowing for a suspension of rent increases during certain declared emergencies.

Instructions on accessing the meeting and speaking to the Board are provided in the agenda. The agenda and staff report are available on the Board's website at: www.santamonica.gov/rentcontrol.

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Statewide bid to create legal drug injection sites advances

DON THOMPSON
Associated Press

California moved a step closer Wednesday to creating sites where people could legally use drugs under supervision designed to save them from dying if they overdose, over the objections of opponents who said the state would be enabling dangerous and illegal activity.

The full Assembly will now consider allowing test programs in Los Angeles, Oakland and San Francisco, more than a year after the proposal narrowly passed the state Senate.

"We know that we are experiencing a crisis of overdose deaths, and these are preventable," said Democratic Sen. Scott Wiener. "This is one way to help keep people safe and to actually help people get into treatment."

Assembly Public Safety Committee members advanced the bill on a 5-2 vote after hearing conflicting statistics about the experiences in Canada, Europe, Australia and most recently two sites in New York City.

There has been not a single overdose death in the supervised sites, said Wiener and proponents of his bill.

But people still are dying around them, attracted to neighborhoods where drug use is overtly sanctioned by the government, countered opponents.

"There is a magnet effect so that people come into the area," said John Lovell, testifying on behalf of the California Narcotic Officers' Association and several other police organizations.

"What they're proposing is addiction maintenance. ... I think that we need to embrace addiction recovery," said Michael Shellenberger, author of a book entitled "San Fransicko: Why Progressives Ruin Cities" and a no party preference candidate for California governor.

Clean needle exchanges were once also controversial, before they became a largely accepted way of minimizing the spread of HIV, hepatitis and other diseases that can be spread through the sharing of dirty needles, said Vitka Eisen, a former heroin user herself. She now heads the low-income health care provider HealthRIGHT 360 and sits on the boards of the California Council of Community Behavioral Health Agencies, California Association of Drug and Alcohol Program Executives, and National Council for Behavioral Health.

"In the face of a crisis, we must do things differently," she said, referring to the national onslaught of opioid deaths, often fed by the prevalence of fentanyl.

The governing bodies in each of the California jurisdictions have already asked to be included in the test program if Wiener's bill becomes law. It would remain up to them whether to go ahead and to what extent. The test programs would run until 2028, and the participating governments would have to split the cost of an independent study on the effectiveness of the program and its impact on the community, due by 2027.

Former Gov. Jerry Brown, a Democrat, vetoed a more limited proposal in 2018, saying then: "Fundamentally, I do not believe that enabling illegal drug use in government sponsored injection centers — with no corresponding requirement that the user undergo treatment — will reduce drug addiction."

The new proposal split the Assembly committee along party lines.

Democratic Assemblywoman Mia Bonta, wife of California Attorney General Rob Bonta, is a co-author of the bill who called it a "potential opportunity for us to be able to address the pandemic that we are facing around drug abuse."

California would be "creating an enabling program that enables people to continue to do what is very damaging and destructive, not only to themselves but to the public at large," said Republican Assemblyman Kelly Seyarto. The goal, he said, should be to "get them off of drugs and get them out of this dependency" instead of allowing it.

Democratic Assemblyman Miguel Santiago said he, too, was skeptical, until he witnessed the open drug use on Los Angeles' Skid Row.

"You have to come to the conclusion that it is better that they use it in a facility where it is at least supervised," Santiago said. "It is an attempt to create a safe place for people to use (drugs), to help them when they are at their lowest, and to prevent the worst from happening."

The committee's chairman, Democratic Assemblyman Reggie Jones-Sawyer, said he initially was "very apprehensive" and fought the idea. But he had an uncle and a cousin die of drug overdoses on San Francisco's streets in the 1980s, when the family's attempts at "tough love" failed to save them.

Safe injection sites may not be a perfect solution, Jones-Sawyer said, but "we need to go ahead and try something new."

COMMUNITY NEWS

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SMC Musical Theatre Workshop Presents "We Got the Beat!"

The Santa Monica College Musical Theatre Workshop will celebrate live theater with performances of "We Got the Beat!" on Friday, June 3, at 7:30 p.m.; Saturday, June 4, at 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m.; and Sunday, June 5, at 2 p.m.

Performances will be held in the Main Stage at the SMC Theatre Arts Complex, located on the main SMC Campus (1900 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica).

The lively, entertaining revue will feature SMC students, accompanied by SMC pianist Frank Basile, performing solos, duets, and group numbers from a wide range of musical theater genres. The showcase will feature songs from Broadway's great hits to help navigate way through the world to find hope amid strife.

A joint program of the SMC Theatre Arts and Music Departments, the showcase is directed by SMC Theatre Arts instructor Perviz Sawoski, with music direction by SMC Music instructor Gary Gray.

Advance tickets are $10, plus a modest service charge, and can be purchased by going to smc.edu/tickets or by calling (310) 434-4319 (M-F). Tickets are $3 higher at the door. Parking is free on Friday evenings and weekends. No late seating. No video feed offered in lobby area.

Guests should visit smc.edu/coronavirus before heading to the performance for up-to-date details on vaccine and mask requirements, as the requirements are subject to change. Seating is strictly on a first-arrival basis. No late seating. No video feed offered in lobby area.

More information is available by calling (310) 434-4319.

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 2)

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HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). If your sense of personal responsibility is more stringent than those around you, seek different company. When you're among innovators, you'll innovate; when you're among leaders you'll lead.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It's true that people are attracted by looks, money and power, but the thing that makes you most attractive today is an X-factor having little to do with those attributes.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Being mired in your own thoughts and routines can have a dulling effect that could cause you to miss the good stuff. The small efforts you make to change things up will keep you alert to your opportunities.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You are a giver. If you don't feel like you can make a contribution gladly, then you'd rather wait for a better moment. Your timing and judgment are impeccable.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). It's as though there are twice as many thoughts running through your head. Luckily, you have the talent of volume control. You will turn down the worry and turn up the cheerleading.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're more influential than you realize. As long as you stay alert to how the words you use, the behaviors you display and even your casual statements have power, you will have no regrets.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Even when only half the marching band is playing the right notes, it still sounds pretty much like music. Today's dealings involve a large organization that's rife with problems, but to some degree it's still fulfilling the purpose.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Different perspectives and styles will clash. Although there are times when conflict can be invigorating and elevate the outcome, this is not one of them. Steer clear and re-address tomorrow.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Throwing money at a problem might not be the most lasting solution, but in today's case it will be the quick fix that lets you move on. If you don't have the money, this is an opportunity for cleverness and networking.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You can't decide the external weather, but you can go to a temperature-controlled room. Neither is it possible to totally rule your internal weather, but you can erect and inhabit temperature-controlled rooms of the mind.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). List five things you can do to move forward and then do them. If they are the wrong five things, you will still learn enough to choose a more effective strategy tomorrow.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There are those who will turn everything into a competition. You prefer almost any other approach: minding your own business, seeking agreement, working together... your way will work best for all.

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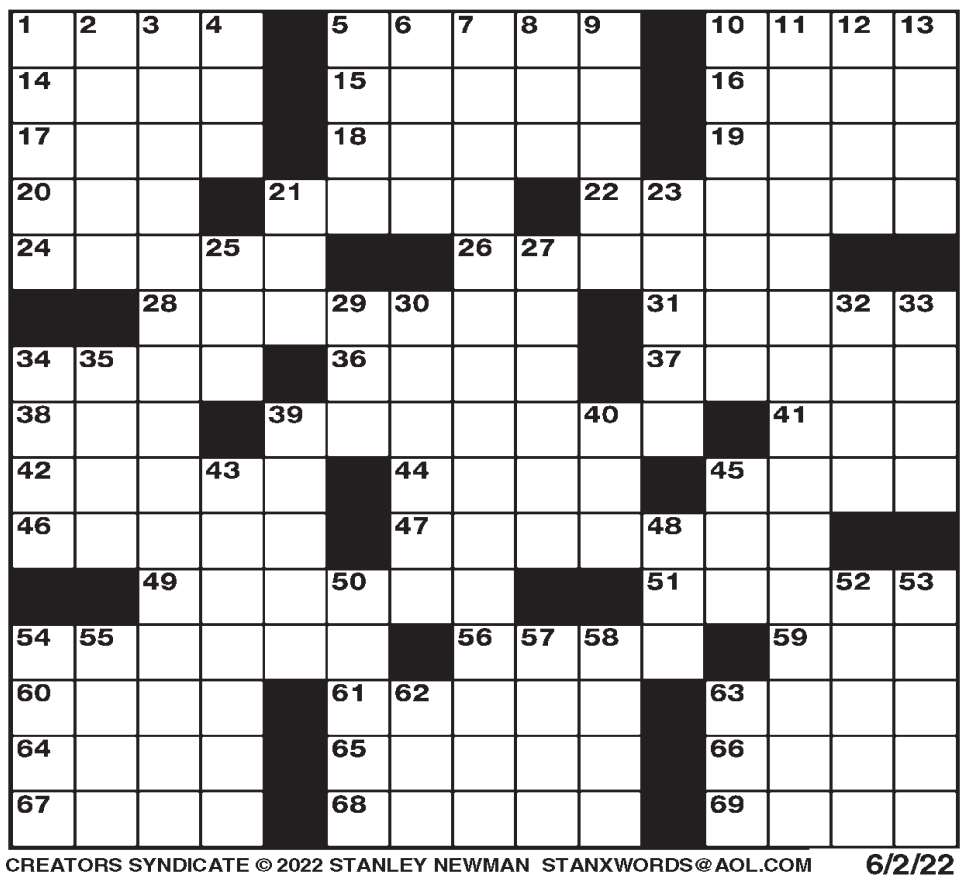
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15 Reddish yellow
16 Gaucho's quarry
17 Easter flower
18 Lobster locale
19 Knock about
20 NYC airport
21 *Paradise Lost*, for example
22 Road hazards
24 Drenched
26 Balkan land
28 Modern book keeper
31 Lowlands
34 One of a literary sister trio
36 Vane mover
37 Clearing in the woods
38 Sign of summer
39 Slow leak
41 Leaves in a pantry
42 Symbol of Canada
44 Trim down
45 Canberra coin
46 Piece of flatware
47 Top-quality
49 Parliamentary term
51 Speedway sound
54 A in physics
56 Keenness of voice
59 Ocean State sch.
60 Certain Scot
61 Spoken with a twang
63 Spelling-aid phrase
64 Synonym of *exister*
65 Steer clear of
66 Fails to be
67 *Being the Ricardos* character
68 Jittery
69 Endurance, so to speak

DOWN
1 FIRST NOSHES
2 *Compadre*
3 APPETIZER
4 Suffix for station
5 Win in a walk
6 Smoothie flavor
7 ENTRÉE
8 Poetic nightfall
9 Go formal
10 It just got here
11 DESSERT
12 Tropical hardwood
13 Costco rival
21 Hole in Swiss cheese
23 Alpine inn
25 K preceder
27 Truth __ (party game)
29 Overwhelm
30 Port of Normandy
32 Wonderland
33 Ticket info
34 Charitable gift
35 Tidal adjective
39 Monterrey mister
40 Shining example
43 Legendary Rhine siren
45 Mongrel
48 "__ seen better"
50 Guiding doctrine
52 Gasket
53 FINAL CANDIES
54 Allowed to mellow
55 Second glove
57 Family guys
58 Apt rhyme for "Whoopee!"
62 Many a DC state name
63 Be off



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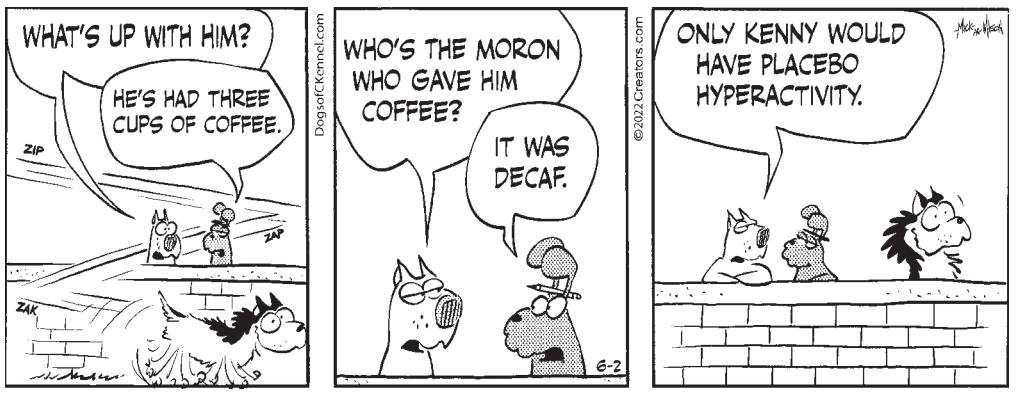
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FIND THE WORDS

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 15 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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Golden ticket

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N S H A R E S A C O N T E N T
O A N T F L S V C V H A P P Y
I D R A W A T I Y H V I S I T
L G R O S X N A T B T E E R O
L O C B L S U R I S K P L T U
I L I L E D O I L T A O C D R
M D G E W I C U N R M H N L I
H M A T E K C I T E I S E R P
S A R C J K A Y N C U V W O U
A I I E Y F I W O N K W S W R
C D E E R P S G N I D N E P S
D R E A M J O Y O U S N A P E
S S A L C S S E N I S U B B T
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Boat
Business class
Cash
Caviar
Cheque
Chic
Cigar
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Dice
Draw
Dream
Envy
Faint
Faro
Gold
Happy
Idle
Jewels
Joyous
Kids
Lottery
Lucky
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What's Up Westside

out and about in Santa Monica

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/

SUNDAY | JUNE 5

SANTA MONICA AIRPORT ANTIQUE MARKET

Noted as One of the Top Ten "Flea Markets' in America, visit the Santa Monica Airport Antique Market, a fun outdoor (and dog-friendly!) market full of many great dealers with furniture, antiques, collectibles, art, vintage clothes, jewelry, rugs and much more. Santa Monica Airport, 2800-3200 Airport Ave. 7 a.m. - 3 p.m. $5.

PEDAL ON THE PIER

The 10th annual Pedal on the Pier fundraiser returns Sunday, June 5 transforming the historic Santa Monica Pier into a high-energy outdoor cycling studio to raise money for the Harold Robinson Foundation's Camp Ubuntu, which provides LA's underserved children in South LA with a unique, three-day camp experience. Register at https://pedalonthepier.haroldrobinsonfoundation.org/Default.asp. 10:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. $100. Santa Monica Pier.

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SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **68.4**

THURSDAY *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.
FRIDAY *FAIR*	**SURF:** 3-4ft Waist to chest	Glassy AM conditions likely with fun SW/SSW swell peaking. Wind trend onshore through midday.

WEATHER

Thursday: Cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 71.
Thursday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, increasing clouds, with a low around 59.
Friday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, partly sunny, with a high near 71.
Friday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 60.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
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
2022/06/05	Sun	7:52 PM	3.18	L
2022/06/06	Mon	01:34 AM	4.24	H
2022/06/06	Mon	09:28 AM	0.46	L
2022/06/06	Mon	5:06 PM	3.76	H

DAILY LOTTERY

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

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 5/31
6 15 41 63 64
Mega#: 24
Jackpot: 189 M

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

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 5/31
22 29 33 36 38

Daily 3
Draw Date: 6/1
MIDDAY: 8 8 3
Draw Date: 5/31
EVENING: 2 1 9

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1st: 12 - Lucky Charms
2nd: 11 - Money Bags
3rd: 06 - Whirl Win
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