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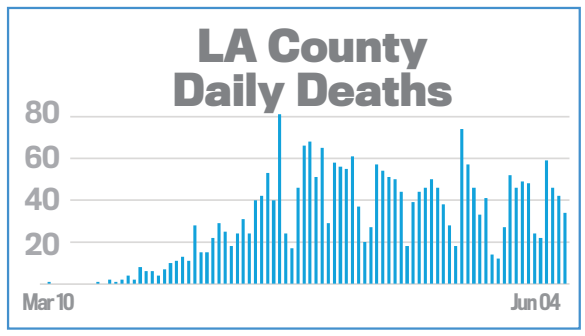
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Chief says looting was unexpected

MADELEINE PAUKER
SMDP Staff Writer

Santa Monica police had no intelligence that people would come to loot downtown stores during Sunday's protest against police violence, the city's police chief said Thursday.

Chief of Police Cynthia Renaud said during a meeting with businesses that she was only aware that a peaceful protest on Montana Avenue had been planned and then canceled, despite telling the Daily Press a day earlier that the department knew looting was a possibility and had been sent social media posts advertising looting in the city.

Renaud added during the

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Pharmacy owner assaulted during riot

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

As the owner of Santa Monica Homeopathic Pharmacy, Steve Litvack would be the guy most likely to have a headache cure on hand to handle the massive stress caused by the pandemic and riots.

However, after looters destroyed his business and put him in the hospital this week, Litvack is left to pick up the literal pieces of his life with little more than the support of his employees and the good will of the community.

Litvack said he began Sunday morning developing plans to keep the business running in the face of the ongoing coronavirus health crisis. However, when he heard about the chaos erupting in the city, he abandoned those plans and drove to the business. He reached

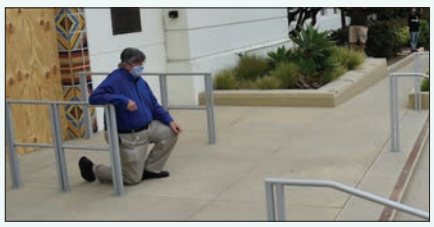
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Matthew Hall

PROTEST: Protesters gathered outside City Hall on Friday. The event was part of the national movement for racial equity and against police brutality. The City's Police Chief, Mayor and City Manager were present but attempts to answer questions from the crowd went awry due to a lack of amplified sound. In addition to supporting the national cause, participants were angry at the lack of answers from city officials regarding the use of force against protesters on May 31, specifically the use of tear gas. Download the latest episode of the Inside The Daily Press Podcast for more information about the protest.














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‘Respect them’: Even in wealthy areas, food bank demand high

DAVID CRARY
AP National Writer

One was a nurse, another a retiree. Others had recently lost jobs with an insurance company and a country club.

On a humid day last week, in the parking lot of this Long Island town’s largest park, they had a common bond. Each was making their first visit to a food bank to help cope with hardships arising from the coronavirus outbreak.

“I’m hungry. That’s why I’m here,” said Marcia Duckley, a mother of four children ages 4 through 17 who lost her hotel job this year. “It never crossed my mind before that I’d be doing this.”

Duckley, who came to the United States 30 years ago from Jamaica, said she has recently been feeding her children meals of flour dumplings with butter – plus an occasional treat of water flavored with sugar.

“They say, ‘Mom, when are you going back to work?’” she said through an open window as she edged her car slowly forward.

The scene in Valley Stream, a community of 37,000 in the Nassau County suburbs just east of New York City, has been replicated nationwide during a 10-week stretch in which 42 million Americans have applied for unemployment benefits. Long lines of cars, sometimes numbering in the thousands, backed up while their occupants wait — sometimes for hours — for the chance to take home a free batch of food.

Island Harvest, one of the major food banks on Long Island, organized the food distribution in Valley Stream, one of many it has conducted throughout the area.

Randi Shubin Dresner, Island Harvest’s CEO, said the food bank has distributed 1.2 million more meals so far this year than during the same period last year.

In Valley Stream, she said, 1,124 boxes of food were distributed by volunteers, mostly to motorists, but also to several hundred people who came on foot. Each box contained roughly 25 pounds of milk, potatoes, apples, cheese and other produce.

“There are a lot of people who’ve never asked for food before -- some used to contribute to us,” she said. “It’s a very humbling experience for them.”

Dresner noted that some cars in the long line were new, upscale models — and that it would wrong to second-guess their occupants’ needs.

“Maybe a few weeks ago they had a great job,” she said. “Then the world is taken from underneath them and they have no income -- they’re struggling to pay the mortgage and the car loan.”

“It’s not up to us to judge the type of car that comes though the line, or the way people are dressed,” she added. “It’s up to us to respect them.”

The first woman waiting in the pedestrian line was indeed well dressed. She asked to be identified only as Maria G. and said she had been furloughed during the pandemic by the insurance company where she’d been an underwriter for 20 years.

She is a single mom living with four sons ages 15 to 20 who are “eating me out of house and home,” she said.

“I’ve never been through something like this,” she said. “I’ve seen it in Third World countries, and now it’s hit Valley Stream.”

Not far behind her was retiree Sheila Barron, 69, who said she was making her first trip to a food bank because of increasing wariness of grocery stores. They’re too crowded, she said, and often are out of items she needs.

The pandemic restrictions have been tough for her. She’s missed the opportunity to go to church and is asked to do medical appointments via telemedicine.

Barron was soon followed by Tina Grace, 29, walking alongside her bicycle, who said she was recently laid off by the country club where she worked on event planning. She’s getting unemployment compensation but worries it won’t last.

“I’m just taking it day by day,” she said. “It’s hard. It sucks. Everyone is in a tough situation right now.”

Unlike many others in line, Mary Blaize is still employed — she’s a nurse in New York City. The stress of her job is now compounded by her husband’s recent layoff, she said, making it harder to pay their mortgage and utility bills.

But she was upbeat about her first visit to a food bank.

“It feels good to know that people actually care,” she said.

In neighboring Connecticut, perennially ranked as one of the richest states, demand on food banks has also been intense.

Each weekday outside a football stadium in East Hartford, 1,000 to 2,500 cars roll through a distribution site run by the regional food bank, Foodshare. Drivers have their trunks open as volunteers load boxes of fruits and vegetables, bread, milk and even toys.

Among those making use of the site was Natalie Townsend, 32, a single mother from Hartford who lost her job at a call center in April. She said she has fallen two months behind on her rent, is still waiting for unemployment benefits and worries about how to care for her 9-year-old daughter.

“It definitely gets me down because I like to pay my bills on time,” she said. “I don’t want to be on the streets.”

Also at the site were Yanet Belossantos and her husband, Alex Cepeda, who lost their jobs in March, she as a medical assistant, he as a chef. The Dominican Republic immigrants live in Hartford with her mother, who has Alzheimer’s disease.

They have been surviving on unemployment benefits but are behind in their bills.

“We can’t go grocery shopping because we don’t have the money,” Belossantos said. “This is really helping us.”

In the mostly affluent southwest corner of Connecticut, Kate Lombardo says demand

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Demonstrators vow to sustain momentum until change happens

SUDHIN THANAWALA AND BRIAN MAHONEY
Associated Press

Protesters stirred by the death of George Floyd vowed Friday to turn an extraordinary outpouring of grief into a sustained movement as demonstrations shifted to a calmer, but no less determined, focus on addressing racial injustice.

In Minneapolis, where Floyd died in police custody, the city agreed to ban police chokeholds and require officers to intervene any time they see unauthorized force by another officer. The changes are part of a stipulation between the city and state officials who launched a civil rights investigation into Floyd's death. The City Council is expected to approve the agreement, which will be enforceable in court, later Friday.

By early afternoon, demonstrations resumed for an 11th day around the country with continued momentum as the mood of the protests largely shifted from explosive anger to more peaceful calls for change. Formal and impromptu memorials to Floyd stretched from Minneapolis to North Carolina, where family were gathering Saturday to mourn him, and beyond. Services were planned in Texas for the following week.

Josiah Roebuck, a Kennesaw State University student and organizer of a demonstration that drew about 100 people Friday in an Atlanta suburb, said he was confident that momentum will be maintained.

"Once you start, you're going to see this every day," said Roebuck, who said he attended multiple other Atlanta-area protests. He added: "I just want minorities to be represented properly."

Organizers have used various organizing tools including social media, which Roebuck said he used to gather people for the demonstration outside a Kennesaw store selling Confederate memorabilia. "Social media is a big influencer today," he said.

Protests around the country had initially been marred by the setting of fires and smashing of windows, but Friday marked at least the third day of more subdued demonstrations, including a heartfelt tribute to Floyd Thursday in Minneapolis that drew family members, celebrities, politicians and civil rights advocates. At the service, strong calls were made for meaningful changes in policing and the criminal justice system.

And in a sign the protesters' voices were being heard, more symbols of slavery and the Confederacy came down. Alabama's port city of Mobile removed a statue of a Confederate naval officer early Friday after days of protests there, while Fredericksburg, Virginia, removed a 176-year-old slave auction block from downtown after several years of efforts by the NAACP. Other Confederate symbols have come down around the South in recent days as calls to remove them intensified during protests over Floyd's death.

Also Friday, in Jacksonville , Florida, a large group of players, coaches, front office officials from the city's NFL team and their families wore Black Lives Matter T-shirts as they walked from TIAA Bank Field to the sheriff's office headquarters to raise awareness of racial injustice.

At demonstrations around the country, protesters said the quieter mood was the result of several factors: the new and upgraded criminal charges against the police officers involved in Floyd's death; a more conciliatory approach by police who have marched with them or taken a knee to recognize their message; and the realization that the burst of rage is not sustainable.

"Personally, I think you can't riot everyday for almost a week," said Costa Smith, 26, who was protesting in downtown Atlanta.

Despite the shift in tone, protesters have shown no sign that they are going away and, if anything, are emboldened to stay on the streets to push for police reforms.

In New York City, Miguel Fernandes said there were "a lot more nights to go" of marching because protesters hadn't got what they wanted. And Floyd's brother Terrence appeared in Brooklyn to carry on the fight for change, declaring "power to the people, all of us."

At the first in a series of memorials for Floyd, the Rev. Al Sharpton urged those gathered Thursday "to stand up in George's name and say, 'Get your knee off our necks!'" Those at the Minneapolis tribute stood in silence for 8 minutes, 46 seconds — the amount of time Floyd was alleged to be on the ground under the control of police.

Sharpton vowed that this will become a movement to "change the whole system of justice."

As the protests have taken root over the past week, they have become communities unto themselves.

In New York, where residents have been stuck at home for nearly three months because of the coronavirus pandemic, residents who can't go to restaurants are happy to be able to go a protest. People bring their dogs and share snacks and water bottles. They have been heartened by police who have joined them.

"It's great to be alive, it's history right now," said protester Kenyata Taylor.

In Los Angeles, Billy Black, a 25-year-old African American attending a demonstration at City Hall on Thursday, said the recent calm of the protests helped lure him out to lend his voice after being concerned in previous days over TV images of marchers clashing with police in riot gear, police cruisers set ablaze and stores ransacked in broad daylight.

"I didn't like knowing that people were outside taking a stand for something I believe in, while I was in air-conditioned comfort," Black said.

Still, there were skirmishes in the Bronx borough of New York City and elsewhere Thursday. In Buffalo, a police commissioner suspended two officers after video from WBFO showed a 75-year-old man being shoved after walking up to police as they were enforcing a curfew Thursday night. The man appeared to hit his head on the pavement and

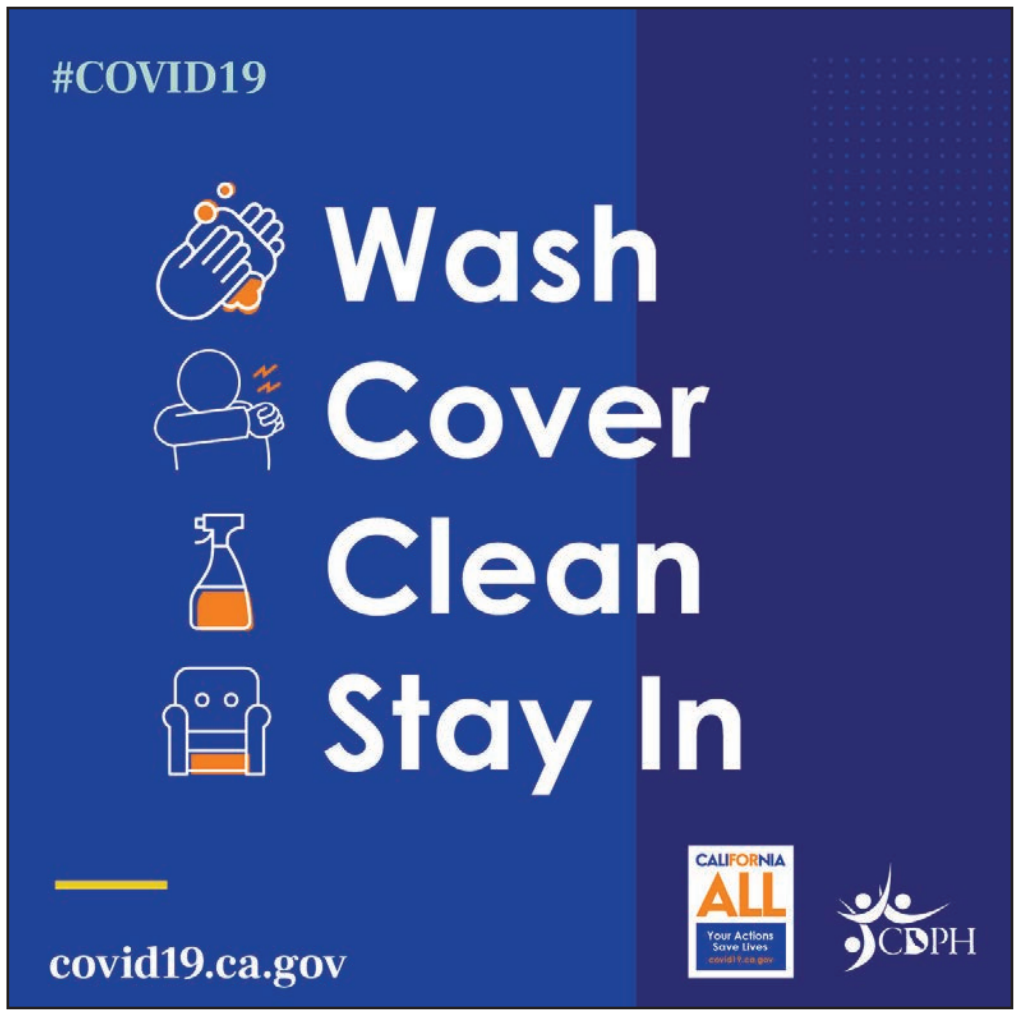
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CITY OF SANTA MONICA

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING FOR THE PROPOSED FY 2020-21 BUDGET AND ADOPTION OF THE RESOLUTION ESTABLISHING THE CITY'S GANN APPROPRIATIONS LIMIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020-21

The City Council, Housing Authority, and Parking Authority of the City of Santa Monica will hold a public hearing on the proposed budget on June 23, 2020. Pursuant to Executive Order N2920 issued by Governor Gavin Newsom, members of the City Council and City Staff will participate via teleconference at 5:30 p.m. The meeting will be broadcast live on CityTV cable channel 16 and online at smgov.net. Community members are invited to provide the Council with written and oral comments concerning the City's entire proposed budget. In lieu of attending the meeting, the public is strongly encouraged to submit their written correspondence and written public comments via email to councilmtgitems@smgov.net. Remote public comments can be made by phone at (310) 458-8423.

At the meeting on June 23, the City Council will also adopt a resolution for the determination of the Gann Appropriations Limit for FY 2020-21. A copy of the documentation used in calculating the limit can be viewed online at finance.smgov.net/budgets-reports/Gann. The FY 2020-21 Proposed Budget can be viewed online at finance.smgov.net. To prevent the spread of COVID-19, the City of Santa Monica has closed City facilities to the public through June 30, 2020.



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Public Intoxication 200blk Strand St 1:02 a.m.
Family Disturbance 800blk Ashland Ave 1:27 a.m.
Traffic Hazard Neilson Way / Bay St 2:02 a.m.
Loud Music 1300blk 2nd St 2:51 a.m.
Construction Noise 2300blk 34th St 3:17 a.m.
Death Investigation 2100blk Yorkshire Ave 4:41 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report Princeton St / Wilshire Blvd 6:29 a.m.
Fight 3100blk Wilshire Blvd 7:11 a.m.
Exhibition Of Speed Berkeley St / Wilshire Blvd 7:24 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1100blk Lincoln Blvd 7:33 a.m.
Found Property 2400blk Pier Ave 7:42 a.m.
Identity Theft 1300blk Stanford St 8:04 a.m.
Violation Of Posted Sign 400blk Santa Monica Blvd 8:45 a.m.
Trespassing 400blk 10th St 8:58 a.m.
Person With A Gun 2500blk Santa Monica Blvd 9:03 a.m.
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Violation Of Posted Sign 2300blk Pearl St 9:15 a.m.
Fight 1100blk Lincoln Blvd 9:42 a.m.
Burglary Report 100blk Hollister Ave 9:43 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 1400blk Lincoln Blvd 9:52 a.m.
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Check Temporary No Parking Signs 400blk 23rd St 11:33 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 900blk Pico Blvd 11:58 a.m.
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Injured Person 1500blk The Beach 12:50 p.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 1800blk Wilshire Blvd 1:11 p.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 1800blk Lincoln Blvd 1:19 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 12th St / Washington Ave 1:53 p.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 1400blk 21st St 2:47 p.m.
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Grand Theft Report 1000blk 19th St 4:33 p.m.
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EMS 2000blk 6th St 6:19 p.m.
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blood leaked out as officers walked past. The man was hospitalized.

But in Texas, protesters cheered as Fort Worth officers joined the front of a march. Police in Austin also walked with dozens of members of the University of Texas football team as they made their way from campus to the state Capitol to honor Floyd's memory. Once there, the group and police officers took a knee for nine minutes.

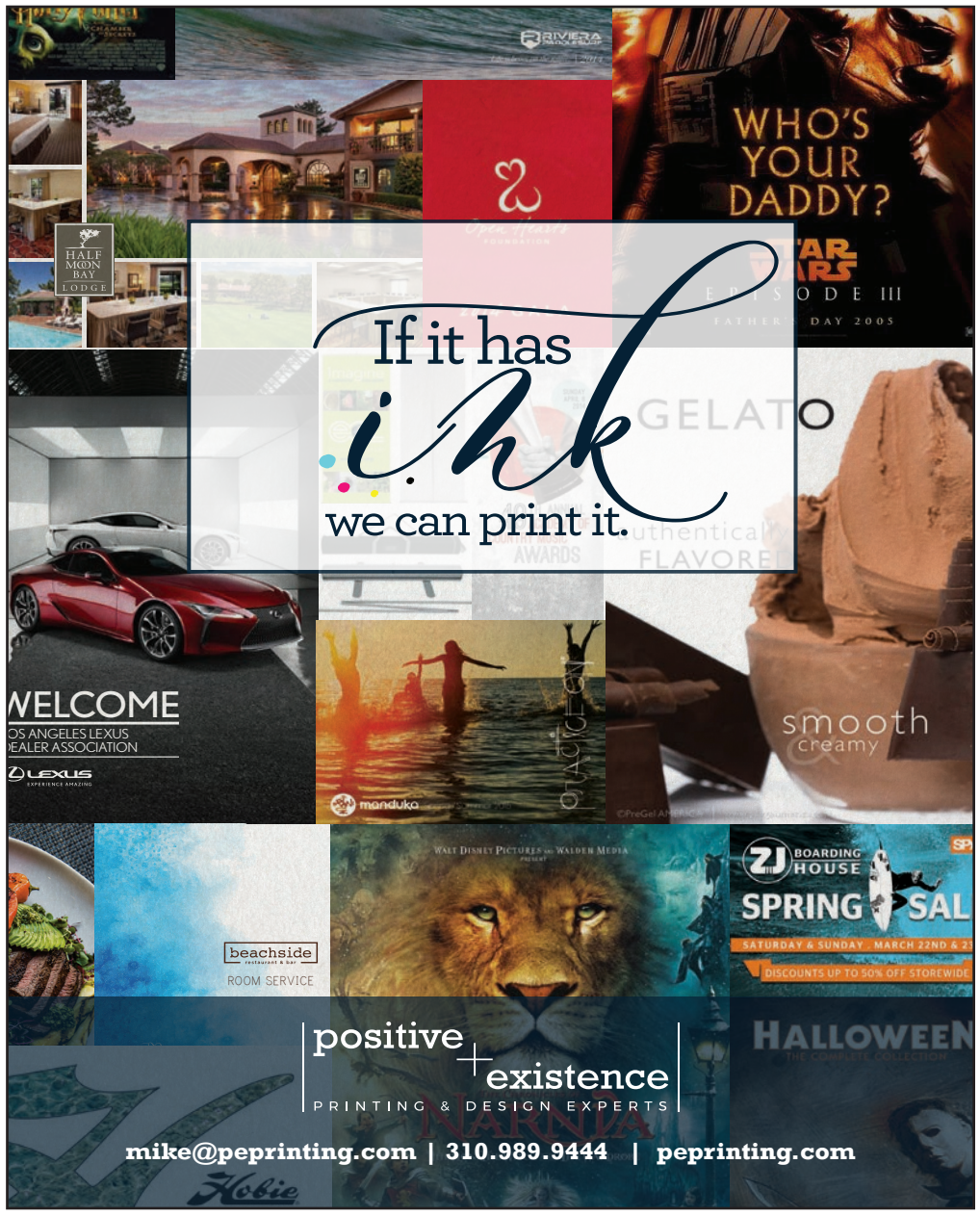
"This protest won't just stop here," junior safety Caden Sterns said. "To the white community ... if you want change like you say you do, you must change. What I mean is, you must realize, and the oppressor must realize, you are oppressing."

Mahoney reported from New York. AP journalists contributed reporting from around the United States.

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US unemployment drops unexpectedly to a still-high 13.3%

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U.S. unemployment dropped unexpectedly in May to 13.3% as reopened businesses began recalling millions of workers faster than economists had predicted, triggering a rally Friday on Wall Street and giving President Donald Trump something to boast about amid his reelection bid.

The jobless rate is still on par with what the nation witnessed during the Great Depression. And for the second straight month, the Labor Department acknowledged making errors in counting the unemployed during the coronavirus outbreak, saying the real figure is even worse than the numbers indicate.

Still, after weeks of dire predictions by economists that unemployment in May could hit 20% or more, the news that the economy added a surprising 2.5 million jobs last month was seen as evidence that the collapse may have bottomed out in April at 14.7% and that a recovery is well underway as states loosen their lockdowns and let stores, restaurants, gyms and other businesses reopen.

"We are witnessing the easiest phase of growth as people come off temporary layoffs and come back to their employers," said Harvard University economist Jason Furman, who led the White House Council of Economic Advisers during the Obama presidency. "And once employers are done recalling people, the much harder, longer work of recovery will have to proceed."

Most economists had expected rehiring to kick in as shutdowns were increasingly lifted and people gradually resumed shopping and eating out.

"The surprising thing here is the timing and that it happened as quickly as it did," said Adam Kamins, senior regional economist at Moody's Analytics.

On Wall Street, the S&P 500 was up 2.6% around midday on the news.

An exultant Trump seized on the report as evidence that the economy is going to come back from the coronavirus crisis like a "rocket ship."

"This shows that what we've been doing is right," said the president, who has pushed governors aggressively to reopen their economies amid warnings from public health officials that the country is risking a second wave of infections on top of the one that has killed over 100,000 Americans.

Still, the job market is in such a deep hole that it could take years to dig out, economists say. Most are forecasting unemployment in the high single-digits or low double-digits by the end of this year.

Economists had expected the government to report that employers shed 8.5 million more jobs in May on top of the 21.4 million lost in March and April.

Instead, nearly all industries added jobs, a sharp reversal from April, when almost all cut them. Hotels and restaurants added 1.2 million jobs in May, after shedding 7.5 million. Retailers gained 368,000, after losing nearly 2.3 million in the previous month. Construction companies added 464,000 after cutting 995,000.

The crisis has also exposed wide disparities: While the unemployment rate for white Americans was 12.4% May, it was 17.6% for Hispanics and 16.8% for African-Americans.

Economists warn that until most Americans are confident they can shop, travel, eat out and fully return to their other spending habits without fear of contracting the virus, the economy is likely to remain sluggish.

Erica Groshen, a labor economist at Cornell University and a former commissioner of the Labor Department's Bureau of Labor Statistics, said hiring could ramp up relatively quickly in the coming months and reduce unemployment to low double-digits by year's end.

"Then my inclination is that it will be a long, slow slog," she said.

Gwyneth Duesbery, 22, returned this week to her job as a restaurant hostess in Grand Rapids, Michigan, as Bowdie's Chop House prepares to reopen with tables 6 feet apart and seating capacity reduced to about one-quarter.

"I am concerned that it will expose me to potential diseases, and expose others, no matter the precautions that we take," she said. "It's kind of uncharted waters."

Friday's report made it clear the government continues to struggle with how it classifies millions of workers on temporary layoff. The Labor Department admitted that government household survey-takers mistakenly counted about 4.9 million temporarily laid-off people as employed.

The government doesn't correct its survey results for fear of the appearance of political manipulation.

Had the mistake been corrected, the unemployment rate would have risen to 16.1% in May, while corrected April figure would have been more than 19%, rather than 14.7%. Taken together, the two corrected numbers show that the overall trend still holds: Unemployment is going down.

A few businesses are reporting signs of progress even in hard-hit industries. American Airlines, for example, said this week that it will fly 55% of its U.S. routes in July, up from just 20% in May.

And the Cheesecake Factory said one-quarter of its nearly 300 restaurants have reopened, though with limited capacity. Sales are at nearly 75% of the levels reached a year ago, the company said.

AP Economics Writer Josh Boak contributed to this report.



Mayor in crisis: Role shifts for LA's Garcetti amid unrest

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The outrage over George Floyd's death arrived at Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti's front door in the form of hundreds of shouting protesters gathered outside his home, loudly chanting to gut funding for the police department.

There was anger about curfews, and the use of rubber bullets by police to disperse protesters. The mayor also heard calls for the resignation of police Chief Michel Moore.

It was the kind of pained, indignant outcry the popular mayor who was born and raised in Los Angeles has rarely seen since taking office seven years ago, much less at the threshold of his home.

Garcetti responded Wednesday by announcing the city would abruptly reverse plans for boosting LAPD's spending and instead redirect $250 million from the city budget into programs for health care, jobs and "healing" aimed largely at the black community.

The swift turnaround underscored the shifting challenges for LA's mayor, who took office in 2013 promising to plug potholes and fix sidewalks but has now assumed the roles of peacemaker and consoler-in-chief in a city wracked by racial unrest, an unyielding homeless crisis and fallout from the ongoing coronavirus outbreak.

A two-term Democrat who once harbored hopes of a 2020 presidential run, Garcetti has seen his term recast by forces beyond his control, from Floyd's death after a white Minneapolis police officer pressed his knee into his neck, to the spread of a virus that prompted him to temporarily shutter much of the city economy and order everyone to wear a face mask.

The sight of heavily armed National Guard soldiers lining the steps of City Hall this week carried symbolic weight, as Garcetti struggled during the weekend to restore order amid violent protests. Angry marchers swarmed the streets, storefronts were smashed, cars left in flames. Thousands were arrested before relative calm returned Tuesday.

Garcetti, the 49-year-old son of former Los Angeles County District Attorney Gil Garcetti, said a "small number" of people were responsible for the damage that prompted him to impose curfews that started Saturday night and continued until Thursday morning.

"We saw people in our city smashing windows, stealing and beating," Garcetti said Sunday. "We are bigger than that. And I know we are better than that."

At the start of his first term in 2013, Garcetti talked of paving streets and stoking a post-recession economy. This week he was defending the necessity of the curfews that critics compared to citywide house arrest.

Garcetti's legacy will be shaped in part by his handling of the racial strife and anger toward police. So far he has stood by Moore, who was ridiculed after equating the actions of those who rampaged through Los Angeles during the weekend with the Minnesota officers charged with killing Floyd. Moore quickly apologized for his comment.

And while Garcetti praises the work of officers he also is showing critics that he has heard their calls for reform. City officials will identify as much as $150 million to slash from the Los Angeles Police Department budget of nearly $2 billion.

It's a sharp break from Garcetti's predecessor, Antonio Villaraigosa, who made increasing the size of the department a priority. Garcetti also said the city will impose a moratorium on placing people in a state database for identifying and monitoring gang members.

"There are a lot easier jobs than being mayor of Los Angeles," Garcetti said during a briefing Tuesday in which sirens could be heard wailing outside City Hall. "You don't sign up for a job like mayor if you aren't willing to not only take the heat, but to hear the voices."

The protests have subsided but the continuing virus outbreak has upended much of what daily life was like in Los Angeles, while the limping economy has left a gaping hole in the budget that is likely to require broad cuts, including at LAPD.

The entertainment industry is crippled. Dodger Stadium is dark. The city's famous restaurant culture is largely idled, along with live music clubs, gyms and bars. Unemployment in the LA region is nearing 20%. Tourism, an economic driver, has all but vanished.

Robert Stern, former president of the nonpartisan Center for Governmental Studies in Los Angeles, said the only comparable year for the city in recent decades that he could recall would be the unrest of 1968, which witnessed Vietnam War protests, Hispanic student walkouts and the assassination of Democratic presidential candidate Robert F. Kennedy at LA's Ambassador Hotel.

He said the far-reaching effects of the pandemic and the economic downturn could depress demand for office space, as well as make high-rise living less attractive, chilling the city's downtown renaissance.

"It's hard to blame any public official for this. It was way beyond anybody's imagination," Stern said. "The whole question is how fast the economy turns around."

In the early days of his mayoralty, Garcetti positioned himself as a practical problem-solver, following Villaraigosa's uneven tenure that was punctuated by headlines about his romantic life and partying. "Pave the streets, pick up the litter, fix the sidewalks," Garcetti said.

While flirting with a presidential run, Garcetti held up LA as a model for the nation and depicted mayors as the workhorses of American government. He predicted that a rail-building boom and construction in advance of the 2028 Olympic Games would change the face of the city.

It wasn't long ago that Garcetti said he spent virtually all his time working on the city's vast homelessness problem, which has seen encampments spread across LA and overwhelmed his administration. Then, beginning in mid-March, the virus took hold, prompting the mayor to issue a stay-at-home order that remains in place.

As he seeks to bring calm to the city, he has been cheered and jeered.

"You step forward to hear people's pain. To try to understand it and never dismiss it, and to try to offer more than a voice forward, but steps forward," Garcetti said.

"We only have hope, and we only have each other."



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BUSINESSES

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the location and at first, he and his employees were able to scare off the few looters that came near the store.

However, things took a turn for the worse when Litvack went outside to move his car from the street into the building's secure garage.

"At the garage, I made eye contact with a woman who was in her car and she started to move it and the gate started to close. I noticed out of the side of my vision a big guy coming in and running. The first blow was from a punch to the head."

Litvack was also kicked in the back and chest.

"I hit the ground, immediately got back up and started to swing at the big guy, just as I'm swinging at them, they scattered. I don't think I was targeted, truthfully I don't think they were bad people, just wrapped up in the adrenaline rush and it ended really bad."

He made it to his car and tried to call the police.

"It was impossible. I couldn't even leave a message," he said.

Following his assault, looters got into the pharmacy.

"The store got destroyed," he said. "It's overwhelming, it brought tears to my eyes, it was painful. There was easily $50-75K in damages. They weren't just stealing. They stole computers some cash, they just tore the store apart. They just broke every glass shelf they could find. They broke cabinets, they broke counters. They broke more than they stole, so we couldn't reopen."

The store doesn't carry prescription drugs so there was little of value to steal however he said the thieves took about $4,500 in cash and several computers. However they didn't take the server that stored customer data or the equipment needed to process orders.

Litvack praised his staff for quickly cleaning the store and allowing it to reopen as best it can.

"Seventy-two hours ago, the pharmacy looked like a warzone," he said in a letter to employees. "Besides being hit on the head, my mind was going in a hundred directions. What am I going to do to preserve Litvack family legacy? Seventy hours later and Godspeed you all transformed the store back into a functional business and put my mind to rest. I cannot talk about others, but you are all unbelievably resilient not letting any pandemic or riot block your way to helping others or taking care of your business and families. I don't know if there is anything that could stop you from getting the job done."

Employees also organized a fundraiser to help cover repairs. (https://www.gofundme.com/f/lets-help-the-santa-monica-homeopathic-rebuild)

FOOD BANK

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is up by about 40% in recent weeks for the Stamford-based Food Bank of Lower Fairfield County, of which she is executive director.

Lombardo says her own family in Brooklyn faced sudden hardship in the 1960s, including losing their house, after her father died and her mother had to care for five children. She said that experience deepens her empathy with people now facing their first-ever need for food assistance.

"Suddenly you feel like you've been transported to a different country," Lombardo said. "You never used these resources before. You don't know how to find them. It's like Dorothy trying to find the Wizard of Oz."

Lifelong Stamford resident Juledah Wilson -- in addition to her job as a paraeducator in the public school system – has for many years helped run one of the neighborhood food pantries supplied by the food bank.

But Wilson has been out of work since March; so are the two adult children who live with her, along with two grandchildren. Wilson recently designated herself and her family as recipients of aid from that very pantry in order to obtain meat, bread and fresh vegetables.

"I grew up with a lot of brothers and sisters," she said. "I learned how to make do with what you have -- try to survive."

Throughout her community, anxiety is high as food supplies grow tighter.

"A lot of people are very nervous," Wilson said. "We don't know where we're headed. It's kind of scary."

Associated Press writer Dave Collins in East Hartford and AP video journalist Robert Bumsted in Valley Stream contributed to this report.

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Former President Obama says:
"The waves of protests across the country represent a genuine and legitimate frustration over a decades-long failure to reform police practices and the broader criminal justice system in the United States."

Former Vice President Joe Biden says:
"In addition to the Bible, [Trump] might also want to open the U.S. Constitution. If he did, he'd find the First Amendment. It protects 'the right of the people peaceably to assemble, and to petition the government for a redress of grievances.' Mr. President: That is America. Not horses rising up on their hind legs to push back a peaceful protest."

Mayor Eric Garcetti says:
"I'm proud of the protesters across the city, who are peacefully expressing themselves. You don't sign up for a job like mayor if you aren't willing to not only take the heat, but to hear the voices."

Santa Monica City Councilmember Gleam Davis has spoken of looters and demonstrators with little distinction. Councilmember Greg Morena responded to a demonstrator's calls for no more tear gas from police with a derisive "yah, yah, yah, no tear gas."

To Santa Monica Mayor Kevin McKeown, we say, please reflect on the reasons you first ran for City Council **22 years ago**, and your view of yourself as a progressive. **To both the Mayor and Chief of Police Cynthia Renaud**, we say, symbolism without action is meaningless. You are the leaders of a city that tear-gassed and shot rubber bullets at our peaceful friends and neighbors. Like both of you in your photo op on Thursday, we were on our knees when officers fired in our direction, because Black Lives Matter.

It was a handsome photo opportunity you both availed yourself of, but this moment requires more from you. An investigation is needed. You both know it, and you need to call for one, NOW!

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LOOTING

FROM PAGE 1

town hall that the city got late information about documented gang members coming into loot, although she said the information was not "credible and specific."

Despite that, SMPD had five times its normal deployment of officers on the streets Sunday morning and its SWAT team on standby, Renaud said. The night before, the department was dispatched to assist Beverly Hills while Rodeo Drive was looted.

Residents have criticized Renaud's approach to the Sunday protest and looting.

Earlier this week, resident Oliver Greene created a petition demanding the city to fire Renaud that had amassed more than 44,000 signatures as of Thursday morning.

Business owners have questioned why SMPD deployed so many officers to confront mostly peaceful protesters on Ocean Avenue while looters hit hundreds of stores elsewhere in downtown and on Main Street.

"There were hundreds of cops standing there at the protest — just standing there all in one spot — while all the looters were destroying properties behind their backs and not doing anything about it," Tar & Roses owner Andrew Kirschner told the Daily Press earlier this week.

Renaud said 300 officers from SMPD, the Los Angeles Police Department and the Los Angeles Sheriff's Department were attempting to stop looters in the downtown area.

According to the city of Santa Monica, 225 businesses sustained damage and 76 showed visible evidence of looting.

"We were hopscotching back and forth between all the different calls," she said. "As soon as we cleared one store and went on to the next, they went back to the first store. The only way to prevent (what happened) is to have an officer in front of every single business in Santa Monica."

All the while, she said, caravans of looters kept driving into Santa Monica even after the city closed freeway off-ramps around 2 p.m.

Renaud also defended SMPD's focus on the crowd of protesters demonstrating near the Santa Monica Pier.

Police fired tear gas and rubber bullets at the protesters around 3:20 p.m. in an attempt to disperse them before the 4 p.m. curfew. Some in the crowd threw rocks, bottles and firecrackers at police.

Renaud said the crowd of peaceful protesters had "violent agitators" within it, and police were trying to stop them from burning down the pier and "flooding" the downtown.

She said she called the National Guard at 12:30 p.m., but they did not arrive in Santa Monica until 9 p.m. because they were guarding Los Angeles City Hall.

Renaud acknowledged that business owners and residents were not satisfied with SMPD's response to the looting and said the department is trying to better prepare itself for future incidents. She said the department is now using helicopters to look for caravans of rented vans coming into the city.

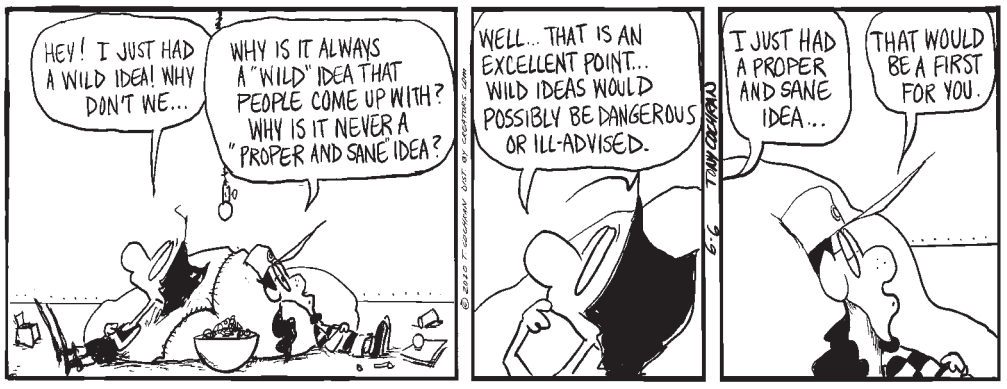
"We know we did not provide the service you wanted from us that day," she said.

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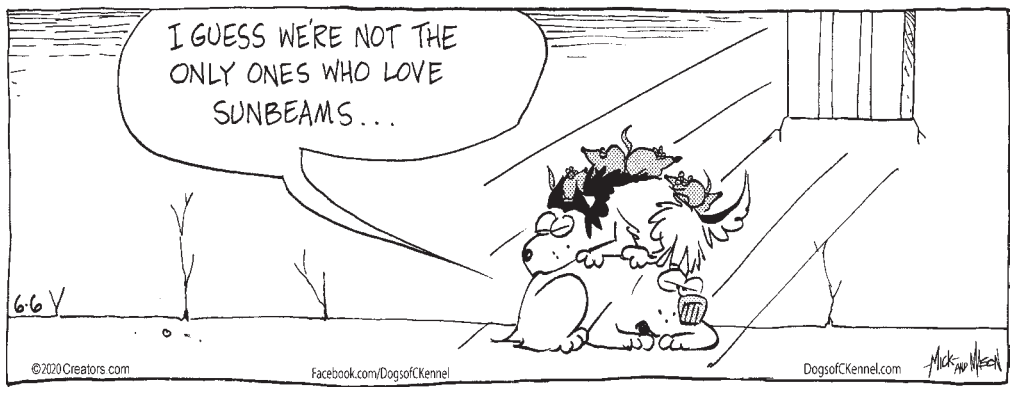
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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 66.0°

SATURDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 3-4ft+ Waist to shoulder high occ. 5 f
SSW swell mostly holds. Minor NW swell.

SUNDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 3-4ft+ Waist to shoulder high
SSW swell eases, blending with shorter-period NW swell-mix.

WEATHER

Saturday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 69.
Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 57.
Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 70.
Sunday Night: Clear, with a low around 57.
Monday: Sunny, with a high near 76.
Monday Night: Clear, with a low around 64.
Tuesday: Sunny, with a high near 81.

Date	Day of the Week	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2020/06/06	Sat	04:48 AM	-1.49	L
2020/06/06	Sat	11:15 AM	3.86	H
2020/06/06	Sat	3:53 PM	1.98	L
2020/06/06	Sat	10:12 PM	6.57	H
2020/06/07	Sun	05:35 AM	-1.38	L
2020/06/07	Sun	12:11 PM	3.76	H
2020/06/07	Sun	4:37 PM	2.26	L
2020/06/07	Sun	10:54 PM	6.22	H
2020/06/08	Mon	06:23 AM	-1.11	L
2020/06/08	Mon	1:10 PM	3.68	H
2020/06/08	Mon	5:26 PM	2.53	L
2020/06/08	Mon	11:38 PM	5.75	H
2020/06/09	Tue	07:11 AM	-0.72	L
2020/06/09	Tue	2:11 PM	3.66	H
2020/06/09	Tue	6:21 PM	2.77	L
2020/06/10	Wed	12:26 AM	5.19	H
2020/06/10	Wed	08:01 AM	-0.29	L
2020/06/10	Wed	3:16 PM	3.72	H

DAILY LOTTERY

POWERBALL
Draw Date:06/03
1 3 26 41 64
Power#: 17
Jackpot:20 M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 06/02
9 20 23 26 29
Mega#: 8
Jackpot: 378 M

SuperLotto Plus
Draw Date: 06/03
7 17 26 36 42
Mega#: 3
Jackpot: 12 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 06/04
7 8 22 27 28

Daily 3
Draw Date: 06/03
Evening: 5 8 2
Draw Date: 06/02
Midday: 7 9 0

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 06/04
1st: 2 - LUCKY STAR
2nd: 5 - CALIFORNIA CLASSIC
3rd: 11 - MONEY BAGS
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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (JUNE 06)

Your cosmic birthday gift is a talent for being deliberate with your love. You can offer it to any situation at any time, overcoming obstacles to compassion and letting go of unhelpful feelings. There's an aspirational theme to the next three months. You'll float an idea to a tough crowd and get swept into an exciting venture. Aries and Leo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 49, 2, 19 and 10.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The urge to complain is a natural reaction to frustrating circumstances, though the mature response is to move past words and into solutions and action.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll need to include more people, and you'll probably add them before you realize that you also have to make room for them. Don't underestimate the adaptability of others.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll do your best. What more can you do? Face yourself like you would a kind parent facing a child who hands in the stick figure drawing. Appreciate your own innocent charm.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You can be yourself and also be the one who gets those goals on your list, the one who makes mistakes, the vulnerable, exuberant, afraid and powerful one. You contain multitudes.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Cleaning and clearing bring enormous satisfaction. You'll scrub the surface of projects, mysteries, countertops, relationships and get a shining reward for your effort.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Mistakes are not only opportunities to for growth and mastery; they are the best relationship glue there is. Nothing will go wrong without producing an obvious upside.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The requirements of the day are pretty awesome. You don't have to solve problems or answer questions. You don't even have to "just be you." All you have to do is relax.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). While you're well aware that there's a certain way to serve tea or launch a spacecraft, you're fine with not knowing what it is. As for the things you're actually going to do today, you're inclined to learn all rules upfront.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Eventually, you'll be able to handle more and move faster. But this is still the early stages. You're still learning, and you won't regret taking the time to learn it right.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll bring together the best of all worlds -- a spiritual person with a practical point of view. Your open mind will lead you to test theories and run with what works.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). To ask, "What's wrong?" when nothing is wrong creates something wrong. You're aware of this and other misuses of focus, and so you'll seek and find the intelligence, beauty and fun in situations.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). To accept differences and tolerate others is only level one. The next level is a celebration of diversity. A world where we honor not only our own traditions but everyone's could be heaven on earth.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

B	A	B	A	S	■	P	E	T	R	I	■	V	H	S
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Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

6	7	4	1	3	8	2	9	5
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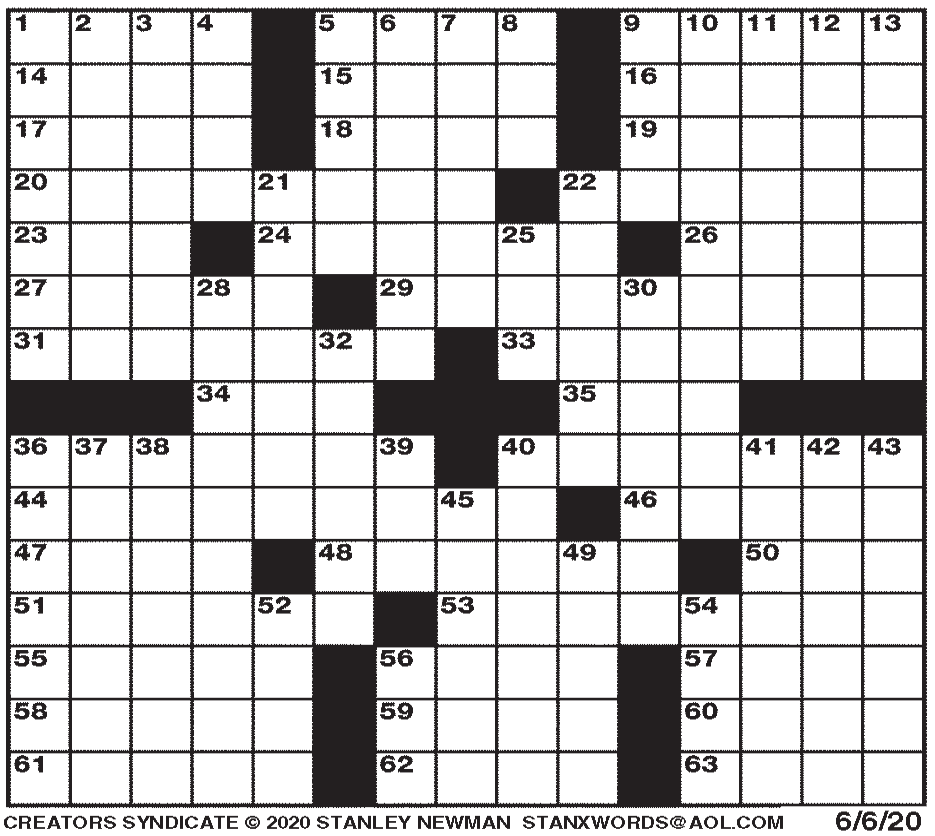
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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Unleash
5 Stick together
9 Enhance
14 Flight-board posting
15 Not engaged
16 *Daily* __ (L.A. newspaper)
17 '60s singer who sounds sylvan
18 Visitor to gorving.com
19 Provider of Tour de France coverage
20 Sort of breaker
22 Behaviorally pure
23 Passage disclaimer
24 City northwest of Bologna
26 Hold back
27 Global Strike Command facility: Abbr.
29 Color-correcting cosmetic
31 Sack
33 Rattled the least
34 One in a sure-to-sue scenario
35 Cause of tennis-ball spin
36 Conjure up
40 Rap rejoinder
44 Staunch
46 What much wallpaper is made of
47 ". . . seven Christmas __ ago": Dickens
48 Kipling's birthplace, these days
50 Follow a pattern
51 Brings up a lot
53 Preposterous
55 Pushed hard
56 Certain calf brusher
57 Not quite a calf brusher
58 When the Common Era began
59 *Un être divin*
60 Blog troll's name, often
61 Hard to shake
62 Chemical __
63 Inconsequential

DOWN
1 Arrests
2 Board game since at least the 1500s
3 Stand-up
4 She turned down Swanson's role in *Sunset Boulevard*
5 Literally, "around"
6 Go ahead
7 Habitual pincher
8 *Don Juan* for all time
9 Handy
10 Dove product
11 Easily influenced
12 Blowups
13 Prepared to be engaged
21 Restrains, as sounds
22 Holding nothing
25 Sch. in the Research Triangle
28 Fajita filling
30 Accommodating
32 Sets up (for)
36 Part of a canopy
37 Where one shouldn't go
38 Tools with snow baskets
39 __ bug
40 Business card
41 Like rays
42 13-time leading name on Gallup's Most Admired Women list
43 Result of entering?
45 "No cause for alarm!"
49 Lunar colleague of Titania and Oberon
52 Turning blue?
54 Title akin to rabbi
56 First shot of *Casablanca*



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Binary Puzzle

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

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0	1	0	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	1	0
1	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	1
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Acorn	Cold	Leaf	Scarlet
Apple	Cool	Liquidambar	Skies
April	Crisp	March	Sleet
Attraction	Crops	Mild	Spectacular
Beech	Feast	Mountains	Swamp
Blue	Foliage	Orange	cypress
Brown	Football	Pine cone	Sweep
Chestnuts	Gingko	Plum	Yellow
Chilly	Gourd	Rake	
Cider	Jumper	Reap	

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