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Rent Control increases capped by Board at just $40

BY KATE CAGLE
Daily Press Staff Writer

The monthly rent for anyone living in a Santa Monica rent-control apartment cannot be raised by more than $40 starting September 1. The Rent Control Board voted unanimously to pass the dollar amount cap during their July 8 public meeting.

"I support the imposition of a cap because we are seeing extremely high rents already - some of the highest in the nation," Board member Nicole Phillis said. "With high rents comes the rapid acceleration of rent. The higher the rent, the higher the increase every year."

Back in May, the Board set the 2017 General Adjustment at two percent. The adjustment is calculated to be 75 percent of the annual change in the Consumer Price Index for the greater Los Angeles area which the Bureau of Labor Statistics reported was 2.7 percent. Rent Control tenants saw their rents rise by 1.3 percent last year.

Several board members voiced their support of their cap over fears of escalating market-rate rents in Santa Monica and other pressures on tenants. A 2016

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Police find gunshot victim outside local bar

BY KATE CAGLE
Daily Press Staff Writer

Police are still figuring out how a Santa Monica man ended up with a gunshot wound to his face early Monday.

A friend of the victim who lives in New York called NYPD shortly before 6 a.m. to report his friend had been shot in Santa Monica and the victim was outside a JP's Bar. When local police got to JP's the victim was waiting outside the bar, which had been closed for hours. Police believe the shooting may have happened around 3 a.m.

Police cars surrounded JP's Sports Bar and Grill near 11th and Wilshire Blvd as commuters headed into work Monday morning. Hours later, Lt. Saul Rodriguez said the SMPD forensics team found no evidence that the shooting happened inside or outside the bar.

"There's a lot of vagueness for us," Lt. Rodriguez said. "We're trying to find out what indeed happened."

Despite the proximity of the wound to the victim's mouth, Lt. Rodriguez says it was considered a "minor gunshot wound" and the victim was listed in fair condition at the hospital. Lt. Rodriguez says there are no suspects in the case and police are working to confirm the victim's statements. The victim lives in the Mid-City neighborhood just a few blocks away from the bar.

Calls to JP's by the Daily Press were not returned, but a manager reportedly told police he did not believe the incident happened inside the bar. JP's is a popular dive bar that is open from 10 a.m. to 2 a.m. daily.

Anyone with more information should call the Santa Monica Police Department at (310) 458-8449.

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Texas woman facing charges after downtown carjacking



TIPPIN



Courtesy photo and Jenny Rice

CLOSED: A downtown intersection was closed for part of Saturday following a carjacking that injured two people.

BY KATE CAGLE
Daily Press Staff Writer

Two people were taken to the hospital Saturday after a bizarre series of events in downtown Santa Monica that started with road rage and ended with a car jacking and then an arrest.

Police describe the suspect, Loriana Christine Tippin, as an "opportunist" who saw a car running with the door open around 2 p.m. on 2nd Street between Broadway and Colorado Saturday. The driver, who has not been identified by police, had gotten out of his car to argue with a bicyclist who was riding along the sidewalk.

As the driver and the bicyclist argued, Tippin allegedly jumped in the running car and started to drive off. While she pulled a U-turn to head north toward Broadway, police say the 37-year-old woman from Texarkana, Texas, hit both the car's owner and an unrelated second victim who was in a wheelchair. Both victims were taken to the hospital with non-life threatening injuries.

Numerous witnesses intervened and an SMPD Traffic Service officer headed off the car before the suspect could make it past Broadway. Tippin was arrested without further incident and now faces charges related to carjacking, assault with a deadly weapon, felony hit and run and driving without a license. Police say she also had two warrants out for her arrest: one for loitering in a city parking structure and another for possession of a shopping cart.

Police shut down 2nd street for part of the afternoon as yellow tape stretched from sidewalk to sidewalk. Both victims are expected to make a full recovery. Tippin's bail has been set at $125,000.

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What's Up Westside

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Tuesday, June 13

Red Hen Press Reading

Red Hen Press, with the Poetry Society of America, co-presents a reading with NEA fellow and Distinguished Writer Cynthia Hogue from Arizona and Rome Prize-winner David St. John, featuring music by Justin Jackson. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 PCH, 6:30 – 8 p.m.

City Council Meeting

Regular Meeting of the Santa Monica City Council. City Hall, 1685 Main St. 5:30 p.m.

Musical Movie Matinee: Bye Bye Birdie (1963)

Teen idol Conrad Birdie visits a small town for his farewell TV appearance before being drafted. All-star cast includes Dick Van Dyke, Maureen Stapleton, Janet Leigh, Paul Lynde, Bobby Rydell and Ann-Margret. (112 min.) Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3 – 5 p.m.

Build-it Crafts: Wind Car

Built with recycled materials. Ages 4-10. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave, 2 – 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, June 14

Montana Mystery Book Group: Shady Cross

From bestselling author James Hankins comes a wrenching story of an unscrupulous man torn between his survival instincts and the plight of a true innocent. Faced with the choice, Stokes discovers his conscience might not be as corroded as he thought. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave, 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Commission on the Status of Women Meeting

Regular meeting of the Santa Monica Commission on the Status of Women. Ken Edwards Center, 1527 4th St, 7 p.m.

Ultimate Frisbee

On the beach near the Beach Soccer goals in front of the Beach House. $1 youth (12-17) $3 Adult. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 PCH, 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

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Thursday, June 15

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles apartment construction site burns

A fire early Monday burned an apartment construction site in east Hollywood, damaged adjacent residential structures and displaced 20 people, the Los Angeles Fire Department said.

A firefighter suffered minor injuries and was taken to a hospital in good condition, department spokeswoman Amy Bastman said.

The fire, reported about 6 a.m. in the wood framing of buildings on the construction site, blew out windows in an apartment building on one side and damaged a single-family home on the other side.

More than 100 firefighters battled the flames, which were extinguished in about 40 minutes.

The American Red Cross was assisting 10 adults and 10 children displaced by the fire.

Arson investigators were called to the scene.

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SAN FRANCISCO

US cancels new protection for endangered West Coast whales

The Trump administration on Monday threw out a new rule intended to limit the numbers of endangered whales and sea turtles getting caught in fishing nets off the West Coast, saying existing protections were already working.

Economically, the new rule would have had "a much more substantial impact on the fleet than we originally realized," said Michael Milstein, a spokesman with the federal fisheries service, which killed the rule.

The rule would have applied to fewer than 20 fishing vessels that use mile-long fishing nets to catch swordfish off California and Oregon. The change would have shut down the drift gillnet fishing for swordfish for up to two seasons if too many of nine groups of whales, sea turtles or dolphins were getting caught in the nets.

The Pacific Fishery Management Council, which includes representatives of the fishing industry as well as state and tribal governments and federal regulators, had proposed the rule in 2015.

Rejecting it, the National Marine Fisheries Service decided that safety measures already taken by the fishing industry, such as putting pinging warning devices on the nets that could be heard by some of the creatures, were working to drastically cut the numbers of whales and turtles becoming tangled in the nets, Milstein said.

"The bottom line is this is a fishery that's worked hard to reduce its impact," Milstein said.

Environmental groups protested Monday's decision.

Catherine Kilduff, an attorney with the Center for Biological Diversity environmental group, said any accidental harm to endangered communities of humpback whales and leatherback turtles would be particularly dangerous given their low numbers – as low as 411 for one group of humpbacks.

"If they catch one, it's a huge problem for the population," Kilduff said.

The rule would have applied to endangered fin, humpback, and sperm whales, shortfin pilot whales and common bottlenose dolphins, as well as endangered leatherback sea turtles, loggerhead sea turtles, olive-ridley sea turtles and green sea turtles.

BY ELLEN KNICKMEYER, ASSOCIATED PRESS

SACRAMENTO

Lawmakers to consider cutting power of California tax board

Gov. Jerry Brown and legislative leaders want to strip power from a California board that collects nearly a third of the state's revenue following a scathing audit.

Under a proposal announced Monday, the Board of Equalization would lose the power to decide tax disputes and to collect most of the taxes and fees it assesses. Those functions and about 90 percent of staff would be transferred to new state departments run by Brown appointees.

A state audit shows the agency misallocated tens of millions of dollars and made unusual moves like using tax auditors for "parking lot duty" at a promotional event. The five-member elected board has been a popular landing spot for term-limited lawmakers.

Republican Board of Equalization member George Runner says the proposal is a last-minute power grab.

BY JONATHAN J. COOPER, ASSOCIATED PRESS

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What's the Point?

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Let's Stop The Bureaucracy Growth

AN OLD FRIEND CALLED ME THIS WEEK and wanted to meet for lunch. I suggested my favorite vegetarian Indian on Main Street – Samosa House, but she wanted to try Bulletproof, so off we went. The coffee house is located what used to be the Starbucks. They have a small menu of organic this, and grass fed that, all of which complements the butter and coffee combinations they are most well known for.

We ordered up some grub, and I tried the steak tacos with coconut tortillas. I found the tacos to be tasty, the beef was tender and lightly seasoned. There was a nice ratio of guacamole to beef such that the tacos were full but not overflowing and coming apart. The dish was accompanied with some steamed vegetables in a butter sauce of course.

The price though was too much in my estimation, $11.50 for two small tacos and a few vegetables is a bit steep even for me in Santa Monica. Perhaps it's because they have to be paying rent on the space next door which is supposed to be for the upcoming Bulletproof Labs.

That project has been under development for many months and I can only assume that the same troubles they had with the planning department when they opened the café are besetting them now with the labs.

This is a constant in the city. Companies that wish to open and grow and provide jobs, find it stifling to work with our enforcement agencies but that is what slows us down. For a city that is as technologically savvy as we are, it seems that our calcified bureaucracy makes it brutal to do business here, and I'm not against slowing things down a bit, but at what cost?

It seems like every time I investigate a new company there is a horror story of what it takes to get a company up and running here. But yet, we seem to always have time, money and the willpower to increase our staffing. I know I sound like a broken record, but what will it take for us to get a more responsive city government, not just a more bureaucratic one.

I'd like to see us put a moratorium on new staff hiring, and on new commercial and residential development. We need to return to our roots, as best we can, to being a small town that is focused on our residents. I know that the big dollars that have flowed in from tech companies, developers and the land rush barbarians are intoxicating. But if the entire city becomes one giant mixed use retail/commercial/residential building separated by nothing more than addresses, well we might consider changing our name to West New York.

Our future should be considered with greater thought than just how quickly can we get another new hotel built, or another new mixed use commercial building. We should be planning for the next 100 years, not the next 100 days. Business needs to be encouraged to be here, but it also needs to be done in such a way that it doesn't destroy what is here already.

Saturday evening I was walking on the Pier after the Paddle Board and Ocean day, I stopped to look at the display of the pier when it was destroyed in 83. We rebuilt, and we rebuilt with an eye to the past. I think we need to do the same thing today.

It's okay to allow for new businesses to open in existing buildings. It's okay to remodel, rehab and recreate. I just want to see it done with a wider vision than what's going to cover the current year's pension costs, and how do we maximize the development fees we can charge this year.

I don't know when, or if, Bulletproof Labs will open. That space for years was Sparky's Yogurt. He's gone, and the space needs to be active and used – I'm in favor of that. People need to be working there and contributing back to the local economy. I would oppose any proposal to tear that building down and put up an 8-story building (assuming it was legal and possible) because there is a character to the city that buildings bring.

We need city leadership that it taking into consideration not just the short term, but the long term development. And part of that is cutting back on how big the bureaucracy grows.

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At its regular meeting on June 8, 2017, the Santa Monica Rent Control Board amended Regulation 11200(b), setting the annual registration fee for each controlled rental unit in the City of Santa Monica at $198 for fiscal year 2017/2018.

The regulation will become effective the day after publication of this notice in the newspaper. Copies of the new regulation are available from the Rent Control Agency at City Hall and at www.smgov.net/rentcontrol.

The Board also adopted Resolution 17-004 which imposes a $40 limit on the 2017 general adjustment of 2% for rent-controlled units.

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Experts: Uber must make changes at top to fix culture woes

BY TOM KRISHER & BARBARA ORTUTAY
AP Business Writers

Uber must get rid of leaders who tolerate bad behavior and hire people who don't — including up to the chief executive — experts say, as the ride-hailing company gets ready to announce significant changes to its culture and management.

Uber's board has adopted the recommendations of former Attorney General Eric Holder, who investigated its toxic culture of harassment and bullying. Those will be revealed to employees and made public on Tuesday.

Experts interviewed by The Associated Press say CEO Travis Kalanick should step aside or at minimum change his behavior for the company to make progress. Uber's board is discussing a leave of absence for Kalanick, the combative co-founder who has already acknowledged he needs to grow up and get management help. No decision has yet been made, according to a person briefed on the matter who didn't want to be identified because board discussions aren't normally made public.

A CEO's behavior sets the tone for the rest of the company, says Cindy Schipani, a business law professor at the University of Michigan who has taken part in investigations of corporate conduct. She says Kalanick should resign and save the board from having to oust him. "That's where the culture comes from. It has to change at the top and he has to recognize what he does, his actions, speak louder than anything put on paper," she says. It's unlikely the board could remove Kalanick because of Uber's stock ownership structure.

Jennifer Chatman, a business professor at the University of California Berkeley who also does corporate investigations, says if a leave is granted, she would be surprised if Kalanick came back in the top spot.

"He lacks the ability to set an appropriate tone for this organization," she said. "He lacks the kind of presence that's needed for a larger organization."

Chatman predicts that Kalanick will be granted a leave and return as a strategist under a new CEO or possibly a board member who runs the company.

It is common, Chatman says, for company founders to be ill-equipped to lead an organization as it matures. "This may be the moment for Uber where it needs to go to the next stage," she says.

Last week, based on a report from a different law firm that investigated employee harassment, bullying and retaliation complaints, Uber fired 20 people and sent another 31 into counseling. Experts say it's an unprecedented number of firings that shows a pervasive problem, but also is a strong step toward rehabilitation. Who the company hires as replacements will make or break the effort, they say.

Uber must hire people who "don't have the harassment state of mind," Schipani said.

On Monday, Uber said its chief business officer, Emil Michael, is leaving the company. No reason was given for his departure.

Uber Technologies Inc. has been rocked by accusations that it has fostered a workplace environment that condones harassment, discrimination and bullying. A female engineer who left the company has alleged she was propositioned by her manager on her first day of work and her complaints were ignored. In addition, Uber is the target of lawsuits, boycott threats and a federal investigation into claims that it has used a fake version of its app to thwart authorities. It has also been accused of corporate espionage by Waymo, formerly Google's autonomous vehicle arm.

Amid the turmoil at the world's largest ride-hailing company, competitors such as Lyft are trying to take advantage, growing ridership and inking technology deals and investments. On Monday, Lyft announced a $25 million investment from Jaguar-Land Rover, which includes providing vehicles for autonomous car testing. Earlier Lyft signed a driverless car development deal with Waymo, Google's former autonomous car operation that has sued Uber in a corporate espionage case.

Kalanick has contributed to Uber's recent woes, acknowledging that he needed a strong No. 2 after losing his temper earlier this year in a profanity-laced argument with an Uber driver over pay. The website Recode.net reported that Kalanick put out a memo in 2013 advising employees attending a company party about having sex with each other. Kalanick also has been facing personal difficulties. His mother was killed and his father hurt last month in a boating accident near Los Angeles.

Experts say Uber's renegade culture of fighting regulators and skirting laws may have contributed to its problems.

"Companies need to evolve and grow through different stages," said Lisa Klerman, a USC law professor and employment law mediator. "We do see sometimes a startup mentality in the early years of a company's growth where they have difficulty sometimes adjusting to being a huge enterprise."

Ortutay reported from New York. Auto Writer Dee-Ann Durbin contributed from Detroit.

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New California transparency rule allows 3-day budget review

BY JONATHAN J. COOPER & SOPHIA BOLLAG
Associated Press

Californians will get three days to look over the final state budget before lawmakers take a vote this week, giving the public an unprecedented period to scour the spending plan ahead of a final decision.

The budget for the next fiscal year, which begins July 1, will be the first since voters last year decided to require a 72-hour waiting period before a final vote on any legislation including the budget.

The spending plan must be locked down by Monday evening if lawmakers are to approve it by a Thursday deadline. The new rule has complicated budget talks for lawmakers and Gov. Jerry Brown, forcing them to negotiate on a compressed timeline, but also will give the public, lobbyists and even lawmakers more time to digest the plan.

An Assembly-Senate conference committee last week approved most pieces of a state budget that would largely preserve the status quo. It would boost spending on social services and higher education while expanding a tax credit for the working poor. Democrats hold a majority in both chambers, making it likely the spending deal will pass Thursday.

But lawmakers and Brown still remain at odds over $1.2 billion in tobacco tax money. Brown wants to use the money to cover normal growth in Medi-Cal, the publicly funded health care plan for the poor. Lawmakers want to use much of it to increase payments for Medi-Cal doctors and dentists. It's unclear if a deal on how to spend the tobacco tax money must also be made 72 hours before the final vote.

Helen Hutchison, president of the League of Women Voters of California, said she thinks the new rule will have a positive impact on the budget process and on the legislative process in general. The legislative process works best when there's a "chance for everyone to weigh in before a final vote," she said.

"It does allow the public and the press to be able to get in there and see it," she said. "In that sense, it's more difficult to slip things in."

Republicans, which are in the minority in both the Senate and Assembly, have long complained that they're forced to vote on budget and other important legislation pushed by Democrats before they've had time to wade through everything in the bill.

Voters last year overwhelmingly approved Proposition 54, which amended the state constitution to impose new transparency requirements on the Legislature, including the 72-hour waiting period and a requirement to livestream legislative proceedings online.

The rule got its first big test in April when the Legislature voted to increase gasoline taxes and vehicle registration fees. To secure the last votes they needed, Gov. Jerry Brown and Democratic legislative leaders agreed to direct more than $900 million toward special projects that were priorities for lawmakers on the fence.

Rather than slipping those guarantees into the tax bill at the last minute — which would've triggered a new three-day waiting period — they were approved in separate legislation days later.

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CAP

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analysis by the City found median rental rates for controlled units in Santa Monica have reached an all-time high – increasing eight percent in just one year. Board member Anastasia Foster says many tenants who recently moved to Santa Monica are already rent burdened and should not see their rent go up two percent – or about $44 a month for a one bedroom apartment renting for the median average of $2,200 a month.

"If a citizen is paying upwards of 50 percent of their income in rent, that's no different than anyone else," Foster said. "What is different is the compounding effect of a lack of a cap."

However, local property owner David Miller argued the rental cap would discourage landlords from improving the units of existing tenants. Miller, who also owns a building in Mar Vista, says Los Angeles' annual three percent monthly rent increase allowed him to remodel kitchens in some of his units last year. This year, he plans to install new windows with the increased rent.

"They're beautiful," Miller said of the energy-efficient windows added to his Los Angeles building. "They're more secure and everybody loves them."

Miller says his tenants in Santa Monica will not be getting similar upgrades because his income from their rents remains flat. Miller criticized the cap as being regressive.

"I've never understood why it make sense for tenants with higher rents to have a lower percentage increase than the rest of the tenants in the city," Miller said.

In an interview with the Daily Press, the Director of Social Policy at the University of Southern California Sol Price Center for Social Innovation, agreed that rent control caps could have direct impact on the upkeep of rent-controlled housing stock in Santa Monica.

"All of these choices around maintenance do contribute to how much affordable housing exists," Gary Painter said. Painter, who specializes in affordable housing and urban economics, says rent-controlled buildings that are not properly maintained over the years are at risk of being lost because high property values and the Ellis Act.

"It makes sense that a building that hasn't been maintained is at bigger risk of being demolished," Painter said.

At Thursday's meeting, the board members put an emphasis on tenant retention.

"As desirable as renovations are, they also come with increased rents and increased property values," Phillis said. "It's not an entirely selfless thing. There is a benefit to the tenant and a benefit to landlords."

"Right now, with the market putting so much pressure on renters even being able to make their rent, I have to concern myself much more with these renters being able to make their rent for the kitchens that they have and that is why I support this cap," Board member Todd Flora said.

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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: **62.8°**

TUESDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-3 ft** ankle to waist high
Small Southern Hemi swell. Easing NW windswell.

WEDNESDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to waist high
SSW swell creeps up. Minor NW windswell.

City of Santa Monica

NOTICE OF A PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO THE CITY'S WATER SHORTAGE RESPONSE PLAN

SUBJECT: 1) Amendment to the City's Water Shortage Response Plan
A public hearing will be held by the City Council to consider the following:

1) Proposed Amendment to the City's Water Shortage Response Plan which sets water use allowances, water conservation thresholds, a process to adjust water use allowances, and penalties for non-compliance.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, June 27, 2017 AT 5:45 p.m.**
LOCATION: City Council Chambers, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall
1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the City Council public hearing, or by writing a letter. Written information will be given to the City Council at the meeting.

Address your letters to: City Clerk
Re: Water Shortage Response
1685 Main Street, Room 102
Santa Monica, CA 90401

MORE INFORMATION
If you want more information about the proposed ordinance, resolution or the Water Shortage Response Plan, please contact Kim O'Cain at (310) 458-8459, or by e-mail at kim.ocain@smgov.net. The proposed Water Shortage Response Plan is available at the City Clerk's Office during business hours and on the City's web site at www.santa-monica.org. The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. For disability-related accommodations, please contact (310) 458-8341 or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Santa Monica "Big Blue" Bus Lines #2, #3, Rapid 3, #7 and #9 service the City Hall and Civic Center.
Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the public hearing.

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CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF



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

ON MAY 30, AT ABOUT 10:56 A.M.

Officers responded to a radio call for service at the CVS Store – 1411 Lincoln Blvd regarding a robbery that just occurred. The suspect had reportedly taken about $400 worth of merchandise and threatened to harm the store manager. The subject entered the store and selected several items from the sales floor. As the suspect was attempting to leave the store without paying for any items, the store manager confronted the suspect. The suspect returned an item and refused to return anything else. The suspect pushed his way past the employees and exited the store. A possible suspect was located in the 1200 block of Alley 10 and the victim was able to identify the suspect who was in possession of several items taken from the CVS Store. Cedric Marcellis Vandeweghe, 29, from Riverside, was arrested for robbery. Bail was set at $50,000.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 339 calls for service on June 11.

HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE CALLS CHOSEN BY THE SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

Burglary investigation 1400 block Harvard 12:51 a.m.
Fight 600 block Ocean Park 12:57 a.m.
Burglary 1400 block Harvard 12:57 a.m.
Loud music 1800 block 9th 1:24 a.m.
Vandalism 1300 block Ocean 1:51 a.m.
Person down 2600 block Main 2:14 a.m.
Person down Moomat Ahiko/Ocean 2:21 a.m.
Strongarm robbery 400 block Santa Monica Pier 4:08 a.m.
Traffic collision Neilson/Bay 4:43 a.m.
Prowler 900 block 7th 4:52 a.m.
Battery 2600 block Main 5:43 a.m.
Vandalism 400 block Pier 7:23 a.m.
Person down 800 block Pacific Coast Hwy 7:23 a.m.
Death investigation 2200 block Ocean 8:24 a.m.
Person down 2200 block 20th 8:26 a.m.
Burglary 600 block Pico 9:11 a.m.
Burglary 1400 block 5th 9:44 a.m.
Encampment 2500 block 5th 10:41 a.m.
Burglary 900 block 4th 12:12 p.m.
Bike theft 500 block Santa Monica 12:34 p.m.
Battery 1100 block 9th 12:56 p.m.
Grand theft auto auto 1200 block 12th 1:16 p.m.
Burglary 1500 block 10th 1:48 p.m.
Battery 1700 block 15th 2:02 p.m.
Grand theft 1400 block 5th 2:15 p.m.
Grand theft 2100 block Colorado 2:22 p.m.
Petty theft 2900 block Main 2:49 p.m.
Battery 3100 block Wilshire 3:13 p.m.
Hit and run 2nd/Arizona 3:13 p.m.
Petty theft 1500 block 7th 3:33 p.m.
Battery 500 block Santa Monica 4 p.m.
Petty theft 300 block Olympic 4:15 p.m.
Traffic collision 16th/Wilshire 4:40 p.m.
Person down 2000 block Main 4:41 p.m.
Petty theft 600 block Pico 4:55 p.m.
Person down 1100 block 6th 5:08 p.m.
Traffic collision Ocean/Bay 5:40 p.m.
Burglary 0 block Ocean Park 5:51 p.m.
Person down 1100 block 7th 5:57 p.m.
Auto burglary 1100 block Pacific Coast Hwy 6:09 p.m.
Found property 2600 block 25th 6:14 p.m.
Domestic violence 200 block Euclid 6:19 p.m.
Battery 1400 block Euclid 6:37 p.m.
Speeding 1800 block Wilshire 8:55 p.m.
Encampment 800 block bay 10:13 p.m.
Encampment 800 block Pacific Coast Hwy 10:40 p.m.
Assault w/deadly weapon 2400 block Kansas 11:01 p.m.
Battery 2nd/Santa Monica 11:28 p.m.
Missing person 300 block Santa Monica Pl 11:37 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 37 calls for service on June 11.

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EMS 1500 block Ocean 12:19 a.m.
EMS 1500 block Ocean 12:20 a.m.
Smoke investigation 1500 block 10th 1:28 a.m.
EMS 400 block Expo Line 2:06 a.m.
EMS Moomat Ahiko/Ocean 2:22 a.m.
EMS 5th/Colorado 2:49 a.m.
EMS Ocean/Colorado 3:25 a.m.
EMS 1200 block 15th 3:40 a.m.
EMS 3000 block Santa Monica 4:44 a.m.
EMS Neilson/Bay 4:46 a.m.
EMS 900 block 3rd 5:56 a.m.
EMS 400 block Ocean 7:03 a.m.
EMS 1000 block Palisades Beach 7:23 a.m.
EMS 2200 block Ocean 7:54 a.m.
EMS 4th/Broadway 8:59 a.m.
EMS 1300 block 20th 9:14 a.m.
EMS 600 block 21st Pl 11:43 a.m.
EMS 7th/Arizona 2:25 p.m.
EMS 1700 block 15th 2:27 p.m.
EMS 1200 block 16th 3:19 p.m.
EMS 200 block Palisades Beach 3:37 p.m.
EMS 300 block Santa Monica 4:39 p.m.
EMS 2000 block Main 4:43 p.m.
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EMS 1100 block 6th 5:09 p.m.
EMS 800 block Broadway 6:17 p.m.
EMS 1100 block 7th 6:19 p.m.
EMS 3rd/Hill 6:21 p.m.
EMS 700 block California 6:31 p.m.
EMS 2200 block Colorado 6:41 p.m.
Public assist 7th/Montana 7:16 p.m.
EMS 1500 block Euclid 7:20 p.m.
EMS 26th/Expo Line 8:18 p.m.
EMS 300 block Olympic 8:36 p.m.
EMS 2800 block Kansas 8:58 p.m.
Electrical fire 800 block Woodacres 10:39 p.m.

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Jackpot: 40M

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Draw Date: 6/9
3 16 28 33 37
Mega#: 9
Jackpot: 101M

Super Lotto
Draw Date: 6/10
3 4 5 16 20
Mega#: 2
Jackpot: 46M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 6/11
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Daily 3
Draw Date: 6/11
MIDDAY: 2 6 0
Draw Date: 6/11
EVENING: 1 6 5

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 6/11
1st: 02 Lucky Star
2nd: 01 Gold Rush
3rd: 12 Lucky Charms
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WORD UP!

prelapsarian

1. characteristic of or pertaining to any innocent or carefree period: a prelapsarian youth.
2. Theology. occurring before the Fall: the prelapsarian innocence of Eden.
3. supralapsarian.

WELL NEWS BY SCOTT LAFEE

Med School

■ Q: What is superior canal dehiscence syndrome?

■ A: It's an actual medical disorder caused by a small hole in the bone covering part of the inner ear. The result is that affected persons can "hear" amplified sounds within their own body: heartbeats, pulse, even the movement of eyes in their sockets.

Body of Knowledge

■ Your ears secrete more earwax – cerumen – when you are afraid. In an average lifetime, you generate about three pounds' worth, which serves to protect the skin of ear canal, assist in cleaning and lubrication and provide some protection against bacteria, fungi, insects and water.

MYSTERY REVEALED!

Matthew Hall *matt@smdp.com*



Robert Almada was the first person to correctly identify the image as part of the Santa Monica Courthouse. He wins a prize from the Santa Monica Daily Press.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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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.

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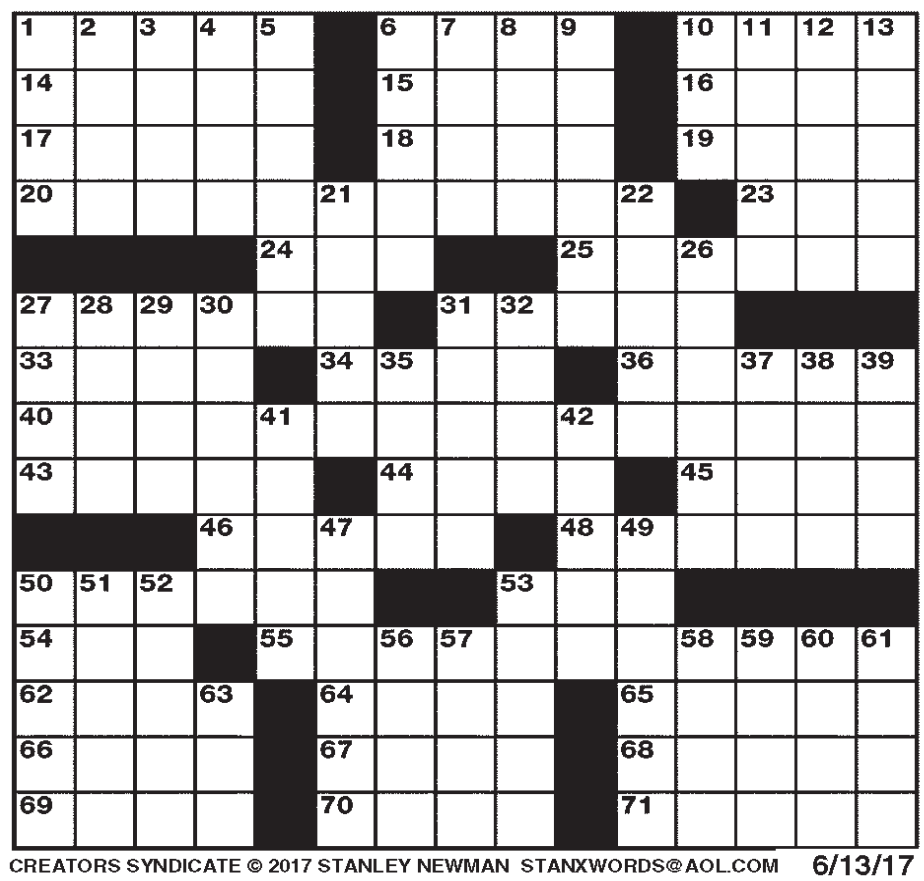
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Newsday Crossword

NOT ON OUR SIDE by Billie Truitt
Edited by Stanley Newman
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ACROSS
1 Ship's poles
6 Clickable computer symbol
10 What a key fits into
14 __ once (suddenly)
15 Not any
16 Lendl of tennis
17 Ringo of the Beatles
18 Facts and figures
19 Showroom model
20 Group being played against
23 Just published
24 Chapter of history
25 Southern Arizona city
27 Source for fries
31 Become inedible
33 Found a purpose for
34 Aroma
36 Mythology with Odin and Thor
40 Group being played against
43 Western Florida city
44 Three Bears female
45 Soldier's "Stop!"
46 Had a sample of
48 French-style pancakes
50 Portable liquor holders
53 "Now I see!"
54 Under the weather
55 Group being played against
62 __ in the woods (innocent one)
64 Voice inflection
65 "Sugar is sweet, and __ you"
66 Big Aussie birds
67 Laundry appliance
68 Baby hooting bird
69 Sloping walkway
70 Circus structure
71 Spouses

DOWN
1 Fem.'s opposite
2 Female singing voice
3 Close noisily
4 Infield cover
5 Thoroughfare
6 New Delhi's land
7 Layer of paint
8 Aware of
9 Not far from
10 Jar topper
11 Baking chambers
12 Brief role for a star
13 Widely recognized
21 Boy Scout group
22 Taking to court
26 Provide with attire
27 Golfer's short stroke
28 Fed. workplace monitor
29 Abound (with)
30 Takes as one's own
31 "What a shame!"
32 Rigidly formal
35 Bowl-shaped roof
37 Bring in from the cropland
38 Discount event
39 CPR experts
41 Hooded jacket
42 Mexican chip
47 "Don't you agree?"
49 King's __ (much money)
50 Stuff found in bran
51 Camel's South American cousin
52 Book of photos
53 Deal negotiator
56 Ripped
57 Auth. unknown
58 Des Moines' state
59 Condiment in shakers
60 Elm or eucalyptus
61 Full collections
63 Sixth sense, for short



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Over 175 mayors, including Santa Monica's mayor – Ted Winterer, have committed to honor the goals of the Paris Climate Accord after the United States exited from the international agreement. As an individual in a small city, you can do your part by reconsidering how you travel.

The transportation sector is the single largest contributor to greenhouse gas emissions in California and is the overwhelming contributor in locations like Santa Monica with minimal industrial and agricultural emissions. A recent LA Times analysis suggested that if everyone in Southern California drove 12% less than we did 5 years ago, or about two trips per week, then we could meet our emission goals.

Breeze Bike Share is one option for reducing your vehicle trips in the greater Santa Monica and Venice area. To date, Breeze Bike Share users have burned almost 37 million calories, kept 874,000 lbs. of carbon from the atmosphere, and taken over 466,000 trips, riding over 1 million miles! And to celebrate a million miles, Breeze is giving away an Annual Membership.

TO PARTICIPATE:
1. Follow us @BreezeBikeShare on Twitter, Facebook, of Instagram
2. Snap a pic with a Breeze Bike, and make it public
3. Hashtag #Breeze1Mill
4. We'll randomly select a winner at the end of the week!

If bicycling isn't your thing, don't worry. We'll continue to utilize this column to highlight different mobility options in Santa Monica so we can all do our part to reduce two trips per week.

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TRANSPORTATION TUESDAYS



TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 13)

You'll invest your heart in projects and be intensely fulfilled this year. Set out with faith that the path before you will be cleared. The next three weeks you'll brainstorm and keep clarifying your vision. Return often to your creative influences. August through October bring toil and sweat then a big cash-in. Libra and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 10, 40, 4, 49 and 17.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
What someone said to you long ago is still part of your inner scenery, like words drifting on a lake of thought. Go on and ignore them a while longer. Someday they will wash up on the far shore and never get in your way again.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Comfortable people are more honest and generous than defensive people. Your kindness, astute attention and warmth will make people comfortable around you. You've much to gain.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)
Everyone seems to need you at once – part of the deal when you're the cosmic darling. Just remember that you have the choice of when and if to respond to people. Their urgency doesn't have to be yours.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)
You want to share, but choose your audience carefully. Some stories are like hot meals that start to cool off as soon as the air touches them. Consider a diary first and then see how you feel when the private writing is done.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
You feel like a fountain, the water of emotion circling through you, the same feeling being pumped up and falling from you. It's the circulation that keeps this fresh. You're willing to feel unimpeded – an attractive feature.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
You don't make the weather outside, but you can go where it's usually sunny this time of year. Similarly, you don't make the weather inside, but you can escape to tropical vacation spots of imagination at will, so what's stopping you?

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
You shouldn't have to pay to have your senses enlivened: It's a point of reference, a state of mind, and it's free. You'll go where the scents rhyme and the colors beat out a rhythm your eyes can't help but dance to.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)
Your ambition will have you setting lofty goals you're not likely to hit. However, you'll get much further than if you hadn't aimed so high. The key will be to interpret all success as significant and to maintain a joyful tone.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
When you fall for someone, the ride down comes with a rush and a hope that you'll be caught or land on something soft. When you believed you've been tripped – well, that's a far less enjoyable trajectory.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
A strong sense of style isn't really a matter of good taste or bad taste; rather, it's a specific set of mindful choices and intentions repeated in an identifiable pattern.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
When you first made your decision, you weren't sure. Now you're starting to love this choice. The best part about it is, the more you love it, the less you need other people to love it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
If you had to point it back to a single event that tweaked the relationship, you'd be stumped. It was probably something minor, and it wasn't your fault, either, but that doesn't matter now. What matters is fixing it.

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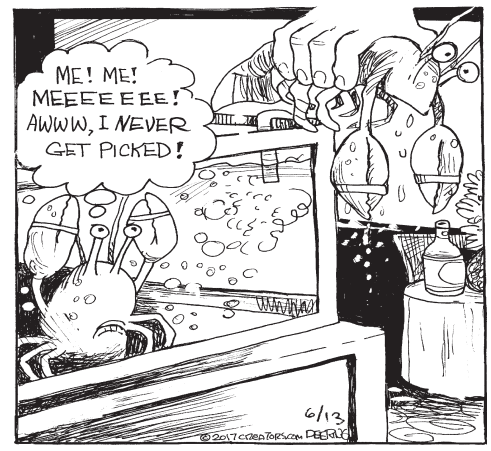
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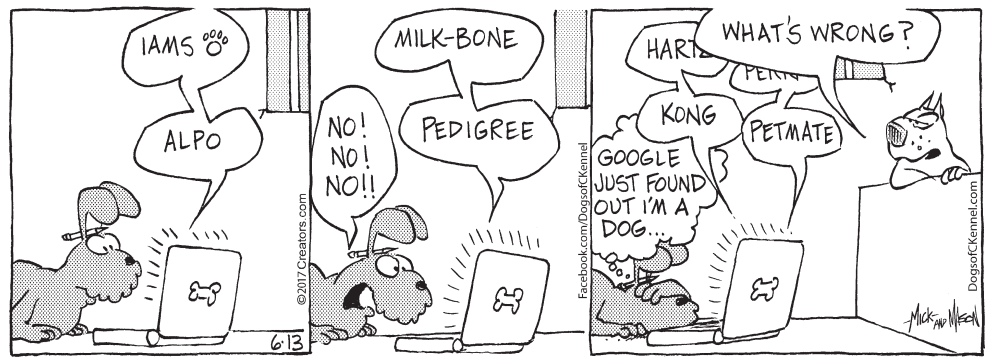
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