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SMC Fashion Show promotes sustainability



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SHOW: The annual Santa Monica College Fashion show will be held on Thursday.

MARINA ANDALON

Daily Press Staff Writer

Santa Monica College will be hosting their annual LA Mode Fashion Show on June 15, with the theme of sustainability.

This event is 100% student produced, from the models on the runway to the advertising, ticket printing, and music selection.

"This show is the complete expression of each and every student who has completed their two year degree or certificate in fashion design/merchandising, with four looks," said



Fashion Design and Merchandising Professor, Lorrie Ivas.

The event is organized by the Fashion Show Production students, and is led by SMC fashion professor La Tanya Louis, Jan Ardell, Collections Director and Lorrie Ivas, SMC Fashion Advisory Board.

Many fashion shows give audience a sneak peak into one particular designer's mindset. However, the LA Mode Fashion Show gives the audience a taste of 19 different designers and their collections.

"Fashion is the second largest employer next to the entertainment industry. Fashion is not only a joy ... but a job," said Ivas. "How wonderful to be able to work in an industry that everyone follows, or wants to be in, or involved with in some way."

Student, Nikkia Sipes defines herself as an Eco Chic designer. She has created a line made entirely of modal and bamboo sustainable fabrics. She explains she wants her designs to make a statement and serve a bigger social purpose.

"I am so excited to attach such an important

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Water Neutrality Ordinance rapidly comes online

KATE CAGLE

Daily Press Staff Writer

Santa Monica homeowners hoping to add a swimming pool to their property have just a few weeks to receive a building permit before the City's new Water Neutrality Ordinance goes into effect July 1.

City staff has been scrambling to get systems up and online to implement the ordinance after the City Council voted last month to reset the start date by nearly nine months from March of 2018 to this July. Staff members will still be

selecting a vendor, looking for a consultant and working out the kinks for the retrofit program when developers begin submitting their plans.

"On Monday, July 3, when people are ready to pull their permits, we'll have the calculators online and staff ready to help people move through the process with their plan check. We just won't be ready to install the toilet," said senior sustainability analyst Kim O'Cain, who led the development of the ordinance."

SEE ORDINANCE PAGE 6

California governor, lawmakers announce \$125B budget deal

BY JONATHAN J. COOPER

Associated Press

Gov. Jerry Brown and Democratic legislative leaders said Tuesday they have agreed to a \$125 billion budget that would expand a tax credit for the working poor, increase spending on safety net programs and boost payments for doctors and dentists.

The budget agreement sets up votes in the state Senate and Assembly on Thursday, the last day for lawmakers to approve a budget without losing pay under a voter-approved ballot measure that withholds lawmakers' paychecks if they don't meet budget deadlines.

The spending plan, which Brown called "balanced and progressive," also includes a one-time payment to the state's largest public-employee pension fund and more money for higher education.

It does not reverse spending agreed to last year, as Brown had proposed.

"This budget keeps California on a sound fiscal path and continues to support struggling families and make investments in our schools," Brown said in a statement.

Brown negotiated the deal with Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon, D-Paramount, and Senate President Pro Tem Kevin de Leon, D-Los Angeles. The \$125 billion price tag represents general fund spending, and does not include special funds and bond funds.

Democratic lawmaker celebrated expanded funding for social services.

The Earned Income Tax Credit, provides a cash injection for the working poor. Adults with three children are eligible if they earn less than \$14,161 a year. The deal will lift the threshold to about

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

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.

Samba Reggae Dance with Silleyk da Bahia

Come and workout with a Brazilian flair. This dynamic, energetic Latin dance incorporates the authentic and original Samba Reggae born in Bahia, the first capital of Brazil, as well as Afro-Brazilian dance. You will get a great workout as a result of low and high impact movements that will increase your blood flow, strengthening your cardiovascular system and burning lots of calories. Drop-in cash registration is available for \$20 per class (please bring exact change). 1450 Ocean, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m. Register at <http://ow.ly/IehoU> or call (310) 458-2239.

Make It! Your Own Animated Greeting!

Using drag-and-drop motion, learn how code can be used to create unique projects! Create your own animated short greeting with moving characters and objects. A perfect gift for dads and grads. Ages 6-12. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 2 - 3:30 p.m.

Build a Better World Through Music!

Enjoy a musical story time with books, puppets, instruments and songs! Ages 2-5. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 11 - 11:30 a.m.

Thursday, June 15

RHINOCEROS

Eugene Ionesco's comic masterpiece is a wild and hilarious farce - a fable - with a lot of bite. Think Franz Kafka meets Monty Python. It's ultimately a warning about how gradually authoritarian and totalitarian mindsets can infiltrate, grow, transform and ultimately conquer entire communities, and even whole world. Performances begin on June 15. Thursdays - Saturdays at 8 p.m. Sundays at 3 p.m. Pricing: \$25 - \$34 (student rush \$12) (310) 822-8392 or <http://www.pacificresidenttheatre.com> Pacific Resident Theatre, 703 Venice Blvd. Venice.

Recreation and Parks Commission Meeting

Regular meeting of the Santa Monica Recreation and Parks Commission. Meetings are held at 7:30 p.m. on the 3rd Thursday of each month in Council Chambers at Santa Monica City Hall (1685 Main St).

Pico Branch Book Group

The Pico Branch Book Group reads a variety of fiction and nonfiction titles throughout the year. See print calendar for upcoming book titles being discussed. This group is open and welcoming to all newcomers. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd, 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Movie Screening and Discussion: A Better Life (2011)

A Mexican gardener (Oscar nominee Demian Bichir) in East L.A. struggles to give his young son a better life than he had. (98 min.) In Spanish, with English subtitles. Presented in cooperation with the California Center for the Book. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave, 6:30 - 8:30 p.m.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

The Beach
3rd annual California Run/Walk to
Fight Lymphedema & Lymphatic Diseases

Get ready for a sea of teal t-shirts on the beach in Santa Monica on June 18 as advocates in the fight against lymphedema and lymphatic disease begin gathering at 8 a.m. for a 5K Run/Walk on Oceanfront Walk, 2000 Ocean Avenue.

This event benefits the Lymphatic Education & Research Network (LE&RN), a non-profit founded in 1998 to fight lymphedema and lymphatic diseases, which affect up to 10 million Americans and over 100 million people around the world.

The Run/Walk is sponsored by LE&RN and National Series Sponsors BSN medical (Premier Presenting Sponsor); Tactile Medical (Presenting Sponsor); BioCompression Systems; Juzo, ImpediMed/L-Dex; Eiger; Sigvaris; Medi USA; Herantis; LymphedIVAS; Lympha Press; and local sponsors Lymphedema Center, Santa Monica; Mikimoto; Jay W. Granzow, lymphedema surgeon; and The Roxbury Institute. Last year's Run/Walk raised over \$52,000 for lymphedema and lymphatic disease education, research, and advocacy.

As in prior years, LE&RN Spokesperson Kathy Bates will host a cocktail reception for top fundraisers the evening before to the event. Dave McDowell will be honored with the Impact Award and Dr. Nancy Gray with the Advocate Award at the reception. Brianna Dobbs will be named California Youth Ambassador at the Run/Walk.

"This past year has seen breakthroughs by LE&RN-affiliated researchers around the world, dozens of local, state, and national governments recognizing March 6 as World Lymphedema Day in 2017, and increasing awareness has been making a difference for the millions of sufferers around the globe," said William Repicci, LE&RN's President and CEO. "While there is much to celebrate at this year's Run/Walk, much work lies ahead and we count on people to come out and ensure that the momentum of this movement continues."

To register, join a team, form a team, support a team, or become a Virtual Walker, visit LymphWalk.org.

Founded in 1998, the Lymphatic Education & Research Network (formerly LRF) is a 501(c)(3) not-for profit organization whose mission is to fight lymphatic disease and lymphedema through education, research and advocacy. LE&RN provides valuable education resources for the millions of people who suffer from lymphedema and lymphatic disease. LE&RN fosters and supports research that can deepen the medical community's understanding of the lymphatic system. For more information about lymphatic disease or the Lymphatic Education & Research Network, visit www.LymphaticNetwork.org or call (516) 625-9675.

— SUBMITTED BY LAURA FARRELL, LE&RN MARKETING COMMUNICATIONS DIRECTOR

Citywide
UCLA awarded \$1 million HHMI grant to
reinvigorate undergrad science education

UCLA has been awarded a five-year \$1 million grant from the Howard Hughes Medical Institute (HHMI) as part of its Inclusive Excellence initiative. The effort aims to help colleges and universities encourage participation and cultivate the talent of students in the natural sciences, especially underrepresented ethnic minorities, first-generation college students and working adults with families.

More than 500 colleges and universities applied for the Inclusive Excellence 2017 awards, and 24 were selected.

UCLA will use the funding to reinvigorate undergraduate education, especially for transfer students, so that larger numbers of undergraduates receive an "authentic research experience" in which their education is collaborative, interactive and evidence-based, with a focus on problem-solving, said Tracy Johnson, a professor who holds the Maria Rowena Ross Chair of Cell Biology and Biochemistry, is an HHMI Professor and is director of the new program.

"We are revitalizing the life sciences curriculum and enabling more undergraduates to be motivated and engaged in science while working side-by-side with faculty and graduate students," Johnson said. "Hands-on research experience for undergraduates in the sciences is crucial, and we are developing new ways to make sure the best and brightest students – and UCLA has many of the best undergraduates in the country – receive the world-class education they deserve."

Johnson already teaches a collaborative undergraduate research laboratory in which two dozen students conduct genetics research, identifying proteins and analyzing genomic data, and write research grant proposals. With the HHMI grant, she wants UCLA to offer more research-based courses that enable students to learn science by doing science.

UCLA will also use funding from the grant to expand workshops in which faculty in the life sciences and physical sciences learn highly effective, interactive teaching practices that will help to retain more students in the sciences. Undergraduates who engage in research stay in STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) fields at a higher rate than students who do not. Transfer students have participated in research at a substantially lower rate than other undergraduates, Johnson said. Ensuring the success of transfer students in STEM fields is a major goal of UCLA's HHMI-funded program.

Johnson is especially excited to work with the other colleges and universities that are receiving the HHMI grants to "build on one another's successes and serve as a model for other colleges and universities," she said.

"The challenges this program addresses are important for all of us who care deeply about developing a more inclusive and diverse scientific community," said HHMI President Erin O'Shea.

"In the United States, a person's success in science has too often been more a reflection of where she came from rather than where she wants to go," said David Asai, senior director for science education at HHMI. Students from underrepresented racial and ethnic groups leave STEM at significantly greater rates than whites and Asians – even when they come to college with similar preparation, he noted. Finding a way to include all students from all backgrounds in STEM is critical for building future generations of American scientists, he said.

"Science excellence depends on having a community of scientists that is rich in diversity of people and perspectives," Asai said. "We want to change the way schools do business."

Johnson praised the innovative educators working with her, including Erin Sanders, director of UCLA's Center for Education Innovation in the Sciences; Ira Clark, a life sciences academic administrator and associate director of the biomedical research minor, and Marc Levis-Fitzgerald, director of educational assessment in UCLA's Office of Instructional Development.

In UCLA's efforts to enhance the undergraduate experience, Johnson and her colleagues will draw on lessons learned from a number of successful programs at UCLA, such as the Biomedical Research Minor, initiated by UCLA HHMI Professor Utpal Banerjee, and UCLA's Bruins In Genomics Summer Undergraduate Research Program. Outstanding undergraduates from across the country participating in this program spend eight weeks at UCLA conducting research and learning the latest data analysis techniques and skills that are transforming the biosciences. A new group of 40 undergraduates will start this program on June 26.

HHMI is the largest private, nonprofit supporter of science education in the United States.

— SUBMITTED BY STUART WOLPERT

Downtown
Santa Monica Chamber Of Commerce
hosts 92nd Annual Installation Dinner

The Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce will host an evening of Italian cuisine, awards, and a showcase of local businesses at its 92nd annual Installation Dinner at the Fairmont Miramar Hotel & Bungalows on June 14 at 5:30 p.m.

The event themed "Join us at the Table," begins at 5:30 p.m. and will feature extended networking time for local businesses and entrepreneurs, as well as a silent auction featuring items from dozens of local businesses. The event will also signal the installation of the new 2017 – 2018 Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce Board, led by the incoming Board Chair West Hooker-Poletti, the owner of Locanda del Lago and Caffé Bellagio.

"It has truly been an amazing 28 years that I have been doing business in downtown Santa Monica," Hooker-Poletti said. "I am incredibly honored to have the opportunity to represent the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce as board chair, and am committed to this organization which supports our more than 1,200 members and our local community."

Hooker-Poletti previously served as chair of the Santa Monica Convention and Visitors Bureau, chair of the Italy-America Chamber of Commerce West, and is currently on the board of the Italian Cultural Heritage Foundation and on the board of Com.It.Es.

"I'm honored and grateful for the incredible lineup of Board of Directors," said Laurel Rosen, president of the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce. "I look forward to working closely with a diverse group of talent with a wide range of experience, especially our incoming Board Chair West Hooker-Poletti, to continue to provide our local businesses with the support they need to be successful."

Julia Ladd, assistant vice president, property management at Santa Monica Place/Macerich, and former Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce board chair from 2014-2016, will be honored with the Roy E. Naylor Lifetime Achievement Award. Santa Monica law firm Harding, Larmore, Kutcher and Kozal, LLC, will be presented with the Bob Gabriel Community Service Business Award.

The event's lead sponsors are Kaiser Permanente, Fairmont Miramar Hotel & Bungalows, Worthe Real Estate Group, SP Plus, Downtown Santa Monica, UCLA Health, SM Travel & Tourism, Santa Monica Place. Sponsorship opportunities are still available.

For tickets to the event and more information, visit www.smchamber.com/installationdinner or email events@smchamber.com.

— SUBMITTED BY GIGI DE POURTALES, SMCC DIRECTOR OF MARKETING AND EVENTS

LOS ANGELES
Temperatures, fire risk to spike across Southern California

Temperatures are climbing along with the risk of wildfires as a spring heat wave moves into Southern California.

Forecasters predict temperatures in the 80s across greater Los Angeles on Tuesday, and some spots could see triple digits as the week goes on.

The warm weather is expected to last through the weekend in inland areas.

The National Weather Service warns that hot and dry conditions will create an elevated danger of brush fires.

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LOS ANGELES
Police search for LA driver after violent hit-and-run crash

Los Angeles police are searching for the driver of a white Range Rover that crushed several cars parked along a residential street in Hollywood.

Witnesses tell investigators they saw the male driver grab belongings from his destroyed vehicle and run away from the scene of the crash early Tuesday.

No injuries were reported but at least four cars were pancaked in the violent collision. The front end of the Range Rover was completely smashed in.

Resident Erin Vega, whose car was hit, tells KABC-TV that crashes are common on the street. She's urging the city to install speed bumps or additional signs or lights.

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LOS ANGELES
Bank of America pays nearly \$2M to settle lawsuit

The Bank of America will pay \$1.9 million to settle a government lawsuit alleging it took too long to inform customers that their phone calls were being recorded.

The Los Angeles County district attorney's office announced Tuesday that the bank reached a settlement in a lawsuit filed by DA's offices for Los Angeles, Alameda, Riverside, San Diego and Ventura counties.

Under California law, people must be told at the beginning of a call that the conversation is being recorded. The civil suit filed in Los Angeles alleged that for several years, the bank failed to make timely disclosures of its automatic call recording.

Authorities say Bank of America didn't acknowledge any wrongdoing in the settlement but did cooperate in making changes in bank policy nationwide.

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Consumer Corner

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Small Claims Court

SOFIA IS A SANTA MONICA RESIDENT

who was rear-ended by another driver. The driver who hit her gave his insurance information, but she later found out the policy had lapsed. Sofia was shocked to learn that the damage to her car totaled more than \$5,000 - and her own insurance wouldn't cover it. She turned to the City Attorney's Office for help. We gave her information about taking the driver to Small Claims Court.

Small Claims Court provides remedies for all kinds of disputes where the contested amount is \$10,000 or less, such as:

- landlord/tenant disputes over security deposits or damage
- disagreements between businesses and customers over payments for products or services
- disputes over property damage

If the contested amount is more than \$10,000, you can reduce your claim, or sue in a higher court. Small Claims Court is less formal than other court proceedings and doesn't involve juries or attorneys.

Inglewood is the nearest Small Claims Court to Santa Monica. You can file your case at the Inglewood courthouse or online. Once you have successfully filed your Small Claims case and a court date is set, the defendant must be served with the lawsuit. You can pay a fee to the Sheriff's Department or to a process server, or have any adult (who is not a party to the case) serve the defendant. Whoever serves the lawsuit fills out a proof of service form that you must then file with the court.

After the defendant has been served, it's time to prepare your case. You need to con-

vince the judge or commissioner that you are owed money. Evidence might include photographs, recordings, receipts, invoices, canceled checks, contracts, and repair estimates. You can also bring witnesses to court.

Once your case is heard, the judge or commissioner may make a ruling or take the case under review. If that's the case, you will be notified by mail of the court's decision.

If the court rules in your favor and the defendant doesn't appeal, the next step is collecting your money. If the defendant won't pay, you have remedies. Some of the most common are bank levies, wage garnishments, and real-estate liens. If the defendant is a landlord, you can ask for a rent levy, where their tenants pay you the rent until the judgment is satisfied. If the defendant is a business owner, you can request that the Sheriff's Department do a "till tap," where money is collected from the register; or act as a monitor, where income is seized until the judgment is satisfied.

Suing someone in Small Claims Court and collecting on a judgment can be daunting, but help is available. The L.A. County Department of Consumer and Business Affairs has more info here or call them at 800-593-8222.

If you have a complaint against a Santa Monica business or landlord, contact the City Attorney's Consumer Protection Division at 310-458-8336 or smconsumer.org.

The Consumer Protection Division of the City Attorney's Office enforces the law and educates the public about tenants' rights, fair housing, consumer protection and other issues. They can be reached at 310-458-8336 or smconsumer.org.

FASHION

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message of sustainability to my creations," said Sipes.

There will be industry professionals who will award outstanding achievements in creativity, technical proficiency, marketability, sustainability, and overall outstanding collection.

SMC takes pride in striving to include sustainability in all coursework, making the theme throughout the show style, substance, and sustainability.

"Students study sustainable designers equally with haute couture and ready to wear. The 'Chop Shop' fashion submissions encourage students to chop up discarded, damaged or worn garment's and recreate into stylish new pieces," said Ivas.

The students have formed relationships with Beyond the Label, founded by Taryn

Hipwell and EcoSessions along with Sustainable works.

Student Alexandra Terendotter will present a collection that consist of LA street fashion and Swedish culture. Her collection is done in sustainable leather and faux leather skins.

While student Ashley Ostendorfs' collection is constructed with organic cotton. Each designer brings a unique and different aspect to the show.

"The creative efforts of the merchandising and design students here will lead to future academic success as they further their degree," said Ivas.

The LA Mode Fashion Show will begin at 7 p.m. at Barnum Hall. General admission is \$25, students \$20. For more information you can call SMC Theatre Box Office (310)434-3005 or you can visit <https://www.facebook.com/smfashion.org/>.

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Curious City

Charles Andrews

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What's really going on?

THINK BIG

Globally, nationally, Santa Monically.

Donald Trump may not be smart, he may not possess social graces, he may not know the difference between a president and a king, he may not be a good dealmaker, he may not be able to restrain his baser instincts even in his own best interest, he may not know much about government, world politics, history, a science book (how does that Sam Cooke song go?). He may not even have been a billionaire (but surely is by now, seven months into furious family emoluments deal-making — what do you think the finder's fee on the Saudi \$100B arms deal might be?), but he sure knows shiny objects. (Look! Over there!) He knows how to tell a crowd what they want to hear (nevermind if he believes a word of it), and capitalize on it.

He knows people, and their weaknesses, and from all reports he can be very charming in person. And like P.T. Barnum he used all these “skills” to get what he wanted. Or what he thought he wanted. I don't think the reality has matched his expectations (damn that pesky Constitution, separation of powers, and the press), and he may yet live to regret this ambition.

I've often used the Barnum comparison, from my superficial knowledge of the 19th century entrepreneur, but checking into his bio was enlightening. I would say Barnum was much more complex, creative, smart, moral, and of lasting positive influence than I believe our current tweeter-in-chief will be, less notorious and controversial, and I hereby offer my apologies to the famed Connecticut shyster for linking the two names.

As mayor of Bridgeport, Barnum helped found and finance their hospital, brought gas lighting to the streets and improved the water supply. He also served two terms in the Connecticut House, and was a passionate abolitionist for 15 years leading up to the Civil War. Let's not forget the circus, nor his brilliantly staged landmark Jenny Lind tour. When he died in 1891 he was probably the best-known American in the world after Sam Clemens. His ferry company still sails Long Island sound.

BARNUM VS TRUMP

He saw nothing wrong with making a profit from lying, deceiving and hoaxing people as long as they were entertained in the end. Does that make him any different from Trump? I think so. Barnum's victims were voluntarily separated from their money and most had no complaints, which is different from not paying your bills, stiffing laborers and small vendors, duping students, being sued thousands of times for fraud and settling for cents on the dollar, and now endangering the very existence of our planet with your “policies.”

Here's where looking for the big picture despite the shiny object distractions comes in. Trump knows so well that if you create spectacular controversies people will have a hard time coming back, over and over, to the ones that matter most. It's transparent but it works. The press feeds it.

I find myself likewise getting caught up in these “smaller” controversies he creates (Obama tapped my phones, fire the FBI director, I have tapes), because they are really important issues, but at some point I stop and wonder, what's behind this, what's really driving it? What's the big decision that was made, the operative article of faith? That's what you need to discover, and address. The rest is fallout and digression.

Keep digging until you get to what you

think is the primary cause. Look at Trump's cabinet. School vouchers, science repressed, generals given tens of billions more and a much freer rein. All cabinet appointees committed to the evisceration if not destruction of their departments. It's the “government is bad” philosophy first pushed hard by Reagan.

And why is government and its advocacy on behalf of the American people bad? (You know, safe food, clean air, protection from predatory Wall Street greed, aid after disasters.) Because, they say, regulations are excessive (some are) and strangle business competition and make our lives miserable? No, quite simply because the billionaires and big business that control the Republican party (and to a lesser extent the Dems as well) can make oh so many more trillions without those pesky regulations. A few (million) people are pushed into poverty, and some actually die? Well, they're weak, life is tough and it's survival of the smartest.

Big picture, my vote? Number One presidential advisor Steve Bannon, who seems to be the power behind the throne. Zero government experience. Comes from helming Breitbart “News,” much more poisonous than Fox, giving a platform to neo-Nazi organizations and other un-American hate groups. Do a little research if you need to. They are despicable by any civilized standards, and it's outrageous that a man like that is even allowed into the White House, let alone calling the shots.

WORKS IN SANTA MONICA TOO

Everything I just outlined applies to our local politics. Should 4th-5th/Arizona be a huge hotel complex, or a public square? How do we help solve the regional “housing (affordability) crisis”? Make our City more bike and pedestrian friendly to mitigate horrible traffic? More and more hotels, for the union wages? A 40' (at least) early childhood complex on the Civic Center grounds (of all places), construction starts soon, while the much-needed playing field promised over a decade ago still waits? Why do we have such a bloated and outrageously expensive City staff, and what can be done about it? Pam O'Connor throws her political weight around inappropriately to get Elizabeth Riel fired and we wind up paying off a million bucks in legal fees and O'Connor doesn't even get a reprimand from Council? What's going on here?

Don't be distracted. It's easy. You're going to have to find your own primary source(s), but I'll give you a couple of things to consider: SMRR, soaring land values, the money it takes to get elected and where that money comes from.

QUESTION OF THE WEEK: Red or green? Oh, I'm sorry — my friend Jill is coming from New Mexico where I grew up and is bringing precious chile supplies. Christmas! Means both, you don't have to choose. Oh, if only the rest of life was that simple. And rewarding.

QUOTE OF THE WEEK: “Don't know much about history... don't know much about a science book/But I do know that I love ME, and I know that if you love me too/What a wonderful world this would be.” -- commemorating Trump's appalling fawning Cabinet meeting Monday, with apologies to Sam Cooke for changing one important word

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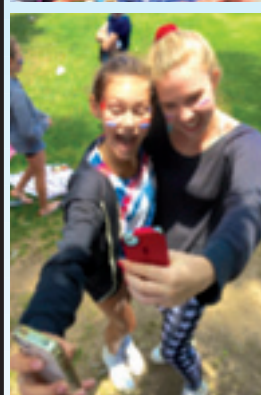
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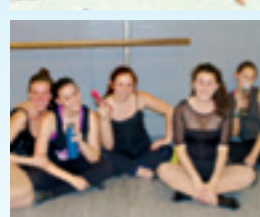
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MAJOR CHAMPS

Kyle Walker

On June 3, the Santa Monica Little League Major Angels won the City Championship by a score of 14-4. The game was televised on Santa Monica City TV and is currently replaying this week.

ORDINANCE

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The ordinance is part of the City's overall strategy to achieve water self-sufficiency by 2020. Any new development or substantial renovation will have to stay within the average water use of the last five years for the site. Developers and homeowners can either accomplish this by using water-efficient fixtures and systems on-site, or offset the additional usage elsewhere. The City will create a fee-based turnkey retrofit program to facilitate the process.

"We are working toward having a consultant on board to help people navigate this," O'Cain said, adding that hiring the consultant will probably take months. "We've tried to design (the ordinance) to be very easy to comply with. We're trying to make it as simple as possible."

The City Council voted to move up the start of the ordinance over fears too many large development projects would move through the pipeline and avoid the new requirements over the next year. A water demand calculator will be available online at the end of June at sustainablenm.org/water.

"We gave direction on this ordinance in November 2015 and really anticipated having it in place last fall," Mayor Ted Winterer said at the City Council meeting where the starting date was pushed up, "and while we had bountiful rainfall this year we are cognizant of the fact we will have dry years ahead of us so we would like to have this up and running as fast as possible."

"This is a really complicated, difficult, implementation of an ordinance," Chief Sustainability Officer Dean Kubani said at the same meeting. "It's not something where somebody pulls a permit and we stamp it and it all works. There are a number of pieces that have to be in place for it to be implemented effectively."

The City's current water usage is the lowest since the 1990s. While the majority of California is no longer in a drought, the Los Angeles area remains abnormally dry, according to Drought Monitor. Santa Monica's drought measures remain in place. The City estimates 75 percent of the projects that fall under the new ordinance are new single-family homes or large remodels. Typical kitchen or bathroom remodels are not substantial enough to fall under the ordinance.

The City has established an in-lieu fee for the ordinance based on the anticipated cost to install toilets, showerheads and faucets at older buildings in Santa Monica. There is already a waiting list of properties hoping to benefit from major mixed-use projects that may have to pay to offset hundreds of thousands of gallons of water. For example, a new development projected to use 400,000 gallons of water a year on a plot of land that traditionally used 150,000 gallons, must offset 250,000 gallons elsewhere. O'Cain says she is looking to use the in-lieu fee to update low-income, high density housing first.

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LA Film Festival features diverse slate of films, directors

BY LINDSEY BAHR
AP Film Writer

While Hollywood continues to be a place of inequality for non-white male directors, the LA Film Festival is making a name for itself by being exactly the opposite. The Festival, which kicks off Wednesday night in Culver City, has made norm-busting strides in programming films and panels from a diverse array of voices. This year, 42 percent of the films are directed by women and 40 percent by filmmakers of color while panels plan to touch on everything from white-washing to non-transgender actors playing transgender characters.

The numbers alone are significant even compared to that of the other major festivals. The Sundance Film Festival, for instance, generally hovers around 25 percent for female directors, although this year it rose to 34 percent.

“The festival is really representative of Film Independent as an organization which has dedicated its broader mission is to amplifying underrepresented voices,” said festival director Jennifer Cochis. Film Independent is a non-profit arts organization that also produces the annual Independent Spirit Awards.

But there are no quotas at the LA Film Festival — it’s still a meritocracy according to Cochis. She and her programming team take stock of their numbers only after the selections have been made.

Cochis thinks their strong numbers are attributable to a few factors, including a diverse programming team who actively seek out films that “represent the world we

live in” and exhaustive outreach to film schools and organizations seeking submissions. It helped them find two films about Native Americans, including Valerie Red-Horse Mohl’s “Mankiller,” a documentary about the Cherokee Nation’s first female chief, and a slew of strong films featuring strong female characters.

According to Cochis, some highlights are the documentary “Monkey Business” from director Ema Ryan Yamazaki, about Hans and Margret Rey, who co-created “Curious George,” the WWII-set coming-of-age anime “In This Corner of the World,” and Kate Hickey’s throwback documentary “Roller Dreams” about the roller skaters who tore up the Venice Beach boardwalk in the 1980s.

The festival also features the directorial debuts of a number of actresses: Lea Thompson’s “The Year of Spectacular Men,” in which she directs herself and her real-life daughters Zoey Deutch and Madelyn Deutch (who wrote); Whitney Cummings’ ensemble relationship pic “The Female Brain,” with Sofia Vergara and James Marsden; and Jennifer Morrison’s “Sun Dogs,” about a pair of well-intentioned misfits (Michael Angarano and Melissa Benoist) who form their own unofficial counter surveillance team.

“I feel so honored and privileged to be premiering at the LA Film Festival and I don’t mean that in any hyperbolic way at all. It’s very cool to be part of a Festival that is run by a woman and has been so great at championing female directors ... they were leading the way before anyone else,” Morrison said. “I feel lucky to be part of that.”

The LA Film Festival runs through June 22.

BUDGET

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\$22,000 and allow people to qualify even if their income is from self-employment, such as driving for ride-sharing companies.

Doctors and dentists will get a raise through an agreement between Brown and lawmakers on spending \$1.2 billion in revenue from a tobacco tax hike approved by voters last year. About half the money will go to health care providers, including \$465 million for doctors and dentists who treat low-income patients on the state’s Medi-Cal health insurance program for the needy and \$50 million for family planning providers including Planned Parenthood.

Brown preferred to use the tobacco tax money to cover general growth in Medi-Cal costs, but lawmakers said the proposal would renege on promises made to voters.

“It’s critically important that we respond to the will of the voters, and the voters stepped up and said, ‘We think it’s important to build a strong core infrastructure of health care delivery,’” said Sen. Holly Mitchell, who leads the Senate Budget

Committee.

The budget also would restore full dental and eyeglass benefits that were cut from Medi-Cal during the Great Recession.

About \$100 million will go to software, personnel and other costs of preparing for the start of marijuana sales to adults over 21. The state will create a tax office in California’s North Coast region, from San Francisco to the border with Oregon, a prime area for growing marijuana, so farmers can conveniently file their taxes.

The budget agreement does not authorize an extension of the cap-and-trade program, which Brown had hoped to include. The program puts a limit on the state’s total annual emissions from certain sources and requires businesses to buy permits in order to release greenhouse gases from certain sources. The governor said he is confident he can reach an agreement to keep the state’s signature effort to fight climate change past 2020, when it’s now set to expire.

Legislative leaders said they were committed to extending the program but did not share Brown’s urgency.

Reauthorizing it “doesn’t necessarily need to get done this year,” Rendon said.

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ON MAY 30, AT ABOUT 5:25 P.M.

Officers responded to the Whole Foods Market - 500 Wilshire Blvd regarding a possible robbery. The reporting party indicated the suspect took a wallet from a customer and was last seen running in the parking lot. As officers arrived, they located the suspect and detained her for an investigation. Officers spoke to a victim who stated that as she was shopping the suspect bumped in to her. The victim's purse which contained her wallet was on the top portion of the shopping cart. The victim noticed that her wallet was missing and the victim saw the suspect walking away holding her wallet. The victim yelled at the suspect to stop. The victim was able to grab a hold of the suspect and ask for help. Store security arrived and detained the suspect until police arrival. Sarah Mina Samimi, 26, homeless, was arrested for grand theft. Bail was set at \$25,000.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 319 calls for service on June 12.

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

Public intoxication 100 block of Santa Monica 12:49 a.m.
Encampment 300 block of Santa Monica Pier 1:08 a.m.
Encampment 400 block of Santa Monica Pier 1:36 a.m.
Fight Centinela/Exposition 2:54 a.m.
Audible burglar alarm 1700 block of 18th 4:23 a.m.
Drunk driving investigation 2000 block of Santa Monica 5:37 a.m.
Battery 100 block of Colorado 6:23 a.m.
Audible burglar alarm 1400 block of 3rd St Prom 7:02 a.m.
Domestic violence 1700 block of Ocean 7:26 a.m.
Trespassing 1000 block of Wilshire 7:53 a.m.
Auto burglary 200 block of 16th 8:22 a.m.
Grand theft Ocean/Colorado 8:41 a.m.
Audible burglar alarm 2600 block of Pico 9:09 a.m.
Petty theft 1500 block of 2nd 9:20 a.m.
Hit and run 2400 block of 33rd 9:37 a.m.
Indecent exposure 1100 block of 6th 9:48 a.m.
Mark and tag abandoned vehicle 600 block of 22nd 10:25 a.m.
Traffic collision 9th/Arizona 10:46 a.m.
Hit and run 3300 block of Ocean Park 11:02 a.m.
Indecent exposure 1600 block of Ocean

Front Walk 11:25 a.m.
Encampment 1600 block of 20th 11:26 a.m.
Audible burglar alarm 1600 block of Berkeley 11:39 a.m.
Identity theft 1700 block of 18th 11:44 a.m.
Hit and run 400 block of Colorado 12:26 p.m.
Grand theft auto 1000 block of Washington 12:38 p.m.
Strongarm robbery 1600 block of The Beach 1:20 p.m.
Urinating in public 1700 block of Berkeley 1:30 p.m.
Trespassing 2400 block of 16th 2:01 p.m.
Report of shots fired 1900 block of Stewart 3:12 p.m.
SCAR investigation 1500 block of PCH 3:44 p.m.
Traffic collision Lincoln/Arizona 3:49 p.m.
Rape report 300 block of Olympic 3:59 p.m.
Fight 2nd/Santa Monica 5:13 p.m.
Assault with deadly weapon 500 block of Olympic 5:14 p.m.
Audible burglar alarm 800 block of Yale 5:19 p.m.
Trespassing 500 block of Ocean Park 6:08 p.m.
Person with a gun 300 block of Santa Monica 6:47 p.m.
72 hour psychiatric hold Stewart/Olympic 7:04 p.m.
Hit and run 2200 block of Colorado 7:37 p.m.
Encampment 900 block of Ozone 7:38 p.m.
Public intoxication 1600 block of The Beach 7:39 p.m.
Trespassing 1400 block of 3rd St Prom 7:53 p.m.
Hit and run 3300 block of Ocean Park 8:44 p.m.
Bomb threat 1400 block of 7th 9:12 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 47 calls for service on June 12.

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EMS 1400 block of Ocean 12:42 a.m.
EMS 2100 block of Marine 1:06 a.m.
EMS 200 block of Santa Monica 1:11 a.m.
EMS 2300 block of Ocean Park 5:45 a.m.
EMS 1300 block of 9th 6:04 a.m.
EMS 1500 block of Ocean 6:10 a.m.
Haz Mat - Level 1 1300 block of 9th 7:03 a.m.
Wires down 1900 block of Broadway 7:51 a.m.
Elevator rescue 1200 block of 20th 8:27 a.m.
EMS 300 block of Olympic 8:29 a.m.
EMS 1000 block of 11th 8:56 a.m.
Automatic alarm 600 block of Broadway 9:02 a.m.
Automatic alarm 800 block of San

Vicente 9:07 a.m.
EMS 1300 block of 12th 9:59 a.m.
EMS 1300 block of 15th 10:03 a.m.
Carbon monoxide alarm 1100 block of Berkeley 10:10 a.m.
Automatic alarm 1200 block of 15th 10:33 a.m.
EMS 2400 block of Main 11:16 a.m.
EMS 1900 block of 20th 12:39 p.m.
EMS 1900 block of Pico 12:59 p.m.
EMS 400 block of San Vicente 1:10 p.m.
EMS 6th/Wilshire 1:40 p.m.
EMS 1400 block of 15th 2:02 p.m.
EMS 1500 block of Berkeley 2:26 p.m.
Automatic alarm 400 block of Santa Monica 2:36 p.m.
EMS 2400 block of Santa Monica 3:48 p.m.
EMS 500 block of Olympic 4:08 p.m.
EMS 300 block of Olympic 4:19 p.m.
EMS 1400 block of Olympic 5:08 p.m.
EMS 26th/Olympic 6:43 p.m.
EMS 900 block of 3rd 7:17 p.m.
EMS 1100 block of 10th 7:24 p.m.
Electrical fire 1200 block of 24th 7:29 p.m.
EMS 1100 block of 4th 8:11 p.m.

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Draw Date: 6/12
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Draw Date: 6/13
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2. to make such a disguised boast or brag: He's humblebragging about how tired he is from his world travels.

WELL NEWS BY SCOTT LALEE

Stories for the Waiting Room
■ Hand air dryers are often touted as a more hygienic approach than using paper towels, but at least some research suggests otherwise. In one experiment, participants slathered gloved hands with a non-pathogenic virus, then use paper towels, a standard warm hand dryer or a jet dryer – the kind with streams of forced air that can make your skin ripple.
■ The researchers then used a technique to measure how much bacteria is sent airborne through these three hand-drying approaches. The jet dryer produced spread 20 times more viruses than warm air dryer and 190 times more than paper towels. It also spread them further, 10 feet or more, where they lingered in the air longer.
■ Bottom line: After washing your hands thoroughly, maybe shake gently and let drip dry. And don't stand too close to folks using hand air dryers.

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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

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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS

64 Chicago airport
65 Golf peg
66 Way out of practice
67 "I wanna!"
1 Unsettled state
6 Metal in tubas
11 Boxing punch
14 Celestial hunter
15 Trim further
16 "___ we there yet?"
17 Loud building-surface cleaner
19 Espionage org.
20 Walked in
21 Scoundrel
23 Irish New Age singer
25 Rival of Target
26 Oust from office
30 Former money in Spain
33 Capital of Belarus
34 Minor disagreements
35 Diagnostic scan, for short
38 Fall into a chair
39 Hot-tempered
40 Prophetic sign
41 Stitch together
42 Piece of a rose
43 Religious belief
44 Des __, IA
46 In an unskilled way
47 Potential oak
49 Biblical garden
51 Groups within groups
54 Briefcase
59 __ Lanka
60 Loud sound from a storm
62 Subj. for some immigrants
63 Turned on, as an alarm

DOWN

9 Bird-feeder food
10 Bowler's goals
11 Loud construction tool
12 Disney's Little Mermaid
13 Fairy tale trio
18 Period after Mardi Gras
22 Forget-me-___
24 Placate
26 Diamond arbiters
27 Cairo's river
28 Loud winter transport
29 Psychic's claim
31 __ Grey tea
32 Home for hogs
34 Locale
36 Be stunned
37 May auto race, informally
39 Boggy area
40 Gold, in Mexico
42 Wood preservative
43 Be in charge of
45 Surgery ctrs.
46 Sampras of tennis
47 Strong point
48 Hex
50 Family nickname
52 NO __ TRAFFIC
53 Amounts of money
55 Sore spot
56 Chowder morsel
57 Do damage to
58 Sporting blade
61 After-tax

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 14)

This busy solar year shows you building, re-building and making moves. You'll be surrounded by enthusiastic and loving supporters. There's opportunity for a savvy investment in July. September will bring new subjects of study and among them one so fascinating it may begin a passion you'll follow for years. Cancer and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 20, 2, 4, 44 and 18.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

Today's conundrum: If you act out of a desire to make yourself happy you will wind up suffering instead. Act out of a desire to benefit others and your eyes will be opened to the opportunities in the situation.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

The adrenaline rush that comes with feeling passionate about someone can be addictive. That feeling is short-lived, though, and you've learned to anticipate the mellow follow-up.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)

You continue to be in high demand. Don't automatically accept other people's timetables as your own. Take control of your schedule and your attention. Consider changing the notification settings on your phone.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)

You'd like to believe you are in control of your opinion of yourself, but unhealthy relationships do have a way of eroding self-esteem, and healthy ones have the opposite effect. How is a relationship helping or hurting you?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Whenever you feel impatient, the fundamental problem is an internal one, namely a belief that the world needs to operate differently to accommodate you. You'll love what happens when you stay measured and calm instead.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

No moment is inherently more perfect than another, though certainly there are moments that are more memorable and/or personally satisfying to a particular ego. Just don't expect such things to be universal.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

You'll be called to a role or responsibility. Your service to the group comes with some tedium, but the work will go by quickly. Besides, it's better than the alternative: being left out of things.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

Your heart will soften, and you'll feel more for the whole world, not just for the main object of your affection. The love you give will in turn make you more lovable.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

You and your group are in it together. Keep up the good communication and you'll be able to rely on each other to do what no individual could do alone.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

You'll find the behavior of loved ones to be less than optimum. The frustration comes when you think you can control this. You can't, but as you learn to skillfully modify your reactions, things will change.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

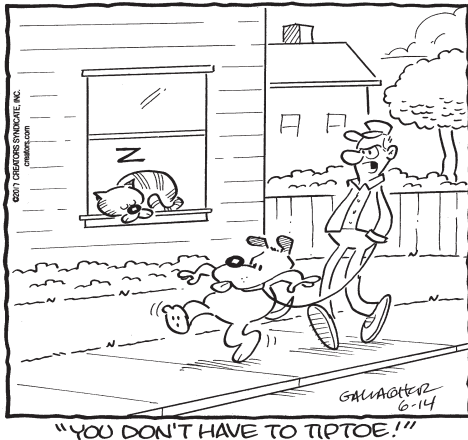
From the outsider view a lot of what you'll do today won't make sense, but you know perfectly why it has to happen the way it does. You'll teach someone, too.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

The answer to a business problem will be found in another business entirely. The secrets to solving a mystery in your own life will be present in someone else's life.

Heathcliff

By PETER GALLAGHER



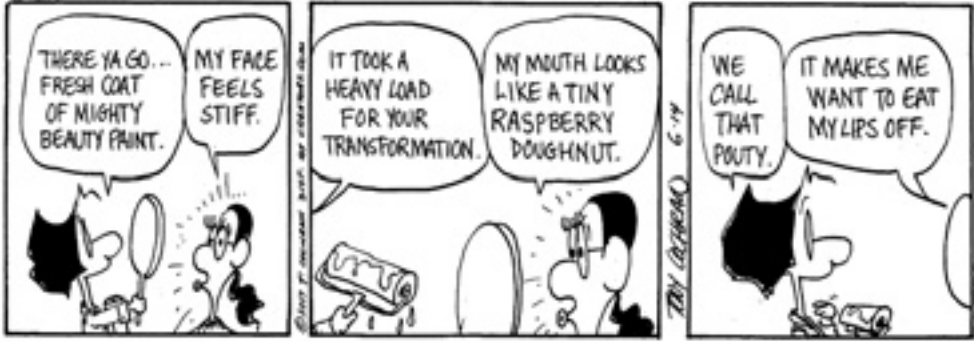
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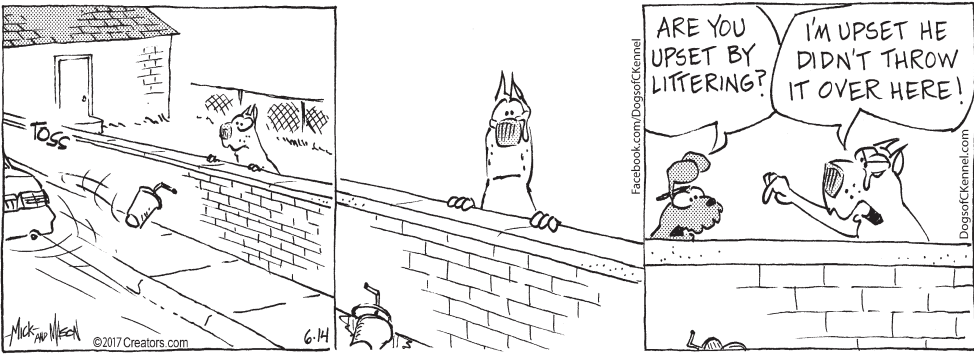
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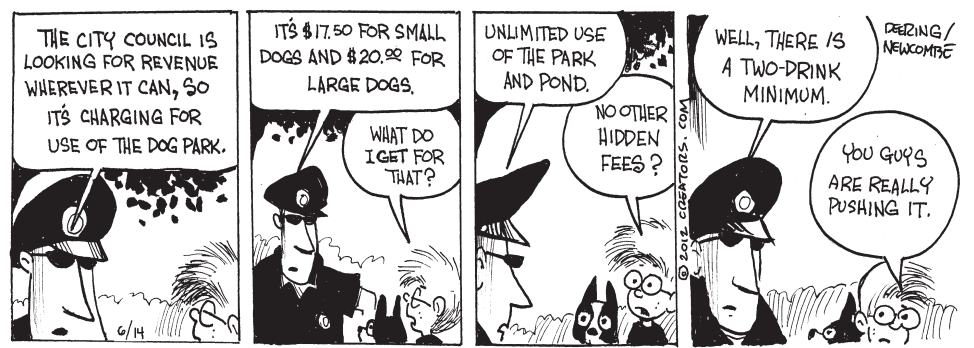
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Air-Sign Atmospheric Attraction

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