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Housing Element still under revision at Planning Commission as deadline looms

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As of this week, the City of Santa Monica has four months remaining in which to provide an updated — acceptable — housing element to meet the requirements of the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

In its original Housing Element, which was submitted to the State for approval in October 2021, Santa Monica outlined a plan

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Bear market hits Wall Street as stocks, bonds, crypto dive

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AP Business Writer

Wall Street tumbled into what's called a bear market Monday after fears about a fragile economy and rising interest rates sent the S&P 500 more than 20% below its record set early this year.

The index sank 3.9% in the first chance for investors to trade after getting the weekend to reflect on the stunning news that inflation is getting worse, not better. The Dow Jones

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Many baby formula plants weren't inspected because of COVID

MATTHEW PERRONE
AP Health Writer

U.S. regulators have historically inspected baby formula plants at least once a year, but they did not inspect any of the three biggest manufacturers in 2020, according to federal records reviewed by The Associated Press.

When they finally did get inside an Abbott Nutrition formula plant in Michigan after a two-year gap, they found standing water and lax sanitation procedures. But inspectors offered only voluntary suggestions for fixing the problems, and issued no formal warning.

Inspectors would return five months later after four infants who consumed powdered formula from the plant suffered bacterial infections. They found bacterial contamination inside the factory, leading to a four-month shutdown and turning a festering supply shortage into a full-blown crisis that sent parents scrambling to find formula and forced the U.S. to airlift products from overseas.

The gap in baby formula plant inspections, brought on by the COVID-19 pandemic, is getting new scrutiny from Congress and government watchdogs investigating the series of missteps that led to the crisis. A recent bill would require the Food and Drug Administration to inspect infant formula facilities every six months. And the government's inspector general for health has launched an inquiry into the FDA's handling of Abbott's facility, the largest in the U.S.

Abbott resumed production at the plant early this month under a legally binding agreement with the FDA, but the shutdown and nationwide shortage exposed how concentrated the industry has become in the U.S., with a handful of companies accounting for roughly 90% of the market.

> "The FDA would have had more chances to catch these issues if they'd been inspecting during the pandemic - Sarah Sorscher"

As COVID-19 swept across the U.S. in early 2020, the FDA pulled most of its safety inspectors from the field, skipping thousands of routine plant inspections.

The FDA did conduct more than 800 "mission critical" inspections during the first year of the pandemic, the agency said in a statement. Regulators selected facilities for inspections based on whether they carried a specific safety risk or were needed to produce an important medical therapy.

Only three of the nation's 23 facilities that make, package or distribute formula made the cut. The FDA resumed routine inspections in July 2021.

The inspection records reviewed by the AP show gaps as large as 2 1/2 years between FDA's 2019 inspections and when regulators returned to plants owned by the three leading formula manufacturers: Abbott, Reckitt and Gerber.

In fact, the FDA still has yet to return to one key plant owned by Reckitt and two owned by Gerber, according to agency records. All those facilities are operating around the clock to boost U.S. formula production.

"The FDA would have had more chances to catch these issues if they'd been inspecting during the pandemic," said Sarah Sorscher, a food safety specialist with the Center for Science in the Public Interest. She acknowledged the difficult trade-off the FDA faced in pulling its inspectors to reduce their exposure to COVID-19. "Certainly there was a price to pay for protecting their workers during that time."

Baby formula manufacturers were "consistently identified as a high priority during the pandemic," and there is currently no backlog of inspections, the agency told the AP in response to inquiries about the gaps. The agency said it skipped about 15,000 U.S. inspections due to COVID, but it has already made up about 5,000 of those, exceeding its own goals.

Under current law, the FDA is only required to inspect formula facilities every three to five years, but the agency has consistently inspected facilities annually — until the pandemic.

"Our top priority now is addressing the urgent need for infant formula in the U.S. market, and our teams are working night and day to help make that happen," FDA stated.

But outside experts say the gap in inspections speaks to a blind spot in the government's response effort, which was successful at preventing shortages of drugs and other medical supplies.

FDA Commissioner Robert Califf says regulators knew shutting down Abbott's plant would create supply problems, but there was little evidence of urgency between when inspectors shuttered the plant in February and recent emergency measures to allow more imports from abroad.

Longtime food safety specialists see a deeper problem at the highest levels of the FDA, where physicians and medical scientists for decades have prioritized oversight of drugs and medical products over food.

"It's very challenging for them to get

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Party Complaint 1200Blk Princeton St 12:30 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 600Blk Navy St 12:43 a.m.
Domestic Violence 1400Blk Berkeley St 12:46 a.m.
Person With A Gun 1200Blk The Beach 1:30 a.m.
Party Complaint 1100Blk 3rd St 1:31 a.m.
Party Complaint 1200Blk 12th St 1:37 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 1900Blk 22nd St 1:53 a.m.
Fight 3rd Street Prom / Santa Monica Blvd 2:06 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1300Blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:12 a.m.
Speeding 7th St / Montana Ave 2:24 a.m.
Loud Music 2700Blk Main St 2:27 a.m.
Transport Prisoner 300Blk Olympic Dr 2:29 a.m.
Traffic Hazard Lincoln Blvd / Pico Blvd 3:06 a.m.
Loitering 1600Blk Appian Way 3:40 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto 300Blk Olympic Dr 4:11 a.m.
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Loud Music 1400Blk 15th St 7:06 a.m.
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Encampment 1600Blk Ocean Ave 7:57 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 23rd St / Arizona Ave 8:05 a.m.
Encampment 2200Blk Virginia Ave 8:30 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 1900Blk Cloverfield Blvd 8:41 a.m.
Encampment 1700Blk The Beach 8:55 a.m.
Vandalism Stanford St / Colorado Ave 10:28 a.m.
Grand Theft 600Blk 12th St 10:34 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 3300Blk Barnard Way 10:47 a.m.
Failure To Pay Parking Fee 400Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 11:01 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now Lincoln Blvd / Ocean Park Blvd 11:10 a.m.
Urinating/Defecating In Public 1500Blk California Ave 11:54 a.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 100Blk Hollister Ave 12:05 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 4th St / Idaho Ave 12:29 p.m.
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Loitering 2400Blk Lincoln Blvd 12:38 p.m.
General Parking Problem 1400Blk Olympic Blvd 12:58 p.m.
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Lost Property 2200Blk 20th St 2:22 p.m.
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Panhandling Lincoln Blvd / Interstate 10 3:05 p.m.
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Traffic Hazard 2000Blk Pico Blvd 4:39 p.m.
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General Parking Problem 1800Blk Appian Way 5:11 p.m.
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Threats Report/Investigations 1300Blk 3rd Street Prom 5:15 p.m.
Petty Theft 1900Blk Euclid St 5:21 p.m.
Vandalism Neilson Way / Hollister Ave 5:32 p.m.
Expired Registration 1300Blk 19th St 5:36 p.m.
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Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 3300Blk Barnard Way 5:42 p.m.
Vehicle Cite & Tow (Parking Problem) 1300Blk Palisades Beach rd 5:53 p.m.
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Critical Missing Person Ocean Ave / Colorado Ave 5:53 p.m.
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Traffic Collision - No Injuries Lincoln Blvd / Bay St 6:17 p.m.
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Automatic Alarm 1500Blk 6th St 10:30 a.m.
EMS Main St / Hollister Ave 11:05 a.m.
EMS 200Blk Broadway 11:18 a.m.
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Wires Down 2900Blk 4th St 1:33 p.m.
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Gun protest





Matthew Hall

MARCH: Santa Monicans gathered on Saturday as part of the nationwide March for Our Lives event to advocate for gun control regulations.

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OPINION

WHAT'S THE POINT?

Dave Pisarra | Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Lets Hear It For The Dads!

Dad. Pop. Old man. Whatever you call your father, remember that this week is the lead up to Father's Day. It's that time of year when bad ties and silly coffee cup sales skyrocket. So before it's over I wanted to remind everyone the value of men and what they bring to parenting and building the next generation.

Fathers have progressively been devalued in our society and it's to our detriment. Multiple studies show that children raised without a father do worse in school, are more likely to have drug addiction issues, and have a higher rate of mental illness and suicidality.

There are studies that show school shootings and mass casualty events have fatherlessness as a major contributing factor. It's not a sole causation, obviously there are a multitude of factors, but it does seem to come up often.

My parents divorced when I was 12 and my father died when I was 19. I had older brothers to be there, but they were growing into themselves in many ways. So in most ways it was just my mom and me.

Raising children is a hard job, and it's important to remember that as much as a woman can teach a child to be a good human, "Men teach men how to be men." This is what I learned from the men's group I attend. I've been a member for 23 years now, and in that time I've experienced the love and support of many different men.

They've been there for me at various times in my professional career as I've hit roadblocks, or crisis points. I've had different men come to my aid and comfort as I went through a brutally painful breakup. These men were there for me when my mother died. When my business died. When I wanted to run away.

Older men have always shared with younger men their experiences. For years that was how you got a good job, you apprenticed. In professional settings there would be a mentoring program in place, and today that still holds true in the fields of law and medicine. To become a good lawyer, one usually clerks for a judge, or is the 'bag carrier' for an older lawyer who helps to show a youngster the ropes. In medicine young doctors go through stages of mentorship so they can develop skills and confidence in their practice.

That same relationship model - the older experienced man resource sharing with the younger enthusiastic neophyte is applicable in so many other areas. It comes so naturally to men, that it seems odd to think we should remind ourselves of its benefits.

But that is what fathers are for. They're there to teach boys to be men, and girls what to expect from a man.

One of the main reasons why fathers are important is they bring a playfulness and experimentation to life that opens a child's mind and socialization. Where moms are focused on safety and protection of a child, a father brings boundary pushing, and risk taking. These are both important to the development of a full well rounded personality.

In today's society where the "future is female", where gender is a social construct, where all manner of roles are being reevaluated, and considered, the role, that study after study has shown is crucial, is that of the father.

It's convenient and easy to pick on the "doofus dad", to make fun of the dad bod, to claim that dads can't handle being single parents for a day, but all of that is just smoke for the marketers or those who have an agenda.

The truth is, dads matter because kids need discipline, role models, to learn how to explore their environment, and how to be in the world. We remove them at our social peril.

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HOUSING ELEMENT

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it believed would meet a Regional Housing Needs Allocation, or RHNA, of 8,895 new units, of which 6,168 would be affordable.

While Santa Monica does not need to actually construct 9,000 new housing units by 2029, the City does need to provide a plan that would allow that state-mandated housing need to be met. Earlier this year, HCD rejected the City's proposed 2021-29 Housing Element. In April, the City requested an extension on the deadline, but Planning Manager Jing Yeo said this week that no such extension has yet been granted, although the city "continues to advocate for such relief."

On Wednesday, June 15, the Santa Monica Planning Commission will meet to discuss staff suggestions that the City hopes will bring its housing element into compliance — and as part of that meeting, proposed capacity is going way, way up. Earlier this month, the Planning Commission agreed on an increase in FAR (Floor Area Ratio) in certain areas that would substantially increase the number of new housing units that could be built, by increasing density allowance.

"Based on these higher FARs, the overall SSI capacity would be 13,549 units, which provides a 52% buffer over the RHNA," according to a staff report prepared for this week's Planning Commission meeting. "... Staff has incorporated the Planning Commission's recommended FAR into the draft redline revisions."

According to the staff report, Planning Commissioners requested FAR increases as follows:

-The MUBL, or Mixed-Use Boulevard Low District, north of the Santa Monica (I-10) Freeway, should have an FAR of 3.25

-The MUB, or Mixed-Use Boulevard / GC (General Commercial) district on Santa Monica Boulevard should have an FAR of 3.25

-The MUC, or Mixed-Use Creative District in the Bergamot Area Plan, except west of Berkeley and south of Nebraska, should have an FAR of 4.0 with a corresponding height of 84 feet.

At a city council meeting in April, Yeo said that HCD's complaints fell into three general categories.

For one, HCD would like to see the City make concrete commitments and timelines for constructing housing on the City owned sites identified in its Housing Element, Yeo said at the time. Secondly, HCD is requesting more research into the goal of affirmatively furthering fair housing, which means working towards an equitable distribution of affordable housing and diverse tenants across the city. Finally, HCD wants to see plans to address the shortfall of sites to accommodate lower income units and the removal of constraints to building these units.

Staff wrote in a report prior to this week's Planning Commission meeting that they were optimistic HCD would approve of the updated Housing Element, outlining responses to 21 concerns presented by the State.

"All of the draft redline revisions ... have been viewed by HCD staff who have preliminarily provided generally favorable feedback on City staff's approach to addressing the comment, subject to full review and public comment once draft redline revisions are submitted to HCD," staff wrote. "Staff will be presenting redline revisions to the City Council on June 21, 2022 and will seek direction to transmit the revisions to HCD, with a goal of receiving HCD's approval of the draft revisions before formal adoption of a revised Housing Element. Staff anticipates formal adoption in the Fall, when additional environmental analysis is complete."

In April, Yeo told City Council Santa Monica was losing out on State funds because it was out of compliance on the Housing Element.

Santa Monica currently has lost a degree of local control over development and must approve any project with at least 20 percent affordable to 60 percent area median income or 100 percent moderate income housing, even if the project exceeds zoning or general plan maximums. The City is also currently ineligible for funding from the Local Housing Trust Fund and Permanent Local Housing Allocation.

Planning Commission meets on June 15 at 5:30 p.m. The public can only attend this meeting via live stream at: Cable Channel 16, https://www.youtube.com/user/Citytv16santamonica or https://www.smgov.net/video or https://primetime.bluejeans.com/a2m/live-event/qpfkurwh.

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engaged at all in this area because they don't have the background, the knowledge and the experience in it," said Steven Mandernach, executive director of the Association of Food and Drug Officials, which represents state-level inspectors.

The FDA shares oversight of food production and safety with the U.S. Department of Agriculture. FDA inspections of food facilities peaked in 2011 and have declined most years since, despite increased funds and powers by Congress. The FDA said that while U.S. inspections have declined, foreign facility inspections have increased.

There's no certainty that extra inspections during COVID-19 would have prevented the contamination problems at the Sturgis, Michigan, plant that was shut down. And Abbott says that its products have not been directly linked to the infections, two of which were fatal.

But the plant did have earlier problems, including a 2010 formula recall due to possible contamination with insect parts.

"I think facilities that had known problems that could cause a food safety risk should have been part of FDA's mission critical work," Mandernach said. "And this facility would have been among those."

Not having regular inspections — or even the threat of them — can lead to changes in culture at plants like Abbott's, Mandernach noted.

"If you're driving down the highway and you know the state troopers have been furloughed, might you go a little faster than if you knew there was a trooper on duty?" Mandernach asked.

Tent encampment cleared



Clara Harter

CAMP: The space near the Venice library has been cleared of campers.

CLARA HARTER
SMDP Staff Writer

Notorious among Venice residents for its fires, fights and a shooting incident, the approximately sixty tent encampment at Centennial Park is now no more.

Following an intensive outreach period, all unhoused residents accepted temporary housing placements or left the area by the end of the day on June 13.

The intervention is spearheaded by the Mayor Eric Garcetti's Office and the outreach work is being led by St. Joseph's Center, a homeless service provider that has been engaging with park dwellers since the encampment took root in November 2021.

"The Mayor's Office is currently leading a housing operation in the park and the Abbot Kinney Memorial Library, which are closing for repairs after engagement efforts and housing placements conclude this week," said Press Secretary Harrison Wollman. "Outreach began in March of this year, and as of May 31st, everyone living in the park has been offered housing and services."

According to data from St. Joseph's Center, of the 66 people who left the park, 41 moved into interim housing. Housing placements are split into 33 motel placements, six Project Roomkey placements, one bridge home placement and one shared housing placement.

An area cleaning by LA City Sanitation is scheduled to take place from 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. on June 14 and paper notices of the cleaning were delivered by hand to campers and posted around the park. LAPD, the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority and the Department of Parks and Recreation are also part of the collaborative intervention.

The encampment started out as a handful of tents pitched on the grassy median of Venice Boulevard in front of the Abbot Kinney Memorial Library. For residents who have watched the encampment and its related issues grow over the past nine months, the ongoing intervention is a welcome relief.

"I am pleasantly surprised that action is being taken... and I hope that they're getting the support that they needed and that it won't just be moved to another area of town, the encampment, but also I hope that they stay on top of it and don't let it happen again," said Linda Martinek, President of Friends of the Venice Library, a nonprofit organization that fundraises to support library programming.

The Friends of the Venice Library and the library itself have ceased all in-person programming and special events due to safety concerns. According to Martinek, the library has had significant staff turnover and often inconsistent opening hours as staff members have requested to transfer to different branches following verbal, and at times, physical assault by park dwellers.

"I know the security guard has had problems with people either not wearing their masks and then getting mad and attacking her, and I think it was the janitor whose car was almost hijacked, and staff, especially the senior librarian, they receive death threats almost every day and it's awful," said Martinek. "I'm sad for those working conditions that they're under."

The encampment has become a dangerous area not just for residents and library staff, but also for the unhoused individuals living there.

"It's a very dangerous, volatile situation where people are getting hurt. There's a lot of fights that go on; you see them because we see the videos from neighbors," said Connie Brooks, local resident and Board Member of the Venice Beach Business Improvement District. "They're not pleasant places to live, especially as time goes on, and I feel strongly that we need to help everyone."

A near-fatal shooting incident took place at the park at 3:15 a.m. on Feb. 14 and left one homeless individual with a severe leg injury. On the night of May 27, a tent pitched against the library burst into flames, ignited a palm tree, and was only stopped from spreading to the building by a speedy LAFD response.

Following the conclusion of the Encampment to Home program, Centennial Park will be closed to the public while the Mayor's Office oversees a repair and restoration project. The Friends of the Venice Library are asking for a fence to be placed around the library's immediate periphery to prevent a similar phenomenon from taking place again.

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Three Santa Monica College Graduates embody perseverance & purpose, among 5,200+ graduating this year

Stories by Grace Smith
Photos by Matthew Hall

This year, Santa Monica College (SMC) will award 7,952 degrees and certificates to 5,215 students, the third cohort to have achieved their educational goals in spite of a global pandemic. Among these graduates are three, Khadija Backrien, Jacqueline Castellanos, and Victor Teran, who embody perseverance, purpose, and the power of the human will; their stories are representative of those who attend and graduate from community colleges like SMC.

Khadija Backrien overcame substance abuse, and a lifetime of heartbreak including losing a son to gun violence and surviving abusive relationships. Growing up, STEM major Jacqueline Castellanos did not know anyone who had attended college, she would go on to help other students as a mentor at Santa Monica College, and is graduating with four Associate degrees, in STEM disciplines. Victor Teran struggled with low confidence before college, but SMC would help catalyze the interest sparked by watching Bill Nye the Science Guy and National Geographic specials into an educational path that would take him to a NASA Community College Aerospace Scholars (NCAS) internship and, Teran hopes, someday to a full-time job with NASA.

SMC's 2022 Commencement Ceremony will be held online at smc.edu and festivities will begin promptly at 5 p.m., on Thursday, June 16. California Assemblymember Richard Bloom is this year's commencement speaker. Among interesting statistics about this year's graduating class, the youngest graduate is 16 years old and graduates with an Associate in Arts for Transfer in Business Administration. And 60.9% of the graduating class is female.

KHADIJA BACKRIEN: RECLAIMING HER FUTURE

Khadija Backrien is perseverance in the flesh. After attending six community colleges, the Washington native is earning an AS degree in business marketing.

Heartbreak has dogged Khadija. After a childhood in Libya, she returned to America at age seven, the oldest of a single mom's five children, a hairdresser living in poverty in Spokane. In high school, Khadija got mixed up in heavy drinking and party drugs. She survived multiple rapes and abusive relationships, resulting in four unplanned pregnancies. Her oldest daughter is now 22; her youngest, five. She gave up an infant for adoption in 2003. In 2020, her 14-year-old son William died of a gunshot wound in an unsolved crime.

Khadija persisted, with periodic lapses into substance abuse followed by rehab, as well as mental wellness struggles. It was a sober living program that brought her to California in 2016. A pharmacy tech certificate she'd previously earned at a Seattle community college sowed the seeds for Khadija's ambition: to be a sales rep with a major pharmaceutical brand. To earn her bachelor's degree, she is transferring to Cal State Dominguez Hills.

At SMC, Khadija has been a peer navigator, and active in Black Collegians Program Umoja Community. She juggled jobs at a CVS pharmacy and at Snug Harbor. Passionate about kundalini yoga, she recently earned a teaching certificate.

"God has lessened my burden," she said, "I'm close to my goal." She dreams of owning a small business and launching a gun-violence education nonprofit to honor her late son.

JACQUELINE CASTELLANOS: THE POWER TO CHANGE PEOPLE'S LIVES

"Growing up, I did not know anyone who had attended college," said Jacqueline Castellanos. The first in her family to attend college, she joined the Adelante program for guidance and support, and helped others through the Sister to Sister Mentoring Program. "As a mentor, I was able to make a difference in young girls' lives by helping them understand that a college education is within their grasp."

Jacqueline focused on Computer Science and Engineering, which excites her because it has the power to change people's lives." She immersed herself in SMC's STEM program to help master STEM subjects: science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. She participated in the 2018 UCLA/SMC Summer Scholars Research Program and the Bruins©\in©\Genomics (B.I.G.) Summer Program, analyzing data to study the adaptive immune repertoire. In the 2019 NASA Jet Propulsion Laboratory Maximizing Student Potential in STEM (MSP) program, she helped develop a tool to study the relationship between mosquito abundance and remote sensing variables.



In Base 11's Aerospace Mentorship Program and Caltech's WAVE Fellows Program in summer 2020, she developed a Python©\based spacecraft swarm simulator to test Guidance, Navigation, and Control (GNC) algorithms. In 2021, Dr. Lior Pachter invited Jacqueline to Caltech's Visiting Undergraduate Research Program (VURP), where she evaluated a machine learning algorithm's ability to predict proteins.

Jacqueline graduates from Santa Monica College with four Associate degrees: Computer Science, Mathematics, Liberal Arts - Social and Behavioral Science, and General Science, as well as a Certificate of Achievement in Computer Science. She plans to transfer to earn a Bachelor's degree in Computer Science and Engineering, followed by a Master's and a Ph.D.

VICTOR TERAN: ACHIEVING LIFTOFF

When astronauts first set foot on distant planets, Victor Teran may be among those enabling that milestone. SMC introduced Victor to the NASA Community College Aerospace Scholars (NCAS) program, through which students develop potential solutions to the challenges of space travel.

Victor applied his skills as a materials engineering major to conceive a possible habitat and food supply for survival on Mars. He worked with students from across the country to design a rocket to reach Mars. "I felt like an actual NASA worker," Victor says of the experience, which involved everything from chemistry, biology and engineering to budgeting.

Victor says that SMC has helped make his own dreams come true. Although he struggled with low confidence before coming to college, watching Bill Nye the Science Guy and National Geographic specials formed his early interest in science. His SMC laboratory courses catalyzed that interest into a lasting passion. "I was involved in mixing metals and chemicals to see and understand the various reactions, and that's when I knew I loved chemistry and engineering," he recalls.

He shared that understanding with his fellow SMC students as a STEM tutor and mentor. Victor wanted to repay the support of SMC's faculty by aiding others. He is especially grateful to Chemistry Professor Muriel Walker-Waugh for her caring and infectious enthusiasm.

Victor will continue his studies by majoring in chemical engineering at California State University, Long Beach. After that, he hopes to build on his NCAS experience by working for NASA full time.

Monica elebrates uation



At Santa Monica College's Grad Walk, 950 graduates celebrate

While the June skies were a bit grey, there was zero June gloom at Santa Monica College's Bundy Campus on Saturday, June 11. Cars decorated with balloons and colorful signs—"UCLA Bound!" and "I am so proud of you. Love, Mom," among others—filed into the parking lot all day, filled with SMC graduates.

Photos at decorated SMC booths, gift bags and customized diploma cases—all these and more marked SMC's second annual Grad Walk, an in-person event prior to the virtual commencement to be held online on Thursday, June 16. Approximately 950 graduates took part in the June 11 Grad Walk.

Khadija Backrien — who overcame devastating circumstances including losing a son to gun violence—was present with one of her daughters. "I have been emotional all week," Backrien said. She pointed to a tiny silver locket that hung from a necklace, which holds a portion of her son William's ashes. "I am trying to live my best life since he didn't get a chance. I know he is looking down today."

She is transferring to Cal State Dominguez Hills, and dreams of owning a small business and launching a gun-violence education nonprofit to honor her late son.

Aaron Bell and Arion Bell — husband and wife — were present with their children, both graduating. Arion, who hopes to run her own salon, completed a degree in Cosmetology while juggling caring for kids — this was her third attempt at college. "Third time's the charm!" she said.

Aaron explained that they'd met in high school. Looking at his children, he said, "Life put me on a different path—but eight years later, here I am with my kids and my lovely wife. Today is a dream and I get to live it with her."

After high school, Guirguis Joseph Hannah didn't get into any of the schools where he applied, but he chose "the SMC route" because "I knew I had something greater in me." He is graduating and transferring to UCLA as a Psychology major.

Jose Alejandro Ramirez had a large group with him—"Mama Bear" (his words), a friend, sister and brother-in-law, cousins, nephews. Graduating with three Associate degrees, in business, economics, and liberal arts, Ramirez is transferring to Cal State Northridge to "keep moving forward." This is a watershed moment for him. "I was impacted by the judicial system since I was a young kid," he said. "I got released from an institution in Venice and applied to Santa Monica College since it was local. I have been here for two years, and I changed my life."

This year, SMC will award a total of 7,952 degrees and certificates to 5,215 students. For more information, visit smc.edu/graduation.







WHAT'S THE POINT?

FROM PAGE 4

I don't know all the answers, but I know enough to know that strong fathers help raise strong children to be strong members of our society. And we need more of that.

Happy Father's Day to the men who are doing the hard work of setting an example, stepping up to be pusher and enforcer of boundaries, and the protector of their children.

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CRIME WATCH

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

Sunday, June 5 at 8:47 p.m.

Officers responded to the 1400 block of Wilshire Blvd. regarding a battery. The victim relayed that he resides in a building directly behind a market and was upset by the use of a leafblower by the market staff on Sunday evenings. The victim proceeded to confront the employee about the leafblower and a verbal argument ensued. The employee is accused of hitting the victim with leafblower. Mostafa Ahmad Monfared was arrested for battery.

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WALL STREET

FROM PAGE 1

Industrial Average was briefly down more than 1,000 points before finishing with a loss of 876.

At the center of the sell-off again was the Federal Reserve, which is scrambling to get inflation under control. Its main method to do that is to raise interest rates in order to slow the economy, a blunt tool that risks a recession if used too aggressively.

With the Fed seemingly pinned into having to get more aggressive, prices fell in a worldwide rout for everything from bonds to bitcoin, from New York to New Zealand. Some of the sharpest drops hit what had been big winners of the easier low-rate era, such as high-growth technology stocks and other former darlings of investors. Tesla slumped 7.1%, and Amazon dropped 5.5%. GameStop tumbled 8.4%.

"The best thing people can do is to not panic and don't sell at the bottom," said Randy Frederick, managing director of trading and derivatives at the Schwab Center for Financial Research, "and we're probably not at the bottom."

> "The best thing people can do is to not panic and don't sell at the bottom - Randy Frederick"

Some economists are speculating the Fed on Wednesday may raise its key rate by three-quarters of a percentage point. That's triple the usual amount and something the Fed hasn't done since 1994. Traders now see a 28% probability of such a mega-hike, up from just 3% a week ago, according to CME Group.

No one thinks the Fed will stop there, with markets bracing for a continued series of bigger-than-usual hikes. Those would come on top of some discouraging signals about the economy and corporate profits, including a record-low preliminary reading on consumer sentiment soured by high gasoline prices.

The economy is still holding up overall, but the danger is that the job market and other factors are so hot that they will feed into higher inflation. That's why the Fed is in the midst of a whiplash pivot away from the record-low interest rates it engineered earlier in the pandemic, which propped up stocks and other investments amid hopes of juicing the economy.

Wall Street's sobering realization that inflation is accelerating, not peaking, is also sending U.S. bond yields to their highest levels in more than a decade. The two-year Treasury yield shot to 3.36% from 3.06% late Friday in its second straight major move. It earlier touched its highest level since 2007, according to Tradeweb.

The 10-year yield jumped to 3.37% from 3.15%, and the higher level will make mortgages and many other kinds of loans more expensive. It touched its highest level since 2011.

The higher yields mean prices are tumbling for bonds, a relatively rare occurrence for them in recent decades. They're also a particularly painful hit for older and more conservative investors who depend on them as the safer parts of their nest eggs.

The gap between the two-year and 10-year yields has also narrowed sharply, a signal of weakening optimism about the economy. When the two-year yield tops the 10-year, an unusual occurrence, some investors see it as a sign of a looming recession.

Some of the biggest hits came for cryptocurrencies, which soared early in the pandemic as ultralow rates encouraged some investors to pile into the riskiest investments. Bitcoin tumbled more than 14% from a day earlier and dropped below $23,400, according to Coindesk. It's back to where it was in late 2020 and down from a peak of $68,990 late last year.

On Wall Street, the S&P 500 fell 151.23 points to 3,749.63 and dropped 21.8% below its record set early this year to put it into what investors call a bear market.

Bears hibernate, so bears represent a market that's retreating, said Sam Stovall, chief investment strategist at CFRA. In contrast, Wall Street's nickname for a surging stock market is a bull market, because bulls charge, Stovall said.

The S&P 500 has lost nearly 9% in just three days. That's its worst such stretch since the earliest days of the coronavirus crash in March 2020. The Dow lost 876.05, or 2.8%, to 30,516.74 on Monday, and the Nasdaq composite dropped 530.80, or 4.7% to 10,809.23.

The coronavirus crash in early 2020 was Wall Street's last bear market, and it was an unusually short one that lasted only about a month. The S&P 500 got close to a bear market last month, but it didn't finish a day below the 20% threshold.

Michael Wilson, a strategist at Morgan Stanley who's been among Wall Street's more pessimistic voices, is sticking with his view that the S&P 500 could fall further to 3,400 even if the U.S. economy avoids a recession over the next year.

That would mark another roughly 9% drop from the current level, and Wilson said it reflects his view that Wall Street's earnings forecasts are still too optimistic, among other things.

With soaring price tags souring sentiment for shoppers, even higher-income ones, Wilson said in a report that "the next shoe to drop is a discounting cycle" as companies try to clear out built-up inventories.

Such moves would cut into their profitability, and a stock's price moves up and down largely on two things: how much cash a company generates and how much an investor will pay for it.

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 14)

A cosmic boon: boldness! You dare, reach, approach, connect, especially where others were too intimidated. You take home the prize! It doesn't always work, but the consolation is also a prize -- a miraculously strong lesson of advancement. More highlights: proud pictures and a sale to sock away a tidy sum. Virgo and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 30, 5, 10 and 14.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's as though your heart is not your own. It's walking around in someone else's body, and you can only hope that the person will care for it -- and for themselves -- in the way that keeps your love strong.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You'll operate beautifully as a self-contained business of one, and you can also be a cog in the wheel of a large organization. You'll do both before the day is done.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There's a reason you like yourself better around some people, though you needn't know what exactly that reason is to heed the message it sends your psyche. Why not spend time where it's easy to be your best self?

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Babies come in all sizes and ages. You'll know them by the tantrums they throw. Dealing with people of all maturity levels is your specialty and you'll shine in this regard today.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). An excellent work ethic is praised but it's the fun ethic that's revered. As you travel your day, looking for joy, you'll find a good share of it -- enough for you and everyone around.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There's no such thing as a two-sided argument. Look around. Who else has an opinion? You need more input to a polarized situation, and you're sure to find it in a fellow earth sign.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You've known the phenomenon: Everything seems good on paper but there's no spark. Now it's the opposite. A person who doesn't reflect your preferences at all will fascinate you. That's chemistry!

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If there's anything you need to tell your friend, you'll say it now because the impulse to talk is so strong it's as though the wedding pastor has said, "Speak now or forever hold your peace."

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). If you get it right the first time, go again. It's the second and third time that prove something. It's the fourth and fifth that matter more... repetition will teach you lessons untold.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Their requests, questions and feedback will help you understand who is listening and who is oblivious. This knowledge should be acted upon. Ignore at your own peril.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). The secret to working the crowd is simple: Keep moving. The crowd today will be life in general, and you'll gently push through, spreading your goodwill one short interaction at a time.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Though you know what you'd like to see happen, the situation is new, and there are many unknowns. For instance, what's fair for the other person? Just ask and you'll get a true answer.

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.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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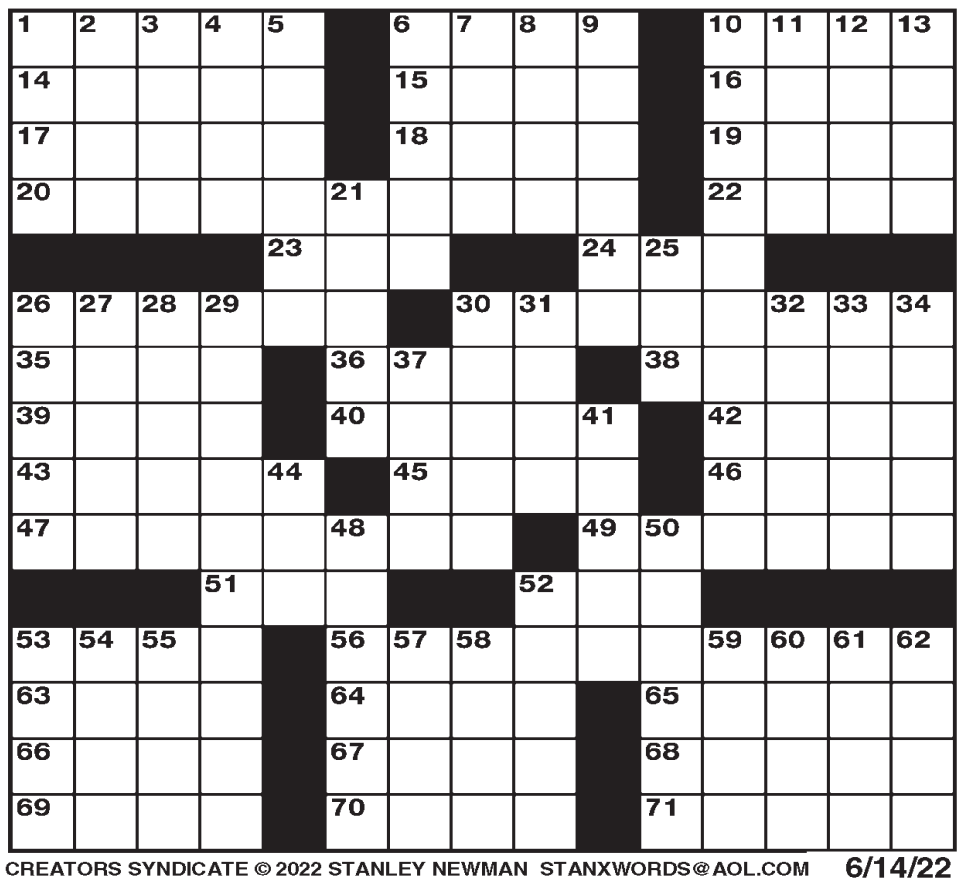
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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Sedans and convertibles
6 Hollywood headliner
10 Chew like a beaver
14 Push rudely
15 Angelic topper
16 Foolhardy
17 Blender setting
18 Bullets, for short
19 Where Indonesia is
20 Time to get coffee
22 Immense
23 In the know
24 Climbing plant
26 Gaps
30 Takes in air
35 *Wizard of Oz* dog
36 Woodwind instrument
38 Valuable collection
39 Aid in a crime
40 More recent
42 Neighborhood
43 Traveler's path
45 Assistant
46 Does not exist
47 Divulging of a secret
49 Basic beliefs
51 *This American Life* airer
52 What corporals call sergeants
53 Hair untangler
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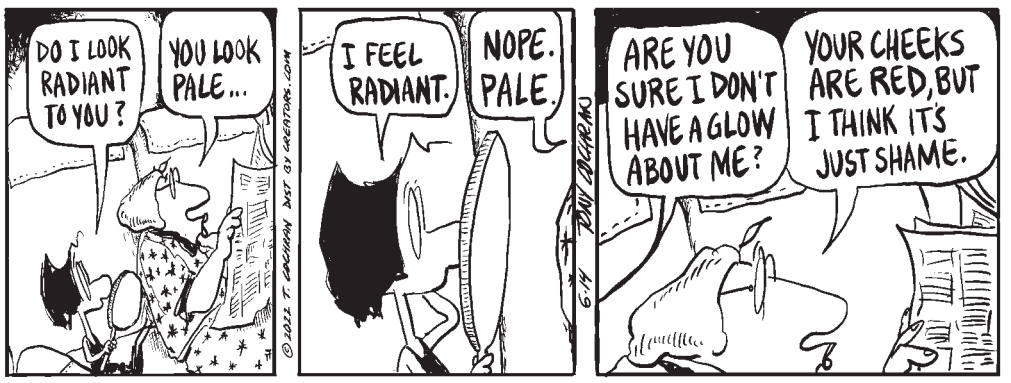
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11 Astronauts' org.
12 Auction sale condition
13 "Could you repeat?"
21 Yellowstone bovine
25 Industrial tub
26 Impolite look
27 Part of some business addrs.
28 Devoured
29 Makeup-removal accessory
30 Alamo defender Jim
31 Swamp stalk
32 Stagecoach puller
33 Major happening
34 Chairs and stools
37 Endure
41 Adjust, as one's cravat
44 Sixth sense, for short
48 Suave
50 List of printed mistakes
52 Back of a ship
53 Performing group
54 Triple-decker cookie
55 Steel factory
57 Tops with frosting
58 Ensnare
59 Ringlet of hair
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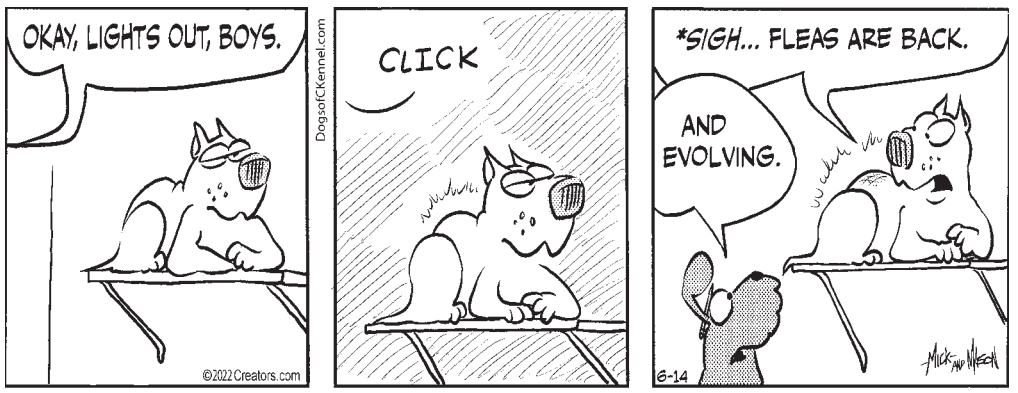
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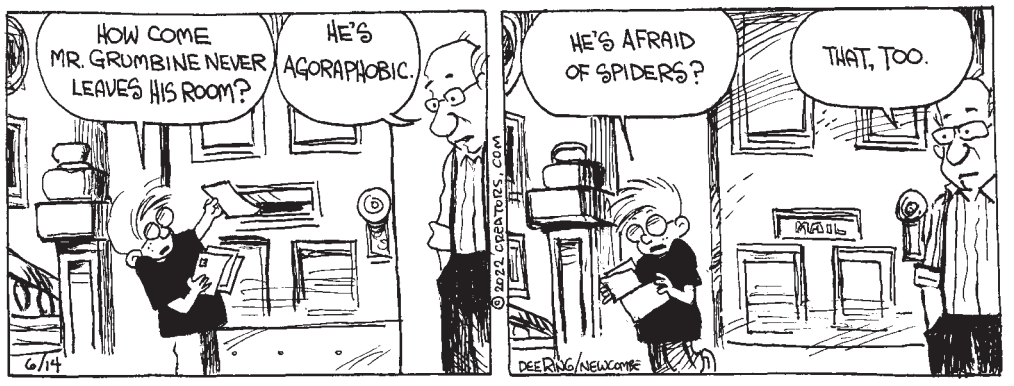
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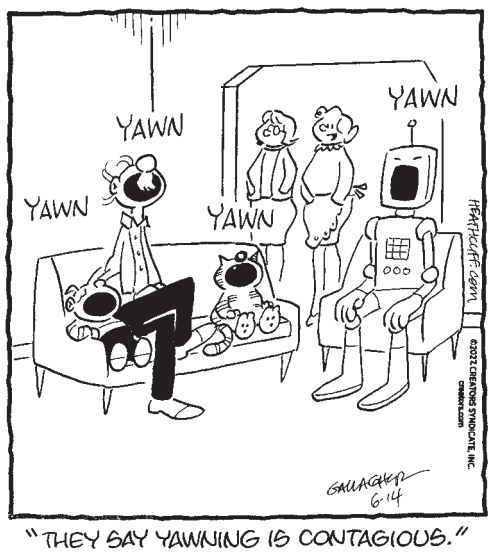
Zack Hill

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"THEY SAY YAWNING IS CONTAGIOUS."

Strange Brew

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FIND THE WORDS

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 12 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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Bins	Easier	Lush	Rake	Tank
Blue	Evening	Maize	Rams	Task
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Bran	Feed	Merino	River	Udder
Bull	Germ	Milk	Role	Vacuum
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TUESDAY | JUNE 14

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING
Closed session begins at 5:30 p.m. Open session begins no earlier than 6:30 p.m. Agenda online at https://santamonicacityca.iqm2.com/Citizens/Detail_Meeting.aspx?ID=1314.

MUSIC CENTER ON TOUR PRESENTS: LETTERS TO HARRIET TUBMAN
In celebration of Juneteenth, Letters to Harriet Tubman uses songs and stories of the Civil War era to tell the adventures of the heroic woman who fought slavery through the underground railroad. For families. Register: bit.ly/YouthProgramSignUps. Main Library, Central Courtyard. 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

WEDNESDAY | JUNE 15

MONTANA AVENUE BRANCH BOOK GROUP
Join a community-led monthly book club, centered in the Montana neighborhood. This group currently meets via Zoom. Email library@santamonica.gov for the link. This month's book is The Last Kings of Shanghai: The Rival Jewish Dynasties that helped create modern China by Jonathan Kaufman (384 pages). 7 - 8:30 p.m.

PLANNING COMMISSION
Established in 1946, the Planning Commission envisions Santa Monica as a city of wellbeing, sustainability, and equity, and seeks to balance the many needs and priorities within our community in accordance with the City's General Plan and Specific Plans. LIVE STREAM*: https://www.youtube.com/user/Citytv16santamonica or https://www.smgov.net/video
TELECONFERENCE*: https://primetime.bluejeans.com/a2m/live-event/qpfkurwh
DIAL-IN NUMBER: 1 (415) 466-7000 (US), PIN: 3256634 #

LGBTQIA+ STORYTIME-OUT LOUD
Join Braid Theater for an evening of salon storytelling created especially for the City of Santa Monica. Hear ten funny, poignant, true stories exploring cross-cultural queer identity in today's world, followed by Q and A and light refreshments. Save the date! Seating is limited. Purchase your ticket and find more information at https://www.smpride.com/events/lgbtqia-storytelling-event-with-the-braid-theater. $10.

TRIPTEASE BURLESQUE
Every Wednesday features a fresh new line-up of talent hosted by the Original Dame herself, Lola Boutée! Live music kicks off the night each week at 8pm followed by the burlesque show. Choose from over 60 beers from around the world, 16 beers on tap, delicious wine, or even some bubbly during the show! Tipping is encouraged! Find more information and purchase your tickets at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/triptease-burlesque-live-on-demand-tickets-310782537937. $10 - $120.

THURSDAY | JUNE 16

JUNETEENTH MOVIE SCREENING: SUMMER OF SOUL
Celebrate Juneteenth with a screening and discussion of this Oscars-winning film (Best Documentary Feature, 2021) about the Harlem Cultural Festival in 1969. Pico Branch Library, 5:30 - 8 p.m.

FRIDAY | JUNE 17

DRAG QUEEN STORYTIME AT THE BEACH HOUSE
Celebrate LGBTQIA+ Pride Month with Drag Queen Story Time! Guest of honor, Pickle, will lead an interactive story time designed to challenge restrictive gender stereotypes, encourage self-expression, and promote diversity and inclusion. Made possible with support from Gregory Annenberg Weingarten, GRoW @ Annenberg. Parking at the Beach House is $3 per hour or $12 per day. For more info visit annenbergbeachhouse.com. 10 - 11 a.m.

SATURDAY | JUNE 18

30TH ANNUAL JUNETEENTH CELEBRATION
The 30th Annual Juneteenth Celebration at Virginia Avenue Park will feature live music, spoken word artists, a children's craft area, cultural arts Marketplace, community resource booths, food and more! For details, visit https://santamonica.gov/press/2022/06/07/santa-monica-celebrates-30-years-of-the-annual-juneteenth-celebration. 1 - 7 p.m.

NOTABLE BOOKS DISCUSSION GROUP
A book club, focusing on books which have won major prizes or are otherwise notable. This month's selection is The Promise by Damon Galgut. Contact jeff.schwartz@santamonica.gov for the Zoom link. 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

CARDBOARD YACHT REGATTA DAY
Kick off the summer with the 10th Annual Cardboard Yacht Regatta! Have you ever dreamed of setting sail across the waters in your very own yacht? Now you can build your own cardboard yacht and test its seaworthiness in a race across the Beach House Pool. Build a yacht using just corrugated cardboard and duct tape, decorate it, cross your fingers and hope you can make it to the other side. Preregistration required to race your yacht. Register early and enjoy building your boat with friends and family! $20 entry fee per yacht. Payment is NOT required for each sailor who will be in the yacht. This is a team registration. Please register once per yacht that will be entered in the event. Annenberg Community Beach House. 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

For help submitting an event, contact us at
310-458-7737 or submit to events@smdp.com



SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **66.0**

TUESDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:** 1-2ft Knee to thigh	Small blend of S swell and NW swell mix holds. Conditions look a little better than Monday.
WEDNESDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:** 1-2ft Knee to thigh	Old blend of S swell and NW windswell eases in the morning. Wind looks favorable for the early tide push there just isn't much size. New S swell builds late in the day.

WEATHER

Tuesday: Cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 73.
Tuesday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, increasing clouds, with a low around 61.
Wednesday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 78.
Wednesday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 62.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2022/06/14	Tue	04:17 AM	-1.67	L
2022/06/14	Tue	10:47 AM	3.78	H
2022/06/14	Tue	3:13 PM	2.06	L
2022/06/14	Tue	9:39 PM	7.08	H
2022/06/15	Wed	05:07 AM	-1.81	L
2022/06/15	Wed	11:42 AM	3.78	H
2022/06/15	Wed	4:03 PM	2.20	L
2022/06/15	Wed	10:26 PM	6.96	H
2022/06/16	Thu	05:58 AM	-1.72	L
2022/06/16	Thu	12:39 PM	3.80	H
2022/06/16	Thu	4:58 PM	2.35	L
2022/06/16	Thu	11:17 PM	6.61	H
2022/06/17	Fri	06:49 AM	-1.44	L
2022/06/17	Fri	1:37 PM	3.87	H
2022/06/17	Fri	6:01 PM	2.49	L
2022/06/18	Sat	12:13 AM	6.06	H
2022/06/18	Sat	07:41 AM	-1.00	L
2022/06/18	Sat	2:37 PM	4.02	H

DAILY LOTTERY

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

POWERBALL
Draw Date: 6/11
18 20 26 53 69
Power#: 5
Jackpot: 243 M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 6/10
3 12 14 18 32
Mega#: 4
Jackpot: 247 M

SuperLotto PLUS
Draw Date: 6/11
4 11 13 25 26
Mega#: 2
Jackpot: 19 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 6/12
6 12 14 20 27

Daily 3
Draw Date: 6/12
EVENING: 8 6 3
Draw Date: 6/12
MIDDAY: 6 7 8

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 6/12
1st: 12 - Lucky Charms
2nd: 06 - Whirl Win
3rd: 11 - Money Bags
Race Time: 1:42.71

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