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City will remain in a "Stage 2 Water Shortage Level" despite recent wet winter

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Council voted unanimously to continue the 20 percent reduction in water use per the 2020 Water Shortage Contingency Plan last week despite an abnormally wet winter that pulled much of the state out of drought.

The decision was part of the Annual Water Shortage Assessment Report that is due each year by July 1 to the California Department of Water Resources and also requires formal adoption by Santa Monica City Council.

The City has remained in a "Stage 2 Water Shortage level" since 2014 and has consistently maintained 20 percent reductions in water demand from the guideline 2013 water usage levels.

Dinaz Kureishy, Civil Engineering Assistant with the City of Santa Monica, provided a short, succinct presentation addressing many of the misconceptions of perceived water shortages, especially given the relatively wet winter that southern California endured earlier in the year.

"There's been a lot of talk about the drought, given the recent rain that California received. And that rain did partially relieve the drought, together with the water that we received from the State Water Project," Kureishy said.

"However, another really big source of imported water for us is

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Santa Monica celebrates Juneteenth









Photos by Fran Lyness and Matthew Hall

JUNETEENTH: Santa Monica celebrated Juneteenth with its annual event at Virginia Ave. Park on Saturday. Longtime resident LaVerne Ross brought the celebration to the City after growing up with the tradition in Texas. Juneteenth is known as America's second Independence Day, the oldest known celebration commemorating the ending of slavery in the United States. The first Juneteenth in Santa Monica was held in 1992 as a small observance. Over the years, thanks to LaVerne's dedication and leadership, the event has grown into an important annual tribute that brings together Santa Monica's Black community. This year's event included music, food, booths and educational activities throughout the day.

Pier officials want to reel in donors to support annual budget

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

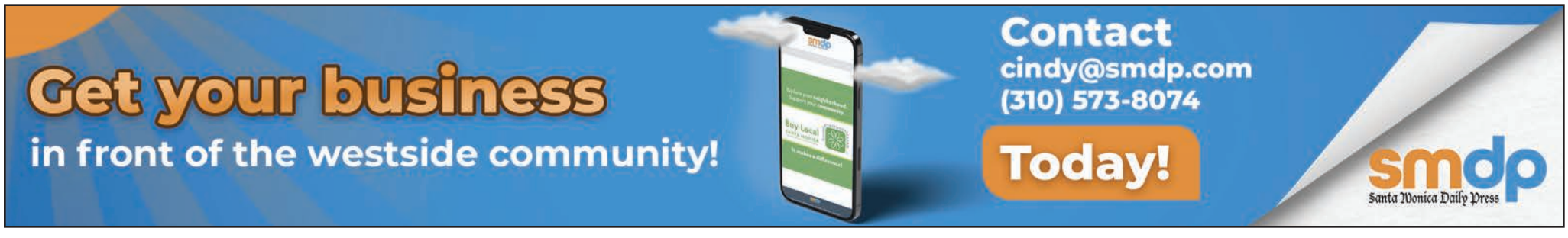
The Santa Monica Pier is expanding its search for revenue following two years of sobering financials and the entity is considering an active push into community donations, expanded retail offerings and continued use of its space as a rental venue to provide fiscal stability.

While the City owns the property, the nonprofit Santa Monica Pier Corporation (SMPC) is responsible for managing various programs and services at the Santa Monica Pier under a Services Agreement with the City. They handle marketing, community programming, coordination of filming and private events, and street performer lotteries. The SMPC submitted its annual budget and work plan for the fiscal year 2023-24 to the City Council for review and approval prompting questions over plans to cover projected shortfalls.

The budget includes revenues from various sources such as rentals, promotions, partnerships, filming, grants, and sales of merchandise and food/beverages. Expenses cover personnel, facility charges, programming, marketing, merchandise, and contingencies.

The SMPC's budget for the upcoming year projects total revenues of $1,912,000 and estimated expenditures of $1,945,000, resulting in a projected shortfall of $33,000. This deficit will be covered by SMPC reserve funds.

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How fresh will CalFresh be? Food benefits on the table in state budget talks

RYA JETHA
Special to the Daily Press

Every Thursday at the Fairfield Farmers' Market, many customers don't pay for their produce with cash, credit card, or Apple Pay. Instead, they go to the information booth, swipe their CalFresh EBT card, and receive paper coupons to spend on produce.

Under Market Match, California food aid recipients get up to $10 in matching money, which means they have at least $20 to spend each week at the local farmers market.

"We already spent $200 on meat and cheese at Costco," said Mitzi Castillo, who lives in Fairfield with two young daughters. "If I didn't have Market Match, they would have to wait until next week to eat fruits and vegetables when my husband gets paid."

Castillo buys cherries, strawberries and blueberries from one of the many farmers who also benefit from the program, which brings customers and more cash to more than 270 farmers' markets across the state.

"For me, I get more money, and for the people who use it, they can feed their family more," said Salvador Navarro, a Stockton farmer who said he earns up to $300 with Market Match at Fairfield Farmers' Market. , more than enough to cover the cost of his position.

Along with his positions in the Bay Area, Navarro says he makes $50,000, or a quarter of his income each season, from CalFresh and



Photo by Semantha Norris, CalMatters

FOOD: A customer picks produce at the farmers' market in Fairfield on June 15, 2023.

Market Match clients.

Market Match is the largest recipient of funds from the California Nutrition Incentive Program, which is run by the California Department of Food and Agriculture. In 2022, the program provided about 38 million servings of fruits and vegetables to CalFresh participants, representing $19.5 million in CalFresh and Market Match spending at farmers markets across the state.

However, like many initiatives, the fate of Market Match and other healthy eating and nutrition programs is changing as legislative leaders and Governor Gavin Newsom negotiate the final state budget while addressing a $31.5 billion deficit .

Although the plan that congressional Democrats pushed through Thursday includes $35 million for the incentive program, advocates, CalFresh recipients and farmers fear the money won't be in the final budget.

"What we're doing now is trying to get the governor's attention," said Minni Forman, director of Market Match, which also includes community groups coordinated by the nonprofit Ecology Center. If the program is not funded in the final budget, Forman says the program will once again raise funds in the philanthropic world, which could mean a significant reduction and even the end of Market Match.

"I'm concerned and I'm fighting as hard as they are to make sure it's (part of the final budget)," Assembly Budget Committee Chairman Phil Ting told CalMatters.

The San Francisco Democrat authored the 2015 law creating the incentive program that Market Match now funds and also championed additional funding in 2018.

Ting declined to comment on the status of ongoing negotiations between legislative

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‘It was hell’: Hostage freed after years in Africa recounts ordeal and frustrations with US response

ERIC TUCKER
Associated Press

The Islamic extremists drove up to the American missionary’s home in Niger under the cover of evening, gunning down two guards who stood watch. Jeff Woodke recalls seeing the muzzle blasts and hearing the screams before being thrown into a pickup truck that then sped away.

So began more than six years of captivity, a period in which he says he was beaten, locked in chains for hours a day and pressured repeatedly to convert to Islam and endured self-imposed hunger strikes.

“It was hell,” said Woodke, 62, who was released in March. “I think the hardest part was knowing that my family, if they were alive, they were suffering too.” As time progressed, he said, he began to feel that “it’s better for me to be dead than continue putting them through suffering. And that feeling grew and grew and grew. The last year I was there, I was asking them to kill me.”

But the ordeal, he and his wife say, was compounded by years of frustrating interactions with the U.S. government back home. They say they believe FBI officials withheld information about negotiations with the captors and provided what they felt was inadequate help and guidance about raising money for a ransom. The agitation boiled over in a Zoom call weeks before Woodke’s release when his wife, Els, said she vented to Secretary of State Antony Blinken about a ransom process she asserted favored the rich.

“I said, if it was you that had been kidnapped, you would be free in a week because your wife is free to take from your money and buy you free,” she recalled saying. “So because you are rich, you can pay the ransom. But a poor person is never able to do that.”

The Woodkes spoke recently to The Associated Press in a joint interview in which they shared previously unreported details about his captivity, the family’s conversations with U.S. officials and his more recent challenges reintegrating into society.

At a time when the plight of detained Americans is receiving unprecedented attention, the couple’s frustration shows the government’s uneven success in navigating relationships with hostage families, despite a 2015 policy overhaul designed to improve communications and to ease concerns that ransom payments could result in criminal prosecution. Their statements represent a rare public airing of the delicate and tense interactions that often precede a detainee’s release.

The FBI declined to address the Woodkes’ specific claims but said it had worked “tirelessly” to bring Woodke home and was happy he was reunited with his family: “We are committed to continuing to support Jeff and his family.” The State Department confirmed Blinken and Els Woodke had had multiple conversations but declined to discuss the substance.

American officials have said little about the circumstances of Woodke’s release, noting only that it was a collaborative effort and that the U.S. government did not pay a ransom or make other concessions. Woodke was freed alongside a French journalist, Olivier Dubois, even as other hostages remain in the area. Woodke was similarly circumspect, saying that he doesn’t know with certainty what led to his release but that he was recovered by French forces.

Woodke’s work as a missionary and aid worker in some ways made him a natural kidnapping target, especially in the vast, semiarid expanse below the Sahara Desert known as the Sahel, where Islamic extremists have long used abductions and ransom money to fund jihadi operations.

As a result, he had taken precautions over his three decades in the area, including maintaining contact with the State Department and local embassy about security risks.

Still, on the evening of Oct. 14, 2016, he was ambushed at home in Abalak, Niger, by extremists who killed two guards at the property. He said he tried to run but wound up being seized, dragged by the wrist, his body scraping against the ground, and tossed into a truck that drove toward the border with Mali.

He spent his captivity traded among extremist groups operating under the umbrella of JNIM, an al-Qaida-aligned insurgent organization. He kept track of time through a sundial during the day and stars at night, though he says he was given a watch near the end of his detention. He initially prayed eight hours a day. That amount dwindled as time passed, when he began praying for death.

He said he spent hours chained in isolation under a tree — “You ever had a lightning storm with chains on your feet? That’ll get you,” he said ruefully — and spent time in a tiny hut.

“When they were nice to me was only because they were preaching,” Woodke said. “They told me repeatedly, ‘We’ll be nice to you if you convert. The chains will come off if you convert.’”

Early in his captivity, he said he recorded the first of several proof-of-life videos for his family as his wife interacted with FBI crisis negotiators working the case.

But Els Woodke and the private hostage negotiator she was working with, Robert Klamser, said in the interview that they felt the FBI kept them at bay during negotiations, misleading them about the scope of demands and withholding information as they and a third-party government they did not identify worked to communicate with the militants and receive their conditions.

Klamser said they learned in 2021, belatedly, that the captors had demanded as part of the negotiations a ransom payment of 3 million euros and the release of prisoners from West African jails. He said negotiators acting without the family’s input succeeded in getting the demand for the prisoner release dropped, achieving on one hand a U.S. policy objective but also resulting in a doubled ransom demand of 6 million euros — an even more untenable amount for Els Woodke, a teacher’s assistant.

As she embarked on raising a ransom, she said she was told she was free to do so but had to personally approach potential donors, a requirement she considered overly burdensome. She said the FBI would not offer written reassurances that no one involved in raising the ransom would be prosecuted, which she and Klamser said was important for prospective donors.

She never paid a ransom, lamenting during a 2021 appearance in Washington that government “restrictions” had hindered her ability to raise a sufficient sum.

“I tried. I wrote letters personally to people, the people that I knew,” she said in the interview. “I tried because I wanted to try anything and not leave one stone unturned.”

The Obama administration, reacting to the beheading deaths of Western hostages by Islamic State operatives, crafted in 2015 a new policy meant to at least tacitly reassure families that though the U.S. government does not condone ransom payments, it also would not prosecute families who made them. While no families have faced charges, hostage relatives in surveys over the last decade have nonetheless cited lingering confusion over the policy.

The release, under circumstances neither the White House nor the French government fully explained, came March 20, when Woodke said he was driven in a Toyota pickup truck with Dubois, the French hostage, to the western border of Niger and set free. White House National Security Council spokesman John Kirby described it as the culmination of “hard, grueling, deliberate work.”

Woodke has returned home to McKinleyville, California, but adjustments have been hard. He’s grappling with leg injuries and steep bills for medical and dental treatment. Even something as simple as acquiring a driver’s license took months. He says he hasn’t felt sufficiently helped by the government, though he says the office of the State Department’s special envoy for hostage affairs has provided support. Klamser says there are plans to raise money from friends and supporters to offset the cost of mounting expenses.

“We’re not things, we’re not bargaining chips, we’re not cases — we’re people,” Woodke said. “We don’t want to sit under trees in chains. Our families don’t want to have to suffer.”

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.

ON MAY 26 AT 3:10PM

Officer were flagged down by multiple beachgoers near Lifeguard Tower 16 just south of the Santa Monica Pier for a nude male. Officer located the subject, Hector Ricardo Gonzalez, 28 years old, who began to run when approached by officers. Officers arrested Gonzalez who had no clothes and transported him the to Santa Monica Jail for public nudity.

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Biden plans 4 fundraisers in San Francisco area as he revs up 2024 campaign

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Associated Press

President Joe Biden ramps up his reelection effort this week with four fundraisers in the San Francisco area, as his campaign builds up its coffers and lays strategic foundations for 2024.

In the back half of June, Biden's campaign will have over 20 fundraisers involving the president, Vice President Kamala Harris, first lady Jill Biden and second gentleman Douglas Emhoff, according to a person involved in Biden's travel plans who insisted on anonymity to discuss the schedule.

More than half of the fundraisers are with the president, who will also be traveling to New York, Maryland and Illinois. Biden hit the themes of his campaign at a Friday fundraising event in Connecticut, saying his goal is to do more to tell voters about his legislative accomplishments with infrastructure, computer chip production and programs for responding to climate change, among other policies.

"There's a lot we've done," Biden said Friday. "We just got to let many people know we've done it and be straight with people. Just be as straight as we can."

The fundraising blitz follows Biden's first campaign rally on Saturday in Philadelphia, where he was endorsed by key unions — the event highlighting a pivotal constituency in the largest population center of a critical battleground state. It was meant as an early display of enthusiasm for Biden's campaign, and a venue for him to interact directly with voters before he spends much of the rest of the month meeting with deep-pocketed benefactors.

The flurry of engagements comes ahead of the end of the fundraising quarter at the end of the month — and Biden's campaign finance report in July will provide the first test of Democratic donor enthusiasm for his reelection effort.

Biden, unlike Trump and other 2024 GOP contenders, has not revealed any clues about his fundraising haul since declaring his candidacy in April. And his campaign launch was timed to avoid having to file a campaign finance report for the first quarter, a historically rough fundraising period.

For the first time in U.S, elections, Biden has joint fundraising agreements with all 50 state Democratic parties and the branch in Washington, D.C., an arrangement that can help maximize donations while minimizing expenses in the early months of the campaign. It's part of a broader effort to unite a diverse Democratic coalition behind Biden as the Republicans undergo what could be a large and divisive primary.

"While MAGA Republicans burn cash in their primary, competing for whose agenda is the most extreme, the president's campaign will be capitalizing on the opportunity to raise significant resources," said Biden's campaign manager Julie C. Rodriguez, referring to Donald Trump's "Make America Great Again" slogan.

Separately, Rodriguez is traveling across the U.S. to meet with donors, local officials and community leaders to help align the coalition. Along with other campaign officials, the tour begins in Atlanta and will include Boston, Minneapolis, Philadelphia, Los Angeles and St. Louis.

Not all of Biden's time in San Francisco will be devoted to the campaign. On Monday, he'll go to the Lucy Evans Baylands Nature Interpretive Center and Preserve in Palo Alto, California. He plans to tour the coastal wetland area and announce $600 million for projects to address climate change, according to the White House.

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Americans mark Juneteenth with parties, events and quiet reflection on the end of slavery

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Associated Press

Americans across the country this weekend celebrated Juneteenth, marking the relatively new national holiday with cookouts, parades and other gatherings as they commemorated the end of slavery after the Civil War.

While many have treated the long holiday weekend as a reason for a party, others urged quiet reflection on America's often violent and oppressive treatment of its Black citizens. And still others have remarked at the strangeness of celebrating a federal holiday marking the end of slavery in the nation while many Americans are trying to stop parts of that history from being taught in public schools.

"Is #Juneteenth the only federal holiday that some states have banned the teaching of its history and significance?" author Michelle Duster asked on Twitter, referring to measures in Florida, Oklahoma and Alabama prohibiting an Advancement Placement African American studies course or the teaching of certain concepts of race and racism.

Monday's federal holiday commemorated the day in 1865 when enslaved people in Galveston, Texas, learned they had been freed — two years after the Emancipation Proclamation was issued during the bloody Civil War.

> "In order to have justice we must work for peace. And in order to have peace we must work for justice"
>
> - John Thorne, executive director of the Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance

On Juneteenth weekend, a Roman Catholic church in Detroit devoted its service to urging parishioners to take a deeper look at the lessons from the holiday.

"In order to have justice we must work for peace. And in order to have peace we must work for justice," John Thorne, executive director of the Detroit Catholic Pastoral Alliance, said to the congregation at Gesu Catholic Church in Detroit.

Standing before paintings of a Black Jesus and Mary, Thorne said Juneteenth is a day of celebration, but it also "has to be much more."

It was important to speak about Juneteenth during Sunday Mass, the Rev. Lorn Snow told a reporter as the service was ending.

"The struggle is still not over with. There's a lot of work to be done," he said.

Most Black Americans agree, according to a recent poll. A full 70% of Black adults queried in a AP-NORC poll said "a lot" needs to be done to achieve equal treatment for African Americans in policing. And Black Americans suffer from significantly worse health outcomes than their white peers across a variety of measures, including rates of maternal mortality, asthma, high blood pressure and Alzheimer's disease.

Other events to mark the holiday included a CNN special where Vice President Kamala Harris was scheduled to appear, along with musical guests including Miguel and Charlie Wilson.

Although end-of-slavery celebrations are new in many parts of the country, in Memphis, where the slave trade once thrived, the Juneteenth holiday has been celebrated since long before it became a designated federal holiday in 2021. The Tennessee Legislature passed a bill earlier this year making it a state holiday, as well.

Events there include a multi day festival including food, music, arts and crafts, and cultural exhibitions in a tree-lined park in the city's medical district. The Memphis park once held an equestrian statue and the grave of slave trader and Confederate general Nathan Bedford Forrest. The statue and the body were moved in recent years.

Memphis is home to the National Civil Rights Museum located at the site of the old Lorraine Motel, the former Black-owned hotel where the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr. was killed in 1968. The museum offered free admission Monday to mark the holiday. At the museum, visitors can hear recorded speeches from civil rights leaders including King, Fannie Lou Hamer, Medgar Evers and others.

Ryan Jones, the museum's associate curator, said Juneteenth should be celebrated in the U.S. with the same emphasis that July 4 receives as Independence Day.

"It is the independence of a people that were forced to endure oppression and discrimination based on the color of their skin," Jones said.

The Juneteenth holiday, Jones said, should also be viewed as more than a day when people attend parties and cookouts. In fact, he said, it is a time to reflect on the past.

"It acknowledges the sacrifices of those early civil rights veterans between World War I and World War II, and of course in modern society, the protests, the demonstrations, the non-violence, the marches," Jones said.

In New York, a hybrid event in Central Park on Monday celebrated the 50th anniversary of hip-hop, with an emphasis on the local Black's community's impact on the genre. The event capped off a packed weekend of festivities that saw a growing number of collaborators working together to

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Deep-sea craft carrying 5 people to Titanic wreckage reported missing, search underway

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ASSOCIATED PRESS

A rescue operation was underway deep in the waters of the Atlantic Ocean on Monday in search of a technologically advanced submersible vessel carrying five people to document the wreckage of the Titanic, the iconic ocean liner that sank more than a century ago.

The vessel was reported overdue Sunday night about 435 miles south of St. John's, Newfoundland, according to Canada's Joint Rescue Coordination Centre in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Lt. Cmdr. Len Hickey said a Canadian Coast Guard vessel and military aircraft were assisting the search effort, which was being led by the U.S. Coast Guard in Boston.

Rear Adm. John Mauger, a commander for the U.S. Coast Guard, said additional resources would arrive in the coming days.

"It is a remote area — and it is a challenge to conduct a search in that remote area," he said. "But we are deploying all available assets to make sure we can locate the craft and rescue the people on board."

According to the Coast Guard, the craft submerged Sunday morning, and its support vessel lost contact with it about an hour and 45 minutes later.

The submersible was operated by OceanGate Expeditions.

David Concannon, an adviser to OceanGate, said the submersible had an 96-hour oxygen supply starting at roughly 6 a.m. Sunday. In an email to The Associated Press, Concannon said he was supposed to be on the dive but could not go due to another client matter. He said officials were working to get a remotely operated vehicle that can reach a depth of 6,000 meters (about 20,000 feet) to the site as soon as possible.

OceanGate's expeditions to the Titanic wreck site include archaeologists and marine biologists. The company also brings people who pay to come along, known as "mission specialists." They take turns operating sonar equipment and performing other tasks in the five-person submersible. The Coast Guard said Monday that there was one pilot and four "mission specialists" aboard.

OceanGate said its focus was on those aboard and their families.

"We are deeply thankful for the extensive assistance we have received from several government agencies and deep sea companies in our efforts to reestablish contact with the submersible," said a written statement from the company.

U.K. businessman Hamish Harding was one of the mission specialists, according to Action Aviation, a company for which Harding serves as chairman. The company's managing director, Mark Butler, told the AP that the crew set out on Friday.

"There is still plenty of time to facilitate a rescue mission, there is equipment on board for survival in this event," Butler said. "We're all hoping and praying he comes back safe and sound."

Harding is an adventurer who holds three Guinness World Records, including longest duration at full ocean depth by a crewed vessel. In March 2021, he and ocean explorer Victor Vescovo dived to the lowest depth of the Mariana Trench. In June 2022, he went into space on Blue Origin's New Shepard rocket.

The expedition was OceanGate's third annual voyage to chronicle the deterioration of Titanic, which struck an iceberg and sank in 1912, killing all but about 700 of the roughly 2,200 passengers and crew. Since the wreckage's discovery in 1985, it has been slowly succumbing to metal-eating bacteria. Some have predicted the ship could vanish in a matter of decades as holes yawn in the hull and sections disintegrate.

The initial group of tourists in 2021 paid $100,000 to $150,000 apiece to go on the trip.

Unlike submarines that leave and return to port under their own power, submersibles require a ship to launch and recover them. OceanGate hired the Canadian vessel Polar Prince, a medium duty icebreaker that was formerly operated by the Canadian Coast Guard, to ferry dozens of people and the submersible craft to the North Atlantic wreck site. The submersible would make multiple dives in one expedition.

The expedition was scheduled to depart from St. John's, Newfoundland, in early May and finish up at the end of June, according to documents filed by the company in April with a U.S. District Court in Virginia that oversees Titanic matters.

The submersible, named Titan, is capable of diving 4,000 meters or 13,120 feet "with a comfortable safety margin," OceanGate said in its court filing.

It weighs 20,000 pounds in the air, but is ballasted to be neutrally buoyant once it reaches the seafloor, the company said.

The Titan is made of "titanium and filament wound carbon fiber" and has proven to "withstand the enormous pressures of the deep ocean," OceanGate stated. OceanGate told the court that Titan's viewport is "the largest of any deep diving submersible" and that its technology provides an "unrivaled view" of the deep ocean.

In a May 2021 court filing, OceanGate said the Titan had an "unparalleled safety feature" that assesses the integrity of the hull throughout every dive.

At the time of the filing, Titan had undergone more than 50 test dives, including to the equivalent depth of the Titanic, in deep waters off the Bahamas and in a pressure chamber, the company said.

During its expedition in 2022, OceanGate reported that the submersible had a battery issue on its first dive, and had to be manually attached to its lifting platform, according to a November court filing.

"In the high sea state, the submersible sustained modest damage to its external components and OceanGate decided to cancel the second mission for repairs and operational enhancements," the filing stated.

More missions, however, followed. The company reported that 28 people visited the wreck site last year.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Editor,

So garbage rates can increase 11%/year for 5 years while rents are restricted to 3%/year. How is that fair or reasonable?

Jan Ludwinski, Ocean Park

Editor:

I hesitate to tether my name to an injustice as it then lives forever by the graces of the internet, but the garbage collection fees are unfair. Simply put, we pay for service we do not get.

Post-covid labor shortages have challenged the regularity of Santa Monica refuse collection. Trucks do not always show up and empty containers and the City knows this. I have experienced missed collections with commercial receptacles on multiple occasions, and this was likely more evident during Covid. Yet the City has never discounted fees to individuals who they know suffered reduced collections. While I can suppose the City would act if a complaint were made, it should not be left to individuals to police City agencies in an effort to ensure they are receiving the services they pay for.

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from the Colorado River and those levels are not recovering quite at the same pace. There are some projections that say that it may never recover in our lifetimes. So continuing with conservation really ensures that we are ahead of the curve and we're prepared for some of our imported water to maybe not recover."

As such, Kureishy recommended the city adopt the 2023 Annual Water Shortage Assessment Report and remain at a "Stage 2 Water Shortage Level" that continues to require a 20 percent reduction in water use per the City's 2020 Water Shortage Contingency Plan, which was adopted by City Council in June 2021.

"How is this going to affect us going forward?" Councilmember Christine Parra asked, adding, "Within the next eight years, we're going to have 9,000 new units, so how is that going to affect our supply and will it raise rates?"

Sunny Wang, Water Resources Manager at City of Santa Monica explained that development was factored into the 2020 urban water management plan and it probably increased predicted demand by about 10 percent.

"So, it's really about how much more we can advance our water conservation programs and that's what our staff is currently working on, the city's first water conservation master plan to get us there.

"But we're actually in pretty good shape, our residents have been great at conserving water and that's a big part of the picture," Wang said, before explaining in a roundabout manner that the more we conserve, the lower our rates will be. "In terms of our rates and what they might look like, we are improving our control over these, but we're embarking on a [more comprehensive] rate study later this year."

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Santa Monica's state of the art Sustainable Water Infrastructure Project (SWIP), while promising to significantly increase the City's capacity to capture and reuse water, is still awaiting official activation with no timeline in place as testing and inspection continues.

"We're hoping that it'll be in full production mode by the end of June or early summer," Wang told the Daily Press at the Heal the Bay event last week. "We're still going into the final testing phase of the regulator, given the first of its kind nature of these projects, there's just a lot of testing. Even the results from DDW [Division of Drinking Water] require further scrutiny before they're comfortable enough to give us the okay to send that water in the system."

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TITANIC

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Experts said Monday that rescuers face steep challenges.

Alistair Greig, a professor of marine engineering at University College London, said submersibles typically have a drop weight, which is "a mass they can release in the case of an emergency to bring them up to the surface using buoyancy."

"If there was a power failure and/or communication failure, this might have happened, and the submersible would then be bobbing about on the surface waiting to be found," Greig said.

Another scenario is a leak in the pressure hull, in which case the prognosis is not good, he said.

"If it has gone down to the seabed and can't get back up under its own power, options are very limited," Greig said. "While the submersible might still be intact, if it is beyond the continental shelf, there are very few vessels that can get that deep, and certainly not divers."

Even if they could go that deep, he doubts they could attach to the hatch of OceanGate's submersible.

Chris Parry, a retired navy rear admiral from the U.K., told Sky News the rescue was "a very difficult operation."

"The actual nature of the seabed is very undulating. Titanic herself lies in a trench. There's lots of debris around. So trying to differentiate with sonar in particular and trying to target the area you want to search in with another submersible is going to be very difficult indeed."

JUNETEENTH

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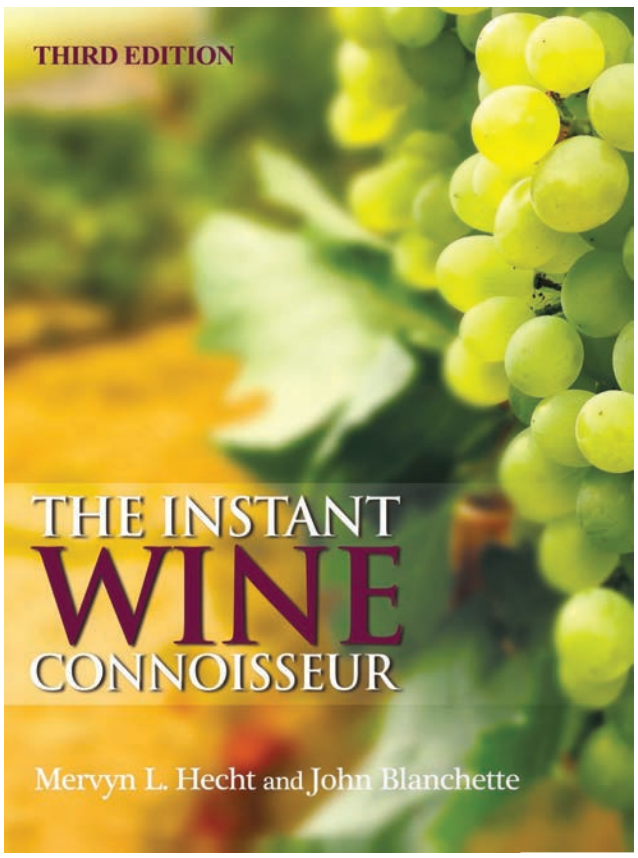
spread awareness of the holiday, according to Athenia Rodney, the founder of the nonprofit group Juneteenth NYC

After three days of marches, barbecues and cultural showcases, Rodney said she planned to spend Monday at home, reflecting on the historical roots of the holiday and how much has changed.

"Juneteenth isn't just about a party or a festival, it's about how we bring the community together under the umbrella of unity," Rodney said.

As Americans gathered to mark the holiday, at least one event was marked by violence. In the Chicago suburb of Willowbrook, Illinois, on Saturday night, one person was killed and 22 were injured in a shooting where hundreds had gathered for a Juneteenth celebration.

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Pride month at Ginger Rogers Beach



Constance Farrell

TOWER: Los Angeles County Supervisor Lindsey P. Horvath was joined by the ONE Archives Foundation, Assemblymember Rick Chavez Zbur, and Los Angeles County departments to celebrate Ginger Rogers Beach, an important place in Los Angeles history as a beachside sanctuary and gathering place for our LGBTQ+ community. Two Progress Pride-painted lifeguard towers were unveiled with interpretive signage detailing how Gingers Rogers Beach has served as a destination for LGBTQ+ activism and respite dating back to the 1940s.

PIER

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The budget showed a comparison with the previous year, indicating that the FY 2022-23 actuals are expected to end with a surplus of $52,000 instead of the projected deficit of $15,000.

The Pier's Executive Director, Jim Harris, said rentals have been the backbone of Pier financing for years and he said the same strong booking trend that saved last year's budget is expected to contribute to, and potentially resolve, this year's projected shortfall.

While event rentals are hard to predict, he said film permits have also been a highly variable, if valuable, asset to the budget.

However, he said a surprise donation prompted a new line of thought for Pier revenues.

"This year, we actually, by surprise, were awarded a generous donation from somebody who was involved with the Pier's past. So we're going to turn our focus toward that, towards reaching out for for more donations, because we feel that people love the Pier to a degree and we're a nonprofit so it's tax deductible. Also, we're going to create create unique and special merchandise items," he said.

He said additional bookings had already come in since the budget was prepared that will help offset the shortfall shown on paper and film permits are also increasing.

"One of the one of the things that we learned while the pier parking deck was closed to parking was that it was actually a very good space for base camps for smaller film shoots. And and that's just added revenue," he said.

The Pier's proposed work plan outlines the activities and programs the SMPC plans to undertake during the fiscal year. The focus this year will be on expanding free public programming, community engagement, and introducing a new historical walking tour of the Pier in addition to developing new revenue sources.

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PIER: The Pier is looking for new funding sources.



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CALFRESH

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leaders and the Newsom administration, as did Senate budget chair Nancy Skinner , D-Oakland.

Sen. Melissa Hurtado , D-Bakersfield, stressed the importance of the $35 million nutrition incentive program, calling it a "priority" and noting her bill to make it official state policy so everyone has access to enough healthy food.

Maintaining Market Match funding is also a priority for California farmers promoting the #FundCNIP campaign . They include Jeff

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> - Jeff Nielsen

Nielsen, an organic avocado farmer who runs the Cambria Farmers Market and three other markets. He says that because of the program, people who don't traditionally go to farmers markets find food they like and keep coming back.

"They will get $10, $20, even $30 (in products) from the marketplace, which is a huge profit," Nielsen said. "For every local that comes each week, you support them, the farmers, and the community.".

Concerns about the possible demise of Market Match and other healthy food incentive programs are growing amid broader concerns that California faces a " catastrophic hunger crisis " as additional pandemic-era CalFresh benefits roll out. they come to an end. Even with those added benefits, 20% of Californians experienced food insecurity in 2021 . This year, the number is expected to rise rapidly.

Last week, US Secretary of Health and Human Services Xavier Becerra visited Sacramento to address food insecurity and nutritional inequities.

"I know the governor has been moving to try to address those social needs, including food insecurity for so many Californians," Becerra, a former state attorney general and member of Congress, said at a news conference. "I don't think my state, which I'm very proud of, is going to give up trying to get people moving in the right direction, and that of course has to include healthy food."

WHERE IS FOOD AID IN THE BUDGET?

So far, the Legislature has passed the governor's more modest hunger-fighting proposals, including creating a summer program for eligible households to receive $40 per month in food assistance benefits for each child, a substantial reduction from the $125 per child. month for each child. that families received last summer. Lawmakers also approved the expansion of California's food assistance program for undocumented immigrants age 55 and older, beginning in late 2025.

Overall, the Governor's May budget proposal included a total of $2.7 billion in state and federal funding for hunger programs. However, the Legislature's budget includes a variety of food benefits that the Governor did not include:

$35 million for the incentive program that Market Match funds and a handful of other incentive programs;

$30 million for a CalFresh minimum $50 benefit pilot program;

$9.9 million for a broader California fruit and vegetable EBT pilot program;

$3 million to extend a CalFresh program to purchase safe drinking water.

The original proposal to increase the minimum CalFresh benefit from $23 to $50 per month statewide was estimated to cost $95 million. However, the Legislature's budget deal includes only $30 million, enough for a pilot program in some counties. As budget negotiations continue, there is some doubt that even the reduced $30 million will get it done.

"I recognize that with the budget deficit it will be difficult to include it," Sen. Caroline Menjivar , the Van Nuys Democrat who authored the minimum benefits bill, told CalMatters in a recent interview . "But the impact is so big, if this is approved and funding is obtained."

While Market Match focuses on farmers markets and uses coupons and tokens, the California Fruit and Vegetable EBT Pilot Project borrows a model pioneered by Massachusetts to promote nutritious shopping at grocery stores.

Eli Zigas, director of food and agricultural policy at SPUR, a nonprofit policy research institute , says CalFresh recipients predominantly shop at big box stores and supermarkets. The trial program allows recipients to earn money back directly on their EBT cards after purchasing fruits and vegetables at authorized grocery stores.

The pilot program plans to have more than 80 locations up and running by the end of the summer, but Zigas is concerned that the final budget could delay efforts to make the program permanent and statewide. Last year, when the state ran a record budget surplus, the program received $120 million. This year, supporters asked for $94 million over two years, but received $9.9 million in the Legislature's budget.

Back at the Fairfield Farmers' Market last week, Gurdial Singh, 82, walked from stall to stall, using her Market Match coupons to buy vegetables. "My wife and I are cooking dinner together tonight with zucchini, eggplant and cucumbers," he said. "We really enjoyed this program as seniors."

Luis Nava, market manager for the Pacific Coast Farmers Market Association who works at the Fairfield Farmers Market, said he wants to send a message to the governor:

"We need this program to help low-income families, and if it goes away, it will take food off our children's tables. We need it. We really, really need it."

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (June 20

You'll embody the art of life with the dance of constantly readjusting to your surroundings. The circumstance you've been waiting for comes together. More highlights: You'll thrive in a team, or in partnerships with others who share your high standards. A sweet someone will work to earn your favor. Family makes you proud. Virgo and Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 4, 2, 22 and 16.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). No one will continue indefinitely to be the exact same person they are today. Relationships and deals will change over time. Enemies become allies and vice versa. Stay open-minded about where things are going.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You have knowledge to share, but wait until they ask for it. Right now, what they want is an exchange of emotion. With this idea at the front of your mind, your interactions will go well. You'll fall into an easy rhythm and relate from the heart.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Since you can only tweak your offerings to meet the demand if you understand what the demand is in the first place, you'll listen closely to what people need and want. You'll ask for clarification along the way.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your unique perspective sets you apart from the crowd in a good way. But even though you're admired and respected, it gets lonely out there. Make efforts to connect with people. Dwell conversationally in the places of agreement.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Art doesn't have to be high-brow to evoke emotions and experiences. From literature to gaming, movies to dance and beyond, the art you're drawn to will allow you to transcend time and connect people across different cultures and eras.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The gates to all the best places are locked. Nobody will hand over a golden key — and that's the good news. It's the challenge to your ingenuity that starts you on the road to fun, self-development and success.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The situation that requires attention may not be the same one that's asking for it. Scan your scene, looking for subtle signs that something isn't working quite right or is due for maintenance. You'll solve problems preemptively.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). What good is a talent if you don't use it? You'll get the chance to apply your skill to help or delight people. And if you have yet to discover your power, today's events will point you in the right direction.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll dig for treasure and find it in abundance. Of course, it helps when you already know your definition of "treasure" exists where you're mining. Set low expectations and leave room for life to surprise you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). If you wait for someone else to come up with the exciting idea or make a spontaneous move, you'll wait forever. Today, it will fall to you to be the fun one. You'll show initiative and people will follow you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). When you were small and didn't understand how to get around in the world, someone looked out for you and kept you safe. Now you'll pay it forward by being a guide and guardian to others.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Familiar things and strange things will meld together to provide you with an experience that's "comfortable with a twist." Shared novelty will start the bonds of friendship.

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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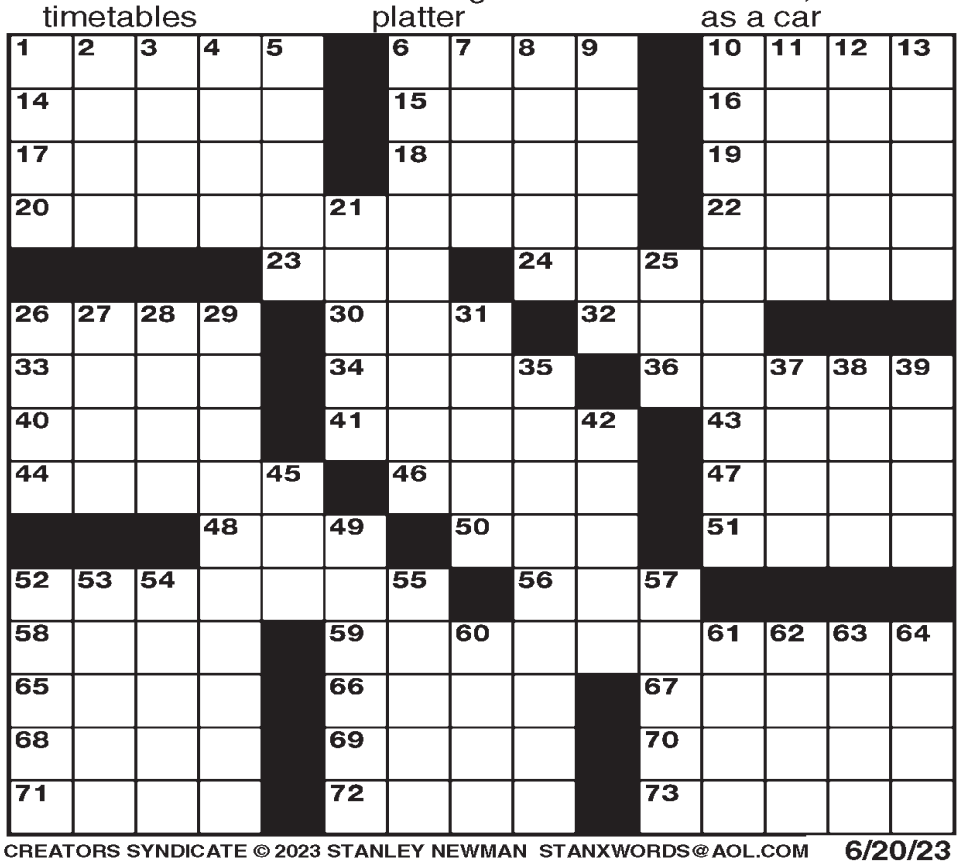
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Newsday Crossword

SELF-STARTERS by Sally R. Stein
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ACROSS
1 Takes a break
6 Strike with an open palm
10 Piece of hosiery
14 Money spent
15 Pepsi or Coke
16 "Once __ a time . . ."
17 Hiker's path
18 Mustache or sideburns
19 Widespread popularity
20 Self-__ (trust in one's own abilities)
22 Run away from danger
23 Performed
24 Persuades to volunteer
26 Verified an age, in a bar
30 Cashew or almond
32 Tic-__-toe
33 Local sandwich shop
34 Lump of clay
36 "Me too!"
40 Cheaper
41 Four-door car
43 Makes a mistake
44 Standing very straight
46 Just average
47 Hammer's target
48 Rustic hotel
50 Large body of salt water
51 Keyboarding mistake
52 Brought home, as a shelter dog
56 "Mamma __!"
58 Aspirin tablet
59 Self-__ (country's rule by its own people)
65 "Me, myself, __"
66 Author unknown: Abbr.
67 Prohibited thing
68 Horse rider's strap
69 "Nothing __!" ("Easy!")
70 Middle-arm joint
71 Oak or maple
72 Takeoff hour guesses: Abbr.
73 Student's work stations

DOWN
1 College military program: Abbr.
2 Money in Spain or France
3 __ Lee of Marvel Comics
4 Workweek-ending shout
5 __ as a rock (well-built)
6 Bus or train timetables
7 Cash advance
8 Wonderland girl
9 Mother or father
10 Self-__ (needing no outside help)
11 Whitish gems
12 Celestial streaker with a tail
13 Middle-leg joints
21 Minor fender bumps
25 Young boy
26 Doing nothing
27 Antlered animal
28 "When all __ fails . . ."
29 Self-__ (ability to control yourself)
31 Commotions
35 Houses' lower levels
37 Serving platter
38 Lose one's balance
39 Capital of Norway
42 Why a tire is flat
45 Explosive initials
49 Cancel out
52 In separate places
53 Restaurant patron
54 Any nostalgic song
55 "__ DISTURB" (sign on a hotel room door)
57 Paid for a poker hand
60 Null and __
61 Ram or rooster
62 Gradually recedes
63 Cozy corner
64 Drags from behind, as a car



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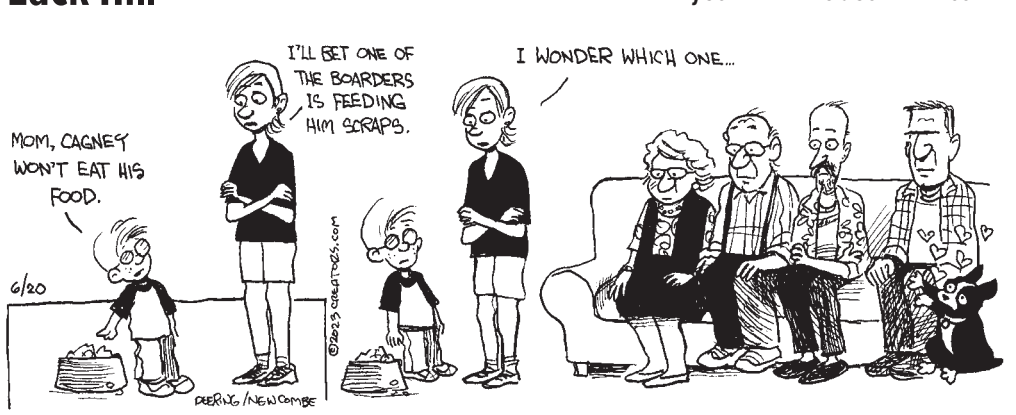
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By PETER GALLAGHER



"THEY'VE HAD A BREAKTHROUGH."

Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING



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 26 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle. © australianwordgames.com.au 5881

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WEDNESDAY | JUNE 21

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. The Commission acts through open and civil discourse that is informed by public input, impartial analysis, and best practices in land use and planning. City Council Chambers Santa Monica, CA.

MAKE MUSIC DAY

Make Music Day is a free celebration of music around the world on the Summer Solstice, June 21. It is the worlds largest annual music event held on the same day in more than 1,000 cities in 120 countries. Colorado Center Park. 4:00 - 8:00 p.m.

THURSDAY | JUNE 22

PASTEL PARTY

Summer is back soon (supposedly)... and so is The Summer Party Series! They are kicking it off this year with a Pastel Party celebrating pink and orange wines. Thursday evening June 22 as they welcome summer, Miami-style! Bodega Wine Bar 814 Broadway. Santa Monica, CA 90401

FRIDAY | JUNE 23

THE IRL SHOW

Finally, a pro-level stand-up comedy show for high school teens 13 and up. Catch comics from Comedy Central, HBO, and late night TV doing their best PG-13 material. Talk to the comics after the show to meet and learn from the best! Tickets: $10 with student ID, $15 general admission PLUS — COME EARLY! The Crow orders pizza for everyone and hosts a free teen open mic at 7pm, the hour before the show. Come by to try it out and get some feedback from a pro-comic! Or hang out and watch and support the mic. The Crow 2525 Michigan Avenue, Unit F4 Santa Monica, CA 90404

SATURDAY | JUNE 24

SANTA MONICA PIER 360 BEACH FESTIVAL

Santa Monica Pier 360 Beach Festival celebrates the best of beach life with an awesome, FREE, all-ages festival! With ocean sports competitions, Polynesian dancing, a one-of-a-kind surf and skate history museum, live music, food and drinks, interactive games, sampling by some of your favorite brands and so much more, Pier 360 offers a peek into iconic SoCal beach culture and brings together thousands of guests for a day of good vibes. Whether you're hanging with the family, competing on land or at sea or partying with your friends–Santa Monica Pier 360 Beach Festival has got it all! Santa Monica Pier 200 Santa Monica Pier Santa Monica, CA 90401.

SAMO PRIDE SAPPHIC ICONS: POETRY MASTERCLASS & WORKSHOP

In honor of SaMo Pride 2023, Santa Monica Cultural Affairs and the Annenberg Community Beach House engage local poets Joshua Jennifer Espinoza and Eileen Elizabeth Espinoza to present a 3-hour masterclass on the lives and work of essential figures in queer women's literature. Annenberg Community Beach House 415 Pacific Coast Hwy Santa Monica, CA 90402

SUNDAY | JUNE 25

SUMMER SOLSTICE GODDESS ACTIVATION

This journey will include cacao medicine, guided group meditation, intention/goal setting, vocal activation practice, a variety of dance and movement to co-create with your inner child, journaling, and the use of high-vibrational music, crystals, and smudging tools to become spiritually ignited by your inner Goddess Life Force. Depart with inspired action steps to integrate daily rituals to transform your entire life. IntoMeSea 1812 Lincoln Blvd Santa Monica, 90404 https://www.eventbrite.com/e/summer-solstice-goddess-activation-tickets-643359394267

MONDAY | JUNE 26

AIRPORT COMMISSION

The Commission acts in an advisory capacity to the City Council in matters pertaining to the administration of Santa Monica Municipal Airport and other aviation matters affecting the City. The Airport Commission meets on the 4th Monday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers, except in August and December when the Commission is in recess. Santa Monica City Hall 1685 Main St. Santa Monica, CA 90401 City Council Chambers.

MONDAY CELLAR NIGHTS AT ESTER'S WINE SHOP & BAR

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SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **65.7**

TUESDAY *FAIR*	**SURF:**	2-3ft+ Thigh to stomach	Morning wind looks a little better than Monday but it is still on the dicey side for the points. Shape could be reasonably broken up for the beachbreaks as long period SSW swell blends with shorter period NW swell mix. A day to watch.
WEDNESDAY *FAIR*	**SURF:**	3-4ft+ Waist to shoulder	Could have lingering eddy wind and dicey conditions — some models are lighter on the E/SE wind so worth watching. Shape is semi peaky/broken up at beachbreaks as SSW swell holds and NW swell mix lingers. Shape best on the tide push.

WEATHER

Tuesday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, cloudy through mid morning.
Tuesday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, increasing clouds, with a low around 59.
Wednesday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 68.
Wednesday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 59.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2023/06/20	Tue	05:59 AM	-0.60	L
2023/06/20	Tue	12:54 PM	3.46	H
2023/06/20	Tue	4:43 PM	2.74	L
2023/06/20	Tue	10:58 PM	5.63	H
2023/06/21	Wed	06:37 AM	-0.36	L
2023/06/21	Wed	1:38 PM	3.47	H
2023/06/21	Wed	5:26 PM	2.83	L
2023/06/21	Wed	11:36 PM	5.29	H
2023/06/22	Thu	07:14 AM	-0.08	L
2023/06/22	Thu	2:24 PM	3.53	H
2023/06/22	Thu	6:17 PM	2.93	L
2023/06/23	Fri	12:16 AM	4.88	H
2023/06/23	Fri	07:51 AM	0.24	L
2023/06/23	Fri	3:11 PM	3.65	H
2023/06/23	Fri	7:21 PM	2.99	L
2023/06/24	Sat	01:01 AM	4.40	H
2023/06/24	Sat	08:29 AM	0.59	L
2023/06/24	Sat	3:55 PM	3.86	H

DAILY LOTTERY

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POWERBALL
Draw Date: 6/17
2 12 45 61 64
Power#: 26
Jackpot: 380 M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 6/16
4 24 34 45 57
Mega#: 19
Jackpot: 300 M

SuperLotto PLUS
Draw Date: 6/17
1 14 21 28 43
Mega#: 3
Jackpot: 69 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 6/18
5 17 21 31 34

Daily 3
Draw Date: 6/18
EVENING: 4 7 8

Draw Date: 6/18
MIDDAY: 3 0 3

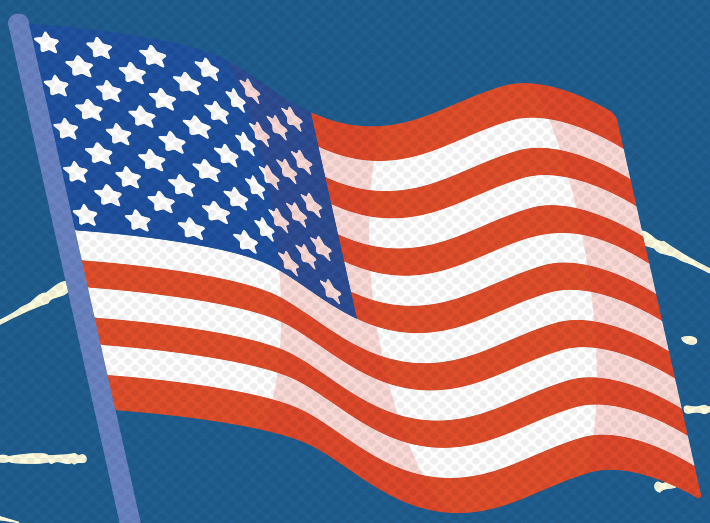
Daily Derby
Draw Date: 6/18
1st: 12 - Lucky Charms
2nd: 07 - Eureka
3rd: 04 - Big Ben
Race Time: 1:47.41

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