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Garcetti visits Boardwalks, gets real about scope of the homeless crisis



Clara Harter

MAYOR: Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti spent time in Venice this week talking about homelessness.

CLARA HARTER
SMDP Staff Writer

Mayor Eric Garcetti strolled along the strip of tents lining the Boardwalk on Tuesday, vowing to flood the area with services and resources, but painting a bleak picture of the greater homeless crisis.

The Mayor of Tuesday morning was far from his chipper and charismatic self. He was a man worn down by a year of pandemic leadership, weeks of protests outside his front door, a federal lawsuit against the City's handling of homelessness, and most recently, national criticism over the spiraling situation on the Boardwalk.

This Garcetti had no bright promises or winning grin to share, but offered fistfuls of realism and several tough pills to swallow.

"You will have the same interview two mayors later, three mayors later, four mayors later and homelessness will still be here unless this country get serious about housing. Full stop," said Garcetti. "You will see violence, mental health, addiction, and everything else unless we provide a true mental health care system."

In addition to housing costs and mental health care, Garcetti pointed to the foster care system, post-war veteran policies, a sexual violence epidemic, and lack of opportunities for the formerly incarcerated as systemic drivers of homelessness. He argued that these factors are broadly outside the City of LA's control, but said he would put his "heart and soul" into helping solve issues around homelessness for the rest of his career.

When it comes to the Boardwalk, that means doubling down on the amount of funding and outreach workers dedicated to moving people into housing through the City's recently launched "Encampment to Home Program".

"I will be co-leading this operation personally with the council office, with our service providers and anybody else who wants to help," said Garcetti. "We are showing up with resurged budgets and resurged resources. You can eat this elephant one bite at a time."

The City's goal is to offer

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Skaggs' family sues Angels, 2 employees for negligence

ASSOCIATED PRESS

The family of former Los Angeles Angels pitcher Tyler Skaggs filed lawsuits Tuesday in Texas and California charging the team and two former employees with negligence in his drug-related death two years ago.

The lawsuits — filed by Skaggs' parents in Texas and his wife in California — name the Angels organization as well as former Los Angeles communications directors Tim Mead and Eric Kay as defendants. Neither complaint specified how much money the family is seeking.

Skaggs, 27, was found dead in his suburban Dallas hotel room on July 1, 2019, before the start of what was supposed to be a four-game series against the Texas Rangers.

Kay was indicted by a federal grand jury in October on drug charges for allegedly providing Skaggs with the drugs that caused his overdose death.

Kay was charged with drug distribution and drug conspiracy in Skaggs' overdose death, according to the indictment in Fort Worth, Texas. The charges carry a maximum of a life sentence and 20 years in prison, respectively. His trial is set to begin Aug. 16.

A coroner's report said Skaggs had choked to death on his vomit with a toxic mix of alcohol and the drugs fentanyl and oxycodone in his system, which Kay was accused of

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GOP's Faulconer: Boost shelters for homeless Californians

KATHLEEN RONAYNE
Associated Press

Republican gubernatorial candidate Kevin Faulconer wants to create more homeless shelters in California as part of his effort to get people off the streets, declaring homelessness in the state an emergency that must be treated like one.

Faulconer, the former two-term San Diego mayor, released a statewide plan Tuesday modeled off his efforts while leading the nation's eighth-most populous city. Expanding shelters would make it easier for law enforcement to clear encampments and to cite or arrest people who don't leave.

Faulconer said under such a plan he hopes to see "double-digit decreases" in homelessness each year.

"I just firmly believe that every human being has a right to shelter, and I also believe that when we provide that shelter you have an obligation to use it," he said in an interview with The Associated Press.

Faulconer announced his plan at stops in Los Angeles and Sacramento, where he joined two lawmakers under a freeway overpass near a pile of trash including food wrappers, clothing and blankets. Tents were set up nearby.

"We care about people. We care about them so much that we don't want to let them die in tent encampments in California," Faulconer said.

It follows fellow Republican candidate John Cox's release of a plan Monday that would compel people into mental health and substance abuse treatment.

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Found Senile Person 20th St / Olympic Blvd 12:09 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 4th St / Santa Monica Blvd 1:47 a.m.
Traffic Collision - Unknown Injuries Centinela Ave / Airport Ave 2:04 a.m.
Pedestrian Stop Ocean Ave / Broadway 2:10 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1400blk 2nd St 2:29 a.m.
Pedestrian Stop 400blk Broadway 2:46 a.m.
Adult Prot Serv Chck 200blk Montana Ave 2:59 a.m.
Grand Theft Just Occurred 900blk 2nd St 3:24 a.m.
Traffic/Vehicle Stop Ocean Ave / Washington Ave 3:32 a.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 1600blk Santa Monica Blvd 4:13 a.m.
Pedestrian Stop 1400blk Ocean Ave 4:33 a.m.
Pedestrian Stop 1100blk Lincoln Blvd 5:03 a.m.
Red Zone Violation 1100blk Arizona Ave 5:25 a.m.
Auto Burglary Report 200blk 21st Pl 5:50 a.m.
Encampment 2500blk The Beach 6:03 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries Ocean Ave / Broadway 6:42 a.m.
Pedestrian Stop 1400blk 3rd Street Prom 6:43 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred Ocean Ave / Olympic Dr 7:25 a.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred Berkeley St / Broadway 7:36 a.m.
Silent Robbery Alarm 1500blk 6th St 7:57 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 2100blk Santa Monica Blvd 8:00 a.m.
Battery Report 1600blk Ocean Front Walk 8:00 a.m.
Lost Property 300blk Olympic Dr 8:01 a.m.
Adult Prot Serv Chck 1000blk 18th St 8:08 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1000blk 23rd St 8:14 a.m.
Petty Theft Report 600blk Kensington Rd 8:49 a.m.
Found Property Centinela Ave / Wilshire Blvd 8:51 a.m.
Violation Of Restraining Order In Progress 2500blk Virginia Ave 9:04 a.m.
Violation Of Restraining Order In Progress 2500blk Virginia Ave 9:04 a.m.
Pedestrian Stop 1400blk Marine St 9:18 a.m.
Petty Theft Now 1700blk Ocean Ave 9:26 a.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1400blk 4th St 10:15 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Just Occurred 22nd St / San Vicente Blvd 10:42 a.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 1400blk 3rd Street Prom 10:54 a.m.
Petty Theft Report 2000blk Ocean Ave 11:00 a.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 1300blk 3rd Street Prom 11:26 a.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1200blk 2nd St 11:45 a.m.
Public Intoxication 2400blk Lincoln Blvd 12:18 p.m.
Violation Of Restraining Order In Progress 800blk 2nd St 12:22 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1200blk 6th St 12:52 p.m.
Panic Alarm 400blk 21st Pl 12:57 p.m.
Public Intoxication 1400blk Wilshire Blvd 1:02 p.m.
Drunk Driving Investigation Chelsea Ave / Arizona Ave 1:02 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2100blk Montana Ave 1:03 p.m.
Vehicle Burglar Alarm 500blk Georgina Ave 1:07 p.m.
Fraud Report 1200blk 7th St 1:08 p.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 2400blk Ocean Front Walk 1:48 p.m.
Pedestrian Stop 1400blk 2nd St 1:52 p.m.
Transport Prisoner 300blk Olympic Dr 1:53 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 200blk Broadway 2:09 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 1700blk Lincoln Blvd 2:09 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1500blk 2nd St 2:12 p.m.
Panic Alarm 2400blk Main St 2:20 p.m.
Petty Theft Report 200blk Broadway 2:28 p.m.
Petty Theft Report 200blk Broadway 2:30 p.m.
Hit And Run Felony Investigation Main St / Hollister Ave 2:36 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 4th St / Washington Ave 2:58 p.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 1500blk 9th St 3:11 p.m.
Grand Theft Report 2500blk Wilshire Blvd 3:25 p.m.
Silent Robbery Alarm 300blk Santa Monica Pl 3:55 p.m.
Grand Theft Report 1600blk Ocean Front Walk 4:31 p.m.
Red Zone Violation 2000blk Delaware Ave 5:10 p.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 1100blk 16th St 6:29 p.m.
Traffic/Vehicle Stop 20th St / Wilshire Blvd 6:37 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 900blk Harvard St 6:40 p.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 2000blk 20th St 6:59 p.m.
Traffic/Vehicle Stop 1500blk 4th St 7:00 p.m.
Grand Theft Report 200blk Bicknell Ave 7:29 p.m.
Found Property 1900blk Lincoln Blvd 7:37 p.m.
Stolen Vehicle Recovered 1500blk Franklin St 7:39 p.m.
Bike Theft Report 2700blk Barnard Way 8:31 p.m.
Critical Missing Person 1900blk Santa Monica Blvd 9:13 p.m.
Drunk Driving Investigation 2600blk Lincoln Blvd 9:38 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1200blk Washington Ave 10:05 p.m.
Hit And Run Felony Investigation Ocean Ave / Olympic Dr 10:07 p.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 2000blk 20th St 10:51 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1000blk 19th St 10:52 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1200blk 3rd Street Prom 10:55 p.m.
Injured Person 2700blk Neilson Way 11:23 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1400blk Montana Ave 11:45 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 42 CALLS ON JUNE 28

EMS 3000blk Airport Ave 12:28 a.m.
EMS 900blk 9th St 12:41 a.m.
EMS 2000blk 4th St 1:51 a.m.
EMS 900blk 7th St 2:07 a.m.
EMS 1700blk Lincoln Blvd 3:40 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1200blk 7th St 5:50 a.m.
EMS 400blk Wilshire Blvd 7:28 a.m.
EMS 900blk 9th St 9:07 a.m.
Structure Fire 2200blk Lincoln Blvd 9:07 a.m.
EMS 1300blk 15th St 9:09 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1200blk 7th St 9:40 a.m.
EMS 1400blk 17th St 11:16 a.m.
EMS 1800blk 9th St 11:20 a.m.
EMS 2900blk Wilshire Blvd 11:21 a.m.
EMS 2000blk 20th St 11:41 a.m.
EMS 2000blk 14th St 12:09 p.m.
EMS 5th St / Hollister Ave 12:32 p.m.
EMS 1600blk Berkeley St 12:45 p.m.
Elevator Rescue 800blk 4th St 12:52 p.m.
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EMS 1700blk Bryn Mawr Ave 3:31 p.m.
Smoke Investigation 1000blk 25th St 3:47 p.m.
EMS 1900blk Colorado Ave 4:17 p.m.
EMS Ocean Ave / Broadway 4:29 p.m.
EMS 1300blk 2nd St 5:24 p.m.
EMS 2300blk Wilshire Blvd 5:28 p.m.
EMS 1100blk Pine St 6:19 p.m.
EMS 1000blk Ocean Ave 6:23 p.m.
EMS 1200blk 16th St 6:39 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 1300blk 20th St 7:07 p.m.
EMS 1900blk Pico Blvd 7:21 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 1400blk 3rd Street Prom 7:23 p.m.
EMS 1400blk 16th St 7:55 p.m.
Elevator Rescue 900blk 4th St 8:24 p.m.
EMS 2700blk Neilson Way 11:23 p.m.
EMS 3100blk Santa Monica Blvd 11:56 p.m.

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providing.

Kay was the Angels' director of communications, and he served as their public relations contact on many road trips. He was placed on leave shortly after Skaggs' death, and he never returned to the team.

Mead was Kay's boss, and the lawsuits allege that Mead knew about Kay's issues with drug addiction, including that he was distributing drugs to players.

"In spite of this knowledge, the Angels continued to allow Kay to have unrestricted access to the players and even permitted him to accompany the team when it traveled for away games," the suit says.

Mead's attorney Eric D. Vandevelde denied the allegations.

"Before Tyler Skaggs' tragic death, Tim Mead was not aware, informed, or had any knowledge whatsoever that Tyler may have used opioids, or that Eric Kay or any Angels employee had ever provided opioids to any player. Any statement to the contrary is reckless and false," Vandevelde said in a statement.

Mead left the Angels in April 2019 to become President of the National Baseball Hall of Fame and Museum. Mead left the Hall in May 2021, saying in a statement that "these last 22 months have been challenging in maintaining my responsibilities."

Team officials have said they had not been aware that Skaggs was an opioids user and didn't know any employees were providing drugs to players.

"In 2019, Angels baseball hired a former federal prosecutor to conduct an independent investigation to comprehensively understand the circumstances that led to Tyler's tragic death," Angels spokesperson Marie Garvey said in a statement.

"The investigation confirmed that the organization did not know that Tyler was using opioids, nor was anyone in management aware or informed of any employee providing opioids to any player.

"The lawsuits are entirely without merit and the allegations are baseless and irresponsible. The Angels organization strongly disagrees with the claims made by the Skaggs family and we will vigorously defend these lawsuits in court."

Skaggs' parents, Debbie Hetman and Darrell Skaggs, filed their suit in Tarrant County District Court in Fort Worth, Texas. His wife, Carli Skaggs, filed her complaint in Los Angeles County Superior Court.

"As you might expect, the decision to file these complaints has been a very difficult one for Tyler's parents and his wife," said the family's attorney Rusty Hardin. "Nothing will ease the pain and heartache of losing their only child and, for Carli, her husband and soulmate. But they want to get to the bottom of the circumstances surrounding Tyler's tragic, untimely and completely avoidable death, and to hold the individuals and entities — including the Angels — accountable for the actions that contributed to it.

"As the federal grand jury indictment made plainly and painfully clear, were it not for the fentanyl in the counterfeit pill provided by Angels employee Eric Kay, Tyler would be alive today. And if the Angels had done a better job of supervising Eric Kay, Tyler would be alive today."

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House GOP leaders won't support probe of Jan. 6 Capitol riot

MARY CLARE JALONICK
Associated Press

House Republican leaders say they will oppose the creation of a select committee to investigate the Jan. 6 insurrection at the Capitol — and have so far declined to say whether they will even participate in the probe.

In a memo to all House Republicans late Tuesday, No. 2 House Republican Steve Scalise said the House panel "is likely to pursue a partisan agenda" in investigating the violent attack by former President Donald Trump's supporters, and he encouraged Republicans to vote against it. A vote on a resolution that would create the panel is scheduled for Wednesday.

Earlier in the day, Scalise declined to say whether members of his party would even agree to sit on the committee, telling reporters at a news conference that "I can't answer that question." House Republican leader Kevin McCarthy also declined to say whether Republicans would participate.

The Republican opposition comes as McCarthy is facing pressure to take the investigation seriously from police officers who responded to the attack, Democrats and even some of his fellow Republicans. House Speaker Nancy Pelosi has invited representatives of the Metropolitan Police Department of the District of Columbia and the U.S. Capitol Police to sit in the gallery and watch Wednesday's vote, according to a person familiar with the plan who wasn't authorized to discuss it and spoke on condition of anonymity. Dozens of those officers were brutally beaten and suffered injuries as Trump's supporters pushed past them and broke into the building to interrupt the certification of President Joe Biden's victory.

The resolution introduced by the House speaker on Monday would have eight members on the committee appointed by Pelosi and five appointed "after consultation" with McCarthy — meaning Pelosi could potentially have veto power over every appointment to the panel.

Republican participation in the investigation, and the appointments to the panel, could help determine whether the committee becomes a bipartisan effort or instead a hotbed of division. Two Senate committees issued a bipartisan report with security recommendations earlier this month, but it did not examine the origins of the siege, leaving many unanswered questions about the events of the day.

Two of the officers who responded to the attack, Metropolitan Police Officer Michael Fanone and Capitol Police Officer Harry Dunn, met with McCarthy on Friday and asked him to take the House investigation seriously.

Fanone, who has described being dragged down the Capitol steps by rioters who shocked him with a stun gun and beat him, said he asked McCarthy for a commitment not to put "the wrong people" on the panel, a reference to those in the GOP who have downplayed the violence and defended the insurrectionists. Fanone said McCarthy told him he would take his request seriously.

Sen. Mitt Romney, R-Utah, has also publicly pressured McCarthy. "I hope he appoints people who are seen as being credible," he said Sunday on CNN.

Ohio Rep. Jim Jordan, a close Trump ally, said that he doesn't know what McCarthy is going to do but that it's possible Republicans will just choose not to be involved.

"I know I've got real concerns — I know he does — that this is all just political, and that this is impeachment three against President Trump," Jordan said.

Trump was twice impeached by the House and twice acquitted by the Senate, the second time after telling his supporters just before the insurrection to "fight like hell" to overturn his defeat to Biden.

Pelosi moved to form the committee after Senate Republicans blocked an independent, bipartisan panel that would have been modeled after the commission that investigated the 9/11 terrorist attacks. She said it was her preference to have an independent panel lead the inquiry, but Congress could not wait any longer to begin a deeper look at the insurrection.

Pelosi has not yet said who will lead the panel, but one possibility is House Homeland Security Committee Chair Bennie Thompson, D-Miss. Thompson said Tuesday that it would be an "honor" to serve as chair and that it's Pelosi's call if she wants to have a say on the Republican members.

"They had an opportunity to really engage," Thompson said of Republicans who voted against the bipartisan commission. "And they didn't. So they can't now come back and say, 'Oh, that's not fair.'"

Many Republicans have expressed concerns about a partisan probe, since majority Democrats are likely to investigate Trump's role in the siege and the right-wing groups that participated in it. Almost three dozen House Republicans voted last month for the legislation to create an independent commission, which would have had an even partisan split among members. Seven Republicans in the Senate have also supported moving forward on that bill, but that was short of the 10 Senate Republicans who would be necessary to pass it.

Many Republicans have made clear that they want to move on from the Jan. 6 attack and Trump's role in it. But others have gone even further, with Rep. Andrew Clyde of Georgia suggesting video of the rioters looked like a "tourist visit" and Rep. Paul Gosar of Arizona insisting that a Trump supporter named Ashli Babbitt, who was shot and killed that day while trying to break into the House chamber, was "executed." Others have defended the rioters as they have been charged with federal crimes.

In their meeting with McCarthy, Fanone and Dunn asked the GOP leader to publicly denounce the comments downplaying the

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California governor sues to get party ID on recall ballot

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California Gov. Gavin Newsom is suing the state elections chief he appointed in an effort to get his party affiliation to appear next to his name on the ballot for a recall election that will determine if the first-term Democrat is forced out of office.

The lawsuit against Secretary of State Shirley Weber, a fellow Democrat, came after Newsom's campaign failed to file the appropriate paperwork.

Newsom was supposed to indicate whether he wanted his party preference on the ballot back in February 2020, when he first responded to the recall petition. That requirement was part of a new law he signed that took effect in January 2020. In the past, politicians targeted in recalls weren't allowed to have their party next to their names.

"Due to an inadvertent but good faith mistake on the part of his elections attorney, Newsom timely filed his answer but did not include his party-preference election," reads the lawsuit, which was first reported Monday by Courthouse News Service.

Weber's office said it has a duty to accept timely filed documents and anything after the deadline "requires judicial resolution."

The recall election, driven by criticism of Newsom's handling of the coronavirus pandemic, is likely to be held in early fall. The two-part ballot will first ask voters if they want to remove Newsom from office and, if so, who should replace him. The answers to the second question are only counted if more than 50% of people say yes to the first.

Newsom's lawsuit argues that Weber should accept his updated notification of his party preference because the recall hasn't been certified, an election date hasn't been set, his opponents haven't filed their own paperwork and the ballots aren't yet designed.

When Newsom responded to the recall petition, few believed it would generate enough signatures reach the ballot. But with growing frustration over his on-again, off-again shutdown orders during the pandemic, support for the recall gained momentum and ultimately more than 1.7 million valid signatures were gathered.

A key event for Newsom's critics was his decision to attend a birthday party for a lobbyist friend at a posh San Francisco Bay Area restaurant when he was telling people to stay home, socially distance and wear masks. Photos showed him unmasked and seated close to other guests.

Republicans seeking to unseat Newsom include former San Diego Mayor Kevin Faulconer, businessman and unsuccessful 2018 gubernatorial candidate John Cox, former U.S. Rep. Doug Ose and reality TV personality Caitlyn Jenner.

Though many voters know Newsom is a Democrat, the paperwork error is an embarrassing mistake for his campaign, which last year also failed to challenge a court ruling that gave recall proponents more time to collect signatures.

Newsom's campaign has painted the recall as a partisan effort driven by extremist Republicans, and having the word "Democratic" next to his name would remind voters of that, said Darry Sragow, a former Democratic political strategist who runs the nonpartisan California Target Book, which tracks elections. Most California voters are not deeply engaged, and some may not know Newsom's party affiliation, he said.

"It makes all the sense in the world for the governor to want to be identified on the ballot as a Democrat because the dynamics in the recall are pretty simple: If he can make sure that Democratic voters in California know there's a recall, know when the recall election is, and know that he is one of them, he beats the recall," Sragow said.

In late February 2020, political neophyte Orrin Heatlie filed a recall petition against Newsom, one of about a half-dozen that had been filed at that point. Newsom was required to respond to the petition, and under the new law, he was supposed to say if he wanted his party preference on the ballot. His campaign only realized its mistake this month and on June 19 filed a notice of his party preference with Weber, but she declined to accept it.

Newsom's lawsuit asks for a ruling by July 12, which indicates his campaign does not expect an election date to be set before that.

In the past, those targeted in a recall didn't have the option to list their party preference. Democrats in the state Legislature voted to change that in 2019 after a state senator was recalled, arguing it gives voters important information.

On Monday, Newsom signed a law that changes the recall rules in an effort to speed up the election. It essentially bypasses a legislative review of costs associated with the recall, because lawmakers already agreed to give counties $215 million to administer the election.

RIOT

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violence as well as the 21 Republicans who recently voted against giving medals of honor to the U.S. Capitol Police and the Metropolitan Police to thank them for their service. They said McCarthy, who voted for the measure, told them he would deal with those members privately.

Seven people died during and after the rioting, including Babbitt and three other Trump supporters who suffered medical emergencies. Two police officers died by suicide in the days that followed, and a third officer, Capitol Police Officer Brian Sicknick, collapsed and later died after engaging with the protesters. A medical examiner later determined he died of natural causes.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide

Public Health Underscores Business Compliance and Masking

The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (Public Health) has confirmed three new deaths and 321 new cases of COVID-19. Of the three new deaths reported today, one person that passed away was over the age of 80, one person who died was between the ages of 65 and 79, and one person who died was between the ages of 50 and 64 .

To date, Public Health identified 1,249,835 positive cases of COVID-19 across all areas of L.A. County and a total of 24,482 deaths. There are 229 people with COVID-19 currently hospitalized and 24% of these people are in the Intensive Care Unit (ICU). Testing results are available for more than 7,013,000 individuals with 17% of people testing positive.

Public Health inspectors continue to visit businesses across the County every day ensuring compliance with Cal/OSHA standards and the Health Officer Order, along with providing technical assistance. Since the June 15 full reopening, only two citations have been issued to a restaurant for noncompliance with Health Officer Orders.

Masks are required for all unvaccinated employees when indoors or in shared vehicles and employers must document the vaccination status of employees. In settings where there is close contact with other people who may not be fully vaccinated, employees should consider wearing a higher level of protection, such as wearing two masks (double masking) or wearing a respirator (N95). Businesses are required, upon request, to offer all unvaccinated employees who work indoors, a respirator.

Non-compliance from businesses can contribute to increased community transmission. Violations of safety requirements and dangerous conditions can be reported anonymously to Public Health by phone at 888-700-9995 or online at www.publichealth.lacounty.gov.

Because of increased circulation of the highly transmissible Delta variant across the country, Public Health strongly recommends everyone, as a precautionary measure, wear masks indoors in settings such as grocery or retail stores; theaters and family entertainment centers, and workplaces when you don't know everyone's vaccination status.

Masks are required for all persons, regardless of vaccination status, on public transit and in transportation hubs; indoors while inside K-12 schools, childcare, camps and other youth settings; in healthcare settings, including long term care facilities; in state and local correctional facilities and detention centers; and in homeless shelters, emergency shelters, and cooling centers; indoors at mega-events with more than 5,000 attendees, and any business or government office serving the public that requires everyone to wear a mask.

"To everyone mourning a loved one who has passed away from COVID-19, we wish you healing and peace," said Barbara Ferrer, PhD, MPH, MEd, Director of Public Health. "Fully vaccinated people are well protected against serious illness and disease caused by variants of concern including the Delta variant. So, I encourage everyone eligible and unvaccinated to take another look at all of the mounting information on the vaccines' safety and effectiveness. Ninety-nine percent of all new cases of COVID-19 and hospitalizations since January have been among unvaccinated individuals and 99.8% of the people who have tragically died have been unvaccinated. Getting vaccinated is the most powerful protection for you and your community."

Through Thursday, July 1 at County-run vaccination sites, LA City sites, and St. John's Well Child and Family Center sites, everyone 18 and older coming to get a vaccine will have an opportunity to win one of two packages, each containing season passes to Six Flags, the LA Zoo, the Natural History Museum and the La Brea Tar Pits, and ticket packs to the California Science Center. Official rules and participating site locations are posted online on the Los Angeles Vaccination Sweepstakes page. Winners will be contacted by phone and/or email.

Anyone 12 and older living or working in L.A. County can get vaccinated. To find a vaccination site near you, to make an appointment at vaccination sites, and much more, visit: www.VaccinateLACounty.com (English) and www.VacunateLosAngeles.com (Spanish). If you don't have internet access, can't use a computer, or you're over 65, you can call 1-833-540-0473 for help finding an appointment, connecting to free transportation to and from a vaccination site, or scheduling a home-visit if you are homebound. Vaccinations are always free and open to eligible residents and workers regardless of immigration status.

SUBMITTED BY PUBLIC HEALTH

Citywide

Contemporary Art Exhibition now on view

Part curatorial, part installation Spectrum-Gestalt brings together artists' works from a wide variety of genres and mediums, grouping them into an expansive spectrum of color.

The first Spectrum was one of the most popular exhibits and has since become an annual open call, allowing the gallery to discover new talent - local and from around the world - as well as exhibit alumni of the show. Spectrum-Gestalt is part of an ongoing series of installation/curatoriales exploring Gestalt principles by Australian artist/curator, Airom. On view currently at the bG Gallery until July 5.

Closing reception on zoom, Saturday, July 3 3 - 6 p.m. PST. RSVP at https://spectrumgestalt8.gr8.com/ to receive the zoom code.

SUBMITTED BY EMILY CHRISTIANSEN

Citywide

Free SMC Performance

The Santa Monica College Theatre Arts Department presents a free video of its performance of An Invitation to the Cherry Orchard, A Hatter's Tea with Cherry Tarts, highlighting the works of Anton Chekov and Lewis Carol, June 21-August 29.

A YouTube link to the new production is available for viewing starting June 29 at smc.edu/theatreperformances. The video is free to view at any time of day until midnight August 29.

The play – written by Terrin Adair – is "a cordial invitation to come to The Cherry Orchard and mingle with the other mad mix of invited guests. There is much to decide over tea and tarts." Adair also directed the SMC production.

More information is available at smc.edu/theatre or by calling 310-434-4319.

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HOMELESS

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housing options to 200 individuals and clear the Boardwalk of encampments without using law enforcement officers. The six week project was spearheaded by CD-11 Councilman Mike Bonin and officially began on June 28, although it is still awaiting Council's approval for $5 million in requested funding.

L.A. County Sheriff Alex Villanueva is running a parallel and independent intervention effort, which began two weeks before the City articulated its plan.

Villanueva deployed the Sheriff's Homeless Outreach and Service Team to the Boardwalk on June 7 and vowed to clear the area by July 4. He said he was intervening in response to the humanitarian crisis on the Boardwalk and pointed blame directly at Bonin and Garcetti for "failing to regulate public space."

During his Boardwalk visit, Garcetti refrained from engaging in the ongoing war of words over the uncoordinated initiatives.

"I'm not interested in yelling about this," said Garcetti. "That seems to be the main plan: get out here and blame somebody — blame the Mayor, blame the City, blame the County, blame liberalism, blame conservatism."

"You will have the same interview two mayors later, three mayors later, four mayors later and homelessness will still be here unless this country get serious about housing. Full stop."

Garcetti also defended the use of temporary housing resources for people living on the Boardwalk. He said people who return to the streets after temporary housing aren't doing so simply because they are abandoned by the City, but rather because of the complex challenges unhoused individuals face in transitioning to permanent housing.

"It's complicated to get them to the first step (accepting services), it's complicated to get them to the second step (housing), and even when they're in housing there's no guarantee that people who have trauma and other things, without proper services, without a healthy progressive mental health care system, might not return to homelessness in the coming years," said Garcetti.

Despite the challenges enumerated, Garcetti said that he would not give up on the Boardwalk's interventions. He intends on convening the different players working on the City's program, ensuring they are well resourced, and continuously discussing successes and failures to drill down best practices.

"We will make progress here," said Garcetti. "But that's a different conversation than do you want to end homelessness."

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VENICE: Multiple plans are in place to move people out of tents and into services.









Curious City

Charles Andrews
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I'm So Tired ... So What?

I SHOULD BE WRITING ABOUT

City Council choosing a new member last night (did they? -- this is published after). It's a BFD, as our President might opine. We now have three new slate members on Council, working to fulfill their campaign promise to represent residents first, not outside interests. They are opposed on every important vote by the remaining establishment three, put there by the local political machine.

Kristin McCowan is the textbook example of how the machine keeps itself in power. She was appointed by the Council last July, pre-slate election. McCowan has pretty much stuck like glue to Mayor Sue Himmelrich, who is an important part of the SMRR-Democratic party machine. The year before McCowan's anointing, Ana Maria Jara was similarly brought in.

Appointees become incumbents and incumbency is a huge advantage in elections. Who else was appointed in this way, and elected next time up? Gleam Davis, exceedingly pro-development and subject to recent controversy over her votes involving downtown development, including the proposed huge expansion of the Miramar Hotel, because of her husband's long term employment, not generally known, by the Dell.

Another appointee was Terry O'Day, who, like Davis, usually appeared more interested in what was on their phone screen than what the residents were saying.

You need four votes to get anything done. The candidate who came close but did not win (he got more than 12,000 votes) was architect Mario Fonda-Bonardi, a moderate with extensive credentials, including, currently, the Planning Commission. He would be a perfect addition to this City Council, but his taking a stand over another issue is unacceptable to the three machine incumbents.

I approve of politicians taking a stand for their principles, especially when it hurts their chances for election. That's courage and integrity.

I SHOULD BE WRITING ABOUT

Other pressing local issues, like crime, traffic, the unhoused, the untreated mentally ill, water shortage, overdevelopment, the hotel workers union influence on city planning, city staff's big influence on city policy (most staff don't live in SM, and care more about their resume and salary than the residents they supposedly serve), sustainable economic recovery (not back to business as usual -- it's time for some fresh thinking but we're not seeing it in this "progressive" city), racism, a new City Manager, support of local businesses, fair treatment of businesses renting city properties, a rash of catalytic converter thefts, a Cultural Affairs department that can "find the time" for worthwhile new efforts and not give away our existing art or authorize misspending (say, half a mil on a piece almost no one can see), the intrusion of organized crime, Pier crime and policing, police assignment, funding, staffing, training and policies, a new Police Chief, prevention of more child sexual predators on City payroll (if for no better reason than the looming, possible $100M in lawsuits), assistants for Council members (sorely needed -- see "staff big influence..."), climate change preparation, parking, district elections resolution, Sacramento attacks on local control, such as attempts to eliminate or weaken any single home zoning, earthquake preparedness, ADU advantages (backyard "granny" units), ALL the schools issues...

A big one is the ridiculous edict from SCAG requiring Santa Monica to build nearly 9,000 new housing units in the next eight years. But they are also requiring that 6,138 of them be "affordable." By Gleam Davis' favorite tool of "inclusionary housing," that would mean building nearly 25,000 units to get the requisite 6,138. In the next eight years. Of course when I look around my rapidly morphing city, it looks to me like we are on track for the 25K, not the 9K.

WHY AM I NOT WRITING ABOUT IMPORTANT STUFF?

Well, sometimes... because I'm tired. Worn down from the whack-a-mole of bad stuff always raising an ugly head here. I'll bet some of you good souls out there who fight for what you know is right, usually for others who don't have a voice, and maybe have for years or even decades, are tired too. It can be exhausting, for ordinary residents with jobs and families and God-forbid a life, to try to keep up with the well-funded troublemakers working at their desks all day, on payroll to some entity that has big dogs in these fights on very pricey Santa Monica turf.

But you can't throw in the towel. I won't. I am inspired by so many examples lately of others who have gone through much more for what they know is right. U.S. soccer star Megan Rapinoe's long fight to win equal pay for women in sport is now an HBO movie. An LA Times piece, "When Racism is Called 'Election Integrity'," is an old story in America. More headlines: Huntington Park a "corridor of corruption," graft and retaliation. "Cities Growing More Diverse but Segregated." (We've taken care of segregation in SM: we're driving our once-diverse population away, through densification practices that do not attend to the effects on lower income residents.)

Crusading Modesto attorney Frank Carson spent years accusing local police and prosecutors of corruption, then was charged, along with his wife, stepdaughter and three cops, with the murder of a scrap metal thief,

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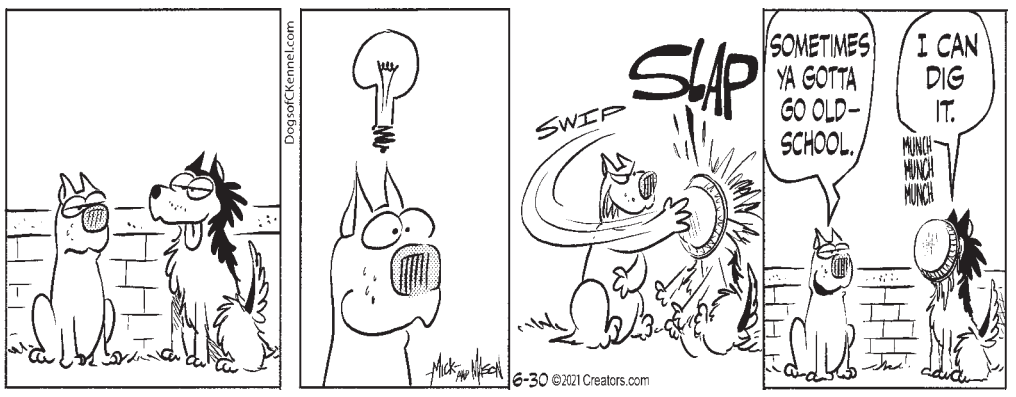
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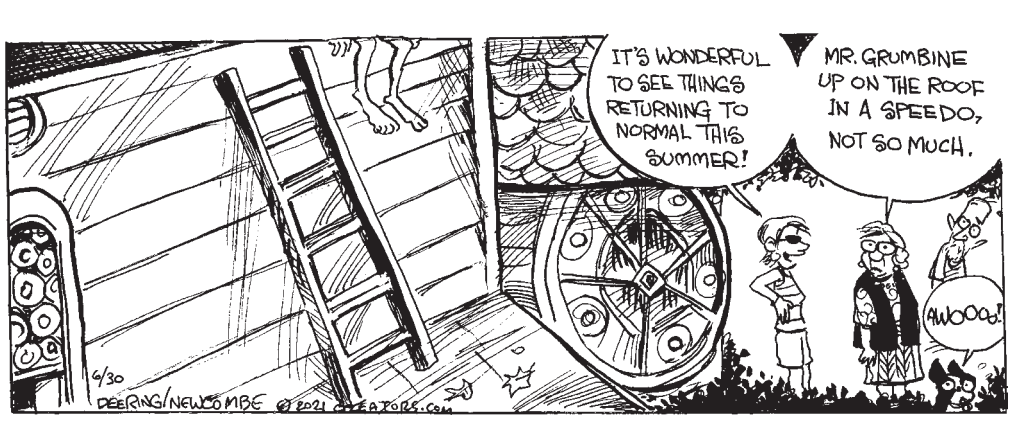
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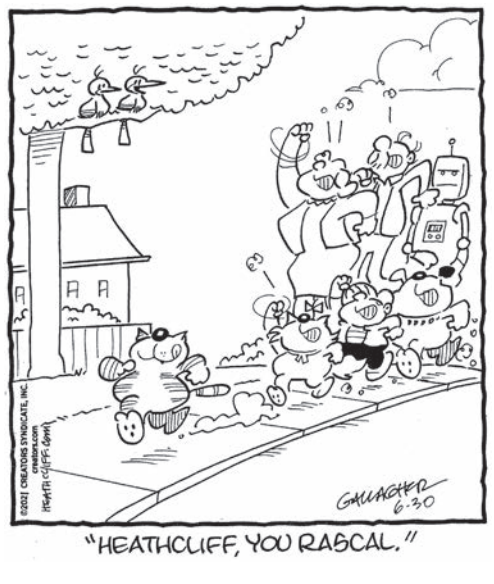
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Heathcliff

By PETER GALLAGHER



Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING





SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 67.6°

WEDNESDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft+ Waist to stomach high occ. 4 ft
Staying fun. Lingering NW swell blends with modest SSW/S swell. Peaky surf for combo spots. Cleanest for spots west of Pt Dume in the morning -- E/SE morning winds.

THURSDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft Thigh to waist high
SSW/S swell lingers as NW swell mix falls off. Still some peaks to be had for combo spots with light wind for the morning, probably going to want to consider the small wave gear though.

WEATHER

Wednesday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, partly sunny, with a high near 67.
Wednesday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 61.
Thursday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 66.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2021/06/30	Wed	01:44 AM	4.60	H
2021/06/30	Wed	08:51 AM	0.32	L
2021/06/30	Wed	3:56 PM	4.36	H
2021/06/30	Wed	9:39 PM	2.56	L
2021/07/01	Thu	02:55 AM	3.90	H
2021/07/01	Thu	09:41 AM	0.88	L
2021/07/01	Thu	4:45 PM	4.57	H
2021/07/01	Thu	11:16 PM	2.18	L
2021/07/02	Fri	04:25 AM	3.39	H
2021/07/02	Fri	10:31 AM	1.37	L
2021/07/02	Fri	5:29 PM	4.81	H
2021/07/03	Sat	12:30 AM	1.65	L
2021/07/03	Sat	05:58 AM	3.15	H
2021/07/03	Sat	11:18 AM	1.79	L
2021/07/03	Sat	6:07 PM	5.04	H
2021/07/04	Sun	01:24 AM	1.10	L
2021/07/04	Sun	07:23 AM	3.14	H
2021/07/04	Sun	12:01 PM	2.12	L
2021/07/04	Sun	6:42 PM	5.28	H
2021/07/05	Mon	02:06 AM	0.60	L
2021/07/05	Mon	08:26 AM	3.26	H

DAILY LOTTERY

POWERball
Draw Date: 6/26
8 31 39 43 60
Power#: 17
Jackpot: 88 M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 6/25
17 20 42 45 65
Mega#: 12
Jackpot: 61 M

SuperLotto PLUS
Draw Date: 6/26
11 19 24 32 44
Mega#: 4
Jackpot: 59 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 6/28
10 22 33 37 39

Daily 3
Draw Date: 6/28
EVENING: 3 0 3

Draw Date: 6/28
MIDDAY: 5 2 2

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 6/28
1st: 07 - Eureka
2nd: 11 - Money Bags
3rd: 04 - Big Ben
Race Time: 1:47.89

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (JUNE 30)

You have remarkable talents you don't know about; not because they are hidden, but because they are so much a part of you that you can't see them, much like you can't see your own face. The cosmic gift of the year is an excellent mirror in the form of adoring people and prime opportunities to bring out your brilliance. Virgo and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 20, 4, 44 and 15.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). When you think you can improve things, or keep them at a sweet status quo, you lead the way. But if you believe someone else has the right vision, you'll be the first to follow. It's not about power; it's about the group good.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The difference between collecting and hoarding is in the rules that guide the acquisition. Hoarding is indiscriminate. What will you require of the things you add to your life? How do you know when a thing is worth having?

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your mission is to thrive as a contributor to the planet. As for those bent exclusively on promoting their own welfare, you don't get it. The good news is that you don't have to convince anyone. Your life is convincing enough.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Life delivers poetic truths to you, brief and contrasting. Because much is left out, you're able to fill in the blanks and reconcile contradictions. If you can't make sense, make art.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Some of your best teachers will be people who died years ago. Their lives are your lesson plans, and they may currently seem more accessible to your apprenticeship than anyone breathing. You'll receive answers from beyond.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Avoid being like the tourist who packs too heavily or makes too many reservations, becoming beholden to self-created obligations. All will be taken care of when you go with less and trust the whims of the moment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You don't have to do things perfectly to belong to the group. In fact, since everyone in the group is imperfect, your flaws are part of your dues, so no need to hide them away.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Easy games don't make champions. It's as though this day is sensitive to what you need: nothing too startling, just a gentle unfolding of enough challenge to make things interesting.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your education continues, and is going much stronger outside of formal schooling than it is or ever was inside of it. With a hunger to learn as your driver, you devour whole feasts of knowledge.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll harmonize your work with the needs of the people around you. You'll be reminded how each of them has their own circle of influence and these resonances extend indefinitely. Every small gesture matters.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You are a country with your own language and laws, your own icons and culture, your own food and aesthetic. Who is taking the time to learn the country of you? Who is "living" there without fully adapting to the place?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). "Many words lead to exhaustion," says Lao-Tzu, and you've felt this while falling asleep with a book or in a lecture or just wishing you were asleep when someone overshares the minutia. You deserve peace. Go to the quiet.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

B	R	O	W	N	■	S	P	O	T	■	F	L	O	P
R	A	D	I	O	■	L	E	V	I	■	A	I	D	E
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I	S	A	A	C	■	R	U	S	H	■	T	E	L	L
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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

7	3	4	2	6	5	8	1	9
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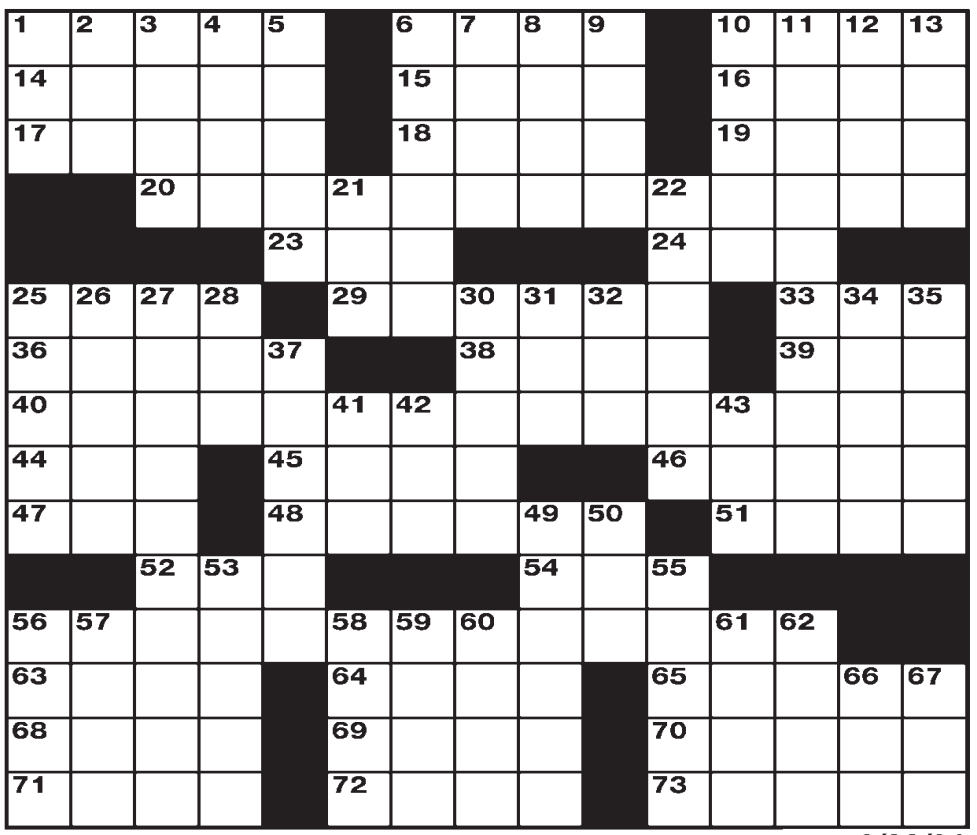
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1				6				4

Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Packages of copy paper
6 Tupperware sound
10 Urban air pollution
14 TS of literature
15 Thailand's continent
16 Pepsi or Coke
17 Spotted-coat horse
18 Got out of town
19 Small wallet bills
20 Flips the pages of
23 Overly
24 S&L's outdoor device
25 Soft tennis shots
29 Enter carefully
33 "Slippery" fish
36 Prefix for Milan's land
38 __-European languages
39 Hunters' org.
40 Being pessimistic about
44 __ Majesty (queenly title)
45 Good garden soil
46 Make a swap
47 Period of history
48 Not completely
51 Brewery products
52 "__ for Cookie" (*Sesame Street* song)
54 "A mouse!"
56 Very difficult to do
63 Closing musical passage
64 Moisten thoroughly
65 Slacks off
68 Broadcasted commercial
69 Chauffeur-driven auto
70 Prohibited
71 Talk back to
72 Airer of many pro games
73 Very strict

DOWN
1 Sales __ (order taker)
2 Inventor Whitney
3 "It __ over till it's over"
4 Butterfly cousin
5 Dark brewery product
6 Stallone's boxer character
7 Draws upon
8 Disagreement
9 Hiking trail
10 Leave hastily
11 Of huge importance
12 Cassini of fashion
13 Deep cut
21 *Simpsons* bartender
22 Needed restocking
25 Agile as a gymnast
26 "Everything else" category
27 Fierce fish
28 __-mo replay
30 Letter after rho
31 Final stage
32 Wedding vow
34 Crumble gradually
35 Sprinters' assignments
37 Wise-looking and wide-eyed
41 Charged atom
42 Afternoon snooze
43 Swimsuit part
49 __ with (consider)
50 Business-card no.
53 Apple's tablets
55 Scottish skirts
56 Performs in a film
57 Halifax, __ Scotia
58 Dot on a Caribbean map
59 Lane of Superman stories
60 Reading light
61 Trench around a castle
62 __ in the woods (innocent person)
66 Part of FYI
67 "Junior" in the family



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Binary Puzzle

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

I	O	O	I	O	O	I	I	O	I	I	O
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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 17 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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R M D P I O O I U C K I M B A
T O A R N U M B N B K E E D R
R O N A I Q N L E E U S I E K
A N A C D E N I A L B A Y T S
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R A E S T I I E V I K T O M I
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L H O L I D A Y J E D I W S R

Ardrossan	Dining	Moonta	Sharks
Auburn	Green	Nadda	Skye
Avon	Hawker	Ocean	Surf
Bute	Holiday	Orroroo	Travel
Carpa	Hugh River	Pyap	Trip
City	Isolated	Quorn	Unley
Cleve	Jetty	Rain	Variety
Coast	Keith	Rare	Wide
Coves	Ki Ki	Robe	Wine
Cummins	Kimba	Rocks	
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California is home to more than a quarter of the nation's homeless people, according to federal data.

Faulconer and Cox are among Republicans running in the recall against Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom.

Faulconer, who served as mayor from 2014 to 2020, said his record in San Diego shows success tackling homelessness. The San Diego Regional Task Force on the Homeless' 2020 point-in-time count shows the city's homeless population went down by about 4% from the count the year before.

Some experts, though, say building more shelters without more permanent housing is an ineffective and expensive way to approach the problem. It may get people off the streets, but it won't necessarily put them in a home.

"We could spend an inordinate amount of money on sheltering people, and while it might make conditions better for people who are housed and don't want to look at the suffering of people, all you're doing is putting the suffering out of sight," said Margot Kushel, director of the Benioff Homelessness and Housing Initiative at the University of California, San Francisco.

She points to models that show effective policies produce two to three units of housing for every unit of shelter produced.

Faulconer's plan doesn't touch on building more housing, but he said he'd release a housing plan soon. He said shelters are necessary because the state is in the midst of an emergency that needs quick action.

Faulconer's plan centers in part around a federal court order that says cities can't criminalize people for sleeping on the street if adequate shelter isn't available. He wants to put that ruling into state law, along with a measure that gives the state power to require people to vacate public spaces if they refuse shelter. He called for extra state funding to help local governments build shelters and to put some on state-owned land. There's no price tag attached.

He'd bypass the Democratically controlled state Legislature with an executive order to create a "network of state-led shelters" by working with local governments and nonprofits. He wants to create a new California Highway Patrol unit to work on homelessness and encourage people to get shelters.

Encampments could be cleared and people arrested after warnings if they refuse shelter. Former San Diego police chief Shelly Zimmerman, who joined Faulconer, spoke about the creation of a new city police division aimed at helping the homeless. The goal, she said, was to get people the help they needed and to intervene when people don't want to accept it.

Faulconer's plan also centers on keeping freeways, underpasses and public spaces like riverbanks clean. Newsom has set aside money in the state budget for picking up trash and cleaning public spaces.

But the plan offers limited details on what happens to people once they're in the shelters, and only lays out a plan to help veterans access permanent housing. Faulconer said all shelters would be required to offer services for mental health and drug addiction.

Converting hotel and motel rooms into housing is the key component of Newsom's response to homelessness. Faulconer supported such programs as San Diego mayor and said there's "absolutely" a place for it in the state's approach.

CURIOUS CITY

FROM PAGE 7

and has gone through a nine year trial, ruining him financially, emotionally and wrecking his marriage.

The outstanding L.A. Times columnist Steve Lopez told us the story of Pilar Diaz Bombino, brought here from Havana when she was four, raised in the projects in Watts by her mother. She spent her senior year working two jobs, earning nearly a 4.0 GPA, giving "an inspirational" commencement speech, being accepted by a fistful of great universities including Berkely and NYU but choosing her favorite, UCLA, while studying diligently to become a U.S. citizen the day before graduation. All in COVID. "Our senior year was stripped from us," she said, "but our power to change the world will be forever in our hands."

Pilar, I don't think I'm so tired anymore.

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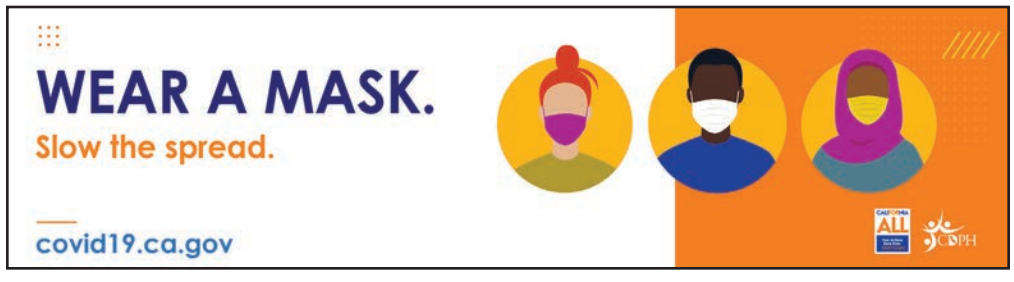
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