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Santa Monica students to learn Japanese culture through origami

ANGEL CARRERAS
Daily Press Staff Writer

Local students will be folded into an international, culturally-enriching event this week when they learn about Japanese culture through the art of origami.

Japan Airlines is hosting 'Jal Soraiku' Thursday, July 12 at Roosevelt elementary school. Through 'Jal Soraiku', hosts from Japan Airlines volunteer to visit local schools grades kindergarten and up to teach students about Japan culture and Japan Airlines. Around 170 transitional kindergarten through 5th grade students throughout the Santa Monica Malibu Unified school district will be on hand to attend the event as part of the district's after school program.

The airline reaches 349 airports in 54 countries and has over 700 staff members that are origami plane instructors certified by the International Paper Plane Association, who use their paper folding and plane flying skills to "bring smiles to children".

Chiho Ernst, Assistant Manager at Japan Airlines, said the airline accomplishes informative, hands-on cultural education by bringing in these professional origami artists from Japan to teach students how to make paper airplanes (hikoki). Concurrently, the students are treated to a brief

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Firefighters respond to Griffith Park Brush Fire

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

A fire broke out near the Griffith Park Observatory on Tuesday.

Firefighters responded with ground units and helicopters and by Tuesday afternoon, the fire had burned about 10 acres of land within a quarter-mile northwest of the Griffith Observatory.

The Los Angeles Fire Department said the facility was calmly evacuated by Police & Park Rangers due to drifting smoke and the need for responder's heavy apparatus to operate safely in the area.

There were no injuries and no persons were missing on Tuesday afternoon. Neither the Griffith Observatory or any other structure were currently threatened by fire. Officials said some cars in the vicinity of the flames might have been damaged by radiant heat but final details won't be available for several days.

Though there was a slight wind, LAFD said the flames were driven by topography and vegetation.

The cause of the fire remains under investigation. The Fire Department said they joined LAPD and Park Rangers in asking hikers, bicyclists, equestrians and motorists to avoid any urge to sightsee near the fire and to avoid the immediate area of the blaze until firefighting operations are complete.

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Birds and Limes scoot through loophole to ride on the beach path



Nico James

RIDERS: Electric scooter riders have become heavy users of the beach path in Santa Monica.

KATE CAGLE
Daily Press Staff Writer

The two tech start-ups that have dropped thousands of electric scooters across the West Side promise the technology will free Angelenos from their cars. At the moment, however, critics say the omnipresent scooters have simply extended the area's notoriously bad traffic all the way to the ocean and created a quagmire for local leaders.

On any given day, Bird and Lime brand scooters are as prominent on the Marvin Braude bike path as bikes, pedicabs and strollers. The scooters zip down the path up to 15 miles per hour. At any given moment, even the casual observer can see nearly every type of traffic violation including multiple riders on a single scooter, young children riding without a license and adults without a helmet.

"The Bird plague has made the Santa Monica beach path an incredibly dangerous place for those of us who bike, run or roller skate," local surfer Luca Bentivoglio told the Daily Press. "The beach bike path should be a relaxing road for runners, bikers and roller skaters, not the Indianapolis raceway."

Over the recent holiday weekend, visitors from all over the world stood along The Strand, staring at smartphone screens as they downloaded Lime and Bird apps to access one of the dozens of scooters left along the path. Many of

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Wednesday, July 11

Montana Mystery Book Group: Origin in Death

When a cosmetic surgeon is killed in his office with tidy precision, Detective Eve Dallas must track down the cold-blooded killer, who may be one of the doctor's beautiful female patients. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave, 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Commission on the Status of Women Meeting

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

Plaster Body Casting with Brittany Ransom

Please note this workshop requires a $10 material fee to be paid to instructor in addition to the class fee. This session with Brittany covers the traditional process of a one-part body mold. Create a one-part mold using skin-safe Alginate. Each participant will create a single use mold of their own hand, and end with a plaster cast from their mold. 1450 Ocean, 1:30 – 4 p.m. Register at https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search/65736

Movie: Captain Underpants: The First Epic Movie

Two pranksters hypnotize their principal into thinking he's a superhero. Readers are invited to stay after the movie for a discussion of their favorite Captain Underpants books. For kids and families. (90 min.) Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Blvd, 1 – 2:45 p.m.

Design In 3D: Star Lantern

Use a free computer program called Tinkercad to create an imaginative lantern with star design for 3D printing. No prior experience required. Limited space register at the library. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd, 3 – 4:30 p.m.

Thursday, July 12

Thursday Beach Eats

Beach Eats is a weekly food truck gathering at Marina "Mother's" Beach on summer Thursdays through September 27, 5 p.m. to 9 p.m. New this year, enjoy live music from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. while you picnic by the sea. Bring your own beach chair and enjoy the free show. Visitmarinadelrey.com/beacheats; 424-526-7900.

Santa Monica Rent Control Regular Board Meeting

The Rent Control Board meets to conduct business associated with the Rent Control Charter Amendment and Regulations. City Hall, 1685 Main St, 7 p.m.

Teen Creative Writing Workshops

Attention, aspiring teen writers. Be inspired by and learn writing techniques from published authors of books for youth. No registration required; come to any session you like. Notebooks and pens provided, or bring your own. Snacks included. Grades 6-12. Thursday, JULY 12: Planaria Price, author of Claiming My Place: Coming of Age in the Shadow of the Holocaust 3 – 5 p.m. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd.

Mad Science/ Fire and Ice

A fantastic hands on show with chemical reactions and bubbling potions for science lovers of all ages. Tickets are free and available the day of the program. Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St. 2:30 – 3:15 p.m.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide

Vacation rental violations upheld on appeal

On July 2, 2018, a California Appellate Court affirmed a trial court decision finding 35 counts of illegal vacation rental related violations against a local vacation rental business operator, Globe Homes LLC ("Globe"). The case was investigated by the City's Vacation Rental Enforcement Task Force, a unit of the Code Enforcement Division, trained to target illegal vacation rental businesses operating in Santa Monica.

"The City of Santa Monica has consistently dedicated policies and resources toward producing, protecting and preserving housing in our community," said Chief Deputy City Attorney Yibin Shen. "We are pleased that these important legislative principles withstood their first appellate review."

Globe was charged with multiple counts of operating illegal vacation rentals within the City of Santa Monica in 2016, after the City's Code Enforcement Division confirmed persistent and repeated violations by Globe, which unlawfully took numerous residential housing units off the rental housing market. After a Hearing Officer largely affirmed the charges against Globe, the case went to trial in December of 2016 in Los Angeles Superior Court. On March 6, 2017, the trial court issued its judgment affirming 35 out of the 36 charged violations. On July 2, 2018, a California Appellate Court completely rejected Globe's appeal, resulting in a complete affirmance of the trial court decision.

"This is a great result and a testament to the exceptional team work between the Code Enforcement Division and the City Attorney's Office," said Code Enforcement Manager Sharon Guidry. "When the Council adopted Santa Monica Municipal Code Chapter 6.20, which reaffirmed the City's longstanding prohibition against vacation rentals in Santa Monica, it clearly reiterated its deep interest in and concerns about protecting Santa Monica's diverse permanent rental housing stock. My team of dedicated Code Enforcement Officers are committed to enforcing this important legislation and ensuring that Santa Monica remains a place that people from all income levels and backgrounds can call home."

HOME-SHARING IN SANTA MONICA

After maintaining a multi-decade prohibition against short-term rentals in residential districts, in 2015, the City eased this prohibition by authorizing a form of short-term rentals known as Home-Sharing, wherein a resident is free to host visitors for compensation for a period of less than 31 days, as long as the resident and visitor are both present in the home. Un-hosted short-term rentals of residential housing, known as Vacation Rentals, remain unlawful in Santa Monica. This landmark legislation struck an important balance by enabling current and prospective residents to supplement income through home-sharing to meet increased rents and housing prices, while ensuring that Santa Monica's housing units, and particularly affordable units, would not be surreptitiously or openly converted into de facto hotels.

For more information on the City's Home-Sharing Ordinance or to apply for a Home-Sharing License, visit www.smgov.net/homeshare.

To report an illegal vacation rental business, contact Code Enforcement at (310) 458-4984.

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MINNEAPOLIS

Minneapolis officials move to regulate rental scooters

Minneapolis officials are taking steps to regulate two-wheeled rental scooters.

A Minneapolis City Council committee passed an ordinance Tuesday that would require companies to obtain a license to operate motorized scooters in the city. The move came as rental scooters begin rolling onto the streets of Minneapolis and St. Paul.

Bird Rides Inc. launched a fleet of scooters in Minneapolis. But the Santa Monica, California-based company won't say how many of what it calls "Birds" are now available in the Twin Cities.

The company said it has submitted paperwork in Minneapolis and St. Paul to operate as a business.

The Minneapolis ordinance would mostly regulate keeping parked scooters from blocking sidewalks and other public rights of way. The Star Tribune reports the full City Council will vote on the ordinance on July 20.

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Judge: Experts can testify that Roundup linked to cancer

SUDHIN THANAWALA
Associated Press

Evidence that Roundup weed killer can cause cancer seems "weak," but experts can still make that claim at trial, a U.S. judge ruled Tuesday.

The decision by U.S. District Judge Vince Chhabria in San Francisco allows hundreds of lawsuits against Roundup's manufacturer, Monsanto, to move forward. The lawsuits by cancer victims and their families say the agrochemical giant long knew about Roundup's cancer risk but failed to warn them.

Many government regulators have rejected a link between cancer and the active ingredient in Roundup — glyphosate. Monsanto has vehemently denied such a connection, saying hundreds of studies have established that glyphosate is safe.

Chhabria said the evidence, "viewed in its totality, seems too equivocal to support any firm conclusion that glyphosate causes" non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

Still, the judge said he would not go as far as saying that three experts presented by attorneys for the cancer victims and their families presented "junk science" that should be excluded from trial.

Monsanto did not immediately have comment. An email to an attorney for the plaintiffs was not immediately returned.

The judge wanted to determine whether the science behind the claim that Roundup can cause non-Hodgkin's lymphoma had been properly tested and met other requirements to be considered valid.

Before issuing his ruling, Chhabria spent a week in March hearing dueling testimony from epidemiologists. He peppered them with questions about potential strengths and weaknesses of research on the cancer risk of glyphosate.

Beate Ritz, an epidemiologist at the University of California, Los Angeles, testified for the plaintiffs that her review of scientific literature led her to conclude that glyphosate and glyphosate-based compounds such as Roundup can cause non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

Ritz said a 2017 National Institute of Health study that found no association between glyphosate and non-Hodgkin's lymphoma had major flaws.

Monsanto brought in its own expert, Lorelei Mucci, a cancer epidemiologist at the Harvard T.H. Chan School of Public Health, who praised the 2017 study and reached the opposite conclusion from Ritz.

"When you look at the body of epidemiological literature on this topic, there's no evidence of a positive association between glyphosate and NHL risk," she said of non-Hodgkin's lymphoma.

Chhabria later called the opinions of the plaintiffs' experts "shaky," though he said they still may meet scientific standards to go before a jury.

There was "at least a strong argument that the only reasonable conclusion one could draw right now is that we don't yet know" whether the herbicide is causing non-Hodgkin's lymphoma, he said.

Monsanto developed glyphosate in the 1970s, and the weed killer is now sold in more than 160 countries. Farmers in California, the most agriculturally productive state in the U.S., use it on more than 200 types of crops. Homeowners use it on their lawns and gardens.

St. Louis-based Monsanto also sells seeds that can tolerate being sprayed with glyphosate as the surrounding weeds die, ensuring another stream of business that has helped it dominate the market for genetically modified crops.

The herbicide came under increasing scrutiny after the France-based International Agency for Research on Cancer, which is part of the World Health Organization, classified it as a "probable human carcinogen" in 2015.

A flurry of lawsuits against Monsanto in federal and state courts followed, and California added glyphosate to its list of chemicals known to cause cancer. Monsanto has attacked the international research agency's opinion as an outlier.

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency says glyphosate is safe for people when used in accordance with label directions. A draft report by the agency last year concluded the herbicide is not likely to be carcinogenic to people. The report noted that science reviews by numerous other countries had reached the same conclusion.

A federal judge in Sacramento in February blocked California from requiring that Roundup carry a label stating that it is known to cause cancer, saying the warning is misleading because almost all regulators have concluded that there is no evidence glyphosate is carcinogenic.

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What's the Point?

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Elections Have Consequences - Importance Of Presidential Politics

TWO YEARS AGO THE SUPREME COURT ruled against the state of Texas in an abortion ruling that had national implications, and its attacks on Roe v. Wade. The ruling came down in a 5-3 division of the court with Justices Thomas, Alito and Chief Justice Roberts dissenting – no great surprise there. But it was a yet another example, in a long line of examples of why the choice of a Supreme Court Justice matters and presents the strongest opportunity for a President to build a legacy that far exceeds their own lifetime even.

Politicians want to be partisan – it's what gets them elected – jurists shouldn't be. President Donald Trump is nominating justices to the Supreme Court and could be nominating at least 2 additional Justices, which means that this President will have set the judicial tone of the country for the next 25-35 years.

That is why elections matter. This is the scenario I warned about in July of 2016. It's a troubling, disconcerting and deeply disturbing reality to those of us who honor the ideals of the Constitution, and the separation of church and state. This President seems determined to intertwine the demands of the fundamentalist Christian lobby with the judiciary in such a way that we approximate a theocracy.

Or not.

I'm not certain that a lifetime appointed justice will put their personal religious beliefs above the objective dictates of the U. S. Constitution. I am certain that a conservative Justice could vote to roll back certain rights, such as to abortion, to the state level. Do I think that the U.S. Supreme Court would outlaw the procedure across the land? No.

I imagine that any new composition of the Court would look to move the law back to the 50's on many issues. And I do mean the 1950's not the 1850's.

The Supreme Court is unlikely to take us back to a strict 'originalist' days interpretation of the Constitution that allowed slavery, counted African/Americans as 3/5 a person and didn't allow women to vote.

While the President may long for the days prior to the 22nd Amendment when he could in theory serve more than two terms, it's simply not going to happen. The current President will one day be out of office.

The appointment of a new Justice to replace Justice Kennedy's swing seat will definitely take us in the direction of the conservative Right. But as I've noted previously, that is not necessarily a bad thing. One person's loss of union rights, may be viewed by an anti-union supporter as a gain. Collective action as a whole is under attack, from the loss of union power and the limiting of class action claims, which frankly result in greater wins for the lawyers than the litigants most of the time.

A less active federal government is probably a bad thing in areas like environmental controls, monopolies and financial regulation for the nation as whole. Yet, if the Supremes are pushing more matters back to the states to control, then it is up to the individual states to act. California will remain on the forefront of environmental, social and financial regulation – West Virginia not so much. As an American I can then choose where I wish to live and under what conditions. Or I can act to improve the situation in the individual states.

Where this becomes a knotty problem is on issues such as abortion – which almost certainly in some states will face greater restrictions going forward. Will gay rights change? Yes that's likely. Will the court reverse the gay marriage cases? I doubt it.

These are two fundamentally different types of issues. They both deal with personal autonomy, but it's in their effects on others that they differ. An abortion clearly does end at least the potential of life and therefore is literally a life and death matter. Gay marriage on the other hand, doesn't really impact anyone but the couple. One may object on religious grounds, but in truth it has no impact on one's life, and therefore the answer is to not get a gay marriage. But the abortion discussion, the "defending the defenseless" is a thornier issue which brings in to play the big "S" State's role in protecting people, it's citizens, born and unborn.

This is why Supreme Court Justices matter. This is why Presidential politics matter. We're not just choosing a President every 4 years, we're choosing a legacy, and a future.

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CORRECTION

Due to an error on our part, the publication dates were transposed for columns What's the Point? and Curious City this week. Curious City ran on Tuesday, July 10 and What's the Point? Was published on Wednesday, July 11. Both columns are available online at www.smdp.com.



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Opponents sue to strike 3 California's measure from ballot

SOPHIA BOLLAG
Associated Press

Opponents of an initiative to split California into three states asked the state Supreme Court on Monday to pull the measure from the ballot, arguing it's too drastic a change to state government to go through the normal initiative process.

A lawsuit by the Planning and Conservation League argues major changes to the state's government structure require approval from two-thirds of the Legislature before going under consideration by voters or a state constitutional convention.

The initiative would break the state into Northern California, California and Southern California. Northern California would comprise the Bay Area, Silicon Valley, Sacramento and counties north of the current state capital. California would be a strip of land along the coast stretching from Los Angeles to Monterey. Southern California would include Fresno and the surrounding farming communities, reaching all the way to San Diego and the Mexican border.

Venture capitalist Tim Draper is financing the "Cal 3" initiative in his latest attempt to divide the state. He has spent more than $1.7 million supporting it. The nation's most populous state has become too difficult to govern because of its size, wealth disparities and geographic diversity, Draper and the initiative's supporters argue. Draper did not comment on the lawsuit because he had not seen it. A spokeswoman for the initiative also did not comment.

The California Supreme Court has struck initiatives in the past after ruling they went too far in changing government structure. For example, in 1990 the court struck part of a measure to reform the state's criminal justice system after voters passed it because the court found it revised the state constitution beyond what could be done through an initiative. In another case in 2000, the court struck a measure on lawmaker compensation and redistricting from the ballot before it went to voters because justices found it violated the state's single subject rule, which requires that initiatives deal with just one issue.

Draper's measure is an abuse of the ballot initiative system, said Carlyle Hall, a lawyer working on the lawsuit.

"The dislocation and the disruption that would be caused by something as great as this just can't be understated," he said. "This will not make things better. This is really stupid."

Michael Salerno, a law professor at UC Hastings, described the change the initiative attempts to make as profound. "It would not surprise me if the court took this off the ballot," he said.

Loyola Law Professor Jessica Levinson said it makes sense for opponents to argue that the initiative substantially revises the state's governing structure, but she added that judges are often reluctant to pull measures from the ballot.

The Planning and Conservation League, an environmental nonprofit corporation, has a history of working on initiatives and therefore has an interest in the process not being abused, Hall said. Additionally, the initiative could harm the environment if California's strong environmental protections are scrapped and replaced with something weaker, which could happen if the state were split, Hall said.

Hall said he and the other lawyers are working on the lawsuit for free.

Draper's last attempt to divide the state in six didn't gather enough signatures to make the ballot in 2016.

Although California as it exists today is heavily Democratic, the newly proposed Southern California might not be. Democrats have only a slim registration advantage over Republicans in that region.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

LOS ANGELES

LA mail carrier found dead in truck during extreme heat

Officials say a Los Angeles mail carrier was found dead inside her postal truck in a neighborhood that reached 117 degrees (47 Celsius) during last week's record-breaking heat wave.

Coroner's spokesman Ed Winter said Tuesday that 63-year-old Peggy Frank died on the afternoon of July 6 in Woodland Hills. The cause is under investigation.

Winter said Frank had pre-existing medical issues, but he wouldn't elaborate.

She had worked for the United States Postal Service for 28 years.

The USPS says its employees undergo required training about working during extreme weather.

The federal Occupational Safety and Health Administration is investigating.

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LOS ANGELES

LA County child services employee charged with child porn

An employee of the Los Angeles County Department of Children and Family Services has been charged with possessing and distributing child pornography online.

County prosecutors charged 54-year-old Carlos Enrique Castillo with five counts of sending or receiving obscene matter for sale and a felony count of possessing more than 600 images of child or youth pornography.

Castillo is scheduled to be arraigned Tuesday in the case, which alleges the crimes occurred between October 2017 and March 2018. The prosecutor is recommending bail be set at $120,000.

If convicted on all charges, he faces up to eight years and four months in prison.

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Housing Division

The City of Santa Monica announces it has committed funds in the amount of $10,570,940, which is inclusive of an existing acquisition and predevelopment loan of $9,558,843, to Community Corporation of Santa Monica for the construction a future affordable housing development targeted to low-income seniors located at 1820 and 1826 14th Street.

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Norma Mathilde Da Rocha Hathaway

August 20, 1949 – July 4, 2018



Norma Mathilde Da Rocha Hathaway, 68, of Santa Monica, passed away on July 4, 2018. Daughter, sister, mother, artist and friend to many. She was born in on August 20, 1949 in Sao Paulo, Brazil to Paulo Rocha Magdalena (deceased) and Maria Esther Medina Magdalena.

She spent her formative years with her family and is fondly remembered as a free spirit, humorous and self-determined. She immigrated to the United States in the mid 60's, first placing roots in the southern Massachusetts area before moving to California in 1979. She finally settled in Santa Monica in the early 2000s.

Despite lifelong obstacles and challenges, Norma found a home and a way to give back to society with the help of her friends at The People Concern of Santa Monica. She discovered her purpose and an artistic passion she never knew she capable of. Her siblings and children are grateful she was able to find happiness and peace in her later years.

Ms Hathaway is survived by her mother Maria Esther Medina Magdalena of Brazil; her five brothers Julio Medina Da Rocha, Luis Medina Da Rocha, Osvaldo Medina Da Rocha, Paulo Ricardo Medina Da Rocha, and Paulo Roberto Medina Da Rocha; her five sisters Cybele Medina Da Rocha, Maria Amelia Medina Da Rocha, Maria Jose Medina Da Rocha, Regina Medina Da Rocha, and Vera Helena Medina Da Rocha; her three daughters Valerie Chapman of North Carolina, Claudia C. Chapman of Danville VA (3 grandchildren), and Stephanie Alves Amaral of Milwaukie, OR (2 grandchildren and one great-grandchild) ; and her seven sons Desmond Chapman of Maryland, Michael L'Heureux of North Carolina (2 grandchildren), David Amaral Blouin of Apple Valley MN, Johnny Hathaway of Torrington WY, Derrick Hathaway of Arizona, Darius Hathaway of Pendleton, OR (1 grandchild) and Jeremiah Watkins of Oregon City, OR (1 grandchild), as well as her extended family and her many friends in the community she came to call home. Her father Paulo Rocha Magdalena preceded her in passing.

A memorial celebration of her life will be held on July 20, 2018 in Santa Monica. Should friends desire, donations may be made toward the cost of cremation at https://www.gofundme.com/michael-l039heureux&rcid=r01-153117019545-795cba66b4e9489e&pc=ot_co_campmgmt_m

ORIGAMI

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overview of the land of the rising sun and fun facts about the culture.

Ernst says in the iPhone era, the interactive learning method has proven effective for students around the world.

"So many kids today go towards tablets and video games for fun," Ernst said. "Origami and history is a fun, educational way to teach Japanese culture that [students] won't forget."

Along with the free cultural education and origami folding skills, students will also engage in an origami folding competition at the end of the day with gifts given out to the winners as well as the other participating students. "We do this in Japan occasionally and we want students to enjoy that here, too," said Ernst.

A Santa Monica resident, Ernst has a daughter who attends Roosevelt, who she says is one of the few Japanese students in both her class and school. Ernst says she helped bring the program to Santa Monica in hopes that children in the community could have a fun way to understand and celebrate Japanese culture, collectively.

"It is just summer session at one school, but this is just the beginning for us," she said. "We want [children] to know Japan more and Japanese culture. We want to be educational, not promotional." Ernst shared a quote from Shinju Suzuki, of Japan Airlines, summating the event: "[We] aim to fly our origami planes as a way to fly our dreams towards the sky."

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Nico James

LEGAL LOOPHOLE: **No rule expressly prohibits scooters on the beach path but officials are trying to clarify if existing rules related to electric assisted vehicles apply to scooters.**



BEACH PATH

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the visitors found themselves out of luck, however, since most of the scooters were simply out of battery and abandoned to bake in the sun.

Just south of the Pier, the flock of scooters strewn in the sand increased by the minute, creating a sort of scooter graveyard. Two broken Breeze bikes and an empty pedicab completed the scene. North of the Pier, families walked shoulder-to-shoulder along the path as scooters zipped around them.

"There's just so many people," said Recreation and Parks Commission Kurt Schwengel, who lives near the path. "The main problem is where it's a shared path between bikes and pedestrians between the Pier and the Jonathan Club. That stretch is a death trap."

When the Daily Press began asking about the rules governing the path, some officials seem as confused as the riders themselves. The Los Angeles County path is enveloped by a state beach and governed by layers of laws.

On Monday, a police department spokesman said the Santa Monica Police Department does not enforce traffic laws on the beach path.

"Last I was told, the beach path - we cannot enforce there right now," Lt. Saul Rodriguez said regarding the scooters.

Rodriguez said the department has not issued tickets for scooter violations on the beach path and when officers have written tickets for non-scooter violations of the vehicle code, judges have dismissed them due to questions over applicability of the law to the area. He said the department is waiting on clarification from the court system.

However, after follow-up questions were sent to the City and Supervisor Sheila Keuhl, the City Manager's office sought to clarify the issue, asserting jurisdiction over the path.

"This has been an evolving situation. The beach is always a tricky area in terms of multiple jurisdictions," PIO Constance Farrell said.

However, confusion remains over whether the County even allows the electric scooters there in the first place. A County map of bike lanes says the path is "intended exclusively for non-motorized use," but says electric-assist and electric-powered mobility devices (e.g. electric bikes) are allowed as per state law. The map stipulates "type 3 electric bicycles (with top assisted speeds of 28 mph) may not be used on County trails or bike paths."

Farrell said the city is seeking clarification on the rule to better understand how the county views electric scooters.

Local jurisdictions like Santa Monica are allowed to enforce their own ordinances along the 22-mile path, and could limit or prohibit the devices if the City Council chooses.

A source within County Supervisor Sheila Keuhl's office said the supervisor has no jurisdiction over this particular issue, but the Supervisor is concerned about public safety.

In the meantime, a spokesperson for Lime said the company does not place scooters along the path.

"Lime does not deploy scooters on the beach path and we encourage riders to follow all local laws including restrictions related to riding on the beach path, spokesperson Gene Kim told the Daily Press. "All of our scooters are picked up each night and redeployed each morning."

For now, the City is hoping the companies will continue to educate their riders on age limits and helmet requirements. On Tuesday, the Santa Monica Police Department released an online video outlining the laws. Rodriguez said it is only the beginning of an upcoming crackdown on the scooters zooming around the city.

"In the next few weeks there is going to be a big, high profile enforcement effort that will last some time," Rodriguez said. "There's way too many violations."

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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: **73.2°**

WEDNESDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** Knee to waist high
Continued SSW swell. Small NW windswell.

THURSDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** ankle to knee high occ. 3 ft
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CRIME WATCH
BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

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

ON JUNE 27, 2018 AT ABOUT 1:16 A.M.

While patrolling the area of 23rd Street and Idaho Avenue, an officer saw a subject pushing a shopping cart in an alley. As the subject saw the officer, he began to walk away swiftly from the officer. The subject walked in a carport and tried to hide in between several cars. Officers stopped the subject and placed him under arrest for possession of a "CVC" shopping cart. Victor Galindo, 28, from Los Angeles, was issued a citation for appropriation of lost property.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department Responded To 397 Calls For Service On July 9.

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

Battery 2200 block Lincoln 12:16 a.m.
Person down 1800 block Lincoln 12:22 a.m.
Battery Appian/Pacific 12:52 a.m.
Attempt armed robbery 2800 block Main 12:59 a.m.
Injured person 2000 block Ocean 1:29 a.m.
Grand theft 1100 block Yale 2:37 a.m.
Person down 1300 block 16th 5:11 a.m.
Trespassing 1200 block 7th 5:32 a.m.
Trespassing 1400 block Broadway 6:05 a.m.
Burglary 1700 block Cloverfield 6:39 a.m.
Animal related incident 2600 block 23rd 6:47 a.m.
Auto burglary 1000 block Pacific 7:03 a.m.
Person down Ocean/Broadway 8:06 a.m.
Urinating/defecating in public 00 block Pico 9:11 a.m.
Death investigation 1300 bock Yale 9:13 a.m.
Auto burglary 2500 block 3rd 9:37 a.m.
Person down 20th/Wilshire 9:53 a.m.
Auto burglary 9:57 a.m.
Bike theft 1300 block 6th 10:11 a.m.
Armed robbery 1300 block 3rd 10:15 a.m.
Child abuse 3200 block Pico 10:16 a.m.
Vandalism 1200 block Lincoln 10:32 a.m.
Auto burglary 2800 block 3rd 10:33 a.m.
Person down 700 block Broadway 10:51 a.m.
Auto burglary 2500 block 3rd 10:53 a.m.
Burglary 800 block 2nd 10:57 a.m.
Encampment 1500 block The Beach 11:32 a.m.
Grand theft 1400 block Berkeley 11:55 a.m.
Identity theft 1500 block Ocean 12:05 p.m.
Battery 26th/Broadway 12:43 p.m.
Stolen vehicle 800 block Santa Monica 12:56 p.m.
Auto burglary 2500 block 3rd 1:14 p.m.
Battery 2nd/Colorado 1:31 p.m.
Death investigation 1400 block 10th 1:47 p.m.
Indecent exposure 3rd/Arizona 2:11 p.m.
Grand theft 3100 block Colorado 2:13 p.m.
Battery 1900 block Broadway 2:22 p.m.
Animal related incident 900 block Palisades Beach 2:55 p.m.
Indecent exposure 1500 block Palisades 4 p.m.
Attempt burglary 1800 block Montana 4:21 p.m.
Sexual assault 16th/Santa Monica 4:24 p.m.
Person down 1500 block 2nd 4:34 p.m.
Battery 1800 block Lincoln 4:36 p.m.
Burglary 2200 block Ocean 4:45 p.m.
Attempt strongarm burglary 1300 block 3rd 5:02 p.m.
Vandalism 7th/Olympic 5:12 p.m.
Burglary 1800 block Arizona 6:22 p.m.
Battery 200 block Santa Monica 7:07 p.m.
Person w/gun Ocean/Santa Monica 7:32 p.m.
Vandalism 1200 block Broadway 7:33 p.m.
Battery 300 block Santa Monica Pier 8:30 p.m.
Fight 2nd/Colorado 9:54 p.m.
Animal related incident 1700 block Pico 10:23 p.m.
Domestic violence 800 block Broadway 11:08 p.m.
Trespassing 300 block Wilshire 11:25 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department Responded To 33 Calls For Service On July 9.

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Emergency Medical Service 1100 block 14th 12:14 a.m.
EMS 1800 block Lincoln 12:23 a.m.
Automatic alarm 1400 block Ocean 12:32 a.m.
EMS 0 block Marine 12:53 a.m.
EMS 2800 block Main 1:01 a.m.
EMS 2000 block Ocean 1:25 a.m.
EMS 2000 block Main 1:58 a.m.
EMS 1300 block Yale 8:49 a.m.
EMS 800 block Pico 9:33 a.m.
EMS 20th/Wilshire 9:53 a.m.
EMS 2600 block 6th 10:04 a.m.
EMS 2000 block Santa Monica 12:16 p.m.
EMS 2000 block Santa Monica 1:05 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1000 block 4th 2:41 p.m.
Electrical fire 1100 block 21st 3:05 p.m.
EMS 600 block San Vicente 4:11 p.m.
EMS 900 block 19th 4:20 p.m.
EMS 1500 block 2nd 4:34 p.m.
EMS 1600 block Ocean Front 5:11 p.m.
Automatic alarm 2600 block 33rd 5:20 p.m.
EMS 1200 block 16th 5:24 p.m.
Automatic alarm 200 block Santa Monica 5:45 p.m.
Automatic alarm 200 block San Vicente 6:10 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1500 block 15th 6:32 p.m.
Traffic collision w/physical rescue 20th/Santa Monica 7:17 p.m.
EMS 500 block Colorado 8:07 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1700 block Ocean 8:34 p.m.
Elevator rescue 2700 block Neilson 8:49 p.m.
EMS 100 block Broadway 9:17 p.m.
EMS 100 block Broadway 9:34 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1500 block 15th 10:21 p.m.
EMS 300 block Olympic 11:12 p.m.
EMS Lincoln/Broadway 11:16 p.m.

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POWERBALL
Draw Date: 7/7
1 10 43 45 64
Power#: 22
Jackpot: 90M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 7/6
2 10 46 50 56
Mega#: 16
Jackpot: 306M

SUPER LOTTO
Draw Date: 7/7
1 10 34 36 39
Mega#: 25
Jackpot: 13M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 7/9
1 4 6 19 34

DAILY 3
Draw Date: 7/9
MIDDAY: 5 3 6
Draw Date: 7/9
EVENING: 5 0 9

DAILY DERBY
Draw Date: 7/9
1st: 07 Eureka
2nd: 06 Whirl Win
3rd: 05 California Classic
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1. Archaic. a person who causes contention or discord.

WELL NEWS BY SCOTT LAFEE

Get Me That, Stat!

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Number Cruncher

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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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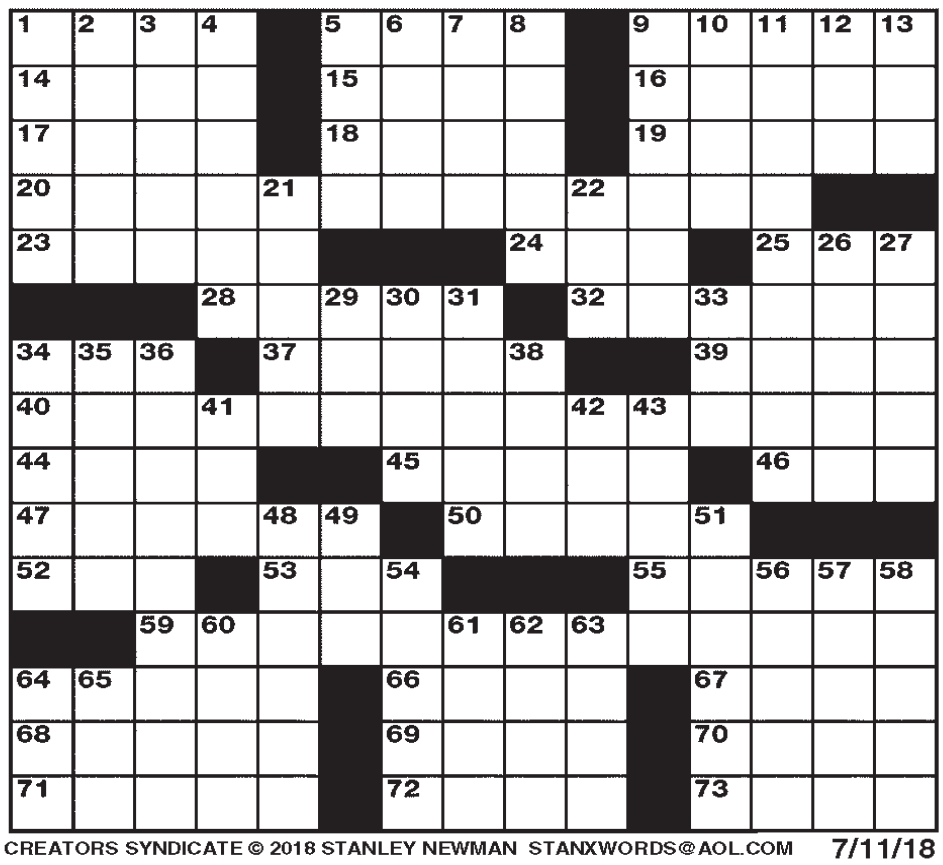
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ACROSS

1 Gung-ho
5 Community gym site: Abbr.
9 Oil-bearing rock
14 Like an owl, supposedly
15 __ Grey tea
16 Wholesale quantities
17 Car-wheel connector
18 On the summit of
19 Beginning stage
20 Remark to a waiter
23 Go in
24 *Mad Men* network
25 Atlas page
28 Very funny people
32 Tiny rock
34 Eisenhower nickname
37 Pulsations
39 "__ well that ends well"
40 TV show interrupter
44 Opera solo
45 Auction bid
46 Timid
47 Feel sorry about
50 Foul-smelling
52 Cob of corn
53 Sheep sound
55 Flat-bottomed boat
59 Very close
64 Place for a home barbeque
66 In __ straits (needing help)
67 Online diary
68 Tiny bit of paint
69 At any time
70 Poor, as an excuse
71 Gives up legally
72 "For Pete's __!"
73 Potato buds

DOWN

1 Up and about
2 Female fox
3 Bit of land in the ocean
4 More profound
5 Slangy assent
6 Spouse
7 Gator's cousin
8 __-Bits (letter-shaped cereal)
9 Candle bracket
10 __ in there (persist)
11 Puts together
12 Director Ang or Spike
13 Indiana's winter hrs.
21 Big family
22 Band's sound-boosting box
26 Muslim Almighty
27 Annoying
29 Anthem contraction
30 Mexican food
31 Unable to bend
33 Pub
34 Words of concern
35 Divided Asian nation
36 Moved to another country
38 __ and sound (out of danger)
41 Scratch up
42 __ down (disappoint)
43 Illegal incentive payment
48 Novels saved on tablets
49 Letter after sigma
51 Work at something casually
54 Peru's mountains
56 Four-person footrace
57 Garden statuette
58 Outer limits
60 Sushi stuffing
61 Star soprano
62 Difficult journey
63 Roll call response
64 Rank below cpl.
65 Pub beverage



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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 11)

Increased vitality is your cosmic birthday gift. By being healthier, you inspire others to lead healthier lives. Your help matters to family. They will be a source of pride and promotion for you. What you accomplish by the end of the year will put you in the running for an award. Love and adoration will be lavished on you in 2019. Taurus and Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 50, 4, 44, 48 and 13.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
Once you thought you knew what you wanted to be when you grew up, but not anymore. Anyway, it's not what you should be but what you should do that matters. The action is an expression of you but not totally who you are.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Can you feel two things at the same time? Maybe. Or maybe every emotion is a mix. Let the feeling flow, because it will be cleansing. Feel it all so you can close the curtain on this act and move on to the next one.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)
Good food, music and conversation deserve special notice and thoughtful consideration. You don't take any of that for granted. You want to know what goes into it. You'll use your leisure as a means of mental development.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)
As for that task that seems to be making you so unhappy: Maybe you can't cut it out completely yet, but there's a way to do less of it. There's also a way to react differently to it. Take this on. Find the way.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
What you're looking for will be found soon — or rather, it will come find you shortly after you stop looking. So give it a break and do something else for a little while.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
The love, care and respect you give yourself will show others that you're someone to treat with love, care and respect. You'll attract only those who are ready and able to give you what you so deserve.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
There are people who make your life better by being in it, and people who make your life better by staying out of it. Don't force it either way. Trust the social process, and what happens naturally will be to your benefit.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)
Being alone and enjoying it prevents you from using others as an escape. You've been used in that way before, and you didn't like the pressure. So you take pleasure in solitude, just to make sure that you can.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Trying to forget doesn't work, because the harder you try, the more the thing occupies your thoughts. The only way out is through. Remember; process; and release.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Be very choosy about what you add to your life right now, be it a possession or a person. Only add what you love. If you love it, you'll care for it. And both possessions and people need a lot of care.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
To get into a creative mindset will take a conscious effort. You'll have to plan it, follow through and protect yourself from distraction and diversion. The rewards will be rich. Your heart opens as you create.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
You will be tempted to give your attention and time to people who, though well-meaning, are currently limited in their capacity to be curious about others and to put others before themselves. Don't make this costly mistake.

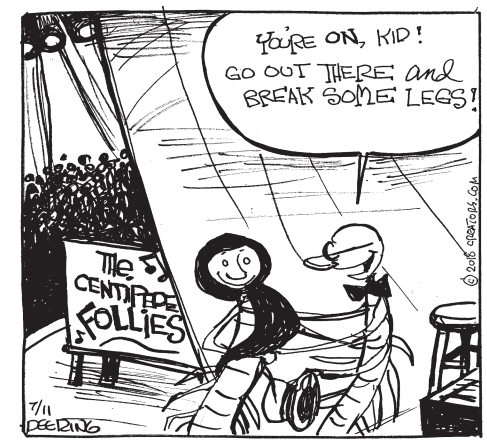
Venus Trine Uranus

Venus trine Uranus reminds us that people are not particularly trustworthy, but if you never extend the benefit of the doubt, you run the risk of staying small and poor. Calculated risk is the way to wealth of spirit and coin. If you think they are likely to do the right thing, trust them. In the end, you'll be richer for your social and economic daring.

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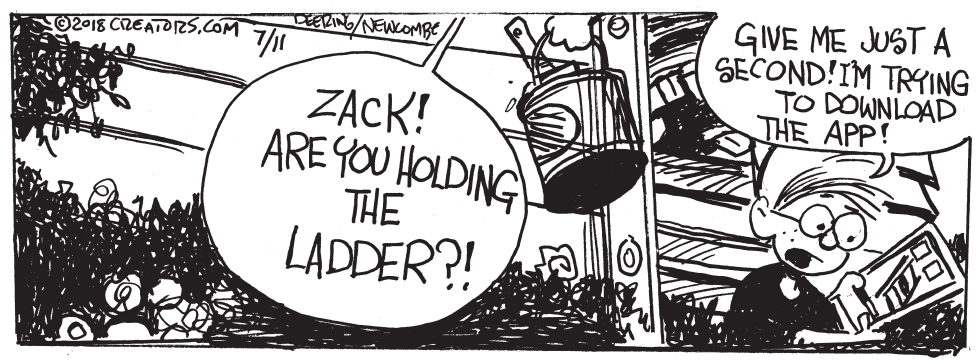
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Supreme Court enjoys relatively high public confidence

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The next Supreme Court justice will join the bench at a time when the public has more confidence in the high court than in Congress or the presidency.

A Gallup survey in June found 37 percent of Americans have a great deal or quite a lot of confidence in the court, while another 42 percent have "some" confidence. Only 18 percent have little or no confidence in the court.

Those are sterling marks compared with the court's neighbor on Capitol Hill: Just 11 percent of Americans say they have a great deal or quite a lot of confidence in Congress and nearly half say they have little or no confidence in the nation's legislature.

Down Pennsylvania Avenue, confidence in the White House is on par with that of the Supreme Court — though 44 percent of Americans have little or no confidence in it.

While the public's overall view of the court has remained steady over the past decade, there's been a shift this year as Republicans and GOP-leaning independents were more likely to express confidence in the court than Democrats and left-leaning independents were.

That change comes after a just-concluded term in which retiring Justice Anthony Kennedy sided with conservative-leaning justices on rulings that blessed President Donald Trump's ban on travel from several Muslim nations, placed new limits on public-employee unions and struck down a California law aimed at regulating anti-abortion crisis pregnancy centers, among others.

Trump's choice — a former Kennedy clerk, Brett Kavanaugh, who currently sits on the Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit — will almost certainly push the court to the right. More Americans believe the court is "too conservative" than say it's "too liberal," according to a Quinnipiac poll conducted after Kennedy announced his plans to step down.

But 41 percent of Americans think the court's ideological balance is about right.

A look at public opinion on some of the key issues facing the justices in the coming years:

ABORTION RIGHTS

Trump's nominee is sure to face an avalanche of questions about the court's 1973 decision in Roe v. Wade that established a women's constitutional right to abortion. A majority of Americans thinks the court shouldn't overturn Roe and most think abortion should be legal in all or most cases.

In mid-June, before Kennedy's retirement announcement, a poll from the Kaiser Family Foundation found that 67 percent of Americans would not like to see Roe overturned, while 29 percent would. There are no differences in that opinion between men and women, though younger women are especially likely to say they do not want to see Roe overturned.

Democrats overwhelmingly support Roe, while Republicans narrowly support overturning the decision, the poll found.

The Kaiser poll's findings largely match results in others surveys on the topic, regardless of question wording or polling organization conducting the research.

TRUMP'S TRAVEL BAN

In a 5-to-4 decision announced at the end of the court's recently concluded term, the Supreme Court upheld Trump's ban on travel into the United States for citizens of several majority-Muslim countries, as well as North Korea and some Venezuelan government officials and their families.

After the ruling, a Quinnipiac poll found Americans split over the issue. While 49 percent of the public approve of the court's decision, another 46 percent disapprove. As with many issues with ties to Trump, the public is divided across partisan lines, with Republicans mostly approving of the policy and Democrats largely opposed.

VOTING RIGHTS

Before the 2020 presidential elections, the court may revisit several cases it sent back to the lower courts this term that confront the fairness of electoral maps and issues related to voting rights.

Poll results on gerrymandering are limited, but a Pew Research Center survey earlier this year measured the public's views on the importance of specific aspects of American elections.

A wide 83 percent majority said it is very important that no eligible voters are prevented from voting, while about two-thirds said it was very important that no ineligible voters are permitted to vote. Roughly three-quarters placed great importance on congressional districts being determined in a fair and reasonable way.

In assessing both issues, there is a clear partisan split. Republicans are more likely to say ineligible voters casting ballots is a problem, while Democrats are more focused on issues with voting access. They also focus on political gerrymandering, which is less of an issue for Republicans.

RELIGIOUS LIBERTY AND LGBT RIGHTS

The court will continue to face cases involving conflict between businesses that cite faith-based objections to laws aimed at protecting the rights of gay and lesbian people.

It's difficult for a survey questions to clearly and responsibly reflect the debate over specific gay-rights issues, such as businesses refusing services to same-sex couples or restroom policies as they relate to transgender people.

However, in May 2017, a Gallup poll found Americans divided over whether new civil rights laws are needed to reduce discrimination against LGBT people: 51 percent said new laws are needed, while 46 percent said they are not.

DEATH PENALTY

The Supreme Court is also sure to hear cases in future terms from death row inmates seeking stays of execution. Earlier this year, a Pew Research Center survey found public support for the death penalty for those convicted of murder.

A modest 54 percent majority of Americans favor the death penalty, compared with 39 percent who are opposed. Support for the death penalty has fallen over the past two decades, though the shift in opinion is concentrated among Democrats and independents. Republicans remain largely in favor of capital punishment.

GUN RIGHTS

The court has not taken on a major gun rights case since 2010, but it may be more likely to do so with a new voice on the bench.

Earlier this year, a survey by the AP-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research found Americans in favor of stricter gun laws. A 69 percent majority said gun laws in the U.S. should be tougher, compared with 22 percent who thought they should be left as they are and just 9 percent who said they should be less strict.





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