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Supervisors want power to remove rogue sheriffs

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In the latest skirmish between county executives and the sheriff's department, the LA County Board of Supervisors is moving to outflank the LA County Sheriff by potentially undermining his status as an elected official.

Supervisors would like to expand their already extensive power, preparing to ask local voters for permission to remove a sheriff they believe is violating laws, neglecting duties, misappropriating public

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Council to hold special meeting for Frank Gehry project

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Just 48 hours after convening on Tuesday, Council will meet again on Thursday night for a special meeting to discuss a mixed-use development designed by renowned architect Frank Gehry. During this meeting Council will also make its annual Board and Commission appointments.

The Frank Gehry development—known as the Ocean Avenue Project—is a two acre hotel, apartment, retail and public space project located on

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Pier Starbucks is too dangerous to stay open



Aaron Mikail

CLOSING: Starbucks will close 16 locations nationwide due to safety concerns, including the store at the base of the Santa Monica Pier.

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Starbucks is closing the recently opened store on Ocean Front Walk citing an inability to provide a safe environment for staff and customers.

The store has been open for about two years following a remodel of the site and in an announcement this week, Starbucks said it would close 16 stores throughout the country for safety concerns as the company reimagines the future of the business.

By the end of July, a total of six stores will close in the Los Angeles area including 1st & Los Angeles (Doubletree), 2nd & San Pedro, Hollywood & Vine, Hollywood & Western, Ocean Front Walk & Moss and Santa Monica & Westmount.

A Starbucks spokesperson said the closure is not the result of any one specific incident or even a set number of incidents over time but rather an accumulation of challenges related to substance abuse, homelessness and economic upheaval caused by the pandemic. In a statement, the company said the closing stores were no longer spaces where the company could

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From ‘Lasso’ to Lizzo, Emmy nominees react with joy

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Nicholas Braun of “Succession” was pacing on the street around Soho in Manhattan, unable to stop moving and feeling “a little manic.” “Squid Game” creator Hwang Dong-hyuk was hunkering down at an island retreat to write season 2, but took a break for a bottle of Champagne. Jane Lynch was about to get sushi before performing on Broadway in a few hours. Connie Britton was getting her hair colored. They and many others expressed joy after being nominated for Emmys. Some reactions:

“Oh my God, it’s the job of a lifetime, the people that I get to work with. You’re just around so much talent, and we’ve really got a family thing going. Just so many special actors who know their characters like the back of their hands. When I’m in a scene, I’m also a fan and I’m like, ‘Oh my God, they’re killing it right now!’ So it’s really the greatest gig, and I’m so happy for everybody else getting their props.” — Nicholas Braun of “Succession,” nominated for best supporting actor in a drama, one of a leading 25 nominations for the series.

“I have already drunk a bottle of Champagne ... I am in a grueling process of writing Season 2. These nominations add to the pressure but as much as the pressure increases, I would say that my motivation also increases, because I want to deliver on the expectations.” — “Squid Game” creator Hwang Dong-hyuk, speaking from Jeju island in South Korea, where he is writing the next season, after his show became the first non-English language series to vie for television’s top honor. It earned a best drama nomination and 13 other bids.

“We are a nauseatingly happy bunch! Because there is nobody, including Jason (Sudeikis), that thinks they’re more important in any scene than anyone else. And it has to come from him. He shines the light so universally away from himself. ... It’s really, really healthy and supportive. And honestly, if you could have seen our WhatsApp group over the last two hours, it honestly is nauseating. We dig each other, we dig each other to death. And I will struggle to leave this group of players. I really will.” — Hannah Waddingham on her “Ted Lasso” ensemble. Waddingham was nominated again for the award she won last year, best supporting actress in a comedy.

“My family sacrificed a lot for me to pursue my dreams. There’s always that fear in the back of your mind: ‘Did they sacrifice and give up too much? Am I ever going to achieve this dream that everyone has for me and I have?’ This makes me feel like this and everything was worth it.” — Sydney Sweeney, nominated for best supporting actress in a drama series for “Euphoria.”

“We came out of ‘Breaking Bad’ being a great show. It’s one of the best ever on TV. You always want to try to do right by that show — do right by your legacy. It feels like we’re continuing to fulfill the hope that people had for us to keep that level of excellence. I’m following (Bryan) Cranston and these great actors who set a really high water mark.” — Bob Odenkirk, nominated for best actor in a drama for “Better Call Saul.”

“I like to find the humor in everything, and I feel like (in) the best drama, you have to kind of have the counterbalance of humor in order to really point out the drama. But it was so fun to kind of go at it from the opposite direction. ... For me, it was about, okay, I have to find the gravitas and I have to find the groundedness and the reality. It was really fun and wonderful to be able to do that with such a wonderful group of actors who were just all so excellent.” — Connie Britton of “The White Lotus,” nominated for best supporting actress, limited series or TV movie.

“Holy fxxxing xxxx, this is fxxxing insane! For this to happen once is magic, but twice is a miracle. ... I don’t know what to say. I’m really trying to learn to swear less. Golly gee. Is that better? Ah, who the fxxx am I kidding, thank you to the Academy.” — Brett Goldstein of “Ted Lasso” in an email message after being nominated for best supporting actor in a comedy for the second successive year.

“It’s a pretty happy day! And I’m going to have some sushi and that’s going to make it a GREAT day. ... It was just such a joy to work with Steve (Martin). We were like twins. ... It’s crazy. I mean, I certainly didn’t expect this (nomination.) It’s just the coolest thing. — Jane Lynch from “Only Murders in the Building,” nominated for guest actress in a comedy series.

“You never know if people are going to watch what you make so the entire experience of making a movie or show exists in its own creative and crazy bubble. ‘The Dropout’ was the most intense and surprisingly fun time, and for it to be appreciated in this way sweetens the whole experience for me. — Amanda Seyfried of “The Dropout,” nominated for best actress in a limited series or TV movie, in a statement.

“Like most character actors, I always think my last job will be my last ever acting job. Getting this very sweet nomination just makes me feel like at least I could be going out on a positive note if I never get an acting job. At least I’m not leaving the business with people being like ‘We hate you.’” — Comedian Martha Kelly, nominated for guest actress in a drama for her appearance in “Euphoria.”

“I came at this with so much passion and the desire to reveal myself and challenge behavior in how women are treated. I greatly admire and desperately wanted to do justice for Pamela Anderson. I had no choice but to work harder than ever. I gave everything into it.” — Lily James, nominated for best actress in a limited series or TV movie for “Pam & Tommy.”

“Nicole Kidman is going to be there. Nicole Kidman might be there. And I’m going to see Nicole Kidman at the Emmys. What am I going to do when I meet Nicole? I don’t know. But please leave a comment (with) what I should do when I meet Nicole Kidman, because that’s what the Emmys means to me ... I’ve kind of been in shock for the last couple of hours. I’ve been in shock.”— Lizzo, nominated for “Lizzo’s Watch Out for the Big Grrrls” in the outstanding competition show category, on Instagram Live.



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Traffic/Vehicle Stop Ocean Ave / Colorado Ave 1:39 a.m.
Attempt Strongarm Robbery 400Blk Expo Line 1:40 a.m.
Loud Music 1400Blk 6th St 1:41 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1400Blk 2nd St 1:57 a.m.
Loud Music 2200Blk Virginia Ave 2:05 a.m.
Burglary 1800Blk Ocean Ave 2:29 a.m.
Battery 14th St / Santa Monica Blvd 2:39 a.m.
Petty Theft 1300Blk The Beach 4:53 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1600Blk 19th St 5:04 a.m.
Encampment 1100Blk Palisades Park 5:36 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 1300Blk 3rd Street Prom 6:46 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 1200Blk Pine St 6:58 a.m.
Fraud 800Blk Pico Blvd 7:54 a.m.
Assault W/Deadly Weapon 1100Blk Pico Blvd 7:55 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 900Blk 17th St 7:59 a.m.
Drunk Driving Investigation Cloverfield Blvd / Broadway 8:00 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 11th St / Pico Blvd 8:01 a.m.
Battery 2000Blk Main St 8:03 a.m.
Encampment 1500Blk Colorado Ave 8:44 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 1000Blk Hill St 8:47 a.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 600Blk Ocean Ave 8:51 a.m.
Fight 1400Blk Ocean Ave 9:10 a.m.
Missing Person 300Blk Olympic Dr 9:19 a.m.
Encampment 1700Blk Lincoln Blvd 9:31 a.m.
Urinating/Defecating In Public 1900Blk 19th St 9:36 a.m.
Lost Property 1500Blk The Beach 9:53 a.m.
Failure To Pay Parking Fee 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 10:36 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 14th St / Pine St 10:40 a.m.
Found Property 17th St / Olympic Blvd 10:44 a.m.
Burglary 300Blk California Ave 10:44 a.m.
Petty Theft 700Blk Broadway 10:44 a.m.
Burglary 300Blk California Ave 10:49 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 700Blk Ocean Ave 11:02 a.m.
Bike Theft 2500Blk 4th St 11:04 a.m.
Auto Burglary 300Blk California Ave 11:25 a.m.
Fraud 1600Blk Cloverfield Blvd 11:26 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2000Blk 19th St 11:28 a.m.
Lewd Activity Beverley Ave / Hollister Ave 11:37 a.m.
Fire Request Police 2000Blk 19th St 11:41 a.m.
Loud Music 2000Blk Ocean Ave 11:56 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 20th St / Olympic Blvd 12:20 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 1800Blk Wilshire Blvd 12:20 p.m.
Battery 1900Blk Santa Monica Blvd 12:30 p.m.
Vehicle Burglar Alarm 500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 12:32 p.m.
Lost Property 1000Blk 6th St 12:34 p.m.
Petty Theft 1300Blk 5th St 12:40 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries Lincoln Blvd / Michigan Ave 12:43 p.m.
Injured Person 1400Blk The Beach 12:45 p.m.
Found Senile Person 1900Blk Wilshire Blvd 12:55 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 2400Blk Oak St 1:21 p.m.
Drinking In Public 1500Blk 4th St 1:27 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 500Blk Colorado Ave 1:28 p.m.
General Parking Problem 900Blk 9th St 1:33 p.m.
Petty Theft 2600Blk Main St 1:49 p.m.
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Traffic Collision - No Injuries Neilson Way / Pico Blvd 2:28 p.m.
Expired Registration 2100Blk 10th St 2:30 p.m.
Rape 2200Blk Virginia Ave 2:37 p.m.
Traffic Hazard 2nd St / Colorado Ave 2:40 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 600Blk 12th St 2:52 p.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1100Blk Harvard St 2:57 p.m.
Traffic Hazard 17th St / Colorado Ave 3:00 p.m.
Violation Of Restraining Order 800Blk 18th St 3:06 p.m.
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Traffic Hazard 5th St / Wilshire Blvd 3:34 p.m.
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Petty Theft 900Blk 10th St 4:29 p.m.
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72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 2400Blk Wilshire Blvd 4:51 p.m.
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Indecent Exposure Now 500Blk Wilshire Blvd 6:32 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries Main St / Marine St 6:34 p.m.
Battery 300Blk Santa Monica Pier 6:42 p.m.
Traffic Hazard Lincoln Blvd / Pico Blvd 6:47 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 2300Blk Ocean Park Blvd 6:48 p.m.
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Petty Theft 2600Blk 4th St 7:13 p.m.
Traffic Hazard 1400Blk Ocean Ave 7:24 p.m.
Health & Safety Code Violation 1400Blk Olympic Blvd 7:44 p.m.
Found Person 300Blk Santa Monica Pier 7:45 p.m.
Speeding 2nd St / Wilshire Blvd 7:46 p.m.
Petty Theft 300Blk Santa Monica Pier 8:05 p.m.
Public Intoxication 100Blk Santa Monica Blvd 8:07 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1700Blk Ocean Ave 8:09 p.m.
Burglary Now 1400Blk 17th St 8:15 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1600Blk 9th St 8:16 p.m.
Loud Music 31st St / Pico Blvd 8:22 p.m.
Speeding 26th St / Wilshire Blvd 9:14 p.m.
Traffic Hazard 100Blk Interstate 10 9:26 p.m.
Oversize Vehicle Violation 2300Blk Pearl St 10:22 p.m.
Loitering 2700Blk Ocean Park Blvd 10:30 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold Lincoln Blvd / Navy St 10:43 p.m.
Battery 200Blk Broadway 10:50 p.m.
Prowler Just Left 1200Blk 22nd St 11:28 p.m.
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EMS 900Blk 5th St 12:21 p.m.
EMS Lincoln Blvd / Michigan Ave 12:43 p.m.
EMS 3000Blk Colorado Ave 12:52 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 2700Blk Neilson Way 2:50 p.m.
Trash/Dumpster Fire 2nd St / Santa Monica Blvd 3:52 p.m.
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EMS 2400Blk Wilshire Blvd 5:09 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury 4th St / Colorado Ave 6:16 p.m.
EMS 2500Blk Pico Blvd 6:18 p.m.
Public Assist 900Blk 9th St 6:24 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury Main St / Marine St 6:36 p.m.
EMS 1500Blk 5th St 6:52 p.m.
EMS 2500Blk Main St 7:12 p.m.
EMS 1400Blk 15th St 8:26 p.m.
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Twitter sues to force Musk to complete his $44B acquisition

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Twitter sued Tesla CEO Elon Musk on Tuesday to force him to complete the $44 billion acquisition of the social media company.

Musk and Twitter have been bracing for a legal fight since the billionaire said Friday he was backing off of his April agreement to buy the company.

Twitter's lawsuit opens with a sharply-worded accusation: "Musk refuses to honor his obligations to Twitter and its stockholders because the deal he signed no longer serves his personal interests."

"Having mounted a public spectacle to put Twitter in play, and having proposed and then signed a seller-friendly merger agreement, Musk apparently believes that he — unlike every other party subject to Delaware contract law — is free to change his mind, trash the company, disrupt its operations, destroy stockholder value, and walk away," the suit says.

Twitter filed its lawsuit in the Delaware Court of Chancery, which frequently handles business disputes among the many corporations, including Twitter, that are incorporated there.

As part of the April deal, Musk and Twitter had agreed to pay each other a $1 billion breakup fee if either was responsible for the deal falling through. The company could have pushed Musk to pay the hefty fee but is going farther than that, trying to force him to complete the full $44 billion purchase approved by the company's board.

"Oh the irony lol," Musk tweeted after Twitter filed the lawsuit, without explanation.

The arguments and evidence laid out by Twitter are "very strong and compelling" and likely to get a receptive ear in the Delaware court, which doesn't look kindly on sophisticated buyers backing off of deals, said Brian Quinn, a law professor at Boston College.

"They make a very strong argument that this is just buyer's remorse," Quinn said. "You have to eat your mistakes in the Delaware Chancery Court. That's going to work very favorably for Twitter."

Musk alleged Friday that Twitter has failed to provide enough information about the number of fake accounts on its service. Twitter said last month that it was making available to Musk a "fire hose" of raw data on hundreds of millions of daily tweets.

> They make a very strong argument that this is just buyer's remorse - Brian Quinn

The company has said for years in regulatory filings that it believes about 5% of the accounts on the platform are fake. Musk is also alleging that Twitter broke the acquisition agreement when it fired two top managers and laid off a third of its talent-acquisition team.

Twitter's suit repeatedly emphasizes Musk's contemplation of starting a Twitter competitor -- an alternative option he sometimes aired publicly and sometimes privately to Twitter's executives and board members. While the company has said it cooperated in providing the spam bot data he requested, the lawsuit suggests there was concern that disclosing too much "highly sensitive information" could expose Twitter to competitive harm if shared.

The biggest surprise for Quinn was how much evidence Twitter has -- for instance, communications with Musk about whether to retain or lay off employees, as well as the billionaire's own public tweets -- to reject his arguments for backing out.

"They are marshaling many of Musk's own tweets to hoist him on his own petard," he said.

When Musk offered to buy the company and take it private in mid-April, the board initially tried to block him by deploying a financial maneuver that would have made the acquisition prohibitively expensive.

By April 25, though, Twitter had reconsidered the offer, concluding that selling the company to Musk for $54.20 a share was in the best interest of shareholders. In a joint press release, Musk pledged to "unlock" the social media company's potential by loosening restrictions on speech and rooting out fake accounts.

But his confidence didn't last long. Tesla's stock — Musk's primary source of wealth — plummeted amid a broader stock market selloff in May, and Musk soon seemed less enthusiastic about owning Twitter.

Twitter's suit calls Musk's tactics "a model of hypocrisy," noting that he had emphasized plans to take Twitter private in order to rid it of spam accounts. Once the market declined, however, Twitter noted that "Musk shifted his narrative, suddenly demanding 'verification' that spam was not a serious problem on Twitter's platform, and claiming a burning need to conduct 'diligence' he had expressly forsworn."

Similarly, the company charges that Musk operated in bad faith, accusing him of requesting company information in order to accuse Twitter of providing "misrepresentations" about its business to regulators and investors.

Musk "has been acting against this deal since the market started turning, and has breached the merger agreement repeatedly in the process," the suit charges. "He has purported to put the deal on 'hold' pending

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California's Newsom goes to Washington; 2024 chatter follows

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As California Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom heads to Washington this week, speculation about his national political ambitions won't be far behind.

The four-day swing, anchored to an award Newsom will receive on behalf of his home state Wednesday from an education group, will provide the Democratic governor with a national stage to continue his outspoken defense of abortion rights and gun restrictions.

It comes at a time when he has been picking fights with Republican governors in Texas and Florida and holding up California as a sanctuary for what he calls fundamental rights, including same-sex marriage, freedom of speech and abortion.

Newsom's recent activities have stoked talk about his White House ambitions as President Joe Biden's popularity tumbles and some Democrats question the president's viability for 2024. Newsom, a former San Francisco mayor, has dismissed any interest in the presidency, and Biden has said he's planning to run for reelection.

"This is Gavin Newsom building his national brand for whatever opportunities might come up in the future," said Thad Kousser, a political science professor at the University of California, San Diego.

"He's savvy enough to know a lot of dominoes would have to fall for his future to come in 2024, but that makes it even more vital to take every opportunity to stay in the national consciousness for 2028" and beyond, Kousser added.

The president will be on a Middle East trip during Newsom's stop in Washington. The governor's office said the president's absence was coincidental.

On his trip, Newsom is scheduled to meet with Biden administration officials, congressional leaders and members of the California delegation to discuss abortion access, gun control and climate change.

He will also be accepting an award from the Education Commission of the States that recognizes, among other things, that California is on track to establish universal pre-K classes for all 4-year-olds by 2025. Newsom spokesperson Erin Mellon said that "what is happening on the education front reflects what we're seeing across the country – restricting rights and freedoms."

"While red states are limiting the choices of parents and students – banning books, limiting speech in the classrooms, and persecuting families with transgender youth — California is prioritizing freedom and choice," she said in a statement.

The 54-year-old governor has acknowledged he's hoping that issues like abortion rights will mobilize Democratic voters in a challenging midterm election year, when the president's party typically loses seats in Congress.

After easily beating back a recall election last year and facing only token opposition in his bid for a second term in November, Newsom has sought out the national spotlight in recent months, blaming his own party for being too passive in the face of federal court decisions and new laws in Republican-led states that he said are eroding long-settled rights and rewriting what it means to be an American.

Along with the U.S. Supreme Court decisions overturning Roe v. Wade and holding that citizens have a right to carry firearms in public for self-defense, he's pointed to a Texas law that bans abortions after a fetal heartbeat can be detected, possibly as early as six weeks, and a Florida law that forbids classroom instruction on sexual orientation and gender identity in kindergarten through third grade.

On Independence Day, Newsom's campaign aired an ad in Florida critical of Republican Gov. Ron DeSantis, a potential 2024 presidential candidate, warning viewers that "freedom is under attack in your state."

Republican leaders are "making it harder to vote, restricting speech in classrooms, even criminalizing women and doctors," Newsom said in the 30-second spot, while images of DeSantis and former President Donald Trump flashed on screen.

"The DeSantis vision of freedom is a fraud," Newsom wrote in a recent fundraising pitch. "It's a vision where people are free to carry guns everywhere and everyone has to live in fear of getting shot."

California, meanwhile, has been going its own way.

Last month, legislators with Newsom's support agreed to place a proposal before voters in November that would guarantee a right to an abortion in the state constitution. The heavily Democratic state has some of the nation's tightest gun safety laws but has continued to expand them after the recent Supreme Court decision, including adding new restrictions on untraceable "ghost guns" and marketing firearms to minors.

As he maneuvers for a prominent place in the national party, Newsom could find himself attracting unwanted attention.

California residents are dealing with a long-running homeless crisis, soaring gas and grocery prices and rising crime in major cities. Housing costs are out of reach for many working-class families, and the state has some of the nation's highest taxes.

A Public Policy Institute of California survey in May found that 50% of respondents believed the state was headed in the wrong direction. And perhaps most tellingly, California has been shedding population — and it's losing a congressional seat — after years of stratospheric growth.

Longtime Democratic consultant Bill Carrick said he saw Newsom making a vocal stand on nationally critical issues rather than maneuvering to get his name into the 2024 presidential discussion.

"We had these two court decisions that had a deep impact on California," Carrick said. "He's an important voice in that debate and he needs to represent the state as vigorously as he can."

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Apartment fire on Palisades/Alta



Todd James

FIRE: A morning apartment fire in the NOMA neighborhood drew an all-hands-on-deck response from the Santa Monica Fire Department on Tuesday. All 35 SMFD firefighters on duty were called to the 100 block of Palisades/Alta for a fire in a two story apartment building. Firefighters were able to confine the flames to a single unit and part of the building's attic. No one was home in the impacted unit and SMFD said there were no reports of injuries. Fire investigators and building inspectors are investigating possible causes and the scope of the damage.

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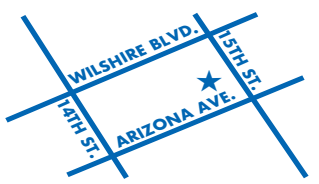
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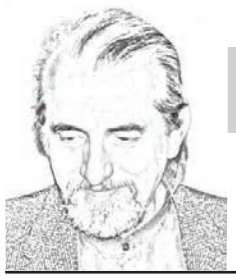
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LOOKING BETTER? KEEP PUSHING!



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AN IDEAL: Count your blessings.

SOME THINGS ARE LOOKING UP IN SANTA MONICA

And California, and the USA and the world. If you don't acknowledge the good you've got every so often, you can get a skewed and depressing perspective. And it's all perspective, isn't it? Your thoughts may be dark but if you raise your head up you will see a bright, sunny day, almost always in Santa Monica.

We had Mexican mafia gangs controlling our Pier, for a year, with their cart vendors threatening legitimate, permitted vendors, dropping food, taking their carts with them into the restrooms, unsafe flames. Now they're gone. And that Pier patrol is being extended to the beach and Palisades Park.

We had a Police Chief who was absent and prepared not at all for the gang invasion 5/31/20 that was well telegraphed. She remained on duty, the investigation of her role was quashed and she left town unscathed with a golden parachute and a position leading a national police organization. As far as I can tell, the commission set up here to look into police reform has been feckless. But, now we have a new Chief who seems promising. The jail is finally open again (the revolving door taken out – that's a joke). Police force morale should continue to improve if they feel the City government and residents are backing them, rather than questioning their integrity.

And while we're at it: let's not listen to any ideas about battling our crime issues by calling in the LA County Sheriffs, until their top guy is not the corrupt and dangerous Villanueva.

We have a new City Manager who has been very good. City Hall (staff) still needs a severe cleaning out, but that's a tough task, and at least he seems not to think it's his job to make policy and be a de facto mayor. (I think we need a real mayor, though that idea has its own pitfalls. But it seems to work well in places like Long Beach. Our quaint notion of a rotating, short term mayorship is ridiculous, and always the result of a popularity contest and horse-trading favors among the Council members – OK, I'll vote for you this time if I can be mayor next time. It gives all elected to Council that chance to be known as The Former Mayor of Santa Monica, for the rest of their lives. And if you don't think that is a factor as to who runs for City Council, then you haven't been paying attention.)

We have a new City Attorney, which is a lot more important than many may think. He seems to be a fair, independent thinker who will apply the law and not bend to City Council coalitions or outside cabals. The last couple we had were a sad joke.

THE BUCK STOPS AT CITY COUNCIL

And there has been some real progress on our plethora of issues since The Slate pulled off the miracle election last time. (I will be happy to report on efforts by long-serving Gleam Davis and Sue Himmelrich to do meaningful work for residents, but I haven't observed it.) The Slate is still in the minority but new appointee Lana Negrete has been voting with them frequently. We do still need to elect at least one more residents-first candidate to City Council this fall to make that solid. Be careful who you vote for, do your research. Someone may have good-looking credentials but if they are beholden to any group, they may not put residents first.

The fall election will also give us a chance for a new School Board. Look for candidates who will put students and teachers above new buildings, and who will swear to a strict policy of transparency, something sorely lacking now and for some years. Check candidates affiliations – groups they belong to, where they work, their relatives (seriously). And not a penny more for bonds for SMMUSD or SMC – together they already have about $2.5B of our money and you should do some research to see if you think it is being spent wisely. On students an education, not buildings that are not needed. Yes, our schools are great, they always have been, but are they slipping and couldn't they be much better under different management? I think so.

As for City Council, I cringe when I hear anyone ask, what have they done? Nothing, that I can see. (Well you have to pay close attention and spend some time to really know that answer, and most of us don't have that luxury.) They promised a lot, but where is it?

Crime, the health and economic effects of the pandemic, traffic, inflation, homelessness, climate change, overdevelopment – mostly they are not problems that can be solved locally, and certainly not quick ones that you can see in less than two years. Like I say, look for the little indicators, that progress is being made, that hope is possible.

SAFETY FIRST

I'm sure your perceptions and perspectives change with the knowledge and experience gained from being on City Council. I've heard locals complain that certain candidates promised they would work on certain problems, and don't seem to be.

There are always choices to be made for the allocation of resources, money, personnel and time. For example, while Council member Phil Brock has admitted that many of the issues he promised as

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VILLANUEVA

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funds, falsifying documents or obstructing official investigations. If approved, Supervisors would need at least a 4-1 vote to remove a sheriff.

The move comes after years of conflicts between LA County Sheriff Alex Villanueva and the five-member Board of Supervisors and amid growing concerns over deputy gangs at several sheriff's stations in the County, as well as growing scrutiny nationwide over law enforcement use of force.

> “Unfortunately, the County has had [a] long and troubling history with sheriff oversight and transparency - Chair Holly Mitchell

On Tuesday, Supervisors voted, 4-1, to ask their legal team to draw up language that could be placed on the Nov. 8, 2022, ballot for voters to decide whether to grant the Board that power. Only Supervisor Kathryn Barger, representing District Five, the sprawling northernmost district of LA County, dissented.

Among those in favor of the move was Third District Supervisor Sheila Kuehl, representing the westside of Los Angeles County including Santa Monica and Venice. In her comments, Kuehl invoked Villanueva's controversial visit to the Venice Beach Boardwalk last summer.

“He took credit for housing people who were unhoused along the Venice Boardwalk,” Kuehl said during the Tuesday, July 12, hearing. “He was not responsible for one person getting housing; it was all St Joseph's [Center] and [Councilmember] Mike Bonin — all of it — and we know it because some of us were actually there.

“But the Sheriff wears his hat,” Kuehl continued. “He takes credit and everyone goes, 'Oh, well, you know, he's just done these good things.'” (Villanueva famously enjoys wearing a cowboy hat.)

Kuehl was not the only supervisor to pull no punches while discussing the motion during the Tuesday meeting.

Chair Holly Mitchell went so far as to call the LASD a “paramilitary organization,” recalling the misdeeds of former Sheriff Lee Baca, who currently sits in federal prison after being convicted on obstruction of justice charges.

“Unfortunately, the County has had [a] long and troubling history with sheriff oversight and transparency,” Mitchell said. “Former Sheriff Lee Baca, who went to prison for obstruction of justice and lying to federal investigators, may have best demonstrated the inadequacy of existing checks on sheriff power by famously reminding all of us that not electing him was the only way to hold him accountable.”

In statements prior to her “no” vote, Barger expressed “concern about the timing of this motion” in relation to the fast-approaching November election.

“The motion appears to be more about an individual than the office of the sheriff or promoting accountability and community safety through checks and balances,” Barger said.

Mitchell, who authored the motion alongside Supervisor Hilda Solis, bristled at the suggestion that the move was politically motivated.

“I would just like to say that at no point since being elected to this position have I ever speculated about what motivates a member to bring a motion before us,” Mitchell said. “For me, as the author of the motion, it is not political in the least.” She added the five-page motion that went before the Board of Tuesday was the result of months of collaboration with Solis, stakeholders and oversight groups.

For his part, Villanueva strongly opposed the move.

In a statement on official letterhead and shared by the LA County Sheriff's Department Twitter account the evening before the motion went up for a vote, Villanueva said the new rules, if passed, “would allow corrupt Board members to intimidate sheriffs from carrying out their official duties to investigate crime.”

He also predicted the measure would be found unconstitutional.

“The Board is attempting to cheat the system and create a 'fast-track' pathway to remove a duly elected sheriff,” Villanueva wrote. He later added, “It appears you are making yourselves the judge, jury, and executioner for the office of the sheriff, nullifying the will of the voters.”

Public opinion was also split, with the Board fielding scores of spoken comments before the hearing began, in addition to much more written commentary — 1,567 pages worth, once county staff compiled it into a staff report. Many expressed concern the Supervisors were overstepping their bounds, while others cited recent instances of deputy violence, saying more oversight was needed.

“It's not just about Alex [Villanueva], but he certainly did give us reason, and give us pause, about all of the power,” Kuehl said. “This is the appropriate way to go. We've received a lot of support from our constituents about this. And it's not just people who've lost their kids [at the hands of the LASD], though there are many of them.”

Following the July 12 approval, county legal counsel will now draw up a ballot proposal for an LA County Charter Amendment, the text of which will go back before LA County Supervisors at the July 26, 2022 meeting.

Villanueva is in the midst of a re-election campaign, and recently took a plurality (about 30 percent) of votes in the primary election against a crowded field of challengers. The incumbent Sheriff ran with broad Democratic Party support in his 2018 bid, but has since alienated many of his early supporters while gathering support from the right. All five supervisors have endorsed his rival for the position, former Long Beach Police Chief Robert Luna.

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GEHRY

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the corner of Santa Monica Boulevard and Ocean Avenue.

The project earned high praise from members of the Planning Commission when it sailed through the Commission in May, at one point earning the title of the most perfect project ever seen by six year Commissioner Leslie Lambert.

The project was designed by Gehry himself, who resides in Santa Monica, but has attracted international fame for his structures built across the world including the Dancing House in Prague; the Guggenheim Museum in Bilbao, Spain; and the Louis Vuitton Foundation in Paris. In Los Angeles, he is best known for designing Walt Disney Concert Hall, home of the Los Angeles Philharmonic.

This project has been in the works for ten years and is currently on track to break ground in mid-2024. It features several structures including a luxury hotel, 25 affordable apartment units, 75 market rate apartment units, a subterranean parking lot, retail space, a “cultural uses campus,” and a publicly-accessible rooftop observation deck offering a 360 degree view of the city and sea.

The development would replace several commercial structures on site, which are currently home to businesses including Blue Plate Oysterette, BOA Steakhouse, Sur Mer Boutique, Brambila Salon and TUMBI. It would also replace 19 rent controlled units, however all tenants are guaranteed a replacement unit at a similar rent once the project is complete.

The site also contains two landmarked residences: a 1906 Queen Anne Style Victorian residence and a 1926 Spanish Colonial style. Both residences would be conserved in the site redevelopment.

The development agreement also contains a generous community benefits package which includes a $6 million contribution to the City, ongoing donations to the school district, on site arts and culture projects, and plans for both water neutrality and 100 percent green power.

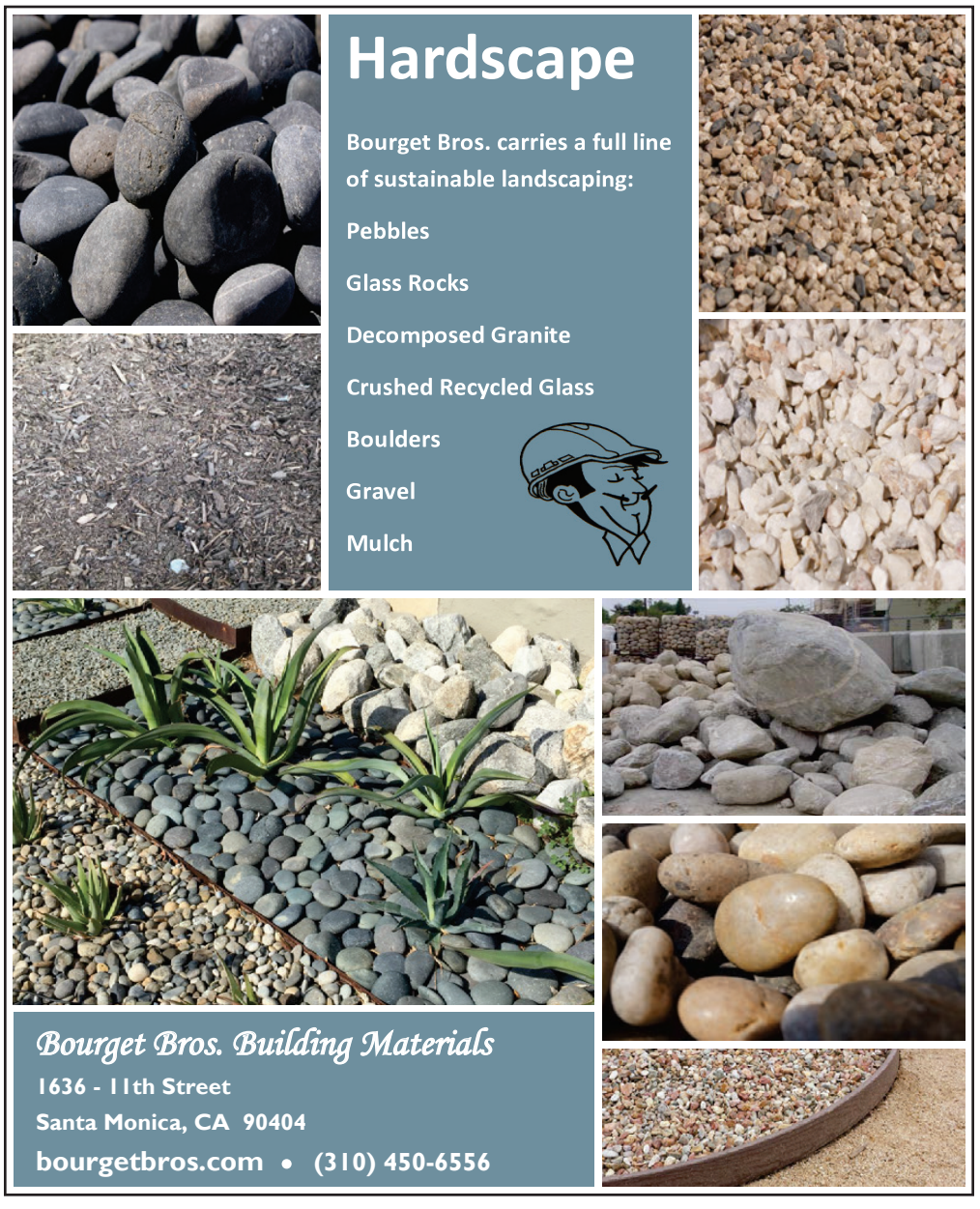
During the meeting there will be a public hearing for members of the public to voice their opinions on the project, after which Councilmembers will discuss and vote on the development agreement.

During this meeting Council will also make its annual Board and Commission appointments. This was initially agendized for a June 28 meeting, but rescheduled as Mayor Himmelrich had to leave the meeting early due to health challenges.

During the June 28 meeting appointments were made to the Downtown Santa Monica, Inc. Board and the Airport Commission. During the upcoming meeting appointments will be made to the Architectural Review Board, Arts Commission, Disabilities Commission, Housing Commission, Environmental Commission, Landmarks Commission, Personnel Board, Planning Commission Public Safety Reform and Oversight Commission, Recreation and Parks Commission, Santa Monica Library Board, and Santa Monica Travel & Tourism, Inc.

The meeting will begin at 6 p.m. on Thursday, June 14, and can be streamed live at https://www.youtube.com/user/Citytv16santamonica.

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TWITTER

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satisfaction of imaginary conditions, breached his financing efforts obligations in the process, violated his obligations to treat requests for consent reasonably and to provide information about financing status, violated his non-disparagement obligation, misused confidential information, and otherwise failed to employ required efforts to consummate the acquisition."

Twitter's lawsuit alleges that the company "has suffered and will continue to suffer irreparable harm" as a result of Musk's contractual breaches that "cast a pall over Twitter and its business."

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STARBUCKS

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provide employees, partners and customers with the experience they expect and are accustomed to.

The closures come on the heels of two statements from executives that addresses safety in specific and the future of the company.

Howard Schultz returned to the business as CEO in April and released a letter on Monday calling for the reinvention of the company.

"It's clear we're living in a changing world where economic, societal and operational pressures are colliding. We're seeing unprecedented cultural division and economic trauma – all while navigating a pandemic, and it seems as though every day there is a new crisis to address," he said. "All of this affects our partners. All of this affects Starbucks as a company. And all of this deeply affects millions of customers who visit our stores every day. Our stores serve as windows into America and through them we see the magnitude of the hardships and the ways in which people's needs are changing."

Debbie Stroud and Denise Nelson, senior vice presidents of U.S. operations sent their own letter specific to safety at stores.

"You've been open and honest with us about your experience – from what you need to feel your best at work, to the many inspirational and heartfelt examples of how you are creating memorable moments for one another and our customers," they wrote in a letter to employees. "You're also seeing firsthand the challenges facing our communities – personal safety, racism, lack of access to healthcare, a growing mental health crisis, rising drug use, and more. With stores in thousands of communities across the country, we know these challenges can, at times, play out within our stores too. We read every incident report you file – it's a lot."

They said the company will increase training for employees, put clear procedures in place for addressing problems, design stores to feel safe, modify operations (including closing restrooms and shuttering stores) to address safety and provide benefits like mental health services.

The statement said employees at the six high-incident stores will be transferred to new locations (there will be 17 in the city post-closure) and that the company will continue to help address the challenges communities are facing. This will be built upon the existing work of their Outreach Worker program, Foodshare Program, and other innovative initiatives.

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The Starbucks Outreach Worker program connects Starbucks stores across the country with local organizations focused on homelessness. The program recently expanded into its eighth U.S. city to support retail partners while also addressing societal issues like homelessness, mental health and substance use disorder. The program was designed in response to partners sharing the challenges they face in high-complexity markets. It's currently in Seattle, Los Angeles, New York City, Washington, D.C., San Diego, Philadelphia, Chicago and Denver.

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CURIOUS CITY

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a candidate to tackle are not yet getting his full focus, the reality of being one of seven Council members has led him to the practicality that until we have public safety for residents, everything else is secondary. Not unimportant, but in his mind, secondary. You may or may not agree with that, but your perspective and mine as to how to get a saddle on this big wild beast called the City of Santa Monica might be different if we were actually given the reins.

Other members of The Slate, plus Lana Negrete, all new to Council, expressed a similar dilemma. There is a tremendous learning curve (even for Oscar de la Torre, who had nearly two decades on the School Board, but that is not City government) and they must share the time of one assistant for all seven. (They should all have a full-time assistant, that's obvious. Better governance, less dependence on City staff for all information and suggestions.)

WE ARE HEARING THE SAME COMPLAINT LATELY

About President Biden, from Democrats. You're not doing enough, Joe! And not fast enough.

Fair enough. I have those complaints too, and some are reasonable. But you have to look at the alternative, and that would be like the lamb voting for the lion because the kitty cat wouldn't catch enough mice. Or, like any woman voting for any Republican.

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 13)

You'll lovingly embrace a challenge and find out how super capable you are. Things change; you roll with it, shining your talents and cleverness. You'll learn who you can rely on. Teamwork will bring brilliance to the lives of each team member. Other highlights: a cash prize, a work breakthrough and an important paper signed by three parties. Virgo and Pisces adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 40, 33, 19 and 15.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). There's a difference between having character and being a character. You manage to do both in the best sense of it, finding humor in your circumstances and people to laugh with, too.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). There's a Promethean fire delivering light to your situation today. You'll think you know and then, suddenly, you'll see how things really are with stark clarity.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Magical transformations happen in increments. It seems like your progress is very slow now, but to someone who hasn't seen you in a while, it's like you've changed overnight.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Communicating well will be an exercise in listening. You'll observe more than talk, read between the lines and open your heart to subtle information. You'll intuit what is about to happen and act on your hunches.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll be really glad for the experiences you've had, the mistakes you've made and all you've had to overcome. Because you know so much of life, you have stories to tell and ways to help people.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You don't like having to rely on others, but it's actually a good thing. You love how it feels to help others. When you let them help you, you're giving them the chance to feel that way, too.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You aim to, at the very least, please the crowd. But what you really want is to entertain them. That's why you deliver what's expected, plus a little more, or with some kind of twist. It's so fun to see their surprised smiles.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There's a spark of excitement. You're not sure where it's coming from, but your subconscious is ahead of the game, picking up on something good in your near future.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You never know who is hurting and can be saved by a little kindness. You admire those who treat others with tenderness, as you do. You deserve to have people around you who share your big-heartedness.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Roller coasters can be fun, but you'd rather ride one in a park than in your relationships. Someone with a "no drama" policy will be attracted to your stable, grounded nature.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll find new and interesting things to do. This leads to a fun mood, which leads to making new friends. Also, you accept everyone and take measures to include people so no one feels left out. Your popularity is on the rise.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You may discover that what you want is really symbolic for something else. How do you expect to feel once you get it? What else can you do to capture that feeling?

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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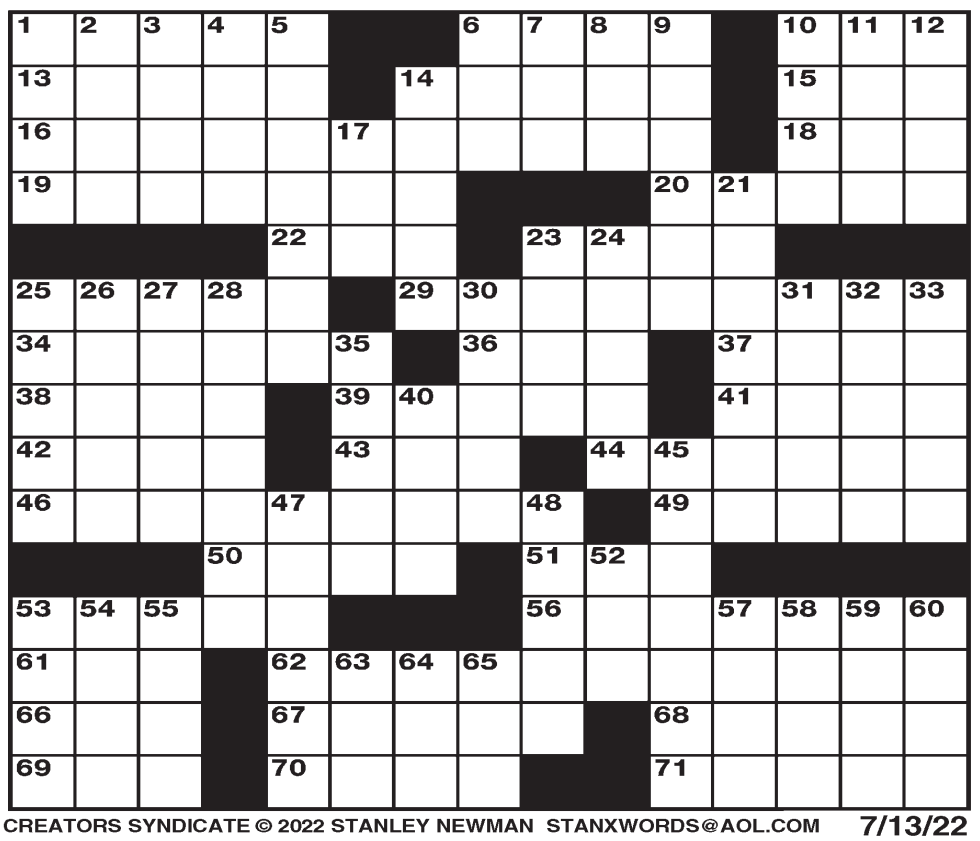
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10 Tree with acorns
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15 Play on words
16 Good-luck rap
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19 Try to locate
20 DNA shape
22 Compete
23 Show-biz award quartet
25 Let others use
29 Tequila garnish
34 Reds, blues and greens
36 Unpleasant noise
37 __-view mirror (windshield attachment)
38 Islamic cleric
39 Household task to do
41 Western alliance acronym
42 Hurricane relief org.
43 Lubricate
44 Flew high
46 Steam locomotive
49 Bonnie's partner in crime
50 __ Canaveral, FL
51 Attorney's org.
53 __ pole (tribal carving)
56 Spanish wine punch
61 Uncooked, as sushi
62 Walk leisurely
66 Sushi tuna
67 Online messages
68 *The Divine Comedy* author
69 Ceramic coffee cup
70 Turnpike turnoff
71 Spanish farewell

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2 Unescorted
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5 Invite for a visit
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8 __ Paulo, Brazil
9 "You can say that again!"
10 Whitish jewel
11 German auto
12 Gold-filled fort
14 Info gathered by spies
17 Parisian "yes"
21 Everlasting
23 Mideast ruler
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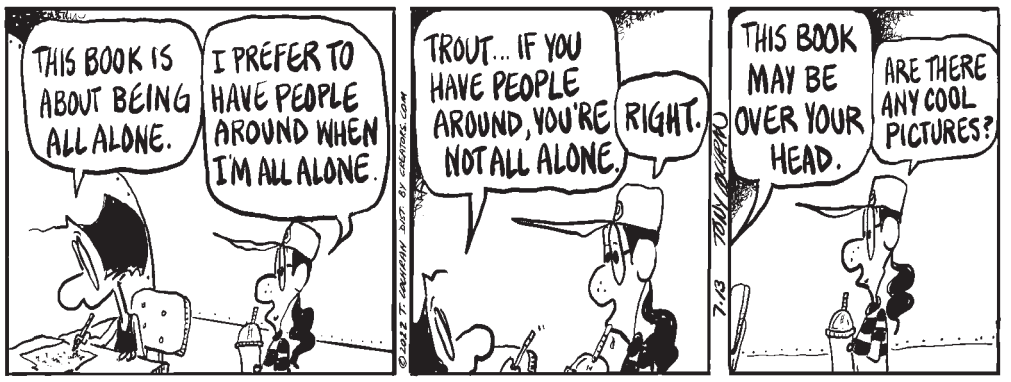


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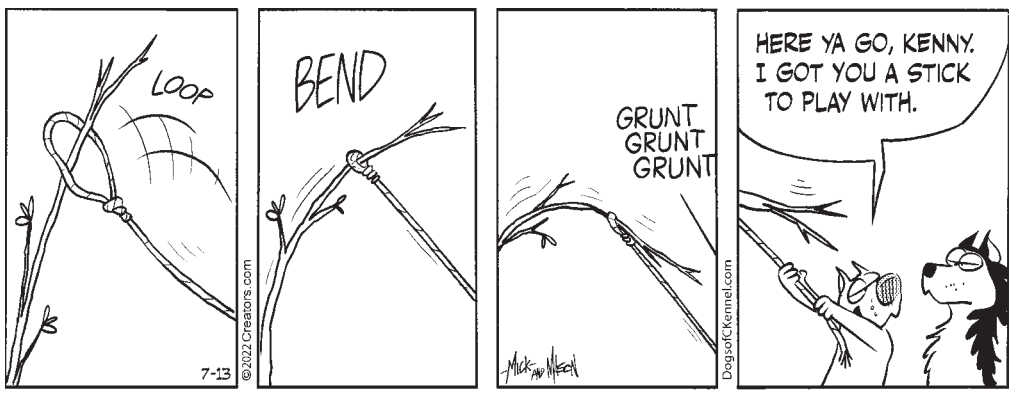
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By JOHN DEERING



FIND THE WORDS

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 24 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle. © australianwordgames.com.au 5539

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O M E O Y I M B G S Y D N E Y
U A R A W A E Y A B M I K C S
R I M R L G L Y R L J H E H D
K K A N A O T D O U A T E U A
E D H A O I O R U T B Y D C E
M P D L C W N B A K I L I A H
A D N C E E R A M E R B A S D
C U Y S N R I A C A U T L G E
K B W O L L O N G O N G E U E
A B E R M A G U I O V R D N W
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Y B R E D L I S M O R E S W I
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Ellenbrook
Hostels
Jabiru
Kiama
Kimba
Kudla
Lismore
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Mackay
Maree
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WEDNESDAY JULY 13

WATER YOU PAINTING?
Learn how to paint a stunning scene from a local beach with the experts from Paint Lab, Santa Monica's premiere art studio. All materials will be provided. Advanced registration is required. Visit the library or call 310-458-8600 for more information.

THURSDAY JULY 14

SUNSET PICNIC
Join solo or with a crew and pack a dinner for a sunset picnic. Tablecloths or brown bags, grab a spot in the courtyard or splash pad, and relax into a beautiful evening. Bring your own fun... cards, a board game, a puzzle. We'll have a surprise or two. Please, no alcohol or glass. Annenberg Community Beach House. 5 - 8 p.m.

SANTA MONICA RENT CONTROL REGULAR BOARD MEETING
The Rent Control Board meets to conduct business associated with the Rent Control Charter Amendment and Regulations. 7 p.m.

NIGHT MARKET
Join The Bungalow every Thursday this summer for special drinks, food, music and fun! Open to all ages (and furry friends) and includes a kids area and weekly DJs. 101 Wilshire Blvd. 11 p.m.

CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
City Council will discuss board/commission appointments and the Development Agreement for the Ocean Avenue Project. City Hall Council Chambers, 1685 Main Street, Room 250. p.m. https://www.youtube.com/user/Citytv16santamonica

FRIDAY JULY 15

SEASIDE STORYTIME
Join organizers on the sand at the Annenberg Community Beach House for ocean themed stories, songs and action rhymes. For ages 2 and up. 415 Pacific Coast Hwy, Santa Monica, 10 - 10:30 a.m., annenbergbeachhouse.com.

CAPITAL ONE ALL-STAR OCEANFRONT
Enjoy youth baseball and softball activities, beach yoga, sand sculptures, batting cages and more throughout this three-day event for all ages. Please note that Special Event Pricing will be in effect at the beach lots closest to the Pier from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. all weekend. If you arrive earlier, the standard rates apply. https://www.mlb.com/all-star/oceanfront

KIDS NIGHT OUT
Join the Boys and Girls Clubs of Santa Monica for the best volunteer event of the year. You will be paired with a child aged 7-12 for 2 hours of fun. Make a one-on-one connection with youth in our community over games, art projects, food and laughter! 7 p.m. Registration required at https://www.smbgc.org/kidsnightout/.

THE PETER MAX EXPERIENCE GALLERY RECEPTION
The Peter Max Experience is a not-to-be-missed Exhibition & is complimentary and open to the public in a limited engagement Pop Up presentation at the Road Show Gallery at Santa Monica Place (395 Santa Monica Place, Unit 166 – between Nordstom and Tiffany & Co.). This exhibition is THE curated Collection of the finest original work of artist Peter Max. Previews begin on Friday with an amazing opening party from 6-8 p.m. RSVPs are requested at 866-900-6699 or Max@roadshowcompany.com

SATURDAY JULY 16

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

CAPITAL ONE ALL-STAR OCEANFRONT
All-Star event repeats Saturday/Sunday. Enjoy youth baseball and softball activities, beach yoga, sand sculptures, batting cages and more throughout this three-day event for all ages. Please note that Special Event Pricing will be in effect at the beach lots closest to the Pier from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. all weekend. If you arrive earlier, the standard rates apply. https://www.mlb.com/all-star/oceanfront

SUNDAY JULY 17

20TH ANNIVERSARY POOL PARTY
Dive in and celebrate the Swim Center's 20th-anniversary pool party with an afternoon full of family-friendly activities. Enjoy music, pool floats, food trucks, sweet treats, and special performances by the USA National Artistic Swim Team! Begins at 12 and ends at 4 p.m. Santa Monica Swim Center 2225 16th St.

"SILENT" PIANO EXPERIENCE
MindTravel returns to the beautiful Santa Monica beach! Guests enjoy getting carried away as the sun sets over the Pacific. Get ready for a magical journey as Murray Hidary's real-time compositions are beamed directly into one's mind while they kick back and take in their surroundings. Join us for a transformational evening where music and mindfulness meet. Don't forget to bring your favorite beach chair or blanket and warm layers as it can get chilly when the sun sets. Begins at 7:00 and ends at 8:30pm. Santa Monica Beach (in front of Casa del Mar Hotel 1910 Ocean Way.

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310-458-7737 or submit to events@smdp.com



SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **60.8**

WEDNESDAY *FAIR*	**SURF:** 1-2ft Knee to thigh	Mix of SW energy continues to build slowly. AM looks clean.
THURSDAY *FAIR*	**SURF:** 2-3ft Thigh to waist	Long period SW swell slowly builds and should provide rideable and trending fun surf, largest in the afternoon.

WEATHER

Wednesday: Cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 70.
Wednesday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, increasing clouds, with a low around 62.
Thursday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 72.
Thursday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 64.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2022/07/13	Wed	04:09 AM	-1.67	L
2022/07/13	Wed	10:38 AM	4.00	H
2022/07/13	Wed	3:09 PM	2.16	L
2022/07/13	Wed	9:32 PM	7.31	H
2022/07/14	Thu	04:54 AM	-1.72	L
2022/07/14	Thu	11:24 AM	4.14	H
2022/07/14	Thu	4:02 PM	2.09	L
2022/07/14	Thu	10:20 PM	7.14	H
2022/07/15	Fri	05:40 AM	-1.54	L
2022/07/15	Fri	12:10 PM	4.28	H
2022/07/15	Fri	4:58 PM	2.06	L
2022/07/15	Fri	11:10 PM	6.71	H
2022/07/16	Sat	06:24 AM	-1.15	L
2022/07/16	Sat	12:57 PM	4.42	H
2022/07/16	Sat	5:57 PM	2.08	L
2022/07/17	Sun	12:01 AM	6.06	H
2022/07/17	Sun	07:06 AM	-0.60	L
2022/07/17	Sun	1:44 PM	4.57	H

DAILY LOTTERY

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

POWERBALL
Draw Date: 7/11
4 26 34 37 52
Power#: 9
Jackpot: 66 M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 7/8
20 36 61 62 69
Mega#: 20
Jackpot: 440 M

SuperLotto PLUS
Draw Date: 7/9
2 17 19 23 39
Mega#: 5
Jackpot: 27 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 7/11
4 8 19 22 39

Daily 3
Draw Date: 7/11
EVENING: 0 6 8
Draw Date: 7/11
MIDDAY: 4 6 1

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 7/11
1st: 02 - Lucky Star
2nd: 10 - Solid Gold
3rd: 06 - Whirl Win
Race Time: 1:45.19

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