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EXPO LINE TOUR:

Hidden gems at La Cienega/Jefferson



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NEIGHBORHOOD: The La Cienega/Jefferson stop caters to the hidden jems in Los Angeles.

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

Editor's note: With the opening of the Expo Line's extension to Santa Monica, locals have a new way to explore neighboring areas. The Daily Press will publish a weekly travelogue about what to eat, see and do near each of the stations along the Expo Line, continuing this week at the La Cienega/Jefferson stop.

When you live in a region as sprawling and massive as Greater Los Angeles, you need a place to call your own.

Maybe it's a neighborhood cafe where servers know you by name. Maybe it's a lesser-known hiking trail that serves as your temporary getaway. Wherever it is, it's your comfort zone in this seemingly endless metropolis, a space that many others surely frequent but that feels personal when you're there.

So often the City of Angels gets boiled down to a slurry of "it" places — the restaurants with the latest celebrity chefs, the bars with the swankiest interiors, the clubs with the hottest DJs. But there's another L.A. that's refreshingly unassuming and even more enjoyable. It's the



L.A. of the local taco stand or donut shop that doesn't always have a line out the door, the one with the barbershop or salon that isn't the most highly rated on Yelp but maintains a cast of regulars who wouldn't want it any other way.

It's the L.A. that most Angelenos know and love.

That's the city you'll find near the La

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Council acts to control cell tower expansion

BY MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

With residents in the throws of Pokémon fever, it seems an opportune time for the council to address telecom infrastructure and City Hall spent time this week making sure it's easier to see a pikachu than the wires carrying the digital information he's based on.

The council approved new rules for installation and modification of telecommunications equipment on July 12 that will preserve the city's ability to hide equipment while allowing for expansion to meet growing demands.

Santa Monica's updates were prompted by recent action at the Federal and State level. The Federal Communications Commission has refined rules clarifying "substantial" modifications to existing antennas. Under the new rules, an existing installation could increase in height by up to 10 feet and six feet in each direction without qualifying as a "substantial" modification.

Most of Santa Monica's antennas are installed on poles within the public right of way such as utility lines or streetlights.

In addition, new state rules took effect this year that mandate approval for modification applications if they are within the "substantial" threshold.

However, the FCC's rules con-

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SMMUSD facing $10-million deficit

Budget committee to recommend district cuts by January

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

Jan Maez didn't have to explain the situation to members of the local Board of Education. Her presentation slides were clear.

"You all know what red numbers on this page mean," the Santa Monica-Malibu school district's chief financial officer said. "We have fairly significant deficits that need to be addressed."

Maez was referring to the roughly $10-million shortfall that looms over SMMUSD as it tries to address numerous other significant issues, including environmental litigation, longstanding achievement gaps and the possible creation of a separate Malibu district.

The deficit was brought to light during the school board's meeting June 29, when Maez informed officials that general-fund expenditures totaling $150 million would take the district's balance of approximately $30 million down to about $20 million.

The operating deficit stands in contrast to the hundreds of millions of dollars in bond money allocated to the district for technology and facility upgrades in recent years. A local ballot measure in November could provide additional funding to SMMUSD through a city tax, which the school board supports.

But the district must make some "pretty difficult choices" before the 2017-18 school year, Maez said, adding that many budgetary decisions must be made by Jan. 1 so the changes can be implemented.

"We have a pretty tight timeline," she said.

A district budget committee of site administrators and staff will

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What's Up Westside
OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Friday, July 15

Picnic on the Promenade
Summer in Downtown Santa Monica. Bring a lunch, play board games, enjoy local artists. Third Street Promenade, 1300 block, 12 - 3 p.m.

Mat Pilates
Learn the techniques of Pilates, a system of controlled exercises that engage the mind and condition the total body. Please bring a yoga or Pilates mat. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 2 - 3 p.m.

Summer Activity Program: Zumba for Kids
Try kid-friendly routines based on original Zumba® choreography! Taught by Aileen Aurich. Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Blvd., 2:30 - 3:15 p.m., limited space; free tickets available 30 minutes before program; ages 4 and up.

The Grand Canyon Star Party
With simultaneous events held on the North and South Rims of the Grand Canyon. Come get a first-hand report on the 2016 North Rim Party - with stunning images - from planetarium director Jim Mahon.
The John Drescher Planetarium, 1900 Pico Blvd. Tickets cost $11 ($9 seniors and children) for the evening's scheduled "double bill," or $6 ($5 seniors age 60+ and children age 12 and under) for a single Night Sky or feature show or telescope-viewing session. For information, please call (310) 434-3005 or see www.smc.edu/eventsinfo or www.smc.edu/planetarium. All shows subject to change or cancellation without notice.

Saturday, July 16

Master Gardeners at the Market
Helping you grow more of your own food, even in an urban setting. Master Gardeners provide free gardening tips, solutions to gardening problems, seeds and seedlings as well as their technical expertise based on the Master Gardener Volunteer Training Program which provides intense gardening training emphasizing organic gardening and covers vegetables, fruits, flowers, shrubs, trees, soils, composting, pests and harvesting. Virginia Avenue Park, 2200 Virginia Ave., 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Felted Goat Milk Soap Bars with Sara of Feltevolution
A fun, soapy introduction to the magic of felting! Utilize basic wet-felting skills and merino wool to hand-felt a bar of goat milk or olive oil soap. This 'soap in its own washcloth' is naturally anti-microbial and tidy. No more dropping slippery soap in the shower! Colorful success guaranteed. Felted soaps make fantastic and completely novel gifts. Palisades Park, 1450 Ocean Ave., 11 a.m. - 12 p.m., cost $15 plus $5 material fee, to register call (310) 458-2239 or visit https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search/51648.

Lego Club
Come have fun with LEGOS and build something amazing. Board games also available. Ages 4 & up. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 3:15 - 4 p.m.

HUSHfest
LA's finest DJ's spin with the sound transmitted directly to wireless headphones given to guests. Experience over the ocean the city's most unique dance party! Santa Monica Pier, 200 Santa Monica Pier, 7 - 11:30 p.m.

Public Meditation & Book Promotion Event
Guided meditation class on from newly published meditation handbook "Invitation to Happiness." Attendees will all receive a free prize for attending, and winners of the lottery will win an additional prize. 1 - 2:30 p.m. Barnes & Noble Booksellers, 1201 3rd St. 2nd Floor.

Making a Future for Earth

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide

Santa Monica Teens Visit Fujinomiya, Japan and Hamm, Germany

The Santa Monica Sister City Association (SMSCA) is sponsoring four high school student goodwill ambassadors in an exchange program with Fujinomiya, Japan this summer. The four Santa Monica High School students are Ben Stansbury, 17; Lindsey Yocum, 16; Max Posell, 16 and Ulyseas Oslapas, 16.

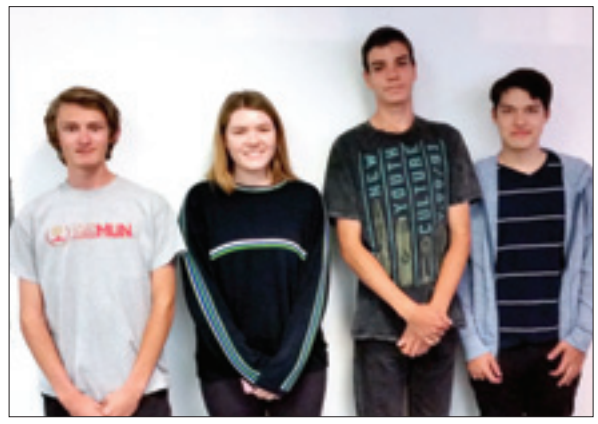
Additionally, also as part of the student ambassador program, four Santa Monica High students will be traveling to Hamm, Germany. They are Olivia Chu, 16; Beau Azuma, 14; Prarie Morgan, 16 and Trevor Scripps, 16.

The students will spend two weeks in the homes of Japanese and German student ambassadors respectively and will represent Santa Monica in a variety of activities including official meetings with the Mayors. They will also share information about Santa Monica and our culture while strengthening their foreign language skills and experiencing typical Japanese and German family life, culture, customs and local sights.



Courtesy Photo

GERMAN AMBASSADORS: Olivia Chu, Beau Azuma, Prairie Morgan and Trevor Scripps.



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JAPANESE AMBASSADORS: Ben Stansbury, Lindsey Yocum, Max Posell and Ulyseas Oslapas.

Likewise, the Japanese and German student ambassadors will travel to Santa Monica, stay with their host families and enjoy all the wonderful opportunities Santa Monica offers.

The Santa Monica Sister City Association was established in 1961, with a mission of "Peace in the World One Person at a Time." A major component of the Association is the Student Ambassador Exchange. For more information, please call Holly Kiger at 310-924-9826 or visit www.santamonicasistercity.org.

- SUBMITTED BY KATHY SHEPARD

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with Sharon Markenson

The Santa Monica Public Library presents a lecture and discussion with Sharon Markenson on Making a Future for Earth on Saturday, July 16 at 1 p.m. in the Main Library's MLK, Jr. Auditorium, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. An informative presentations on the state of our world and what global citizens can do heal the effects of climate change. For more information, visit smpl.org or contact the Santa Monica Public Library at (310) 458-8600.

Sunday, July 17

International women's talk

Eight female members of the Critical Thinking Forum from the International Islamic University in Islamabad are coming to the Quaker Church in Santa Monica to discuss the treatment of women in the Middle East and their experiences on religion, peace, and women. 12-2 p.m., 1440 Harvard St.

Santa Monica Certified Farmers Market

The Main Street market hosts a variety activities including bands, a bi-weekly cooking demonstrations, arts and crafts, a face painter, a balloon animal designer as well as seasonal California grown fruits, vegetables, nuts, meats and cheeses. 2460 Main Street at Ocean Park, 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Book Month: Marbling Endpapers with Zeina Baltagi

Every Sunday during the month of July, make your very own fancy blank sketchbook piece by piece. Come away with marbled papers to use in collage or in making your handmade books. Palisades Park, 1450 Ocean Ave., 11:30 a.m. - 2:30 p.m., cost $25 plus $5 material fee.

Hatmakers Lab with Leslie Robinson

Join milliner Leslie Robinson as she works on her own hats in this drop-in hatmaking laboratory. A small number of head blocks and sewing equipment provided to share; ribbons, notions, and blank hoods available for purchase. Some hatmaking experience required, but beginners can get started by making a fascinator with Leslie. Palisades Park, 1450 Ocean Ave., 1 - 4 p.m., cost $20.

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NOTICE OF ELECTION, AND ARGUMENT AND REBUTTAL DEADLINES

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT the General Municipal Election will be held in the City of Santa Monica on Tuesday, November 8, 2016, and setting the deadlines for submittal of arguments, and rebuttals in favor and in opposition of the following measures:

PROPOSITION " ": Shall the City's General Plan and Municipal Code be amended to require: a new permit process for major development projects exceeding base sizes or heights of 32-36 feet, with exceptions such as single unit dwellings and some affordable housing projects; voter approval of major development projects and development agreements, excluding affordable housing and moderate income and senior housing projects, among others; and voter approval of changes to City land use and planning policy documents?	Yes No
PROPOSITION " ": To maintain and improve Santa Monica community services including support for preservation of affordable housing, reducing homelessness, school repair and improvement, education of Santa Monica children and students, and other general fund services, shall an ordinance be adopted to enact a Santa Monica one-half percent transactions and use tax, subject to independent annual audits, all funds used locally, and no money going to Sacramento?	Yes No
PROPOSITION " ": ADVISORY VOTE ONLY: If a local transactions and use tax is enacted in Santa Monica, should half its revenue be used to improve and maintain local public schools, including attracting and retaining high-quality teachers, expanding access to pre-schools, assisting at-risk students, and improving school technology, arts, music, math, and science instruction; and half to help preserve and ensure housing in Santa Monica that is affordable, protect residents from displacement by rising housing costs, and reduce homelessness?	Yes No

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that pursuant to Article 4, Chapter 3, Division 9 of the Elections Code of the State of California, the legislative body of the City, or any member or members thereof authorized by the body, or any individual voter or bona fide association of citizens, or any combination of voters and associations, may file a written argument, not to exceed 300 words in length, accompanied by the printed name(s) and signature(s) of the author(s) submitting it, or if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization, and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers who is the author of the argument, for or against the City measures. No more than five signatures of authors shall be accepted with any argument submitted.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN that, based upon the time reasonably necessary to prepare and print the arguments and sample ballots for the election, the City Clerk has fixed **Tuesday, July 26, 2016, 5:30 p.m.**, during normal office hours, as posted, as the date after which no arguments for or against the City measures may be submitted to the Clerk for printing and distribution to the voters as provided in the Article 4. Arguments shall be submitted to the City Clerk, accompanied by the printed name(s) and signatures(s) of the author(s) submitting it, or if submitted on behalf of an organization, the name of the organization, and the printed name and signature of at least one of its principal officers who is the author of the argument, at City Hall, Santa Monica, California. Arguments may be changed or withdrawn until and including the date fixed by the City Clerk.

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code Section 11.04.125 rebuttal arguments not exceeding 250 words, as submitted by the authors of the opposing direct arguments, may be filed with the Clerk, and shall be signed by any one of the persons filing the original argument, any combination of the persons signing the original argument or by all of the persons filing the original argument. The rebuttal shall not be signed by any person who did not sign the original argument nor shall it contain more than five signatures. The deadline for filing rebuttals with the City Clerk may be not more than ten days after the final date for filing original arguments, the date being **Monday, August 8, 2016, 5:30 p.m.** (Friday, August 5, 2016 is a Closed-Friday).

NOTICE IS FURTHER GIVEN THAT pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code Section 11.04.190, the City Clerk shall make any ordinance, impartial analysis, or direct arguments and rebuttals filed under the authority of the elections code available for public inspection in the City Clerk's office for a period of ten calendar days immediately following the filing deadline of such materials. Any person seeking a writ of mandate or an injunction requiring any or all of the materials to be amended or deleted shall comply with the time requirements in Elections Code Sections 9295 and 13313 for filing such actions. Please call (310) 458-8211 for any additional information.



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
SANTA MONICA ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
REGULAR MEETING

DATE/TIME: July 18, 2016, 7:00 p.m.
LOCATION: Council Chambers, (wheelchair accessible)
Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street

PROPERTIES:

- 15ARB-0454: 1227 19th Street: Multi-Family Residential
- 16ARB-0046: 2727 Santa Monica Boulevard: Drive-Thru
- 16ARB-0212 2908 Nebraska Avenue: Creative Office
- 16ARB-0236: 1442 2nd Street: Restaurant
- 16ARB-0259: 1626 Lincoln Boulevard: Multi-Family Residential
- 16ARB-0293: 1255 20th Street: Hotel
- 16ARB-0324: 2600 Colorado Avenue: Commercial Office
- 16ARB-0337: 1332 2nd Street: Theater/Restaurants

CONCEPT REVIEWS:

- 16ENT-0036: 1613-1637 Lincoln Boulevard: Mixed-Use
- 16ENT-0058: 1641-1645 Lincoln Boulevard: Mixed-Use

More information is available on-line at http://santa-monica.org/planning/planningcomm/arbagendas.htm or at 310/458-8341 (en espanol tambien). Plans may be reviewed at City Hall during business hours. Comments are invited at the hearing or in writing (FAX 310-458-3380, e-mail grace.page@smgov.net, or mail Santa Monica Planning Division, 1685 Main St., Rm. 212, Santa Monica, CA 90401). The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. For disability-related accommodations, please contact 310-458-8701 or TTY 310-450-8696 a minimum of 72 hours in advance. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Big Blue Bus Lines #2, #3, #4, #9 and the EXPO Line serve City Hall.

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Veepstakes and a coup in Cleveland?

AS I WRITE THIS, AS THOUGH IT WERE THE finale of "The Apprentice," Donald Trump just announced that at 11 a.m. today he will reveal his choice for vice president. (And no, I'm not setting the DVR.) Given my deadline was yesterday, I'd at least like to share whom I think the VP won't be. For example, it won't be Ted Cruz because Trump inferred that Cruz's father helped Oswald kill JFK.

And it won't be Ben Carson, whom Trump once compared to a child molester. And it won't be Carly Fiorina because, in Trump's words, "Who would vote for that face?" And it won't be Marco Rubio, who said of Trump, "The party of Lincoln and Reagan will never be held by a con artist." Apparently, Marco was wrong.

And Trump's VP won't be Jeb Bush because he's too "low-energy." Actually, Jeb won't be attending the Cleveland convention, nor will W. or H.W., making this the first "Bush-less" GOP convention since the 1920s with patriarch Prescott Bush.

Mitt Romney, the GOP nominee in 2012, will also skip Cleveland, as will 2008 nominee John McCain. But former Alaska Gov. Sarah ("half-term") Palin will be there supporting Trump, as will boxing promoter Don King and former heavyweight champ Mike Tyson. Both are outspoken Trump advocates. (And convicted felons.) Another ardent Trump supporter is white supremacist David Duke, who's considering running for Congress, hoping to ride Trump's coattails.

Back to Trump's VP choice, he might select Newt Gingrich, as the two have so much in common, including being married three times. Curiously, each cheated on his first wife with a younger mistress he subsequently married. And each cheated on wife No. 2, again with a younger mistress who would become wife No. 3. ("The Six Wives Club?")

Once a favorite, Chris Christie's VP fortunes have been steadily declining. For starters, at 26-percent approval, he's perhaps the most unpopular governor in New Jersey history. And then there's "Bridgegate," the trial for which begins Sept. 12.

Of course, Trump said in December, "Chris totally knew about closing the George Washington Bridge," essentially accusing his good friend of a federal crime. As Trump says with the eloquence of a mobster, "You hit me, I hit you back." Good grief!

Another reason Christie is highly unlikely to be Trump's VP goes back to 2005. As a U.S. attorney, Christie sent Charles Kushner to prison for two years for filing false tax returns, false campaign finance reports and for "retaliating against a witness." Who's Charles Kushner? He's only the father of Jared Kushner, Trump's son-in-law married to Ivanka, with whom he has three children!

The "witness" was Kushner's sister, who was testifying against him. Apparently, Kushner had her husband seduced by a prostitute. A hidden camera recorded the activity, and Kushner made sure the tape arrived on the day of a family party! ("Meet the Kushners?") One can only imagine the vulgarities Trump would utter if these scandals applied to Hillary Clinton's family.

So, without further ado, I'm predicting Trump's VP will be Indiana Gov. Mike Pence. And that concludes the Veepstakes portion of this column, but what about the coup? First, some very quick presidential history.

As we all know, Obama was the first African-American president and Hillary would be the first female president. For his "part" (pun intended), Trump would be the first president with a combover, or combback, or however one describes Trump's "helmet hair."

Trump would also be the richest president ever, though I'm having doubts about his actual wealth. Who brags about being so rich? Certainly not Bill Gates, Warren Buffett or Mark Zuckerberg, the latter being half Trump's age and ten times wealthier. (And, by the way, none of the three inherited $150 million from Daddy!)

That Trump refuses to release his tax returns also calls into question his real wealth. After all, he's been known to fabricate. PolitiFact documents that only 9 percent of what Trump says is "true or mostly related to the truth." This makes The Donald their undisputed "Pants on Fire King."

Given the above, what are the odds of a "Dump Trump" coup in Cleveland? As the old joke goes, "Slim and none and Slim just left town." Then again, we've never seen such a divisive candidate like Trump with comments like: Obama is Kenyan; Mexicans are rapists; global warming is a Chinese hoax; women seeking abortions should be punished; and Japan and South Korea should get nukes. And ask yourself what kind of person mocks people with disabilities.

In closing, I offer the comparison of Trump to the bombastic wrestling promoter, Vince McMahon. Coincidentally, in 2013, McMahon inducted Trump into the WWE Hall of Fame. Fittingly, Trump was booed off the Madison Square Garden stage. I say, if only in Cleveland. Hey, a guy can dream, can't he?

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Margarita Friday IT'S HAPPY HOUR.

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Happy apps

THERE ARE A LOT OF CONVERSATIONS circulating about the dangers of technological advancement: social media as a negative influencer on the individual and society; smart phones as the beginning of the end of real communication; the "selfie" as the first Horseman of the Apocalypse. Which is true, and I agree - the 90s were better, simpler times. But whether we like it or not, this cyborg-y lifestyle is what we got. So let's make it work for us, yeah? For example, there are some really cool (free) smart phone apps that have actually been improving the quality of my life. I'm going to share my five favorites. Because you know what they say: If you can't beat em... download em.



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SKYVIEW: Apps can make you happy

1. SkyView Free. So it was the 4th of July, and I was sitting on a rooftop (illegally), watching the fireworks (probably also illegal), when my friend pointed at the sky and asked, "Hey, is that yellow dot Venus?" I had no idea - I'm not a freakin astronomer. But then he pulled out his phone, opened this app, brought the phone up to the sky, and within seconds showed me a breakdown of every planet, constellation and star above us. This thing maps the constellations for you in real-time, shows you their projected paths - everything you'd want without the drama of setting up a telescope on a hill somewhere. And the best part is that the app doesn't care how smoggy your LA view is. It uses GPS to tell you what you would be seeing if the air quality wasn't so crappy. Is this app saving lives? Probably not. But I found out that yellow dot was actually Mars. And that makes me happy.

2. Audible. This is an absolute must for any self-respecting modern human: books on tape. It involves an extra step - you'll have to go to audible.com first to create an account, and only then can you use your app. But once you sign up, you get a free audiobook. There are multiple versions available for many of the titles, as well as different translations. All those stories you wish you had the time to read? Listen to them! All those books you wish you were intellectual and cultured enough to sit through? Have someone read them to you! I stream my books in my car - sometimes I can get through an entire Shakespearean play in a day's driving. You can imagine how smug and self-important that makes me feel. And now you can feel smug and self-important too!

3. Headspace. I love this app. It's probably the most practical recommendation I can give for long-term improvement in the quality of your life. The app offers a series of simple guided "mindfulness" meditations (without any unsavory spiritual undertones that might be a turn-off for you.) There are some cute animations too, which helps when you're in a bad mood and "don't want to meditate today or any other day for that matter and would everyone please just leave you alone." It's simple, effective, and they have a British guy named Andy narrating the whole thing - he'll become your best friend.

4. theSkimm. Their logline: "theSkimm makes it easier to be smarter." This app will give you a quick daily summary of any major events - domestic and international - in a simple, easy-to-digest voice. The writers try to add some humor and cheek when it's appropriate, which I appreciate (foreign policy can be fun too!) And the topics in your "Daily Skimm" will run the gamut from "GOP AND DEMOCRATIC CONVENTIONS" to "NEW HARRY POTTER BOOK OUT," so your knowledge of the universe around you will become comprehensive and well-rounded enough to make you the most interesting person at any dinner party. All you have to do is "skim" (see what I did there?) all the news you could possibly want in the time it takes you to finish your morning latte.

5. Sleepytime Sleep Scheduler. Okay, best for last. I work a lot, and sleep has become the hottest commodity in my life. How do you get more sleep? I don't know. But this app has helped me get better sleep (or it's been a fabulous placebo - I'm good either way.) It helps you determine when you should be going to bed or waking up based on your sleep cycles. You just punch in your bedtime, and it gives you the best options for you to wake up - or vice versa. I found out that sometimes you may actually want to set your alarm for 6:30 instead of 7: Even though you're getting less sleep, you'll wake up in accordance with your sleep cycle, so in the end you'll actually feel happier all day. And that's the business we're in here, folks.

Bottom line: You can't spell "happy" without "app." Cheers.

MARGARITA is an actress and published writer. In her spare time, she likes to watch Doctor Who reruns and correct people on the spelling of her name.



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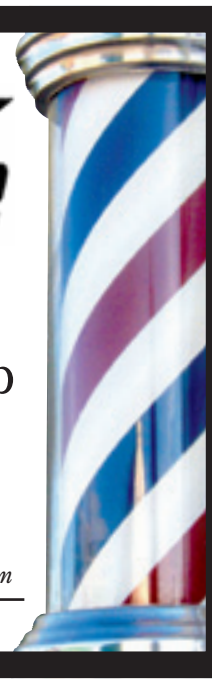
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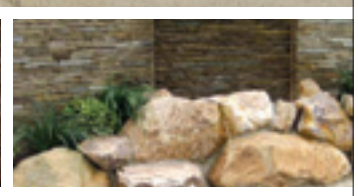


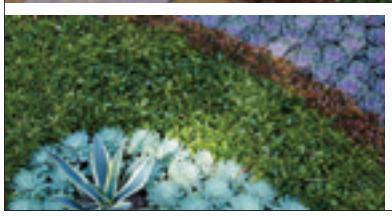




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Bad traffic

Editor:

I have lived in Santa Monica for 30 years I never saw so much traffic at Broadway as I do now. The train is only bringing more people. And LA ride Big blue bus can't get you for walkers and wheel chairs? The place is mess. You don't even want to go out.

J.R. Smith
Santa Monica

Garage rents

Editor:

Why is everyone going along with the awfully high rent and the landlords renting out the garages that go along with the house or apartment? Making people park blocks away from where they live. Do you think that is right? I certainly don't. Don't you think it is time to do something about it? That garage goes with the apartment or house. The landlords are being allowed to make an awful lot of money - think about it?

Mary Herring
Santa Monica

BUDGET

FROM PAGE 1

begin meeting next month and make recommendations to SMMUSD leadership by January.

The Local Control Funding Formula, which gives the district more responsibility in handling state funds, will be fully implemented by 2020-21. But most of the money has already been distributed, meaning the influx of state funds will slow over the next three years.

The district will receive $87.2 million in LCFF money this coming school year, when enrollment is expected to dip slightly to about 11,000, according to the latest projections.

Maez said the school board must consider cuts in all corners of the district, including maintenance, operations, transportation, food services, purchasing, human resources, fiscal services and educational services.

The district must "seriously analyze" the possibility of closing school sites as a way to cut costs, Maez said. Tweaks to the special education department are on the table as well, she said.

And staffing changes will likely have to be part of the solution, Maez said. Salaries and benefits comprise about 86 percent of district expenses for 2016-17.

"We can't do everything," she said. "We have to make choices. That's going to be hard. That's going to be difficult. But that's going to have to happen."

Board members Laurie Lieberman and Craig Foster suggested hiring School Services of California, a consultancy for educational agencies in the state, to take an unbiased look at the district's finances.

"All of this is very difficult," Lieberman said. "When you bring in someone with expertise across the state who knows how budgets compare and how they deal with these components, you have some objective measure and some objective source to help you and make suggestions."

The district recently finalized a contract with Illinois-based Forecast5 Analytics for software that will allow local officials to examine financial data from agencies across the state and help them make budgetary decisions, Maez said.

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CELL

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tain a clause that defines any modification as substantial if it violates local concealment laws designed to minimize the visual impact of telecommunications equipment.

Engineering technician Paul McClaren, said the Council's actions Tuesday redefined Santa Monica's concealment rules to specifically allow the city to maintain control over possible expansion.

Under the newly revised local rules, telecommunications equipment is required to be minimal in size (no larger than three cubic feet or eight cubic feet depending on type), use screens that match surrounding colors, hide wires inside existing infrastructure, be located among other similar kinds of infrastructure, utilize existing street/traffic/utility poles and be located in appropriate locations such as alleys and at the end of property lines.

To install equipment, a carrier makes an application to the planning department. That application is reviewed at an administrative level but grounds for denying an application are limited. Anyone can appeal the initial decision to the City Council.

"If we were not defining concealment elements, once installations are in, we have no control of how big they can get if they stayed under that substantial change," he said

McClaren said the concept of a 10 x 12 expansion to antennas atop streetlights was unacceptable to the city.

"In everybody's eyes that's a ridiculous size to allow them," he said.

The new rules will help regulate cell phone technology, but McClaren said there's a pressing need for more capacity.

According to figures presented Tuesday night, smartphone subscriptions have tripled in the last five years creating a huge spike in the demand for data. The staff presentation said data usage will increase from about 1 gigabyte per month to over six in the coming five years. In addition to usage by human customers an increasing number of machines, such as smart refrigerators, are accessing data to communicate with other machines or their owners.

The quantity of data used is causing reception problems. McClaren said there's plenty of coverage for cellphones but there's a bottleneck in transferring the wireless data to the wired connections that form the backbone of the Internet. The industry is working to address the problem by installing additional small cell sites, more than 100 per carrier in the city, that can transfer cell phone data to the City's wired network. Doing so will clear the digital air and increase the quality of actually cellular reception.

The new regulations are aimed at cellular equipment, not WiFi. Both Time Warner Cable and the City of Santa Monica offer WiFi connectivity in the city but the kind of equipment specifically covered by Tuesday's decision will improve the use of data on cellular networks and isn't directly connected to expanding WiFi service.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Pacific Palisades

JNET networking

JNET Pacific Palisades has announced their upcoming business networking event on Wednesday, July 20, 6:30 p.m., at Kehillat Israel, 16019 Sunset Boulevard, Pacific Palisades, CA 90272.

This month's Event Theme: "What You Won't Hear In 30 Seconds; Five questions you should ask to get to know your fellow JNET members." Two guest speakers are also scheduled: Terri Crystal, an Integrative Nutrition and Lifestyle Coach, will discuss "The Ultimate Nutrition Dilemma: Which 'Diet' Should I Follow?" followed by Lewis B. Sternfels, Attorney At Law, who will will talk about patent law, "So You Wish To Obtain A Patent."

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EXPO

FROM PAGE 1

Cienega/Jefferson station on the Expo Line, where the pressures of future development haven't yet washed away longstanding neighborhood gems. Indeed, the prospect of a 30-story apartment complex going up near the transit stop seems to make the value of places like Westside Neighborhood Park and JNJ Burger Shack even more pronounced.

The pocket park is a small and secluded solace, a slice of open space that doesn't feel like it's so close to where La Cienega Boulevard meets Fairfax Avenue. It's tucked so delicately into the surrounding neighborhood that it could easily go unnoticed. And, to many, it probably does.

There isn't much to it other than a few grassy areas and a small playground featuring swings and a slide, but that's all it needs to be. Westside Neighborhood Park wasn't designed for kickball and large parties; it was created for small picnics, short outings with children and moments of outdoor tranquility in a city where that's often lacking.

Standing a few blocks north of the park is a corner West Adams Boulevard eatery named for owner Jay Nelson Jr., and it's a challenge to figure out whether it's a burger shack or barbecue joint. (Hint: It's both.) It's full name is JNJ Burger Shack, but its website is jnj-bbq.com. The burger ordering area is closer to the front, but the separate barbecue counter is arguably more inviting.

That's the section that impressed Jonathan Gold on his visit nearly a decade ago. "In an era when even some of the best-known barbecue joints make do with a measly gas flame and a handful or two of wood chips," the famed food critic wrote in a 2007 review for LA Weekly magazine, "it is nice to know that somebody is still passionate about marrying the flavors of wood smoke and meat."

JNJ isn't perfect. It doesn't always stick to its summer schedule, closing a bit early on a recent evening, and its beef brisket could pull an Otis Redding and try a little more tenderness.

But this place is worth trying. The chicken is delicious, and the mixture of hot and mild barbecue sauces provides the perfect amount of heat. The baked beans are skillfully cooked and slightly sweet. The cornbread, a tad crumbly but tasty and big enough to share, pairs well with all the staples: collard greens, cole slaw, potato salad and more. And don't forget about sweet potato pie for dessert.

Now, if only there were a hidden gem of a park within walking distance to enjoy some barbecue and sunshine in peace ...

The Expo Line now has 19 stations covering 15.2 miles between Downtown Los Angeles and Santa Monica. A regular one-way fare is $1.75 and includes two hours of free transfers for riders using a TAP card. A daily pass good for unlimited rides on Metro is $7 and monthly passes are $100. Visit taptogo.net for more information.

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BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

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ON JULY 9 AT ABOUT 3:37 P.M.

A Santa Monica police sergeant was talking with a community member in the lobby of the city public safety facility. The sergeant heard a suspect yelling at the front-desk officer through the window. The suspect was using profanity and began punching the window. When the sergeant walked over to ask the suspect what was going on, the suspect got into a fighting stance. The suspect responded in an aggressive and challenging manner. The suspect continued to challenge him verbally regarding whether he was going to need to use the gun to arrest him. He continued to try to provoke a response from the sergeant using physical posturing and aggressive language. The suspect was taken into custody and booked at Santa Monica jail. Farid Ahantab, 29, of Santa Monica, was booked for disturbing the peace, obstructing and resisting arrest. Bail was set at $10,000.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 440 calls for service on July 13.

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

Missing person 500 block of Santa Monica 1:07 a.m.
Auto burglary 1300 block of 4th 1:11 a.m.
Battery 4th/ Santa Monica 3:06 a.m.
Petty theft 600 block of Wilshire 3:24 a.m.
Burglary 2500 block of 31st 3:31 a.m.
Auto burglary 2200 block of Colorado 5:02 a.m.
Burglary 1600 block of Santa Monica 5:25 a.m.
Hit and run 7th/ San Vicente 7:40 a.m.
Grand theft auto 1700 block of Santa Monica 8:25 a.m.
Burglary 1300 block of Lincoln 8:47 a.m.
Traffic collision 2100 block of Main 9:03 a.m.
Petty theft 2100 block of Ocean 10:00 a.m.
Traffic collision 100 block of Ozone 10:04 a.m.
Grand theft 1400 block of 3rd 10:12 a.m.
Auto burglary 1300 block of 2nd 10:26 a.m.
Petty theft 1400 block of 15th 10:42 a.m.
Burglary 1200 block of 5th 12:06 p.m.
Traffic collision 21st/ Pico 12:12 p.m.
Traffic collision 20th/ Pico 12:12 p.m.
Petty theft 1200 block of 3rd 12:34 p.m.
Petty theft 300 block of Colorado 12:40 p.m.
Identity theft 300 block of Olympic 1:21 p.m.
Burglary 2700 block of 3rd 1:33 p.m.
Bicycle theft 2600 block of 4th 2:33 p.m.
Assault with a deadly weapon 1400 block of 18th 2:37 p.m.
Identity theft 1100 block of 5th 3:39 p.m.
Petty theft 1200 block of 3rd 4:11 p.m.
Robbery 1700 block of Cloverfield 4:26 p.m.
Petty theft 1500 block of the Beach 4:29 p.m.
Petty theft 3100 block of Wilshire 4:38 p.m.
Bicycle theft 3100 block of 4th 4:54 p.m.
Traffic collision 15th/ Santa Monica 5:06 p.m.
Petty theft 11th/ Pearl 5:55 p.m.
Petty theft 2400 block of 21st 6:58 p.m.
Assault with a deadly weapon 700 block of Pacific 7:32 p.m.
Traffic collision Lincoln/ Broadway 7:39 p.m.
Battery 4th/ Santa Monica 7:44 p.m.
Petty theft 23rd/ Pearl 7:53 p.m.
Petty theft 2600 block of 30th 8:18 p.m.
Grand theft auto 1700 block of Ocean 8:43 p.m.
Auto burglary 200 block of San Vicente 8:44 p.m.
Traffic collision 4th/ California 8:58 p.m.
Battery 300 block of Santa Monica Pier 10:46 p.m.
Report of shots fired 1200 block of 26th 11:54 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 42 calls for service on July 13.

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

EMS 1400 block of 17th 12:07 a.m.
EMS 1300 block of 17th 12:07 a.m.
EMS 1900 block of Wilshire 12:27 a.m.
Elevator rescue 2000 block of Arizona 3:13 a.m.
EMS 1100 block of 4th 4:48 a.m.
EMS Euclid/Santa Monica 7:36 a.m.
EMS 2100 block of Main 9:03 a.m.
EMS 1200 block of 6th 9:05 a.m.
Flooded condition 300 block of Olympic 10:54 a.m.
EMS 1200 block of Cedar 10:59 a.m.
EMS 1900 block of Pico 11:09 a.m.
EMS 600 block of Palisades 11:17 a.m.
EMS 1300 block of 20th 11:31 a.m.
EMS 1100 block of 7th 11:45 a.m.
EMS 1200 block of 16th 12:08 p.m.
EMS 21st/Pico 12:12 p.m.
EMS 2nd/Santa Monica 12:30 p.m.
EMS 600 block of Wilshire 12:30 p.m.
EMS 2800 block of Airport 12:52 p.m.
EMS 1600 block of Santa Monica 2:25 p.m.
EMS 1600 block of Santa Monica 2:25 p.m.
Automatic alarm 2300 block of Schader 2:33 p.m.
EMS 1400 block of 18th 2:36 p.m.
Automatic alarm 3000 block of Main 3:18 p.m.
EMS 1300 block of 3rd Street Prom 4:03 p.m.
Automatic alarm 800 block of 14th 4:11 p.m.
EMS 2500 block of Wilshire 4:49 p.m.
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EMS Lincoln/I-10 5:49 p.m.
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EMS 2900 block of Main 6:10 p.m.
EMS 3000 block of Main 6:31 p.m.
EMS 2200 block of Virginia 6:58 p.m.
EMS 1700 block of Oak 7:11 p.m.
EMS 1400 block of 3rd Street Prom 7:21 p.m.
Injuries from assault 2200 block of Lincoln 7:35 p.m.
EMS Lincoln/Pico 7:54 p.m.
EMS 800 block of 17th 7:58 p.m.
EMS 3100 block of Ocean Park 9:34 p.m.
EMS 1500 block of 5th 9:40 p.m.
Injuries from assault 300 block of Santa Monica Pier 10:52 p.m.
EMS 400 block of Santa Monica Pier 11:29 p.m.

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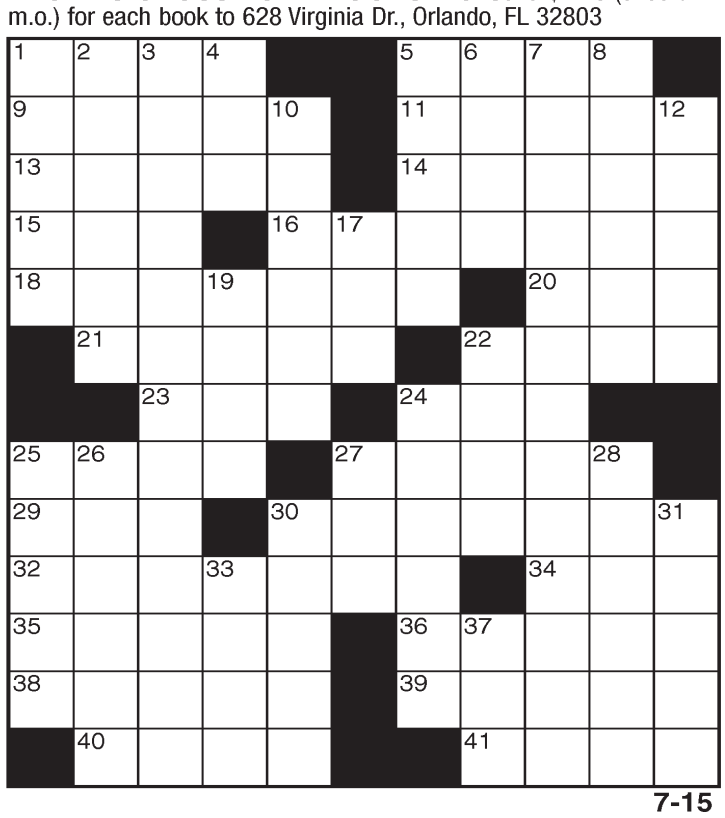
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1834 - The Spanish Inquisition is officially disbanded after nearly 356 years.

1870 - Reconstruction Era of the United States: Georgia becomes the last of the former Confederate states to be readmitted to the Union.

1870 - Rupert's Land and the North-Western Territory are transferred to Canada from the Hudson's Bay Company, and the province of Manitoba and the Northwest Territories are established from these vast territories.

1888 - The stratovolcano Mount Bandai erupts killing approximately 500 people, in Fukushima Prefecture, Japan.

1910 - In his book Clinical Psychiatry, Emil Kraepelin gives a name to Alzheimer's disease, naming it after his colleague Alois Alzheimer.

1916 - In Seattle, Washington, William Boeing and George Conrad Westervelt incorporate Pacific Aero Products (later renamed Boeing).

1918 - World War I: The Second Battle of the Marne begins near the River Marne with a German attack.

NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Recidivist Jesse Johnson, 20, was charged again in June (for suspicion of disturbing the peace) after he had crawled underneath a woman's car at an Aldi store's parking lot in Lincoln, Nebraska, waited for her to return, and then, as she was stepping into the car, reaching out to fondle her ankle. It was Johnson's third such charge this year, and he initially tried to deny the actual touch, instead claiming that he was underneath the car "simply for the visual." Johnson acknowledged to the judge that he needs help and that he had been in counseling but had run out of money. (At press time, the status of the latest incident was still pending.)

■ (1) Australian lawyer William Ray was killed on May 22 when he was thrown from his all-terrain "quad bike" in rural Victoria state and pinned underneath. Ray had come to prominence by representing Honda as the company balked at mandatory installation of anti-roll bars on quad bikes. (2) A 48-year-old employee at North Central Bronx Hospital in New York City died of a heart attack at work on June 7, under circumstances (according to police) indicating that he was viewing a pornographic video at the moment of his death.

Look past the obvious, Aries

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★★ Just be yourself and be spontaneous. More will fall into place that way than if you were to plan out everything logically. Your instincts prove to be excellent, and your creativity keeps bubbling up. Meeting new people is almost too easy for you. Tonight: Look past the obvious.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Recognize when you have had enough. You will want to follow through on what you want to see happen. Laughter surrounds you and allows greater give-and-take between you and a key person who often seems uptight. Tonight: Be responsive but not overly doting.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ Your sense of direction will prove to be far more important than you realize. You'll communicate what you want with the expectation that your thoughts will be well-received. Others are likely to be considerate, but still expect some questions. Tonight: Chat the night away.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ Your effectiveness will be tested. You might not be sure which way to proceed in the current situation. A conversation could be difficult to follow at this time, as you seem to be a bit distracted about a money matter. Tonight: Treat a friend or two to kick off the weekend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★★ Act on what you feel. A younger person needs advice, and will seek you out. Even if he or she doesn't ask you directly for your feedback, you'll wind up offering it anyway. Help this person maintain a sense of humor in order to help him or her detach. Tonight: Out on the town.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Honor a change of pace. You might need to rethink a personal matter and your priorities. Share more openly with a roommate or family member. You will receive strong feedback from someone who knows you. Be gracious and keep it light. Tonight: Head home early.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You might have the inclination to head out the door early. There is no reason why you cannot do this. Decide what is best for you, then proceed. You are likely to have a lot to share with several friends with whom you have not had enough time lately. Tonight: Take off ASAP.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Be more aware of yourself, especially as you could have a tendency to go overboard and be excessive right now. A friend has a lot to share, but you might feel conflicted as you listen. You could want to be logical, but that really doesn't work for you at the moment. Tonight: Out late.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You have accomplished a lot, and you could be evaluating yet another decision. Use the coming weekend to review a situation that might not feel right. Note what you think is off, then discuss this matter with a trusted confidant. Tonight: Make the most of each moment.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ Slow down and take your time. Be aware of what needs to happen in order to get a project moving. An issue that you have with an associate needs to be discussed with a friend or family member first. You need to gain a fresh perspective. Tonight: Don't act on any decisions yet.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ A friend shares something that you believe to be gossip but that he or she thinks is the truth. Be grateful for his or her openness. Understand that you won't know the whole story for a while. Someone is drawn to you. Tonight: Out with the gang. Put on your dancing shoes.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Someone you care about pushes you hard. This person wants to know more about where you are coming from. Open up and share your thoughts. Be careful with someone who is young or immature; he or she might not be as loyal as you believe. Tonight: A force to be dealt with.

Friday, July 15, 2016

This year communication and kindness surround you. If you have a tendency to be withdrawn or quiet, kiss that behavior goodbye. You become more open. If you are single, you could meet someone important to your life's history. This person could enter your life in the next few months, or in the months before your next birthday. If you are attached, you like being a duo; however, at times you feel as if you have to explain too much. Recognize how different you are from your sweetie; you come from very different backgrounds. SAGITTARIUS pushes and pushes you until you want to run away.

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★★★★ Positive ★ Difficult
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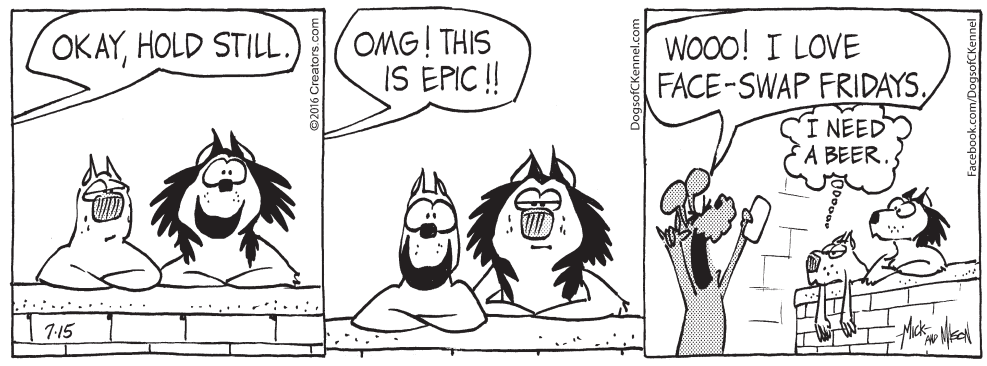
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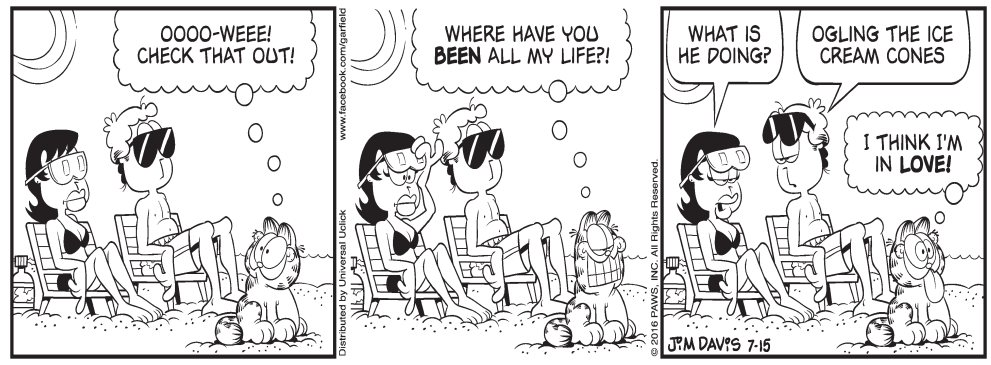
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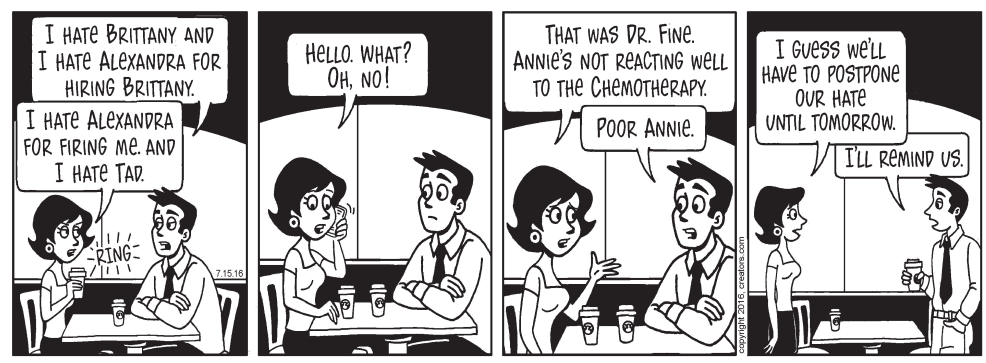
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POR LA PRESENTE SE DA AVISO de que se habrá de llevar a cabo una Elección Municipal General en la Ciudad de Santa Monica el martes, 8 de noviembre de 2016, en la cual se les presentará a los votantes las siguientes propuestas y la fecha después de la cual no se podrá presentar ningún argumento y refutación a favor o en contra de las propuestas:

PROPUESTA " ": ¿Deberá el Plan General y el Código Municipal de la ciudad ser enmendada para requerir: un nuevo proceso de permitir para grandes proyectos de desarrollo que exceden más de 32 a 36 pies en alturas o tamaños base, con excepciones como viviendas de sola unidad y algunos proyectos de vivienda asequible; aprobación de los votantes de grandes proyectos de desarrollo y acuerdos de desarrollo, excluyendo vivienda asequible y ingresos moderados y proyectos de vivienda para personas de la tercera edad, entre otros; y aprobación de los votantes de los cambios en documentos de política de planificación y uso del suelo de la ciudad?	Yes No
PROPUESTA " ": Para mantener y mejorar los servicios de la comunidad de Santa Mónica incluyendo apoyo para la preservación de vivienda asequible, reducir la falta de vivienda, reparación y mejoria de la escuela, educación de los niños de Santa Mónica y estudiantes, y otros servicios del fondo general, ¿deberá una ordenanza ser adoptada para promulgar en Santa Monica un impuesto de medio por ciento de transacciones y uso, sujetos a auditorías anuales independientes, utilizando todos los fondos localmente y no enviando dinero a Sacramento?	Yes No
PROPUESTA " ": VOTO CONSULTIVO SOLAMENTE: Si un impuesto local de transacciones y uso se promulga en Santa Mónica, ¿deben utilizarse la mitad de sus ingresos para mejorar y mantener las escuelas públicas locales, incluyendo atraer y retener a maestros de alta calidad, ampliando el acceso a los centros preescolares, ayudar a los estudiantes en riesgo y mejorar la tecnología en la escuela, artes, música, matemáticas y enseñanza de la ciencia; y la mitad para ayudar a preservar y garantizar la vivienda de Santa Mónica que es asequible, proteger a los residentes de desplazamiento por aumento de los costos de la vivienda y reducir la falta de vivienda?	Yes No

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