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Polluted Pier waters hit infamous mark in new report



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BEACH: The Santa Monica Pier ranked among the most polluted beaches along the West Coast, according to an annual report from Heal the Bay.

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Santa Monica may be known for its beach culture, but its beach health leaves much to be desired, according to an annual report by a local institution.

On Wednesday, environmental nonprofit Heal the Bay released its 34th annual Beach Report Card, assigning grades to approximately 700 beaches along the Pacific Coast based on levels of bacterial pollution. Lower grades mean a greater chance of getting beachgoers sick, and Santa Monica's premier beach location was given an unfortunate grade.

Out of the 10 most polluted beaches in summer dry weather along the West Coast in 2023-24, the Santa Monica Pier ranked third, and was put right at the top out of Los Angeles County beaches. The only beaches that were graded as more polluted were the Tijuana River Mouth in San Diego County and Playa Blanca in Baja, Mexico.

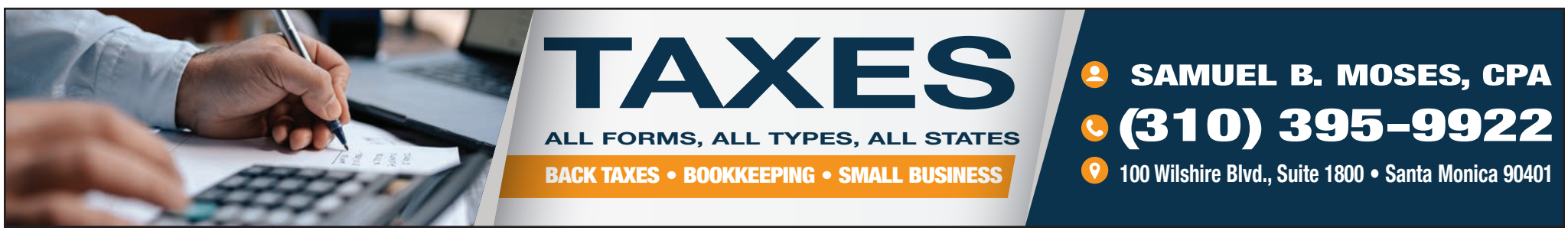
The "F" grade given to the ocean surrounding the Pier, the report states, is due to a number of environmentally-harmful factors.

"The City of Santa Monica has wrestled for years with poor water quality at the Pier, which is plagued with droppings from roosting birds and urban runoff," the report stated.

To attempt to combat this, Santa Monica Council unanimously approved new rules this past November that prohibit feeding birds and animals in the area. The city also installed netting under the Pier to discourage pigeon roosting and nesting in 2023.

Those that come in contact with water with an "F" grade, the report added, are at a greater risk of contracting illnesses like stomach flu, ear infections, upper respiratory infections and rashes. The Pier wasn't the only Westside beach noted as polluted, as the Marina del Rey Mother's Beach was ranked as

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World cuisine comes local for Dine LA week

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A showcase of world cultures through delectable dishes will have Santa Monica residents inundated with delicious choices this weekend.

Through July 26, 35 Santa Monica restaurants are highlighting unique menu items for Dine LA Restaurant Week, a twice-annual endeavor that promotes dine-in experiences across the Los Angeles area.

"Dine LA's mission is to promote LA as a top culinary destination, and Restaurant Week is the perfect way for people to explore LA's great culinary scene," Los Angeles Tourism & Convention Board VP of Product Marketing Stacey Sun said.

Participating restaurants offer special dine-in menus for lunch and dinner at fixed prices, with each spot spotlighting its latest and greatest specialty items. Over 350 restaurants participate in the Los Angeles area overall, but the Santa Monica selection is all residents need for a fine meal.

"It is a great platform for them to be able to showcase what they do best and what dishes best represent their restaurant," Sun added.

World cuisine is on display for the city, broken down into the categories of American, Barbecue, Steakhouse, Mediterranean, Chinese, Italian, Californian, Japanese, Middle Eastern, French, Mexican, Sushi, Seafood, Vietnamese and Spanish menus.

American-inspired dishes start on the Third Street Promenade with 1212 Santa Monica's menu curated by Executive Chef David Gualberto. For $55 per person, the meal consists of either a Sea, Land or Vegetarian Crostini Trio, followed by either a Minestrone soup or a Belgian Pear Endive Salad, then a main course choice of chicken parmigiana, roasted salmon, mushroom risotto or filet mignon, finished off with a dessert choice of

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> - Stacey Sun, Los Angeles Tourism & Convention Board VP of Product Marketing

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RESTAURANT: 1212 on the Third Street Promenade is just one of 35 options for locals during Dine LA Restaurant Week.

You're invited to the Boys & Girls Clubs of Santa Monica Golf Tournament

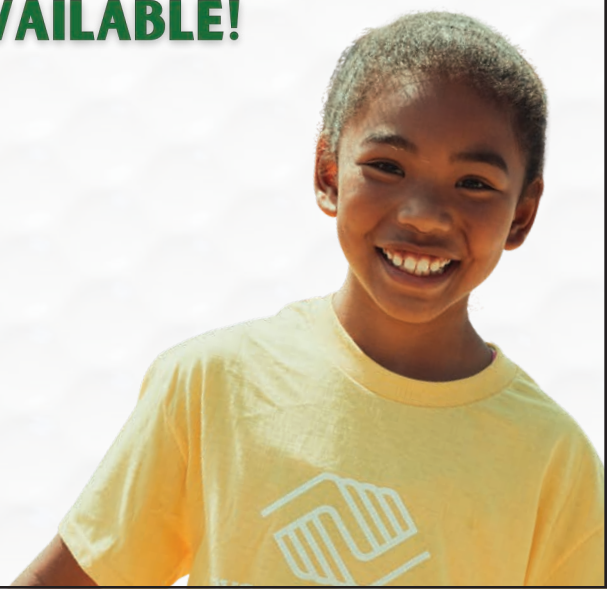
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SMPD Drone captures thief over July 4 holiday weekend

According to the Santa Monica Police Department, since its inception a few years back, the SMPD's Drone as a First Responder (DFR) program has provided a huge benefit to public safety in Santa Monica. The DFR program incorporates a sworn officer pilot who flies the drone from a launch site on the roof of the Public Safety Facility. The officer monitors radio channels and can listen to 911 calls as they come into dispatch.

The drone can be airborne almost immediately and has the advantages of being able to take the shortest route to calls and providing an overwatch for additional officers arriving on the ground. Once on-scene, the pilot can provide updates, check for suspects fleeing and give a direction of travel, and guide in responding officers. All of this significantly increases their chances of successfully and safely ending dangerous incidents.

On July 6, the drone was returning to the station from a radio call when the pilot decided to go survey the crowd situation near the Pier and beach lots. As he was flying over Lot 1 North (the large lot just north of the Pier), the pilot noticed a male subject wandering through the lot acting suspiciously. As he watched, the subject sidled up to an unoccupied parked vehicle, pulled a screwdriver and another tool from the kangaroo pocket in his sweatshirt, and quickly punched open the lock on the driver side door. The subject climbed inside the vehicle and spent about two minutes inside the vehicle before exiting. While he was in the vehicle, the pilot called for officers to respond to the lot. While they were on the way, the suspect used the same tactics to break into another vehicle, this time a truck. By this time, the pilot guided responding officers to the correct row in the parking lot. Officers found the suspect in possession of multiple stolen items and placed him under arrest for Vehicle burglary and various other theft crimes.

Submitted by SMPD

BEACH

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the ninth-most polluted beach in the report.

"The enclosed Mother's Beach ... might attract families because of its placid waters, but very poor circulation has led to chronic bacterial exceedances," the report said. "Families beware."

Water quality at California beaches declined on the whole from 2023 to 2024, with 89% of monitored state beaches receiving an "A" or "B" water quality grade, a 6% drop from the previous report card. The number of "A" or "B" grades plummeted to 66% of the 501 beaches monitored in the state during the dry winter season (November 2023-March 2024), due to coastal counties in the state receiving 31% more rainfall during the winter reporting period than the 10-year average.

"The deluge flushed bacteria and other pollutants through storm drains into the ocean and caused numerous sewage spills, which dramatically impacted water quality beyond the typical three-days warning post-rainfall," the report added.

Heal the Bay CEO and President Tracy Quinn noted that while the majority of California beaches were "safe to swim at," some infrastructure still needs to catch up to modern climate challenges.

"We are still seeing water quality impacts from record-breaking storms, urban runoff and sewage spills," Quinn said. "California's 20th century water infrastructure was not designed to address the challenges faced by climate change in the 21st century. We need to upgrade outdated sewage treatment facilities and prioritize public investment in nature-based, multi-benefit stormwater capture infrastructure."

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> - Tracy Quinn, Heal the Bay CEO and President

To see the annual report, visit healthebay.org, or continue reading the Daily Press for weekly beach grades provided by Heal the Bay.

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GET IT DAILY...



Surf report

WATER TEMP: **68.7**

THURSDAY *FAIR TO GOOD*
SURF: 4-6ft Chest to overhead

Good size, long period SW/SSW swell continues for summer exposures. A touch of NW windswell blends in but shape will still favor the summer points. Wind looks light in the earlier AM — just plan around the modest AM high tide.

FRIDAY *FAIR TO GOOD*
SURF: 3-4ft+ Waist to shoulder

Still plenty of fun surf on tap as SW/SSW swell gradually backs down. NW windswell nudges up slightly, may be just enough to help shape for the combo breaks west of Dume but summer points are still the call. Wind looks light early.

Weather

Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 72. East southeast wind 5 to 10 mph becoming southwest in the afternoon.
Thursday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, increasing clouds, with a low around 64. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.
Friday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, partly sunny, with a high near 75.
Friday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 65.

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2024/07/18	Thu	1:06 PM	2.76	L
2024/07/18	Thu	7:42 PM	6.17	H
2024/07/19	Fri	03:17 AM	-0.67	L
2024/07/19	Fri	09:54 AM	3.62	H
2024/07/19	Fri	1:56 PM	2.63	L
2024/07/19	Fri	8:25 PM	6.55	H
2024/07/20	Sat	03:53 AM	-1.01	L
2024/07/20	Sat	10:26 AM	3.80	H
2024/07/20	Sat	2:43 PM	2.45	L
2024/07/20	Sat	9:06 PM	6.81	H
2024/07/21	Sun	04:31 AM	-1.21	L
2024/07/21	Sun	10:59 AM	3.97	H
2024/07/21	Sun	3:30 PM	2.26	L
2024/07/21	Sun	9:49 PM	6.89	H
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2024/07/22	Mon	11:35 AM	4.17	H

Daily Lottery

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9 31 39 40 45
Power#: 23
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MEGA MILLIONS
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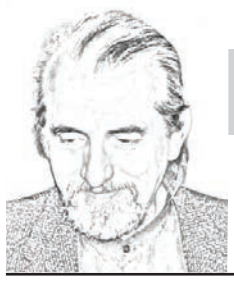
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OPINION **NOTEWORTHY**

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MOVIE: That's some Aero-plane! NxNW.

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED

Tonight! - "NORTH BY NORTHWEST'' (1959) 70MM - Hitchcock directs Cary Grant. But here's all you need to know. Crack special effects editor and film buff nonpareil Mary Walter puts this in her Top 10. That's good enough for me. Thurs 7:30 p.m., Aero Theatre, Santa Monica, $12-17.

THEATRICUM BOTANICUM – Founder Will Geer's daughter Ellen is directing "The Winter's Tale," one of Willie the Shake's last, a tragi-comedy in five acts. She also directs "Wendy's Peter Pan,'' which by title alone sounds like great fun. Molière's vision: how do you stop an invasive cultish worm who uses lies of biblical proportion to wind his way into your family life, your town, your city, your country? Through the brilliant storytelling of Molière and Freyda Thomas' clever adaptation in rhyming couplets, we watch a southern family in the 1980s begin to recognize a taker in their midst in the form of televangelist, "Tartuffe." Hilarious mayhem ensues as they recognize the danger, rise up, and remove the culprit. "Winter" Fri 7:30 p.m. (Pay What You Will ticket pricing for this performance), "Tartuffe" Sat 7:30 p.m., "Peter Pan" Sun 8 p.m. (prologue discussion with the cast at 6:30 before the performance on July 21st, Pay What You Will ticket pricing), $15-60.

HOT CLUB OF LOS ANGELES — You can go to the Cinema Bar any Monday night, 9-11:30, for more than a decade now, and hear these hot players run through Django Reinhart-style '30s jazz. This amazing ensemble is a treasure, just over the border from SM. Mon 9 p.m., Cinema Bar, Culver City, no cover.

"APOCALYPSE NOW" (1979) 70mm – Special loan from George Eatman Museum, Martin Scorsese Collection. Coppola directs Samohi's Martin Sheen, Brando, deep into the heart of darkness. Epic in so many ways. Tues 7:30 p.m., , Aero Theatre, Santa Monica, $15, AC members only.

RECOMMENDED:

"WILD THINGS ARE HAPPENING: THE ART OF MAURICE SENDAK" – Now you can see them much bigger than a page in a book. This is the first complete retrospective of his art since his death in 2012, and includes his work in many areas of the arts. 7/18-9/1, Skirball Museum, admission price? Parking fee - call for info and hours.

"THE SUBSTANCE OF FIRE" – It's

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AROUND TOWN

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Restaurant Week and More



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FOOD: It's a good time to go out to eat as Dine LA week extends through next Friday.

SMDP's Weekly Guide to Food & Entertainment Goings-On In & Around Town includes Restaurant Week, the Annual Venice Beach Run, a Slick Rick concert, and much more!

DineLA Restaurant Week: This summer's event runs July 12-26 with hundreds of local restaurants offering special lunch and dinner menus. Some SaMo offerings include high end spots like Citrin, Fia Steak, and Via Veneto, and more casual options like Bludo's BBQ, Colapasta, and Uovo. https://www.discoverlosangeles.com/dinela

Night Market at The Bungalow: Every Thursday night through Aug. 29, expect food vendors, beverage activations, family-friendly activities, live musical and DJ performances, and celebrity guest appearances. Free and open to the public for guests of all ages and pet friendly. Thursdays 5:00 - 11:00p.m. @ 101 Wilshire Blvd. https://www.fairmont-miramar.com/activities/night-market/

Slick Rick Performing @ The Venice West: And, here we go...The iconic rapper is bringing his music to the Westside. Thursday, July 18, 8:00p.m. @ 1717 Lincoln Blvd. https://www.ticketweb.com/event/slick-rick-the-venice-west-tickets/13563934

Pickle Me Silly: "Whether you like your pickles sweet or sour, this event is always a big Dill" There will be a variety of pickled and preserved foods, including Kim Chi, Pickled Beet, Okra, and a few surprises for the adventurous. Free and for all ages. There will also be Garden Pancakes on the Griddle, Chalk Art on the Sidewalks and smiles on everyone's faces. Kids get first dibs on the limited supply Home Pickling Kits to take home and inspire yourself. Saturday, July 20, 9:00 - 11:00a.m. @ Ishihara Park Learning Garden 2909 Exposition Blvd. More details here.

#PlasticFreeJuly Nothin' But Sand Beach Cleanup: Heal the provides the supplies..."all you need to do is register, sign a waiver, and show up." Saturday, July 20, 10:00a.m.-12:00p.m. @ Will Rogers State Beach, Tower 7 https://healthebay.org/event/july-2024-nothin-but-sand-beach-cleanup-to-celebrate-plasticfreejuly/

Annual Venice Beach Run: Proceeds benefit the Los Angeles Parks Foundation to support the Venice Beach Recreation Center. Participants can sign up for a 5K or

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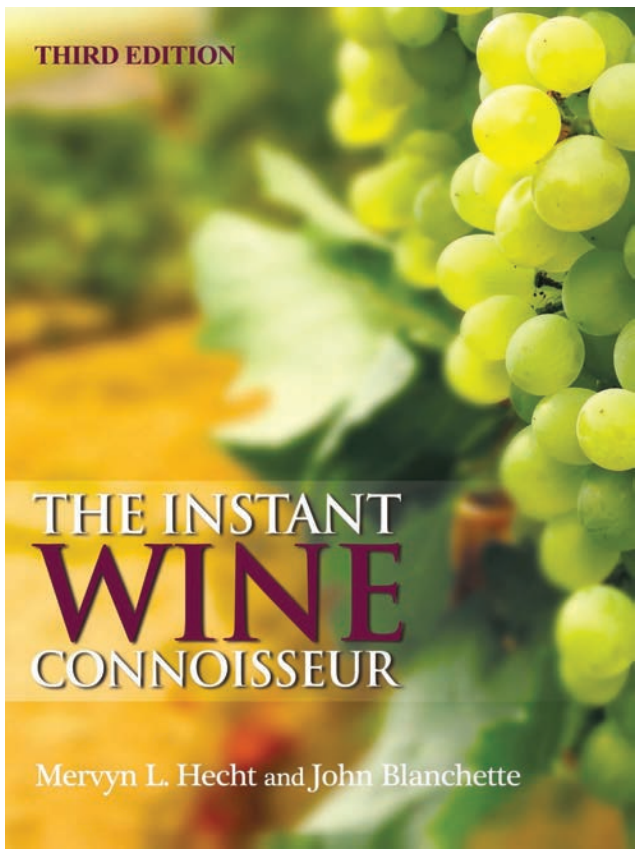
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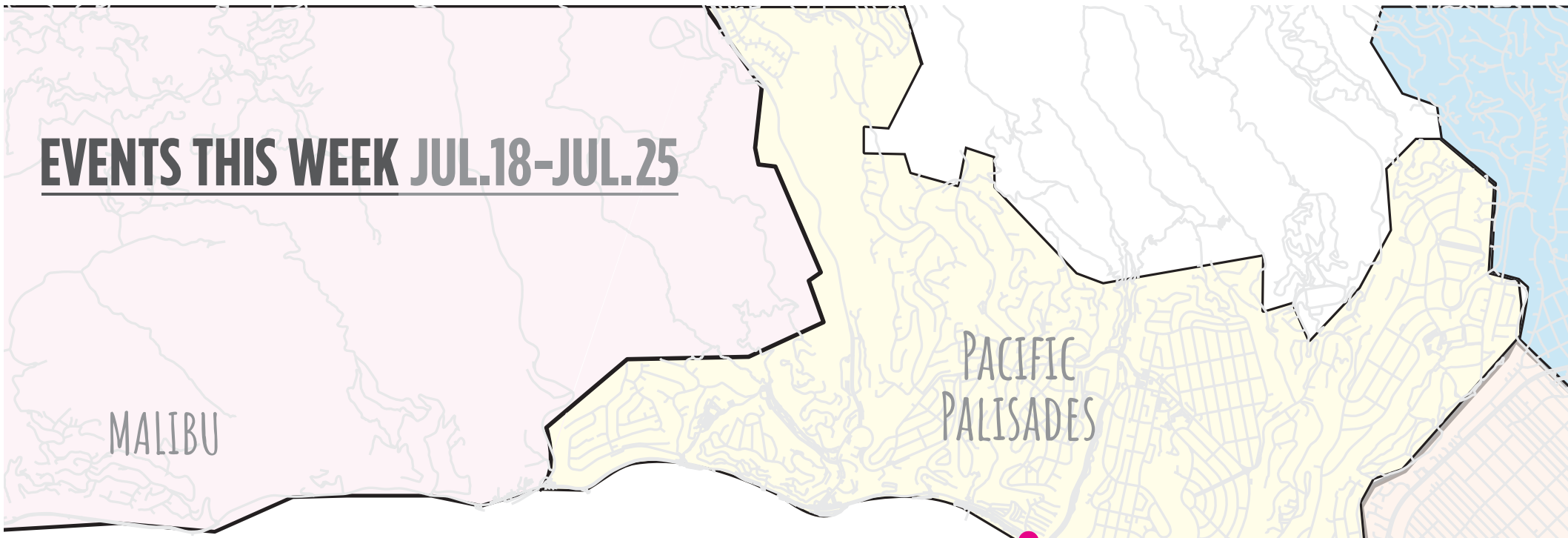
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EVENTS THIS WEEK JUL.18-JUL.25



Saturday, July 20, 12:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m.

Will Rogers State Beach, 17000 Pacific Coast Hwy, Tower 7

#PlasticFreeJuly Nothin' But Sand Beach Cleanup

Celebrate Plastic-Free July with Heal the Bay at our Nothin' But Sand Beach Cleanup. They provide the supplies, all you need to do is register, sign a waiver*, and show up! (ONLY individuals under 18 bring a signed waiver*) Please note: Heal the Bay guarantees cleanup supplies for the first 300 people who are registered. Each volunteer registers individually unless they are with a group or family Individuals under 18: reserve a ticket and bring a signed waiver form to the cleanup.
Families: Reserve a ticket and write in the names of partner/children.
Groups: Reserve a ticket and write in the names of group members.
Help make Nothin' But Sand a zero-waste event by bringing your own buckets, garden gloves, and a reusable mask and water bottle
Be prepared to be outside for 2-3 hours. Beach weather can be unpredictable, so we recommend dressing in layers. Water is available at all cleanups.
If you have any questions or concerns please email Beach Programs Manager, at sgebhardtrath@healthebay.org
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Friday, July 19, 7:00 p.m.

Theatre Arts Complex, SMC Main Campus, 1900 Pico Blvd

Snoopy!!! The Musical

Organized by the SMC Theatre Arts Department
Based on the comic strip "PEANUTS" by Charles M. Schulz
Book by Charles M. Schulz Creative Associates, Warren Lockhart, Arthur Whitelaw, and Michael L. Grace. Music by Larry Grossman. Lyrics by Hal Hackady. Based on the beloved Peanuts comic strip by Charles Schulz, Snoopy!!! sparkles with wit and warmth as it depicts life as seen through the eyes of Schulz's unforgettable characters. Tuneful! Charming! Hilarious! Snoopy!!! - the musical sequel to You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown - deserves each of its three exclamation points. Theatre Arts Complex, SMC Main Campus, 1900 Pico Blvd. $18 - $25. https://www.smc.edu/calendar/tickets.php

Friday, July 19, 7:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.

Fairmont Miramar - Hotel & Bungalows, 101 Wilshire Boulevard

Piano Bar Night with master pianist Jason Pelsey

Fairmont Miramar presents "Lobby Lounge Live: Piano Night" every Friday night from 7 to 10 p.m. Guests are invited to immerse themselves in the enchanting ambiance of the Lobby Lounge as they enjoy handcrafted cocktails, delectable bites, and the unparalleled talent of master pianist, Jason Pelsey. Get ready to be serenaded with his captivating melodies and make requests throughout the night. Pelsey's dynamic repertoire spans the latest hits to timeless classics, promising an evening of musical delight for all. As a special treat, six lucky attendees will have the opportunity to join Pelsey at the piano for an unforgettable musical experience (first come, first serve). Don't miss your chance to be part of Santa Monica's newest tradition!
For more information, visit: https://www.fairmont-miramar.com/events/lobby-lounge-live-piano/

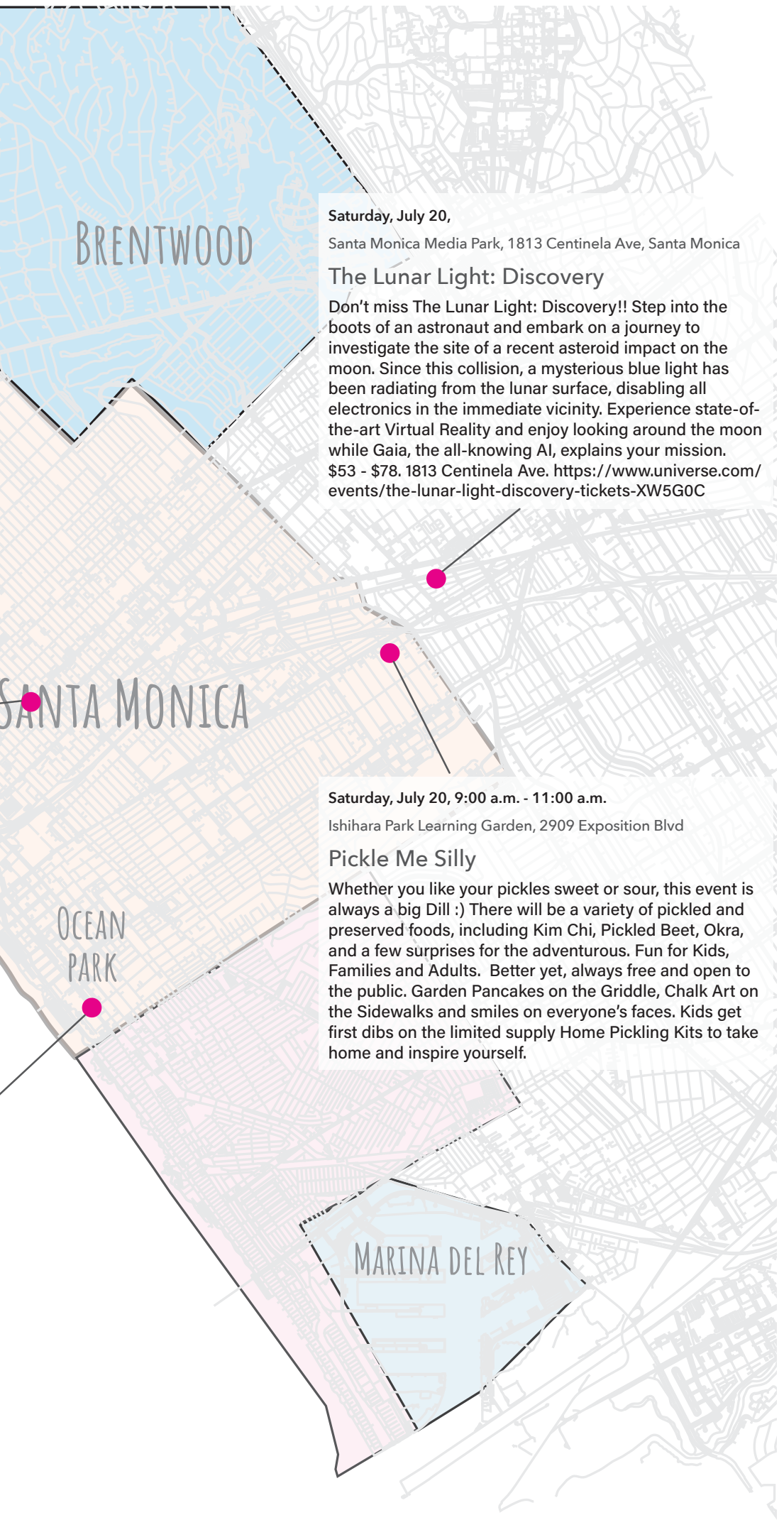
Saturday, July 20, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

Ten Women Gallery, 2719 Main Street

Ten Women Gallery Celebrates 30 Years

Join Ten Women Gallery in celebrating 30 Years on Main Street in Santa Monica. It is no easy feat for a small business to keep its doors open. This year the women-owned gallery and co-op has accomplished an amazing milestone... thirty years on Main street in Santa Monica. Meet the artists and more at https://www.tenwomengallery.com/

Check out more events at: smdp.com/events



Saturday, July 20,

Santa Monica Media Park, 1813 Centinela Ave, Santa Monica

The Lunar Light: Discovery

Don't miss The Lunar Light: Discovery!! Step into the boots of an astronaut and embark on a journey to investigate the site of a recent asteroid impact on the moon. Since this collision, a mysterious blue light has been radiating from the lunar surface, disabling all electronics in the immediate vicinity. Experience state-of-the-art Virtual Reality and enjoy looking around the moon while Gaia, the all-knowing AI, explains your mission. $53 - $78. 1813 Centinela Ave. https://www.universe.com/events/the-lunar-light-discovery-tickets-XW5G0C

Saturday, July 20, 9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.

Ishihara Park Learning Garden, 2909 Exposition Blvd

Pickle Me Silly

Whether you like your pickles sweet or sour, this event is always a big Dill :) There will be a variety of pickled and preserved foods, including Kim Chi, Pickled Beet, Okra, and a few surprises for the adventurous. Fun for Kids, Families and Adults. Better yet, always free and open to the public. Garden Pancakes on the Griddle, Chalk Art on the Sidewalks and smiles on everyone's faces. Kids get first dibs on the limited supply Home Pickling Kits to take home and inspire yourself.



THURSDAY | JULY 18

RETAIL/HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE MEETING

Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce members of retail and hospitality businesses are encouraged to join to discuss any issues, policy changes or other proposals that may be effecting your industry currently or in the future. Meeting held via Zoom beginning at 7:30 a.m. To register, visit: https://santamonicachamber.chambermaster.com/eventregistration/register/23197.

SUMMER READING PROGRAM: SUMMER WATER SAFETY

Longfellow the Whale and staff from the Santa Monica Swim Center share tips on how to stay safe around the water this summer. Limited space; free tickets available 30 minutes before the program. For families. Begins at 2:30 p.m. at Montana Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave.

SUNSET PICNIC

It's Sunset Picnic at Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 Pacific Coast Highway, as locals pack their favorite picnic dinner (fancy or casual), bring family and friends and take part in fun activities like games, dominoes and checkers. Enjoy a fun, casual beachfront summer evening with a musical duo vibing in the background and S'mores for dessert. No glass or alcohol allowed. Runs from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m.

RECREATION AND PARKS COMMISSION

The Commission shall act in an advisory capacity to the City Council and Director of Community Services in all matters pertaining to public recreation including playgrounds, music and entertainment. The Commission will consider the budget of the Community and Cultural Services Department and make recommendations to the City Manager and the City Council. Meeting begins at 6 p.m. in City Council Chambers of Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main St.

FRIDAY | JULY 19

FREE PRODUCE MARKET

Come pick up refreshing summer fruits and vegetables at Seeds of Hope Free Produce Market at Virginia Avenue Park, 2200 Virginia Ave., from 12 p.m. to 2 p.m. in the Patio Room. Supplies limited to the first 150 families. For questions, call 310-458-8688.

SNOOPY!!! THE MUSICAL

Organized by the Santa Monica College Theatre Arts Department, this musical based on the beloved Peanuts comic strip by Charles Schulz sparkles with wit and warmth as it depicts life as seen through the eyes of Schulz's unforgettable characters. The musical sequel to "You're A Good Man, Charlie Brown," "Snoopy!!!" has music by Larry Grossman and lyrics by Hal Hackady. Begins at 7:30 p.m. at the Theatre Arts Complex Main Stage. Tickets $18-25, to purchase visit: https://www.smc.edu/calendar/tickets.php.

GRILLED CHEESE & BEER NIGHT

Join Andrew's Cheese Shop, 728 Montana Ave., for a family-style dinner featuring a curated menu of decadent open face grilled cheese sandwiches expertly paired with artisanal beers from around the world. Includes a starter salad, four courses of grilled cheeses paired with four specialty beers, and a dessert course of an imperial stout float with french vanilla ice cream. Tickets $81.88, to purchase visit: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/july-19th-grilled-cheese-beer-night-tickets-934650012347.

SATURDAY | JULY 20

PICKLE ME SILLY

The Ishihara Park Learning Garden, 2909 Exposition Blvd., will be hosting a "Pickle Me Silly" event for kids, families and adults beginning at 9 a.m. There will be a variety of pickled and preserved foods on hand, including Kim Chi, Pickled Beet and Okra. Kids get first dibs on the limited supply Home Pickling Kits to take home and inspire yourself.

DOWNTOWN SANTA MONICA WALKING TOUR

Discover the architectural gems and rich history of Downtown Santa Monica, beginning at Hostelling International Santa Monica, 1436 2nd St., at 10 a.m. Visit a 12-story Art Deco office tower, the British pub where Jim Morrison played his first show, the city's best example of a Queen Anne Victorian home, a lavish hotel that housed a speakeasy during Prohibition and more. Tours are approximately 2 hours and cover 6 blocks. Reservations suggested. Open to all ages. Tickets $10. For more information, visit: https://smc.givecloud.co/dwt.

30TH ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION WITH THE REPTILE FAMILY

Celebrate the 30th anniversary of the Donald Bruce Kaufman Brentwood Branch Library with Living Treasures from Around the World from The Reptile Family. This educational, entertaining, fun, and safe hands-on program features live reptiles, amphibians, and arthropods. Kids and families will enjoy the chance to touch or hold the animals as the presenter talks about them. Donald Bruce Kaufman - Brentwood Branch Library, 11820 San Vicente Boulevard, Los Angeles. 10 a.m.

NOTABLE FICTION BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Join a community-led discussion of award-winning current and classic fiction, held via Zoom. Contact library@santamonica.gov for the link. July 20: A Long Petal of the Sea by Isabel Allende. 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

ADULT PAINTING CLASS

Space is limited so please RSVP to palsds@lapl.org or stop by the Reference Desk to reserve your place. Spend an afternoon learning how to paint with Martha Meade. We will be using acrylics on canvas to do some L.A. Dreaming and producing a masterpiece each of you can take home and hang on your wall. If you came to the last class, come again! The content is different. Martha is a Pacific Palisades-based painter who works primarily in oils on canvas. She is a long-time resident of Pacific Palisades and a member of the Pacific Palisades Art Association.Palisades Branch Library, 861 Alma Real Drive, Pacific Palisades. 2 p.m.

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either chocolate croissant pudding or gelato/sorbet.

Other American-style dishes can be found at Chelsea Restaurant Citrin, Fia Restaurant, Lunetta, The Misfit, The Penthouse at The Huntley and The Surfing Fox at The Pierside Hotel. Other home favorite options are Bludso's BBQ as well as Californian-inspired menus at FIG at Fairmont Miramar and Papille Gustative.

Santa Monica's dining scene wouldn't be complete without world cuisine, a particular highlight of Dine LA Restaurant Week for Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass.

"(If) you want to visit another country, figure out what restaurant you want to go to, and you can visit that country right here in Los Angeles," Bass said.

The most popular world cuisine in the city is Italian, with nine Italian restaurants participating, including Colapasta's lunch and dinner menus for $45 per person. The menus include a choice of three unique pastas, a Moringa Agnolotti with Fontina cheese and fresh truffle, a Colonne di Pompeii extra-long fusilli pasta or a classic beef ragu lasagna.

Italian menus can also be found at Il Forno, Local Kitchen & Wine Bar, North Italia, Osteria del Fornaio, Palma at Santa Monica Proper Hotel, Piccolo Ristorante, UOVO and Via Veneto. Italy isn't the only European food hotbed represented, as Massilia brings the taste of France with a menu featuring 8-hour Lamb Shank and Tagliatelle Aux Morilles with morel mushrooms and a cream sauce.

Asian-inspired cuisine is also a strong part of the Santa Monica scene, with spots like Chinois On Main delivering Chinese goods such as Jidori chicken breast and Maine Lobster Spring Rolls, alongside Gyu-Kaku Japanese BBQ and Kappo Miyabi serving Japanese dishes.

For a complete listing of Dine LA Restaurant Week menus and to book a spot for lunch or dinner, visit discoverlosangeles.com/dinela.

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RESTAURANT: Several Santa Monica restaurants, including the Misfit, are participating.

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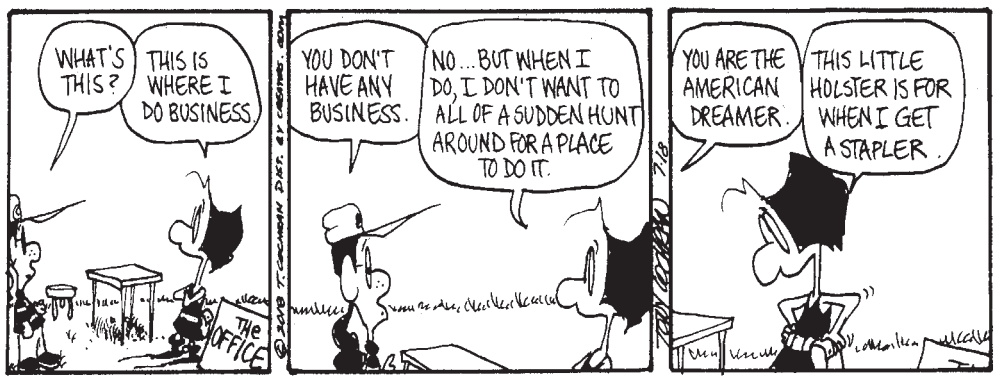
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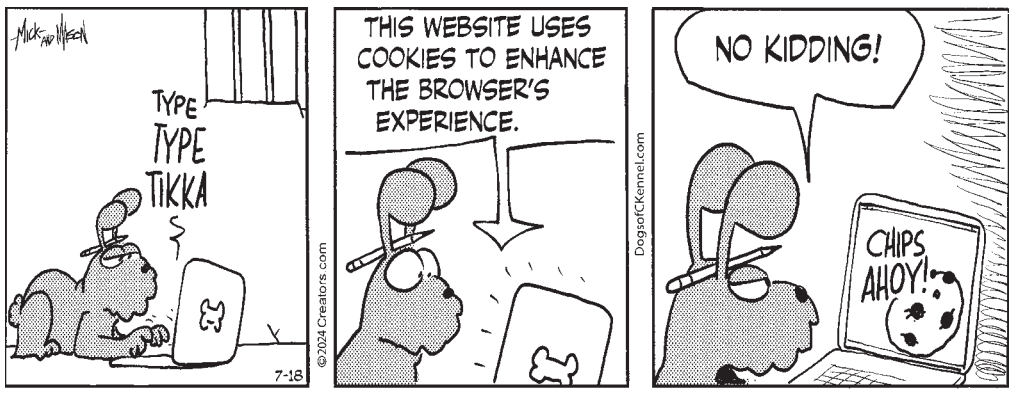
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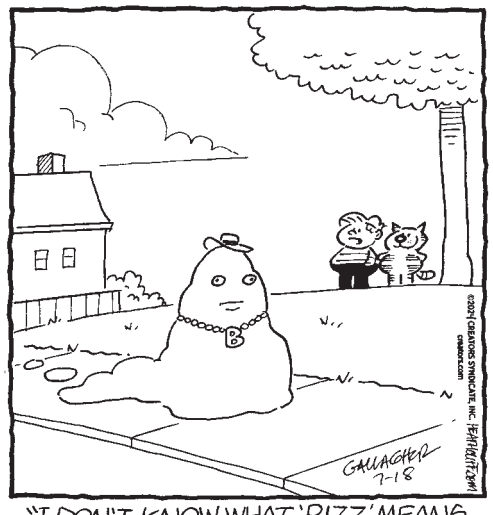
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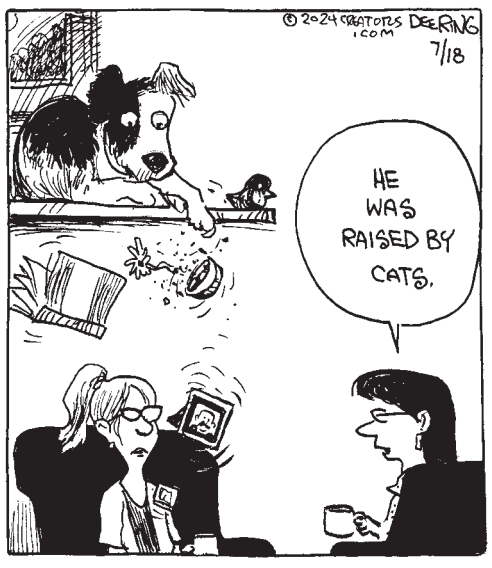
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"I DON'T KNOW WHAT 'RIZZ' MEANS, BUT THEY SAY HE'S GOT IT."

Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING



FIND THE WORDS

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 19 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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How do you spell that?

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It's a year of glowing relationships. You'll work on big projects, learn from new mentors and strategize wins for your family and teams. You're an asset to your community, which is fulfilling in itself, and it's also beautiful how you're recognized and awarded. More highlights: You'll contribute and accept big donations, completing circles of generosity. Scorpio and Pisces adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 2, 20, 44, 31 and 10.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You've given plenty thought to a situation, and now it's time for action. Finding the best entry point to the scene will give you an advantage going forward. Think about who could most use what you do.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You're managing a workload all by yourself. There was a time you wouldn't have been able to do a tenth of this. Remember it and give yourself credit for how far you've come. You are due for another growth spurt.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Quiet longings ride under the surface. You may ignore them for a while, but the volume is turning up in increments. It's a good time to have a you-to-you talk and find out just what you need.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're playing with the wide-focused lenses and pondering your place in the grander scheme. Your actions gain new meaning when you consider even the smallest one has the potential to ripple outward and impact others positively.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Narcissus contemplated his reflection and got stuck there. Whether we blame it on beauty, the mirror or human nature in general, the trap is avoidable if you keep moving, focus on what you're doing and don't worry about what you look like doing it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You're humble and kind — qualities that pair well with being annoyingly good at what you're doing. Those who might otherwise find your talent intimidating or threatening will be mollified by your warmth and gentleness.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Ask the jury — passing judgment can be a tedious process. Avoid it by staying focused on people you enjoy. "Morality is simply the attitude we adopt toward people we personally dislike." — Oscar Wilde

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Strange, but it's true — people can't always see their own wants and needs. That's why wanting well is an art. When you really want what you also really need, you're already halfway to success.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Sure, you'd love it if the day turned out to be an enchanting journey, but you'll also love it if the enchantment is contained in but one moment of stillness. In fact, the second way is more memorable and, in today's case, could have a profound impact.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The skills you do every day are so much a part of who you are that you don't even recognize them as anything special. But someone will point out to you that you have more skills than you think.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Susceptibility to influence is a theme of the day. You'll use it to the advantage of you and the whole world. You'll be considerate and mindful, interacting with grace, and it will catch on.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You'll weigh all of the options out of a sense of fairness to everyone, including you. Justice is only served by the choice that's unlikely to end up with you feeling you've somehow missed out.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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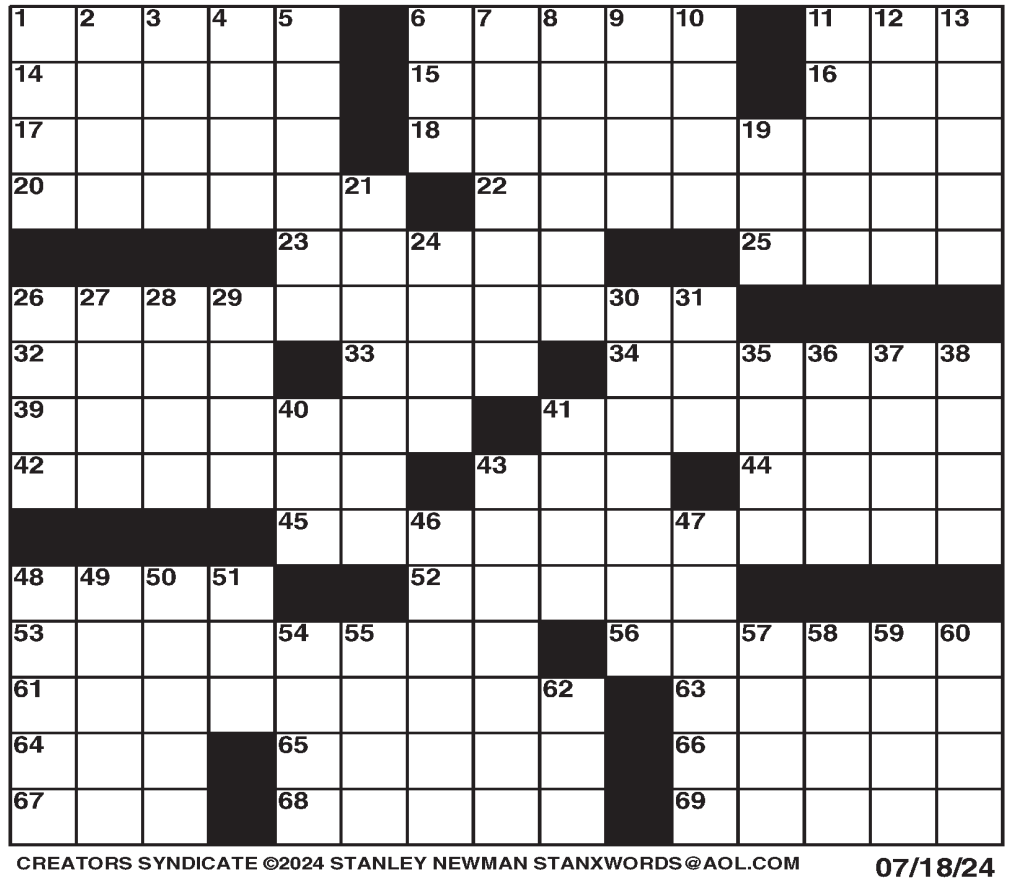
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1 Spurred (on)
6 Turkish cuisine entrée
11 Barnyard sound
14 Raucous brawl
15 Chilling
16 Abbr. on a potato sack
17 Collectively
18 Colorado summit
20 Africa-Asia separator
22 Precedent setter
23 Hiker's hangout
25 Swelter
26 Canoe for two
32 Same, in front
33 Dressing option
34 Well-established
39 Starts listening
41 Gibbon, for one
42 Parade day
43 "Green" refreshment
44 Brokerage co. offerings
45 Crunchy snack
48 Mythical vessel
52 Polished off
53 Fierce fighters
56 Lower the lumens
61 Sandwich spread
63 Bamboo lover
64 Jargon ender
65 Having reservations
66 Great distress
67 A's, in G major
68 With few words
69 State with the most counties

DOWN

1 Dubai dignitary
2 Inheritance factor
3 More than willing
4 Slender swimmers
5 Knock out
6 Seuss' *Hop on* __
7 Sign swiftly
8 Quite possible
9 Passes by a mile
10 Celebratory suffix
11 Barnyard sound
12 Belittle
13 Out of whack
19 HP products
21 Large wardrobe
24 Rather similar
26 Rodin's thinker
27 Blue hue
28 Cloister contingent
29 Fare schedule
30 Put on display
31 Flashy swimmer
35 Knock out
36 Figure skater Lipinski
37 Bibliography abbr.
38 Editor's station
40 Brief moment
41 Bold and sassy
43 Enticing promotions
46 Bit of calligraphy
47 Address harshly
48 Doubleday at Fort Sumter
49 One of the "green" Three R's
50 Turnstiles, e.g.
51 Shelley's sphere
54 Faction
55 To __ (just right)
57 Carry on
58 Fort with bullion bars
59 Ferber of fiction
60 Votes against
62 Pocketful of rhyme



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TOWN

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1 Mile Race/ Walk with the 5K starting at 8a.m. and the 1 mile at 9a.m. with the run starting and finishing at the Venice Beach Pier. There will also be a Beach Fitness Challenge & Expo. Saturday, July 20 https://www.laparksfoundation.org/laparks_events/venicebeachrun2024/

Inaugural 'Venice Soulstice' Celebrates Westside's Black Culture and Community: The event aims to celebrate Black expression through music, dance, art, food, and storytelling. Saturday, July 20, 12 - 7 p.m. @ the First Baptist Church of Venice—a cornerstone for the community of Oakwood, a historically Black and Brown neighborhood in the heart of Venice Beach. 686 Westminster Ave. https://www.venicesoulstice.com

Ten Women Gallery Celebrates 30 Years: "It is no easy feat for a small business to keep it's doors open. This year the women-owned gallery and co-op has accomplished an amazing milestone... thirty years on Main Street in Santa Monica." There will be free food, drinks, music and the opportunity to meet and mingle with your favorite artists. Saturday, July 20, 6:00 - 9:00p.m. @ 2719 Main St. https://www.tenwomengallery.com

The Artist Fair - An Outdoor Gallery Market in the Park: This space was created "so artists and people that are creating pieces by hand can have a safe space to sell more upscale items without the hassle of having cheap vintage, or cheaper items that dilute the aesthetics and vibe of the event. All vendors are either artists, painters, designers, metal workers doing jewelry, wood workers making amazing house pieces and other items but the important thing is that everything is handmade and sold by the artist itself. This event is for the community to come meet the artists and shop their creations." FREE Sunday, July 21, 10a.m. - 5p.m. near Tower 25 in Ocean Park (2410 Ocean Front Walk) https://www.instagram.com/theartistfair

Walk for Joy!: Event is sponsored by Alfalfa to raise money for Project Joy, which is "dedicated to inspiring joy through balance in our communities and environment." "We'll connect, we'll walk + we'll share a delicious meal" Tuesday, July 23, 5:30p.m. starting @ Alfalfa (2309 Main St.) https://lu.ma/rflz6ho0

WHAT TO EAT & DRINK?

Grilled Cheese & Beer Night @ Andrew's Cheese Shop: Expect a tangy, zippy starter salad, four courses of their famous grilled cheeses paired with four specialty beers, with an Imperial Stout Float with French Vanilla Ice cream for dessert. $75/person. Friday, July 19, 7:30p.m. @ 728 Montana Ave. https://www.eventbrite.com/e/july-19th-grilled-cheese-beer-night-tickets-934650012347

Pizza Girl's First Brick-and-Mortar Shop Opens Along Venice Beach: The viral, formerly mobile only, West L.A.-based pop-up brand, has opened its first-ever brick-and-mortar location within Venice's Hotel Erwin @ 1697 Pacific Ave., adjacent to the iconic "Venice" sign at Windward Circle. https://www.pizzagirl.com/pages/store-opening

Pasjoli on Main St. Included in the Infatuation's New "25 Best Restaurants" List: "Rather than offering a trendy take on an onion tart that no one asked for, the French cooking at Pasjoli is all about good old-fashioned animal fat and the technique required to back it up. In the $200 duck extravaganza for two, you'll eat every part of the bird—from the juices in a wine-cognac gravy to the crispy skin over a simple salad—and go home with duck-leg bread pudding leftovers for breakfast. Pasjoli is by no means reinventing the wheel, but the unforgettable food makes it an all-time great special occasion spot and wholly worth the bill." 2732 Main St. https://www.theinfatuation.com/los-angeles/guides/best-restaurants-los-angeles

Rori's Celebrates National Ice Cream Day: They are offering free toppings with any ice cream purchase, including their house-made sauces and fresh whipped cream. And they are offering a buy one pint of ice cream, get one free deal. Sunday, July 21 @ 910 Montana Ave. https://www.instagram.com/roriscreamery/

Further Afield: Pageant of the Masters: The annual Laguna Beach event runs now through August 30. This summer, the Pageant steps into the world of fashion with its newest production, "Á La Mode: The Art of Fashion." https://www.foapom.com/

LOOKING AHEAD: National Night Out (8/6), Montana Ave. Dog Daze (8/24), The Pier's Birthday Bash (9/6), Main St. Day of the Dog Festival (9/7)

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always exciting when the Ruskin Group mounts a new production, because their track record is so exceptional. Over 20 years they have built a reputation for attracting stellar talent in actors, directors, writers and musicians. More importantly, a reputation for presenting an evening of theatre that makes you think and moves you, sometimes profoundly. This one stars Rob Morrow and Marcia Cross, both with extensive credits and awards for stage, film and TV. Go soon, you may well want to return, and take friends. Fri, Sat 8p.m., Sun 2 p.m., Ruskin Group Theatre, SM Airport, $25-40.

Mozart Under the Stars, Zubin Mehta, LA Phil, Pinchas Zuckerman – OK, no Dude, this is his tango night, but a gorgeous evening at the Bowl with our old friend, the still amazing legendary conductor Zubin Mehta, an overture then the Violin Concerto No. 3 with the exquisite Zuckerman, and come back after intermission for The "Jupiter" Symphony (No. 41). We're not in Kansas, Toto. Tues 8 p.m., Hollywood Bowl, $17-186.

"ZOOT SUIT" (1981) 70mm – Most Angelenos don't know much about this cultural phenomenon beyond the dashing duds, but we should. Especially the 1943 Zoot Suit Riots. This quasi-musical may not be a documentary but it is a pretty entertaining way to catch up on local history. Wed 7:30 p.m., Aero Theatre, Santa Monica, $12-17.

ALL-BEETHOVEN, LA PHIL – Still no Dude, it's his pick up basketball night, but – we have Ludwig!! Lotsa Lydwig! An overture, a triple concerto, then back after intermission to take the Fifth. Turn off your TV, and elevate. Next Thurs 8 p.m., Hollywood Bowl, $15-186.

X – Who are the iconic LA rock bands? The Doors certainly, The Beach Boys. The Byrds. C,S,N&Y, GnR, RHCP,RATM. Black Flag, Metallica. Eagles? I would enthusiastically add Love to that list, but there is still one left out. A very important one. That perhaps encapsulates six decades of LA rock more than anyone, and is still going strong, still touring, still recording. Did you run down the alphabet trying to remember, then finally came to... X? Same four, since 1977. Billy Zoom plays from a stool now instead of legs splayed apart Chuck Berry-style, but he still rocks it as do all his bandmates. I've always said, before you die, you must hear X play before an LA crowd. This is your chance, in a great venue. Next Thurs, Fri, Regent Theater, LA, $72-154.

COMING ATTRACTIONS (also recommended): Wild Things Are Happening: The Art of Maurice Sendak," Skirball, 7/18-9/1; Theatricum Botanicum - "Tartuffe-Born Again" 7/20, 27 - "The Winter's Tale" 7/19, 28 - "Wendy's Peter Pan" 7/21, 2; Hot Club of Los Angeles, Cinema Bar, 7/22, 29; "The Substance of Fire," Ruskin Group Theatre, 7/19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28, 8/2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 16, 17, 18, 23, 24, 25, 30, 31, 9/1: Ziggy Marley, Bellwether, 7/20; Mozart Under the Stars, Zubin Mehta, Pinchas Zuckerman, Hollywood Bowl, 7/23; "Apocalypse Now" 70mm, Aero Theatre, 7/23; "Zoot Suit" 70mm, Aero Theatre, 7/24; All-Beethoven, LA Phil, 7/25; X, Regent Theater, 7/25, 26; Michael Franti & Spearhead, Greek, 7/26; Dwight Yoakam, Mavericks, Greek, 7/27; Lake Street Dive, Greek, 7/27; "Lawrence of Arabia," 70mm, Aero Theatre, 7/27, 28; Outlaw Fest: Willie, Bob, Mellancamp. Hollywood Bowl, 7/31; UB40, English Beat, Inner Circle, Greek, 7/31; Schumann & Bruch, LA Phil, Hollywood Bowl, 8/1; Theatricum Botanicum's Annual Gala, "Echoes In The Forest," 8/3; Mavis Staples, Norah Jones, Greek, 8/4; Reggae Night XXII: Damian and Stephen Marley, Hollywood Bowl, 8/4; Hives, Foo Fighters, BMO Stadium, 8/9; Jon Batiste, Greek, 8/10; Wailing Souls, Levitt Pavilion, 8/10; Alanis Morisette, Joan Jett & Blackhearts, Kia Forum, 8/10; Pretenders, Foo Fighters, BMO Stadium, 8/11; Herbie Hancock "Head Hunters" 50th, H0llywood Bowl, 8/14; 10CC, Theatre at Ace Hotel, 8/15; Lila Downs, Marina del Rey summer concert series, 8/17; All-Dvořák with Midori, LA Phil, Hollywood Bowl, 8/20; Gary Clark Jr., Hollywood Bowl, 8/21; Ghostland Observatory, Teragram Ballroom, 8/24; Ash Grove Alumni, McCabe's, 8/25; Dudamel & Yunchan Lim, Hollywood Bowl, 8/29.

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