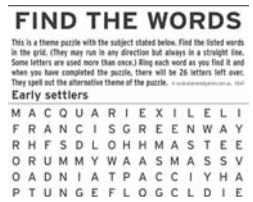


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Weekly Arrests.



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Council seeks to set 3% cap on annual rent adjustment for controlled units

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SMDP Staff Writer

Following a historically high annual rent adjustment of 6% for rent controlled units, city councilmembers have indicated a desire to cap all future increases at 3%.

This was proposed during a July 12 meeting when Santa Monica City Councilmembers tore apart a ballot measure proposed by the Rent Control Board and redrafted it from the dais.

The annual rent adjustment is calculated by a set formula in the Rent Control Charter, which Rent Control Commissioners are legally bound to approve. This formula is determined by the regional consumer price index and spat out an unusually high number this year due to spiraling rates of inflation.

Many rent controlled tenants, particularly those living on fixed incomes, are worried about how they will afford the 6% hike.

The Rent Control Board's initial ballot measure sought to give Rent Control Commissioners the ability to issue a freeze on rent increases for controlled units during declared public emergencies.

Councilmembers objected to this and other aspects of the ballot measure, subsequently directing staff to prepare two new ballot measures based on their suggestions.

According to the City Attorney's Office, one of these measures is the 3% cap on annual rent increases.

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The SAM Initiative continues its tradition of giving to local nonprofits



Courtesy photo

SAM: The group is a giving circle that uses its expertise and cash to support good causes.

CHANDLER BRAXTON
SMDP Intern

The SAM Initiative has recently completed its 2021-2022 annual giving cycle by donating a total of $350,000 in grants to seven local non-profit organizations.

The Initiative is a group of volunteers who use private philanthropy to fund a rotating group of organizations that support their three primary areas of focus for that year which include supporting work in educational equity, at-risk youth, and mental health, with an expanded focus on social enterprises for 2022.

The donations are given as part of an annual cycle developed by Mindy Freedman, a Los Angeles philanthropist and non-profit strategist who started SAM to drive social change within the community. The organization lives by Freedman's personal motto: "We can do far more together than we can alone."

"At a time when so many individuals feel powerless to make a difference, SAM unites us for a collective purpose: to impact the world together," said Jonathan Zeichner, founder of A Place Called Home.

Since 2014, SAM has donated over $2.5 million dollars to local

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$65,000 settlement in local tenant harassment case

MATTHEW HALL
SMDP Editor

A local landlord will pay the City of Santa Monica $65,000 to settle accusations of tenant harassment and illegal eviction in a rent-controlled apartment.

The Santa Monica City Attorney's Office Public Rights Division announced a stipulated judgment and injunction against defendants Ross Vaisburd, Empresa Real Alta California LLC, 848 18th Street LLC, Rolana Serebryanaya, and Rolana Serebryanaya's Trust requiring payment of $65,000 to the City for tenants' restitution and costs, two years of required property management training, reporting all evictions and lawsuits in Santa Monica to the City Attorney's office for the next year and providing City-approved disclosures meeting state law requirements to all tenants in Santa Monica properties.

The City filed a lawsuit against the defendants in April of last year alleging that the landlord used fraudulent and coercive tactics to attempt to force a family to leave their home after the tenants asked for repairs and maintenance work. According to a statement provided by the City, only after the tenants vacated did the landlord make the requested repairs and remodel the apartment, subsequently listing the unit for a much higher rent.

The lawsuit alleged that the landlord's misconduct included:

Using delay tactics in responding to tenants' repeated requests for repairs to address lack of hot water,

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Trump, Pence rivalry intensifies as they consider 2024 runs

JILL COLVIN
Associated Press

Former Vice President Mike Pence is becoming increasingly brazen in his willingness to counter former President Donald Trump.

The two will hold dueling events in Arizona on Friday as they stump for rival candidates who offer dramatically different visions of the Republican Party in a critical battleground state. Days later, they will once again cross paths as they deliver major speeches on the same day in Washington, D.C.

The encounters mark a more confrontational phase in the fraught relationship between the former running mates and once close confidantes who could soon find themselves competing against one another in the 2024 GOP presidential primary if they both ultimately choose to run.

"I think this is a continuation of the larger message that Pence is trying to embody here, which is the Republican Party should look to the future," said Scott Jennings, a longtime party strategist. "This is going to be the existential question for the Republican Party: Are we going to listen to a slightly different view than Donald Trump's? Right now, the standard-bearer for this is Mike Pence."

That description marks a striking turnaround for Pence, who spent his four years in the White House as Trump's most loyal defender. But Trump turned on his vice president when Pence refused to go along with his unconstitutional efforts to overturn the results of the 2020 election, putting Pence in the crosshairs of a violent mob on Jan. 6.

> "I think this is a continuation of the larger message that Pence is trying to embody here, which is the Republican Party should look to the future - Scott Jennings"

Now Pence, who has repeatedly defended his actions that day, is taking a more active effort to shape the future of the party. This week, Pence endorsed Karrin Taylor Robson in Arizona's Republican gubernatorial primary, pitting himself against Trump, who has endorsed Kari Lake, a former newscaster who has embraced Trump's election lies.

"As Arizona Democrats pursue the reckless Biden-Harris agenda, Karrin Taylor Robson is the only candidate for Governor that will keep Arizona's border secure and streets safe, empower parents and create great schools, and promote conservative values," Pence said in a statement announcing his decision.

Pence backed Georgia Gov. Brian Kemp, a top Trump target who easily defeated the former president's hand-picked challenger this spring. But Pence's Arizona move showed a willingness to weigh in on a closer and open race in alliance with the state's outgoing GOP governor, Doug Ducey, who also rebuffed Trump's efforts to overturn the election.

Pence is planning to campaign with Robson in Phoenix and southern Arizona Friday — the same day that Trump is set to headline a rally for Lake that was rescheduled after the death of his first wife, Ivana Trump. Matt Benson, a Robson's campaign spokesman, said Pence would be attending an event at a local employer and attend a briefing on border security while in the state.

A Trump spokesperson did not respond to requests for comment on the events.

Trump and Pence will again cross paths next week as the former president returns to the nation's capital for the first time since leaving the White House. Pence will address the conservative Heritage Foundation on Monday evening and will speak at the Young America's Foundation's annual National Conservative Student Conference on Tuesday morning. That afternoon, Trump will headline a two-day summit organized by the America First Policy Institute.

Pence will use his speech before the Heritage Foundation to highlight the policy agenda he released earlier and talk about the future of the party, according to aides. The remarks are expected to offer an implicit contrast with Trump, who has spent much of his energy since leaving office on relitigating the 2020 election.

Pence has urged Republicans to move on, even as he continues to tout the accomplishments of what he often describes as the Trump-Pence administration.

Meanwhile, Pence huddled privately Wednesday with the House's Republican Study Committee, the more traditionally conservative caucus he once led as a congressman, to discuss his "Freedom Agenda." RSC's current chairman Rep. Jim Banks, R-Ind., said ahead of the meeting the group was glad to be able to hear from the

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Loud Music 900Blk 7th St 1:17 a.m.
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Shots Fired 700Blk Grant St 2:31 a.m.
Prowler Just Left 600Blk Ocean Park Blvd 2:32 a.m.
Vehicle Burglar Alarm 1100Blk 6th St 5:19 a.m.
Encampment 3000Blk Ocean Front Walk 5:32 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 200Blk Wilshire Blvd 6:06 a.m.
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Audible Burglar Alarm 1300Blk Lincoln Blvd 6:09 a.m.
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Out Of Order Traffic Signals 11th St / Montana Ave 6:40 a.m.
Encampment Centinela Ave / Exposition Blvd 6:41 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 500Blk Colorado Ave 6:44 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 200Blk 17th St 7:02 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1100Blk 3rd St 7:02 a.m.
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Audible Burglar Alarm 800Blk Montana Ave 7:18 a.m.
Construction Noise Yale St / Santa Monica Blvd 7:19 a.m.
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Assault 2700Blk The Beach 9:20 a.m.
Fight 1400Blk Lincoln Blvd 9:37 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 500Blk Colorado Ave 9:41 a.m.
Lost Property 3rd Street Prom / Santa Monica Blvd 9:50 a.m.
Burglary 1300Blk Palisades Beach rd 9:55 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 300Blk Alta Ave 10:03 a.m.
General Parking Problem 900Blk 15th St 10:04 a.m.
Auto Burglary 1500Blk 6th St 10:06 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 2000Blk Ocean Park Blvd 10:17 a.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 14th St / Olympic Blvd 10:29 a.m.
Petty Theft 1600Blk 11th St 10:42 a.m.
Encampment 1100Blk The Beach 10:45 a.m.
Encampment 3400Blk Exposition Blvd 10:52 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto 1200Blk 14th St 11:02 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm Main St / Pacific St 11:06 a.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 14th St / Olympic Blvd 11:09 a.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 1100Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 11:14 a.m.
Stolen Vehicle Recovered 1300Blk 26th St 11:15 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 22nd St / Delaware Ave 11:22 a.m.
Petty Theft 2400Blk Main St 11:28 a.m.
Expired Registration 2800Blk 2nd St 11:30 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 1000Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 11:37 a.m.
Indecent Exposure 300Blk Olympic Dr 11:42 a.m.
Loitering 1000Blk 2nd St 11:47 a.m.
Lewd Activity 1000Blk 9th st 12:09 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 14th st / Michigan Ave 12:17 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 900Blk 16th st 12:17 p.m.
Encampment 800Blk Bay st 12:21 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries Cloverfield Blvd / Colorado Ave 12:24 p.m.
Encampment 2400Blk The Beach 12:35 p.m.
Grand Theft 500Blk 25th st 12:37 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1100Blk 12th st 12:46 p.m.
Indecent Exposure 1000Blk 9th st 12:55 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 300Blk Olympic Dr 1:30 p.m.
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Encampment 400Blk The Beach 2:14 p.m.
Grand Theft 1500Blk The Beach 2:23 p.m.
Encampment 600Blk The Beach 2:41 p.m.
Found Property 1400Blk Wilshire Blvd 2:51 p.m.
Encampment 900Blk The Beach 2:57 p.m.
Indecent Exposure 1600Blk Ocean Ave 3:02 p.m.
Petty Theft 1300Blk Wilshire Blvd 3:10 p.m.
Vehicle Parked On Sidewalk 1300Blk 14th st 3:18 p.m.
Vehicle With Excessive Parking Violations 1300Blk 15th st 3:45 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation Lincoln Blvd / Colorado Ave 3:49 p.m.
Death Investigation 800Blk 22nd st 3:51 p.m.
Fire Request Police 800Blk 22nd st 3:55 p.m.
Encampment 3100Blk Donald Douglas Loop N 3:58 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 1700Blk 14th st 4:08 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed PCH/Temescal Canyon 4:15 p.m.
Vehicle With Excessive Parking Violations 1300Blk Chelsea Ave 4:16 p.m.
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Lost Property Ocean Ave / Santa Monica Blvd 4:20 p.m.
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Burglary 1500Blk 6th st 4:27 p.m.
Burglary 1500Blk 6th st 4:44 p.m.
Bike Theft 400Blk Broadway 4:47 p.m.
Vehicle Parked On Sidewalk 1000Blk 24th st 4:49 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 800Blk 7th st 4:53 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1500Blk 12th st 5:15 p.m.
Vehicle With Excessive Parking Violations 400Blk Idaho Ave 5:15 p.m.
Petty Theft 500Blk Santa Monica Blvd 5:19 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries Pacific Coast Hwy / California Incline 5:21 p.m.
Battery 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 5:23 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 300Blk Olympic Dr 5:46 p.m.
Bike Theft 2200Blk Colorado Ave 5:58 p.m.
Burglary 2000Blk Broadway 6:20 p.m.
Loud Music 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 6:28 p.m.
Construction Noise 800Blk 20th st 6:29 p.m.
Construction Noise 1800Blk 20th st 6:35 p.m.
Auto Burglary 1400Blk 4th st 6:50 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2000Blk Santa Monica Blvd 6:55 p.m.
Shots Fired 1700Blk Ocean Front Walk 6:58 p.m.
Fraud 800Blk Lincoln Blvd 7:00 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1100Blk Georgina Ave 7:22 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1500Blk 12th st 7:26 p.m.
Petty Theft 500Blk Hill st 7:38 p.m.
Strongarm Robbery 2nd st / Colorado Ave 7:46 p.m.
Drunk Driving Investigation Barnard Way / Ocean Park Blvd 8:05 p.m.
Encampment 1800Blk The Beach 8:09 p.m.
Battery 1200Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 8:35 p.m.
Loud Music 2700Blk Barnard Way 8:41 p.m.
Auto Burglary 1000Blk 2nd st 9:27 p.m.
Battery Princeton st / Wilshire Blvd 9:30 p.m.
Loitering 1200Blk Washington Ave 9:53 p.m.
Loud Music 1400Blk Ocean Ave 10:08 p.m.
Person With A Gun 1800Blk Main st 11:09 p.m.
Party Complaint 1500Blk 12th st 11:10 p.m.
Petty Theft 300Blk Pico Blvd 11:52 p.m.
Assault 1300Blk 14th st 11:54 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOGS

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 60 CALLS ON JULY 19

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EMS 2400Blk 22nd st 6:08 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 1600Blk Montana Ave 6:04 a.m.
EMS 6th St / Santa Monica Blvd 12:48 a.m.
EMS 1700Blk Pico Blvd 12:52 a.m.
EMS 100Blk Ocean Park Blvd 3:34 a.m.
EMS 800Blk 4th St 5:21 a.m.
Carbon Monoxide Alarm 1000Blk 6th St 6:05 a.m.
Elevator Rescue 900Blk Euclid St 6:14 a.m.
Carbon Monoxide Alarm 900Blk 3rd St 6:17 a.m.
Smoke Investigation 1000Blk 2nd St 6:18 a.m.
Carbon Monoxide Alarm 900Blk 14th St 6:26 a.m.
Carbon Monoxide Alarm 900Blk 5th St 6:35 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1400Blk 5th St 6:43 a.m.
Carbon Monoxide Alarm 1200Blk Euclid St 6:44 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1400Blk Georgina Ave 6:49 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 200Blk 17th St 6:54 a.m.
Elevator Rescue 900Blk Wilshire Blvd 7:03 a.m.
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Public Assist 900Blk 4th St 8:28 a.m.
Public Assist 1000Blk 6th St 8:43 a.m.
EMS 1100Blk 7th St 8:45 a.m.
EMS 4th St / Bay St 8:57 a.m.
EMS 1500Blk 7th St 8:59 a.m.
EMS 1300Blk 17th St 9:05 a.m.
Public Assist 900Blk 4th St 10:00 a.m.
EMS 1300Blk 20th St 10:13 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1400Blk Ocean Ave 10:23 a.m.
EMS 1400Blk 7th St 10:41 a.m.
EMS 1000Blk 3rd St 11:36 a.m.
EMS 1200Blk 16th St 11:48 a.m.
Structure Fire 700Blk Hill st 12:20 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 2100Blk Colorado Ave 12:23 p.m.
EMS 1700Blk Cloverfield Blvd 12:50 p.m.
EMS 800Blk 2nd st 1:34 p.m.
EMS 800Blk 2nd st 2:22 p.m.
EMS 2400Blk Wilshire Blvd 2:39 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 3000Blk Main st 2:56 p.m.
EMS 3100Blk Pearl st 2:59 p.m.
EMS 900Blk Montana Ave 3:30 p.m.
EMS 800Blk 22nd st 3:47 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 400Blk Broadway 4:11 p.m.
EMS 1400Blk 7th st 4:24 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 400Blk Broadway 4:25 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 700Blk Idaho Ave 5:12 p.m.
Wires Down 900Blk 10th st 5:14 p.m.
EMS 1300Blk 15th st 6:12 p.m.
EMS 600Blk Pacific st 6:24 p.m.
EMS 1500Blk 5th st 7:25 p.m.
EMS 1900Blk Lincoln Blvd 7:27 p.m.
EMS 500Blk 9th st 9:01 p.m.
EMS 1400Blk Centinela Ave 10:19 p.m.
EMS 200Blk Broadway 11:13 p.m.
Odor Of Natural Gas 300Blk California Ave 11:18 p.m.

TENANT

FROM PAGE 1

black wastewater in the bathroom, broken outside lighting, and a fly infestation.

When tenants sought to correct a rent payment issue, the property manager told them to wait to pay and refused to answer questions about how to pay. The landlord then brought an eviction lawsuit without providing the legally required eviction notice.

Refusing to provide their contact information, as required by law, so the tenants could not reach them when the property manager told them to wait to pay their rent and did not answer their questions about how and whom to pay.

In agreeing to the stipulated judgment, the defendants did not admit to any wrongdoing.

"Protecting tenants' rights is a fundamental part of what we do," said City Attorney Douglas Sloan. "We expect both landlords and tenants to play by the rules, and when landlords abuse their position, the City's Tenant Harassment Ordinance ensures accountability."

The City's Tenant Harassment Ordinance prohibits a landlord from trying to influence tenants to vacate through fraud, intimidation, or coercion, and from attempting evictions that are untenable under the law and facts of the case. Any questions or complaints should be directed to the Public Rights Division at (310) 458-8336.

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WEEKLY ARRESTS

SMPD MADE 40 ARRESTS FROM JULY 3 TO JULY 9

Date	Sex	Age	Primary Charge
Sun, Jul 3	M	61	Smoking in Specific Location
Sun, Jul 3	F	24	Shoplifting
Sun, Jul 3	M	34	Grand Theft
Mon, Jul 4	M	41	Corporal Injury To Spouse
Mon, Jul 4	M	25	Burglary
Mon, Jul 4	M	62	Robbery
Mon, Jul 4	M	28	Drunk in Public
Mon, Jul 4	M	25	Criminal Threat
Mon, Jul 4	M	41	Drunk in Public
Tue, Jul 5	M	18	Drunk in Public
Tue, Jul 5	M	24	Warrant
Tue, Jul 5	M	56	Assault
Tue, Jul 5	M	58	Driving Under the Influence of Alcohol
Tue, Jul 5	M	26	Drunk in Public
Tue, Jul 5	M	46	Assault
Wed, Jul 6	M	27	Corporal Injury To Spouse
Wed, Jul 6	M	30	Possession of Methamphetamines
Wed, Jul 6	M	30	Burglary
Wed, Jul 6	F	38	Burglary
Wed, Jul 6	F	25	Assault & Battery
Wed, Jul 6	M	39	Burglary
Thu, Jul 7	F	32	Vandalism
Thu, Jul 7	M	41	Vandalism
Thu, Jul 7	M	42	Assault with a Deadly Weapon
Fri, Jul 8	M	51	Drunk in Public
Fri, Jul 8	M	33	Loitering in Parking Structure
Fri, Jul 8	M	29	Drunk in Public
Fri, Jul 8	F	18	Shoplifting
Fri, Jul 8	M	25	Drunk in Public
Fri, Jul 8	M	29	Resisting an Executive Officer
Fri, Jul 8	M	24	Resisting Arrest
Fri, Jul 8	M	53	Attempted Murder
Fri, Jul 8	F	24	Corporal Injury To Spouse
Fri, Jul 8	M	51	Drunk in Public
Fri, Jul 8	M	21	Vandalism
Sat, Jul 9	M	30	Contempt of Court
Sat, Jul 9	M	32	Domestic Battery
Sat, Jul 9	M	38	Assault & Battery
Sat, Jul 9	M	31	Resisting Arrest
Sat, Jul 9	M	36	Burglary



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$5K reward for suspect in shooting of Lady Gaga's dog walker

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Associated Press

Federal authorities are offering a $5,000 reward for information about the man who allegedly shot Lady Gaga's dog walker last year in Hollywood and stole two of the pop star's French bulldogs. He was mistakenly released from custody in April and remains missing.

James Howard Jackson, 19, was one of five people arrested in connection the violent robbery in February 2021. He was facing an attempted murder charge when he was released from Los Angeles County's jail "due to a clerical error."

Detectives do not believe that the thieves initially knew the dogs belonged to the pop star, who was in Rome filming a movie at the time. The motive was supposedly the value of the French bulldogs — which can run into the thousands of dollars. The dogs were later returned by a woman who claimed she'd found them; she was later arrested and found to be in a relationship with another suspect's father.

U.S. Marshals, in a statement Monday, said Jackson should be considered armed and dangerous. The reward is for information that leads to his arrest. Authorities previously said Jackson is a documented gang member but have not provided additional information.

Representatives for Lady Gaga did not immediately return a request for comment Wednesday.

The dog walker, Ryan Fischer, was with Lady Gaga's three dogs — named Asia, Koji and Gustav — in Hollywood just off the famed Sunset Boulevard when he was attacked.

Video from the doorbell camera of a nearby home shows a white sedan pulling up and two men jumping out. They struggled with Fischer and one pulled a gun and fired a single shot before fleeing with two of the dogs, Koji and Gustav. The video captured Fischer screaming, "Oh, my God! I've been shot!" and "Help me!" and "I'm bleeding out from my chest!"

Fischer — who was shot once in the chest with a bullet from a .40-caliber handgun — previously called the violence "a very close call with death" in social media posts.

Lady Gaga offered a $500,000 reward — "no questions asked" — to be reunited with the dogs at the time. It was not immediately clear whether the singer will also contribute toward a reward for Jackson's arrest.

In April, prosecutors filed a superseding indictment charging Jackson — who was already in custody — with attempted murder, conspiracy to commit a robbery and assault with a semiautomatic firearm.

The move was done "to speed up the legal process" and Jackson was arraigned under a new case number, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office said in a statement at the time.

"Mr. Jackson was subsequently released from custody by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department. We are unsure as to why they did so," the statement said.

Representatives from the sheriff's department and the Marshals did not immediately return requests for additional information on Wednesday.

PENCE

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former vice president.

Pence's efforts come as Trump is preparing to launch a third campaign for the White House as soon as this summer while he faces a flurry of investigations into his efforts to cling to power. That includes the House Jan. 6 committee, which on Thursday will hold another prime-time hearing, this time spotlighting Trump's refusal to call off the angry mob that stormed the Capitol and sent Pence and other lawmakers into hiding.

While polls show Trump remains the overwhelming favorite in a hypothetical GOP primary, Marc Short, Pence's former chief of staff and a top adviser, argued that even if Trump does announce a run, that doesn't necessarily mean he'll be on the ballot two years from now.

"As the committee winds down, I'm sure he's looking for a reset that brings attention back on him. And an announcement does not necessarily mean a commitment at the end of that process to continue forward," said Short. "I don't think there's any doubt that the president enjoys being the center of attention. And the announcement puts even additional media focus on him."

Trump, meanwhile, has continued to slam Pence for refusing to go along with his scheme to remain in power. At a gathering of Evangelical Christians in Nashville, Tennessee, last month, Trump again said Pence "did not have the courage to act," drawing applause.

When it comes to a potential race, Trump does not see Pence as a threat, according to allies, who are much more consumed with Ron DeSantis. The Florida governor is increasingly seen by conservatives as a natural and younger successor to Trump's MAGA movement who can channel the same anger, but with less baggage.

Senate Minority Leader Mitch McConnell on Tuesday predicted Trump will face competition in 2024 if he enters the race.

"I think we're going to have a crowded field for president," he told reporters.

Asked if Pence should run, Sen. Mitt Romney, R-Utah, a frequent Trump critic, said it's up to Pence, who has said he'll make a decision after the midterms. "The more the merrier," Romney said.

Jennings, meanwhile, praised Pence for being willing to stand up to Trump when so many others in the party still refuse to cross him.

"What Mike Pence is doing is extremely valuable. And whether he is a viable candidate for president. I don't know. But he's certainly earned the right to make the case for a post-Trump future," said Jennings.

"He may end up being John the Baptist to someone else," he added. "Headless but remembered well."

Associated Press writer Lisa Mascaro and Alan Fram in Washington and Jonathan J. Cooper in Phoenix contributed to this report from Washington.

COMMUNITY NEWS

MANHATTAN BEACH

California beachfront taken from Black couple given to heirs

Los Angeles County officials on Wednesday presented the deed to prime California oceanfront property the heirs of a Black couple who built a beach resort for African Americans but were harassed and finally stripped of the land nearly a century ago.

The event marked the final step in a complex effort to address the long-ago wrong suffered by Charles and Willa Bruce, entrepreneurs whose resort on the shore of the now-upscale city of Manhattan Beach was known as Bruce's Beach.

Against the backdrop of waves washing onto the sunny Manhattan Beach shoreline, county Registrar-Recorder Dean Logan handed a certified copy of the land transfer to Anthony Bruce, a great-great-grandson of the Bruces.

State Sen. Steven Bradford, who authored a state bill that was necessary to enable the county to transfer the land to the heirs, said it will not reverse the injustice.

"But it represents a bold step in the right direction," he said. "It represents a template for other states to follow."

The land was purchased by the Bruces in 1912. They suffered racist harassment from white neighbors, and in the 1920s, the Manhattan Beach City Council condemned the property and took the land through eminent domain. The city, however, did nothing with the property, and it was transferred to the state of California in 1948.

In 1995, the state transferred it to Los Angeles County, with restrictions against further transfers. The county built its lifeguard training headquarters on the property, which also includes a small parking lot.

Janice Hahn, a member of the county Board of Supervisors, learned about the property's history and launched the complex process of returning the property to the heirs of the Bruces after consulting county attorneys.

"They told me nothing like this had ever been done before," she told the gathering, adding that such a move is now no longer unprecedented.

In addition to the state legislation, the transfer required votes by the board as well as a process of identifying who should get the land.

The county ultimately determined that Marcus and Derrick Bruce, the great-grandsons of Charles and Willa Bruce, are their legal heirs.

The great-grandsons formed a company to hold the property, and LA County announced an agreement for the property to be leased back to the county for 24 months, with an annual rent of $413,000 plus all operation and maintenance costs, and the county's right to purchase the land for up to $20 million.

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LOS ANGELES

FBI adds California slaying suspect to Top 10 fugitive list

An alleged gang member accused of killing a man in a Los Angeles barbershop in 2019 has been added to the FBI's "Ten Most Wanted Fugitives" list, authorities said Wednesday.

The FBI is offering a $100,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of Omar Alexander Cardenas. He is considered armed and extremely dangerous, the FBI said in a statement.

Authorities believe Cardenas fled the Los Angeles area, possibly to Mexico, to avoid prosecution. He may be employed as a construction worker and there are state and federal warrants out for his arrest, the statement said.

Cardenas, whose nickname is "Dollar," is the 528th addition to the FBI's list of notorious fugitives that dates back to 1950.

Cardenas allegedly fatally shot Jabali Dumas with a semi-automatic handgun on August 15, 2019, in a strip mall barbershop in the Sylmar neighborhood of Los Angeles. Detectives do not know if the men knew each other.

Cardenas, 27, is allegedly a member of the "Pierce Street" gang, the FBI said. The statement said he may also associate with a street gang known as "Pacoima Van Nuys Boys - Anybody Killas."

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LOS ANGELES

2 rescued after water main break floods Hollywood street

Two motorists had to be rescued from a swamped car when a water main break flooded a Hollywood street early Wednesday.

Los Angeles firefighters extended a ladder out to two women who had climbed onto the top of a swamped car.

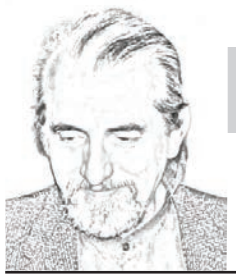
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DJANGO! DJIMI! PEGGY! ESPERANZA!

JIMI

You've probably noticed that Putin pawn WNBA star Brittney Griner has worn a JIMI HENDRIX t-shirt to one of her Russian court appearances. Pretty bold, to display your admiration of a creative genius who was also known to be a drug user, and died from it. I think she knows exactly what she's doing, and I say that shirt should be a Get Out of Jail card. And go into some Hall of Fame after her hopefully imminent release. C'mon Putin, pick on someone your own size.

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED:

"GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER" – This superb production, beset by natural disasters like COVID and a death in the family, was due to close last weekend but has now been extended into August. Sadly, it is every bit as relevant now than when the Tracy-Hepburn classic film was released in 1967. So... run, don't walk, don't miss it. We never know what will happen tomorrow. There are nine actors involved, whereas most theater companies are going with two or three, during COVID. That's a lot of chances of a star player being felled. It also drives expenses through the roof: recent CA law AB5, intended to protect independent contractors, devastated certain sets of workers: Ruskin Producing Artistic Director Mike Myers told the audience their costs are up 1,700% over pre-AB5. Then there is other stuff: two days before a recent performance the actor who plays the father character (Spencer Tracy in the movie) lost his mother and had to immediately get on a plane. Veteran Paul Linke stepped in and performed brilliantly, even while holding his script the entire time. Amazing. Fri, Sat 8 p.m., Sun 2 p.m., Ruskin Group Theatre, SM Airport, $20-35.

THE HOT CLUB OF LOS ANGELES – One of LA's music treasures, holding forth with their breakneck Django-style swing music in the cozy Culver City dive, on Sepulveda just over the line from Santa Monica, that is also a treasure. I will mention every so often that Santa Monica's Harvelle's dates from 1931, but the Cinema Bar is almost 75. That's a long time to build up a following, character, reputation and a vibe, and both venues have it. But the music is the thing, right? You could go from Harvelle's on Sunday night (see below) to The Hot Club Monday then back to Harvelle's Tuesday (see below). Three very different shows, rare or unique, and all top caliber. You would spend a total of $22 for cover charges. I tell you, it's gigs like this that make putting up with Santa Monica worth it. Every Mon 9 p.m., Cinema Bar, Culver City, no cover.

EM – She's back! And she's still amazing. But nothing good lasts forever, you know. Don't push your luck. So why not go this Tuesday night? Betcha, you'll thank me. Every Tues 9:30 p.m., Harvelle's, Santa Monica, $10.

LA PHIL, DUDAMEL, BEETHOVEN'S FIFTHS – Meaning, we get both the final magnificent piano concerto of the Master, "The Emperor," then the familiar, powerful "5th Symphony," Seong-Jin Cho, piano. Tues (invitational rehearsal, 9:30 a.m.) 8 p.m., Hollywood Bowl, $18-92.

LA PHIL, DUDAMEL, LA MASTER CHORALE - CARMINA BURANA – Many years ago an astute friend handed me a recorded version of this choral classic and said, it's like opera, but it isn't. "I don't really like opera," I protested (that's how long ago it was). You'll like this, she promised, and she was right. The text is a collection of cantatas from the 11th - 12th centuries, bawdy, irreverent, "profane," satirical. Unless you're fluent in medieval Latin, High Middle German and Old French, that won't make any difference. German composer Carl Orff wrote the music for a collection of 24 poems in 1936 and it is brilliant, powerful, moving, and sounds like heavenly, liturgical music. This will be an experience you don't want to miss. Hollywood Bowl, Next Thurs,

RECOMMENDED:

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"TROUBLE THE WATER" – is the riveting, barely believable true story of Robert Smalls' escape from slavery, in a most creative and bold way. Making real the notion that slavery is so abhorrent that one will do anything, anything, to end it. TB is so good at these kinds of topical plays that leave you with a lot to think about. Sat 7:30 p.m. ("pay what you will" performance)

"MERRY WIVES" is transported to small town America, 1950s, with music to match the rollicking fun. Wait until you see Falstaff ride in on a big Harley. But it's not all hilarity – there is an undercurrent of the blossoming women's rights movement.



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BRITTNEY GRINER: Get her out.

Sun 3:30 p.m.

"WESTSIDE WALTZ" – TB artistic director Ellen Geer (daughter of legendary TB founder actor-activist Will Geer), her half-sister Melora Marshall and daughter Willow Geer, take on the roles of an aging concert pianist, her violinist spinster neighbor, and a would-be actress on New York's Upper West Side in the tumultuous '80s. What a rare and remarkable acting lineage on display in this play, penned by Oscar-winner Ernest Thompson ("On Golden Pond"). Sun 7:30 p.m.

All shows Theatricum Botanicum, Topanga Canyon, $10-60 (discounts for seniors, students, teachers, veterans, AEA, ages 5-15).

BURNING SPEAR – Books have been written about Winston Rodney and her influence on reggae, so you'll just have to go read one. He's 77 but looks 100 years older. A real, live legend. Sun 8 p.m., Youtube Theater, $23-89.

TOLEDO DIAMOND — The true hipster (when that sobriquet meant something way cool), choreographer to the stars, smoky Svengali, showman supreme. Toledo and his unquestionably unique show always pleases, if you are ready for the very different. Every Sun 9:30 p.m., Harvelle's, Santa Monica, $12.

Tribute to PEGGY and FRANK with BILLIE EILISH, DEBBY HARRY, SETH MCFARLANE, DIANNE REEVES, BETTYE LAVETTE - Peggy Lee would have been 100, the Bowl is 100, perfect. This sounds like so much fun. One of those once-in-a-lifetime shows., Wed 8 p.m., Hollywood Bowl, $47-112.

COMING ATTRACTIONS: "THE WESTSIDE WALTZ," 7/29, 8/6, 12, 21, 27; "THE MERRY WIVES OF WINDSOR," 7/30, 8/7, 13, 19, 28; "TROUBLE THE WATER," 7/31, 8/5, 14, 20, 26; ; "A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM," 7/31, Theatricum Botanicum; DANCE DTLA, Argentine Tango 7/29, The Music Center; "GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER," Ruskin Group Theatre, 7/30, 31, 8/19, 20, 21; THE IMPERIAL CROWNS,

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Secret memo links citizenship question to apportionment

MIKE SCHNEIDER
Associated Press

Trump officials tried to add a citizenship question to the 2020 census in a move experts said would benefit Republicans despite initial doubts among some in the administration that it was legal, according to an investigative report released Wednesday by a congressional oversight committee.

The report offers a smoking gun of sorts — a secret memo the committee obtained after a two-year legal battle — showing that a top Trump appointee in the Commerce Department explored apportionment as a reason to include the question.

"The Committee's investigation has exposed how a group of political appointees sought to use the census to advance an ideological agenda and potentially exclude non-citizens from the apportionment count," the report released by the House Committee on Oversight and Reform said.

It has long been speculated that the Trump administration wanted the citizenship question in order to exclude people in the country illegally from apportionment numbers.

The report includes several drafts showing how the memo evolved from recognizing that doing so would likely be unconstitutional to coming up with other justifications for adding the citizenship question.

The apportionment process uses state population counts gathered during the once-a-decade census to divide up the number of congressional seats each state gets.

Experts feared a citizenship question would scare off Hispanics and immigrants from participating in the 2020 census, whether they were in the country legally or not. The citizenship question was blocked by the Supreme Court in 2019. In the high court's decision, Chief Justice John Roberts said the reason the Commerce Department had given for the citizenship question — it was needed for the Justice Department's enforcement of the Voting Rights Act — appeared to be contrived.

The Commerce Department oversees the Census Bureau, which conducts the count used to determine political power and the distribution of $1.5 trillion in federal funding each year. Then-Commerce Secretary Wilbur Ross testified before the oversight committee that apportionment wasn't the reason for the citizenship question, even though the Commerce Department memo suggests otherwise, the House report said.

"I have never intentionally misled Congress or intentionally said anything incorrect under oath," Ross said during a 2019 hearing before the oversight committee.

According to the House committee report, during planning for the citizenship question, an adviser to the Commerce Department reached out to a Republican redistricting expert who had written that using citizen voting-age population instead of the total population for the purpose of redrawing of congressional and legislative districts could be advantageous to Republicans and non-Hispanic whites.

The August 2017 memo prepared by senior political appointee James Uthmeier went to the heart of interactions by the Commerce and Justice departments to come up with a contrived reason for the citizenship question, the House report said.

An initial draft of the memo raised doubts that a citizenship question would be legal since it can only be added to the once-a-decade census if the Commerce Secretary concludes that gathering that information in survey sampling is not feasible. But a later draft removed that concern and added that the Commerce Secretary had the discretion to add a citizenship question for reasons other than apportionment.

An even later draft removed apportionment as an exception to the Commerce Secretary's discretion and added "there is nothing illegal or unconstitutional about adding a citizenship question."

An early draft of the memo also noted that using a citizenship data for apportionment was likely unconstitutional and went against 200 years of precedent, but that language also was removed in later drafts.

The Founding Fathers' "conscious choice" not to exclude people in the U.S. illegally from the count "suggests the Founders did not intend to distinguish between citizens and non-citizens" for apportionment," Uthmeier wrote in the early draft.

The House report says Uthmeier researched using Voting Rights Act enforcement as a reason for the citizenship question three months before the Justice Department requested it, and hand-delivered his memo with that suggestion to the Justice Department in order to avoid a digital fingerprint.

Uthmeier, who now is chief of staff to Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis, didn't immediately respond to an email inquiry Wednesday.

In an effort to prevent future attempts at politicizing the census, members of the oversight committee on Wednesday debated a bill introduced by U.S. Rep. Carolyn Maloney, D-N.Y., that would require new questions for the head count to be vetted by Congress, prohibit a Census Bureau director from being fired without cause and limit the number of political appointees at the Census Bureau to three.

Even though many of the Trump administration's political efforts ultimately failed, some advocates believe they did have an impact, resulting in significantly larger undercounts of most racial and ethnic minorities in the 2020 census compared to the 2010 census.

Republican lawmakers said the bill would make the Census Bureau director unaccountable and limit the ability to add important questions to the census form. They offered an amendment that would add a citizenship question to the next census and exclude people in the U.S. illegally from the apportionment count, claiming their inclusion dilutes the political power of citizens. The Fourteenth Amendment requires that all people in each U.S. state be counted for apportionment.

Committee members recessed Wednesday morning before voting on the bill and amendment.

"What this bill does, it more completely delegates Census Bureau activity to the bureaucracy," said U.S. Rep. Andy Biggs, R-Ariz. "When you delegate to the bureaucracy, you are taking away the power of the American people."





RENT

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The other is a measure to authorize the City Council to impose additional rent limitations during a declared emergency.

During a subsequent Rent Control Board meeting held on July 14, board members spoke strongly in support of the 3% cap and asked their staff to prepare a presentation in time for the next City Council meeting on July 26, when council members will have the opportunity to review the two ballot measures Council asked staff to draw up.

"The city attorney's office is going to prepare the staff report but we will work with them," General Counsel Alison Regan said during the July 14 Rent Control Board meeting. "I think, certainly, we can include aspects of the annual report and make sure the facts are available to them and include that in our presentation. We're somewhat limited in that we're obviously not a part of their deliberations. So if the City Council chooses to ignore what we have presented to them in order to emphasize whatever stories they want to tell, whether based in reality or not, there's not much we can do about that."

If these measures are approved by Council, they will be placed on the Nov. 8 ballot. If they are subsequently approved by voters, they will go into effect on Jan. 1, 2023.

Regardless of what happens with the ballot measure, this year's 6% adjustment will go into effect on September 1 as Council does not have the legal authority to overturn it. However, the City is researching relief strategies for rent burdened tenants.

"City staff are developing legal and policy options at Council direction to provide relief for those subject to the 6% rent increase, including potential emergency deferral or eviction moratorium measures and direction of funds to provide relief for those most impacted by the increase," a City spokesperson said.

Councilmembers axed or altered other aspects of the Rent Control Board's original ballot measure. They removed a section extending term limits to three terms and a section asking the City to prepare an annual registry of non-controlled units.

The Rent Control Board was also seeking to require that an owner intend to occupy a unit for at least three years instead of one year before evicting a tenant. Council changed this to two years.

"I think we need to simplify and not make it too complicated and just focus on what's most important here, which is supporting our renters and, hopefully, also supporting the small mom and pop housing providers who we want to keep in business in Santa Monica," Councilmember Oscar de la Torre said on the subject of the additional revisions.

In a conversation with the Daily Press, Rent Control Board Commissioner Caroline Torosis said she was frustrated by the number of revisions given to the original measure and the tight timeline City staff now has to research and prepare the new measure language.

"This all has to be worked out between now and two weeks from now, which I think is a very aggressive order," Torosis said. "Instead of taking a body of elected experts and staff of hired experts on rent stabilization and landlord tenant law and renter protection [and] taking the recommendations of the Board … they want to go back and do some sort of other analysis."

Torosis was also perturbed by what she felt was a lack of urgency on behalf of Council to provide immediate relief and certainty to renters.

"To me, the most important takeaway from the meeting was that we declined to take swift action to protect our renters from skyrocketing inflation," said Torosis.

De la Torre took umbrage with the criticism Council has been receiving for their response to this year's adjustment.

"We got to stop all that BS people are putting out there saying that the City Council is not that interested or not showing urgency to support people, residents, who are struggling," said de la Torre. "We have done a whole lot and we will continue to do more to support those renters."

Speaking during the July 14 Rent Control Board meeting, Chair Steve Duron said it was "tragic" to see a missed opportunity to grant relief to renters, but it was best for the Board to look toward the future.

"We can't undo what was done, but what we can do, going forward, is see what we can do about changing that cap to 3% so that it can help people who need it," Duron said.

City Council will take up the issue during the upcoming meeting on Tuesday, July 26. The meeting can be viewed at www.youtube.com/user/Citytv16santamonica and the staff report, when it is prepared, will be posted to www.smgov.net/departments/clerk/agendas.aspx.

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DONATION

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nonprofits with the goal of finding and helping smaller organizations that are working to fix the community but do not have the funds. The support from SAM's early investment helps smaller organizations grow and as SAM members get involved with these other non-profits they often lend expertise in addition to cash.

"They don't have the time or energy or resources to get the sort of next-level funding from a larger organization or a foundation. They're just not there yet. And they don't have the resources. So we kind of go in on the idea and find organizations doing the work and really fixing problems that have solutions to issues, and going in and funding them and taking a chance on them," said SAM member Marcie Goldstein. "We're sort of writing the grant proposals for them. We're helping them put together the information that we need."

The SAM Initiative hopes to spread the word about their organization to bring in donations from members of the community. SAM also hopes to bring in new members and build new connections with the non-profits in the community. The more members in SAM, the more new or smaller nonprofits are able to get recognized and get SAM can get involved with their organizations as well.

"It's also the other ideas and connections that people have, that they bring to the table. It's those ripples, the ripple effect, I can't just come and write a check. But the idea is you come, you write a check and you also are maybe involved in another organization as a board member that's small that we should know about? Or you heard about something, or you have a kid that works in some amazing organization we should know about, or you have connections through your church or your synagogue or whatever it may be. That you could sort of turn us on to other organizations that should be on our radar and aren't on our radar," said Goldstein.

For the third consecutive year, SAM engaged students from Wildwood Schools' Wildwood Institute for Social Leadership (WISL). WISL consults with local nonprofits and organizations in order to define and address social issues. WISL members conduct community and field research, resulting in both deep understanding and concrete plans to create positive change. Sixteen students actively participated in SAM's entire due-diligence process for this past cycle. The collaboration with WISL emphasized SAM's commitment to the community by including local youth perspectives as they work to improve the lives of women, children, and families in Los Angeles through engaged philanthropy.

"It's been another powerful year for SAM, especially coming out of the throes of the pandemic. Our members continue to be generous with their time, their commitment and resources," says Founder and President Mindy Freedman.

For more information, visit www.saminitiative.org.

THE ANNUAL GIVING CYCLE DONOR RECIPIENTS:

- A Place Called Home was granted $80,000 for education, wellness, and arts programs for 700 underserved youth in South Central LA, helping to bridge the technological gap exacerbated by the pandemic.
- Bridge Builders LA was granted $75,000 to empower young men of color through their elementary to high school mentorship program, teaching values and strategies to thrive in our community.
- Piece by Piece was granted $65,000 to support residents of South Los Angeles and Skid Row who have experienced homelessness by providing free mosaic art workshops as a path to earned income.
- EmpowHer Institute was granted $55,000 to empower marginalized girls and young women through mentoring, training, and education.
- Mychal's Learning Place was granted $35,000 to provide job training and employment opportunities to young adults with developmental disabilities.
- MADE by Downtown Women's Center was granted $20,000 to support women experiencing homelessness by providing them with training and employment opportunities through their three businesses: gift shop, resale boutique, and cafe.
- NeuroTalent Works was granted $20,000 to support individuals on the autism spectrum so they can find gainful employment based on their skills and interests.

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Charles Andrews has listened to a lot of music of all kinds, including more than 3,000 live shows. He has lived in Santa Monica for 36 years and wouldn't live anywhere else in the world. Really. Send love and/or rebuke to him at therealmrmusic@gmail.com

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HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You were eager for good to triumph over evil. Now you realize it's not so much about good and evil as it is about power and how a game is played. Rules will be broken by all sides.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Only untrustworthy people constantly talk about how good they are. Actions speak even when the actor is unaware of what they are saying. Those busy doing what's right might have little time left for hype.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). A case of arrested development will be featured, with people trapped at a point of growth they do not know how to move beyond. The stunted are likely oblivious to their own behavior. Compassion is called for.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll take on tasks you are not yet equipped to handle, nor do you fully understand what they will entail. You'll start without guidance but keep seeking help and along the way you'll pick up the mentor you need.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You've experienced the quick brilliance of sheer inspiration, but the muses are fickle. More typically, what brings about your best is a bit of outside pressure. It's on today!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your self-doubts are normal but unhelpful, so you may as well stop. Your wishes are not unreasonable fantasies. If you don't feel your hopes are within your grasp, you haven't surrounded yourself with the right people.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). While it's wonderful to get what you want, it does come with a downside. Suddenly, you are responsible for protecting and maintaining the gift, as well as being grateful for it and using it accordingly. Wish carefully.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll be mightily productive working with those whose gifts are complementary to yours but not identical. They share your values, not your strengths. You'll accomplish together what you couldn't do alone.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Sometimes relationships require work, but you shouldn't have to work at them all the time. Putting too much emphasis on serving the needs of others will only make them spoiled and you resentful... not great for anyone!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The ego has a necessary role in your psyche, trying to mediate between all the parts of you. Don't condemn your ego, but don't cater too closely to it either, or believe it as the absolute truth.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). A great well of self-discipline can be accessed. It won't last all day, so use it while you have it. You will expertly manage your emotions, curb your cravings and shine in the social arena.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). "The eye can't see its own lashes" says the proverb, though things change with lash extensions. You'll notice something about yourself. To you it's subtle, but not to them. It's an advantage to see from different perspectives.

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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Newsday Crossword

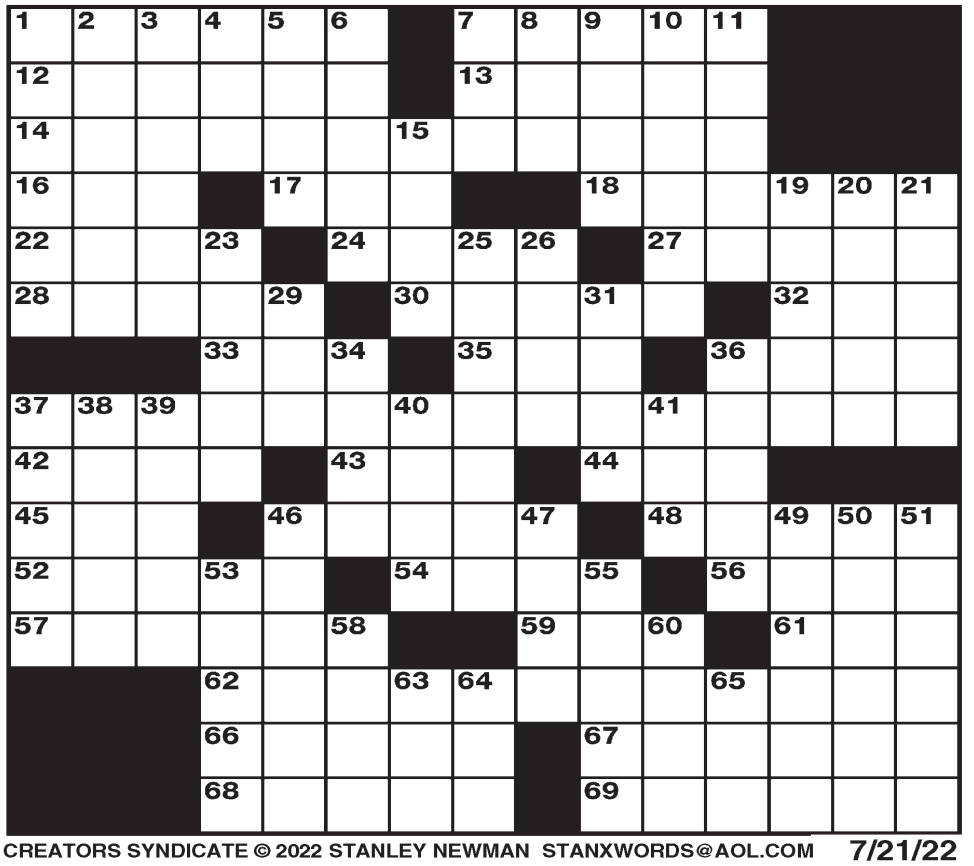
LONG LUNCH by S.N.
Edited by Stanley Newman
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ACROSS

1 How to enter this answer
7 Formal accords
12 Without delay
13 Word on mazes
14 . . . in New Orleans, in a sandwich chain
16 Well-worn pencil
17 Some ballot marks
18 "Just the same . . ."
22 Working busily
24 Tattered attire
27 Yale of Yale
28 Looks closely
30 Verb on all quarters
32 Bed on wheels
33 Sound of inspiration
35 Guest house
36 Singing star since the '60s
37 . . . in Pennsylvania, most anywhere, in New York City
42 Rotational line
43 Paired with
44 Cote complaint
45 Party supply
46 Spy's acquisition
48 Coffee flavor
52 Summing-up
54 At first, in the OED
56 Carbonized dust
57 TV news hour
59 *Les* __
61 "I don't wanna"
62 . . . in Maine, in suburban New York City
66 Pry bar
67 Focus (on)
68 Sports venue
69 Two-medium, as some rescues

DOWN

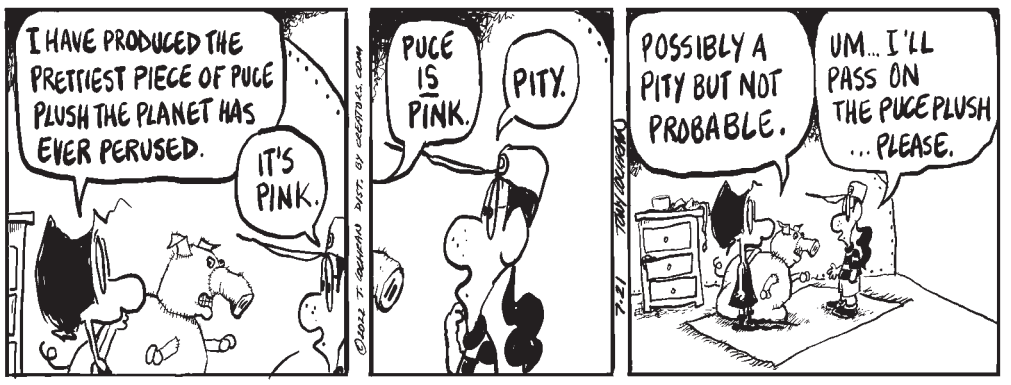
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2 Crust, in French cuisine
3 Actress Margot
4 John __ Lennon
5 River of myth
6 Clear-thinking
7 Pressure meas.
8 Source of PIN money
9 Part of a Dracula costume
10 Stand for hot food
11 Mill product
15 Early step toward a JD degree
19 Specialty market
20 Blacksmith, often
21 Closing bit of music
23 Leaves no escape for
25 . . . in New England
26 Arizona hoopsters
29 That aircraft carrier
31 Social slight
34 Moonwalker Shepard
36 Mass disorder
37 Former name of a Tanzanian neighbor
38 Do very well
39 Pianist's selection
40 A big fan of
41 Explosive sound
46 Epistle after James
47 Bean in some stews
49 Many big-city apartments
50 . . . in Philadelphia
51 Minerva alias
53 Walled city of Spain
55 Tokyo district
58 Cathedral space
60 Teutonic two
63 Quarterback great Dawson
64 What many a senior draws from
65 Lose one's way



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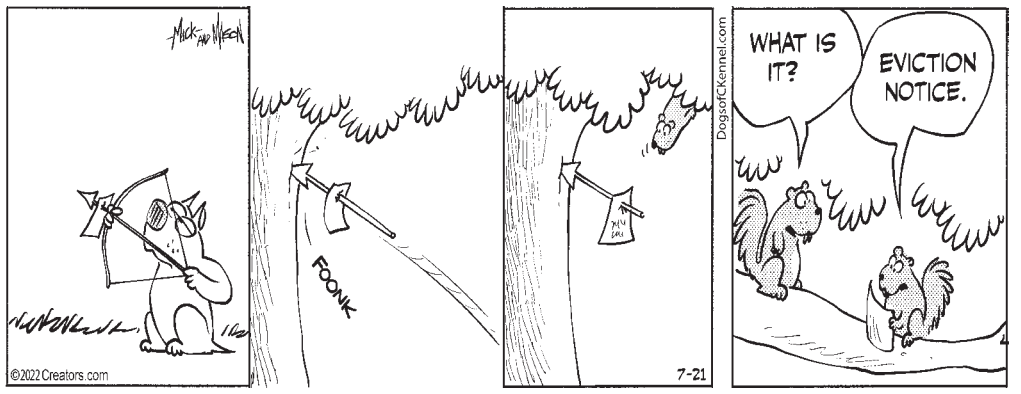
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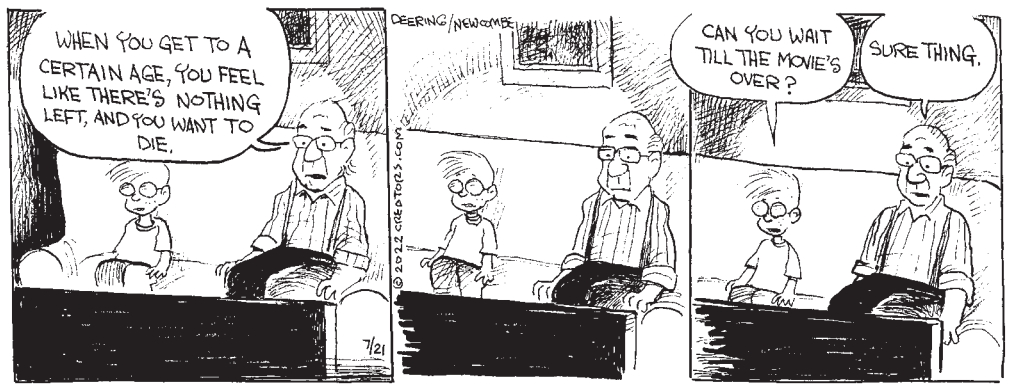
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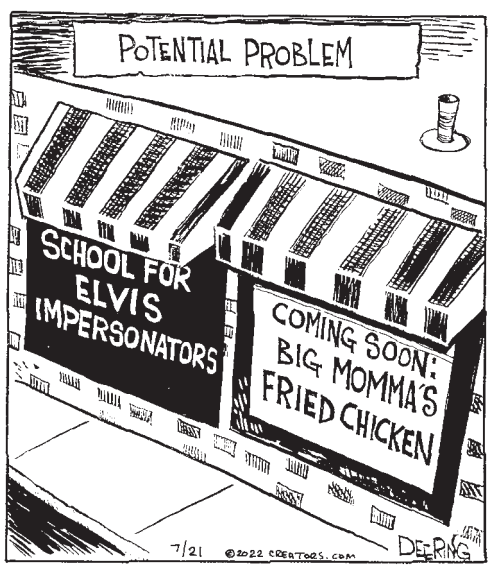
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"I'VE GOT A PROBLEM WITH FRUIT FLIES."

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 26 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle. © australianwordgames.com.au 5547

Early settlers

M A C Q U A R I E X I L E L I
F R A N C I S G R E E N W A Y
R H F S D L O H H M A S T E E
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H E N S S E T T L E M E N T T

Bay	Francis Greenway	Merino
Captain	Hate	Muster
Cat	Heat	Mutiny
Cells	Holds	Navy
Convoy	Hulk	Poor
Cove	Hungry	Ration
England	Indigenous	Rummy
Exile	King	Sails
Fear	Leg irons	Settlement
Fishburn	Lone	Shipwreck
Flog	Macquarie	Sydney Town
Forger	Mast	Ticket of leave

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What's Up Westside

out and about in Santa Monica

THURSDAY JULY 21

MONTANA AVENUE BRANCH BOOK GROUP
The July 21 meeting will be held in person on the Montana Branch Patio. This month's discussion is on the Santa Monica Reads selection: Joan Didion's blend of California, family, and personal history "Where I Was From." Begins at 6 and ends at 7 p.m. 1704 Montana Ave.

SANTA MONICA READS BOOK DISCUSSION: WHERE I WAS FROM
Join organizers for the 20th anniversary of Santa Monica Reads! This year they turn to Joan Didion's "Where I Was From." In the 2003 book, the great California writer explores the state's romances with land and water, its unacknowledged debts to railroads, aerospace, and big government, the disjunction between its code of individualism and its fetish for prisons. Begins at 6 and ends at 7 p.m. The meeting will be held in-person on Montana Branch Patio. 1704 Montana Ave.

AIR PLAY BY ACROBUFFOS
Umbrellas fly, fabrics soar over the audience, balloons swallow people, and snow swirls, filling the stage. A visual poem, using no words, brings to life the very air we breathe. With stunning images and gales of laughter, Air Play bounces on the edge of definition: part comedy, part sculpture, part circus, part theatre, all while transforming ordinary objects into uncommon beauty. Great for all ages! Begins at 7:30 and ends at 8:30 p.m. Located at the Broad Stage. 1310 11th St.

FRIDAY JULY 22

COURTYARD AND SPLASH PAD
The Annenberg Community Beach House gated area, including the courtyard and splash pad, are open to the public daily. Begins at 9 a.m. and ends at 7 p.m.

SATURDAY JULY 23

FLOATING FITNESS WORKOUT
Floating Fitness Workouts with BOGAFiT builds strength, deepens flexibility, and improves balance and coordination. Wear a bathing suit or workout clothes. Be ready to get wet — you may fall into the pool. Located at the Annenberg Community Beach House from 8:30 to 9:30am. $20/class, pre-register online through Reserve Santa Monica.

DOWNTOWN SANTA MONICA WALKING TOUR
Discover downtown Santa Monica's architecture, history and culture with one of our highly engaging docents. See where Jim Morrison played his first show and visit the lavish Art Deco hotel that housed a speakeasy during Prohibition. The walking tour covers about 6 blocks in 2 hours and begins at the city's first landmark, the 1875 Rapp Saloon. Begins at 10 a.m. and ends at 12 p.m. Hostelling International Santa Monica 1436 2nd St. $10.

LIVE COMEDY AT HI SANTA MONICA
Join Comedians from The Tonight Show, Conan, Comedy Central, and more as they perform comedy in English to a group of foreign tourists every Sat. and Tues. at 8:30 p.m. at HI - Los Angeles Santa Monica Hostel, with an after Party "Hang" at The Craftsman (2nd & Broadway). Check out the Show 5EveryDay.com named one of the Top 5 Events in LA, and the LA Weekly is raving about. You never know what to expect! Begins at 8:30 and ends at 10 p.m.

ART EXHIBITIONS: ROBERT GINDER AND KENT TWITCHELL
Join the gallery for the opening reception of Robert Ginder's, "Not Knowing" & Kent Twitchell's, "Studies for Mural Projects" and view their respective galleries till September. Don't miss out seeing this amazing talent! 5 - 7 p.m.

SUNDAY JULY 24

SANTA MONICA AIRPORT ANTIQUE MARKET
Noted as One of the Top Ten "Flea Markets' in America, visit the Santa Monica Airport Antique Market, a fun outdoor (and dog-friendly!) market full of many great dealers with furniture, antiques, collectibles, art, vintage clothes, jewelry, rugs and much more. Begins at 7 a.m. and ends at 3 p.m. 2800-3200 Airport Ave.

MALIBU LAGOON MONTHLY FIELD TRIP
Registration required, max. 30 people. No drop-ins, please. All Field Trips are designed to maximize your safety, while also enjoying birds. CDC Guidelines are followed. Participants are encouraged to observe safe distancing, and face coverings are required for those who are not fully vaccinated (2 shots + booster) for Covid-19 (proof of vaccine required). Adult walk. 8:30 a.m. Register to Chuck: misclists@verizon.net

MONDAY JULY 25

GALLERY OPEN
Open daily on a walk-up basis, no reservations or admission fee required. Schedule subject to change with short notice, check calendar or call (310) 458-4904 to confirm. 9 a.m. - 7 p.m. Annenberg Community Beach House.

TUESDAY JULY 26

CHAD SMITH ART EXHIBIT
Red Hot Chili Peppers drummer Chad Smith. Road Show Company, in collaboration with SceneFour, presents The Art of Chad Smith, a limited-engagement presentation at the Road Show Company gallery at 395 Santa Monica Place.

For help submitting an event, contact us at
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SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **67.1**

THURSDAY *FAIR TO GOOD*	**SURF:** 4-5ft Chest to head	SSW swell fades further but still offers some playful waves. Modest to fun SSE/S tropical swell. Eddy wind likely for the morning but could be light.
FRIDAY *FAIR*	**SURF:** 3-4ft+ Waist to shoulder	SSW swell continues to trend down. Potential SSE/S tropical swell easing. Eddy wind likely for the morning but could remain light.

WEATHER

Thursday: Cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 76.
Thursday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, increasing clouds, with a low around 64.
Friday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, partly sunny, with a high near 72.
Friday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 63.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2022/07/21	Thu	05:09 AM	3.15	H
2022/07/21	Thu	10:14 AM	2.04	L
2022/07/21	Thu	5:10 PM	5.19	H
2022/07/22	Fri	12:45 AM	1.04	L
2022/07/22	Fri	07:01 AM	3.11	H
2022/07/22	Fri	11:13 AM	2.46	L
2022/07/22	Fri	5:59 PM	5.35	H
2022/07/23	Sat	01:41 AM	0.55	L
2022/07/23	Sat	08:22 AM	3.31	H
2022/07/23	Sat	12:11 PM	2.72	L
2022/07/23	Sat	6:44 PM	5.51	H
2022/07/24	Sun	02:24 AM	0.17	L
2022/07/24	Sun	09:09 AM	3.51	H
2022/07/24	Sun	1:02 PM	2.81	L
2022/07/24	Sun	7:25 PM	5.68	H
2022/07/25	Mon	02:59 AM	-0.10	L
2022/07/25	Mon	09:42 AM	3.65	H
2022/07/25	Mon	1:46 PM	2.79	L

DAILY LOTTERY

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POWERBALL
Draw Date: 7/18
14 34 36 50 58
Power#: 5
Jackpot: 101 M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 7/19
2 31 32 37 70
Mega#: 25
Jackpot: 630 M

SuperLotto PLUS
Draw Date: 7/16
2 14 26 35 43
Mega#: 27
Jackpot: 8 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 7/19
1 2 12 23 35

Daily 3
Draw Date: 7/19
EVENING: 9 4 8
Draw Date: 7/19
MIDDAY: 4 2 8

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 7/19
1st: 09 - Winning Spirit
2nd: 07 - Eureka
3rd: 06 - Whirl Win
Race Time: 1:41.22

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