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Councilwoman Kristin McCowan will not seek reelection

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Councilwoman Kristin McCowan will not run for reelection this year creating a second seat without an incumbent on the November ballot.

McCowan had initially said she wanted to run this year but changed her mind in recent weeks after realizing the toll the position was taking on her family.

"Few decisions in my life have been this hard. But when my young children came to me over the Fourth of July holiday weekend and said they 'need their mommy,' I realized

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Got an eviction notice? This California website will help you file a response

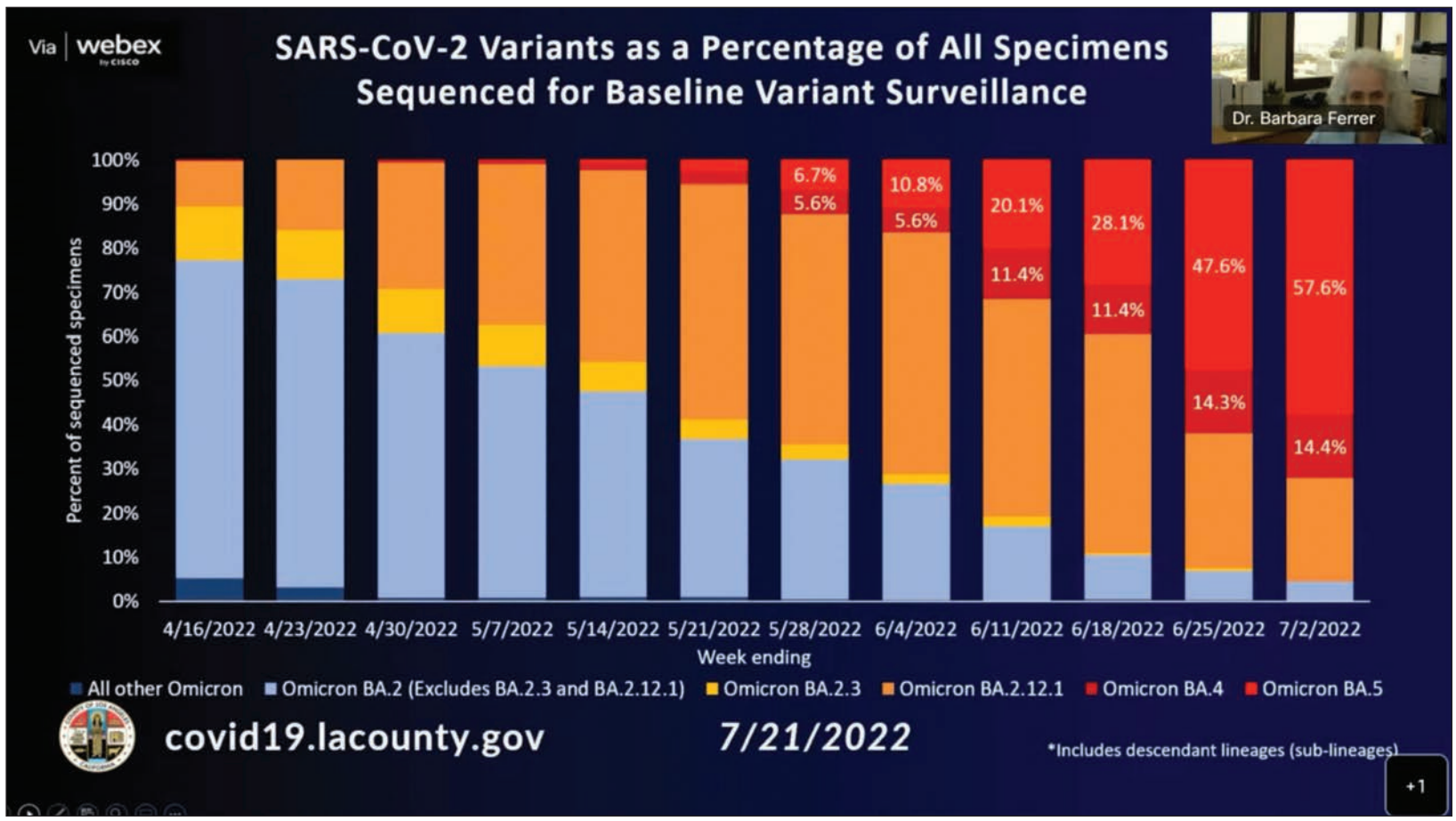
MANUELA TOBIAS
Special to the Daily Press

In April, Juan Carlos Cruz Mora received an eviction notice from his landlord that alleged he caused property damage and dirty, unsafe living conditions in the Sacramento suburb duplex he had called home for the last 10 years. He had only five days to file a response in court.

Mora, who blamed his landlord for those issues, tried to file an

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One week to go before potential mask mandate



Courtesy image

VARIANTS: As the disease has evolved, different variants have emerged in the local mix. A single case of a more worrying variant that is capable of significant reinfections has been found in Los Angeles but officials are not listing it as a concern right now.

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Los Angeles County remains on track for a mask mandate by the end of July but there's a glimmer of hope with some previously worrisome numbers flattening out.

The County passed into the CDC's "high" transmission category last week due to the number of individuals hospitalized with COVID-19 and if the area remains in that bracket through July 28, a new indoor mask mandate would take effect on July 29.

"We have tried to ask people to make their own decisions about masking and go ahead and mask so that we could slow down transmission and it hasn't been very successful," said Public Health Director Dr. Barbara Ferrer about the need for mask rules.

She said Los Angeles County would implement the mandate per CDC guidelines to protect vulnerable residents including those in nursing homes, homeless shelters or essential workers who face more danger than the general population but there's a slim chance the County could avoid mandatory masking if case metrics dramatically declined in the very short term. Overall case counts have started to plateau and if that trend turned into a decline, it might give officials pause.

"If we start seeing a steep decline in our numbers next week, because we know that hospitalizations are this lagging indicator, we aren't likely to be moving too quickly on universal indoor masking because if our cases really start a steep decline, it's likely that a couple of weeks from now our hospitalizations will also decline and you all are looking at the same data. You could see we're on the cusp between medium and high. It isn't gonna take much to move us back into that medium community level if we can get our case numbers to go lower."

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House OKs bill to protect contraception from Supreme Court

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Associated Press

The right to use contraceptives would be enshrined in law under a measure that Democrats pushed through the House on Thursday, their latest campaign-season response to concerns a conservative Supreme Court that already erased federal abortion rights could go further.

The House's 228-195 roll call was largely along party lines and sent the measure to the Senate, where it seemed doomed. The bill is the latest example of Democrats latching onto their own version of culture war battles to appeal to female, progressive and minority voters by casting the court and Republicans as extremists intent on obliterating rights taken for granted for years.

Democrats said that with the high court recently overturning the landmark Roe v. Wade decision from 1973, the justices and GOP lawmakers are on track to go even further than banning abortions.

"This extremism is about one thing: control of women. We will not let this happen," said Rep. Kathy Manning, D-N.C., who sponsored the legislation. All of the bill's nearly 150 co-sponsors are Democrats. Addressing fellow lawmakers, she added, "Women and girls across this country are watching you, and they want to know: Are you willing to stand up for them?"

In his opinion overturning Roe last month, Justice Clarence Thomas wrote that the court should now review other precedents. He mentioned rulings that affirmed the rights of same-sex marriage in 2015, same-sex intimate relationships in 2003 and married couples' use of contraceptives in 1965.

> "Women deserve the truth, not more fear and misinformation that forces an extreme agenda on the American people - Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers, R-Wash

Thomas did not specify a 1972 decision that legalized the use of contraceptives by unmarried people as well, but Democrats say they consider that at risk as well.

Republicans said the bill went too far. They said it would lead to more abortions, which supporters deny, allow the use of drugs not yet fully approved by the Food and Drug Administration and force health care providers to offer contraceptives, even if that contradicted their religious beliefs.

"Women deserve the truth, not more fear and misinformation that forces an extreme agenda on the American people," said Rep. Cathy McMorris Rodgers, R-Wash.

Every Democrat supported the legislation, while Republicans overwhelmingly opposed it by 195-8. The House Democrats' campaign committee quickly jumped on that disparity, with spokesperson Helen Kalla saying her party will "fight to protect women's freedoms from the GOP's sinister agenda."

The measure seemed destined to become a campaign issue and not law. Minutes after House passage, Republicans blocked quick Senate approval of a similar bill. Support by at least 10 GOP senators would be needed to reach 60 votes, the threshold required for most legislation to pass in that chamber, which is divided 50-50.

The contraception bill explicitly allows the use of contraceptives and gives the medical community the right to provide them, covering "any device or medication used to prevent pregnancy." Listed examples include oral contraceptives, injections, implants like intrauterine devices and emergency contraceptives, which prevent pregnancy several days after unprotected sex.

The bill lets the federal and state government, patients and health care providers bring civil suits against states or state officials that violate its provisions.

House Democrats have begun forcing votes on several issues related to privacy rights, hoping for long-shot victories or to at least energize sympathetic voters and donors and force Republicans from competitive districts into difficult spots.

The House voted last week to revive a nationwide right to abortion, with every Republican voting no, and voted largely along party lines to bar prosecuting women traveling to states where abortion remains legal. Neither is expected to survive in the Senate.

Yet the House voted Tuesday to keep same-sex marriage legal, with 47 Republicans joining all Democrats in backing the measure. Though 157 Republicans voted no, that tally raised expectations that the bill could win enough support for GOP senators to pass, sending it to President Joe Biden for his signature.

Nearly all adults, 92%, called birth control "morally acceptable" in a Gallup poll in May. A PRRI poll in June showed about 8 in 10 said they opposed laws that restrict what types of birth control can be used to prevent pregnancy.

Even so, anti-abortion groups and Republican leaders oppose the contraception legislation, and there was no immediate sign

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DAILY POLICE LOGS

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 322 CALLS ON JULY 20

Vandalism 900Blk Montana Ave 12:33 a.m.
Assault W/Deadly Weapon 500Blk Colorado Ave 12:54 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1400Blk 2nd St 12:59 a.m.
Loud Music 2900Blk Kansas Ave 2:59 a.m.
Identity Theft 900Blk 4th St 3:09 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 100Blk Broadway 4:04 a.m.
Fire Request Police 2300Blk 4th St 4:32 a.m.
Hit And Run Felony Investigation 1400Blk Marine St 4:38 a.m.
Traffic Hazard Main St / Olympic Dr 4:51 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 11th St / Colorado Ave 5:41 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 400Blk San Vicente Blvd 6:10 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1100Blk 4th St 6:19 a.m.
Encampment 800Blk Pico Blvd 6:25 a.m.
Traffic Control Request - Level 1 200Blk Arizona Ave 6:38 a.m.
Auto Burglary 1000Blk 1st Ct 8:08 a.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 1000Blk Wilshire Blvd 8:16 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 400Blk Washington Ave 8:17 a.m.
Indecent Exposure 600Blk Broadway 8:17 a.m.
Burglary 800Blk 6th St 8:27 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto 1200Blk 15th St 8:35 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 200Blk Idaho Ave 8:36 a.m.
Vandalism 4th St / Broadway 8:39 a.m.
Encampment 5th St / Arizona Ave 8:53 a.m.
Prowler 1100Blk 15th St 9:12 a.m.
Attempt Auto Theft 2400Blk 3rd St 9:30 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1500Blk Michigan Ave 9:39 a.m.
Grand Theft 1900Blk Ocean Way 9:45 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 800Blk 17th St 9:48 a.m.
Encampment 1600Blk The Beach 9:59 a.m.
Assault 700Blk Broadway 10:01 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 400Blk Lincoln Blvd 10:16 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1300Blk 17th St 10:16 a.m.
Encampment 2800Blk The Beach 10:29 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1400Blk 3rd Street Prom 10:36 a.m.
Petty Theft 400Blk Santa Monica Blvd 10:58 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1100Blk 19th St 11:14 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1200Blk 2nd St 11:17 a.m.
Lost Property 900Blk 2nd St 11:23 a.m.
Petty Theft 2400Blk Cloverfield Blvd 11:29 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 800Blk 17th St 11:34 a.m.
General Parking Problem 1300Blk Second Street 11:41 a.m.
Speeding Lincoln Blvd / Broadway 11:44 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 2200Blk 23rd St 11:53 a.m.
Burglary 2500Blk 4th St 11:55 a.m.
Traffic Hazard 21st St / Wilshire Blvd 12:04 p.m.
Auto Burglary 1200Blk 11th St 12:13 p.m.
Burglary 1000Blk Lincoln Blvd 12:21 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 3300Blk Barnard Way 12:24 p.m.
Fraud 1600Blk Montana Ave 12:30 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1100Blk 3rd St 12:53 p.m.
Grand Theft 2600Blk 24th St 12:59 p.m.
Attempt Burglary 1400Blk 26th St 1:16 p.m.
Loud Music 00Blk Pico Blvd 1:18 p.m.
Burglary 1100Blk 18th St 1:22 p.m.
Traffic Hazard 29th St / Ocean Park Blvd 1:25 p.m.
Petty Theft 1000Blk 20th St 1:27 p.m.
Stolen Vehicle Recovered 800Blk Montana Ave 1:33 p.m.
Fraud 300Blk Olympic Dr 1:36 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 26th St / Wilshire Blvd 1:48 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 800Blk 7th St 2:00 p.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1100Blk Harvard St 2:05 p.m.
Battery 1400Blk 7th St 2:16 p.m.
Petty Theft 2000Blk Broadway 2:17 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 26th St / Colorado Ave 2:25 p.m.
Suicide 1400Blk 2nd St 2:36 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 2600Blk Barnard Way 2:39 p.m.
Petty Theft 2300Blk Santa Monica Blvd 3:01 p.m.
Petty Theft Cloverfield Blvd / Broadway 3:02 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 2600Blk Barnard Way 3:10 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 1700Blk 14th St 3:28 p.m.
Extortion Investigation 900Blk 9th St 3:36 p.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1400Blk 23rd St 3:43 p.m.
Traffic Hazard 1600Blk 4th St 3:46 p.m.
Fraud 2300Blk Kansas Ave 3:51 p.m.
Expired Registration 1200Blk 18th St 3:52 p.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 3300Blk Barnard Way 4:14 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 3rd St / Pico Blvd 4:16 p.m.
Traffic Control Request - Level 1 4th St / Pico Blvd 4:19 p.m.
Violation Of Temporary No Parking Signs 1200Blk Euclid St 4:25 p.m.
Assault 600Blk Wilshire Blvd 4:30 p.m.
Speeding 14th St / Ocean Park Blvd 4:30 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 4th St / Arizona Ave 4:41 p.m.
Expired Registration 1100Blk Washington Ave 4:41 p.m.
Vandalism 200Blk 21st St 4:46 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 2700Blk Wilshire Blvd 4:47 p.m.
Burglary 1700Blk 17th St 4:52 p.m.
Illegal Weapon 100Blk Colorado Ave 4:59 p.m.
Death Investigation Lincoln Blvd / Olympic Blvd E 5:17 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 1800Blk Cloverfield Blvd 5:49 p.m.
Fight Main St / Ashland Ave 5:49 p.m.
Found Property 300Blk Olympic Dr 5:54 p.m.
Drunk Driving Investigation 1600Blk Santa Monica Blvd 6:28 p.m.
General Parking Problem 600Blk Santa Monica Blvd 6:33 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 7th St / Montana Ave 6:35 p.m.
Counterfeit Suspect 100Blk Broadway 6:35 p.m.
Theft Of Recyclables 1300Blk Grant St 6:38 p.m.
Critical Missing Person 300Blk Olympic Dr 6:52 p.m.
Petty Theft 200Blk Broadway 6:59 p.m.
Loud Music 2700Blk Main St 7:26 p.m.
Traffic Hazard 200Blk Bay St 7:42 p.m.
Lost Property 1200Blk 3rd Street Prom 7:48 p.m.
Traffic Hazard 1700Blk Cloverfield Blvd 8:01 p.m.
Urinating/Defecating In Public 1200Blk 23rd St 8:07 p.m.
Fight Lincoln Blvd / Olympic Blvd W 8:13 p.m.
Panic Alarm 300Blk Wilshire Blvd 8:15 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 400Blk Washington Ave 8:22 p.m.
Petty Theft 500Blk San Vicente Blvd 8:44 p.m.
Loud Music 2700Blk Ocean Front Walk 8:53 p.m.
Loitering 1300Blk 4th St 9:07 p.m.
Vandalism 1300Blk 2nd St 9:21 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries Main St / Pico Blvd 9:27 p.m.
Overdose 1800Blk 9th St 9:41 p.m.
Traffic Hazard 2200Blk Neilson Way 9:48 p.m.
Construction Noise 200Blk Santa Monica Blvd 9:52 p.m.
Encampment 1000Blk Palisades Beach Rd 10:22 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOGS

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EMS 500Blk Colorado Ave 12:57 a.m.
EMS 1800Blk Pier Ave 1:26 a.m.
EMS 2300Blk 4th St 4:10 a.m.
EMS 1400Blk Marine St 4:50 a.m.
Broken Water Main 11th St / Colorado Ave 5:43 a.m.
EMS 1200Blk 6th St 5:46 a.m.
EMS 4th St / Pier Ave 6:11 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Physical Rescue Interstate 10 / Cloverfield Blvd 6:52 a.m.
EMS 200Blk Arizona Ave 8:25 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 100Blk Wilshire Blvd 8:54 a.m.
EMS 900Blk 15th St 11:22 a.m.
EMS 20th St / Wilshire Blvd 12:11 p.m.
EMS 300Blk Olympic Dr 12:12 p.m.
EMS 400Blk Ocean Ave 12:21 p.m.
EMS 1100Blk 7th St 12:36 p.m.
EMS 1800Blk Lincoln Blvd 12:37 p.m.
EMS 1300Blk 20th St 12:45 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 2500Blk 6th St 1:37 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury 26th St / Colorado Ave 2:25 p.m.
EMS 1400Blk 2nd St 2:38 p.m.
EMS 1000Blk Wilshire Blvd 3:30 p.m.
EMS 1300Blk 15th St 3:40 p.m.
EMS 3rd St / Pico Blvd 4:16 p.m.
EMS 200Blk California Ave 5:07 p.m.
EMS 7th St / Marine St 5:46 p.m.
EMS Lincoln Blvd / Interstate 10 5:47 p.m.
EMS 2400Blk Olympic Blvd 5:52 p.m.
Transformer Fire 500Blk Raymond Ave 7:18 p.m.
EMS 700Blk Pico Blvd 7:22 p.m.
EMS 1300Blk 11th St 7:48 p.m.
EMS 800Blk 7th St 8:35 p.m.
Odor Of Natural Gas 300Blk Santa Monica Blvd 8:42 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 100Blk Hollister Ave 8:52 p.m.
Fire Investigation 6th St / Strand St 9:24 p.m.
EMS Main St / Pico Blvd 9:28 p.m.
EMS 1800Blk 9th St 9:41 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 1300Blk Ocean Ave 9:52 p.m.
EMS 2600Blk Santa Monica Blvd 10:02 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 500Blk Wilshire Blvd 11:50 p.m.

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MCCOWAN

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what a toll my service on City Council has taken on them," she said. "As heart-wrenching as the decision is not to run – as much as I love my community and am committed to making it the best place it can be – I must put my children and family first. I cannot be a 50% Councilmember or a 50% parent. That is not who I am."

> "As a product of Santa Monica's exceptional public schools, programs, and services, I'm grateful for how this city inspired my commitment to public service and helped shape my progressive values - Kristin McCowan

She said her time on the council had prevented her from engaging with her family fully and she missed interacting with and supporting her children during their early education.

McCowan said she's grateful for the opportunity to serve on the council.

"As a product of Santa Monica's exceptional public schools, programs, and services, I'm grateful for how this city inspired my commitment to public service and helped shape my progressive values," she said. "That is why it is with great sadness that I am announcing a very difficult decision I made with my family – not to seek re-election to the City Council."

The Santa Monica City Council unanimously appointed McCowan to fill a position that was vacated when councilmember Greg Morena left in 2020. She ran unopposed for an abbreviated term that year winning a two-year seat.

Her decision follows Mayor Sue Himmelrich who said she would not run again.

The seats of councilwomen McCowan, Himmelrich and Lana Negrete are all scheduled for election this year. As of this week, Negrete will be the only incumbent on the ballot for Council.

Other potential candidates for City Council include Carl Arnold, Whitney Bain, D. Peter Borresen, Albin Gielicz, Troy Harris, Austin Humble, Arthur Jeon, Nathaniel Jones, Armen Melkonians, Samantha Mota, Ellis Raskin, Caroline M. Torosis, Nathaniel Wilson, Shannon Yoshikawa, Jesse Zwick and Natalya Zernitskaya.

Four seats on the SMMUSD Board will be up in November. Incumbents Keith Coleman, Craig Foster, Laurie Lieberman and Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein have all pulled papers to begin their runs for reelection. So far, challengers for School Board include Angela DiGaetano, Alicia Mignano, Kevin Shenkman and Miles Warner.

Shenkman is a Malibu attorney who is representing current Councilman Oscar de la Torre's wife, Maria Loya, and the Pico Neighborhood Association in their lawsuit against the City of Santa Monica to force district-based elections. Shenkman recently sued SMMUSD over fees for extracurricular activities and has filed a petition asking County authorities to force SMMUSD into district-based elections.

As of Thursday, only one candidate had filed for the three seats up for election on the Rent Control Board, Ericka Lesley.

Four seats are up for election on the SMC Board. Candidates who have requested paperwork include Nancy Greenstein (Incumbent), Thomas Peters, Sion Roy (Incumbent), Barry Snell (Incumbent) and Nathaniel Wilson.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

LOS ANGELES

Shuttle bus crashes at Los Angeles airport; 9 injured

Nine people were injured — two seriously — when a shuttle bus crashed into a pole at Los Angeles International Airport on Thursday, authorities said.

Two of the bus passengers sustained potentially life-threatening injuries, according to Margaret Stewart, a spokesperson for the Los Angeles Fire Department.

Seven others were taken to the hospital with minor injuries, Stewart said.

The crash happened just before 12:30 p.m. near an administrative building as the bus was traveling from the taxi and ride-hailing services parking lot on its way back to the main terminal, said airport spokesperson Victoria Spillabotti.

There were 23 passengers and the driver board the bus, but the majority of the passengers were not hurt, according to the fire department. No pedestrians were injured.

Television news footage showed firefighters wheeling at least one patient on a gurney to an ambulance.

Additional information was not immediately available. Officials did not know who owns and operates the shuttle bus.

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LOS ANGELES

Hate crime charge in fatal LA shooting of homeless person

A man suspected in the fatal shooting of a homeless person in Los Angeles has been charged with a hate crime, prosecutors said Thursday.

Ryan Bush, 48, was shot in the early morning hours of July 5 in the Sylmar neighborhood. He died at a hospital.

Bush was allegedly targeted "based on a presumption of his gender identity and sexual orientation," the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office said in a statement.

The 29-year-old suspect faces one count each of murder and attempted murder with a hate crime allegation, the statement said. His arraignment was scheduled for Thursday afternoon.

The defendant also is charged with shooting at a bystander.

"Hate crimes have spiked across the country in recent years and we remain steadfast in ensuring that we hold these violent individuals accountable while working to prevent such violence from happening in the future," District Attorney George Gascón said in the statement.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles Police Department.

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LOS ANGELES

Newsom wants explanation from UCLA about move to Big Ten

California Gov. Gavin Newsom is demanding an explanation from UCLA officials about their move to the Big Ten Conference.

Newsom attended Wednesday's UC Board of Regents meeting in San Francisco. The closed-door meeting was the first since UCLA and Southern California announced on June 30 that the schools would be leaving the Pac-12 Conference for the Big Ten in 2024. USC is a private institution and not part of the UC system.

Newsom — an ex officio member of the Board of Regents — is among others asking how the move will benefit all student-athletes, as well as how to mitigate the financial effects it will cause to UC Berkeley, California's other public university in the Pac 12.

UCLA and UC Berkeley have played each other in football since 1923.

"The first duty of every public university is to the people – especially students," Newsom said in a statement. "UCLA must clearly explain to the public how this deal will improve the experience for all its student-athletes, will honor its century-old partnership with UC Berkeley, and will preserve the histories, rivalries, and traditions that enrich our communities."

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The UC Board of Regents cannot force UCLA to reverse the decision. In 1991, campus chancellors were delegated authority by the UC Office of the President to execute their own contracts, including intercollegiate athletic agreements.

The regents though could require UCLA pay UC Berkeley an exit fee for leaving the Pac-12 or share TV revenues they will gain from a move to the Big Ten.

UCLA athletic director Martin Jarmond said in a telephone interview with The Associated Press on June 30 that changes to the landscape of collegiate athletics prompted the move. UCLA's athletic department, which sponsors 23 sports, is facing a $102.8-million deficit with most of that coming the past couple years.

"They're gonna compete at the highest level in a major elite conference in different time zones, UCLA is always national. But now we have the ability for student athletes to showcase their talent across the country," Jarmond said. "I appreciate the Pac-12. That said, my, my focus first and foremost is our student athletes, and what is best for our student athletes. And when you look at the landscape and how dynamic is changing, the Big Ten was the right move at the right time for us."

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Beloved monarch butterflies now listed as endangered

CHRISTINA LARSON
AP Science Writer

The monarch butterfly fluttered a step closer to extinction Thursday, as scientists put the iconic orange-and-black insect on the endangered list because of its fast dwindling numbers.

"It's just a devastating decline," said Stuart Pimm, an ecologist at Duke University who was not involved in the new listing. "This is one of the most recognizable butterflies in the world."

The International Union for the Conservation of Nature added the migrating monarch butterfly for the first time to its "red list" of threatened species and categorized it as "endangered" — two steps from extinct.

The group estimates that the population of monarch butterflies in North America has declined between 22% and 72% over 10 years, depending on the measurement method.

"What we're worried about is the rate of decline," said Nick Haddad, a conservation biologist at Michigan State University. "It's very easy to imagine how very quickly this butterfly could become even more imperiled."

> "What we're worried about is the rate of decline - Nick Haddad"

Haddad, who was not directly involved in the listing, estimates that the population of monarch butterflies he studies in the eastern United States has declined between 85% and 95% since the 1990s.

In North America, millions of monarch butterflies undertake the longest migration of any insect species known to science.

After wintering in the mountains of central Mexico, the butterflies migrate to the north, breeding multiple generations along the way for thousands of miles. The offspring that reach southern Canada then begin the trip back to Mexico at the end of summer.

"It's a true spectacle and incites such awe," said Anna Walker, a conservation biologist at New Mexico BioPark Society, who was involved in determining the new listing.

A smaller group spends winters in coastal California, then disperses in spring and summer across several states west of the Rocky Mountains. This population has seen an even more precipitous decline than the eastern monarchs, although there was a small bounce back last winter.

Emma Pelton of the nonprofit Xerces Society, which monitors the western butterflies, said the butterflies are imperiled by loss of habitat and increased use of herbicides and pesticides for agriculture, as well as climate change.

"There are things people can do to help," she said, including planting milkweed, a plant that the caterpillars depend upon.

Nonmigratory monarch butterflies in Central and South America were not designated as endangered.

The United States has not listed monarch butterflies under the Endangered Species Act, but several environmental groups believe it should be listed.

The international union also announced new estimates for the global population of tigers, which are 40% higher than the most recent estimates from 2015.

The new figures, of between 3,726 and 5,578 wild tigers worldwide, reflect better methods for counting tigers and, potentially, an increase in their overall numbers, said Dale Miquelle, coordinator for the nonprofit Wildlife Conservation Society's tiger program.

In the past decade, tiger populations have increased in Nepal, northern China and perhaps in India, while tigers have disappeared entirely from Cambodia, Laos and Vietnam, said Miquelle. They remain designated as endangered.

CONTRACEPTION

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that significant numbers of GOP senators would be willing to defy them. In contrast, same-sex marriage has such firm public acceptance and is such a clear-cut issue that growing numbers of Republicans have been willing to vote for it.

Susan B. Anthony Pro-Life America said the contraception legislation "seeks to bail out the abortion industry, trample conscience rights, and require uninhibited access to dangerous chemical abortion drugs." The National Right to Life Committee said it "goes far beyond the scope of contraception" and would cover abortion pills like RU486, which supporters said was incorrect.

The measure drew a mixed reaction Wednesday from two of the Senate's more moderate Republicans.

Sen. Susan Collins, R-Maine, said she was "most likely" to support the measure. Sen. Lisa Murkowski, R-Alaska, demurred, saying she was working on bipartisan legislation that she said would codify the rights to abortion and perhaps for contraception.

There are few state restrictions on contraceptive use, said Elizabeth Nash, who studies state reproductive health policies for the Guttmacher Institute, a research organization that supports abortion rights.

Nash said she was concerned that there will be efforts to curb emergency contraceptives and intrauterine devices and to help providers and institutions refuse to provide contraceptive services.

Associated Press writers Farnoush Amiri and Hannah Fingerhut contributed to this report.

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EVICTION

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answer with the court himself but feared a mistake could land him, his wife, and his two young children on the street. He said he paid a lawyer $1,000 to help.

"With one word I could lose the case," he said in Spanish.

Thousands of California tenants lose their homes every year because they fail to submit that initial answer in court. Failing to check the right box or file a timely response could, indeed, trigger a default judgment against them.

> As a lawyer it really pained me to see tenants lose cases just because they couldn't file a piece of paper - Gary Blasi

A group of tenant advocates and attorneys today launched a tool they hope will change that.

More than 50 tenant advocates and attorneys from The Debt Collective, The LA Tenants Union, The Anti-Eviction Mapping Project, UCLA Luskin Institute on Inequality & Democracy and the Alliance of Californians for Community Empowerment worked on the "Tenant Power Toolkit" over the last two years — a mostly volunteer effort, explains Hannah Appel, an anthropology professor at UCLA who came up with the idea based on her work as a co-founder of the Debt Collective.

The website they created resembles tax-return-filing software. It asks tenants a long series of questions in relatively plain English, or Spanish, that produces a legal document they can print and submit in court. Tenants in Los Angeles County can file the paperwork electronically. If they choose, tenants can connect to other tenants and legal aid organizations through the website.

The questions vary by eviction type and location. For example, if their city has rent control for people over the age of 65 who lived in the building for five years, the tool will ask tenants for their ages and the time they lived in the building and invoke that defense on paper, even if the tenants didn't know the protection existed.

Of more than 129,000 eviction cases filed between July 1, 2018 and June 30, 2019, at least 24,000 tenants lost their court cases in a default judgment, according to data from the Judicial Council. That's 46% of cases in courts that reported their outcomes — which most courts don't do. Default judgements dropped to 7,600, or 40% of reported outcomes, last year as a result of statewide eviction protections, which researchers say make that not reflective of a typical year.

"As a lawyer it really pained me to see tenants lose cases just because they couldn't file a piece of paper," said UCLA law professor Gary Blasi, one of the lead housing lawyers behind the tool. He called it the first of its kind nationwide.

Legalese isn't the only thing that prevents a tenant from filing a response, according to Amber Crowell, an associate professor of sociology at Fresno State and housing coordinator at Faith in the Valley. Tenants often vacate their homes before going through the eviction process because they don't think they stand a chance in court. Losing a case can damage a person's credit and chance at renting another home.

The tool buys tenants at least 10 days to file an amended response and find a lawyer before the court trial. But its creators warn the website is no substitute for a lawyer. Access to legal aid remains rare for tenants, who nationally are represented by an attorney in 10% of cases, according to the ACLU. That statistic shrivels to 1% in Fresno, Crowell found in a 2019 study. Blasi expects the tool will have a bigger impact in places where people have greater access to legal aid.

"In an ideal world, the tool would not be necessary at all," Blasi said.

Mora will defend himself in his upcoming court trial because he was unhappy with the private attorney he hired and unable to find free legal aid.

While it was put together on a "shoestring budget", the group hopes to attract more philanthropic and state funding to keep the tool up to date, especially as local jurisdictions pass new tenant protections.

But money isn't all they want from lawmakers. The groups argue tenants should have a right to legal representation in court — efforts that have had little traction at the state level. Gov. Gavin Newsom vetoed a watered down version of that last year, a bill to create an ongoing legal services trust fund for tenants because he argued there was already money for tenant legal aid in the budget.

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Amid threats, security rises at meetings of public officials

SCOTT BAUER
Associated Press

The meeting place? A secret. Agenda? Not public. Name tags? Take them off in public.

Even one of the main social events — trivia night — would be at an undisclosed location. This was no meeting of spies or undercover law enforcement agents. Instead, these were the security protocols for a gathering this week in Madison, Wisconsin, of state election bureaucrats from around the U.S.

While the hush-hush measures might seem a bit extreme, they were put in place because of the very real threats against election workers that have been escalating since the 2020 presidential election as former President Donald Trump continues to promote the lie that widespread fraud cost him re-election.

Security increased at meetings of government officials after the Sept. 11, 2001, terror attacks, "but not like this where the agenda is kept secret," said Kevin Kennedy, who was Wisconsin's top election official for nearly four decades before retiring in 2016. He has attended meetings of the National Association of State Election Directors for more than 30 years and said it was jarring that otherwise anonymous election workers are now being targeted.

"This is just at a different level, and it's a reflection of the times and it's unfortunate," he said.

State and local election officials have become targets for those upset with Trump's loss and who believe any number of unfounded conspiracy theories about a rigged

> "We cannot allow violent threats to secretaries of state and election workers become an accepted norm in the United States - Jena Griswold"

election. Many have retired or quit as a result, raising staffing concerns in some offices.

Four people have been charged by federal prosecutors, with one of them pleading guilty last month. In that case, Colorado Secretary of State Jena Griswold was the subject of multiple threatening posts on social media.

Robert Heberle, deputy chief of the Justice Department's public integrity section, told state election officials recently that dozens of cases were still under investigation and more prosecutions were expected.

Griswold, a Democrat who has received numerous death threats since the 2020 election, traveled to the National Association of Secretaries of State conference earlier this summer in Louisiana with private security.

In a statement to The Associated Press, Griswold said she won't be intimidated by the threats and said a new state law she helped pass increases protections for election workers at all levels.

"We cannot allow violent threats to secretaries of state and election workers become an accepted norm in the United States," she said.

Organizers of the secretaries of state meeting, held twice a year, have been increasing security measures since the 2020 election, said Maria Benson, the group's communications director. That includes coordinating with law enforcement agencies before and during the conferences, she said.

At the group's summer meeting earlier this month in Baton Rouge, local law enforcement officers were visible in the lobby and meeting areas of the hotel where the conference was being held. Members of the media were instructed to keep their credentials visible while in the meeting area.

It's not just election officials who are commanding tighter security during their gatherings.

When the National Governors Association met earlier this month in Portland, Maine, security was the highest in the state in decades.

The heavy law enforcement presence included city police, state police and security details, including troopers from other states. Plainclothes police roamed the event, and extra officers were kept out of sight, in case they were needed.

The increased security presence took place as demonstrators gathered to protest new abortion restrictions in states such as Arkansas, home of outgoing association chairman and current Gov. Asa Hutchinson, a Republican.

Security planning, which was in the works for months, also involved police K-9 units and patrol boats in the harbor.

"We are in different times right now," said Shannon Moss, spokeswoman for the Maine Department of Public Safety. "Just look at recent events that happened in our country — mass shootings, violent and disruptive protests, a divisive political climate. Law enforcement has to be prepared to deal with these kinds of potential security threats."

There were no protesters outside the gathering of election administrators this week in Wisconsin, but the threats of violence

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COVID

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However, Ferrer said officials would proceed as if a mandate will happen as the history of case counts suggest dips may occur without starting a full trend.

"You can see here this sign of plateauing cases the past week," she said. "We do hope this continues. I do want to note, however, that over the past two months, we have seen some small dips that were then followed by additional increases. So it does make sense for us to continue to be cautious."

Ferrer said even more infectious variants have not been found in large numbers locally and while they are concerning for their ability to reinfect people, they do not pose a current threat to local health.

"We should note that new sub-lineage of Omicron that's called Ba.2.75 which has been spreading primarily in India and which also has the ability to cause reinfections and it's very transmissible has increased just slightly in the past week in the United States. Hopefully, it will not emerge as a full concern. So far, there have been 17 cases detected in the states and five in California. With one case in LA County that we reported last week," she said.

> "What we've learned over the course of the pandemic is that this is a dangerous virus - Dr. Barbara Ferrer"

Ferrer reiterated that if masks are required again, they should be viewed as a temporary measure that will allow a majority of residents to continue living relatively normal lives.

"What we've learned over the course of the pandemic is that this is a dangerous virus," she said. "We benefit enormously from all the effective tools at hand and they allow most of us fully live our lives. We travel we go to work we go to parties, we enjoy concerts, plays in sporting events, and we get together freely with those we love. Our transmission is really high. We would be foolish to be complacent and not layer in additional protections that help those most vulnerable also fully live their lives."

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MEETINGS

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against election workers have become so pervasive that the group was taking no chances on security.

The exact location meeting — which ended up being just a block away from the state Capitol — wasn't revealed to reporters who registered to cover it until four days before the event began. There were no signs in the hotel announcing the meeting. And the agenda detailing topics to be discussed, such as "understanding and preventing insider threats," wasn't handed out until the start of the meeting.

Amy Cohen, executive director of the state elections group, cautioned the 170 registered attendees from 33 states to wear their name tags when at the event, but to take them off when they left and went into the city.

"Don't advertise who you are and exactly why you're here," she said.

Cohen said meeting organizers coordinated with federal, state and local law enforcement for the event. She encouraged attendees to report any suspicious activity they saw, and hotel staff had been trained to be vigilant.

She said the association did not live-stream any of the panels nor did it post any messages to its Twitter account during the gathering, although there were no social media prohibitions for those who attended.

"Please do be thoughtful about what you post and remember that some of the people in this room are dealing with serious security concerns and we need to be respectful to keep everyone safe," Cohen said at the start of the gathering.

Judd Choate, Colorado's state elections director for the past 13 years, attended the Wisconsin event and said he has been surprised at the level of rancor and hostility toward election workers. He said many of the attacks are coming from people with little understanding of how elections are run.

"We were kind of a sleepy part of government, and we're not anymore," he said.

Associated Press writers Christina A. Cassidy in Atlanta; and David Sharp and Patrick Whittle in Portland, Maine, contributed to this report.

GET IT DAILY...

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (July 22)

The sweet music of a relationship will be the soundtrack giving zest to daily life. Your enthusiasm will bring brightness to everyone around. Also: an electrifying event gets you used to a new scale of excitement; you'll apply a skill, make more money and contribute significantly to something that matters to you. Libra and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 29, 1, 15 and 18.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You want to be dazzled and are therefore looking out for any source of potential amusement in your world. You'll find yourself looking into bright eyes, hoping to see the spinning wheels of a mind at work.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Most attraction follows the principle of "It takes one to know one." The qualities you value, like humility, patience, charm and humor, are also in you. Even if you don't have them to the extent you want to, the seeds of virtue will grow.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You have time for play, levity, laughter, exercise and relaxation. You have time to be creative and also to do nothing. You have time for anything you say is important. You have time because you make time.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Your mind gives you words and pictures, sounds and stories, and that is the experience you live inside. Not everything your mind mixes in will be true or helpful. So, pick and choose what you think will keep you moving along in light.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). To experience the poetry of life requires a breadth of soul and a wide array of experiences. It's wonderful to think and feel deeply, though when this goes in a painful direction it doesn't feel like the tremendous asset it is.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Anyone trying to distract you from your work and goals is prioritizing their own needs over yours. The ones who are on your side want you to succeed in the ways you desire and wouldn't dream of tempting you in another direction.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). There's a child or childlike person who needs what you can offer. Give generously. Though you will not be repaid, at least not directly, you will also become much richer for having offered this kindness.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your work needs exposure. Show the world who you are and let the world show you the needs and niches you can fill. Fresh ideas, people, lifestyles and locations are out there for you because you're willing to take a risk.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). It may be hard for someone with natural social talents to understand but participating in groups takes skill that some don't have. Your compassion will be appreciated, and your style will be imitated by those eager to learn.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). It's strange how we sometimes forget to acknowledge the very people who do the most for us, or at least try to. You'll get the chance to make up for any oversights or mistakes that may have recently occurred.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You want to know that the other person will be there and be loyal. This is not too much to ask, though it may not be the right time to ask for it, at least not directly. Can you say it without words?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There are times you have succeeded because of something outside of yourself going in your favor, but right now it's all on you. You'll count this among your most satisfying accomplishments, run entirely on internal resources.

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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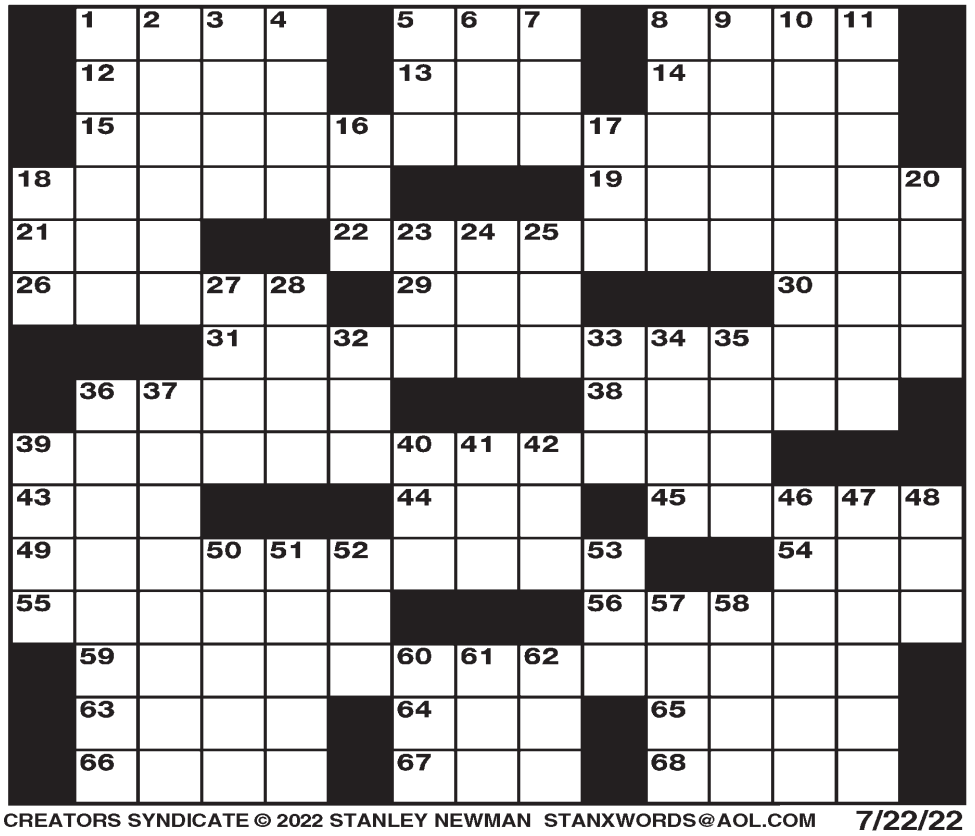
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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Shut down
5 Center of some comparisons
8 __-serif typeface
12 Montreal "mine"
13 By order of
14 Bowl game org.
15 Need hydrating [with an inside track]
18 Legendary Broadway eatery
19 Folk singer admired by Dr. King
21 Actress Long
22 Polite behavior
26 Pale purple
29 *Eine* in another language
30 Uncommon sense
31 "Encore presentations" [with an inside track]
36 Collision repair chain
38 Young male zebras
39 North American freshwater fish [with an inside track]
43 What much paint is made with
44 Good source of omega-3
45 Available as an add-on
49 Vigorous attacks
54 Female pheasant
55 Cassius and Cato
56 Deliver via conduit
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65 Unrelenting
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67 Southeast Asian celebration
68 Q follower

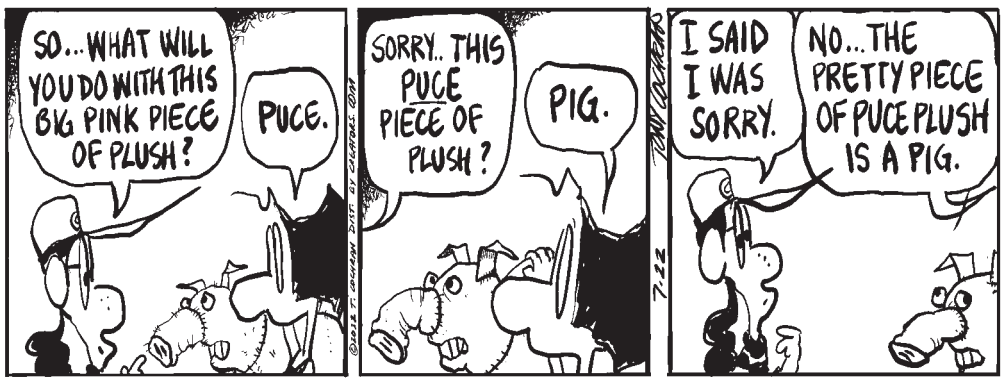
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3 Carol leaper
4 South Seas amulet
5 Bistro starter
6 See 27 Down
7 Aesthete's interest
8 Derisive
9 Parts of some parcels
10 Maximally mean
11 High schoolers' hurdles, redundantly
16 It's near the L.A. Coliseum
17 In vogue
18 Letters on Poehler's résumé
20 Illustrations on pyramid walls
23 It's not part of SOS
24 Crazy Eights variant
25 Irish actor Stephen
27 With 6 Down, almost-gone water
28 Gospel singer Winans
32 Man of the future
33 Seventh-century starter
34 RC rival
35 Nickname like Xander
36 Vaudeville headliners
37 Dream team, e.g.
39 Muffler material
40 Bit of work
41 Contemporary lament
42 Most favored
46 Ike's affiliation
47 Holds sway
48 George Eliot's middle name
50 A quarter of a dollar bill
51 Ponies up
52 Flash drive designation
53 "Health" hangout
57 Competitive still
58 It means "surrounding"
60 Porridge tidbit
61 Word before pick or pack
62 Book end



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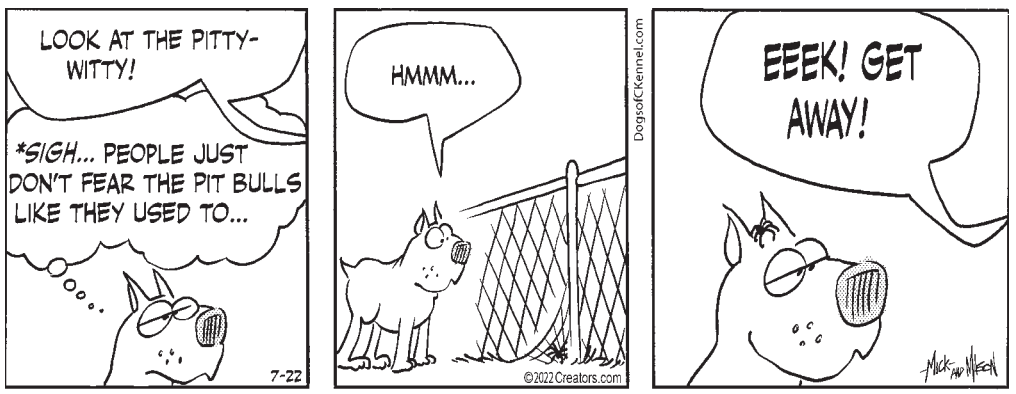
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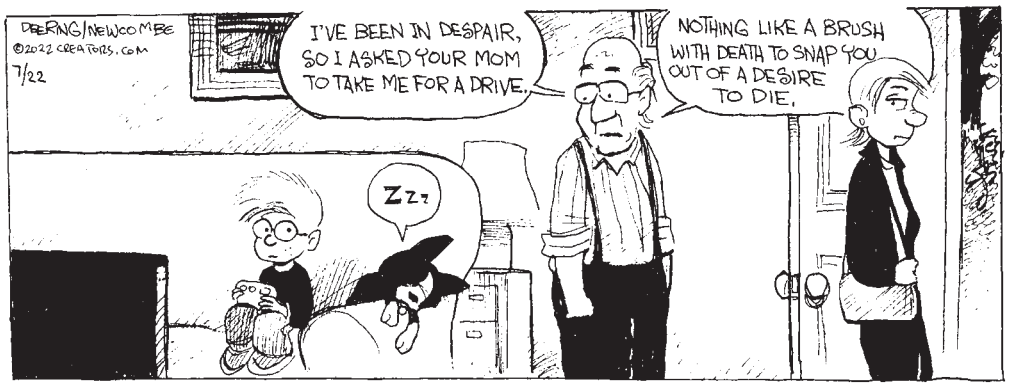
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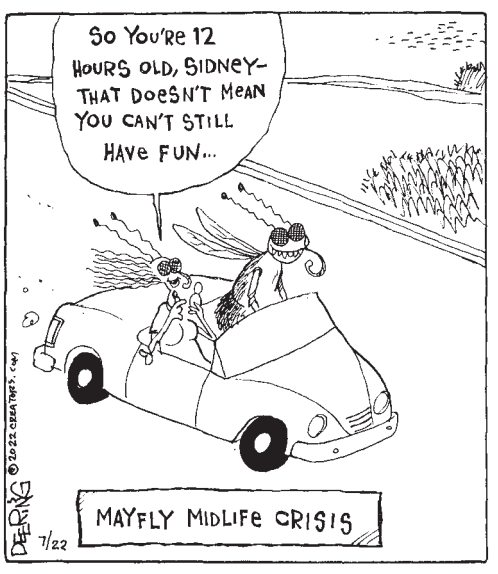
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FIND THE WORDS

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 18 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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Alva	Cove	Ideal	Ocean	Sharks
Atoll	Cruise	Islets	Palms	Swim
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Beer	Euramo	Long	Pool	Train
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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.

WEDNESDAY JULY 27

MAIN STREET FOOD TRUCKS

Come taste delicious food located one block from the beach, in the parking lot of the California Heritage Museum at 2612 Main Street (on the corner of Main Street and Ocean Park Boulevard) 5 - 9 p.m.

DAVID ULIN IN CONVERSATION WITH LAILA LALAMI

David Ulin, editor of the Library of America's collected volumes "Joan Didion: The 1960s & 70s" and "Joan Didion: The 1980s & 90s", and Laila Lalami, Pulitzer Prize (The Moor's Account) and National Book Award (The Other Americans) finalist, discuss the influence of Joan Didion on the literary landscape of the last seven decades Registration not required. 6 - 7 p.m. Main Library.

FIRST TIMERS CLUB

Every comic has an origin story. Catch Mateen Stewart and Martin Morrow's 21+ comedy show, First Timer's Club on the 4th Wednesday of every month with the first show on June 29. Doors open at 7:45 p.m. and the show starts at 8 p.m. sharp! Proof of vaccination required. Seating is limited. Purchase your tickets and reserve your seat at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/first-timers-club-tickets-371893552627. 8 - 9:30 p.m. $15.

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SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **67.5**

FRIDAY *FAIR*	**SURF:** 3-4ft+ Waist to shoulder	Smaller but fun for some zones. SSW swell continues to trend down. SSE/S tropical swell easing. NW windswell creeps up. Eddy wind likely for the morning but could remain light.
SATURDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:** 2-3ft+ Thigh to stomach	Should see surf drop off more quickly though the day with SSW swell down to leftovers and SSE/S tropical swell down. SE/S eddy wind may linger.

WEATHER

Friday: Cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 72.
Friday Night: Patchy fog. Otherwise, cloudy, with a low around 63.
Saturday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 72.
Saturday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 62.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
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
2022/07/25	Mon	8:03 PM	5.85	H
2022/07/26	Tue	03:31 AM	-0.28	L
2022/07/26	Tue	10:10 AM	3.73	

DAILY LOTTERY

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10 20 23 49 65
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MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 7/19
2 31 32 37 70
Mega#: 25
Jackpot: 660 M

SuperLotto Plus
Draw Date: 7/20
7 16 30 40 44
Mega#: 16
Jackpot: 9 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 7/20
2 17 19 24 36

Daily 3
Draw Date: 7/20
EVENING: 4 5 9
Draw Date: 7/20
MIDDAY: 3 8 5

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 7/20
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3rd: 12 - Lucky Charms
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