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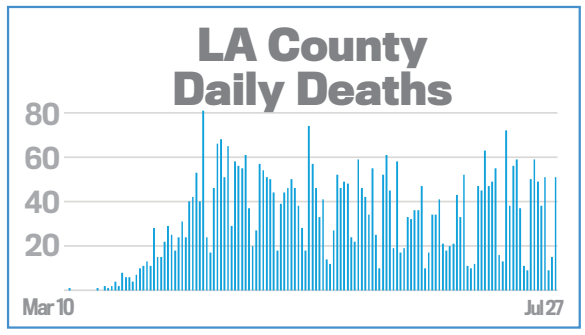
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Interning across time zones

BRENNON DIXSON
SMDP Staff Writer

At the outbreak of COVID-19, native Westside resident Gaby Cornejo was studying in Great Britain, stressing on how she would make it home to the United States. Today, the rising senior finds herself a college student in Missouri, an intern in Arizona and a resident of Santa Monica — a description that only seems possible in 2020.

When she first secured an internship with CVS Health near the beginning of 2020, Cornejo had no idea what would be in store for her throughout the course of her 10 weeks in the American healthcare company's corporate intern program.



Courtesy Photo
INTERNSHIP: Gaby Cornejo has enjoyed her internship with CVS Health this summer.

"I started recruiting during late October 2019," Cornejo said, detailing how the ban on travel forced her and hundreds of other students to abandon their study-abroad programs within a 72-hour span. "I finished my interview process in London. So that was also kind of a hectic time to work with the time changes and everything, but I thought I made it work."

Then COVID hit, "and it was crazy. Everybody was crying and it was really hard trying to figure out what to do with our deposits for housing and stuff. But I luckily made it back," Cornejo said. And perhaps

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'Pico We Care' Project Delivers Essential Items to Vulnerable Community Members

CLARA HARTER
SMDP Staff Writer

'Pico We Care' Project Delivers Essential Items to Vulnerable Community Members

The Pico Neighborhood Association (PNA) and Pico Youth & Family Center (PYFC) have joined forces to deliver packages of groceries and essential items to local seniors and families in need.

The idea for the Pico We Care initiative came from Ashil Srivastava who is a PYFC youth leader and 11th grader at Samohi.

"It's very hard for senior citizens to go to the grocery store because of coronavirus", stated Srivastava, "so we wanted to find a way to

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Courtesy Photo
PICO: Locals receive packages of groceries and essential items

Fitness Centers fight COVID by Moving Classes Outdoors

BY ASHLEY NAPIER

The recent reclosure of fitness centers statewide has forced local fitness fanatics to get creative and move classes outdoors during the summer months to curb the spread of the Coronavirus.

Just as quickly as the state began to move forward with opening businesses and easing restrictions, Gov. Gavin Newsom reversed his decision on July 13, ordering the immediate closure of bars, beauty salons and indoor fitness centers.

Local CYCLEBAR franchise owner, Steph Sklar-Mulcahy said the reversal was "pretty devastating" since she spent lots of time and money to make her Santa Monica and Culver City studios COVID-compliant.

"We started taking a lot of measures inside the studio to make some upgrades and make sure that we were prepared for when people were ready to return." Sklar-Mulcahy said.

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Letters to the Editor

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Supporting Police

TO THE EDITOR:

Hello, as a resident of Santa Monica for over 40 years, I find it is my civic duty to contact you in support of the Santa Monica Police Dept. Also, my latest friendly interaction and concern with a police officer encouraging me to support him and fellow officers is the reason why I'm writing. I always keep my word and hope this helps and is not just dismissed and overlooked. If this can be circulated in your publication, that would be great. It's about time we support our law enforcement instead of vilifying them!

In this very tense and heightened climate we are forced to live in lately, I feel law enforcement and the rule of law is extremely crucial to our health and well being as a community now more than ever. Politics being beside the point, we all want to live in a free society where respect and the rule of law is the top priority. The alternative is chaos.

It is very dismaying to see our law enforcement treated so disrespectfully oh a daily basis here and around the country. I also do not want to see our SMPD defunded, reduced or replaced like LAPD. If anything, they should get a raise for all they have to put up with in society. Not only do they have to suit up physically for battle, but mentally every time like going into a potential war zone.

What's happening to our society where it seems our police are being hunted, facing down potential enemies and combatants? Are we next when there's nobody around protecting us? Police are human flesh and blood and want to go home to their families every day like the rest of us. Fortunately, most of us will never know what it's like being out there in the midst. Thank god, someone has to.

As far as I'm concerned, they are as important - maybe even more so - than other first responders. The Fire Dept cannot do their job without the police. They are equal First Responders (remember 9/11). Getting caught up in this latest frenzied political movement to defund/remove our precious police does nobody any good in the long run. SMPD is the main reason why SM remains a safe and secure city and why I continue to reside here.

Let us stand for law and order, not for anarchy.

Thank you,

Linda Ryan, Resident of Ocean Park

Whose side?

Recently, members of the community have written in this paper about opposing several housing bills working their way through Sacramento. The basis of the arguments - that Sacramento wants to wipe out single-family neighborhoods - is laughably untrue, but the timing is pretty ironic. Let's take a quote:

"They are absolutely determined to eliminate single-family zoning, destroy the value of houses and communities already built"

This must be a Santa Monica homeowner, right? Actually, it's Donald Trump. Just two weeks ago.

Let's take another:

"they want to eliminate single family zoning, bringing who knows into your suburbs, so your communities will be unsafe and your housing values will go down."

A concerned Santa Monica resident? Nope. Again, Donald Trump. Is the White House swapping notes with someone in Santa Monica?

California's crushing housing shortage is well proven at this point. Anyone who argues we don't need more homes is just denying reality. That is why the housing bills working their way through Sacramento have attracted a broad coalition of support. Groups in support of more housing include labor unions such as United Farm Workers and the California Labor Federation, environmental organizations such as the NRDC, non-profit housing builders such as Habitat for Humanity, and many others. Nationally, leaders such as Bernie Sanders, Elizabeth Warren, and Julian Castro have argued for similar reforms.

The question now is whose side should we be on. The side of Habitat for Humanity, the NRDC, United Farm Workers, and the California Labor Federation? Or the side of Donald Trump? For a progressive city like Santa Monica, I hope that choice is clear.

Matthew Stevens, Santa Monica Resident

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Trespassing 1200Blk Ocean Ave 7:32 AM
Traffic Hazard 1500Blk 4Th St 7:47 AM
Auto Burglary Report 800Blk 16Th St 7:47 AM
Identity Theft 800Blk 26Th St 8:10 AM
Trespassing 1500Blk 17Th St 8:15 AM
Trespassing 1100Blk 7Th St 8:16 AM
Transport Prisoner 300Blk Olympic Dr 8:32 AM
Death Investigation 2000Blk Santa Monica Blvd 8:37 AM
Trespassing 300Blk Santa Monica Pl 8:39 AM
Trespassing 1300Blk Pico Blvd 8:57 AM
Hit and Run Misdemeanor Investigation 19Th St / Washington Ave 9:00 AM
Lewd Activity 2700Blk Colorado Ave 9:02 AM
Bike Theft Report 2500Blk 7Th St 9:31 AM
Auto Burglary Report 1200Blk 3Rd Street Prom 9:59 AM
Trespassing 300Blk Santa Monica Pl 10:11 AM
Trespassing 1700Blk Ocean Front Walk 10:25 AM
Burglary Report 1400Blk 14Th St 10:29 AM
Assault w/Deadly Wepaon Just Occurred 300Blk Pico Blvd 10:49 AM
Fraud Report 3100Blk Lincoln Blvd 10:52 AM
Person with a Gun 700Blk Broadway 11:01 AM
Auto Burglary Report 1800Blk 11Th St 11:03 AM
Trespassing 1500Blk 17Th St 11:22 AM
Petty Theft Just Occurred 1800Blk Lincoln Blvd 11:22 AM
Fraud Report 800Blk Ocean Ave 11:25 AM
Fraud Report 1700Blk Ocean Ave 11:32 AM
Burglary Report 1400Blk 14Th St 12:43 PM
Grand Theft Auto Report 2500Blk Pico Blvd 12:46 PM
Battery Report 2500Blk Michigan Ave 12:50 PM
ENCAMPMENT 2300Blk 4Th St 12:56 PM
ENCAMPMENT Ocean Ave / Bicknell Ave 1:01 PM
Arson 1600Blk The Beach 1:24 PM
Burglary Report 1100Blk 6Th St 1:32 PM
Petty Theft Report 1700Blk Centinela Ave 1:44 PM
Grand Theft Auto Report 800Blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:04 PM
Bike Theft Report 1500Blk 4Th St 2:13 PM
Trespassing 2500Blk 4Th St 2:17 PM
Traffic Control Request - Level 1 200Blk Santa Monica Pier 2:25 PM
Traffic Collision - Unknown Injuries 4Th St / Interstate 10 2:39 PM
Threats Report/Investigations 2100Blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:45 PM
Traffic Control Request - Level 1 4Th St / Interstate 10 2:45 PM
Traffic Collision - No Injuries Centinela Ave / Interstate 10 3:21 PM
Missing Person 300Blk Santa Monica Pl 3:42 PM
Bike Theft Report 1500Blk 6Th St 3:50 PM
Traffic Hazard Lincoln Blvd / Wilshire Blvd 4:12 PM
Traffic/Vehicle Stop Main St / Colorado Ave 4:21 PM
Trespassing 900Blk Palisades Beach Rd 4:30 PM
Trespassing 800Blk Idaho Ave 4:38 PM
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Alarm 2000Blk Wilshire Blvd 7:09 AM
E.M.S 1300Blk Ozone Ave 8:11 AM
E.M.S 1400Blk 10Th St 8:14 AM
E.M.S 800Blk Ashland Ave 8:34 AM
E.M.S 2000Blk Santa Monica Blvd 8:38 AM
Alarm 1100Blk Georgina Ave 10:56 AM
E.M.S 1200Blk 6Th St 11:16 AM
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E.M.S 300Blk Olympic Dr 12:50 PM
E.M.S 400Blk 14Th St 1:28 PM
E.M.S 1900Blk Pico Blvd 1:59 PM
E.M.S 2000Blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:18 PM
E.M.S 1000Blk 11Th St 2:25 PM
E.M.S 1000Blk Wilshire Blvd 2:45 PM
E.M.S 1500Blk 2Nd St 4:57 PM
E.M.S 1400Blk 3Rd Street Prom 7:00 PM
E.M.S 1100Blk 7Th St 7:35 PM
E.M.S 1200Blk Lincoln Blvd 8:15 PM
E.M.S 500Blk 9Th St 8:25 PM
E.M.S 1300Blk 15Th St 9:05 PM
Smoke Investigation 600Blk 10Th St 9:59 PM
E.M.S 17Th St / Pico Blvd 10:07 PM
Elevator Rescue 300Blk Santa Monica Pl 10:17 PM
E.M.S 1000Blk 2Nd St 10:39 PM
E.M.S 2000Blk Pico Blvd 10:41 PM
E.M.S Euclid St / Wilshire Blvd 11:35 PM

GOP tucks $8 billion for military weaponry in virus bill

BY ANDREW TAYLOR
Associated Press

WASHINGTON (AP) — A new $1 trillion COVID-19 response package by Senate Republicans is supposed to give the government more weapons to battle the surging coronavirus pandemic. But GOP lawmakers have more than just the "invisible enemy" in mind.

The Republican measure includes billions for F-35 fighters, Apache helicopters and infantry carriers sought by Washington's powerful defense lobby. Overall, the proposal stuffs $8 billion into Pentagon weapons systems built by defense contractors like Boeing, Lockheed Martin and General Dynamics — corporate titans that sit atop the Washington influence industry.

The bill, drafted by Senate Appropriations Committee Chair Richard Shelby, R-Ala., would deposit $2.2 billion in Pentagon shipbuilding accounts, boost missile defense systems in California and Alaska and deliver about $1.4 billion for C-130 transport planes and F-35 fighters manufactured by Lockheed Martin Corp. Some of the F-35s could be delivered to an Air National Guard unit in Montgomery, Alabama.

In several cases, Shelby proposes restoring cuts imposed by the administration that diverted almost $4 billion to help pay for construction of President Donald Trump's border wall. The Pentagon won significant defense increases last year with passage of a budget agreement that erased automatic spending cuts known as sequestration.

The $8 billion weapons procurement package is part of a $29.4 billion defense portion of the GOP's $1 trillion coronavirus response measure, a White House-backed package released Monday. Providing that money now would help build headroom into the annual defense funding bill that Congress plans to write later this year.

The outlook for Shelby's proposed defense projects appears dim. Democrats slammed the add-ons, and Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky said Tuesday that the final package should not stray from the coronavirus response.

The weapons bazaar galled Democrats whose votes will be required to pass the bill amid widespread divisions inside the Senate GOP conference on the measure. They are pressing items such as food aid and funding for mail-in voting.

"We are not going to be supporting anything that does not acknowledge the incredible hardship people are facing on food," said Sen. Debbie Stabenow, D-Mich.

"Did you see the states it goes to? Maine. Arizona. Kentucky — we have a list," said Senate Minority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., naming states where Republicans are defending seats in the fall election.

The administration never officially asked for the defense funding. It instead delivered informal requests to the powerful lawmakers like Shelby who sit atop the defense funding panel, aides say. Even those informal requests left out the $8 billion for planes, ships and missile defense. It grew from there to include $1.1 billion to build Boeing Poseidon surveillance jets, with $283 million more for the company's Army Apache helicopters, which are manufactured in Mesa, Arizona.

Endangered GOP Sen. Martha McSally of Arizona has been pressing a $650 million project to replace the wings of A-10 Thunderbolt ground support aircraft, many of which are based at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base in Tucson. There's $49 million for Navy sonobuoys, listening devices that can detect submarines that are likely to be manufactured in Florida, according to an analysis by Democratic staff aides requiring anonymity to share internal working documents.

"The defense industrial base — a lot of it's been eroded right now. A lot of people are off from work," Shelby said. "We've got a lot of suppliers involved in there." A Shelby spokesperson added that the country's defense industrial base is "essential to our economy and to the defense of our nation" and said the bill would support millions of jobs.

But further justification for the huge weapons procurement package — drawn in part from a Pentagon "unfunded priorities" wish list of items excluded from the official $740 billion or so defense budget — has been lacking. The measure doesn't say in many cases whether the money is going to buy additional aircraft and other weapons or provide additional money for existing contracts.

The Shelby measure would restore defense dollars that were diverted for border wall work, such as $260 million for a high-speed Navy transport ship to be built by Austal Ltd. in Mobile, Alabama. The Austal shipyard is also the most likely contractor for "four expeditionary medical ships."

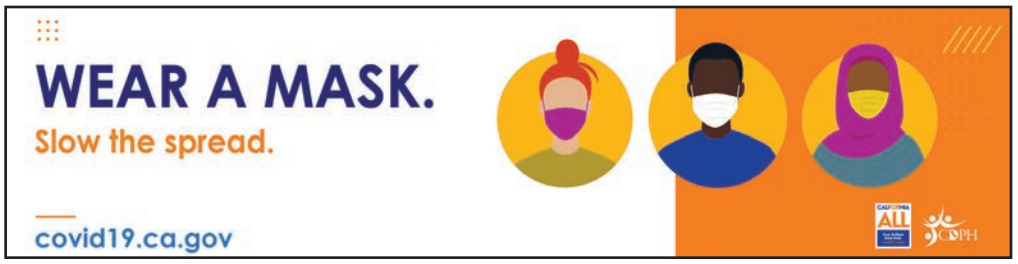
Anniston, Alabama, is also a beneficiary, along with Lima, Ohio, of $375 million for Stryker Army combat vehicle upgrades. Shipyards in Mississippi and Maine would benefit from $250 million for shipbuilding industrial bases.

"They turned the appropriations portion of the bill into a spending spree on weapons systems and a new federal building designed to block competition to the president's hotel," said House Appropriations Committee Chair Nita Lowey, D-N.Y. "It's clear to me that amphibious ships don't feed hungry children."

The package includes $1.8 billion to rebuild the FBI's headquarters in downtown Washington. The building is near the Trump International Hotel, and if the FBI moves the lot, it could be used to construct another hotel that would compete with Trump's.

Shelby is among the last of a brazen breed of veteran Senate appropriators who try to push the envelope to deliver for their states. He also appears to be more independent than his predecessor, the late Sen. Thad Cochran, R-Miss.

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Adoptable Pet of the Week



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PET: The Adoptable Pet of the Week is available from the Santa Monica Animal Shelter.

Geoffrey

Hi, I'm Geoffrey!

I'm a 2-month-old, male, orange tabby — and yes, I'm ridiculously cute. The sheer sight of me invokes fawning because everyone loves me. Why? You might ask. Because I'm a kitten and everyone loves kittens. And while it's kitten season at the shelter with plenty of other kittens to adore, I have my own unique qualities that set me apart from the rest.

I'm confident in playing with older cats, my non-stop energy keeps people on their toes, and my keen skill in hunting and pouncing on toys are admired by all.

So, come on down and adopt me! However, if my awesomeness is too much for you, then there's plenty of other irresistible kittens to take home today.

My ID #A059880 is available for adoption at the Santa Monica Animal Shelter, located at 1640 Ninth Street in Santa Monica. The shelter is closed to the public, and adoptions are by appointment only by calling the shelter at 310-458-8595.

PET TIP OF THE WEEK

Hot weather can pose risks of dehydration and heatstroke in cats but there are many ways to keep cats protected and comfortable in the heat.

Owners can provide water bowls with ice cubes in and around different areas of your home and your cat's favorite spots. Since cats are attracted to very fresh water, wash and fill your water bowls daily or use water fountains for those picky cats.

Matted hair traps heat so brush your cats, especially long-haired ones, as much as possible. One can also pet a cat with damp towels on the areas of their body that have the most heat, such as their tummy, paws, armpits, chin, ears, and other areas with little or no fur.

Create your own cool cat spots like empty bathtubs, showers, sinks, dark rooms, cardboard boxes on their side, under chairs, and wooden floors. To encourage your cat to stay in those areas, include their favorite treats, toys, water and food bowls, and spend time with them in their spots.

Residents can even use ice cubes as toys by placing cubes on the floor and engaging with them in hunt-and-pounce play.

If your cat endeavors outside, create shaded areas and provide plenty of water. Closed areas like conservatories, greenhouses, sheds, and garages trap heat. Sunscreen formulas suited for cats can prevent sunburn on their noses, ears, paws, and areas with little to no fur, but on especially hot days, keep pets indoors.

Look for signs of heatstroke that may require immediate veterinary attention like agitation, stretching out, breathing rapidly, lethargy, skin hot to the touch, glazed eyes, vomiting, and drooling.

Keeping your cats cool keeps them safe, and creates new opportunities for bonding and fun.

Pet of the Week is provided by Carmen Molinari, a long-time volunteer at the Santa Monica Animal Shelter and founder and CEO of Love At First Sit, a pet care and dog training company in Santa Monica. Learn about her, pet tips, and Love At First Sit services at loveatfirstsit.net

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PICO WE CARE

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eradicate that risk and also make groceries available to those who couldn't afford them".

Srivastava, alongside a team of PNA and PYFC volunteers, has delivered 160 packages to community members since April. The packages consist of toilet paper, hand sanitizer, rice, beans, oatmeal, fruit, and tea.

The project is funded by local donations and a $1000 grant from the PNA. The organizers are impressed by the generosity of donors, which has allowed them to scale up their reach from 25 households to 38.

"The Pico Neighborhood is a resilient community and when our community takes action to serve others, it spreads goodwill, kindness and compassion throughout our City", stated PNA Chair Oscar de la Torre.

By taking time to speak with care package recipients, the team has been able to adapt the contents of packages to better meet people's needs. Based on this feedback, they recently added hand sanitizer and plan to include masks in the future.

The Pico We Care team initially used their community knowledge to locate people in need and have been able to find more households through referrals from current recipients and an online newsletter. Volunteers have completed six rounds of deliveries and aim to continue them on a biweekly basis for the duration of the pandemic.

"You can't just give some groceries one week and be done", explained Srivastava. "We want to continue it because people are truly dependent on it and we don't want to let them down".

According to de la Torre, recipients have been extremely grateful for the safe and free delivery of supplies as well as the social aspect of the biweekly check-ins. He has received emails from people who don't live in the city expressing gratitude that someone is there to help out their grandmother or grandfather.

A small donation goes a long way. By purchasing supplies in bulk the team is able to produce each package for around $12. The volunteers are developing an online donation platform to help expand their reach and increase the ease of donating.

If you know someone who can benefit from receiving a care package or would like to donate or volunteer, please contact PYFC at 310-396-7101 or admin@picoyouth.org.

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Small plane makes emergency landing on California highway

SAN ONOFRE, Calif. (AP) — The pilot of a small plane that lost engine power made a safe emergency landing on a Southern California highway, authorities said.

After rejecting the Pacific Coast Highway as a possible landing spot because it was too narrow, the pilot opted to set the Piper PA24 down on Interstate 5, the Orange County Register reported.

He timed the landing for a break in traffic around 12:45 p.m. on Monday near Camp Pendleton, said California Highway Patrol Officer Mark Latulippe.

"The pilot ... landed (the plane) on the freeway lanes without hitting any vehicles and veered to the right shoulder to remove the aircraft from the (roadway)," Latulippe said.

The 55-year-old pilot, the sole occupant of the late 1950s-model plane was en route from Orange County's John Wayne Airport to Montgomery-Gibbs Executive Airport in San Diego when the engine failed, the newspaper reported.

The plane was loaded onto a truck and hauled to Oceanside Municipal Airport for repairs, Latulippe said.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Interim City Manager and Director of Emergency Services Lane Dilg issued a twenty-third supplement Tuesday that, with certain specified exceptions, extended Santa Monica's local emergency declaration and all associated orders to Aug. 31, 2020. Later expiration dates stated in specific supplements remain unchanged, according to city officials.

The City of Santa Monica extended its local emergency as key metrics continue to show community spread of COVID-19. The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health announced 2,039 new cases of COVID-19 on Tuesday, and Santa Monica has recorded 605 total COVID-19 cases since the start of the pandemic.

"LA County's 8.4% positivity rate demonstrates the seriousness of where we are in the pandemic and that we have to continue proven public health measures like wearing face coverings and not gathering," Dilg said. "We extend strength for recovery to every Santa Monican who has contracted the virus and our deepest condolences to the families in our community who have lost loved ones. As a community, we join together in navigating these difficult and uncertain times."

Physical distancing remains a requirement along with wearing a face covering to prevent the spread of COVID-19 whenever you are outside your home. Please comply with physical distancing and face covering requirements posted by businesses and recreational facilities. You can be fined $100 for not wearing a face covering. For a list of local businesses selling face coverings, visit santamonica.gov/coronavirus. Frequent hand washing, not gathering in groups or crowds, and staying home if you are sick are vital measures to continue to flatten the COVID-19 curve and protect our healthcare system from a further surge of critical patients.

For the latest information, please visit santamonica.gov/coronavirus, or call the City's Coronavirus Hotline at (310) 458-8400.

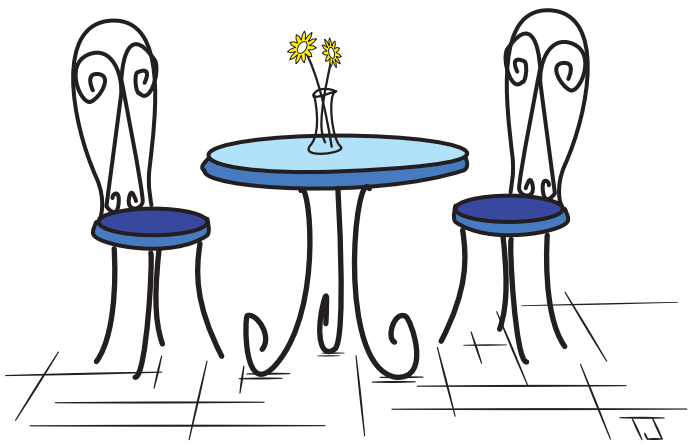
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WHIP THEM ALL - WITH LOVE

KEEP YOUR EYE ON THE BALL

Good advice, when trying to deal with issues that come with a lot of distraction.

But what if you're facing an octopus pitcher and there are eight balls hurtling at you at once?

In Santa Monica, we are facing that situation. And in our upcoming presidential election, there is a large truckful of octopi. No fastballs down the middle, it's all curves, forks, changeups, sliders, knuckleballs (from knuckleheads) and of course screwballs. In the dirt. So, how to cope?

SO MANY ISSUES

Most of them really important. In SM, it's obvious to most residents that continuing to densify this small city, especially in a time of viral pandemic, is not healthy for anyone but developers and the politicians they keep in office. That city government should be transparent and City Council and staff should respectfully listen to residents before deciding things.

That the streets should be safe. Our tax money spent judiciously. Laws enforced. Our Constitutional right to protest protected, not tear gassed. Our children safe at City-sponsored programs. Our businesses not left helpless to an army of looters we knew were coming. That an 11-story behemoth hotel complex on land we residents own is not what should further clog up our high-rising, packed in, already built out downtown; it should be a park, plaza, or at least open space, like all great cities around the world have at their center.

Our leaders should be elected, not selected through a one-party, exclusive club, movers-and-shakers process. Private companies should not be allowed to use our public spaces without permission, permit or payment, especially when it endangers our residents. We need more trees and parks, parks safe for all. In a time of painful awareness that BLM we should be advancing minority rights, not spending tens of millions of our tax dollars to suppress them through the courts, fighting on even after we lost the trial verdict.

WHO CAN ARGUE THESE THINGS?

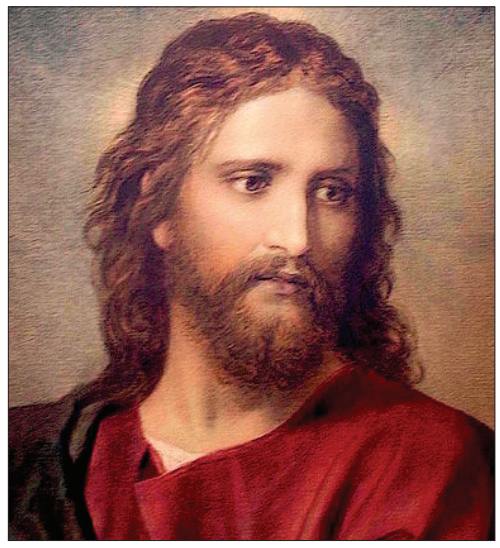
But our entire City Council, five of them up for election in less than 100 days, are. In a time of unprecedented health, economic and equality crisis. Does that work for you?

They have their reasons. They have their vision, their master plan. But they are destroying this beautiful city, in the name of affordable housing that is not affordable to most of our once-diverse population. They obviously feel they know better and we can't be entrusted to even have meaningful input on these important issues. Paternalism. If we try to fight them issue by issue, we haven't got a chance. Is there a strategy?

I think so. It's not what you think I'm going to say.

IT'S LOVE

To fight for what you know is right, with resolute passion, with determination to never quit no matter the setbacks or the odds. To fight for principles because they are right, humane, just. Not because you hate the other side. You can hate what they're doing, hate the actions, but don't hate the people. Keep your eye on the ball.



Heinrich Hofmann

JESUS: Portrait by Heinrich Hofmann.

Oh Lord, there you go Charles, the old long-haired love-is-all-you-need college peace activist cops-are-pigs demonstrator, beads and acid and bad poetry dude reemerges. (Um, actually, only the peace activist, love and hair parts would describe my college days. Never called a cop a pig, never dropped acid. Two years in the US Army interrupted my college career and I was a father at 22 of a beautiful boy and would not risk messing around. Not even with bad poetry.)

But this is the 21st Century, get real.

IT IS COMPLETELY PRACTICAL AND REALISTIC

And there is a huge body of evidence supporting the principle of love that is the foundation of non-violent protest. There are quite a few folks who profess (though not always in deed), 2,000 years later, the principles of peace and brotherly love espoused by that likely long-haired, bearded, dark-skinned Middle Eastern revolutionary named Jesus -- billions, one-third of the planet. The Indians would still be serving tea to the British if Gandhi hadn't used non-violent protest to move them out. American women finally got the vote without firing a shot (though, somewhere, a husband or two may have been punched in the stomach). And as bad as our racism persists to this day in the US of A, there is no longer lawful segregation nor denial of voting rights and so much more because of the non-violent tactics of heroes like Martin Luther King Jr. and John Lewis.

The great congressman Lewis was laid to rest this past Sunday (Trump announced he would not even pay respects at the casket lying in state in the Capitol), but his voice, principles, passion and love for this country and what it stands for can never be stilled. I think if he had a chance to speak before our City Council, things might run differently.

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CVS HEALTH

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even more luckily, the first-generation college student still had an internship opportunity that would allow her to work on CVS Health's financial team.

CVS Health officials said they hope to hire more than 65% of the more than 300 interns who were selected to participate in the recent virtual internship program; and as a minority and the first prospective graduate in her family, Cornejo said it's been great to see CVS Health engage with students who share a similar story to her.

"They're really looking to pull in minority students and I know a lot of minority students might not have the same connections as other families, so it's really nice for CVS Health to bridge that gap and have a good structure and guidelines that show us how to get where we want to be," Cornejo said. "The program has a very strong pipeline and they also train students in different sectors like marketing and investment banking."

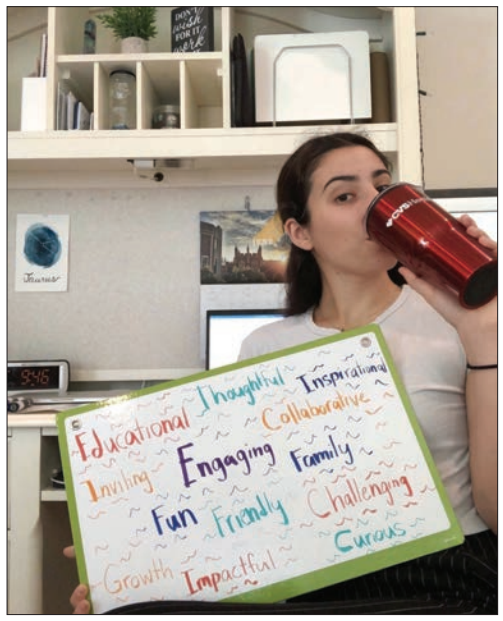
As somebody who has aspires to inspire minority students to take the leap into the corporate world and become leaders, Cornejo believes her internship, which is set to end in early August, has proved to be invaluable.

"I was hearing from other companies that their internships were getting canceled and I was so stressed out because I spent this whole time preparing for interviews, getting through the process, and so to maybe not have that opportunity and have to redo the whole process or figure out something else was very stressful," Cornejo said. "Luckily, CVS Health announced that we would be doing a virtual model... I was wondering how that would work at first but everything was planned out. There was no miscommunication or anything. It's all been really smooth and an amazing learning experience."

As a member on the Medicaid finance team, Cornejo has a number of real-world duties assigned to her.

"I've gotten a broad spectrum of work that's helped me understand what it's like to work in Medicaid and the different areas. My manager has done a great job of connecting me with people so I can see what they are doing on the business side, the accounting side, and all of that mix has been great."

It's definitely been different than if the internship was in-person because interns aren't able to overhear people's conversations and see what they're doing, Cornejo added. "But the program, in general, has definitely done a great job of helping us mend that gap by having a lot of opportunities for us to meet other people, especially within my team."



Courtesy Photo

INTERNSHIP: Gaby Cornejo has enjoyed her internship with CVS Health this summer.

There are about 40 interns in Cornejo's finance cohort, "and every week, they randomly group us into fives, and we set up a networking call so we can meet each other and talk about what's been going on in our projects, share tips and tricks, and just talk about how things are going to kind of get that bond because we don't have meetings with each other. We don't see each other walking down the halls every day, so that's been really helpful to have that structure."

As somebody who has known what she has wanted in a career for some time, Cornejo said it's important to receive real-world experience in an environment like CVS Health because students won't really know if a career is for them unless they try to do the job themselves.

"And I think that the junior year internship is the prime time to have that experience and see if you like the work that you're actually thinking about doing," Cornejo said. "And then to know this is one of the main pipelines into a full-time position for CVS Health — that makes the experience even better because you know if you work hard and make the most of the opportunity, then you can end up actually working in a field of your dreams.. It's been very helpful to make sure that I know that finance is the correct place for me, and I'm loving it so far. I really want to do this for the rest of my life and I'm thankful I got the opportunity to find out."

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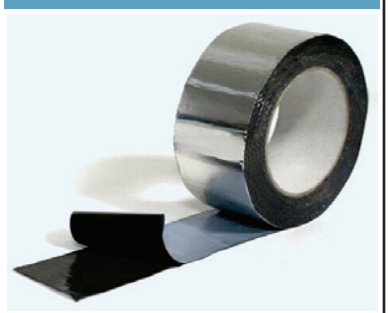




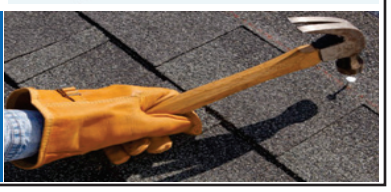




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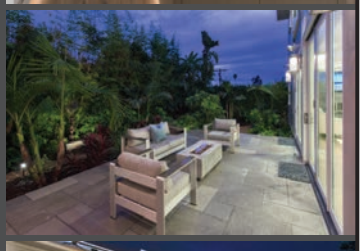


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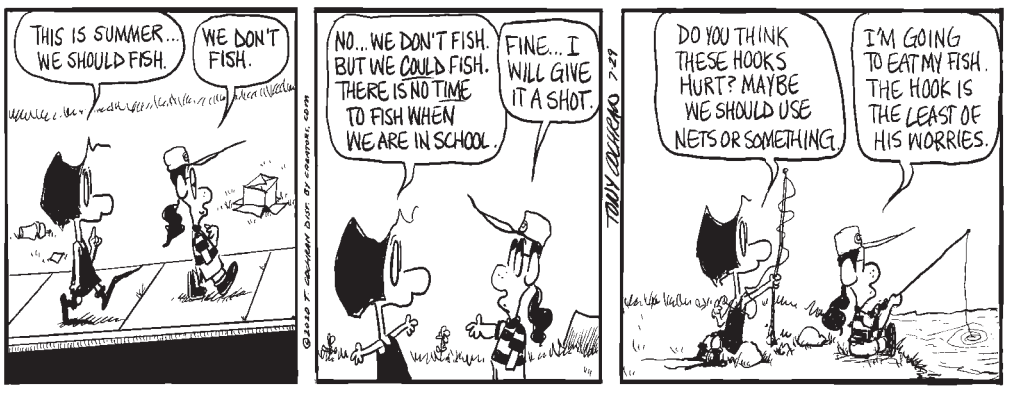
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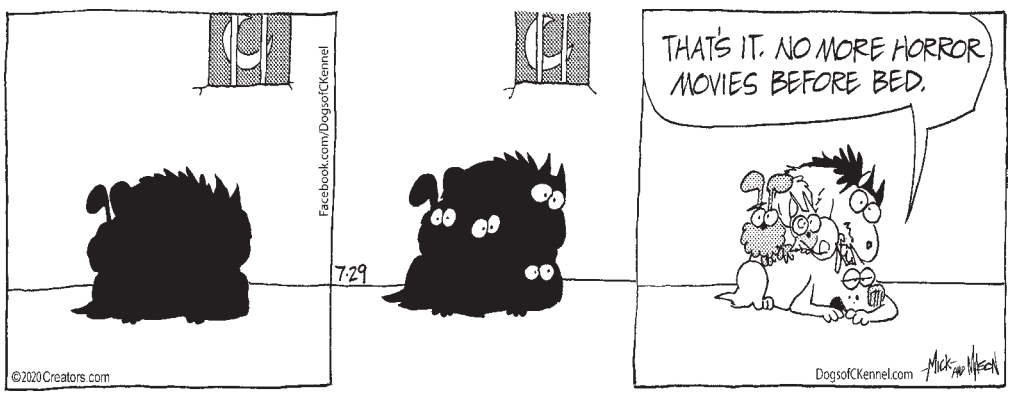
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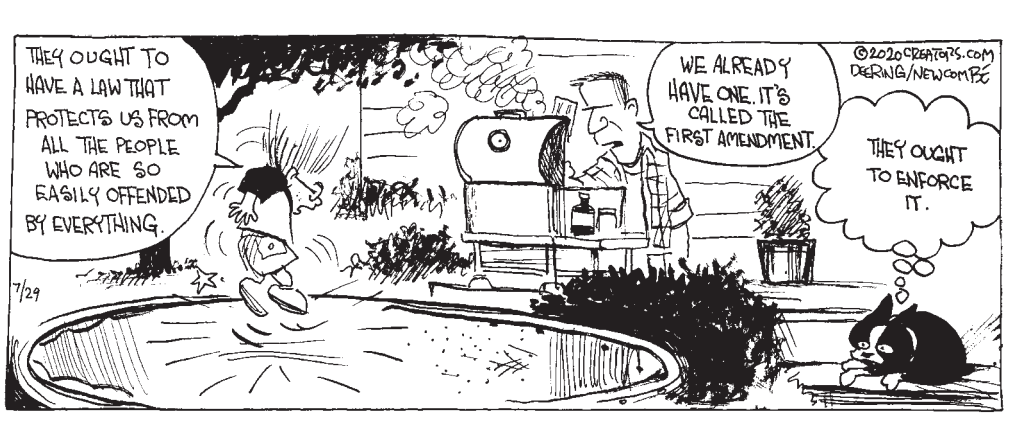
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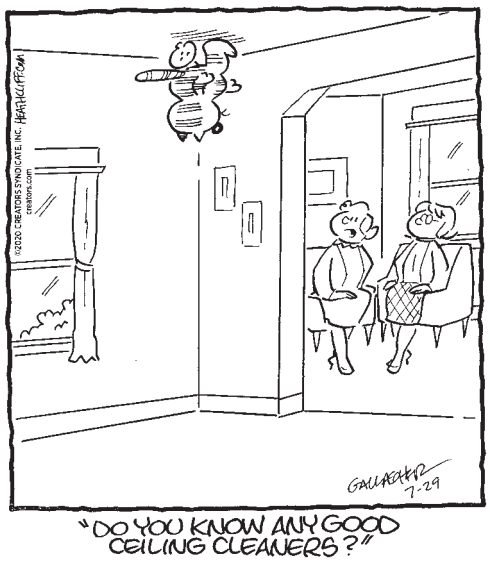
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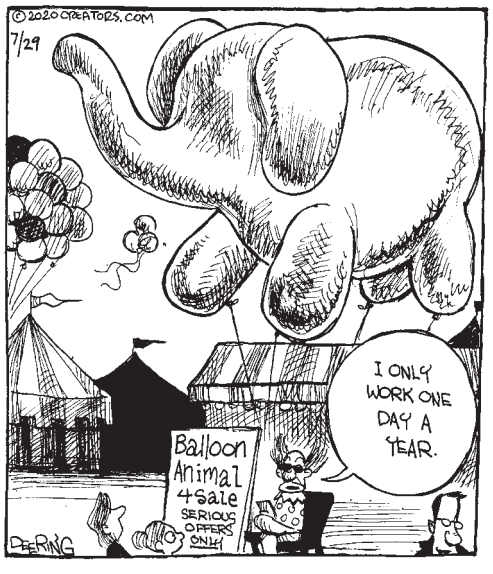
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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 64.4°

WEDNESDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 1-2ft Knee to thigh high occ. 3 ft
Small mix of SSW and SSE swells lingers. Minor NW energy.

THURSDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 1-2ft Knee to thigh high occ. 3 ft
Small mix of SSW and SSE swells eases. Minor NW energy.

WEATHER

Wednesday: Partly sunny, with a high near 71.
Wednesday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 62.
Thursday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 73.
Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 63.
Friday: Sunny, with a high near 82.

Date	Day of the Week	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
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2020/07/29	Wed	06:44 AM	3.35	H
2020/07/29	Wed	11:20 AM	2.25	L
2020/07/29	Wed	6:03 PM	5.99	H
2020/07/30	Thu	01:32 AM	-0.05	L
2020/07/30	Thu	08:01 AM	3.59	H
2020/07/30	Thu	12:24 PM	2.41	L
2020/07/31	Fri	7:45 PM	6.47	H
2020/08/01	Sat	03:05 AM	-0.79	L
2020/08/01	Sat	09:35 AM	4.04	H
2020/08/01	Sat	2:13 PM	2.34	L
2020/08/01	Sat	8:30 PM	6.58	H
2020/08/02	Sun	03:45 AM	-0.89	L
2020/08/02	Sun	10:11 AM	4.17	H
2020/08/02	Sun	2:57 PM	2.24	L
2020/08/02	Sun	9:10 PM	6.56	H
2020/08/03	Mon	04:21 AM	-0.83	L
2020/08/03	Mon	10:45 AM	4.25	H
2020/08/03	Mon	3:38 PM	2.15	L
2020/08/03	Mon	9:48 PM	6.41	H

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Fantasy 5
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Draw Date: 07/26
Evening: 8 1 0
Draw Date: 07/26
Midday: 4 6 8

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2nd: 12-LUCKY CHARMS
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ARIES (March 21-April 19). You do not want people to be overly reliant on you. This would lead to them feeling disempowered, and you feeling like a babysitter. When everyone knows what to do on their own, the whole team progresses.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). It happens today, as it has from time to time, an instance of profundity, quick as a hand clap, jarring you into an experience of all life as a sudden, painful flash of beauty, and then it's over, back to normal.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). One essential part of knowing yourself well is knowing what triggers your responses to the world. It's often a minor cue that sets major events in motion for you. Now, you'll recognize just what is that cue.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Vague abstractions and big explanations will get no traction. You just want to know what to do next. You'll ask for, receive and deliver communication that's direct and succinct.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll spend hours in practice, focusing on a particular aspect of the larger picture. You'll do it fast, do it slow, do it differently and when you do it wrong, you'll stop and correct in small moves until you get it just right.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). In this circular life, perhaps nothing is ever really complete. Yet, today it will lift your entire being to feel that a matter of importance has been resolved to whatever degree it can be.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It is engaging and motivating to do purposeful work. Sometimes, you have to find that or even create it. You will reconnect with the reasons you are doing a thing, and this will reenergize you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). In an ideal relationship, it's easy to see the confluence of interests. Needs match up and what is given and received makes sense to both parties. In a less-than-ideal relationship, you can still focus on what's working.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll be thinking about the many ways you build a lifestyle, and then your lifestyle builds you. You are very much in control of this construction project today.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The bad habit you want to lose is not going to be gently tossed aside; rather, it will need to be ejected with great force. Do this and you'll experience radical results as early as the weekend.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It is dangerous to spend too much time imagining the outcome because this could set up a dynamic in which fantasizing is so pleasurable a payoff that no further action feels necessary.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There is no need to rigidly stick to a joyless plan. Your life is constructed of flexible stuff. Agreements can be changed, appointments moved around, relationships reconsidered or reconstructed.

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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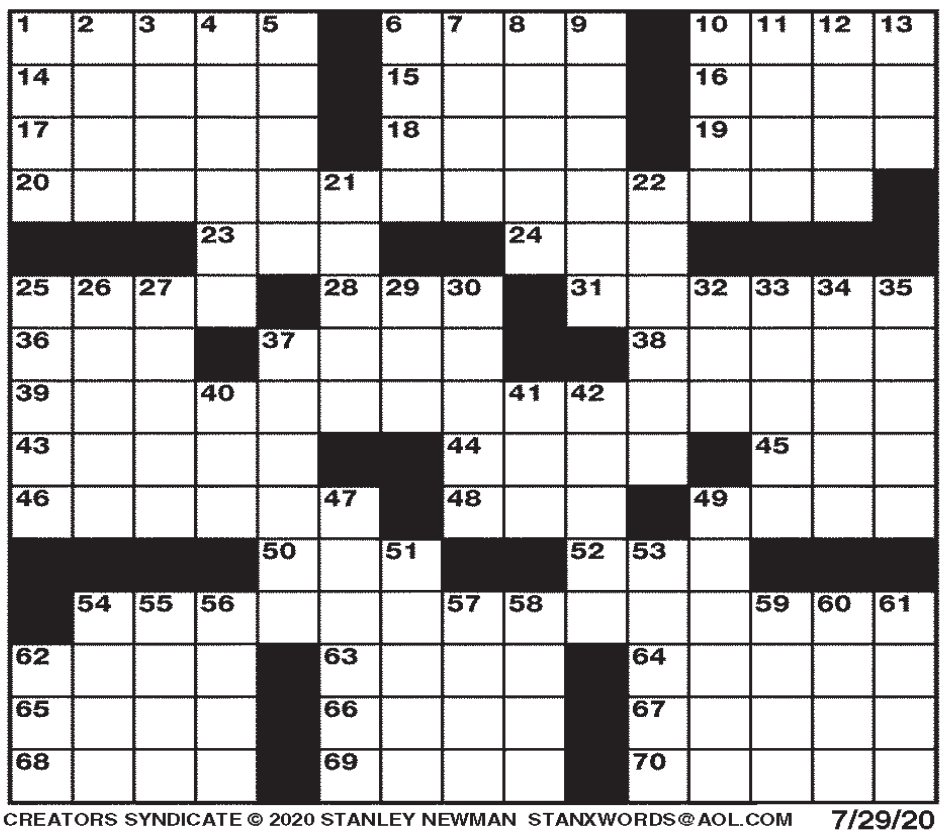
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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Later on
6 Actor Pitt
10 Number on a sports page
14 Dog collar attachment
15 Four-star review
16 __ story (biography)
17 Containing nothing
18 Author unknown: Abbr.
19 __ so (nevertheless)
20 Hinged outer-wall installation
23 Elongated swimmer
24 Observe
25 Criticize, informally
28 Cut (off), as branches
31 Alligators' habitats
36 Right-angle shape
37 Andes Mountains country
38 Dote on
39 Samuel Beckett "no-show" play
43 Online memo
44 On the house
45 Big Australian bird
46 Impish one
48 "Then again . . ."
49 Pig food
50 Body art, for short
52 Suffix for novel
54 Type of vacation lodging
62 Staple of Cajun cuisine
63 Price reduction event
64 So all can hear
65 Take out shirt creases
66 Privy to
67 Musical beat
68 Flex
69 __ out a living (barely got by)
70 Evil grin

DOWN
1 Actor Baldwin
2 Disaster aid agcy.
3 Bugler's "lights out" music
4 Great respect
5 "Partridge," to "cartridge"
6 High fiber cereal
7 Vent verbally
8 States with certainty
9 Declares false
10 Snow day toy
11 Digital TV recorder
12 Not too many
13 5/6 of a dozen
21 Talk show host DeGeneres
22 Modern music genre
25 Tailor, while working
26 Camel cousin from 37 Across
27 Fake name
29 Charity's URL ender
30 Like cumulus clouds
32 Fuss
33 Tiny plane or train
34 Publicity piece, for short
35 Establish
37 Pontius __
40 First of three game X's
41 Smelter's raw material
42 Knot up again
47 Scottish girl
49 Obtained unlawfully
51 Acknowledge in an acceptance speech
53 Leaves in a hurry
54 It's often full of hot air
55 Smartphone graphic
56 Make repairs to
57 __ vera gel
58 Rip roughly
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61 Scent, good or bad
62 Chest bone



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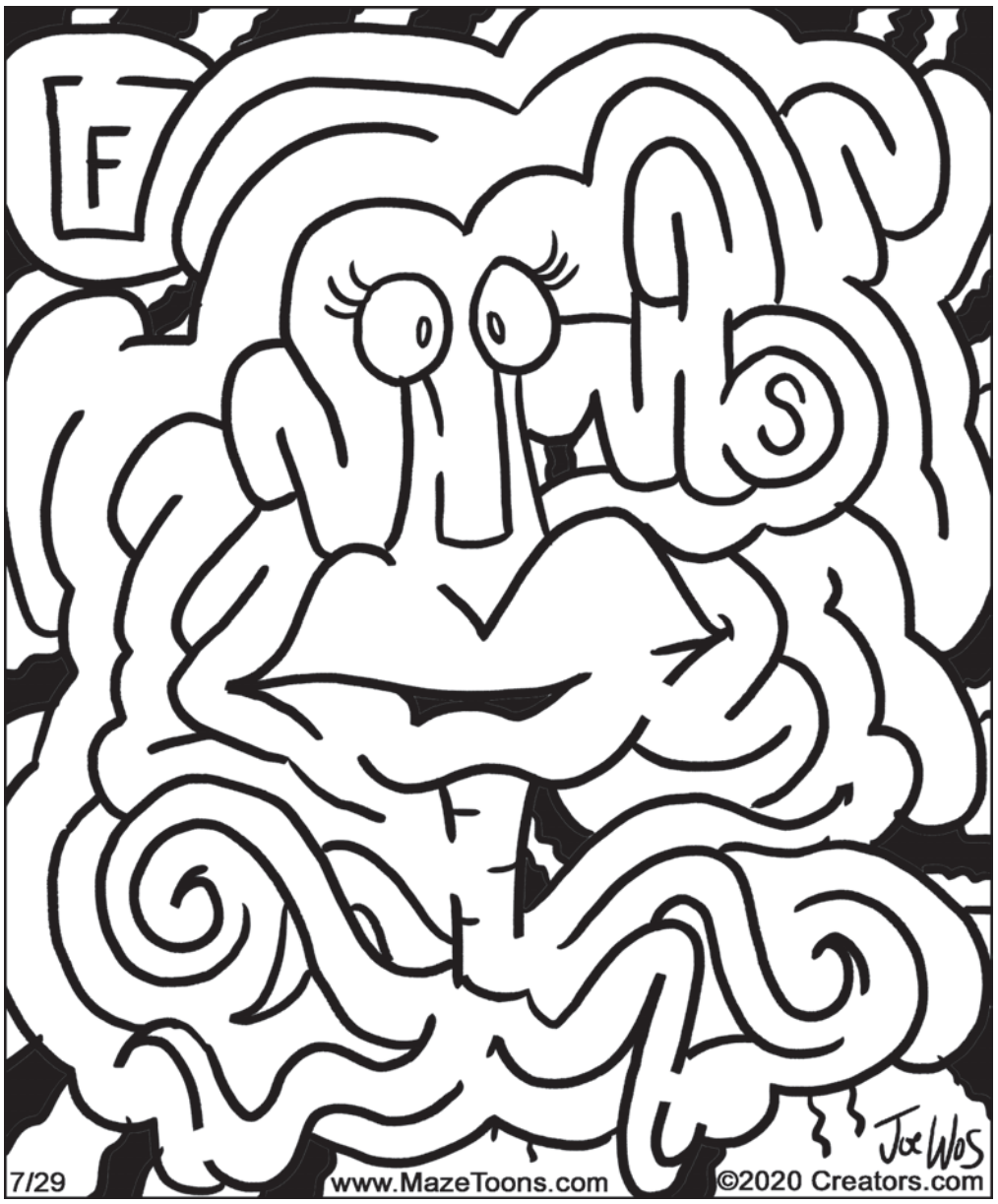
Binary Puzzle

Each cell should contain a zero or a one. No more than two similar numbers below or next to each other are allowed. Each row and each column is unique and contains as many zeros as ones.

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R P E E S A T W A D N A L A M
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CURUIOUS CITY

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Love our city, I don't doubt that. They're just misguided. Terribly, terribly misguided. And since they have shown intractability over the issues listed above and so much more, it seems we are left no other choice for saving what's left of this amazing city than to move them out of the way. Without malice, but with resolute love for our city and all it has been and still can be.

Our issues here are serious, like protecting a precious child, giving it a chance to grow into something good, to realize its potential, so we must use the very best means available. And I say, and you know, hard as it may be sometimes in our anger and frustration to stray otherwise -- all you need is love.

Hey, if you think that's corny and outmoded and won't work, well, I'm with Martin and John, Jesus and Mahatma. I'll match their successes with any tyrants of history you can name.

I don't even hate Donald J. Trump. Or William Barr. Or the Trump boys or Jared. Or Menuchin or Kudlow. But for God's sake VOTE! Vote blue!

Charles Andrews has lived in Santa Monica for 34 years and wouldn't live anywhere else in the world. Really. Send love and/or rebuke to him at therealmrmusic@gmail.com

FITNESS

FROM PAGE 1

Those measures included having instructors sit behind plexiglass partitions wearing masks, face shields, gloves and long sleeves, and all equipment was thoroughly wiped down and sanitized after use. Sklar-Mulcahy also installed a state of the art Reme Halo Air purifier that kills 99 percent of viruses that travel through the air and on surfaces, and opted to shorten classes from 60 minutes down to a half-hour. "We basically turned our studio into a one-touch studio," the CYCLEBAR owner said.

Despite the extensive measures she took though, class enrollment still faltered after restrictions were lifted. Sklar-Mulcahy estimated her Culver City Studio generated about 1600 "riders," as she calls her clients, and 500 members before the March shutdown. But after returning from lockdown, her membership decreased to 300 with very few new signups.

Her two-month-old Santa Monica location was hit hardest, she said. "Going from sold-out classes to only filling half the bikes was really hard."

Once news broke that Newsom reversed his decision, Sklar-Mulcahy said she needed to keep her business alive and knew that her clientele wanted to return to a safe environment. The former television producer of 20 years put her production talents to work and said "let's do this," before deciding to bring her service outside the same day. Sklar-Mulcahy was able to mobilize her sound system, teach her employees how to use it, set the stationary bikes outside — and by 5:30 p.m., both of her franchise locations were fully equipped to teach classes outdoors.

The quick-thinking proved to be a hit.

"We started seeing members that had canceled are actually reinstating their memberships" according to Sklar-Mulcahy, who aded, "We're selling out classes, which we had not been doing at all since we reopened."

Sklar-Mulcahy said she is overwhelmed by the positive response from the community but she is ready to move operations indoors once it is safe to do so.

For now, though, Sklar-Mulcahy intends to continue managing both locations, which are located at 1221 2nd St., Suite 100 in Santa Monica, or in Culver City at 4130 Sepulveda Blvd., Unit C.

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