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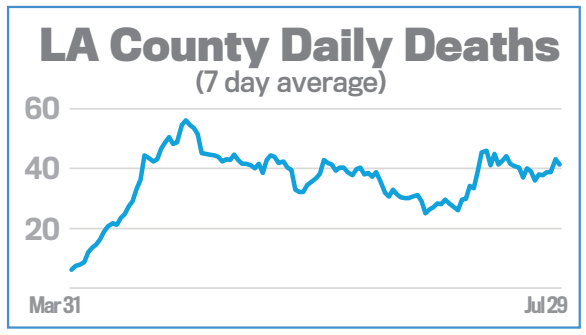
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CORONAVIRUS DEATHS per 100,000 in 5 Largest States

CALIFORNIA	TEXAS	FLORIDA	NEW YORK	PENNSYLVANIA
22.7	22.4	30.7	168.4	56.8

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Feeding Families SM provides food, hope and more

BRENNON DIXSON
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Volunteers, food and hungry families are all being sought out by a group of former PTA moms who are interested in little more than assisting those who find themselves in need during the current pandemic.

Feeding Families Santa Monica is a collective of volunteers who host weekly food drives. The group is preparing to feed more than 100 families this Saturday at Hope United LA — a local church located near Arizona Avenue and 14th street — but Feeding Families SM co-founder Cheryl Byrne said the group started out on a much smaller scale at the beginning of the pandemic.



Courtesy Photos

FRESH FOOD: Local parents, school officials and even master gardener Teague Weybright have come together in recent weeks to provide food-insecure families with meals through the organization Feeding Families Santa Monica.

"Suzie Crocker from Hope United LA originally contacted us and said she had a bunch of pre-packaged food and she hoped we knew some families who might need it," Byrne said. From there, Marie Espino, Karen Miller and Byrne would contact Grant Elementary School's community liaison.

"And she said, 'Well, how many families do you think this food that you just got could feed? And we said we maybe could do 12 boxes," Byrne said. "And then we soon realized this is going to be scary for people, so we decided we would make more boxes. The next

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Anonymous tips help California counties enforce virus orders

BY CHRISTOPHER WEBER
Associated Press

After weeks of stressing education over enforcement, California communities say they are now issuing fines and relying on anonymous tips to make sure

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Restaurants serve up creative solutions to Covid restrictions

CLARA HARTER
SMDP Staff Writer

Glasses clink, candles flicker, and the cool ocean breeze sweeps by carrying hints of fresh rosemary and garlic. This is not the scene of a pre-COVID fantasy, but the serene new courtyard Chef Andrea Inio transported his restaurant to a mere three days after learning his recently reopened dining room must close indefinitely.

Across Santa Monica, restaurants are finding imaginative new ways to adapt their practices in an effort to keep their employees healthy and hired and customers safe and satiated.

"We've been swimming in this ocean, and now we've found a raft so we're still safe," Inio said in

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Petty Theft Just Occurred 1600Blk Santa Monica Blvd 12:53 AM
Transport Prisoner 300Blk Olympic Dr 12:59 AM
Transport Prisoner 300Blk Olympic Dr 2:25 AM
Grand Theft Auto Report 2000Blk Virginia Ave 6:13 AM
Burglary Report 400Blk Santa Monica Blvd 7:00 AM
Burglary Report 400Blk Santa Monica Blvd 7:25 AM
Transport Prisoner 300Blk Olympic Dr 7:32 AM
Transport Prisoner 300Blk Olympic Dr 7:34 AM
Petty Theft Report 800Blk The Beach 8:35 AM
Auto Burglary Report Lincoln Blvd / Hill St 9:12 AM
Trespassing 800Blk 4Th St 9:23 AM
Trespassing 800Blk Pico Blvd 9:56 AM
Malicious Mischief Report 1500Blk 5Th St 10:02 AM
Lewd Activity 3100Blk Wilshire Blvd 10:21 AM
Battery Just Occurred 2400Blk Oak St 10:35 AM
ENCAMPMENT 1400Blk Santa Monica Blvd 10:45 AM
ENCAMPMENT 1600Blk 19Th St 10:59 AM
Grand Theft Auto Report 1500Blk Ocean Ave 11:24 AM
Auto Burglary Report 400Blk Palisades Ave 11:30 AM
Elder Abuse 1300Blk 17Th St 11:54 AM
Elder Abuse 600Blk 7Th St 11:54 AM
Elder Abuse 1300Blk 2Nd St 11:55 AM
Fraud Report 1700Blk Ocean Ave 11:56 AM
Elder Abuse 1300Blk 2Nd St 11:56 AM
Elder Abuse 1900Blk 22Nd St 11:57 AM
Elder Abuse 2600Blk 34Th St 11:57 AM
Petty Theft Just Occurred 2800Blk Wilshire Blvd 11:58 AM
Elder Abuse 2800Blk 3Rd St 11:58 AM
Elder Abuse 1800Blk 9Th St 11:58 AM
Elder Abuse 900Blk 4Th St 11:59 AM
Elder Abuse 2600Blk 34Th St 12:00 PM
Elder Abuse 1500Blk 5Th St 12:00 PM
Person with a Gun 2200Blk Ocean Front Walk 12:43 PM
Burglary Report 1500Blk 5Th St 12:53 PM
Fraud Report 1300Blk 14Th St 1:32 PM
Person Down 26Th St / Wilshire Blvd 1:59 PM
Civil Dispute 1800Blk 19Th St 2:22 PM
Trespassing 1400Blk 18Th St 2:55 PM
Missing Person Santa Monica Area 3:03 PM
Hit and Run Misdemeanor Investigation 3000Blk Airport Ave 3:03 PM
Battery Just Occurred 700Blk California Ave 3:20 PM
Lewd Activity 1700Blk Main St 3:45 PM
Fraud Report Unknown 4:22 PM
Trespassing 1300Blk 19Th St 4:34 PM
Trespassing 1300Blk Palisades Beach Rd 4:38 PM
Trespassing 400Blk Broadway 4:54 PM
Traffic Collision - Unknown Injuries 2Nd St / Arizona Ave 5:10 PM
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Trespassing 1600Blk Ocean Ave 5:29 PM
Bike Theft Report 2500Blk Beverley Ave 5:34 PM
Panic Alarm 1000Blk Bay St 5:38 PM
Civil Dispute 00Blk Vicente Ter 5:52 PM
Burglary Report 400Blk Santa Monica Blvd 6:14 PM
Petty Theft Report 3100Blk 4Th St 6:43 PM
Trespassing 1200Blk Lincoln Blvd 7:06 PM
Malicious Mischief Report 1000Blk 2Nd St 7:42 PM
Battery Just Occurred 1100Blk Palisades Park 7:47 PM
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Battery Report 1900Blk 19Th St 11:10 PM

DAILY FIRE LOG

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E.M.S 3100Blk Neilson Way 2:55 AM
Automatic Alarm 1300Blk 15Th St 3:02 AM
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E.M.S 2100Blk Ocean Ave 4:35 AM
E.M.S 1300Blk 16Th St 5:02 AM
E.M.S 900Blk 7Th St 6:58 AM
E.M.S 2500Blk Main St 8:00 AM
E.M.S 1900Blk Cloverfield Blvd 8:46 AM
Automatic Alarm 2800Blk Neilson Way 9:32 AM
E.M.S 1700Blk Cloverfield Blvd 9:33 AM
Vehicle Fire 2100Blk Montana Ave 9:34 AM
E.M.S 1400Blk Yale St 10:26 AM
E.M.S Berkeley St / Wilshire Blvd 10:28 AM
E.M.S 2000Blk Ocean Ave 10:50 AM
E.M.S 900Blk 3Rd St 11:23 AM
E.M.S 400Blk Broadway 11:33 AM
E.M.S 26Th St / Wilshire Blvd 1:58 PM
E.M.S 1300Blk 16Th St 2:33 PM
E.M.S 26Th St / Wilshire Blvd 2:58 PM
E.M.S 7Th St / Olympic Blvd W 3:03 PM
E.M.S 1300Blk 15Th St 4:28 PM
Traffic Collision with Injury 1400Blk 2Nd St 5:10 PM
E.M.S 1400Blk 17Th St 6:01 PM
Automatic Alarm 800Blk Arizona Ave 7:46 PM

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Girl Scout goes for Gold

BY EMMA CRAWFORD
Samohi Junior

MUSIC EDUCATION THROUGH THE EYES OF A GIRL SCOUT

"Gold Award Girl Scouts are the dreamers and the doers who take 'make the world a better place' to the next level. The Girl Scout Gold Award is the mark of the truly remarkable — proof that not only can she make a difference, but that she already has," the Girl Scout website states.

My name is Emma Crawford. I am a rising junior at Santa Monica High School, where I am heavily involved in the music program. I play oboe in the Wind Ensemble and Symphony Orchestra, and flute in the marching band, and during my frequent participation in music, I have noticed the enrollment for many music programs in the district and community was declining so I wanted to do something to help.

My Girl Scout Gold Award has included the education of both parents and students, and I am currently trying to raise enrollment in the music programs in Santa Monica by raising awareness about the benefits of music education through hosting a series of meetings for parents at the elementary, middle, and high school levels.

The main parts of my project have been collected onto my website at www.instrumentinvestigation.weebly.com. I have also held three parent meetings on the benefits of music, which can also be found on the website under the parents tab.

I am working with Dr. Moerschel from Elemental Music and Ms. Woo from John Adams Middle School, who have both been helping me throughout the whole process as well because we all know music programs allow students to have fun while learning new skills that encompass many other subjects.

Music combines many high school subjects, then makes it art — all while teaching students life skills as well. Music is the class where I learn the most while also having fun and making memories and friendships that will last a lifetime.

Declining enrollment may be due to conflicts in school and extracurricular schedules. In middle school, a student has their academic classes, a physical education class, and one elective. That's just in school! Outside of school, you have extracurriculars like sports and possibly even more classes.

When there are so many options, the benefits of music tend to get overlooked. As somebody who takes two science classes, is involved in gymnastics and practices French, I can admit all of these elective options have benefits of their own. A problem only arises if the other classes are replacing music because I believe the benefits of music outweigh any of the other activities you can participate in as a student in and out of school.

Music classes have been a safe haven for students for decades. Music classrooms and programs are always accepting of new students and provide a safe space for kids to unwind when they are having a bad day. Music lets students let loose and have fun while learning. And as an added bonus, music programs often send musicians on trips across the state, country, or even the world.

You can see how music is incredibly important to the growing mind, for educational purposes, life skills, and emotional health. If educators truly have their students' best interests in mind, they will keep music classes in the curriculum with access to good teachers and resources.

I am eager to see enrollment go up in school and community classes and my project hopefully will convince you to join a class soon.

FEEDING FAMILIES

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week I think we did 17 all out of my friend Marie's garage, and then the following week we were told there were about 32 families who were food insecure."

Luckily, Barry and Suzie Crocker, pastors of Hope United LA, invited Byrne and crew to set up shop at the church and make boxes there.

"They said let's just keep this going, so it went from 12 to 17 to 32," Byrne said, "and last weekend we made 104 boxes of food."

Feeding Families SM volunteers consider themselves regulars now at grocers like Restaurant Depot and other places who have been gracious enough to provide to the cause. And even residents who aren't associated with the group have stepped up to buy 50-pound bags of rice on their own, which they eventually drop off to Byrne so she can distribute them during events like Saturday's.

As she attempted to name to every donor who has helped along the way, Byrne said the food boxes are only possible every weekend because of the community's help.

"The three of us who started this — we have been involved in the community so we knew what schools would be going through and that families in our community would be going through a lot once COVID happened and people lost their jobs and couldn't go to work," Byrne said. "So we just knew we had to do something, and it wasn't even a choice. At one point, someone asked if we should cap the numbers of families we can give to, and I said, 'No way! We'll figure it out.' And honest to God, each week, we are just figuring it out… Sometimes we get nervous that we don't have enough food to give to people but it's worked out so far. Each week it gets a little scary, and I have to admit when we took a big jump from the 32 boxes to 64 — I was blown away. In fact, it makes me want to cry sometimes because it feels amazing that we are able to do this."

GET INVOLVED

Fresh produce, rice, beans, canned goods, potatoes and nonperishable items are always being accepted by Feeding Families Santa Monica and United Hope LA.

The group has a sign-up form in the bio of its Instagram page, which can be found online at instagram.com/feedingfamilies_sm.

"We have to be aware of how many people are in the church at one time helping out due to COVID," Byrne said. "But we appreciate anybody who comes to volunteer or who is interested in bringing us food and all of that. And so are the people. We have a few families that have eight or nine people so every bit helps."x

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Former GOP presidential hopeful Herman Cain dies of COVID-19

BY LISA J. ADAMS WAGNER
Associated Press

Herman Cain, former Republican presidential candidate and former CEO of a major pizza chain who went on to become an ardent supporter of President Donald Trump, died Thursday of complications from the coronavirus. He was 74.

Dan Calabrese, who authored a post on Cain's website announcing the death, told The Associated Press that Cain died at an Atlanta hospital early Thursday morning.

Cain had been ill with the virus for several weeks. It's not clear when or where he was infected, but he was hospitalized less than two weeks after attending Trump's campaign rally in Tulsa, Oklahoma, on June 20. Cain had been co-chair of Black Voices for Trump.

A photo taken at the rally showed Cain, without a mask, sitting closely to other people who also were not wearing any face coverings. A statement on his Twitter account said he tested positive for COVID on June 29 and was hospitalized July 1 because his symptoms were serious.

"We knew when he was first hospitalized with COVID-19 that this was going to be a rough fight," read an article posted on the account.

Trump offered his condolences in a tweet on Thursday in which he said he had also spoken by telephone to Cain's family.

He later started his news conference at the White House with a mention of Cain's death. "He was a very special person ... and unfortunately he passed away from a thing called the China virus," Trump said, using the moniker he often ascribes to the new coronavirus, which was first detected in China.

He added, "We send out prayers to Herman's great wife, Gloria ... And I have to say, America grieves for all of the 150,000 Americans that had their lives taken by this horrible, invisible enemy."

Cain, who had hoped to become the first Black politician to win the GOP nomination, was initially considered a long-shot candidate. His bid was propelled forward in September 2011 when he won a straw poll vote in Florida, instantly becoming an alternative candidate for Republican voters concerned that former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney was not conservative enough.

But Cain struggled to respond to accusations that he had sexually harassed several women and — in a video that went viral on the internet — rambled uncomfortably when asked whether he supported or opposed President Barack Obama's policies in Libya. There were also gaffes on abortion and torture that led Cain's critics to question whether he was ready for the White House.

Just as Cain started surging in the polls, Politico reported that the National Restaurant Association paid settlements to two former employees who claimed Cain sexually harassed them while he was CEO and president of the lobbying group from 1996 to 1999. Another woman, Sharon Bialek, said that Cain, an acquaintance, groped her in a car in July 1997 after they'd had dinner in Washington. Bialek, who was then unemployed, said she had contacted Cain seeking job advice.

Cain said he could not remember Bialek and denied sexually harassing anyone, but polls conducted in the weeks afterward showed his popularity slipping considerably.

Cain honed his speaking skills in the corporate world, then hosted a radio talk show in Atlanta that introduced his political views and up-by-the-bootstraps life story to many tea party supporters and other conservatives.

He first ventured into national politics in 1994 when he publicly challenged President Bill Clinton, a Democrat, on his proposal to force employers to buy health insurance for their employees. "For many, many businesses like mine, the cost of your plan is simply a cost that will cause us to eliminate jobs," Cain told Clinton. "What will I tell those people whose jobs I will have to eliminate?"

Afterward, the restaurant industry used Cain as a spokesman as it campaigned against Clinton's plan, which ultimately failed.

Cain served as a director of the Federal Reserve Bank of Kansas City from 1992 to 1996. After moving back to his native Georgia, he ran for U.S. Senate as a Republican in 2004. He lost to Rep. Johnny Isakson in the primary.

Less than two years later, Cain was diagnosed with late-stage cancer in his colon that had spread to his liver. He recovered and later credited God with persuading him to run for president after Obama, a Democrat, took office in early 2009.

"That's when I prayed and prayed and prayed," Cain told an audience of young Republicans in Atlanta. "And when I finally realized that it was God saying that this is what I needed to do, I was like Moses. 'You've got the wrong man, Lord. Are you sure?'"

Cain projected a self-confident image that at times bordered on arrogance. He referred to himself in the third person, and his motivations speaking company was named T.H.E. New Voice Inc. The acronym stood for The Hermanator Experience.

Cain's run for the presidency was unlikely considering his origins. Born in the segregated South, his father worked three jobs as a janitor, barber and chauffeur, while his mother was a servant. He graduated from Morehouse College, a historically Black college for men in Atlanta, received a master's degree from Purdue University and worked as a civilian mathematician in the U.S. Navy.

While it was a good job, Cain said his ambitions were in the corporate world. He wanted to be president of "something ... somewhere," he later wrote.

He worked first for Coca-Cola, became a vice president with Pillsbury, then was appointed to run its struggling Burger King unit in the Philadelphia area. His success prompted Pillsbury officials to ask Cain to

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businesses and residents are complying with health orders requiring masks, disinfection and social distancing as the state tries to contain the coronavirus.

Los Angeles County, the state's most populous, is averaging 2,000 reports a week on its tip lines with complaints ranging from a lack of hand sanitizer to improper cleaning of workplace bathrooms, according to the county's health director Dr. Barbara Ferrer.

"We investigate all of the calls as long as we have enough information," Ferrer said. "Everyone's had a long time now to understand what the rules are to have your facilities open so that you can ensure that workers are safe, customers and visitors are safe. It's now just time for people to come into compliance."

Health department enforcement teams are working seven days a week to make sure restaurants, stores and factories adhere to safety rules in the county at the epicenter of California's outbreak. However officials in Los Angeles and elsewhere were unable to provide details on the numbers of citations issued.

Los Angeles County has shut down three food plants with "significant outbreaks" of COVID-19 involving dozens of employees, Ferrer said. None of the facilities notified the county of the positive cases as required.

California on Thursday reported nearly a half-million confirmed virus cases since March, the most in the nation, and 391 deaths were tallied over the last two days, the highest since the start of the pandemic. But there were signs of progress. In the last week the rate of positive tests has fallen to 7% and the numbers of hospitalizations and those in intensive care have flattened, though they remain near record highs set earlier in July.

Gov. Gavin Newsom created multi-agency "strike teams" ahead of the Fourth of July weekend. Those workers have made more than 864,000 contacts with businesses, many of them remotely, but issued relatively few citations.

The teams wrote 52 citations during that first three-day holiday weekend, mainly because most business owners complied with the teams' directives, Newsom said at the time.

Since then, the teams have issued just 51 citations, said Brian Ferguson, a spokesman for the state Office of Emergency Services that coordinates the program.

The contacts include in-person visits to businesses, but the state also is counting telephone calls, fliers, webinars and emails. For instance, the state emailed each of California's roughly 350,000 businesses warning that they could face fines or potential criminal prosecution if they ignored the statewide requirement to wear face coverings.

In the San Francisco Bay Area, several counties recently approved new fines for violations of health orders. Marin County officials have received about 400 emails in an account set up two weeks ago for people to file complaints. The alleged violations include reports of gatherings in backyards and tables too close together at restaurants, said county spokeswoman Laine Hendricks.

The email was set up after the Board of Supervisors approved fines up to $500 for noncommercial violations of the health order and penalties up to $10,000 for businesses that don't heed health officials' orders. Officials there have yet to issue any fines.

"We didn't create this order because we were having rampant issues," Hendricks said. "But we do have a minority who are out of compliance and we want to bring those businesses back in line."

In nearby Napa County, officials earlier this month authorized citations and fines for businesses — mostly restaurants — that receive repeated complaints for violations of state and local health orders, but also have not fined any people or businesses.

Some business owners who received citations have taken their anger out on code enforcement officers. A Fresno salon owner shouted obscenities and hit an officer with her car because she was upset after being served two pandemic shutdown notices, according to an internal city email obtained by the Fresno Bee. The officer was not seriously hurt and the salon owner was not arrested, the newspaper said.

Meanwhile officials with the city of Los Angeles are considering fining people who fail to wear face coverings while in public — starting with $100 for the first violation.

"At this point, it seems that issuing tickets might be the only way to save more lives," said City Councilman Paul Koretz, who proposed the penalties.

If the proposal passes, Los Angeles would join other California cities that have already adopted financial penalties, including Salinas, Monterey, Santa Barbara, Hermosa Beach, Manhattan Beach, West Hollywood and Beverly Hills. Contra Costa, Marin, Napa and Yolo counties are all issuing fines as well.

But it's unclear how many fines have actually been issued.

California Health and Human Services Secretary Dr. Mark Ghaly said Tuesday that widespread public mask wearing — which has been required in California for weeks — could cut coronavirus transmission in half.

California's second largest county, San Diego, created a Safe Reopening Compliance Team designed to get local code enforcement departments working together to pursue public complaints of health mandate violations, including an anonymous hotline and email system for tips about violators.

San Diego County Supervisor Nathan Fletcher said the focus is on "egregious, blatant and willful violators." The county is hiring more staff to investigate and follow up with inspections to ensure compliance.

An outbreak of COVID-19 was confirmed Wednesday at a San Diego gym that had been operating in defiance of the county's public health order. Officials had ordered the business to close last week, Dr. Wilma Wooten, the county's public health officer, said Wednesday. The gym continued operating but is now closed. Those violating county orders can be hit with a $1,000 penalty, though it wasn't immediately clear if the gym was fined.

For most people, the new coronavirus causes mild or moderate symptoms, such as fever and cough that clear up in two to three weeks. For some, especially older adults and people with existing health problems, it can cause more severe illness, including pneumonia, and death.

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Person, Man, Woman, Camera, Narcissist

With the worst second-quarter GDP plunge in history and 30 million Americans possibly losing unemployment benefits, watching Donald Trump makes me nauseous. No wonder he's floating the idea of delaying the election. (However, the rumor is he's already prepared to head for Florida with a new box of Sharpies.)

I do admit watching videos of Trump boasting about having "aced" his cognitive assessment test from two years ago is hilarious. And so was his crybaby complaint that Dr. Fauci is popular and he isn't.

"Maybe it's my personality," Trump whined, proving, on occasion, he can tell the truth. (Hey, how about a 2020 Trump bumper sticker, "Nobody Likes Me?")

I have a feeling Trump's obnoxiousness began very early. I can picture little Donnie Johnny coming home from school and announcing, "I have the best words."

In reality, it was at a 2015 rally and Trump was 69. Instead of "best words" he meant to say "best vocabulary." (Evidently "vocabulary" isn't in Trump's vocabulary.)

Donnie Johnny could easily have bragged, "My friend says I'm a perfect person." But Trump said that at 74-years-old and curiously failed to mention the friend's name. (Unless it was an "imaginary" friend.)

Trump is most childlike when he learns a new word he uses endlessly. For a while it was "reciprocal," or "reciprocity" which Trump even admitted, "Are my new favorite words."

Often when Trump learns something, he narcissistically assumes only he possesses that knowledge. In 2017, at a Republican Congressional Committee Dinner, Trump opined, "Most people don't know Lincoln was a Republican." (When Trump says "most people," he means himself.)

When Steve Bannon compared Trump to Andrew Jackson suddenly The Donald began posing for photo-ops in front of Jackson's White House portrait. "Jackson was a strong man," Trump said, "but with a big heart. And he was really angry about the Civil War." (Jackson died 16 years before the Civil War.)

The first "Donnie Johnny" moment came right after the 2016 election when Trump boasted his was the "biggest electoral landslide since Reagan." A reporter burst his bubble by noting Obama's 2008 margin was greater. "I meant Republican!" Trump snarled.

The reporter then cited George H.W. Bush's 1988 victory was greater Like a spoiled child, Trump whined, "Well someone told me that!"

Already a monster in the making, at 5, Donnie threw rocks at his 2-year-old neighbor outside in his playpen. In the second grade, he punched his music teacher. At 13, his box of switchblade knives was found hidden under his bed.

Fred Sr. immediately shipped his violence-prone son to military school. But, as would turn out unfortunate for the world, Donnie's sadistic aggressiveness was rewarded and grew.

Sadly, this might explain "kids in cages" who likely will never find their parents and his storm-troopers' tear gassing moms peacefully protesting systemic racism. (Lagging in the polls, Trump's desperate to incite 1968-type violence that helped get Nixon elected.)

As for the Montreal Cognitive Assessment, apparently Trump asked Dr. Ronnie Jackson (who passed out pills to staffers like candy) if there was an acuity test. "He named it," Trump said, "whatever it might be." (Trump can't remember the name of the memory test?!)

Trump's Ph.D. clinical psychologist niece, Mary Trump, commented, "His bragging makes it likely he failed." (Like his taxes, college transcripts and bone spurs, Trump has yet to provide proof he passed.)

Trump was proudest he could repeat "Person, Man, Woman, Channel and TV," and "I got extra points for getting them in order." (Donnie Johnny, did they give you a cookie, too?)

In an interview on Fox about the test, an almost giggling, Chris Wallace said, "Mr. President, it isn't exactly hard." Defensively, Trump insisted "The last five questions were really difficult!" (For the record, the final five are: what date, day, month and year it is, and what city the patient is in.)

That brings me to Trump's tragic dereliction of duty mishandling of the pandemic with now over 150,000 Covid-19 deaths and no national plan. (Other than Trump still hyping Hdroxychloroquine.)

In fact, he lavished praise on Dr. Stella Immanuel, a black doctor who, 30 years ago, immigrated to the U.S. from Cameroon. (Wasn't that one of Trump's sh*thole countries?)

An adamant "anti-masker," Dr. Immanuel insists she successfully treated 350 COVID patients with Hydroxy. In other videos, however, she claims alien DNA is at the root of our health issues and that sex with demons is toxic. (Now she tells me!)

Reading Mary's book, I was reminded of when Chris Rock jokingly warned fathers with young daughters, "Give them love or one day they'll wind up pole dancers." But, as Mary documents, Fred Sr. only loved money.

So if Don had been born Dawn, instead of HE being the country's worst president, SHE might have been the country's most obese pole dancer.

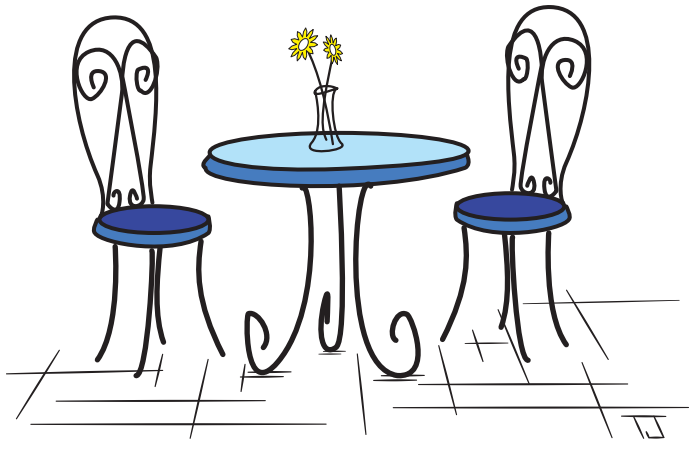
Go to YouTube: "Sarah Cooper How to Person;" "Jimmy Fallon Trump Cognitive;" and "Immanuel Demon Seed" and get ready to laugh. Jack is at: jackdailypress@aol.com.

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Local student wins 2020 Deloitte Team Tech Challenge

Despite the pandemic and all the program cancellations, students are still finding a way to get involved and continue learning.

Jackson Salumbides, a prospective senior at Samohi, was selected to participate in the 2020 Deloitte Team Tech Challenge, where participants received instruction and mentorship before being put in teams that sought to identify a community problem.

This year, students were challenged to use artificial intelligence and data analytics to create a proposal and present a solution company officials.

Salumbides and his team of five other students from various parts of the United States met via zoom to create a competition-winning project proposal earlier in July. All individuals on the winning team were awarded a cash prize as well as bragging rights, according to Salumbides, who recently described how his team sought to increase academic success as well as access to higher education for all students. The solution involved identifying students early who show academic promise — and who, with additional supports — would be even more successful academically.

Salumbides is concurrently enrolled at SMC as well as Samohi, according to his family. The young scholar hopes to major in Mathematics and minor in Computer Sciences at a four-year college in the Fall of 2021.



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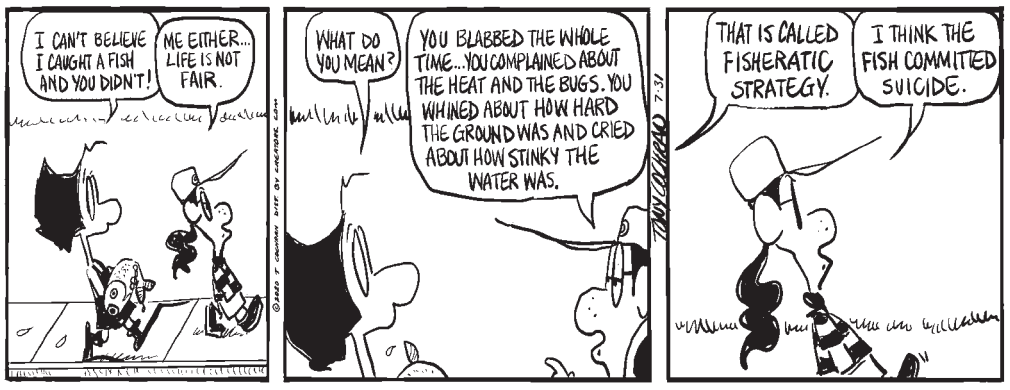
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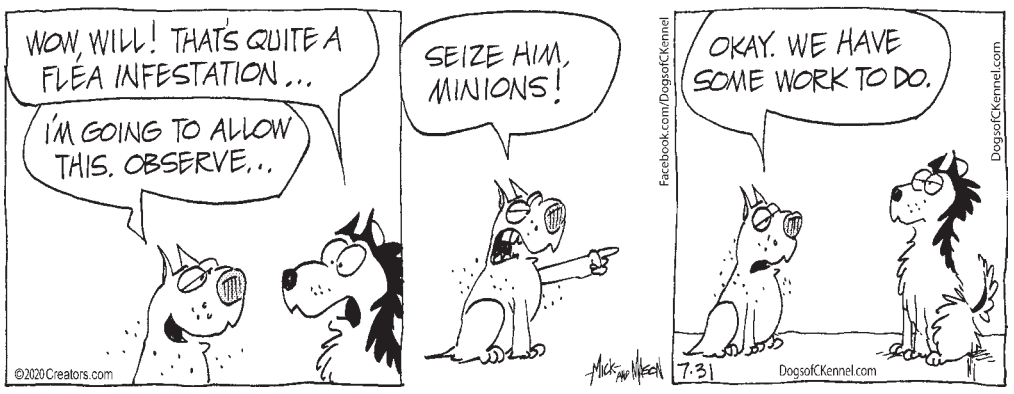
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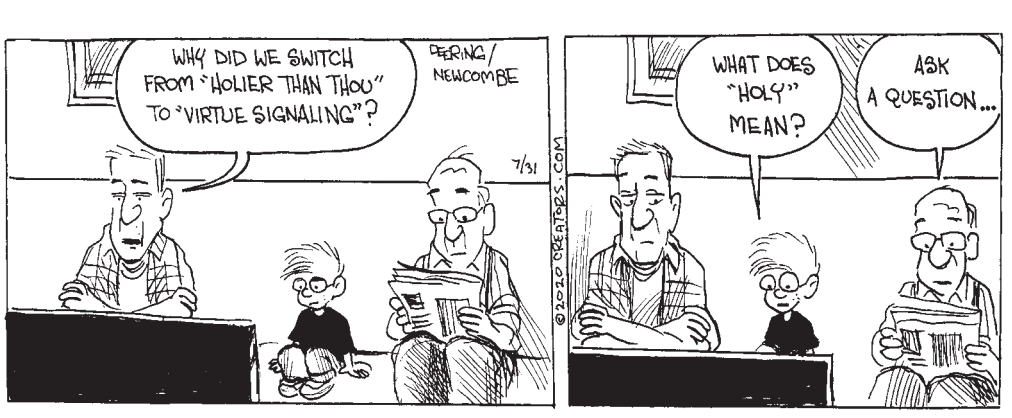
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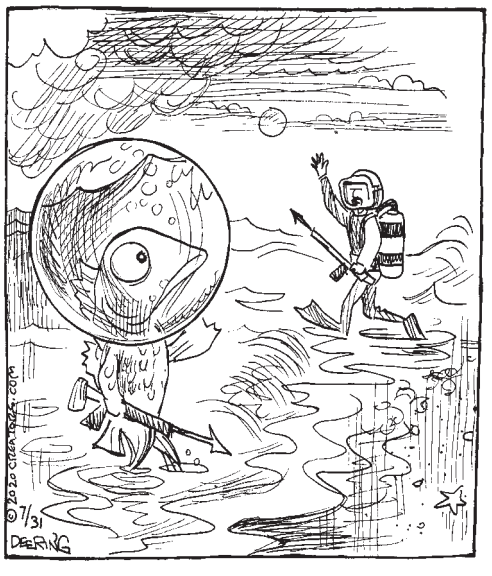
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"IT'S MUSTACHE FRIDAY."

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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 60.1°

FRIDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 1-2ft Knee to thigh high
Minor southerly swell. Weak NW windswell picks up slightly.

SATURDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 1-2ft Knee to thigh high
Minor southerly swell. Weak NW windswell continues.

WEATHER

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 82.
Friday Night: Clear, with a low around 63.
Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 81.
Saturday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 64.
Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 78.

Date	Day of the Week	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
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
2020/08/04	Tue	04:55 AM	-0.64	L
2020/08/04	Tue	11:18 AM	4.30	H
2020/08/04	Tue	4:17 PM	2.10	L
2020/08/04	Tue	10:24 PM	6.14	H
2020/08/05	Wed	05:28 AM	-0.36	L
2020/08/05	Wed	11:51 AM	4.33	H
2020/08/05	Wed	4:56 PM	2.10	L

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Jackpot: 22 M

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Mega#: 20
Jackpot: 10 M

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Draw Date: 07/29
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Evening: 5 6 8
Draw Date: 07/29
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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (JULY 31)

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). The point will be just to show up and see what you discover. If you can lower your expectation or, better yet, go in totally without one, you'll be primed for a stellar day.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The strong winds blow through; thunder rolls to the next town; a hard rain falls fast. Your emotional weather will be the same today. The stronger the feeling, the shorter its duration.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You'll put yourself out to make your people happy. Of course, there are no guarantees when it comes to other people's happiness, but you've a pretty solid idea of how to lean things in that direction.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The brilliant solution will be simple, but it's not always so easy to think like that. What would an outsider see? A child? Ask the naive questions that your sophisticated mind often skips.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Consider that when you know a person in only one context, you don't really know the person all the way. Instead of assuming, ask, and then listen hard. You'll love what you learn.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Which is worse -- feeling that everything is certain and nothing changes, or feeling that nothing is certain and everything changes? Luckily, you don't really have to decide. Today's balance of certainty to surprise is perfect.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). No endeavor is inherently important. You make it important with the quality of attention you bring to it. Tonight, you'll bring the sweetest energy to your loved ones.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The fun is at your house because that's where people feel good. You can blame your warmth for making everyone so comfortable. If you want them to leave, you'll have to tell them, as none will get the hint.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Unresolved feelings are wellsprings of creativity. So, if you happen to be interested in someone and unsure if your feelings are reciprocated, it's a mightily creative problem to have!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). When you're paying attention, you can tell who is going to be trouble, high-maintenance or a hard nut to crack. The signs are all there in the early interactions. The question is, is it worth it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It is said that honest words aren't pleasing and pleasing words aren't honest. But there are so many word combinations to try. Surely, there's some kind of middle ground to strike a right and true tone.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). When observing something spectacular, you'll be so dazzled by the brightness of one side that you might not notice the darkness that makes it stand out. Remember: Everything exists in a balance.

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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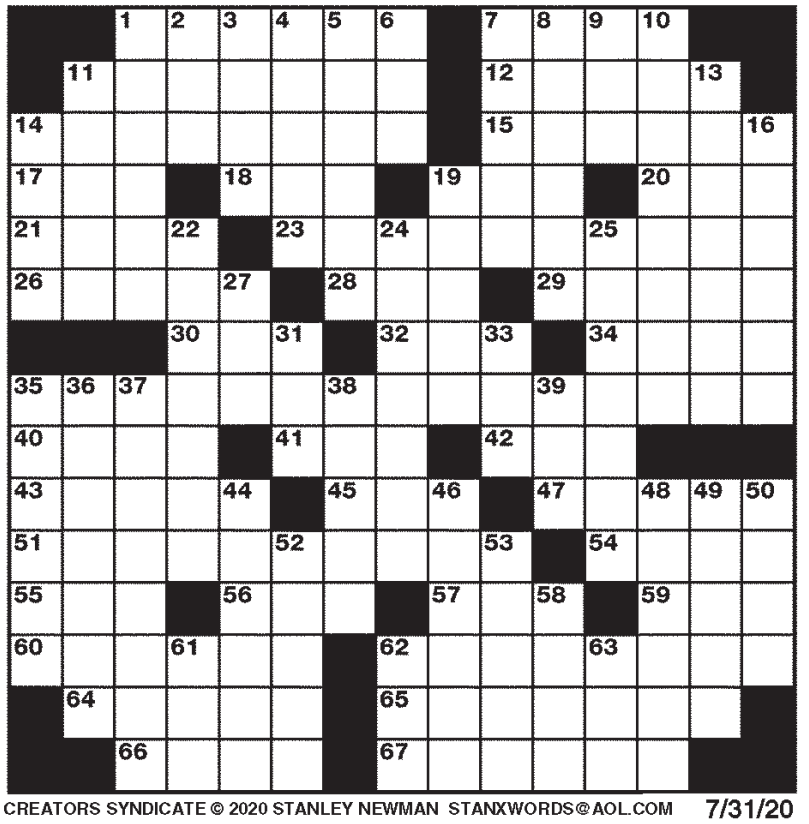
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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Gets clean
7 *Hawaii Five-0* actor
11 Columbus, by birth
12 Had nothing to do
14 TRADITIONAL AMITY OF HAWKEYE STATERS
15 Formidable female
17 Letters on toothpaste boxes
18 Brown.__
19 NHL's Coyotes, on scoreboards
20 UN observer grp.
21 Byron's time of day
23 PIONEERING INVESTIGATIVE REPORTER
26 Ending for bed or home
28 It's not part of SOS
29 Surreal
30 LX years before Hastings
32 Quote note
34 Skilled hands
35 BROWSER BOOKMARK
40 Talk up
41 Freight carrier
42 Rolls of green stuff
43 UN leader in 2000
45 River in Panama
47 Of stately bearing
51 BILLY JOEL'S BIRTHPLACE
54 Don't obey
55 Feeling beyond vexation
56 Poet Lowell
57 Frog-eating fish
59 Sweetie
60 Multicolored cat
62 *HIGH SCHOOL MUSICAL* STAR
64 Kosher
65 Quite a rave
66 Ready to eat
67 Pursuing steadily

DOWN
1 Use caution
2 California's Santa __ Mountains
3 Vocal inflection
4 Alpine girl of kiddie lit
5 Pre-euro Portuguese money
6 Consult with
7 Revlon's R&B rep
8 Think much of
9 *Arroz __ cubana*
10 Pacific Northwest people
11 Absurdist play's absentee
13 Truckers' rollers
14 Pedigree pet food alternative
16 ". . . and you can believe that"
19 Some mall courts
22 Conference ID
24 Where Freud was from
25 What five presidents were
27 Den device
31 Letters on many letterheads
33 Pandora precursor
35 Leaning for attention
36 Written or gestured
37 Dug up dirt
38 Before dawn
39 Georges' golden
44 B3
46 Low tie
48 Ripken role model
49 In progress
50 Most awarded female country singer
52 Clobbered, old-style
53 Attraction for a duck
58 Common name on jeans
61 "Time for me to play"
62 Scoot
63 Attraction for a duck



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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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reference to the courtyard space Orto has taken over, which can seat 60 people in line with distancing requirements. Demand is slowly itching up to pre-pandemic levels and the staff is successfully mastering the new safety measures and further distance food must be transported from kitchen to outdoor table.

Dave Beran, owner of gourmet French restaurant Pasjoli and fine-dining restaurant Dialogue, has also come up with several business models adapted to fit people's new preferences and the current dining restrictions. Dialogue has experimented with three- and seven-dish at-home meals, while Pasjoli has shifted to provide more rustic French dishes that are easier to transport and heat at home.

Beran's latest venture, Tidbits by Dialogue, is an outdoor wine bar with a menu of ten small dishes slated to open Aug. 6.

"Creative people need creative things to do, so we are trying to push our creativity with Tidbits," Beran said, describing how Dialogue's previous model of 20-course tasting meals that lasted up to three hours is no longer suitable for to-go or outdoor service.

Tidbits will retain some of the best parts of Dialogue like its seasonal dishes supplied by the farmers market and the beloved Basque cheesecake, according to Beran. However, it will be located on the second-floor patio of the Gallery Food Hall with a pared-down menu and a more approachable price point.

The restaurant business is no cakewalk. Around 60 percent of restaurants fail in their first year and almost 80 percent don't make it to their fifth anniversary, according to a study done by the Ohio State University. But Santa Monica's restaurateurs are rising to the challenge even in these uncertain times.

"We are working our tails off to make sure we show responsibility, exercise the safest practices, work with the health department, read all the updates, and make sure that our staff feels good," said Raphael Lunetta. Due to the pandemic, business has plummeted by 80 percent at his restaurant Lunetta, which had previously experienced months of "rocking record-breaking sales".

Still, Lunetta and his team are finding ways to pivot by utilizing not one or two, but three patios to provide outdoor dining options as well as expanded take-out services. Additionally, through the government's Payroll Protection Program, which provides loans for small businesses, Lunetta has been able to retain all members of his core team.

Mark Wain, the founder and owner of Caffe Luxxe coffee shops, is looking into acquiring a parklet for his Santa Monica location. Parklets, several of which are already in use on Main Street, allow businesses to convert parking spaces into outdoor dining areas.

"Our business is predicated on social gathering," said Wain. "It's about taking ten minutes away from our day to sit down and enjoy a nice handcrafted cup of coffee in a comfortable environment."

While his Santa Monica store previously only had indoor space, a parklet will soon allow customers to recreate that communal experience in a safe manner.

All four business owners lamented the government's inconsistent messaging on coronavirus best practices. On March 15th restaurants became takeout only, on May 29th they were allowed to resume dine-in services, and then on July 1st they were ordered to reclose all indoor dining.

Despite the confusion, Santa Monica's restaurateurs are navigating the shifting challenges of coronavirus with flexibility and creativity to find silver linings in the process.

Beran has developed to-go business models for restaurants he previously believed were suited for dine-in only, and Inio has created a magical new outdoor setting in which diners can enjoy his delectable penne alla vodka. Wain said he takes pride to know how the reopening of patios at select Caffe Luxxe locations has soothed people after weeks of isolation.

"I think COVID has actually brought people closer together, understanding that less is more, that maybe menus don't need to be as big as they were," Lunetta said, "and maybe we need to be more thoughtful of how much we purchase and how much we waste."

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HERMAN CAIN

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take over its floundering Godfather's Pizza chain. Cain said he returned the franchise to profitability.

The centerpiece of Cain's presidential campaign was his 9-9-9 plan, which would have replaced the current tax code with a 9% tax on personal and corporate income and a 9% national sales tax. Cain said the plan's simplicity would stimulate the economy by giving investors certainty.

"If 10% is good enough for God, 9% ought to be good enough for the federal government," he told crowds.

Numerous Republican politicians, party activists and conservative political commentators mourned Cain's death on social media Thursday.

Romney tweeted, "Saddened that Herman Cain—a formidable champion of business, politics and policy—has lost his battle with Covid. St. Peter will soon hear '999!' Keep up the fight, my friend."

Republican U.S. Sen. Lindsey Graham of South Carolina tweeted that Cain was "a fierce advocate for conservative principles across the board," while Republican U.S. Sen. David Perdue of Georgia, referring to Cain as one of his closest friends, remarked that "Herman ... lived the American dream and aspired to share his success with others."

Cain is survived by his wife, Gloria Etchison, their children and grandchildren.

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