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SMPD adapting to riot report recommendations

SOFIA LAUREL PIRRI
Special to the Daily Press

The Santa Monica Police Department accepts responsibility for and is learning from its poor initial response to the May 31 events of last year according to a recent public appearance by Interim Chief of Police Jacqueline Seabrooks.

Seabrooks participated in a virtual community meeting this week that clarified and expanded on the department's response to an official report detailing the failings of the City in response to last year's protest and riot.

The OIR (Office of Independent Review) report specified 44 recommendations for the SMPD, principally focused on the areas of transparency, leadership, communication, operational and process issues, use of force, reviewing and updating policies, and training.

The SMPD's 19 page response posited a plan for implementing the recommendations, focusing on leadership planning, use of force, and the mental wellbeing of SMPD officers. Of those 44 recommendations, 35 have already been implemented according to the report, and the vast majority of the rest are in progress.

Seabrooks explained that, despite taking issue with some of

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Lieu says something stinks at sewage plant

MATTHEW HALL
SMDP Editor

The fallout over a sewage spill into the Santa Monica bay has reached federal lawmakers with Congressman Ted Lieu asking for the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) and National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) to open an investigation into the Hyperion Water Reclamation Plant.

The plant discharged about 17 million gallons of raw sewage into the waters near Dockweiler beach after debris clogged its system over July 11 and 12. Plant operators have been criticized for failing to notify anyone of the spill in a timely manner and for subsequent continued discharge of partially treated wastewater into the ocean.

"Given the severity of recent incidents, the subsequent and continued discharge of untreated and partially treated wastewater near highly trafficked beaches, and the lack of clear communication by the City of Los Angeles, an investigation into the facility's operations, response, and environmental impact is warranted," said Lieu in a letter to EPA Administrator Michael S. Regan and NOAA Administrator Richard W. Spinard.

"As the City of Los Angeles discharged this wastewater and facility operators attempted repairs, key local first responders and nearby cities were not immediately informed of the discharge in the nearby ocean. (There may have been a violation of the California law I authored in 2007 to improve reporting of sewage spills). The Los Angeles County Department of Public Health waited several hours to inform the public to avoid swimming in area beaches. Later,

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Music program plans return to in-person activities



Courtesy photo

MUSIC: Elemental Music is bringing students back for live rehearsals starting in the Fall.

KAILYN FORBES
Special to the Daily Press

Elemental Music, the non-profit organization that offers after-school music programs for elementary and middle school students, intends to resume in-person rehearsals this fall with their newly developed Chamber Music Institute for intermediate and advanced musicians who are interested in playing in small ensembles.

Designed for instrumentalists in grades 6–12, the Chamber Music Institute is an audition-based program for strings, woodwinds, brass, percussion, and guitar. Private lessons are encouraged, though students without a private teacher may be accepted on a case-by-case basis.

"It just seemed like the right time now to be starting a new program because it's been a few years since we've had a new program," said Emily Call, director of the Chamber Music Institute. "We're hoping that it's going to allow us to deepen our impact with the students in the community."

Participation in the Chamber Music Institute will provide advanced musicians with the chance to play in smaller ensembles such as duos, trios, quartets, and quintets. There will also be opportunities for instrument-specific ensembles for younger students, such as flute choir, double bass ensemble, and cello choir.

"Chamber music is different from our other ensembles because those ensembles are much larger. Chamber music is meant for small groups that originally started as it sounds, you know, a group of a small group of musicians playing music like in a living room, way back when," said Call. "Much smaller groupings actually require, in some ways, a lot more responsibility and motivation, on the part of the musician to take ownership over what they're playing, and how they're contributing and the group."

Students will be matched according to age and ability. There will be weekly coaching with professional musicians and educators throughout the season, as well as two masterclasses and a recital.

"The thing about chamber music that's really great is that it's a very friendly program for this kind of post, but not quite post

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Traffic Collision With Injury 26th St / Arizona Ave 11:42 p.m.

Letter to the Editor

Bill Fordes Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Editor:

The NY TIMES recently ran an article about the explosion of COVID cases at the St John's ICU (https://www.nytimes.com/2021/08/01/us/covid-santa-monica-icu.html), and noted that many of the cases were actually discovered in the ER. As someone who was, unfortunately, in need of ER assistance recently (entirely unrelated to COVID), I can sympathize with the concerns of the ER medical staff: of the 10-12 poor souls stuck in the ER for hours and hours on a Tuesday evening, maybe 4 were homeless people; they all either refused to wear masks, or refused to wear them properly. They were asked repeatedly to put masks on, were offered clean, fresh masks, but the minute staff turned their heads, the masks came off or were pulled down. I complained — yes, complained — several times to the non-medical staff about the unsafe conditions in the middle of the latest surge, but they did nothing. Finally, I told the staff behind the reception desk that I felt unsafe and would wait outside on the bench. Chilly, but safer, I sat there for a few hours until called in. I was seen for about 45 seconds by an MD, and asked her to do something about the mask situation in those brief moments of care. I got an eye roll and some antibiotic cream for an infected finger.

Next time I need ER assistance, I will make the drive to UCLA or Cedars.

Bill Fordes, Santa Monica

City of Santa Monica

**SANTA MONICA RENT CONTROL BOARD
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING
THURSDAY, AUGUST 12, 2021**

Public hearing on the following topic will be conducted during the Santa Monica Rent Control Board meeting on Thursday, August 12, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. via teleconference:

1) Consideration of proposed regulations for agency-initiated hearings.

Instructions on accessing the meeting and speaking to the Board are provided in the agenda. The agenda and staff reports are available on the Board's website at: www.santamonica.gov/rentcontrol.

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Illegal Weapon 1800blk Ocean Front Walk 8:38 a.m.
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Vandalism 2200blk 6th St 9:20 a.m.
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Forgery 1200blk Wilshire Blvd 9:47 a.m.
Fraud 700blk Ashland Ave 9:49 a.m.
Grand Theft 700blk Hill St 9:54 a.m.
Burglar Alarm 1700blk Euclid St 10:02 a.m.
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Pushback challenges vaccination requirements at US colleges

TOM DAVIES
Associated Press

The quickly approaching fall semester has America's colleges under pressure to decide how far they should go to guard their campuses against COVID-19 while navigating legal and political questions and rising infection rates.

Hundreds of colleges nationwide have told students in recent months they must be fully vaccinated against COVID-19 before classes begin.

California State University, the country's largest four-year public university system, joined the list last week, along with Michigan State University and the University of Michigan. Their announcements cited concerns about the highly contagious delta variant and came as the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention issued updated mask guidelines based on new research regarding its spread.

CSU Chancellor Joseph I. Castro called case surges linked to the variant an "alarming new factor that we must consider as we look to maintain the health and well-being of students, employees and visitors."

Yet many more colleges have held off on vaccine mandates in a reflection of the limits school leaders face in adopting safety requirements for in-person classes.

In many Republican-led states, governments have banned vaccine mandates, or school leaders face political pressure to limit their anti-virus actions even among students who live in packed residence halls. Opponents say the requirements tread on personal freedoms.

Some campuses have sidestepped pushback by instead offering enticements, such as prize drawings for free tuition and computers, as they seek to boost student vaccination rates to 80% or higher.

And a few have gone against the grain of their GOP-led states, such as Nova Southeastern in Florida requiring employees to get the shots and Nebraska Wesleyan mandating vaccinations for its 2,000 students.

Private colleges like these have more legal leeway regarding coronavirus rules, experts say. Prominent private universities mandating student vaccinations include Harvard, Yale, Notre Dame, Northwestern, Duke and Stanford.

University of California law professor Dorit Rubinstein Reiss, who writes and teaches about vaccine law, said the biggest legal gray area is whether colleges can require the COVID-19 vaccines while they remain under federal emergency use status.

Courts will likely allow university leaders to take such steps to protect student health, but many colleges can't avoid the reality of states taking a stance against vaccine mandates, Reiss said.

"Especially a state university, going against the prevailing political view is probably going to be short-lived," Reiss said.

Coronavirus politics have been a complicating factor for the vast majority of campuses without vaccine requirements, said Dr. Michael Huey, interim CEO of the American College Health Association, which in April recommended vaccination mandates for all students taking on-campus classes.

"If you set up a situation where you can't require vaccination, you can't ask about vaccine status and you can't have required testing or mitigation strategies, like masking, it can't be safe," said Huey, former executive director of student health services at Emory University in Atlanta.

Indiana University has so far prevailed against a court challenge to its student vaccine requirement, which school officials say is a "clear path forward" to removing limits on in-person classes, sporting events and social activities.

Noah Hamilton, who'll be a sophomore at Indiana's main campus in Bloomington this fall, said he had anxiety about getting the shots and likely wouldn't have done so without the requirement.

"But I don't want to be stuck doing 100 percent online," Hamilton said. "I want to be back on campus and actually trying to have a normal college experience."

Among the some 4,000 college campuses across the country, more than 600 have imposed a vaccine mandate, according to tracking by the Chronicle of Higher Education. But their requirements vary.

The University of Washington and the University of Maryland, for example, are among the public schools mandating shots for both students and employees. The University of Connecticut and the University of Maryland require the doses for students but not faculty or staff.

In some cases, union contracts or state laws prevent schools from requiring staff member vaccinations.

Meanwhile, the University of California and California State University — California's two major state systems, with more than 750,000 total students — initially were holding off on inoculation requirements until at least one COVID-19 vaccine had full Food and Drug Administration approval. But both have now mandated shots for students and employees.

Religious and medical exemptions from vaccine requirements are commonly offered, although the universities are generally making those students undergo frequent COVID-19 testing and wear masks in public areas.

Opponents of student vaccine requirements have gone to federal court challenging mandates issued by Indiana University, the University of Connecticut and the California State system.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide

Business owner charged with unlicensed veterinary practice

In an important victory for animal protection, Los Angeles City Attorney Mike Feuer announced his office has secured a plea of no contest from Marc Ching on a charge of practicing veterinary medicine without a license. The owner of organic pet food store, The PetStaurant – with locations in Sherman Oaks and Santa Monica – and founder of the charity Animal Hope & Wellness Foundation, Ching allegedly endangered the lives of sick pets by encouraging their owners to treat them with herbs and diet regimens instead of traditional medicine and science-based treatments.

"Just as you wouldn't want an unlicensed doctor providing medical treatment to you or a loved one, the unlicensed practice of veterinary medicine is just as serious an issue for our beloved animals. It is a matter of health and safety," said Feuer.

An undercover operation, requested by the California Veterinary Medical Board and conducted by the Department of Consumer Affairs Division of Investigation, revealed that Ching allegedly was practicing veterinary medicine without a license. Allegedly he not only diagnosed ailments but also prescribed treatments without the necessary license. In addition, the Petstaurant website allegedly contained false statements including unproven instructions on how to treat various undiagnosed pet ailments such as skin dermatitis and ear infections.

Ching was placed on 12 months of summary probation, the maximum allowed by law, and was ordered to pay a fine of $1,000 plus penalty assessments, and comply with the rules, regulations and orders of the Departments of Public Health and Consumer Affairs. He agreed not to make false or misleading statements in marketing his business or on his websites–for example, he is not to state that a food is "organic" when it is not certified as such. He also agreed to make every effort to obtain the necessary licenses to manufacture pet food at his businesses, as he was also charged with manufacturing and packaging pet food without the appropriate license and selling misbranded food. And Ching agreed to obey all laws and orders of the court.

In November 2020, a criminal misdemeanor filing was submitted against Ching by Feuer's Animal Protection Unit alleging seven charges:

Practicing Veterinary Medicine without a License (Business and Professions Code - section 4825);

False Advertising (Business and Professions Code - section 17500);

Processing, packing, and preparing meat products without a license (CA Food & Agricultural Code - section 19260);

False advertising of food products (Health and Safety Code - section 11390);

Unlawful manufacture (Health and Safety Code - section 11395);

Selling adulterated food (Health and Safety Code - section 110620);

Selling misbranded food (Health and Safety Code - section 110760).

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NYC will require vaccination proof for indoor dining, gyms

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Associated Press

New York City will soon require proof of COVID-19 vaccinations for anyone who wants to dine indoors at a restaurant, see a performance or go to the gym, Mayor Bill de Blasio announced Tuesday, making it the first big city in the U.S. to impose such restrictions.

The new requirement, which will be phased in over several weeks in August and September, is the most aggressive step the city has taken yet to curb a surge in cases caused by the delta variant. People will have to show proof that they have had at least one vaccine dose.

"The only way to patronize these establishments indoors will be if you're vaccinated," de Blasio said. "The goal here is to convince everyone that this is the time. If we're going to stop the delta variant, the time is now."

The Democrat said some details still need to be worked out, including rules affecting children under 12, who are not yet eligible for any of the approved vaccines. The policy will go into effect on Aug. 16 but inspections and enforcement won't begin until Sept. 13 — the week the city's public schools reopen for fall.

During a Tuesday news conference, President Joe Biden said he supported New York City's move and said other cities need to give "the authority to those restaurants or businesses to say: 'In order to come in, you have to give proof that you're either vaccinated or you can't come in.'"

De Blasio has focused on getting as many New Yorkers vaccinated as possible while resisting calls to mandate masks indoors, as several cities and counties in California have done.

He said vaccination cards will be accepted as proof of inoculation, along with state and city apps.

De Blasio said Monday he was making "a strong recommendation" that everyone wear a mask in public indoor settings but stressed that the city's "overwhelming strategic thrust" remained getting more people vaccinated.

Asked Tuesday about a mask mandate, de Blasio said all options were on the table but reiterated the city's policy is "vaccine-centric."

"Right now what we want to nail is people getting vaccinated, and, very bluntly, showing that life is much better when you're vaccinated," he added. "You have more freedom when you're vaccinated, and you have a lot less, you have fewer choices, fewer opportunities if you're not vaccinated."

The mayor announced last week that city employees would be required to get vaccinated by mid-September or face weekly testing, and he has offered a $100 incentive for city residents who get inoculated.

De Blasio said Tuesday that he did not think checking vaccination status should be too difficult for businesses, which already have to take tickets or show diners to a table.

Some disagreed.

Seongmin Jun, the manager of Dear Han Cafe in Queens, wondered how he would check vaccination cards while handling the periodic rush of patrons and serving as the cafe's only barista.

"Will customers get offended for checking if they got COVID vaccinations? I mean I don't know how to do that, or even if I will have time to do that," Jun said.

The coffee shop opened just months before the pandemic spread early last year.

"They're making it too hard for businesspeople," Jun said, but acknowledged something has to be done to get the virus under control. "I get what they are trying to say, but there must be another way to reduce the cases of COVID."

Sean Ogs, manager of the nearby Woodside Cafe, said he was "floored" when he heard the news about the new vaccination mandate.

"We've already been in a struggle. I don't know how I'm going to deal with it," Ogs said. "It's going to be extra work. It'll make things impossible."

Woodside Cafe customer Debbie McCarthy, who is unvaccinated, said she was turned away over the weekend from several establishments that had already begun requiring proof of vaccinations from patrons.

"I'm a little shocked they would do that," said McCarthy, who said she recovered from COVID-19 a few months ago and believes her natural antibodies will protect from future infections. "Why are they so afraid of people who haven't been vaccinated? I think we should have a choice."

Scientists recommend vaccination for people who have had the virus, saying it's unclear how long immunity without vaccination for those who have recovered would last.

Andrew Rigie, executive director of the NYC Hospitality Alliance restaurant group, said he supports the new policy to ensure "that New York City does not revert to restrictions and shut down orders that would again absolutely devastate small businesses that have not yet recovered from the pandemic."

The Five-Borough Chamber Alliance agreed that the mandate was a "complicated decisions," but said it was "worthy of support for protecting public health and keeping the city on the path to full economic recovery."

Fitness studio owner Bill Zanker said he supports the policy as well, even though it comes as another hurdle after a long coronavirus shutdown.

"We've got to encourage people to get vaccinated. ... We're happy to enforce that," said Zanker, the CEO of GRIT BXNG, a Manhattan studio that offers boxing-related workouts and a full bar. "Unfortunately, it will affect the business again."

The studio had been open for just seven months before the pandemic shutdown began in March 2020. Since reopening this past May, GRIT has checked patrons' vaccination status, offering some inoculated-only classes where people could go without masks while

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Malibu

Malibu Council Works on Amending Malibu's Nuisance Code to Address Homeless Encampments and Appoints New Homelessness Task Force

The Malibu City Council took steps during a meeting on July 21 to amend the City's Nuisance Code to strengthen the City's ability to address hazards posed by homeless encampments in Malibu, and appointed members of the City's new Homelessness Taskforce. Video of the special virtual Council meeting on July 21 is available to view at https://www.youtube.com/user/CityofMalibu/videos.

"Homelessness is a nationwide humanitarian crisis with severe local impacts to our community's public health and safety, environment and quality of life that cannot be ignored," said Mayor Paul Grisanti. "The new taskforce and the proposal to strengthen our Nuisance Code will give us more tools to address this crisis."

During the July 21 meeting, the City Council approved on first reading proposed amendments to the City's Nuisance Code aimed at strengthening the City's ability to hold private property owners responsible for unabated nuisances on their property, particularly homeless encampments that have been connected to a brush fire or that pose a high risk of starting a fire. The amendments will return to the Council for a second reading and adoption on August 9. The meeting agenda, staff report and viewing and commenting instructions will be posted in advance at www.MalibuCity.org/AgendaCenter.

The proposed amendments to the City's Nuisance Code include language specific to fire and public health hazards, giving specific examples to make it more clear to property owners what a nuisance is.

The amendments also would give authority to the City Manager to take action to address a nuisance, allowing a much faster response to an emergency condition posing an immediate threat to the physical safety of the community. Most other cities delegate this authority to their city manager or a department head. Currently, the City Council must approve a "Summary Abatement."

During the July 21 meeting, the City Council each appointed two members to the newly created Homelessness Task Force, which will be charged with: reviewing existing efforts, evaluating the need for an alternative sleeping location (ASL), developing strategies to mitigate the fire safety concerns of encampments located in open space and on undeveloped private property, addressing other issues related to homelessness, developing a robust public engagement and outreach plan to obtain community input on proposed strategies to protect the health, safety and welfare of the community from the dangers of homelessness and provide assistance to Malibu residents experiencing homelessness, and providing regular updates and recommendations to the City Council.

Although the City already had a Homelessness Working Group, the City Council aims to focus more effort, resources, and attention on addressing homelessness by creating a Brown Act-governed Homelessness Task Force. The Brown Act requires open meetings and public record keeping by government bodies in California to ensure transparency and accountability.

Homelessness Task Force Appointments
Mayor Paul Grisanti: Ian Roven, Terry Davis
Mayor Pro Tem Bruce Silverstein: Deborah Benton, Bill Sampson
Councilmember Mikke Pierson: Bill Winokur, Wayne Cohen
Councilmember Steve Uhring: Kelly Pessis, Scott Dittrich
Councilmember Karen Farrer: Paul Davis, Chris Frost

SUBMITTED BY MATT MYERHOFF, MEDIA INFORMATION OFFICER

Citywide

Affordable Housing Opportunity for Seniors in New Magnolia Villas Senior Housing Development

EAH Housing will soon complete construction of a new building at 1445 and 1453 10th Street that will provide 39 one-bedroom apartments for seniors in Santa Monica. The development received an $11.4 million investment from the City of Santa Monica and will provide affordable apartments across a mix of low-income levels.

"We are thrilled that the second senior affordable housing community to open within the last year will soon provide essential housing to Santa Monicans in a setting where they can age in place," said Community Services Director Andy Agle. "We are committed to supporting the creation of affordable housing to keep our long-term residents in the community they love. We encourage all low-income seniors to apply."

This new building will feature private balconies for each apartment, more than 2,000 square feet of courtyard open space, a community garden, programming offices and community room, onsite laundry, and close proximity to medical offices, the Santa Monica Pier, Santa Monica State Beach, and the Third Street Promenade.

To be eligible, applicants must be 62 years of age or older with an annual income between $16,885 and $49,680 for a one-person household, $16,885 and $56,760 for a two-person household, and $16,885 and $63,840 for a three-person household.

Applicants who live or work in Santa Monica will receive priority on the waitlist. There is no minimum income for households with a Section 8 housing voucher. Voucher holders will need to apply via the Below Market Housing program.

Applications are online only and will remain open and ongoing. For more information and to apply online, visit santamonica.gov/housing-magnoliavillas. If you require assistance applying due to a disability, please call 310-458-8740 and leave a message and a City of Santa Monica staff member will get back to you.

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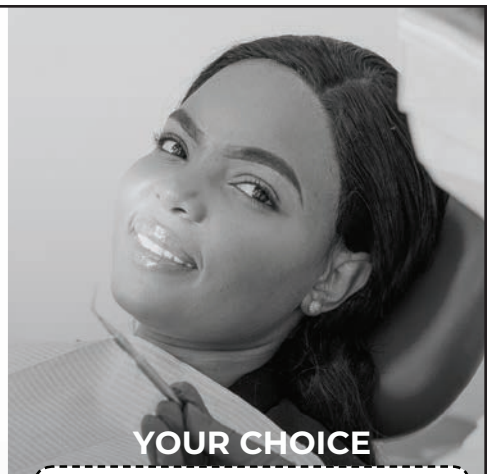
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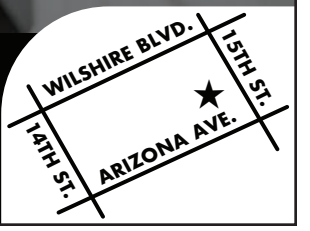
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SANTA MONICA COLLEGE

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BID#: 072621SF Athletics Events Charter Transportation

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the above-named California Community College District, acting by and through its Board of Trustees, hereinafter "the District" will receive up to, but not later than the below-stated date and time, Bid Proposals for the Project generally described as: Athletics Events Charter Transportation.

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF BID PROPOSALS: 08/18/21 2:00p.m.

Bid Documents may be obtained by logging onto the District bidding website at: https://www.planetbids.com/portal/portal.cfm?CompanyID=13721#.

Bid Security- Each bid shall be accompanied by bid security in an amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the total bid amount. Bid security must be in the form of a Bid Bond executed by a California Admitted Surety Insurer, or certified or cashier's check payable to Santa Monica College.

All Bid Proposals shall be submitted in accordance with requirements set forth by the District. Bid must conform with and be responsive to the Bid Documents, copies of which may be obtained as set forth above. Only bid responses submitted to the District prior to the date and time set forth and in the manner prescribed shall be considered.

SMC reserves the rights to cancel this IFB without liability, reject any and all bids, waive any and all irregularities, and to award in whole or in part. Bids may be withdrawn by written notice provided such notice is received at the office of SMC's Procurement Department prior to the date/time set as the closing time for receiving bids. Bids shall be open and valid for a period of 60 days following the submission closing date. Any interpretation, addition, deletion, or any other corrections to the bid document, will be issued as written addenda by SMC. It is the sole responsibility of the potential Bidders to periodically check the SMC bid website to ensure that all available information has been received.

Post dates: 08/04/21 & 08/11/21

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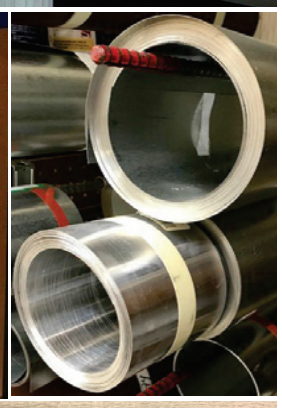
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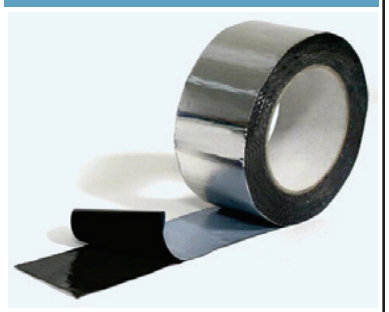


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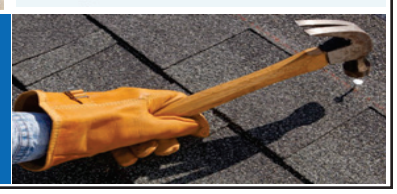








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MUSIC

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COVID era because there are so few students in a group," said Call. "So you're able to have smaller groups and kids who are distanced and not as many people in a room."

In May of 2020, Elemental Music transitioned to an online format, with all of their rehearsals, lessons, and ensembles meeting virtually. 80 percent of ensemble students continued participation after moving to virtual rehearsals, learning new skills and staying connected with their peers.

"So students in our ensemble programs would log on to zoom once a week, and everyone did virtual concerts, which in some ways was really exciting," said Call. "I mean we had for the first time, because of the internet, all of these videos together. We had every single one of our ensembles perform a piece, all at the same time for our last virtual concert. In person, we've never been able to do that just because of space capacity issues."

And while the students showed a positive response to the virtual changes during COVID, there has been somewhat of a demand from the young musicians to resume in-person rehearsals.

"Everyone misses making music in person, including the teachers," said Call. "So, we will be really thrilled when we're able to do that and we're really hoping that COVID is going to stay under control because while it is amazing that so many programs were able to transition online, there's nothing quite like the sound when you're all in the room together."

According to Elemental Music, the friendships fostered in their orchestra, band, choir, and guitar programs often last into high school and beyond.

"One of the most exciting things about chamber music is developing your voice as an ensemble," said Call. "And so I'm hoping that we are successful in making good matches during our auditions as students who will really enjoy playing with one another and learn a lot from their peers. When you do work consistently with the same small group of musicians, you start to develop your own language together, and that would be really incredible to see."

Elemental Music has received positive feedback so far not only from students, but also from many teachers in the area.

"I think it's one of the most beloved forms of music, and the repertoire is so great," said Call regarding chamber music. "It's very exciting to see already so much community support for it and I think it's going to be really exciting."

For more information, visit www.elementalmusic.org

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Courtesy image

PERFORMANCE: Performances went online over the pandemic.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

21st Street

Synagogue Homecoming

Kehillat Ma'arav - Santa Monica's Westside Conservative Synagogue is hosting a "Homecoming" Open House Weekend!

All events are free, but participants are asked to RSVP at https://www.km-synagogue.org/events/open-house/

Thursday, August 5: Baby Challah Bake at 3:30 p.m.: A special challah bake for kids 5 and under. Community Challah Bake at 6 p.m.

Friday, August 6: Pre-Shabbat L'Chaim. Wine in the foyer at 5:45 p.m. Kabbalat Shabbat Service at 6 p.m. with KM Band and featured players. Outdoor Shabbat Dinner to follow.

Saturday, August 7: Shabbat Morning Service at 10 a.m. Installation of new Board of Trustees. Outdoor Kiddush Lunch to follow.

Sunday, August 8: Homecoming & Welcome Back Pep Rally - 4-6 p.m. Outdoor BBQ & Drinks. Puppy petting! DJ with music. Wear your school swag!

Fun for All Ages! All weekend events will have eating outdoors.

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In the first ruling among those cases, a judge last month rejected arguments from eight students that Indiana University's requirement violated their constitutional rights to "bodily autonomy" by forcing them to receive unwanted medical treatment.

A court in Chicago also denied an appeal from their attorney, James Bopp, who's been prominent in many conservative political causes. Bopp works with the group America's Frontline Doctors, which criticizes the COVID-19 vaccine and has been widely discredited for spreading disinformation about the coronavirus and unproven treatments.

Bopp said hundreds of people across the country have contacted him wanting to challenge vaccine mandates. He argues the students he represents, primarily young adults, are at low risk of severe COVID-19 illnesses while facing possible dangers from the vaccine being administered under federal emergency use authorization.

"Why are they being targeted for a vaccine that older people aren't required to take even though their risk is enormously greater?" he said.

Indiana University says nearly 85% of its students have reported receiving at least one dose. Purdue University, Indiana's other Big Ten school, isn't requiring vaccinations but is telling students who don't submit documentation that they could face weekly COVID-19 tests.

Purdue, which says at least 60% of students are vaccinated, tried to entice students to get the shots with 10 prize drawings for a full year's tuition.

Many other schools are offering similar incentives, such as the University of Wisconsin's regional campuses giving away 70 $7,000 scholarships to vaccinated students at sites with at least 70% vaccination rates. Missouri State has a $150,000 program with prizes that include free tuition, meal plans and computers.

Face masks won't fade away as much as hoped on campuses this fall, either. Purdue and the University of South Carolina were among those in the past week to announce a return to required masks following the new CDC guidance that fully vaccinated people wear them indoors if they live in areas with high virus transmission rates.

Rachel "Rae" Applegate, an incoming Notre Dame freshman, was vaccinated this summer with her 16-year-old sister and said she was hesitant because the vaccines are so new. She also feared a greater risk of COVID-19 exposure on campus than at home in Evansville, Indiana.

"I can understand people's concerns about not wanting to be told what to do, but to me, this (getting vaccinated) just makes sense," Applegate said. "When we're all together on a campus like this … and with the variants and everything else, it's like, don't we all want to be as safe as possible?"

Associated Press writer Casey Smith contributed to this report.

PLANT

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my office was briefed about the incident and the ongoing operations to repair the plant and return it to full capacity," he said. "Since this incident, beachgoers, residents of surrounding coastal cities, and my constituents have had to deal with foul odors emanating from the facility and concerns about the safety of nearby ocean waters."

He said reports indicating continued discharge of partially treated wastewater are seemingly a gross violation of the plant's environmental permit and violate water pollution standards.

"Given the severity of this incident, the egregious delay in notifying local officials of the event, the continued discharge of wastewater into the Pacific Ocean, and the impact not only to nearby communities but also the local ecosystem, I urge EPA and NOAA to investigate this incident. This facility plays a critical role in processing wastewater in Los Angeles County and its continued problematic operation requires federal action," he said.

County officials have continued to issue water use warnings at beaches along the local coast following the initial closures. Several Santa Monica beaches have been added to and removed from the list depending on bacterial levels on any given day.

As of Tuesday, Avalon Beach at Catalina Island (50 feet east of the pier), the Bel Air Bay Club at Will Rogers State Beach and Mothers Beach in Marina Del Rey are under a warning from the County.

"This catastrophic accident not only did great damage to our local beaches and water, but also undermined the public's trust in their government's ability to serve them and keep them safe," said Los Angeles Controller Ron Galperin. "Residents have the right to know exactly why the sewage spill happened, its impact on the area, the cost to taxpayers and what steps will be taken to prevent another similar incident in the future."

Last week the County Board of Supervisors received a report, requested by Supervisor Janice Hahn, discussing the failures.

During the meeting, Public Health Director Dr. Barbara Ferrer apologized for the lack of communication from her department regarding the incident and supervisors were also able to question various officials responsible for the spill.

Hahn has been a vocal critic of the spill and the many failures in communication that prevented the public from learning about the incident.

"The events that unfolded at Hyperion and what we learned about our County's response were both unacceptable — but I do want to say that I appreciate Public Health Director Dr. Barbara Ferrer's sincere apology and the fact that her Department is committed to correcting what went wrong and ensuring something like this never happens again," said Hahn in a statement. "I think that goes a long way in rebuilding the public's trust."

Information on beach closures is also available online at our website: PublicHealth.LACounty.gov/Beach.

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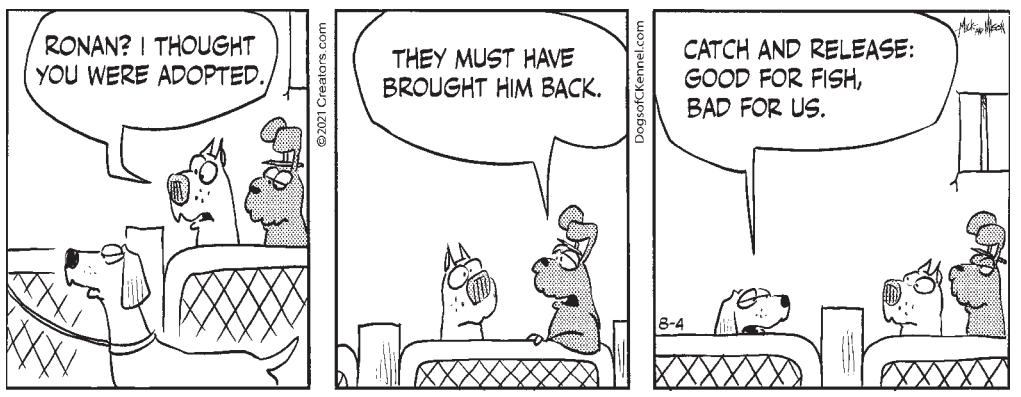
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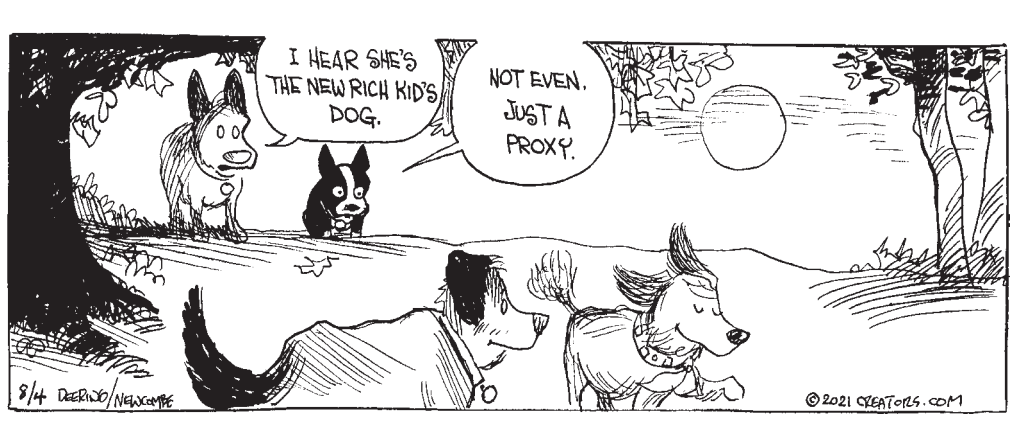
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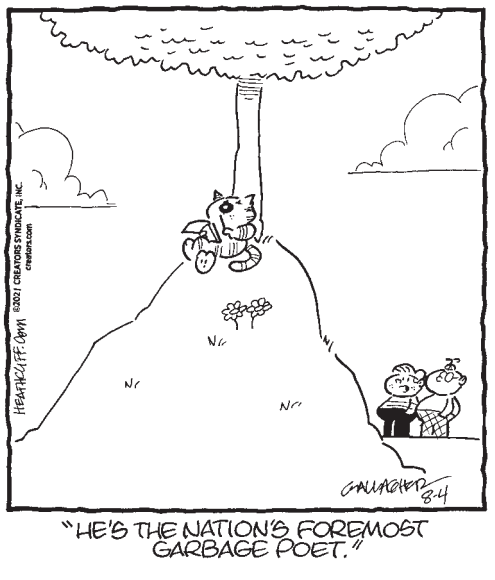
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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 67.1°

WEDNESDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 3-4ft+ Waist to shoulder high
Clean AM but best at spots that do fine with a little water/tide. Another fun day of SSW swell and S tropical swell trends up a notch.

THURSDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 3-4ft Waist to chest high
Continued fun SSW/S swell at the summer spots -- easing SPAC surf and holding SSW swell from Hilda. AM wind looks light and conditions clean. Tide will slow some of the points again.

WEATHER

Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 76. East southeast wind 5 to 10 mph.
Wednesday Night: Increasing clouds, with a low around 63. South southwest wind 5 to 15 mph.
Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 75.

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Draw Date: 8/2
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2nd: 09 - Winning Spirit
3rd: 12 - Lucky Charms
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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (AUGUST 4)

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). There is no shortcut to becoming. The stages are often extremely awkward. It will feel scary and false to pretend to be something you're not, which is precisely why transformation is only for the brave (which you are!)

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You are more resolute and implacable than any opposition you could encounter. If they are stronger, wait until a moment of weakness. If they are faster, let them tire themselves out.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). People are serving their own interests as they cast you in a role, decide how to see you and predict who you are. Their opinions will be only very slightly useful in your crafting of who you want to be.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). If all the world is a stage, today you're the lighting director. You set a mood, direct attention by spotlighting important things and convey your expectations by bringing it brightly up or quietly down.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You have cultivated an ability to see yourself from a distance. This opens you to a wider range of possibilities than most others around you will ever know about. Objectivity is a cornerstone of sophistication and maturity.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Humor will accelerate relationships. Connection, trust and communication happen inside of a smiling breath. Everyone who laughs together is standing on common ground.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). When things start to go awry and the questions pour into your mind, let them. Don't bother answering, either -- there's no time. Get to work clearing the obstacles, and let the questions answer themselves.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). There's no shortage of disagreeable ideas, though insulting their endorsers with an opposing opinion holds no appeal. If you have nothing to prove, you'll forgo 100 arguments to save your energy for what matters.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You make people a little uncomfortable, and that's a good thing. Don't rush to ease the tension or you'll spoil the opportunity here for all to try harder, raise the level and be the best version of themselves.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The current obstacle between you and what you want is basically immaterial. Charge ahead. You'll be surprised how little force it takes to push through. Like a proper bully, this thing has no power beyond your fear of it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Between you and the next thing, there's a gap -- an invitation to a leap of faith. If you don't have faith, that's fine, too. Consider engineering, aeronautics, wire-walking... there's more than one way to bridge this.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You thought you'd learned from a mistake, but now you're back at a place that looks suspiciously similar, and with the urge to repeat the unfruitful actions of the past! It's a matter of the lesson being a little deeper than it looks.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

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SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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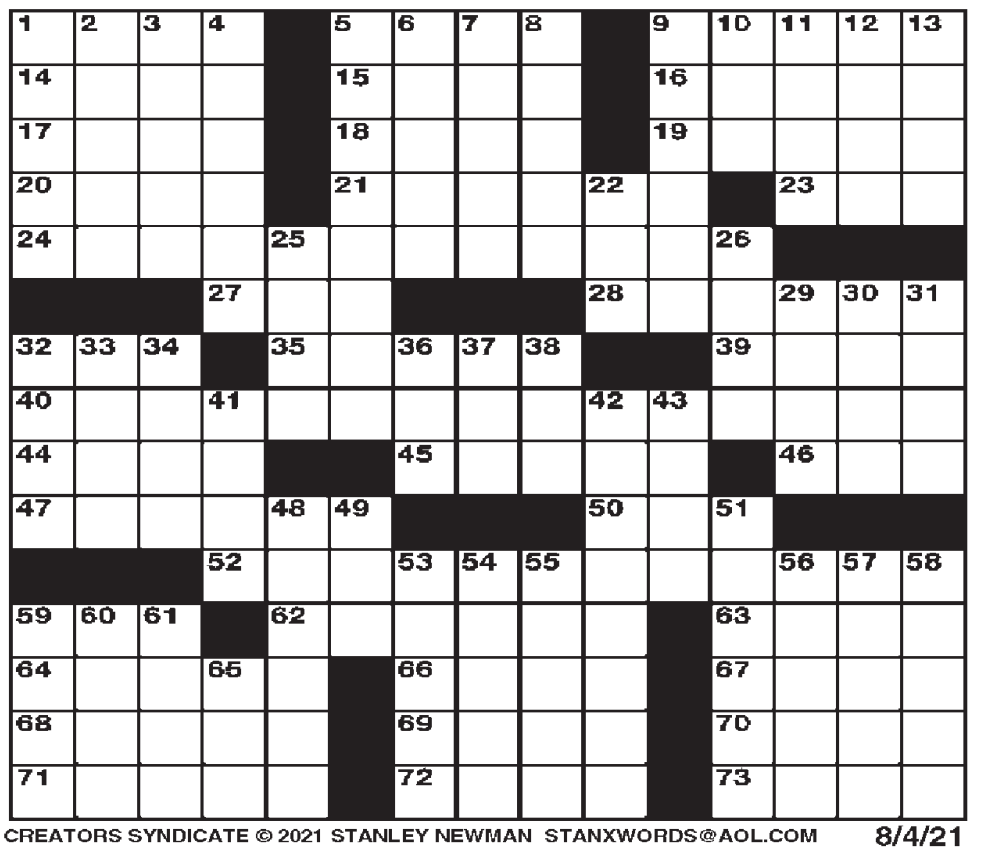
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Newsday Crossword

SALSA SELECTIONS by Mark McClain
Edited by Stanley Newman
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ACROSS
1 Brit's baby carriage
5 Industrial tubs
9 Group of notes played together
14 Evaluate
15 Prepare for publication
16 Corny, as jokes
17 Fan club's hero
18 Repetitive learning method
19 Come to terms
20 Cylindrical farm building
21 Opera house cheers
23 Computer screen pop-ups
24 Gentle and polite
27 Up to now
28 Statistical diagrams
32 Chimp or gorilla
35 Specialty market segment
39 Pest on a poodle
40 Hearty entrée with a warm, red center
44 Huff and puff
45 Ham sandwich spec
46 "Pale" brew
47 Puts into piles
50 Pilot's announcement: Abbr.
52 Traditional Good Friday pastries
59 Campfire remnant
62 Diving-in-pool sound
63 Be adjacent to
64 Conflict, as clothing colors
66 "__ way to go!"
67 Ripped (apart)
68 Parishioner's pledge
69 __ Piper of Hamelin
70 Alternatively
71 Take the wheel
72 Holding a grudge
73 Part of a plan

DOWN
1 Light-bending crystal
2 Diameter halves
3 Coral island
4 Song
5 Precisely repeated
6 Add decorations to
7 Mythical giant like Atlas
8 Wozniak or Jobs of Apple
9 Person in pursuit
10 Big pig
11 Gumbo veggie
12 Swamp stalk
13 Color changers
22 End of UNICEF's URL
25 Restaurant handout
26 Foolish
29 "Not guilty," for one
30 Become well again
31 "For Pete's __!"
32 Concert's sound boosters
33 __ moss (garden mulch)
34 Novelist Ferber
36 __-Magnon (early human)
37 Solo in *Star Wars*
38 Do something wrong
41 Reason to scratch
42 Poker player's headgear
43 Full collections
48 Authentic, informally
49 Engine additive brand
51 Lessens
53 Hand-made sounds of approval
54 Math comparison
55 Small appliance brand
56 Horseshoe-shaped fastener
57 Red Cross worker
58 Difficult to climb
59 Circus performances
60 Narrow opening
61 Can't stand
65 "Steady as __ goes"



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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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Anzac biscuits
Baklava
Bites
Blueberry muffin
Buns
Butterscotch
Cash
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Coffee cream
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RIOT

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the methodology, the department accepts the OIR report on the whole and is working to address its recommendations.

"We want to convey to the community that we understand that our initial response in those early hours did not engender a level of confidence in this organization, and I want to assure you--as the interim chief, as your former chief, and as a person who spent the vast majority of my adult life in this city--that we've learned from that," she said.

Seabrooks noted that it was important to share these lessons learned with the community in order to help restore confidence in the police department.

The OIR Report highlighted high turnover and lack of tenure in positions of leadership within the Department and Seabrooks said while SMPD typically experiences a slight increase in turnover with new leadership even those who are new to higher-level positions have still been working in the department for a significant amount of time.

"What I want to address is the misnomer that these people lack tenure," said Seabrooks. "They all have been here upwards of 20 years. Now, they may have been new in their new role. And I think that bears noting, but at the end of the day, they are experienced members of the police organization across a variety of different police disciplines."

However, the competence of leadership staff was undermined by an unusual decision made by the police chief at the time to send executive staff members out into the field, according to Seabrooks. The decision kept high-level officers occupied with problems in the field rather than letting them provide context and insight at the chief's side.

"While it's a very unusual decision, the two captains did what one would expect captains directed by the police chief to do, and that is to carry out a lawful order, even though flawed, in furtherance of community safety," she Seabrooks.

SMPD has also improved operational planning, particularly in advance of potential crowd control situations. Seabrooks said that pre-incidental operational planning involves gathering intelligence, which can come in the form of a tip or even a social media post, vetting that knowledge, and turning it into a planned course of action.

"What we've done is we've tightened the intelligence function, and by tightening the intelligence function we've also strengthened pre-existing reporting processes and procedures," she said. "It's made us take a look at how far down in the organization we do this type of planning, how far down in the organization do we require our staff to be trained, are we consistently training on this particular issue."

During the event, several high-ranking officers, including Sgt. Gerardo Leyva, President of the Santa Monica Police Officers Association, and Lt. Rudy Flores said they shared the community's emotional reaction to the riot. They said as individual officers they struggled to process the scale of the emergency.

According to them, the chaos was largely created by an influx of "10-3 Code 3s," a high urgency request for help that does not occur frequently in Santa Monica. The request indicates a need for assistance so dire that even the chief of police would typically rush to the scene.

"On that day, there were numerous 10-3 Code 3s, and many officers felt abandoned," said. Leyva. "Nobody could respond to their 10-3 Code 3 because everybody that was out there was dealing with their own 10-3 Code 3. It was complete chaos with every officer that was out there. And so now, we're finding that a lot of them are dealing with this trauma: they let someone down and then they were let down."

Flores also remarked on the atmosphere of regret and disappointment among the department following the events of May 31, as well as the anxiety preceding them. He underlined the previous strength of the relationship between the Santa Monica community and the officers in the department.

"We are part of the community and the community is part of us. And we truly believe that. But last year was hard," he said.

He went on to reference the department's shock and horror at George Floyd's murder.

"I remember we would talk in briefings or other meetings: 'I cannot believe that happened. That would never happen here in Santa Monica,'" Flores said. "And then things changed. It didn't feel like we were part of a community. We were painted with this broad brush. It was like: you, us. And then, of course, the civil unrest occurred here in our city and that definitely did not help."

Flores said that most of the issues with the department's handling of events stemmed from high-level decisions, that forced officers to keep playing catch-up. He commended officers for self-deploying and for rushing immediately to work in spite of these difficulties.

Now, with the added insight of the OIR report, the department has taken a closer look at these difficulties and begun working on improvements.

"I think the message today that I'd like to get out to our community," said Seabrooks," is one of reconciliation, one of healing, as we begin to move forward along our path away from the events of last year and into our future."

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unvaccinated people had to take other classes and cover their faces, he said. About 25% of the patrons are unvaccinated, he said.

Major performance venues including Broadway theaters and the Metropolitan Opera have already announced that vaccinations will be required for patrons.

About 66% of adults in New York City are fully vaccinated, according to official data.

On Monday, the U.S. reached the president's goal of getting at least one COVID-19 shot into 70% of American adults — a month late and amid a surge by the delta variant that is overwhelming hospitals and prompting renewed pandemic regulations around the country.

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CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

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ON WEDNESDAY, JULY 21 2:15 A.M.

Officers responded to the 1700 block of Ocean Front Walk regarding an Unknown Trouble. Officers were flagged down by a group of individuals who were later identified as the victims. The victims relayed that they were sitting on a bench on Ocean Front Walk when two males began walking in their direction. The two parties were engaged in a verbal altercation when one of the males began threatening to kill the victims. One of the males attempted to deescalate the situation, while the other male continued to make threatening statements and pulled out a 9mm pistol. The suspect put the gun back in his backpack as the other party ran away. Officers located Paul Thomas Hightower and arrested him for 422 P.C.-Criminal Threats, 417(a)(2) P.C.- Brandishing a firearm, and 245(a)(2) P.C.-Assault with a deadly weapon (firearm).

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