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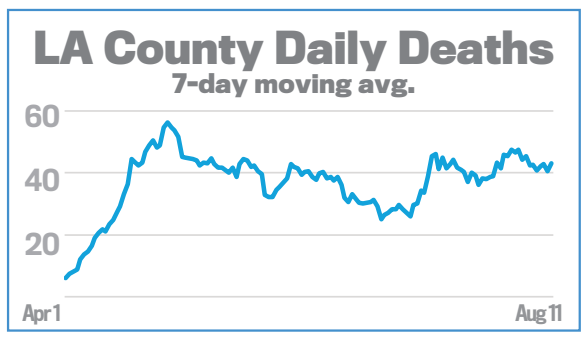
Democratic party grows
New voter registration data is available.
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Evictions could restart
State protections are about to expire.
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CORONAVIRUS DEATHS per 100,000

SANTA MONICA	LA COUNTY	CALIFORNIA	USA	WORLDWIDE
41.1	51.2	27.4	50.6	9.8

SMDP Graphic - Data from Johns Hopkins, WHO, LA County Public Health



Local Democrats express glee at final Democratic ticket

CLARA HARTER
SMDP Staff Writer

When Joe Biden named California Sen. Kamala Harris as his running mate on Tuesday, several members of the Santa Monica Democratic Club (SMDC) were ecstatic with glee, while the membership as a group expressed whole-hearted excitement to rally behind the finalized ticket.

"I think people would have thought it sounded like a Super Bowl victory or a World Series win. I was that excited," said Nicole Phillis, member of the SMDC and Chair of the Rent Control Board, in response to Harris's selection.

"I screamed out loud, I was so thrilled," said Michelle Grant, who was a leader of Kamala for Santa Monica and a member of the SMDC. "She doesn't take any malarkey from anyone, her positions on gay rights, on guns, on climate, all of it is so impressive."

Kamala Harris is the first Black woman on a major party's presidential ticket and has served as California Attorney General, California Senator, and San Francisco District Attorney. Harris was the biggest fundraiser in Santa Monica during the primaries, and after ending her own campaign last year, she now joins Joe Biden's campaign. The Santa Monica Democratic Club believes she has what it takes to make it.

"100 percent unequivocally, they are the best ticket," said Phillis. "If folks thought that there was a time

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Ocean pollution persists despite pandemic

BRENNON DIXSON
SMDP Staff Writer

Despite safer-at-home orders, Westside beaches have remained packed with residents and tourists alike which has raised concerns of plastic pollution in local waterways.

Graham Hamilton, Coordinator for the Los Angeles Chapter of the Surfrider Foundation, said in an interview Thursday that pollution reduction initiatives and beach access programs make up the bulk of the work being done throughout Southern California.

Hamilton said his chapter operates from Marina Del Rey to

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Matthew Hall

ARREST: The California Highway Patrol arrested a man on Thursday following a car accident on the 10 freeway between 4th street and the McClure Tunnel. Traffic was temporarily snarled while the car was towed.

Rent relief applications open Monday

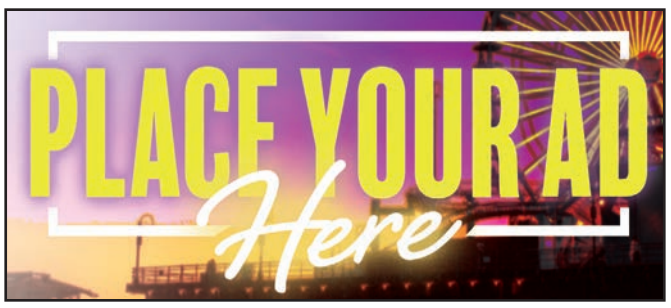
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SMDP Staff Writer

Applications for the Los Angles County COVID-19 Rent Relief program open Monday, Aug. 17, and Santa Monica residents in need of assistance are encouraged to apply.

The rental relief initiative is set to open to all renters in Los Angeles County who meet the income requirements, and officials hope to assist more than 9,000 with the $100 million that have been set aside to assist eligible renters. To provide

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
SANTA MONICA ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD
REGULAR MEETING
VIA TELECONFERENCE
Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 Issued by Governor Gavin Newsom

DATE/TIME: Monday, August 17th, 2020, 7:00 PM

LOCATION: In an effort to reduce the risk of spreading Coronavirus (COVID-19), members of the Architectural Review Board and City Staff will participate via teleconference. The public may join the teleconference via https://primetime.bluejeans.com/a2m/live-event/tuusgbzy or by dialing in at +1 (415) 466-7000 (US) PIN: 4639701 #

PROPERTIES:

- 19ENT-0560: 601 Colorado Avenue: Mixed-Use and Sign Program
- 20ARB-0213: 1902 Euclid Street: Multi-Family
- 20ARB-0154: 1707 4th Street: Façade Remodel and Sign Adjustment
- 20ARB-0157: 1514 7th Street: 100% Affordable: Mixed-Use

PRELIMINARY REVIEW(S):

- 20ENT-0104, 20ENT-0105 and 20ENT-0106):1640-1644 14th Street: Mixed-Use
- 20ENT-0111: 1360 3rd Street Promenade: Commercial

More information is available online at https://www.smgov.net/Departments/PCD/Boards-Commissions/Architectural-Review-Board/ or at (310) 458-8341 (en espanol tambien). The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Those wishing to give public comment must make that request via email to planningcomment@smgov.net. Written information received prior to 12 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be distributed to the Board prior to the meeting and posted online. Written information received after 12 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be read aloud at the meeting subject to time constraints. For disability-related accommodations, please contact 310-458-8701 or TTY 310-450-8696 a minimum of 72 hours in advance. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request.

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SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 32 CALLS ON AUGUST 12

Automatic Alarm 1400blk Lincoln Blvd 1:59 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1600blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:01 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1300blk Lincoln Blvd 2:05 a.m.
EMS 700blk Hill St 6:31 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury Lincoln Blvd / Olympic Blvd E 7:46 a.m.
EMS 1900blk Cloverfield Blvd 8:22 a.m.
EMS 1400blk Ocean Ave 8:35 a.m.
EMS Main St / Bay St 9:00 a.m.
EMS 1400blk 21st St 9:15 a.m.
EMS 1600blk Cloverfield Blvd 9:42 a.m.
EMS 1900blk Pico Blvd 10:21 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1600blk 14th St 10:24 a.m.
EMS 1300blk 20th St 12:59 p.m.
Wires Down 700blk Ocean Park Blvd 1:40 p.m.
Public Assist 1200blk 4th St 1:41 p.m.
EMS 1900blk Pico Blvd 2:07 p.m.
EMS 1100blk 7th St 2:21 p.m.
Haz Mat - Level 1 3200blk Wilshire Blvd 3:40 p.m.
EMS 1200blk Broadway 4:01 p.m.
EMS 1900blk Cloverfield Blvd 4:29 p.m.
EMS 1800blk 16th St 4:36 p.m.
EMS Ocean Ave / Santa Monica Blvd 4:41 p.m.
EMS 2500blk 29th St 5:01 p.m.
Structure Fire 1000blk 7th St 6:12 p.m.
EMS 200blk 21st Pl 6:20 p.m.
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EMS Stanford St / Santa Monica Blvd 8:15 p.m.
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Automatic Alarm 1100blk 7th St 10:02 p.m.
EMS 400blk 16th St 10:10 p.m.
EMS 1300blk 19th St 10:16 p.m.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

LOS ANGELES

Crews try to tame California wildfire as heat wave arrives

Crews scrambled to protect homes from a huge wildfire that prompted evacuations north of Los Angeles and officials warned the blaze could flare up again Thursday as a blistering heat wave descended on California.

The fire exploded in size within hours after it broke out in dense forest on Wednesday afternoon, sending up a towering plume visible for hundreds of miles around.

Flames raced across ridges and steep slopes, including in some areas that had not burned since 1968, fire officials said. By Thursday morning, the blaze had consumed nearly 16.5 square miles of timber and brush. There was no containment.

Light winds and scattered thundershowers early in the day helped firefighters tame the flames somewhat. But as the cloud cover cleared and temperatures spiked Thursday afternoon, officials prepared for a repeat of the ferocious fire activity seen a day earlier.

"This will be a major fire for several days," said Chief Robert Garcia with the U.S. Forest Service.

About 100 rural homes were evacuated in the Lake Hughes area of the Angeles National Forest, some 60 miles north of downtown Los Angeles.

Preliminary damage assessments found that at least three structures burned, but authorities warned the toll would likely be higher. It wasn't immediately clear if any residences were damaged, but a photograph for The Associated Press showed what may have been a house on fire.

Evacuation centers were designated for residents and animals, but because of COVID-19 concerns, people were told to stay in their cars in the parking lots.

The cause of the blaze, dubbed the Lake Fire, is under investigation. It's one of several wildfires burning in the region.

The heat wave was expected to last through the weekend, bringing triple-digit temperatures and extreme fire danger to large portions of California.

CHRISTOPHER WEBER, ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES

Voter numbers show Democrats strengthen hold on California

Democrats are strengthening their hold on California, a state the party has dominated for years, voter registration figures showed Thursday.

Figures issued by Secretary of State Alex Padilla showed Democrats eclipse Republicans by nearly a 2-1 margin. Independents, those voters not affiliated with any party, also continue to outnumber GOP voters, though narrowly.

The data also showed that 83.49% of eligible Californians are registered to vote – the highest percentage heading into a general election in 68 years.

Padilla said in a statement that despite the COVID-19 pandemic, the state is on track to hit 21 million registered voters before the November election, which would be a record.

Republican registration has dwindled to 24%, down from 27% at the same time before the 2016 presidential election. Republican numbers actually increased slightly from 2018, by about 280,000 voters, but the party's overall percentage has been dropping as most new voters are registering as independents or Democrats.

Democratic registration was pegged at 46%, up 1 percentage point since 2016. The party added over 1 million new voters since 2018.

The latest data underscore trends that have seen the GOP become largely irrelevant in statewide politics, though the party retains pockets of political influence, particularly in rural areas.

Democrats have a tight hold on California political power, holding every statewide office, controlling both chambers of the Legislature and counting a nearly 4.7 million-voter edge in registrations over the GOP.

Republicans hold just seven of California's 53 House seats. President Donald Trump lost the state by over 4 million votes in 2016. The last Republican who carried the state in a presidential election was George H.W. Bush in 1988.

MICHAEL R. BLOOD, AP POLITICAL WRITER

DAILY POLICE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 284 CALLS ON AUGUST 12

Indecent Exposure Now 1500blk Ocean Ave 12:03 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 900blk Harvard St 1:23 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 2300blk Wilshire Blvd 1:57 a.m.
Petty Theft Now 1600blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:49 a.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 2000blk Ocean Ave 2:55 a.m.
Prowler 200blk 7th St 3:47 a.m.
Attempt Burglary Just Occurred 1400blk 12th St 5:55 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1900blk Pico Blvd 6:43 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries Lincoln Blvd / Olympic Blvd E 7:46 a.m.
Found Property 300blk Olympic Dr 7:50 a.m.
Petty Theft 1500blk Harvard St 7:58 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred Ocean Ave / Arizona Ave 8:34 a.m.
Burglary 1100blk 12th St 8:35 a.m.
Encampment 21st St / Pico Blvd 8:45 a.m.
Attempt Burglary 1500blk 9th St 8:53 a.m.
Auto Burglary 1800blk 7th St 9:04 a.m.
Public Intoxication 500blk Broadway 9:09 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 400blk Broadway 9:18 a.m.
Critical Missing Person 300blk Olympic Dr 9:27 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1700blk 10th St 9:27 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 2200blk Pier Ave 9:34 a.m.
Encampment 19th St / Pico Blvd 9:42 a.m.
Burglary 1100blk 12th St 10:08 a.m.
Violation Of Posted Sign 100blk Arizona Ave 10:16 a.m.
Domestic Violence Now 1000blk Pearl St 10:22 a.m.
Violation Of Temporary No Parking Signs 3000blk Colorado Ave 10:33 a.m.
Auto Burglary 900blk 2nd St 10:36 a.m.
Violation Of Posted Sign 1400blk Oak St 10:39 a.m.
Burglary 2000blk Ocean Ave 10:45 a.m.
Assault W/Deadly Weapon Just Occurred 6th St / Broadway 11:19 a.m.
Illegal Weapon 1400blk Berkeley St 11:20 a.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 1800blk Lincoln Blvd 11:23 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now Ocean Ave / Arizona Ave 11:24 a.m.
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Encampment 1400blk 16th St 12:43 p.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 1300blk 3rd Street Prom 12:49 p.m.
Grand Theft 2200blk California Ave 12:53 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 23rd St / Schader Dr 1:13 p.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 2600blk 3rd St 1:36 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1500blk Lincoln Blvd 1:37 p.m.
Encampment 21st St / Pico Blvd 1:38 p.m.
Auto Burglary 1100blk 12th St 1:52 p.m.
Assault W/Deadly Weapon Now 3rd Street Prom / Broadway 1:59 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1800blk Hill St 2:00 p.m.
Bike Theft 3rd Street Prom / Broadway 2:11 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 800blk 16th St 2:15 p.m.
Encampment 1200blk The Beach 2:15 p.m.
Theft Of Recyclables 2300blk Cloverfield Blvd 2:53 p.m.
Auto Burglary 1600blk Ashland Ave 2:56 p.m.
Bike Theft 3rd Street Prom / Broadway 3:04 p.m.
Burglary 500blk Raymond Ave 3:10 p.m.
Fight 11th St / Montana Ave 3:57 p.m.
Assault Just Occurred 1700blk Lincoln Blvd 3:58 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 10th St / Olympic Blvd W 4:01 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 19th St / Wilshire Blvd 4:17 p.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 2900blk Santa Monica Blvd 4:18 p.m.
Violation Of Posted Sign 3300blk Barnard Way 4:33 p.m.
Overdose 1800blk 16th St 4:36 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1900blk Cloverfield Blvd 4:57 p.m.
Auto Burglary 2200blk Oak St 4:59 p.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 6th St / Broadway 5:09 p.m.
Petty Theft 2700blk 4th St 5:50 p.m.
Found Person 1300blk 7th St 5:50 p.m.
Construction Noise 300blk California Ave 6:35 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 1800blk 19th St 6:38 p.m.
Urinating/Defecating In Public 1200blk Euclid St 6:59 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 2000blk Santa Monica Blvd 7:15 p.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 2300blk 14th St 7:22 p.m.
Petty Theft 1800blk 17th St 7:47 p.m.
Identity Theft 900blk 25th St 9:05 p.m.
Petty Theft 1500blk Palisades Park 10:22 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 4th St / Pico Blvd 10:26 p.m.
Oversize Vehicle Violation 500blk Georgina Ave 10:33 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1100blk Pico Blvd 11:39 p.m.

CITY OF SANTA MONICA

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA LANDMARKS COMMISSION VIA TELECONFERENCE

Pursuant to Executive Order N-29-20 Issued by Governor Gavin Newsom

A discussion will be held by the Landmarks Commission on the following:

124 Hart Avenue, 20ENT-0015, Zoning: R2 (Low Density Residential) District. The City Landmarks Commission will be conducting a public hearing to consider a Structure of Merit Designation 20ENT-0015 for the property located at 124 Hart Avenue to determine whether the residential property should be designated as a Structure of Merit. The Landmarks Commission will consider whether, based on written materials and public testimony presented, the residence meets one or more of the required criteria for Structure of Merit designation pursuant to SMMC Section 9.56.080. Applicant: Kaplan Chen Kaplan Architects. Owner: James & Lindsay MacGowan.

1626 California Avenue, 20ENT-0022, Zoning: R2 (Low Density Residential) District. The City Landmarks Commission will be conducting a public hearing to consider Landmark/Structure of Merit Designation 20ENT-0022 for the property located at 1626 California Avenue to determine whether the residential property should be designated as a Landmark or Structure of Merit. The Landmarks Commission will consider whether, based on written materials and public testimony presented, the residence meets one or more of the required criteria for a Landmark or Structure of Merit designation pursuant to SMMC Section 9.56.080. Applicant/Owner: Louis Tal.

1413 Michigan Avenue, 20ENT-0199, Zoning: NC (Neighborhood Commercial) District. The City Landmarks Commission will be conducting a public hearing to consider a Certificate of Appropriateness application for design approval of a proposed project (20ENT-0079) located at 1413 Michigan Avenue consisting of a 4-story, 100% affordable housing project with 57 units, 1 manager unit, ground floor amenities, 12 parking spaces, and the rehabilitation of a one-story landmark structure (Santa Monica Nikkei Hall). Applicant: Sonia Suresh, EAH LLC. Owner: Atlantic Microscope LLC.

DISCUSSION ITEMS Mills Act Contract Applications:

2546 3rd Street
2518 4th Street
423-429 Ocean Avenue
608 San Vicente Boulevard

DATE/TIME: MONDAY, AUGUST 24, 2020 AT 7:00 PM

LOCATION: In an effort to reduce the risk of spreading Coronavirus (COVID-19), members of the Landmarks Commission and City Staff will participate via teleconference. The public may join the teleconference via https://primetime.bluejeans.com/a2m/live-event/uxvevjhv or by dialing in at 1-415-466-7000 (PIN: 4486167#).

HOW TO COMMENT: The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Those wishing to give public comment must make that request via email to planningcomment@smgov.net. Written information received prior to 12 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be distributed to the Landmarks Commission prior to the meeting and posted online. Written information received after 12 p.m. the day of the meeting will be read aloud at the meeting for a total of three minutes.

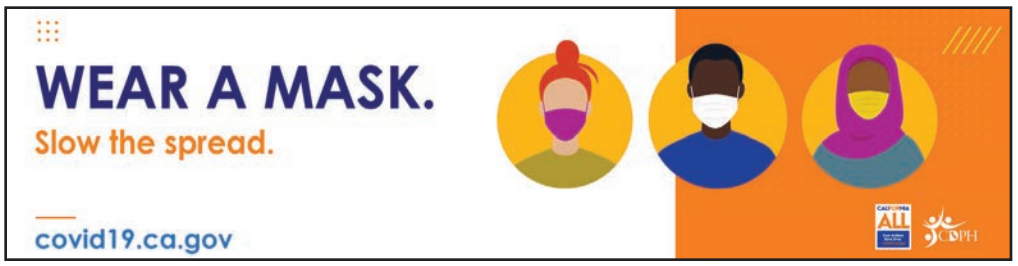
QUESTIONS regarding the projects may be addressed to Stephanie Reich, AIA, Design and Historic Preservation Planner, at stephanie.reich@smgov.net.

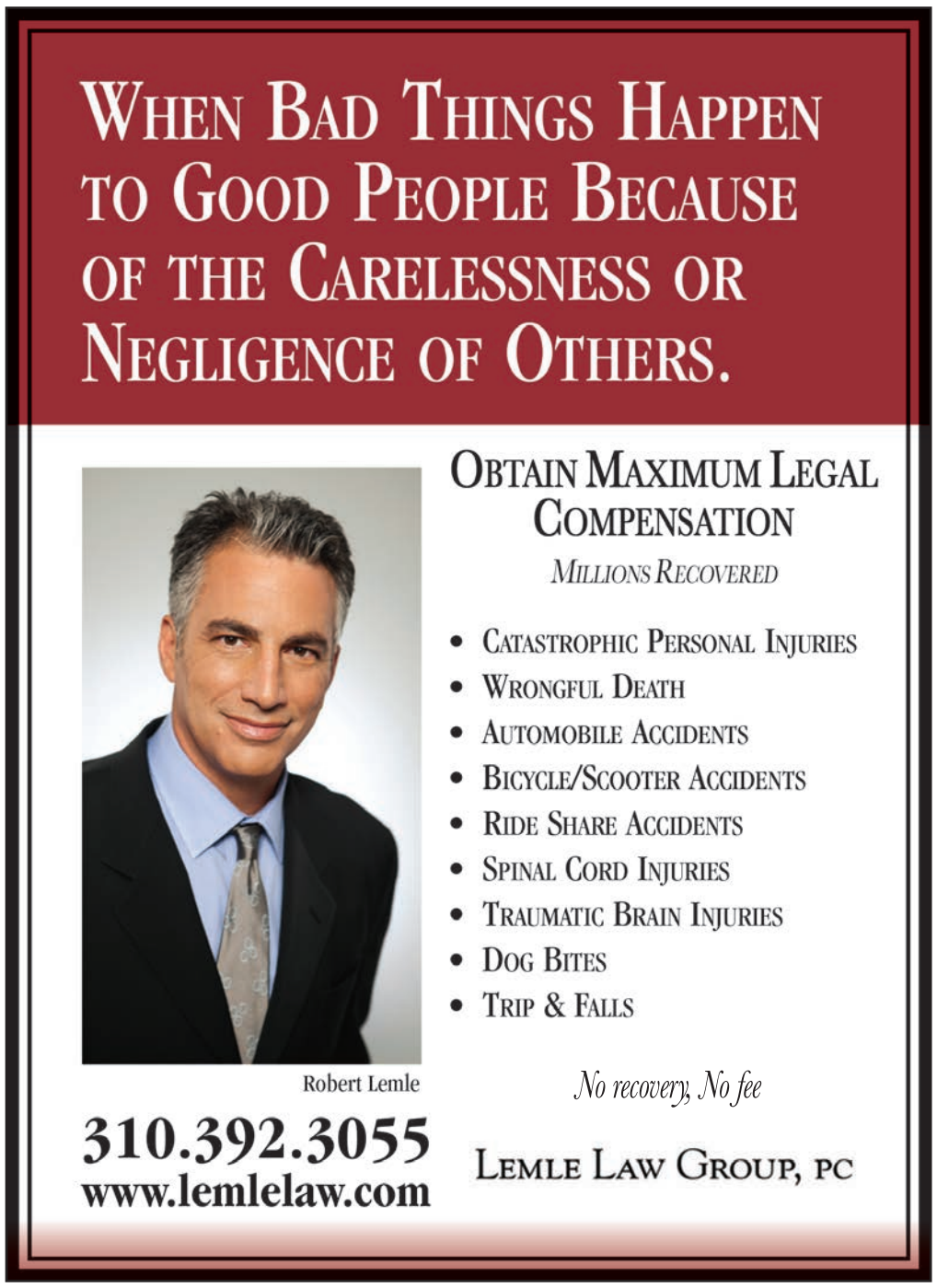
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ESPAÑOL: Este es un aviso de una audiencia publica sobre una solicitud para remodilar un edifecio que tiene valor historico importante. Para mas informacion, por favor llame a Carmen Gutierrez en City Planning Division al numero (310) 458-8341.

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Jerry's Memoir Is On The Market!

Before I clarify how I became the "co-writer," the far more remarkable event is that Jerry Rosenblum, who moved here in 1963 and who'll turn 99 in January, just had his first book published, An Angel On My Shoulder. (Ever busy Jerry's already only half-joking talking about a sequel, An Angel on My Other Shoulder.)

Spanning from 1922 to 2020, Angel contains 98 fast-paced and uniquely varied chapters, one for each year of his life. Born and raised in Brooklyn, imagine that Jerry remembers the excitement of Lindbergh's 1927 landing in Paris and feeling comforted by FDR's first fireside chat in 1933.

Jerry's book is often touching, funny and filled with colorful characters. Many are famous, like Muhammad Ali who wound up the world's most recognized person and some infamous like mobster union official Alan Dorfman, who wound up with a bullet in his head. (Ouch!) Jerry knew them both.

Exceptionally congenial, Jerry is blessed with an infectious sense of humor and a unique ability to have a front row seat at many historic events and met a number who made that history. (I refer to Jerry as the "thinking man's Forrest Gump.")

However, Jerry also writes about the extremely difficult times in his life, such as his father's passing when Jerry was 12 and his having "to be the man of the house" to help support his family. As is tragically happening currently, he and his family were evicted during the Great Depression and Jerry recalls sadness and helplessness as his family's furniture was piled on the sidewalk. And he remembers in vivid detail the dangers of his Navy service at Pearl Harbor during WWII.

Typical Jerry, he feels overcoming these challenges made him stronger and have contributed to his longevity and wonderful life. The fact is, Jerry's the most positive, upbeat person I've ever known. (Hopefully you might meet him as I'll spell out later.)

In a painstaking labor of love, for the past year Jerry and I thoroughly rewrote a manuscript he first began in 2008. Almost daily over the phone, we talked over needed changes at 7 am and 11 pm. (And to lighten our load, Jerry would invariably slip in a few classic borscht belt jokes.)

On occasion, Jerry wondered if his positive nature was rubbing off on me. I joked, "For that I'm going to need blood transfusions." The truth is I was extremely fortunate in our Tuesdays with Morrie "lessons about life" relationship. To think, I was almost too busy to meet Jerry back in 2009.

A regular reader of my column, Jerry got my number from a mutual friend. He had just finished his manuscript and wondered if I would read it. He was 87 and hadn't written anything before, so, I'm embarrassed to say, I was thinking of a polite way to pass.

Just then Jerry mentioned he had spent 50 successful years as a salesman and store manager in the men's clothing business. My late father, whom I still miss dearly, owned a men's shop for 30 years so I couldn't say no.

Jerry persuaded me to read his manuscript. Imagine having to break the news to an 87-year-old his life story needed a spine to connect the vignettes, tension where appropriate and humor always. Jerry took my advice like the mensch he is and kept re-writing. (Confirming "writing is rewriting.")

I stayed in close touch and wrote columns about Jerry's age-defying exploits of winning amateur senior singing contests, taking luxury cruise ships around the world and being the sole guest on two podcasts when he was a mere 96. Finally, Jerry got a commitment from a publishing company for his book and asked if I'd help. The day we finally finished the rewrite, Jerry commented, "What I wrote was the cloth which you turned into a fine suit.

The "fine suit" goes back in time and chapter by chapter works it's way to the present. But before we flashback to 1922 and Jerry's birth, Chapter 1 is entitled "AOC And Me!" It details Jerry's friendship with Congresswoman Alexandria Ocasio-Cortez. (Jerry wrote her two campaign songs, and when she lovingly thanked him on Instagram it got 1 million views in a day.)

The chapter includes their warm visit at a Bernie rally in Venice this past December and wonderful photos of the two of them together. (Meanwhile, Jerry's on Instagram himself with 21,000 followers!)

Readers often ask if Jerry is still sharp. Besides being a voracious reader current on everything, he has 50 songs, many from Broadway musicals, he knows by heart any of which he'll sing at a drop of a hat. (Actually, you don't even need the hat.)

Trust me, knowing Jerry is inspiring. As AOC said, "He spreads joy and acts of kindness."

An Angel On My Shoulder is at http://bookstore.dorrancepublishing.com/ and click on "search," or (800) 788-7654. It's also available at Amazon. To buy his book and meet Jerry in person, call (310) 451-5383 as he offers social distance curbside service. Jack is at jackdailypress@aol.com.

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Eviction protections to end as California lawmakers mull fix

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Associated Press

California will resume eviction and foreclosure proceedings on Sept. 2, stoking fears of a wave of evictions during the coronavirus pandemic unless the governor and state Legislature can agree on a proposal to extend protections into 2021.

The Judicial Council of California voted 19-1 on Thursday to end the temporary rules that had been in place since April 6. Since the pandemic began in March, more than 9.7 million people have filed for unemployment benefits in California. A survey from the U.S. Census shows more than 1.7 million renters in the state could not pay their rent on time last month.

California Chief Justice Tani G. Cantil-Sakauye has been reluctant to let the rules stay in place much longer, saying it's the job of the judicial branch to interpret the laws, not make them. She had previously pushed for the rules to expire this week. But lawmakers successfully lobbied her to extend the protections through the end of August, giving the Legislature and Gov. Gavin Newsom more time to agree on a longer-term solution.

"We have to get to work. We have been at work, we ought to roll up our sleeves and get this package across the finish line," Newsom said Wednesday during his coronavirus news conference.

California could become one of the first states to put eviction protections in law in response to the pandemic. At least 43 states had some sort of temporary eviction protections in place earlier this year, according to the Aspen Institute. But many of those protections have expired, leaving about 30 in place now.

"In a number of other states where you have seen eviction moratoriums expire, the rush to the courts is really overwhelming," said Katherine Lucas McKay, senior program manager for the financial security program at the Aspen Institute.

California's legislative leaders want to avoid that. They are seriously considering two proposals. Both would halt evictions during the pandemic. But they differ on how to compensate property owners for lost rent payments.

The Assembly version would protect property owners from foreclosure. The Senate version would give property owners the option of taking credits that would lower how much they owe in state taxes beginning in 2024. Owners could sell those credits before 2024 if they needed immediate cash.

Both proposals face problems. The California Apartment Association opposes the Assembly's proposal, calling it the "free rent bill." They support the Senate's proposal. But that version would be expensive, with one estimate showing it would cost the state more than $12 billion at a time when lawmakers are struggling to fill multibillion budget deficits of their own.

The final version will likely be a combination of the two proposals. Regardless of what the state does, many local governments — including most of the state's major cities — have passed their own eviction protections that will extend beyond Sept. 2.

But many of the local ordinances are not as strong as the statewide rules set to expire next month. Brian Augusta, legislative advocate for the California Rural Legal Assistance Foundation, said those laws vary by jurisdiction, creating a policy patchwork that is difficult for tenants, landlords and judges to keep straight.

"I don't think it would be a safe course of action for the governor to rely on local governments to fill that gap," he said.

RENT

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important information about how to apply for the Countywide Rental Relief Program, Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors Chair Pro Tem Hilda Solis held on online discussion Thursday with Emilio Salas of the Los Angeles County Development Authority, who said the program is unlike any he had ever seen.

"We know there are many people having a hardship right now in terms of paying their rent," because they might've lost their job or a significant part of their household income, Solis said Thursday. "And we know it's really impacting communities of color."

Los Angles County's eviction moratorium is still in place, but Solis said she's proud the Board of Supervisors allocated $100 million in rental relief for tenants and mom-and-pop property owners.

Salas shared Solis' excitement when he had the opportunity to speak during Thursday's live stream when he stated the program will target the areas with the highest need in the county.

"We wanted to make sure the assistance got right to the folks who needed it most, so at least 50% of the funds are going to go straight to these areas that we've identified that need it the most," which includes homes in areas like Santa Monica as well as others, Salas said, mentioning residents can visit lacda.org/programs/rent-relief-zip-codes to view a complete list of eligible zip codes.

"It is going to be income-based," so households who make 50% of the median income will receive up to $7,500 of assistance, Salas said. "Those at 30% of the median income and below will receive up to $10,000 of assistance, so this program is unlike any that I've seen in the country," and it's literally going to be a lifeline for some folks and will hopefully prevent increased homelessness.

Citizenship and documentation are not a requirement, Salas added, mentioning there will be two ways to apply between 8 a.m. Monday and 8 p.m. Monday, Aug. 31. One can go online to 211LA.org and submit an application or call 211 to talk to the more than 100 operators who will be ready to assist residents with any questions and applications.

"Even if you don't live in those high need areas," Salas said, "if you're at 50% median income and below, you may still be eligible and I would encourage you to apply."

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PLASTIC

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the Ventura County line.

"Pre-COVID we were doing anywhere between two to four beach cleanups per month," he said. "And it was always funny because when we were in Santa Monica, Venice or Malibu, participants would come to the beach — and invariably — you would hear someone chime in about how the beach looks pretty clean."

They'd jokingly ask if there was any trash out there to pick up, but Hamilton said that sure enough, they'd put a glove and bag and a trash picker in their hands and about an hour later they come back with a couple pounds of trash.

He said most of the items were weightless single-use plastics. So while beaches may be cleaner in one area as opposed to another, it's all kind of a matter of perspective because local waters need attention constantly.

Admitting there's no hard data to show if beaches were cleaner during the shutdown than they typically are, Hamilton said, "Just because people aren't at the beach though, doesn't mean that their trash and pollutants aren't making their way to the beach."

Los Angeles is a system of watersheds, so when the Westside had rain early in the pandemic — it brought all of that trash to the beach, Hamilton said.

"So a person in Pasadena isn't necessarily at the beach, but that doesn't mean that their trash isn't," he said. "And, of course, it's sticking around a lot longer because there aren't organizations like Surfrider and Heal The Bay and other partners going out and conducting our regular operations to clean those beaches."

As somebody who's lucky enough to live by just blocks from the beach in Santa Monica, Hamilton said, "I went down a couple of times during the lockdown and saw just as much trash as I've ever seen, especially in the parking lots and around trash cans because city services have been limited. I don't think the tsunami of single-use PPE items helped because those are now also showing up on the beach."

A lot of residents think that trash comes mostly from visitors who aren't as careful, but there are different inputs that are flooding our creeks, streams and coastlines with trash, Hamilton added, detailing how COVID has created the disruption of a lifetime for many, many people in the world.

"But what's important to remember is there's an even bigger disruptor right on the heels of it and it's climate change," he said. "We are individuals but we are also part of a collective. And the reality is we can't clean ourselves out of this mess. When you think about the fact that there are 10 million metric tons of plastic entering the ocean every single year and the plastics industry is estimating to increase plastic production by 40% by the year 2030, you see we can't vacuum our way out of this problem. So, it's really up to individuals to see themselves as part of an interconnected system and understand that their everyday choices impact our watersheds, our mountains, our creeks, our communities, beaches and oceans."

That's a philosophical issue though, according to Hamilton.

"But from a practical standpoint, you can take an hour and do a clean-up yourself once a month. And you don't have to go to the beach to do the cleanup — you can pick up trash in your alleyway or in your neighborhood," he said.

This is only a small step, Hamilton added. "But we need to get out there and vote as well. And we need to remember that we are all a part of a system and we all depend upon each other."

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HARRIS

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when there was a better candidate, they had an opportunity to express that during the primaries. In the primary it was very clear that Joe Biden won the pick of the Democratic Party, and he made it very clear that his pick is Kamala. And now is the time for us to rally behind them."

Jon Katz, the president of the Santa Monica Democratic organization, identifies as part of the farther left progressive wing of the Party. While his first choice was Karen Bass, he feels there is a lot of strategic value in the ticket.

"As I sat with the choice, I started to see the appeal of this ticket and I think it's a winning one and will win over a lot of people who are actual swing voters," said Katz. "I think that she will compliment Joe very well. If the down side of Joe Biden is that he is an old white guy from a past generation, then Kamala definitely helps to counteract that quite a bit."

Harris has faced criticism from Democrats over her record on criminal justice and her inability to form a unified campaign identity to inspire people during the primaries. Several of the Santa Monica's Democrats disagree with these indictments.

"All the garbage that she wouldn't energize people was ridiculous and disproven the minute they raised $30 million in 24 hours," said Grant, referring to the funds raised for the Biden-Harris campaign following her selection as VP candidate.

"To the folks who take issue with her record as a prosecutor, I would point them to the many public defenders who came out the day she was nominated and said she was one of the most progressive DAs when she was in San Francisco," said Phillis.

Regardless of who they backed in the primaries, members of the SMDC agree that now is the time to rally whole-heartedly around the finalized Democratic ticket.

"In the last few years we've seen this trend where if you don't get your first choice for president that means you trash the entire party as being a corrupt and a rigged system. This year with everything that is at stake it's not even a question. You could have picked a much worse ticket than this and I still would have voted for," said Katz. "When I have been calling and canvassing I ask people what's the number one issue. I used to hear anti-war, or the environment, or the economy and the only thing people say now is beating Trump."

In the run up to the election members of the SMDC will be participating in fundraising, phone banking, text banking, and postcard writing campaigns. SMDC will also be hosting a series of Democratic National Convention afterparties on zooms with special guests including elected Santa Monica officials and California Democratic Party officials. To get involved email: smdemocrats@gmail.com.

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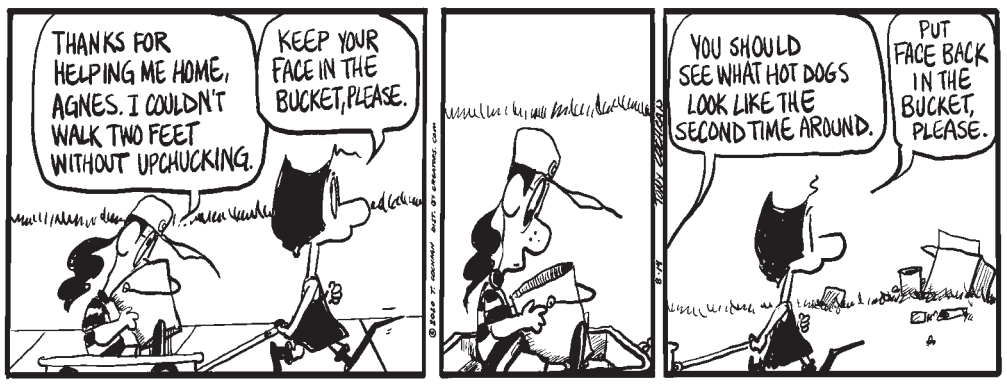
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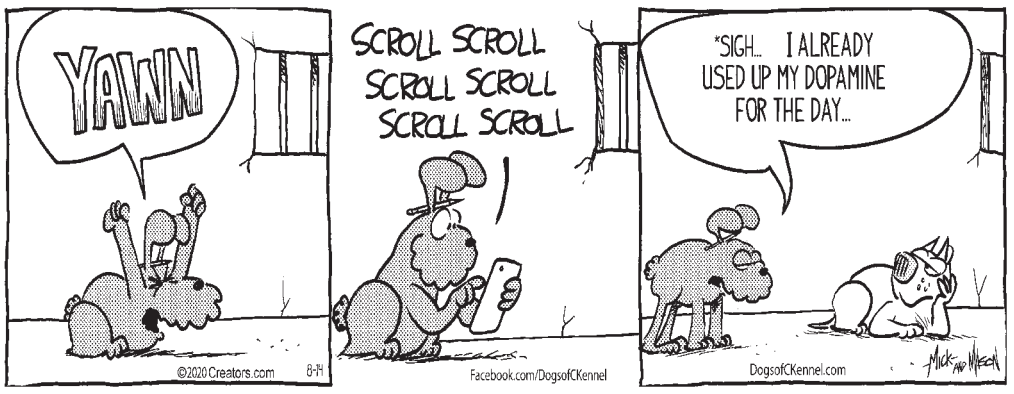
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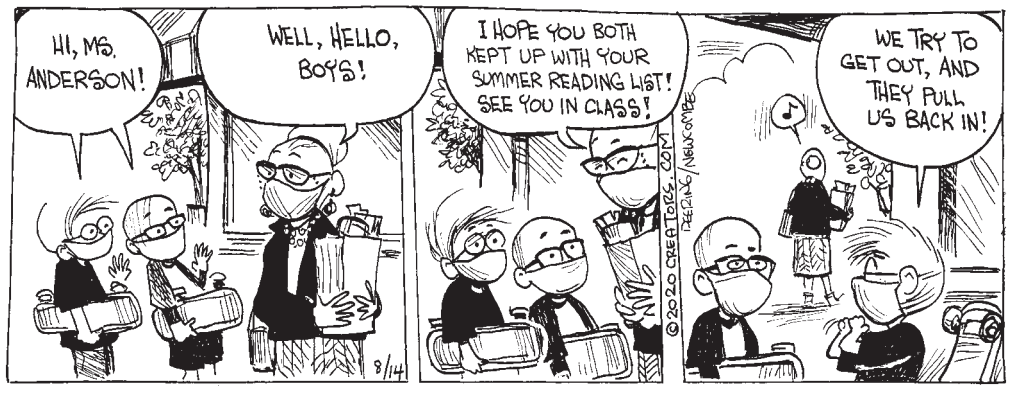
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FRIDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft+ Waist to stomach high
Old SSW/S swell leftovers and easing SSE tropical swell. Weak NW windswell. Smaller but should still be rideable to locally fun.

SATURDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft Thigh to waist high
Fresh, steep angled S/SSE swell creeps in. Minor NW windswell. Small tropical swell. Small but should still be rideable.

WEATHER

Friday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 81. North wind 5 to 15 mph becoming southwest in the morning.

Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 69. South southwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming light in the evening. Winds could gust as high as 15 mph.

Saturday: Sunny, with a high near 80. South southwest wind 5 to 10 mph increasing to 10 to 15 mph in the afternoon. Winds could gust as high as 20 mph.

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2020/08/14	Fri	08:21 AM	3.47	H
2020/08/14	Fri	12:11 PM	2.87	L
2020/08/14	Fri	6:36 PM	5.51	H
2020/08/15	Sat	02:09 AM	0.17	L
2020/08/15	Sat	7:22 PM	5.95	H
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2020/08/16	Sun	1:49 PM	2.43	L
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2020/08/17	Mon	2:32 PM	2.12	L
2020/08/17	Mon	8:46 PM	6.66	H
2020/08/18	Tue	03:52 AM	-0.82	L
2020/08/18	Tue	10:12 AM	4.45	H
2020/08/18	Tue	3:16 PM	1.82	L
2020/08/18	Tue	9:27 PM	6.78	H
2020/08/19	Wed	04:26 AM	-0.85	L

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Draw Date: 08/12
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Draw Date: 08/12
Evening: 5 1 1
Draw Date: 08/12
Midday: 5 5 1

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2nd: 01 - GOLD RUSH
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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Approval is a fleeting and precarious thing, not to be taken too seriously. Using approval as a guiding light would be a comfortable and grave mistake.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). People get bored with one another. That's part of the deal in any relationship. The best way to keep it interesting is to create space while you work on things that make you feel vital and renewed.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Today features an immersive, joyful and satisfying experience. The best part is you know when you're in it; you note and document what's going on around you; and later, you can savor this again.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll consider doing more for yourself, though you worry how it will affect others. If you keep ignoring your own interests, you'll wind up resentful and disappointed. Just choose you and things work out.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You may come across work you did long ago and discover that it makes no sense to you now, or you may be utterly baffled by a decision you made way back when. See how far you've come?

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Robots can repeat precise maneuvers tirelessly but cannot respond to anything outside of their programming. For you, repetition gets tiresome indeed. You need fresh circumstances to think your way around.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You've heard it before, but you have trouble taking it to heart, so it bears repeating. Doing things for yourself doesn't mean you're selfish. It means you're doing a good job with your No. 1 job in life: taking care of yourself.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Emotional fitness is just like physical fitness. It takes practice. You have to move and lift the heavy things until they feel lighter. Practicing this will be the main achievement of the day.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Your signmate Ludwig van Beethoven's notebooks reveal how he gradually assembled his glorious melodies, sometimes culled from uneventful beginnings. Don't expect miracles from the start ; this is a process.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The lesser-known aspects of your life will be a point of fascination for someone who is a wonderful fit for you. You will know those who are not good fits by their disinterest. Avoid the incurious!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll deal in two kinds of instruction. One is meant to be followed to the letter, and the other is more of a statement of purpose that allows you to achieve your mission by any means you see fit.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Emotional avoidance eventually causes more pain than if you'd just dealt head-on with what you were feeling. Name the feeling, and then let yourself wallow in it. It will dissipate eventually.

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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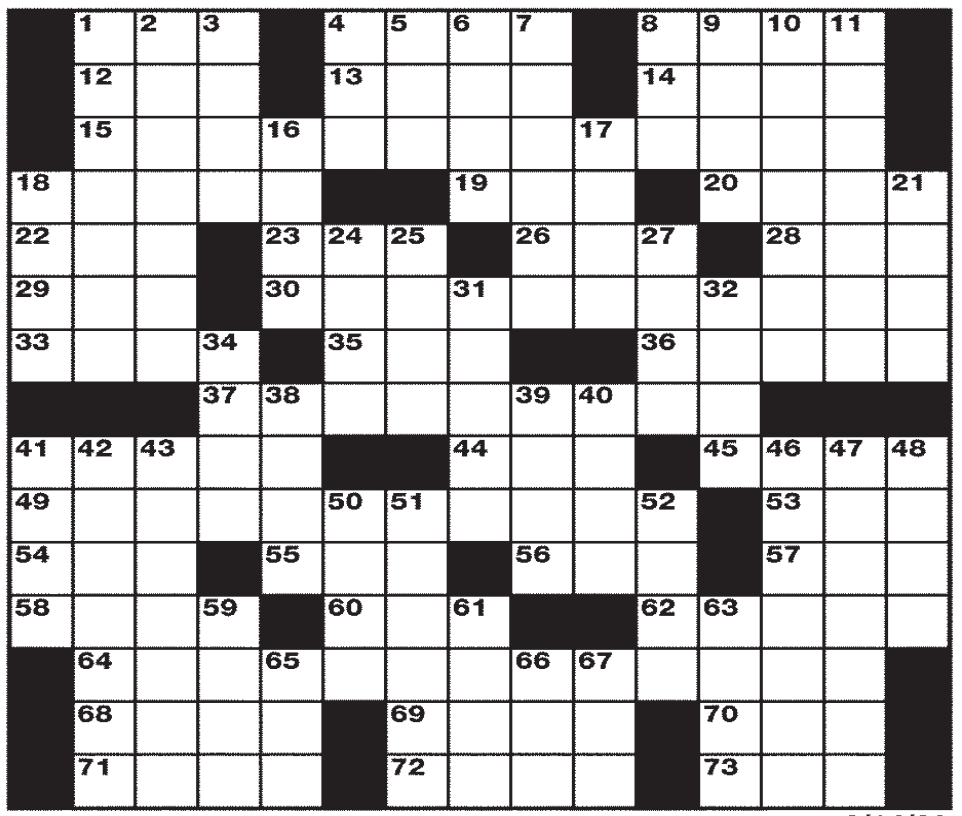
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ACROSS
1 *Sunday Morning* airer
4 Much of some fake cheesecakes
8 Language of Pakistan
12 Buffalo cousin
13 Beneficial bestowal
14 Go after
15 Common cattle forage crop
18 Hill rides
19 Likewise
20 They have springs with minerals
22 Sort of filleted fish
23 What might surround 22 Across
26 Astaire-era studio
28 Savor slightly, perhaps
29 Santa ___ winds
30 Something plucked in fall U-PICK farms
33 72 Across communication
35 Baseball great Campanella
36 Ridden hard
37 Mango's allergenic relative
41 Miscellaneous category
44 *Dilbert* engineer
45 Livens (up)
49 Source of arboreal edibles
53 Tiresome pattern
54 One close to you
55 Keep watch (on)
56 PC server giant
57 Whoop
58 Armor helmet eyehole
60 Exasperate
62 Corkscrew shape
64 Brightly colored houseplant
68 Give props to
69 What no Little Leaguer can be
70 Pastoral plaint
71 Hacker's implements
72 Firm higher-up
73 Novelist Patchett

DOWN
1 Transport for Dorothy
2 Multi-hour legal hurdle
3 Slip sideways
4 Former NASCAR network
5 Three-quarters of one thousand
6 Word processor selection
7 Prepare to decant
8 Military support group
9 Livens (up)
10 Throw overboard
11 Land on the Black Sea
16 List for a BMW
17 Marvel mischief maker
18 Chide harshly
21 Scooted
24 Doctor Zhivago
25 Whiny kids
27 Streamable, say
31 Composer Tchaikovsky
32 *"__ con Dios"*
34 Not yet settled
38 Assns., for instance
39 Vivid crayon category
40 "__ given anything to be there"
41 Apologetic utterance
42 Lyrical filler
43 Maritime Broadcasting headquarters
46 Dude with an impeccable rep
47 Plymouth colonist, e.g.
48 Under water?
50 "Awesome!"
51 Do the hula
52 Second, as sentiments
59 Undisputed
61 Lego competitor
63 Isle southwest of Florence
65 Voiceprints, for HSBC
66 Sign of success
67 Firm designation



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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.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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FIND THE WORDS

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 21 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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In the kitchen

E	N	I	H	C	A	M	E	E	F	F	O	C	S	C
R	A	N	G	E	F	I	N	K	E	S	E	E	H	C
E	G	G	T	I	M	E	R	L	N	S	S	S	E	R
N	S	O	E	R	E	S	O	A	R	D	T	K	L	O
E	C	B	A	E	L	E	F	D	E	R	S	R	V	C
P	I	E	B	F	O	L	R	L	V	A	E	O	E	K
O	S	N	A	R	N	B	U	E	A	O	T	F	S	E
E	S	C	G	I	B	A	I	A	E	B	K	N	Y	R
L	O	H	S	G	A	T	T	I	L	P	N	O	R	Y
T	R	G	H	E	L	E	C	S	C	U	U	R	T	P
T	S	A	C	R	L	G	H	P	P	C	T	P	N	M
O	N	S	T	A	E	E	A	I	A	O	M	A	A	V
B	E	I	I	T	R	V	I	C	S	U	O	T	P	A
E	V	N	W	O	R	P	R	E	G	I	E	N	C	S
E	O	K	S	R	C	A	S	S	E	R	O	L	E	E

Apron
Bench
Bottle opener
Casserole
Chairs
Cheese knife
Cleaver
Coffee machine
Crockery
Cupboards
Egg timer
Fans
Forks
Fruit
Ladle
Melon baller
Mugs
Oven
Pantry
Range
Refrigerator
Scissors
Shelves
Sink
Spatula
Spices
Spoon
Switch
Teabags
Tests
Vase
Vegetables

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Case No. 20SMCP00251
Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
Petition of Sara Renee Stevens
Change of Name
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