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Hilary slams area with absurd amount of August rainfall

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An extremely rare and historically significant storm pounded Santa Monica and the greater Los Angeles area on Sunday, as Tropical Storm Hilary brought heavy downpours almost unheard of for the month of August.

Spilling from Sunday into the overnight hours of Monday, Hilary's 36-hour total rainfall observed at the National Weather Service's Santa Monica Municipal Airport station was 3.52 inches. Another observational site used by the NWS, provided by the California Irrigation Management Information System (CIMIS) on the 900 block of Franklin Ave., recorded a similar 3.40-inch 36-hour total.



Matthew Hall

RAIN: The storm brought steady rain to the area, shattering records.

Sunday's deluge of rain and gusty winds began in the late morning hours, remaining consistent throughout the afternoon and evening. A flash flood warning was put into effect by the NWS just before 12 p.m. Sunday, a warning that was extended throughout the day.

Despite the warning, the Santa Monica Office of Emergency Management noted that the storm had "no significant effect on call volume" and no major safety concerns for local responders, and that call volume was similar to "any other rainy day."

The 24-hour rainfall total recorded by the Santa Monica Airport station was 2.48 inches, a

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Shelton focuses on culture change, self-reflection within the local school district

THOMAS LEFFLER
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Dr. Antonio Shelton wants to be more than just the Superintendent for Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, he wants to be a culture changer.

The educator of 23 years, 18 of those in administrative positions, was hired for the Superintendent role on June 1 after serving as Samohi Principal and the district's Executive Director of Secondary Schools. The district's first internal hire at the Superintendent position in over 60 years, Shelton acknowledges that this back-to-school period requires a "broader reach and broader

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Photo by Thomas Leffler

CULTURE CHANGER: Dr. Antonio Shelton welcomes staff back to another year at Samohi campus, Shelton's first as SMMUSD Superintendent, during Monday's district Convocation event at Barnum Hall.

Between guns, knives, housing, labor and drugs there's something for everyone at Council

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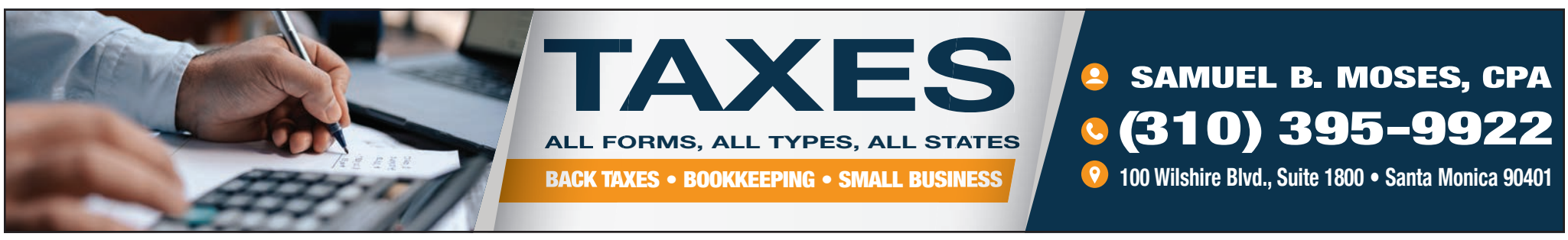
In what will almost certainly be a full and potentially long-running Council meeting this evening, council will look to cut knife possession, take aim at gun sales and build up housing rules.

The agenda also includes a host of council discussion items covering labor protests, needle exchanges and appointments to commissions.

Staff are proposing a prohibition on the open carry of knives, daggers, and swords in public areas. According to the staff report, in 2020, there were 52 reported aggravated assaults in which a knife was used. In 2021, the number rose to 71 and increased again in 2022 to 75. Similarly, robberies with a knife as the weapon numbered 20 in 2021 and then rose to 38 in 2022. The report goes on to say that there are many factors that have contributed to the increase in the use of edged weapons, including the ease of obtaining them by individuals of all ages.

"Unlike firearms, knives and other edged weapons like swords are easy to obtain and, unfortunately, to misuse," Santa Monica Police Chief Ramon Batista told the Daily Press, adding, "Other potential weapons

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GUEST COMMENTARY

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For years, the San Diego region has given Border Patrol access to data. Will California intervene?

PEDRO RIOS

California has led the country in limiting how local and state officials can share information with immigration agencies for enforcement purposes, but in San Diego, the Border Patrol quietly pays for backdoor access to millions of personal data from the San Diego Association of Governments, and public officials seem to be shrugging their shoulders.

The Automated Regional Justice Information System, or ARJIS, is a comprehensive network that includes "all municipalities in the county, as well as the County of San Diego" and "their representative law enforcement agencies," and all are encouraged to share data across San Diego and Imperial counties.

KPBS recently uncovered that U.S. Customs and Border Protection in June paid SANDAG, a regional planning agency, $131,000 for Border Patrol to have access to this database. It has apparently been doing this since 2006. The agency's Office of Field Operations also has a $22,800 contract with SANDAG that ends in September, and U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement has a $118,500 contract that lasts until June 2025.

Border Patrol has been widely criticized for flagrant human rights abuses and mistreatment of migrants. For its part, ICE also engages in questionable enforcement tactics that regularly separate working families.

SANDAG chairwoman Nora Vargas, a San Diego County supervisor, did not respond to questions last week about the contracts. Nor did any other SANDAG representative.

This is remarkable because San Diego law enforcement agencies are increasingly relying on surveillance technologies to help with enforcement.



Mike Blake

MIGRANTS: A U.S. border patrol officer walks through a group of migrants gather between primary and secondary border fences as the United States prepares to lift COVID-19 era Title 42 restrictions that have blocked migrants at the U.S.-Mexico border from seeking asylum since 2020, near San Diego, California, U.S., May 11, 2023.

These tools generate enormous amounts of private data that could be analyzed on just about anyone who lives or travels through the San Diego region.

Earlier this month the San Diego City Council approved a controversial smart streetlight camera system that will use 500 streetlights to combine footage they

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Looking for a new car under $20,000? Good luck. Your choice has dwindled to just one vehicle

TOM KRISHER
AP Auto Writer

Just five years ago, a price-conscious auto shopper in the United States could choose from among a dozen new small cars selling for under $20,000. Now, there's just one: The Mitsubishi Mirage. And even the Mirage appears headed for the scrap yard.

At a time when Americans increasingly want pricey SUVs and trucks rather than small cars, the Mirage remains the lone new vehicle whose average sale price is under 20 grand — a figure that once marked a kind of unofficial threshold of affordability. With prices — new and used — having soared since the pandemic, $20,000 is no longer much of a starting point for a new car.

This current version of the Mirage, which reached U.S. dealerships a decade ago, sold for an average of $19,205 last month, according to data from Cox Automotive. (Though a few other new models have starting prices under $20,000, their actual purchase prices, with options and shipping, exceed that figure.)

The Mirage, with hatchback and sedan versions, costs less than half of what the average U.S. new vehicle does. That average is now just above $48,000 — 25% more than before the pandemic struck three years ago.

"I just won't pay that kind of price," said Karen Schaeppi of suburban Minneapolis, who bought a red Mirage sedan last month for around $19,000. Schaeppi, who is 78, said she could have afforded an average-priced new vehicle. But because she's only 5 feet tall, she wanted a small car so she could see easily over the hood.

When she set out to replace her 2008 Ford Focus, Schaeppi was surprised to find no small cars available at the dealers she visited — at any price.

"There was nothing that existed," she said. "Not even close."

The scarcity of small cars at dealerships helps explain why the average new vehicle costs so much: Detroit's Big Three automakers — General Motors, Stellantis and Ford — began to jettison the compact and subcompact car business about five years ago. Low profit margins for small cars and consumers' increasing shift to SUVs and trucks made the decision an easy one. Likewise, Toyota and Honda later halted U.S. sales of their subcompacts.

Then a pandemic-related computer-chip shortage slashed global auto production. Vehicles were suddenly in short supply at a time of high demand. Prices shot up.

Another factor that has swollen average prices is that 32 models in the United States now have selling prices above $100,000, according to Cox. As recently as 2018, only 12 models sold for over 100 grand. At an average sale price of $29,000, even most used vehicles cost more than a new Mirage.

People like Andrew Lang of Flint, Michigan, feel priced out of the market entirely. Lang, 26, said there's no way he could afford a new car right now, not even a Mirage.

"I don't make enough money," he said,

Lang spoke after stepping out of his 2009 Chevrolet Impala in a grocery store parking lot near Ypsilanti. The Impala, with cloudy headlights, a crack in the front bumper and a dent in right side of the trunk, has 150,000 miles on it. Lang, an information technology coordinator, said he doesn't know what he'd do if he had to replace it. He would have to buy a used car — if he could find something affordable.

At White Bear Mitsubishi near St. Paul, Minnesota, where Schaeppi bought her vehicle, used cars are the main competition for the Mirage, according to Richard Herod III, the dealership's managing partner. But because so few new small cars were sold in recent years, he said, the used-vehicle selection is low and prices are high.

A new Mirage, which costs about the same as a 4-year-old Chevrolet Cruze or Mazda 3, has a five-year, 60,000-mile bumper-to-bumper warranty. Most used cars that age, Herod said, no longer include such warranties. The Mirage gets roughly 39 miles to the gallon, among the highest of any vehicle in the United States that isn't hybrid or electric.

> There aren't that many Mitsubishi dealers, and they don't have a very loud voice in the advertising world
> - Michelle Krebs

Still, the horsepower in its three-cylinder engine amounts to a tepid 76.

"It's not going to win any drag races," Herod said. "It's not going to make you more popular at school. It's the last honest affordable car in America."

Despite the low price, U.S. sales of the Mirage have been sluggish. Mitsubishi sold only 5,316 in the first half of the year — 44% below the same period in 2022.

And it might not be available at all in a couple of years. The trade publication Automotive News reported last week that Mitsubishi will stop selling the Mirage by mid-decade. Mitsubishi, part of the Nissan-Renault alliance, declined to comment. But its website says production of the Mirage in Thailand, where it is built, is ending.

Once the Mirage disappears, Mitsubishi's least expensive vehicle would be the Outlander Sport small SUV. It starts around $24,600, which includes shipping.

Michelle Krebs, an analyst at Cox Automotive, said she thinks sales of the Mirage would be stronger if more customers knew about it.

"There aren't that many Mitsubishi dealers, and they don't have a very loud voice in the advertising world," she said.

In addition, Krebs said, Mitsubishi buyers tend to have lower-than-average credit scores, and many of them have been priced out of the auto market entirely because higher loan rates have sent monthly payments surging.

A buyer who put down a 10% payment at the average Mirage sales price of $19,205 would owe roughly $365 each month for 60 months at a 7% loan rate.

The latest data suggests that Mitsubishi's decision to phase out the Mirage might be premature. Overall sales of small cars, after having dropped in seven of the past 10 years, are up 11.7% in the first half of the year. Some of that gain may reflect more interest from consumers concerned about higher gas prices, Krebs said, but most of it represents fleet sales to rental car companies.

"It's not going to be where it used to be," she said of small-car purchases.

Mitsubishi can afford to sell the Mirage for less than its competitors do for similar vehicles because it's such an old model that money to develop it has long since been spent, said Sam Abuelsamid, an analyst for Guidehouse Insights.

Low-wage labor is another factor: Factory workers in Thailand make only about $16 a day — far less than unionized automakers earn in the United States and slightly less than in Mexico.

Even as the Mirage appears likely to be phased out, some other cars and SUVs have average sales prices only slightly above $20,000. They include the Kia Rio, the Nissan Versa, the Hyundai Venue and the Nissan Sentra. According to Cox, their prices range from $20,157 for the Rio to $23,994 for the Sentra.

As the sub-$20,000 new car disappears, Krebs suggests that buyers who need affordable transportation consider certified pre-owned small cars, which can be reasonably priced and include at least a year's warranty.

Krebs said she expects new-auto prices to drop slightly as factories produce more vehicles, likely forcing automakers to offer discounts. Price declines among electric vehicles, led by Tesla, have helped lower overall auto prices, too.

But don't expect the return of the $20,000 new car.

"I can't imagine that unless a Chinese automaker came in and sold cheap," Krebs said. "Politically, that doesn't seem likely."

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‘Barbie’ for $4? National Cinema Day is coming, with discounted tickets nationwide

JAKE COYLE
AP Film Writer

Still haven’t seen “Barbie” or “Oppenheimer”? This Sunday, you’ll be able to catch up for $4 a ticket in movie theaters nationwide.

Theater owners announced Monday that the second annual National Cinema Day will be held Sunday, Aug. 27. For one day, all movies — in all formats and at all showtimes — will be $4 at participating theaters. More than 3,000 theaters are participating, which accounts for most of the cinemas in the U.S., including the leading chains AMC and Regal.

It’s the second straight year theaters are trotting out the one-day event at the tail end of summer. Last year’s inaugural National Cinema Day, put on by the Cinema Foundation, a nonprofit affiliate of the National Association of Theater Owners, was judged an enormous success. An estimated 8.1 million moviegoers bought $3 tickets on Saturday, Sept. 3. The average movie ticket in 2022, according to NATO, cost $10.53.

The discount gimmick turned into the highest attended day of the year for theaters. A normally quiet time instead saw cinemas crowded with moviegoers — and theaters sold plenty of popcorn. This year, the day is moving up slightly on the calendar, shifting from Saturday to Sunday, and costs $1 more.

But thanks to remarkably sustained interest in “Barbie,” as well as in “Oppenheimer,” the August box office has been booming. The summer box office is up to $3.8 billion in ticket sales through Sunday, according to data firm Comscore — about 16.6% ahead of 2022 at the same point.

While last year’s Cinema Day had fairly paltry offerings (“Top Gun: Maverick” was the top draw, more than two months after it opened), this year’s will feature “Barbie” in its fifth week. Greta Gerwig’s record-breaking film has made $1.28 billion worldwide. There’s also Christopher Nolan’s “Oppenheimer” ($717.8 million globally), the second week of the DC Comics film “Blue Beetle” and new releases “Gran Turismo,” “Golda,” “Bottoms” and “Retribution.”

The event is also a way for studios to sell audiences on their fall lineups. A sneak peek of anticipated autumn releases will play before each screening.

LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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Re: Parking Meters

After at least a decade fighting our parking meters, and watching visitors to our city have to do the same . . . I suggest replacing them all. The design is lousy — that reflective plastic on the face, in a city with so much sunlight? Idiotic decision, unless the point was to cheat parkers out of money.

Can’t be that, though. Can it?

Charles Fox, Santa Monica

Re: The Case of the Mysteriously Malfunctioning Meters

“...the City has no way to preemptively identify which meters are broken...”

If only the City had some sort of team of employees that could, I dunno, drive around the city and deal with parking-related issues?

In all seriousness, the City should prioritize resolving this issue using their resources (such as their parking enforcement staff) before writing tickets. Before they blame citizens for violating their parking rules, they need to get their house in order.

I’ve been a victim of these “broken” meters many times. It’s not our job to solve their problem.

Marc Covitz, Santa Monica

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Citywide

City Manager David White Announces Retirement of Finance Director Gigi Decavalles-Hughes

City Manager David White announced the December retirement of Director of Finance and Treasurer Gigi Decavalles-Hughes, who has served the City of Santa Monica for 26 years.

Decavalles-Hughes has led the City’s Finance Department for the past 12 years, overseeing the management of the city investment portfolio, preparation of the budget, financial reporting, purchasing, payroll, accounts payable, business and revenue operations, internal audit and risk management.

“Gigi has a tenure of outstanding service, leading the City through some of our most challenging financial moments,” City Manager David White said. “She will certainly be missed, but I wish her all the best in her well-deserved retirement and am confident she has set us up for future success long after she departs.”

> “Gigi has a tenure of outstanding service, leading the City through some of our most challenging financial moments
> - David White City Manager

Decavalles-Hughes first joined the City in 1997 as a budget analyst after moving to California from New York. Decavalles-Hughes then served for several years in the Community and Cultural Services Department and the Housing and Economic Development Department before returning to the Finance Department.

“It has been an honor and a privilege to serve this innovative and compassionate City and to work alongside a brilliant and devoted City staff,” Decavalles-Hughes said. “I look forward to seeing the great work that Santa Monica will continue to achieve in the future.”

Decavalles-Hughes’ many career accomplishments include:

Managing the City’s finances through numerous unprecedented challenges, including the dissolution of the Redevelopment Agency, the passage of significant changes to the public pension system and the economic hardship resulting from the COVID-19 pandemic.

Overseeing the successful passage of three tax ballot measures supporting schools, affordable housing, general city services and efforts to address public safety and homelessness.

Developing and implementing the City’s minimum wage ordinance.

Securing more than $270 million in low-interest bond financing for major infrastructure projects throughout the City.

Developing and managing the City’s internal audit program.

Decavalles-Hughes will remain in her position through the end of the year while the City conducts a recruitment for her successor.

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Downtown

Night Market at The Bungalow Santa Monica to Host a Special Maui Fundraiser

The Bungalow Santa Monica at the Fairmont Miramar Hotel and Bungalows will be holding a very special evening of its weekly summer Night Market on Aug. 24 from 5 to 11 p.m., as Grammy Award winning artist Anderson Paak will be performing a vinyl set as DJ Pee .Wee. For this special night, a $20 entrance fee into the Night Market will go directly towards two significant Maui causes – the Hawai’i Community Foundation’s Maui Strong Fund and the Maui Humane Society (kids under 12 free). The Fairmont Miramar will further enhance the fundraising efforts by generously matching contributions up to $5,000.

Since its June inception, Night Market at The Bungalow Santa Monica has become an LA Thursday summer staple, where guests of all ages can indulge in a diverse range of delectable cuisines from LA’s favorite food vendors, enjoy a kids play area, and support local charities like Wags and Walks. This week’s special edition will feature food from favorites Tacos 1986, Chimmelier and The Bungalow’s Streaming Burger. For one night only, Goddess of Pop and Music Icon, Cher’s very own Cherlato Truck will be revealed at the Night Market, showcasing their brand-new flavor of gelato, “Cher’s Moms Cheesecake”, alongside some of their already popular flavors such as “Chocolate XO Cher” and their vegan gelato, “LA, I Love You”. Guests over 21, can enjoy a variety of tasty cocktails throughout the evening from Eva Longoria’s Casa Del Sol Tequila, Rancho West Beer, made locally in Malibu, and Anderson Paak’s SelvaRey Rum.

Event Highlights:

- Date: August 24,
- Time: 5 - 11 PM
- Location: The Bungalow Santa Monica, 101 Wilshire Blvd, Santa Monica, CA 90401
- Entrance Fee: $20 (100% of proceeds benefiting Maui Humane Society and Hawai’i Community Foundation’s Maui Strong Fund)

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Immigrant workers' lives, livelihoods and documents in limbo after the Hawaii fire

BOBBY CAINA CALVAN, JULIE WATSON AND ANDREW SELSKY
Associated Press

Freddy Tomas was working in his yard in Lahaina when the fire advanced with stunning speed right up to his fence. He rushed to save valuables from a safe inside his house but realized he didn't have time and fled, his face blackened with soot.

Days after fleeing in his pickup truck, amid smoke so thick he could only follow the red taillights of the vehicle in front of him and pray they were going the right way, the retired hotel worker from the Philippines returned to his destroyed home with his son to look for the safe. Tomas, 65, said it had contained passports, naturalization papers, other important documents and $35,000.

After sifting through the ashes, father and son found the safe, but it had popped open in the fire, whipped by hurricane-force winds, and its contents were incinerated.

For immigrants like Tomas, Lahaina was an oasis, with nearly double the foreign-born population of the U.S. mainland. Now, those workers are trying to piece their lives back together after the Aug. 8 fire leveled the town.

Maui County and the Maui Police Department on Sunday confirmed the identities of another five victims of the wildfires that devastated the area, the county website said. The confirmed death toll remained at 114 as investigators continued to search the area.

> There are currently 850 names on the list of missing persons
>
> - Richard Bissen Maui County Mayor

Hawaii Gov. Josh Green said Sunday on the CBS News show "Face the Nation" that "an army of search and rescue teams" with 41 dogs have covered 85% of the impacted area.

Maui County Mayor Richard Bissen said in a social media post Sunday that 27 victims have been identified and 11 families were notified of the losses. The FBI and the Maui County Medical Examiner and Coroner office are working together to identify the recovered remains.

"There are currently 850 names on the list of missing persons," Bissen said, adding that the number represented a positive change from the original list containing more than 2,000 names.

"Over 1,285 individuals have been located safe. We are both saddened and relieved about these numbers as we continue the recovery process. The number of identified will rise, and the number of missing may decrease," Bissen said, explaining there is an expectation of daily fluctuations and that he plans to provide an update each day.

Jobs had been plentiful in the town that boasted a row of restaurants and shops along Lahaina's Front Street, bordering the azure waters of the Pacific. Lured as well by its beautiful vistas and laid-back lifestyle, foreign workers had flocked to Lahaina from all over the world.

And they contributed significantly to the population and economy.

The presence of immigrant workers in Lahaina boosted the proportion of its foreign-born residents to 32%, which is almost double the 13.5% for the United States as a whole, the U.S. Census Bureau estimated in July 2022.

Still the labor shortage related to the COVID-19 pandemic took a toll in Hawaii, just as it did on the mainland. In February, almost three years after the start of the pandemic, employers were trying to fill 14,000 jobs in Hawaii — roughly double the number of unfilled job openings pre-pandemic, Hawaii News Now reported, citing state economists. Restaurants in Lahaina were literally hiring people off the street.

Many foreign-born workers lost everything in the inferno. Some residents perished.

The Mexican Consulate in San Francisco said two men were confirmed dead and was helping to arrange the return of their remains to their families in Mexico. A Costa Rican man was also among the 100-plus dead and many more remain missing.

The consulate said some 3,000 Mexican nationals are believed to be living on Maui, many working in pineapple fields, in hotels and restaurants, and other establishments with ties to tourism.

Mexico's Consul General in San Francisco, Remedios Gomez Arnau, dispatched three staff members to Maui to help Mexican citizens deal with the tragedy. The Mexican government has been in contact with at least 250 of its citizens in Maui, she said, and reissued passports and birth certificates lost in the fire.

"Many of them lost everything because their homes burned down, and they lost their documents," she said in an interview Friday.

With businesses burned down, legions of those who survived are now jobless. Many are also without a place to live after the blaze also tore through housing of many people who worked at the town's hotels and resorts. And others are without a clear path forward.

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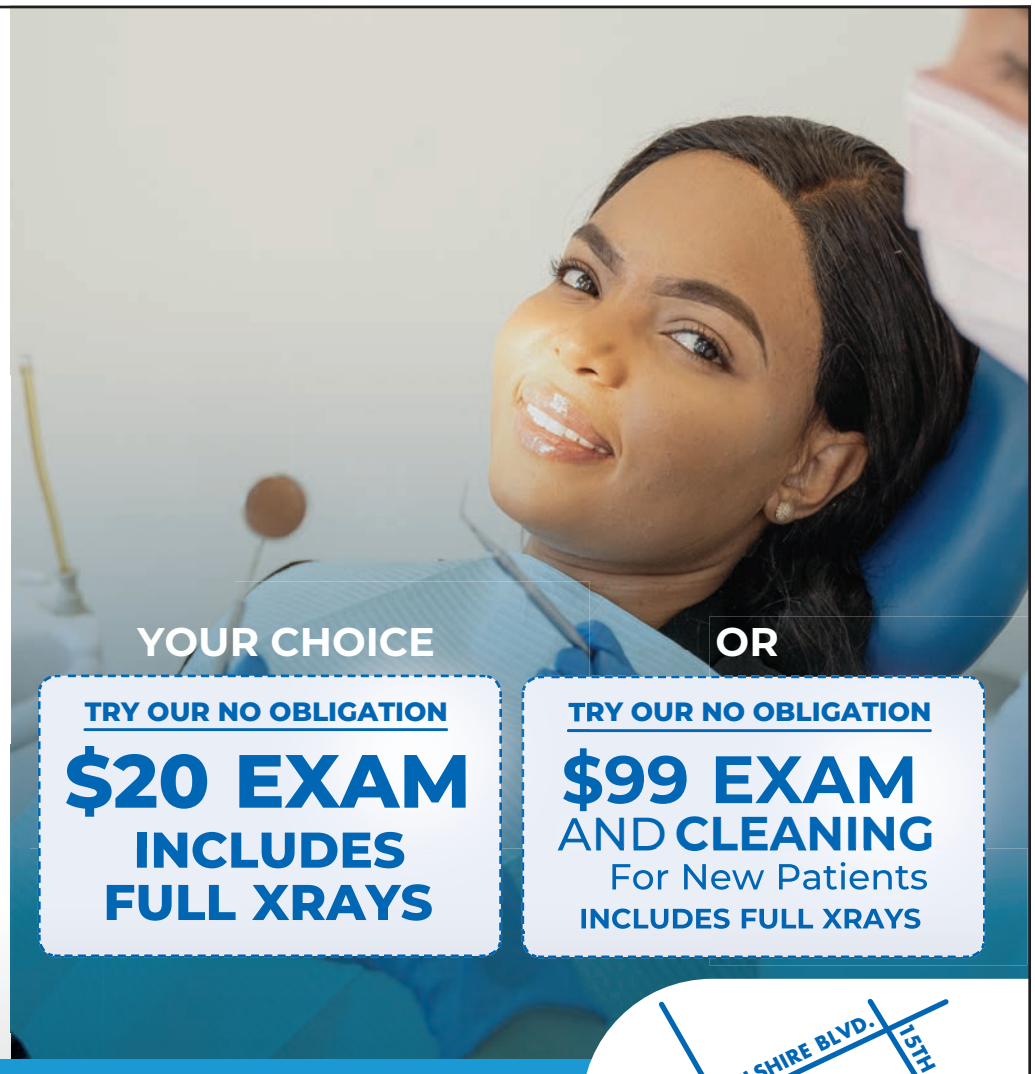
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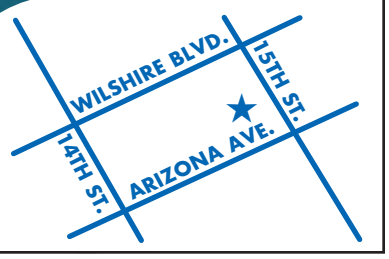
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near record-breaking total in the city for the month of August. Per the Western Regional Climate Center's historical data section, which goes back to the early 20th century, the only August 24-hour rainfall to top Sunday's took place on Aug. 17, 1977. On that date, according to an observation station at the Santa Monica Pier, 2.81 inches fell in the city.

Downpours also approached the peak 24-hour rainfall totals in 2023, a year that began with multiple atmospheric rivers striking the area. At the Santa Monica Airport station, the 24-hour peak of 2023 was between the morning of March 14 and the morning of March 15, when 2.69 inches of rain was recorded.

Another impact in the area came in the form of wind gusts, which stayed steady between 20-25 mph from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. Sunday. A peak wind gust of 29 mph was recorded at 4:51 p.m. Rough surf was reported as well, with waves steadily rising above 3 feet in height throughout Sunday, according to the National Data Buoy Center.

Tropical Storm Hilary was the first of its kind to hit Southern California in 84 years, impacting citizens throughout greater Los Angeles. Long Beach resident Lucy Quevado told the Daily Press that closure of local establishments affected her day, and that she'll be better prepared for the next storm. "It was a lot of waves and very strong winds, and also it didn't stop raining all day," Quevado said.

According to the Associated Press, no deaths or serious injuries have been reported in California due to the storm as of Monday, a much different case than the state's last tropical storm in September 1939, which killed nearly 100 people on land and at sea.

Along with the threats from rain and wind, a 5.1-magnitude earthquake struck about 4 miles (7 kilometers) southeast of the mountain community of Ojai, about 80 miles (130 kilometers) northwest of downtown Los Angeles, according to the U.S. Geological Survey. The USGS noted that the earthquake was felt widely across the region, leading to rampant social media posting about the so-called "hurriquake."

East of Los Angeles, roads in the San Bernardino Mountains were blocked by mud and debris flows, per the AP, and parts of the I-10 freeway near Palm Springs and the Pacific Coast Highway in Huntington Beach were also reported as flooded. Observation stations throughout Los Angeles reported similar rain totals to Santa Monica, with the center of Hilary passing through downtown Los Angeles at 7 p.m. Sunday evening.

"Los Angeles was tested but we came through it, and we came through it with minimal impacts considering what we endured," Los Angeles City Council President Paul Krekorian told the AP.

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Biden administration announces more new funding for rural broadband infrastructure

KAVISH HARJAI
Associated Press

The Biden administration on Monday continued its push toward internet-for-all by 2030, announcing about $667 million in new grants and loans to build more broadband infrastructure in the rural U.S.

"With this investment, we're getting funding to communities in every corner of the country because we believe that no kid should have to sit in the back of a mama's car in a McDonald's parking lot in order to do homework," said Mitch Landrieu, the White House's infrastructure coordinator, in a call with reporters.

The 37 new recipients represent the fourth round of funding under the program, dubbed ReConnect by the U.S. Department of Agriculture. Another 37 projects received $771.4 million in grants and loans announced in April and June.

The money flowing through federal broadband programs, including what was announced Monday and the $42.5 billion infrastructure program detailed earlier this summer, will lead to a new variation on "the electrification of rural America," Landrieu said, repeating a common Biden administration refrain.

The largest award went to the Ponderosa Telephone Co. in California, which received more than $42 million to deploy fiber networks in Fresno County. In total, more than 1,200 people, 12 farms and 26 other businesses will benefit from that effort alone, according to USDA.

The telephone cooperatives, counties and telecommunications companies that won the new awards are based in 22 states and the Marshall Islands.

At least half of the households in areas receiving the new funding lack access to internet speeds of 100 megabits per second download and 20 Mbps upload — what the federal government considers "underserved" in broadband terminology. The recipients' mandate is to build networks that raise those levels to at least 100 Mbps upload and 100 Mbps download speeds for every household, business and farm in their service areas.

Agriculture Secretary Tom Vilsack said the investments could bring new economic opportunities to farmers, allow people without close access to medical care to see specialist doctors through telemedicine and increase academic offerings, including Advanced Placement courses in high schools.

"The fact that this administration understands and appreciates the need for continued investment in rural America to create more opportunity is something that I'm really excited about," Vilsack said on the media call.

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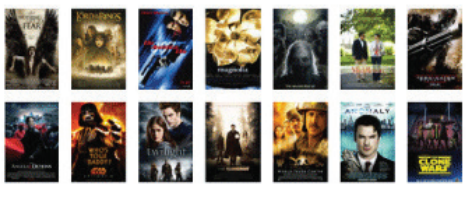
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COUNCIL

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like pointed sticks or stakes can be sourced from pretty much anywhere and used to injure others.

"Earlier this year we had an individual arm himself with a sharpened stick and use it to injure multiple victims before being taken into custody. This update to the municipal code gives officers the authority to stop someone carrying a banned weapon and possibly intervene prior to being used to hurt innocent victims."

Due to the increasing frequency and resulting challenges in addressing these types of crime, the City hopes to benefit from this ordinance in a number of ways including, deterring the open use of edged weapons in public, enhancing public safety and comfort throughout the city. Moreover, it will give law enforcement a valuable tool to immediately seize edged or pointed weapons that may be used to commit a violent crime.

The second item on tonight's agenda concerning potentially lethal weapons will deal with additional regulations concerning the sale and ownership responsibilities of firearms. According to the City, Santa Monica has only one firearm retailer, the Big Five sporting goods store at 3121 Wilshire Blvd.

During the civil unrest on May 31, 2020, a group of individuals stole large amounts of property from the Big Five store, including 29 rifles and shotguns. Detectives from the Police Department collaborated with the US Department of Alcohol, Tobacco and Firearms in the investigation. Unfortunately however, as of now, none of the suspects have been identified and the weapons are still outstanding.



Scott Snowden

GUNS: Big 5 Sporting Goods store is the only location you can purchase firearms from in Santa Monica and even then they only offer a handful.

On June 13, 2023, Council unanimously approved a 16-item sponsored by Mayor Gleam Davis and Councilmembers Caroline Torosis and Jesse Zwick, which directed the City Manager and the City Attorney to return to Council within 60 days with an ordinance that restricts the sale of firearms within Santa Monica and proposes additional gun owner responsibilities.

Consequently, the City Attorney's office has reviewed local firearms regulations and prepared the ordinance, which among other things, requires firearm retailers to videotape all firearm sales and provide continuous video and audio surveillance of where guns are stored, imposes additional safe storage requirements and requires liability insurance for firearm owners and prohibits the possession, sale, or transfer of ghost guns.

A pair of items will return for their second readings tonight including a second reading and adoption of an amendment to the text of the zoning ordinance to provide incentives for certain housing projects that filed an application prior to implementation of the city's 6th cycle (2021-2029) housing element. There will be a second reading of the ordinance to prohibit the use of gasoline-powered leaf blowers and enforce the sole use of electric ones instead.

A veritable wealth of discussion items have been added to the agenda, including a request from that the city declare support for Unite Here Local 11 in its conflict with local hotels (Torosis and Zwick), exploration of new eviction protections for renters (Torosis, Zwick, Davis), an analysis of the ongoing needle exchange program (Davis, Negrete, Brock), an explanation of housing density rules (Brock, de la Torre and Parra) and the appointment of formerly homeless individual to the Santa Monica Housing Authority Board (Brock, de la Torre and Parra).

Council meets at City Hall, 1685 Main Street. Closed session begins at 5:30 p.m.

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SUPERINTENDENT

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responsibility" to educational partners and students alike.

"My consideration is not a back-to-school just for the high school, but now it's the whole system and the individuals who are employed by our system … to ensure that they have a successful school year," Shelton said. "My reach is bigger, my heart has grown even bigger, because now I'm responsible for more kids, from the smallest babies all the way up to the ones that are transitioning to college."

In his previous Executive Director role, Shelton provided support and mentoring to district principals, a mentorship he has expanded to the entire district staff via a healthy dose of self-reflection. During management retreats prior to the school year, Shelton began by telling his constituents his story, where he came from and how he got to SMMUSD. Before being based on the West Coast, Shelton previously held leadership positions in Ohio, including the Principal position at Indian Hill High School.

After sharing his story, Shelton asked staff to reflect on how and why they became educators, stating that it will help them work together to better impact students. As he puts it, he asks his staff to figure out how the "I" can work within the "us" of the district. At Monday's district Convocation event, guest videos from speakers such as SMMUSD Board of Education President Maria Leon-Vazquez and Santa Monica-Malibu Classroom Teachers Association President Claudia Bautista summed up key reflective words like "empowerment" and "curiosity."

"When we are reflective and self-reflective about who we are and what's going on with us, then we can bring the best self to the space to support and educate our students," Shelton said.

The self-reflection applies to not just the staff and their respective journeys, but to the curriculum moving forward. While Shelton emphasizes that SMMUSD is "not a broken school district," the new leader is asking teachers to "continue to dig deeper" and to turn their self-reflections into tangible results.

"If we don't … see how the individual impacts the department, then [how] the department impacts the system, it's going to be very difficult for us to move forward. So this year starts off with self-reflection in order to move our system in the direction that it needs to go."

That direction begins with a return to normalcy for a district, like so many others, impacted mightily by the COVID-19 pandemic. Shelton says that the district is "back fully" after years of COVID protocols. Staff will continue to reference local public health officials to receive information and "make [the] community aware" of any potential threats. "But right now, we are going to school," Shelton added.

Regarding curriculum, Shelton wants to continue the push toward project-based learning, more hands-on classes, highlighting 2022-23 as the first Samohi graduating class from a project-based learning pathway. This year, Samohi will be adding a health and wellness-based learning academy to its repertoire, including instructors for anatomy, physiology and athletic training.

Shelton also recognizes the need to infuse all levels of education with project-based courses, driving elementary school teachers to be trained in that style of educating through professional development. "We want more of our kids to use the curiosity that they have, and not squash it," Shelton said. "The hope is that we encourage it even more than we believe we already have."

The new pushes in curriculum echo Shelton's sentiment towards building a new culture at SMMUSD, one built on empowering teachers and unlocking new connections between staff and students.

"I'm asking our staff [to] dig deeper into who they are, what they're bringing to the space … because then we build a culture," Shelton said. "And how do you build a culture? You build a culture through who you are as the individual and how you work and operate within the team."

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HAWAII

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Immigration attorney Kevin Block noted that some immigrants have permanent residency or temporary protected status, and some are in the United States illegally.

"A lot of those folks are nervous about applying for any kind of help," he said. "When (the Federal Emergency Management Agency) rolls into town or when there's government agencies around or even medical help, they're very scared to get it because they're scared of getting deported."

A document provided by FEMA says anyone affected by a major disaster may be eligible for disaster assistance, including noncitizens whose deportation status is being withheld for at least one year, as well as noncitizens granted asylum. That assistance can include crisis counseling, legal assistance, medical care, food and shelter, and other relief services.

However, callers to the FEMA assistance hotline are told in recorded messages that they should provide a social security number and are warned that lying in an application for aid is a federal offense.

For immigrants who were brought to Maui as children, it is the only home they know.

"They are working as first responders, providing food, delivering supplies," Block said. "They are right there with everybody else checking to see who needs help. It's become more apparent than ever how vital they are to the community."

Chuy Madrigal fled the blaze with nine members of his extended family, which originally is from Mexico.

They lost the home that his mom worked 30 years to save up enough money to buy and the food truck they started operating just three months ago, said Madrigal, who is a recipient of the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program, or DACA, for immigrants who were brought to the U.S. as children but don't have legal status.

Madrigal said he and others from the immigrant community have been knocking on doors to gather supplies for those in need and offering to translate. They have tried to comfort those, like him, who lost everything.

"There has been a lot of fear," he said. "But once you talk to people and tell them, 'When we got here, we started from zero, this is zero again, we just got to get back on it and continue' — a lot of people have said, 'You're right.'"

The family is planning to rebuild their lives again on Maui.

Selsky reported from Salem, Oregon. Watson reported from San Diego. Jennifer Sinco Kelleher in Honolulu contributed to this report.

BORDER

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capture with data from automated license plate readers fixed onto city poles or police vehicles.

The city's new Privacy Advisory Board unanimously rejected this first-of-its-kind data integration proposal in the country, expressing "significant substantive concerns" with vendor information, implementation and use policies, as well as impacts to privacy and civil liberties.

Most public speakers at the Aug. 1 city council meeting expressed concerns about privacy, distrust of the police in handling such sensitive information, and to what extent immigration authorities might access the data.

But at a press conference a day before, San Diego Mayor Todd Gloria seemed to preemptively bash San Diego residents troubled about these enforcement tools, denying the use of surveillance technologies as controversial and wrongly suggested that critics were not concerned about holding people who commit crimes accountable.

Though the San Diego Police Department's surveillance policy expressly states "(license plate reader) data shall never be shared with Immigration and Customs Enforcement or Border Patrol for the purpose of enforcing immigration laws," contracts with vendors have yet to be finalized. It is within those contracts where city officials will establish how requests and exchanges of information will take place with the ARJIS network, and if immigration agencies will have access to these databases. This is where public promises are tested.

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> - Seth Hall

A Border Patrol spokesperson declined to answer questions about how often the agency uses the ARJIS database and whether there are any auditing requirements overseeing how the data is used.

Seth Hall of the TRUST SD Coalition told me that use of these technologies has historically been secretive, and put people at risk of harmful treatment by police who use the technologies irresponsibly or in ways that violate our rights.

As for license plate reader and using smart camera technologies to gather data, "combining these technologies in a new, untested way layers on another alarming problem," Hall said," that fearful authorities are willing to treat us like lab rats in the experiments of tech companies and police."

When The San Diego Union-Tribune uncovered in 2020 that Chula Vista, the second largest city in San Diego County, was voluntarily sharing its license plate data with Border Patrol and ICE investigators for years, outraged community members demanded the Chula Vista Police Department end the use of the technology.

Community members argued that Chula Vista was violating the spirit of the California Values Act, that since 2018, prohibited local and state police from using their resources to aid in immigration enforcement. Under the California law, police and sheriffs are not supposed to share personal information unless such information was already publicly available.

Chula Vista city officials were generally dismissive to public speakers and community organizations, referring to them as "overly-woke" when asking for oversight and transparency, even after the Chula Vista Police Chief Roxana Kennedy admitted she was unaware such sharing was taking place.

They seemed more concerned about not having their "SMART" city movement tarnished by community members than with answering their questions.

Ironically, Chula Vista shared its data with the Border Patrol and ICE while it had been designated as California's first certified "Welcoming City," a title reserved for favorable programs supporting migrants and refugees. Welcoming America, which operates the Welcoming City program, earlier this year wrote in a letter, "Had we known that this information was being shared, the assessment would have been noncompliant."

I sat on Chula Vista's Technology and Privacy Advisory Task Force, and our group met for months to develop policy recommendations to rectify Chula Vista's cart-before-the-horse approach at adopting surveillance technologies without any guardrails to protect against improper use. We developed recommendations based on best practices, and presented model language for the ordinance, but city officials were only interested in a toothless internal memorandum.

In 1979, the San Diego Union ran a story introducing the ARJIS network, explaining how it was received with "mixed reactions" – some praising the potential for collaborative partnerships between the various law enforcement bodies in San Diego County, and others voicing fear for its "Big Brother" feel.

What remains true since then, is that public officials have yet to allay apprehensions about surveillance technologies when they undermine public processes meant to ensure oversight and transparency. It gives unaccountable agencies, like Border Patrol, unfettered access to information that should remain out of their reach.

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Aug. 22)

Fortune favors your search for excellent partners, alliances and team members. Love blossoms, and somehow you feel both free and committed at once. On the professional front, you break out in some way, no longer constrained by convention. Creativity flows strong in you all year. Your resources will double. Sagittarius and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 10, 5, 33, 37 and 16.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's a lucky day to tell a story, give a presentation or teach because you'll have a receptive audience. You become a better performer by responding to feedback. You're getting pretty great at this.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Even though there are helpful people around you, ultimately, you're the one most qualified to build the world you want. You're the only one who knows the exact specifications!

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Denying an attraction will waste your energy. You don't have to act on it to learn more about it. Further investigation will allow you to see what's really there instead of the glossy sheen of what you want to be there.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Because you're open and curious about how people and things work, life is always teaching you even when you're not aware of what you're learning. Tonight, you'll surprise yourself with how you bring it all together.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll do what you're so good at and keep going with it until you're the last one standing, then you'll take it even further. Why stop? You may even set a record.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). If you feel like you're grasping at something, it's a sign that this is the wrong thing for the moment. Open your heart to the idea that there's something much better coming your way.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Everyone is overprivileged in some way. If you think you don't deserve something you have, you might be right. But since you have it anyway, you'll keep finding new ways to earn it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). A friend asks for your time and does not want or need your money. But this person might not understand completely how valuable your time really is. Set some limits in your own mind, then enjoy the hours you have together.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Relationships teeter on an edge of being together or not. The walk on the edge can be the most exciting and interesting part of the connection. Keep communication flowing strong.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Resist anticipating the interests of others. Give them room to be curious. Let the mystery stretch out. Don't give the answers before the questions are even asked. You'll like how things develop with this laid-back approach.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Whatever you let go of, at some point you're going to want it back. Everyone thinks this at some stage. Move forward. Whatever was lost was freeing your hands for something wonderful that's coming.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The significant accomplishments happen in incremental steps that, when taken alone, might seem unappealing. Daily choice is critical. Stay focused on that big-picture goal.

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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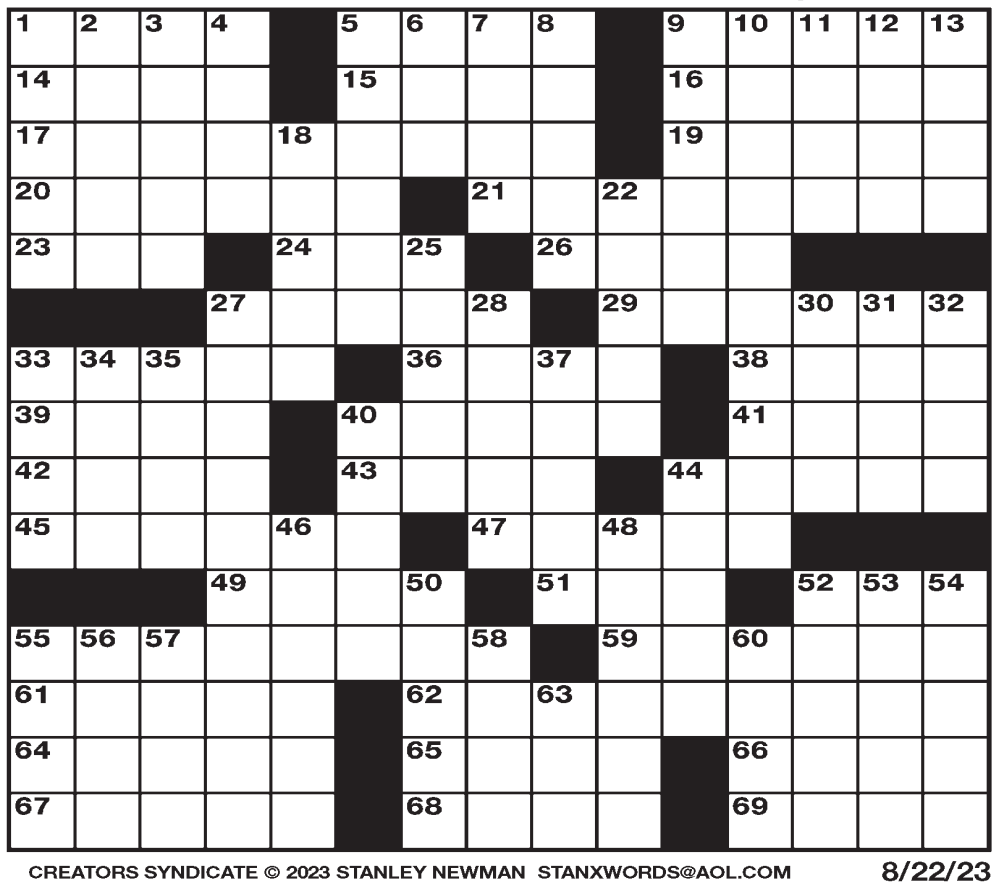
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5 Unappetizing food
9 Any exam mark
14 "Superfood" berry
15 Place for canoeing
16 Disprove
17 Pilgrims' ship that stopped at Plymouth ROCK
19 Brainstorming results
20 Fills with joy
21 Without a detour
23 Old-fashioned school cheer
24 Campfire residue
26 Volcano's outflow
27 Up till now
29 Go off the tracks
33 Tell the __ (don't lie)
36 Cape Canaveral org.
38 Leaning Tower city
39 Do harm to
40 More frosty
41 Home for Adam and Eve
42 "So what __ is new?"
43 Minor fender damage
44 High-spirited horse
45 Speak sincerely
47 Large brass instruments
49 Make a sketch
51 Chum
52 Pub brew
55 Without a bend, as a road
59 Annoying sounds
61 Funds that are borrowed
62 People from Little ROCK
64 Being chilled, as wine
65 Horse rider's strap
66 Female friend, in France
67 Bits of heredity
68 Crumbly Greek cheese
69 Moral misdeeds

DOWN

1 Less wild
2 Central Florida city
3 Doctor's "open wide"
4 Strain, as flour
5 Shiny, as a photo
6 Attorney's expertise
7 Gave approval for
8 Great danger
9 Feel sorrow
10 They're ROLLed out for celebrities
11 Assist in a felony
12 Two-part
13 Online crafts shop
18 Dog walker's strap
22 Speed-checking device
25 Therefore
27 What a school ROLL call "takes"
28 Make impure
30 Personal assistant
31 "Now it makes sense"
32 Touch down on a runway
33 Those people
34 Regulation
35 __ Major (Big Dipper constellation)
37 Arrange in advance
40 Suitcase attachment
44 Hair stylist's shop
46 Colored parts of the eye
48 Yellow-skinned fruit
50 Pier for a ship
52 "Me too"
53 First Soviet Union leader
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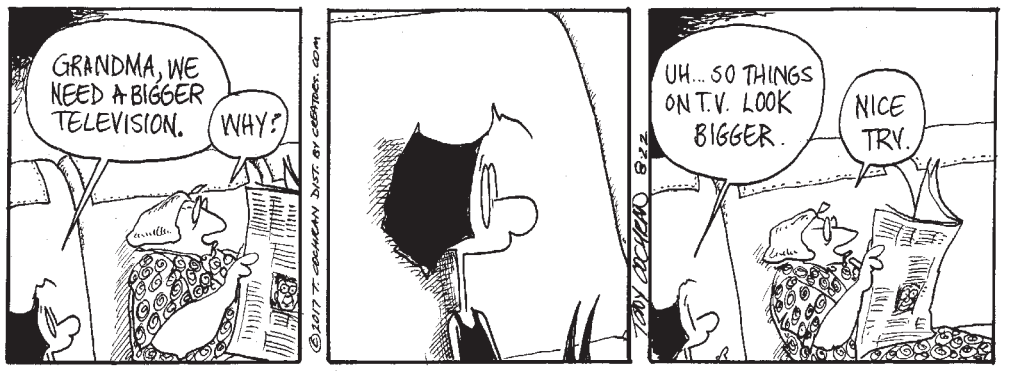


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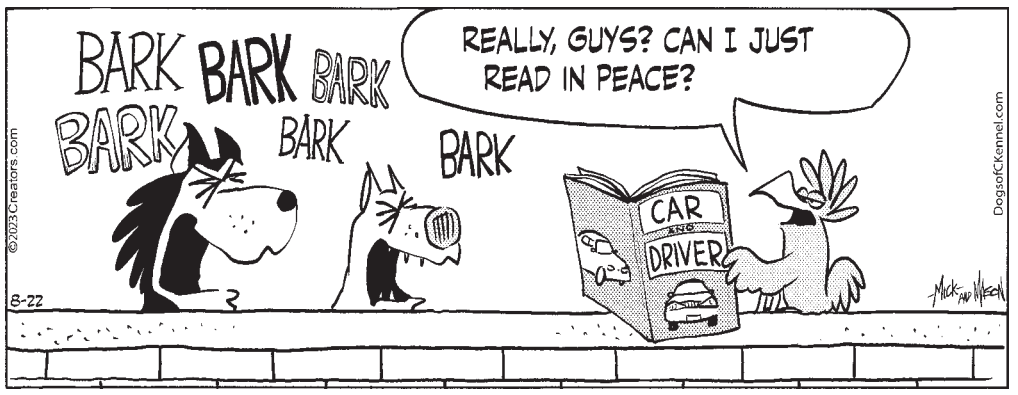
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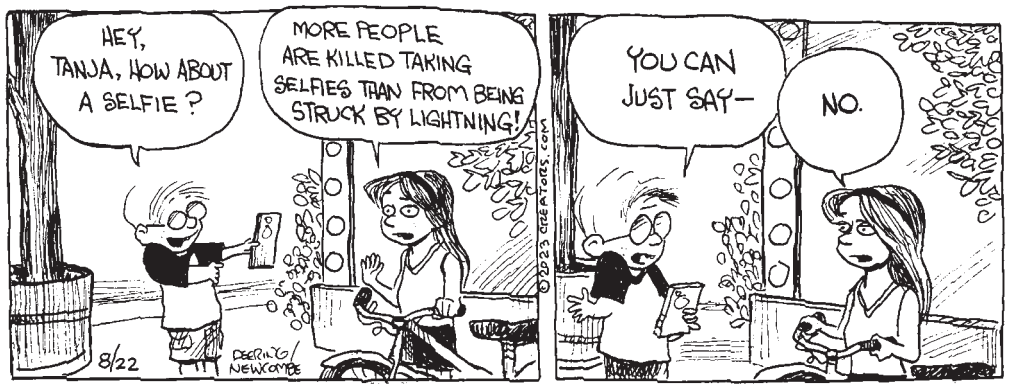
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The August meeting at this historic Santa Monica location (1210 Fourth St) will begin with a short discussion of the love of books and the books we love. It will then focus on "Be Frank With Me" by Julia Claiborne Johnson. Book Group is open to everyone, including non-members. For information, contact sbarry1015@sbcglobal.net. 6:00 pm at Santa Monica Bay Womans Club, 1210 Fourth St., Santa Monica 90401

WEDNESDAY | AUGUST 23

AUTHOR TALK WITH CASSANDRA CLARE

An exciting evening online chatting with mega-bestselling author, Cassandra Clare, about her newest and final book in The Last Hours series, Chain of Thorns. Online event 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm https://libraryc.org/smclibrary/31092/register

THURSDAY | AUGUST 24

COFFEE CONNECTION

Connect with new friends and business prospects while enjoying coffee and delicious pastries in Dogtown Coffee's historic setting. Start your morning making new business connections and sharing your business story while learning about this Ocean Park Santa Monica location. Please book in advance since there are only 25 spaces available and it will be another sold out mixer! 8:00am-9:00am, Dogtown Coffee, 2003 Main Street

NIGHT MARKET AT THE BUNGALOW SANTA MONICA TO HOST A SPECIAL MAUI FUNDRAISER WITH A DJ PERFORMANCE BY DJ PEE .WEE AKA ANDERSON .PAAK

he Bungalow Santa Monica at the Fairmont Miramar Hotel and Bungalows will be holding a very special evening of its weekly summer Night Market on August 24th from 5pm to 11pm, as Grammy Award winning artist Anderson Paak will be performing a vinyl set as DJ Pee .Wee. For this special night, a $20 entrance fee into the Night Market will go directly towards two significant Maui causes – the Hawai'i Community Foundation's Maui Strong Fund and the Maui Humane Society (kids under 12 free). The Fairmont Miramar will further enhance the fundraising efforts by generously matching contributions up to $5,000. The Bungalow Santa Monica, 101 Wilshire Blvd

FRIDAY | AUGUST 25

THE 14TH ANNUAL MIXMATCH DANCE FESTIVAL

The MixMatch Dance Festival has been a staple performance space for many Los Angeles dancers since 2006. Inviting all dance forms and styles to one stage, welcoming dancers from across the US, MixMatch is one of the largest, most diverse dance festival that can be found. It's truly one of a kind. Highways Performance Space, 1651 18th St., Get your tickets at https://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/6054370?ref=349591

THE 14TH ANNUAL MIXMATCH DANCE FESTIVAL

Join the fun at the Nintendo Summer of Play! Come explore the worlds of some of your favorite Nintendo characters, play Nintendo Switch games, take pictures, and have an opportunity to get some cool swag (while supplies last). It's the perfect opportunity to create long lasting memories with the family! Friday, August 25 - Sunday, August 28 Located on Level 1, East Court

SATURDAY | AUGUST 26

OPEN HOUSE CELEBRATING THE RENOVATED CHUCK LORRE ROSE AVENUE HEALTH CENTER

During the Community Open House, members of the public are invited to visit Venice Family Clinic's newly renovated Chuck Lorre Rose Avenue Health and Wellness Center and learn more about how the nonprofit community health center provides health care for people in need in the community. All are welcome to visit and see how the Center's new renovations have improved access by including a ground floor pharmacy and a community room for fitness classes and other groups. Guests will also see updates including newly improved spaces. Venice Family Clinic staff will walk guests through the new facilities and explain how the revitalized facility enables them to integrate services more thoroughly.
A community celebration will take part outside with light appetizers and live music provided for all. 3:30pm-5:00pm Venice Family Clinic's Chuck Lorre Rose, Avenue Health and Wellness Center, 604 Rose Ave, Venice, CA

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310-458-7737 or submit to events@smdp.com



SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **64.4**

TUESDAY *FAIR*	**SURF:**	2-3ft Thigh to waist	Replacing the Hilary swell is a new/modest SSW Southern Hemi swell that will fill in further — rideable waves - even kinda fun at top breaks. Morning wind is looking to be light.
WEDNESDAY *FAIR*	**SURF:**	2-3ft+ Thigh to stomach	Primarily modest to locally fun SSW Southern Hemi swell showing. Light wind expected for the morning for cleanest conditions.

WEATHER

Tuesday: Sunny, with a high near 71. Light and variable wind becoming west southwest 5 to 10 mph.
Tuesday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, increasing clouds, with a low around 65.
Wednesday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 73.
Wednesday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 65.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2023/08/22	Tue	12:58 AM	3.66	H
2023/08/22	Tue	06:38 AM	1.84	L
2023/08/22	Tue	1:28 PM	4.84	H
2023/08/22	Tue	8:34 PM	1.80	L
2023/08/23	Wed	02:14 AM	3.06	H
2023/08/23	Wed	06:56 AM	2.29	L
2023/08/23	Wed	2:16 PM	4.92	H
2023/08/23	Wed	10:24 PM	1.52	L
2023/08/24	Thu	04:59 AM	2.79	H
2023/08/24	Thu	07:09 AM	2.72	L
2023/08/24	Thu	3:26 PM	5.05	H
2023/08/24	Thu	11:54 PM	0.95	L
2023/08/25	Fri	4:47 PM	5.35	H
2023/08/26	Sat	12:55 AM	0.30	L
2023/08/26	Sat	08:08 AM	3.47	H
2023/08/26	Sat	11:21 AM	3.13	L
2023/08/26	Sat	5:58 PM	5.82	H
2023/08/27	Sun	01:42 AM	-0.30	L

DAILY LOTTERY

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Powerball
Draw Date: 8/19
1 25 27 38 62
Power#: 13
Jackpot: 291 M

Mega Millions
Draw Date: 8/18
10 20 29 44 66
Mega#: 11
Jackpot: 33 M

SuperLotto Plus
Draw Date: 8/19
15 21 28 42 43
Mega#: 18
Jackpot: 11 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 8/20
3 16 23 25 29

Daily 3
Draw Date: 8/20
EVENING: 4 8 5
Draw Date: 8/20
MIDDAY: 5 6 5

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 8/20
1st: 02 - Lucky Star
2nd: 01 - Gold Rush
3rd: 10 - Solid Gold
Race Time: 1:45.97

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