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Elizabeth Warren speaks to L.A. crowd

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SMC Corsair / Daily Press Staff Writer

Presidential candidate Elizabeth Warren held town hall style event this week as her campaign swung through Los Angeles.

People quickly filled the bottom and mezzanine levels of the Shrine Expo Hall in Los Angeles on Wednesday, August 22, to hear Warren speak.

Fernando Vargas cited Warren's, "progressive agenda," as his draw to the town hall.

Others, listed Warren's "obvious passion" and were eager to hear more policy details.

Joshua Christ, a 28 year old professor at Mt. San Antonio College in Walnut, said his top issues were universal healthcare and eliminating student loan debt. He said Warren was "absolutely" his candidate and said he's concerned with "making sure America is better off tomorrow than today and that we have leaders who fulfill that."

Andrea Rifelli, 72 year old clinical social worker and Warren volunteer, said she wants a sensible federal gun policy, and "this patchwork of state policies is useless." Rifelli's other top issue was income inequality.

"I think it drives every other issue, the problems with education, and with climate management, and everything is influenced by the inequality," she said.

Michael Castenda, 25, wanted to hear more about policy plans that cater to minorities and marginalized groups that aren't necessarily being represented.

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New dawn for Twilight Pier concerts



Joshua Nicoloro

MUSIC: The opening act for the 2019 Twilight on the Pier concert series was Rostam. Shows are every Wednesday for the next five weeks.

ALEAH ANTONIO AND JACKIE SEDLEY
SMC Corsair / Daily Press Staff Writers

Santa Monica's annual free concert series Twilight on the Pier kicked off its 35th year on August 21, 2019. Former Vampire Weekend member Rostam headlined the opening night on the Santa Monica Pier, along with musical artists Dijon and Jen Awad.

This year, the festival is embracing the theme "Local Meets Global," bringing in artists who reside in different countries or are inspired from other countries to create the diverse musical stylings that they do. While tonight's kickoff included a mix of alternative pop, R&B and soul musicians, each week thereafter encompasses sounds from around the world with the themes of "Latin Wave,"

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Santa Monica Man dubbed 'Boy Next Door Killer' found sane by jury

KATIE CAMPIONE
Associated Press

Jurors on Thursday found a man prosecutors have dubbed "The Boy Next Door Killer" was sane when he fatally stabbed two women and tried to kill a third inside their Southern California homes.

The decision was announced after less than a day of deliberations in the sanity phase of the trial of Michael Gargiulo.

Last week the same jury found Gargiulo guilty of the 2005 murder of 32-year-old Maria Bruno in El Monte and the 2001 murder of 22-year-old Ashley Ellerin, who was waiting at her Hollywood home before a planned date with actor Ashton Kutcher. Gargiulo was also convicted of the 2008 attempted murder of Michelle Murphy.

Gargiulo's attorneys, citing expert trial testimony, argued that he suffers from dissociative identity disorder, previously known as multiple personality disorder.

Gargiulo, who lived near all the victims, did not visibly react to the verdict.

Jurors were told to expect to return on Sept. 9 for the trial's penalty phase, although a judge said the date could shift.

Gargiulo, 43, has been found guilty of several special-

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NFL 2019: Rivers: 'I feel like we're in that window.'

JOE REEDY
AP Sports Writer

Philip Rivers says the Los Angeles Chargers' potential reminds him of 2006 to 2009, when the franchise won four straight AFC West Division titles. That group, though, only made it as far as the AFC championship game in 2007.

Rivers is hoping to lead the Chargers one step further and to a Super Bowl berth for the first time since 1994. Los Angeles has emerged as one of the top teams in Anthony Lynn's third season as coach after tying for the most regular-season wins in the AFC last season (12) and winning a postseason game for the first time in five years.

"I feel like we're in that window. That doesn't mean that it's going to just happen, but I do feel like we're in that window capability-wise," Rivers said. "Where it starts for us is finding a way to win the division."

Rivers remains optimistic in his 16th season despite another rough training camp. Running back Melvin Gordon is holding out for a contract extension, offensive tackle Russell Okung is recovering from blood clots, and safety Derwin James is out at least two months after having surgery on his right foot.

Rivers had one of his best seasons last year. His 105.5 passer rating equaled a career best from 2008 and 2013, and his 8.5 yards per attempt average was his best since 2010. His 68.3% completion rate also was the second best of his career. He has a talented receiving corps with Keenan Allen, Mike Williams and Travis Benjamin as well as getting back Hunter Henry, who missed the regular season with a knee injury.

The Chargers will have another tough start to the season with two of their first three games involving playoff teams from last season, but they won't face Kansas City for the first time until Nov. 18 in Mexico City. The two teams will also meet in the final week of the regular season.

"I think every year is a different year. Once we start playing real football games, we'll see exactly where we are. If you look at our schedule early on, we are going to be challenged," Lynn said.

GORDON'S IMPACT

Gordon has gained over 1,200 yards from scrimmage and scored 10 or more touchdowns in three straight seasons. He was sixth in the AFC in yards from scrimmage (1,375), ninth in rushing (885 yards) and scored 14 touchdowns a year.

He had five straight games of 120 or more scrimmage yards last season but also missed four games late in the regular season due to a knee injury. While Gordon's 38 TDs over the past three seasons are second in the league, his injury history and struggles by elite running backs after signing extensions, such as Arizona's David Johnson and the Rams' Todd Gurley, have made Gordon's attempts to negotiate precarious.

Rivers has voiced his support for Gordon, but also realizes that Austin Ekeler and

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NFL 2019: Rams wary of pitfalls on road to title redemption

GREG BEACHAM
AP Sports Writer

That 13-3 loss in the Super Bowl looms large over the Los Angeles Rams. Their high-scoring ascent to the NFL's elite over two thrilling seasons somehow culminated in one of the most lifeless offensive performances in big game history.

It's the last thing anybody expected from a team coached by Sean McVay, who masterminded the Rams' rise with innovative thinking at every turn — until Bill Belichick's sturdy old defense had an answer for everything.

The youngest NFL coach ever to win a playoff game thinks a whole lot more about the last one he lost. Redemption for McVay and quarterback Jared Goff starts next month when the Rams resume their championship chase.

"We can build on a lot of things going into this season, and what we've been able to do over the last couple of years in developing a foundation," McVay said. "But our players know you earn it every day in this league. All we can do is learn from last year, but we've got to produce right now."

The Rams have won 24 regular-season games, two division titles and an NFC championship in the brief time since McVay took over a franchise with 13 consecutive non-winning seasons. Los Angeles returns with many reasons to think it can stay on top, but enough potential concerns to keep players and coaches sharp.

"I think it just makes us that much more hungry," cornerback Marcus Peters said. "We see exactly where we can be at if we just put our focus into getting better every day. Put the hard work in, and it will pay off for us."

Clay Matthews didn't join his hometown team until a few months ago, so he'll carry nothing from that disappointment in Atlanta into this season. And from what he's seen of the Rams so far, the six-time Pro Bowl linebacker won't be surprised if he gets to play for his second championship ring this season.

"There's so much talent around here," Matthews said. "There's just a level of talent that we should be able to put something together and do something special. I can't speak on behalf of any hangover or curse, or whatever you like to call it. But this team looks primed and ready to make another run at it."

The Rams didn't add a wealth of proven veterans to their roster, but they also didn't lose a tremendous amount of talent. McVay and general manager Les Snead are counting on Aaron Donald, Todd Gurley, Brandin Cooks, Robert Woods and Andrew Whitworth to remain among the NFL's best at their respective jobs, and they plan to fill any gaps with coaching, effort and their veteran leadership.

"We're just excited to get going back to where we ended last year," Gurley said.

Here are more things to know about the Rams:

TIME TO GET PAID

Goff and Peters are likely playing to determine the largesse of their next contracts. Goff is in the fourth season of his five-year rookie deal. The Rams have repeatedly said they will sign him to a long-term contract, and his 19-for-38 performance in the Super Bowl didn't alter that plan. Peters is in the final year of his rookie deal, but said he never considered holding out.

NOT TURNOVER PRONE

Matthews and safety Eric Weddle joined the defense, but they're the only veteran newcomers likely to make an impact; another addition is backup quarterback Blake Bortles. The Rams also didn't make a first-round pick for the third straight year, but rookies including defensive back Taylor Rapp and nose tackle Greg Gaines could play early.

NEW LINE

The Rams are taking their biggest risk on the offensive line, where untested second-year pros Joseph Noteboom and Brian Allen got the jobs of departed stalwarts Rodger Saffold and John Sullivan. LA had remarkable line consistency for two years, but McVay seems supremely confident in the newcomers.

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Donald participated in his first training camp since 2016, no longer holding out to get the huge contract he finally received. The Rams will need the back-to-back AP Defensive Player of the Year in elite form from the start because he has lost the help of nose tackle Ndamukong Suh, who left as a free agent and essentially wasn't replaced. Donald's life of constant double-teams is unlikely to improve, but he's used to it.

KNEEDING HELP

The Rams haven't gone into detail about the condition of Gurley's knee, which limited him down the stretch and allowed the since-departed C.J. Anderson to revive his career. Gurley and the Rams actually might be better off if he isn't among the NFL's top five in touches this season, as he has been in each of the previous three years. Longtime backup Malcolm Brown should get more action, and Los Angeles used a third-round pick on Memphis' speedy Darrell Henderson to provide options for McVay. The Rams are determined to optimize Gurley's effectiveness in the final season before his four-year, $60 million contract extension begins.

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Sanders, Harris set for showdown in delegate-rich California

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Associated Press

Bernie Sanders has promised to win the California presidential primary in March, but home-state Sen. Kamala Harris is defending her turf — putting the two on a collision course in a state both see as a critical steppingstone to the White House.

Sanders' campaign advisers rank California among what they call the crucial "first five" contests. By making a strong showing in those states — Iowa, New Hampshire, Nevada, South Carolina and California — they believe Sanders can establish himself as the dominant candidate in the crowded Democratic field by early March. On Thursday, he rolled out a proposal to combat climate change, a major plank of his campaign, in a Northern California community ravaged by wildfire.

Harris, meanwhile, has locked down endorsements from most of the state's Democratic elected officials and recently announced having 10 paid staffers in California. Both candidates are in the state this week to address Democratic Party leaders in San Francisco.

But investing in California, the biggest prize in the presidential sweepstakes with 495 delegates, remains a gamble for both. It's far from clear that the effort will be money well spent if the candidates don't place near the top in the earlier states and if their campaigns are flagging by the time Californians start voting. (Mail-in ballots start going out Feb. 3 for the March 3 primary.) And in a state where most campaigning happens on the airwaves, having a grassroots network in San Francisco or Los Angeles may not save a candidate who is already sinking.

At this point, no other Democrats are betting on California like Harris and Sanders. Former Vice President Joe Biden has five staff members in the state, with several focused on fundraising. Massachusetts Sen. Elizabeth Warren has no paid staff but is building a robust volunteer corps. Sanders, a Vermont senator, has 11 staffers on his payroll.

The problem for candidates: "How do you budget for a California primary when you don't know how you've done in the first four states?" asked longtime Democratic strategist Bill Carrick, who is based in Los Angeles.

"The first four states are incredibly consequential to who actually ends up a contender" in California, he said.

Still, Sanders' campaign could spend $25 million or more chasing votes, a sign of his campaign's commitment to the strategy. To manage the campaign in sprawling California, Sanders' campaign has broken up the state into five regions and started to build organizations in those areas. The idea is to target places like the Los Angeles region and the San Francisco Bay Area as states within a state, honing in on local concerns. On a recent swing, he discussed immigration in San Diego, homelessness in Los Angeles and housing in San Francisco, where a typical one-bedroom apartment rents for $3,500.

In each area "we look at it like it's Iowa, like it's New Hampshire," said campaign spokesman Joe Calvello.

Harris' campaign is relying on lawmakers backing her candidacy to amplify her message in their home districts. They're also helping raise money for her — she sent out a plea for donations Tuesday, warning that Sanders has raised $45 million this year and has a large grassroots organization returning from his 2016 presidential campaign.

Harris also benefits from a campaign team with a long winning record in California. The consulting firm running her campaign, SCRB Strategies, is led by longtime San Francisco political hand Ace Smith, who is well versed in the state's diverse geographic areas and complicated delegate rules and has worked for Hillary Clinton and former California Gov. Jerry Brown.

Being California's home-state senator is a benefit and a liability, said Brian Brokaw, a longtime Harris adviser who does not have a formal role with the campaign.

"It's an opportunity in that it's a state where she's poised to do very well and has a strong base of support — and needs to do well," Brokaw said. "But at the same time, we live in a world of finite resources and having to spend money in your home state typically isn't at the top of any candidate's priority list."

Sanders and Harris present generational, gender and racial contrasts for voters. Sanders, 77, is white; Harris, 54, is the daughter of immigrants from India and Jamaica.

But they aren't necessarily chasing the same voters. Sanders is firmly anchored in the party's liberal wing. But the shape of Harris' coalition remains largely unknown, said Carrick.

"Is she going to try to take votes from Biden or Bernie or Warren?" he asked.

Sanders turned in a noteworthy second-place finish in California to eventual nominee Clinton in 2016, taking 46% of the vote and carrying 27 of 58 counties. For his army of veteran volunteers, the job has changed. They spent the last election introducing the self-described democratic socialist to voters.

The fight this time is for indecisive voters who are also giving a strong look to Harris, Warren and other candidates who share similar ideas.

In 2016, "People were like, 'It's Hillary. Who is Bernie?'" said volunteer Sanders organizer Melissa Michelson. But this time, she finds voters a bit confused with the array of choices.

In making a pitch to Democrats, "the response I get a lot is, 'Waiting and seeing,'" Michelson said.

Despite residing in Los Angeles, Harris has held few public events in California since launching her campaign in Oakland. Instead, most of her visits have been for closed-door fundraisers.

But her campaign has been mobilizing volunteers through "Camp Kamala" training events in San Diego and Los Angeles.

Most of the volunteer events listed on Harris' website are aimed at other states, like an organizing rally in North Carolina and phone banks in Nevada and South Carolina. Sanders' website lists about 20 upcoming volunteer events in the Los Angeles area alone.

With intense competition in a large field, Sanders appears to be aiming at a broader range of voters this time: He recently did a video interview with Grammy-winning rapper Cardi B.

Ronayne reported from Sacramento, Calif.

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The Easy Rider Generation Wasn't that Easy

Last week was a sad one for baby boomers. Peter Fonda, Henry's son, Jane's brother and Bridget's father, who starred in Easy Rider, passed away at 79. For The 60's flower children, who had their own style of fashion, hair, music and drugs, Easy Rider was "their" movie.

The late film critic, Roger Ebert, called Easy Rider, "One of the rallying-points of the late '60s, a buddy picture that celebrated sex, drugs, rock 'n' roll, and the freedom of the open road." (In 2004, Ebert recalled that, "Easy Rider did a lot of repeat business, while the sweet smell of pot drifted through theaters.")

For so many baby boomers, Fonda's death was a shock. John Lennon was murdered, Jim Morrison, overdosed as likely did Janis Joplin and Jimi Hendrix. But Fonda basically died of old age.

Fonda's passing was to them, perhaps one more sign that the dreams of the peace and love generation may have also died. Just look at the White House. It's like George Wallace is president, only more deranged. Trump rants discursively about buying Greenland and wiping Afghanistan off the map. He casually repeats an anti-Semetic trope, saying Jews who vote Democratic are "disloyal" and shamelessly refers to himself as the "King of Israel," the "2nd coming of God," and, looking heavenward, "I am the Chosen One." (No, you are the mentally ill one!)

Coincidentally, last week was also the 50th anniversary of Woodstock. I hate to point it out, but if you look around you don't see much peace or love left. As I write this, three unrelated 20-something potential mass murderers were arrested before they could kill innocent victims in Connecticut, Florida and Ohio.

If their parents' generation was "the greatest generation," the boomers were the highest hopes generation." They wanted to save the planet, end segregation and promote equal rights for women. Ten years after An Inconvenient Truth, due to climate change, a U.N. study says, without severe corrections, in 12 years the planet could be uninhabitable as we know it. And yet "Agent Orange" says "climate change is a hoax."

As for women's rights, females are still fighting for equal pay and the right not be grabbed by the pus*y or sexually harassed. Twenty women have accused "Don the Con" of doing one or both. As for the pervasive boomer malaise, Michael Moore summed it up concisely, "We wanted to make the world better than we found it, but for the kids growing up today, it's far worse."

Back to Easy Rider, fortunately I had someone connected to talk about the iconic movie and Fonda's passing. Long time Santa Monica resident, Henry Jaglom, was the film editor of Easy Rider. This, despite, other than a lot of moxie, he had no experience except his "home movies" from a trip to Israel right after the Six Day War in 1967.

Jaglom showed his 3 hour battle field footage (in 5-minute clips, mind you) featuring tanks, equipment and even clothing, abandoned by the Arab military to Bert Schneider. Decades earlier, believe it or not, Schneider had been his camp counselor. And now, as fate would have it, he was producing Easy Rider. (Not necessarily what you know but who you know.)

For Jaglom Easy Rider is bitter sweet, all because he was offered $1,000 a week for 8 weeks of editing or 1% of the gross. Jaglom took his businessman father's seemingly wise counsel to take the cash in hand. However, the gross for Easy Rider, perhaps too fantastic to hide, was a whopping $60,000,000. The 1%, which Schneider's secretary took and Jaglom didn't, was worth $600,000! (Ouch.)

In the editing process, Jaglom discovered that the key character upon which the movie depended, was Jack Nicholson's. So Henry highlighted every scene Jack was in and diminished some of Fonda and Hopper. In fact, years ago Nicholson confessed to Jaglom that his entire acting career might have stemmed from Easy Rider. (Nicholson's worth is $400,000,000, so 1% would be $400,000, as I hope Henry isn't reading this.)

David Crosby, the brilliant singer/songwriter, optimistically acknowledges the failed dreams but adds that at least the boomers showed the path for this generation of kids. This brings me to the truly inspiring, 16-year-old climate activist, Greta Thunberg from Sweden. She embarked on her journey to the U.,N. climate talks in New York from England by boat, saying, "If you want to travel to America with zero emissions you've got to sail the Atlantic Ocean."

For his next album, Crosby should write a song about Greta, "Bless the Child Who Sees the Light." I'm sure he wishes, as I do, and as an entire generation does, Peter Fonda, RIP.

Henry Jaglom, who's directed 21 feature films, is teaching acting classes on Thursdays 6 - 10 p.m. at the Edgemar Theater, (310) 392-0815. Jack is at jackdailypress@aol.com

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California may join other states in OKing 17-year-old voters

DON THOMPSON
Associated Press

California may join many other states in allowing 17-year-olds to vote in primary and special elections, if they will turn 18 before the following general election, under a proposed amendment to the state constitution approved Thursday by the state Assembly.

If two-thirds of senators agree, the measure would to go to voters for their consideration in California's March primary election, but it would not affect next year's elections.

The measure passed, 57-13, over objections from Republican Assemblyman James Gallagher of Nicolaus that it's a ploy to lure more Democratic-leaning young voters.

The measure "is being veiled as something that helps expand the franchise" but "has mostly a more political ulterior motive in the long term," Gallagher said. "That's what is really going on here."

Democratic Assemblyman Kevin Mullin of San Francisco said the practice has been adopted in other states that lean Republican, and the goal of his measure is to "empower California's youngest voters" and encourage a habit of life-long voting.

"The time has come for California to join in pursuing what so many other states have done," Mullin said.

The National Conference of State Legislatures says the practice is permitted in at least 17 states: Connecticut, Delaware, Illinois, Indiana, Kentucky, Maine, Maryland, Mississippi, Nebraska, New Mexico, North Carolina, Ohio, South Carolina, Utah, Vermont, Virginia, and West Virginia, as well as the District of Columbia. Some states that use caucuses also allow 17-year-olds to participate, though the rules are generally set by each political party.

"It's not driven by a Democratic idea in California," said Democratic Assemblywoman Lorena Gonzalez of San Diego, listing some of the more conservative states. "To suggest that there's some political play going on I think is disingenuous. ... It's good for the process, it's good for them, and it's our way to develop lifelong voters."

The measure is supported by groups including the League of Women Voters of California. It's opposed by the Election Integrity Project California Inc., which noted that 17-year-olds are still considered children, mostly in high school, who may be easily influenced by their parents and teachers.

The measure is separate from another proposed amendment to the California

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RIVERS

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Justin Jackson must be ready if Gordon does not report. Ekeler was Gordon's backup last season and scored six touchdowns (three each rushing and receiving), while Jackson had solid games against Pittsburgh and Kansas City.

"I think you want to always be as supportive as you can of your teammate. At the same time, you have to move forward with what you have to do to prepare for the opener and beyond. There's a balance there," Rivers said. "I know Melvin knows that I'm pulling for him. In saying that, that means you want what's best for him."

OFFENSIVE LINE CONCERNS

Even with Okung, the offensive line struggled late last season in pass protection. The Chargers allowed only 11 sacks in the first eight games, tied for fourth least in the league. But in a five-game stretch in late November and December, they gave up 17. Second-year tackle Trent Scott has been plagued by holding penalties during the preseason, and right tackle Sam Tevi tied for fifth among most sacks given up by an offensive tackle last season. Third-round pick Trey Pipkins has potential but needs time to develop. The Chargers are also hoping guard Forrest Lamp can finally break into the starting lineup after being hampered by injuries his first two seasons.

PRESSURE UP FRONT

Defensive ends Melvin Ingram and Joey Bosa should team to give opposing offensive lines fits. Ingram led the club with seven sacks and Bosa was second with 5½ despite missing nine games due to turf toe.

Los Angeles drafted defensive tackle Jerry Tillery in the first round because of his ability to collapse the pocket up the middle The Chargers also signed 15-year veteran Thomas Davis after injuries decimated the linebacker position last season.

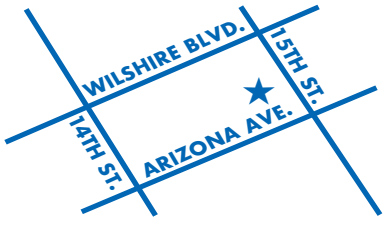
STEPPING UP

No one wanted to see James get injured, but safety is one of the positions where the Chargers could have an injury and withstand it.

Adrian Phillips will take over at free safety while James is sidelined. Rayshawn Jenkins is also a possibility to move over from strong safety, but second-round pick Nasir Adderley still is trying to work his way back from a hamstring injury.

MONEY BADGER

Michael Badgley has finally provided the Chargers with something they have been sorely lacking for a long time: a competent kicker. The rookie from Miami was 15 of 16 on field goals, including a winning kick at Pittsburgh and a team-record 59-yarder against Cincinnati. With Badgley providing stability in the kicking game, Los Angeles could have one of the top special teams units in the AFC. Phillips was an All-Pro selection on special teams, while Desmond King and Travis Benjamin are threats in the return game.

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CONCERTS

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"Middle East Beats," "Island Tide," "Aussie Splash," and "Japanese Vibes".

Over the past two years, the Twilight concert series has experienced a rebranding of sorts, as the longstanding format of the concerts began to pose significant overcrowding and public safety concerns.

In years prior, the event would overflow from the pier onto the beaches, which generated an overwhelming turnout and a less secure event space that could not be fully safeguarded. As a result, this year's concert took place solely along the pier, with two musical stages, and a comedy stage. Attendees were able to walk in-between stages, vendor booths and the pier's other attractions throughout the night.

"This is wild...it's like an actual festival now," said Los Angeles native Pasha Vafaee. "They have more than one stage now, and all the seating areas, it's pretty cool."

This year's opening night garnered an audience much smaller in scale compared to years prior, and this is thought to be attributed to the changes made by the Santa Monica City Council in late 2017. These changes included re-orienting the stages so that audiences are more inclined to stay on the pier, setting a limit on the total number of performances, and changing the series' dates from summer to fall.

With changes to the festival's set-up and operation came a more intimate and relaxed energy. While those looking for a more energized and crowded concert atmosphere may have chosen to stay home this time around, the changes in orientation seemed to strike a chord with those who are more personally inclined toward less jam-packed events.

"There was definitely a lot more people in the past, like the beach would get pretty packed," said fourth-year attendee Angel Morales. "Especially when Khalid came, that thing was pretty hectic...but this year is a lot better."

Twilight on the Pier continues next Wednesday August 28, and every following Wednesday through September 25 from 7-11p.m. on the Santa Monica Pier.

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Joshua Nicoloro and Kelly Wood

PERFORMANCES: The revised event now includes a comedy stage and during the first show, attendees could participate in the global theme with the use of provided flags. .









TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (AUGUST 23)

It's as though you're aiming the sun at a solar panel that will power your whole year. But what good is all this power unless you use it? Decide what you want and express your wishes. Focus on topics you believe in, the things you like and how you want to be treated. So much comes true for you. Cancer and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 6, 22, 24 and 18.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). There's a secret in your eyes. Refusing to tell makes you all the more attractive. Anyway, you're not here for their entertainment, nor do you owe them anything.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You're not trying to be different from the rest, but you are different, nonetheless. Everyone is in one way or another. It's knowing how you're different that will help you stand out in a good way when you're ready.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There's hardly anything you could do that's more attractive than giving out good vibes and expecting nothing in return. Today, you'll do this 10 times and be 10 times more charismatic.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Don't worry so much about your flaws. Everyone has them. And besides, they are usually entwined with your most interesting talents. Most flaws are just assets run amuck.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There are potential clients and customers around, but, of course, you feel funny about talking yourself up. Put thought into this. Come up with a better approach – a soft sell that will have them curious and asking you questions.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You have what the other person needs, but don't offer it too freely. Easy things get devalued. Plus, half the fun is in the process. You don't have to turn it into a game, but it wouldn't hurt to make a dance out of it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The ego can be a rigid thing, building up a facade so as to appear in a particular way. But no one is one way. There are many possible versions of the other person and there are many possible versions of you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Solitary endeavors bring out one side of you and challenges that involve other people bring out another. Both results can be surprising. Sometimes, you're amazed at what you learn about yourself – like today, for instance.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Self-control is needed to amass any kind of good result. But in the end, that self-control will be the best thing you've amassed. Building this muscle allows you to build much more.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Your fortunes will depend on how well you exercise self-control. You will understand what you need to do to get a hold of your financial picture. Success depends on follow-through.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). People do unpredictable things when they are afraid. You'll avoid this by being a safe person who wants the best for others and can prove it. As you charm and disarm, you'll become immune to the trouble caused by fear.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). When you don't know what you're going to do, at least you know what you're not going to do. You can start there. In fact, make a list – a negative manifesto. There will be brilliance in that.

The Sun Gets Small

In the days of old they said, "Don't sweat the small stuff." As the sun moves into Virgo, the sign of minute detail, the "small stuff" is all the rage. You might even go so far as to devote yourself to the small stuff. While you're at it, add some silly stuff in there, as it's often the seemingly superfluous activities that lift spirits and make memories.

WEEKEND LOVE FORECAST

ARIES: Hop on the phone or meet up in real life. It will be completely different from anything that could transpire otherwise. TAURUS: No love affair is the work of a lone architect. It's always built by a crew. GEMINI: If you don't have shared interests, create them. This day is new and there are lots of things to experience together. CANCER: If you knew unequivocally that you were there for each other, you'd take more risks. So do that. Or... why don't you? LEO: To be able to relax totally with someone is the highest praise. VIRGO: You deserve all of these loads of love that will be heaped on you. LIBRA: Is it manipulative to state upfront that you approve and admire someone for committing to your preferred course of action? Oh, so what. Do it. SCORPIO: You'll hear the words that ring in your ears like the sweetest song of happiness – yes, yes, yes! SAGITTARIUS: How would you feel about being someone's addiction? CAPRICORN: The more work a relationship is, the more ownership you feel in it. AQUARIUS: If there's a simple set up and a clear goal, people will compete for the prize. PISCES: The first decision you make in a relationship is in many ways the most important one.

COUPLE OF THE WEEKEND

Gemini and Virgo are both ruled by Mercury, the planet of communication. In this way, the two forces have a connected experience. They are like immigrants to a big city who did not know one another at home, but who meet up in this foreign sea of humanity and connect in their native tongue, feeling very much like they have experienced a lifetime together. **Write Holiday Mathis at HolidayMathis.com**

WORD UP!

Hyperbolic
Adjective [hahy-per-bol-ik]
Exaggerated.

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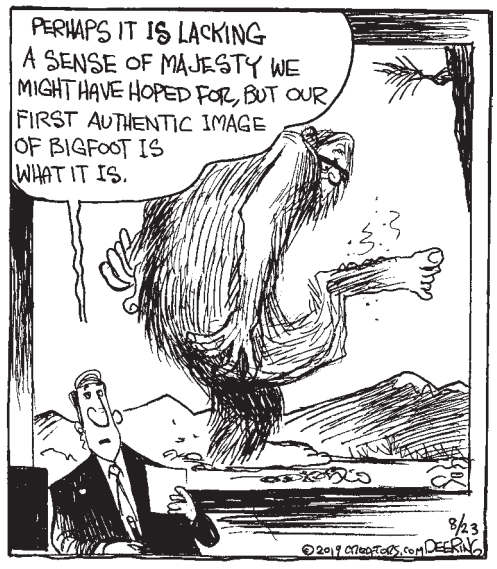
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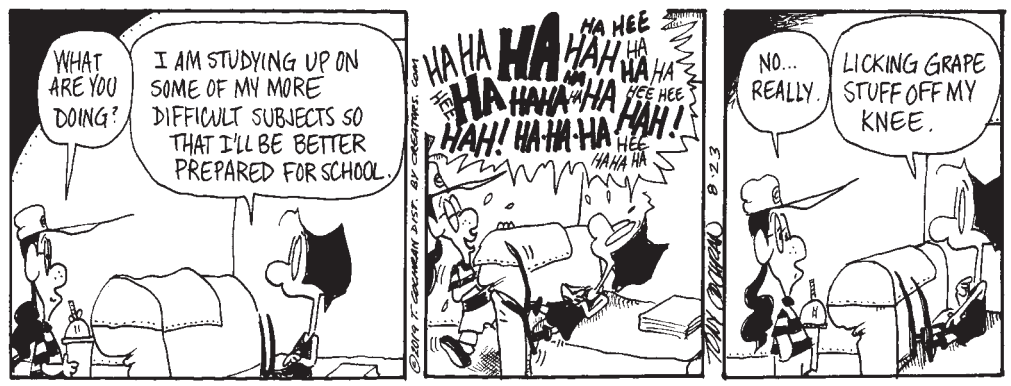
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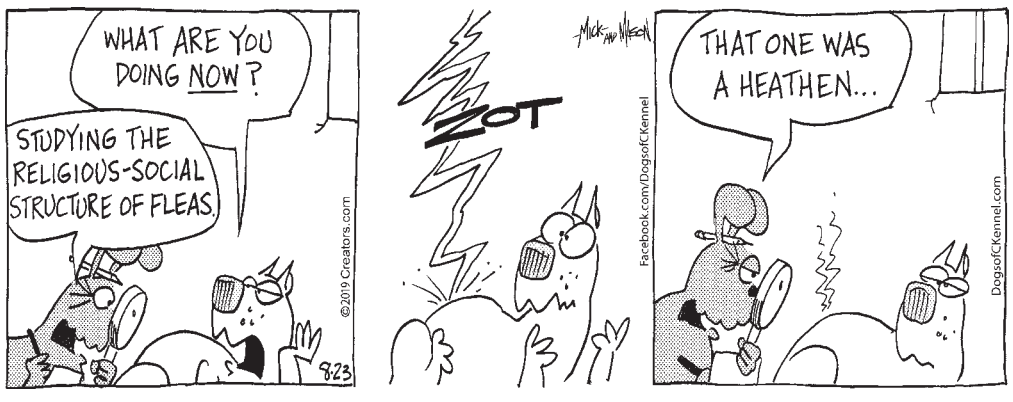
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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 71.2°

FRIDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft+ waist to stomach high occ. 4 ft
New SW swell moves in - larger sets for focal points further west in the region. Modest bump in WNW swell. Morning winds favor west facing breaks.

SATURDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 3-4ft waist to chest high
SW swell builds further and peaks - larger sets for focal points further west in the region. Lingering WNW swell. Watching Ivo for fun-zone SSE tropical swell to build in the PM.

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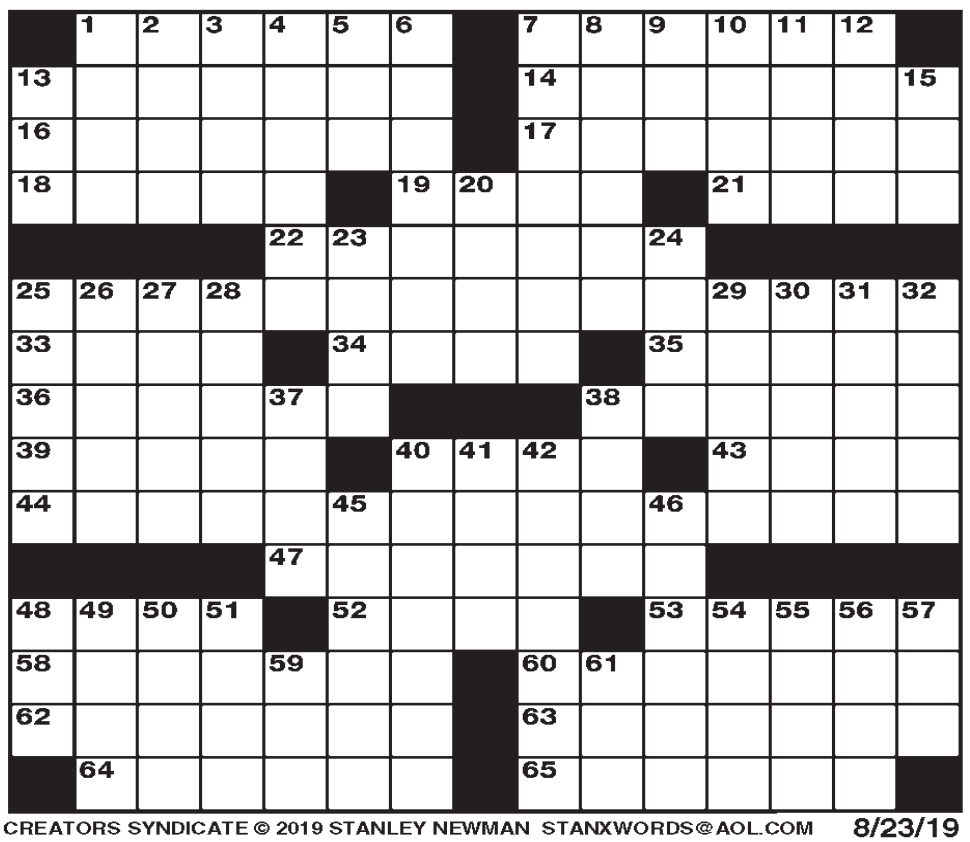
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1 Coloring used in chemistry
7 '80s Philippine leader
13 Most snug
14 Picnic fare
16 Start of a range
17 __ Desert (Tucson's locale)
18 Less expected
19 Barrel of laughs
21 Get moving
22 Christmas tree ornaments
25 Middle of range
33 Paradisaical place
34 Fee for flats
35 *Princess Bride* pirate portrayer
36 Dashed away
38 "Repeat that slower, please"
39 Son of Jacob
40 *Big Brother* host
43 "Facto" forerunner
44 Alternative puzzle title
47 Hotel room freebie
48 Gym tallies
52 Furthermore
53 Senator at 30 (1973)
58 High school math class
60 End of range
62 Unimportant information
63 Barely achieves
64 Make esteemed
65 Typical taxis

DOWN
1 Feudal superior
2 Hilfiger competitor
3 "Pencils down!"
4 Assessment measurement
5 Seat, so to speak
6 Germ-free
7 Spirit made from Swedish wheat
8 Repeats precisely
9 Keats' "friend to man"
10 Composer Stravinsky
11 Emperor/lyrist
12 Like some contracts
13 High-ranking job for a CPA
15 850+-episode NBC series
20 Revered figure
23 Cottage cheese morsel
24 Hold back
25 Pack in new sacks
26 Emphatic rebuttal
27 India's Capital Territory
28 One __ (unlikely odds)
29 No nickname for Twist
30 Rather late lunch hr.
31 German-born Literature Nobelist
32 These: Sp.
37 Measures of work
38 Avid for
40 Model train component
41 Edges for jumpers
42 Unmasks
45 Muse of comedy
46 Held up
48 Turntable meas.
49 City that sounds spooky
50 What Wharton is part of
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SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 343 CALLS ON AUGUST 21

Petty theft 1600blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:59 a.m.
Rape 2100blk Santa Monica Blvd 3:13 a.m.
Burglary 700blk Montana Ave 3:40 a.m.
Stalking 4th St / Colorado Ave 4:10 a.m.
Encampment 1600blk 5th St 5:00 a.m.
Encampment 1700blk the beach 5:07 a.m.
Encampment 2000blk the beach 5:39 a.m.
Encampment 2400blk the beach 5:58 a.m.
Encampment 2800blk the beach 6:11 a.m.
Encampment 1600blk the beach 6:33 a.m.
Encampment 1700blk the beach 6:52 a.m.
Fight 500blk Olympic Blvd W 7:24 a.m.
Vehicle parked in alley 1300blk 20th St 7:40 a.m.
Urinating/defecating in public 1400blk Palisades Park 7:49 a.m.
Encampment 1600blk Appian Way 8:25 a.m.
Person down Neilson Way / Hollister Ave 8:29 a.m.
Traffic collision with injuries 14th St / Santa Monica Blvd 8:48 a.m.
Battery 200blk Broadway 9:03 a.m.
Indecent exposure 4th St / Broadway 9:05 a.m.
Person with a gun 1000blk Pacific Coast Hwy 9:16 a.m.
Death 3100blk Highland Ave 9:41 a.m.
Petty theft 100blk San Vicente Blvd 9:53 a.m.
Vehicle parked in alley 500blk Santa Monica Blvd 9:57 a.m.
Vehicle parked in alley 1600blk 9th St 10:23 a.m.
Threats 2700blk 6th St 10:30 a.m.
Juvenile annoying 14th St / California Ave 10:50 a.m.
Fraud 2900blk Wilshire Blvd 10:53 a.m.
Traffic collision - no injuries Lincoln Blvd / Broadway 11:03 a.m.
Mark & tag abandoned vehicle 1400blk 15th St 11:09 a.m.
Vehicle parked in alley 1500blk 4th St 11:30 a.m.
Mark & tag abandoned vehicle 1000blk California Ave 11:37 a.m.
Petty theft 1000blk 7th St 11:40 a.m.
Vehicle blocking driveway 1000blk 9th St 11:46 a.m.
Hit and run 1200blk Chelsea Ave 12:01 p.m.
Threats 1500blk San Vicente Blvd 12:10 p.m.
Petty theft 300blk Pico Blvd 12:11 p.m.
Harassing phone calls 600blk Santa Monica Blvd 12:24 p.m.
Auto burglary 2700blk Neilson Way 1:03 p.m.
Vehicle with excessive parking violations 800blk Arizona Ave 1:08 p.m.
Petty theft 400blk Santa Monica Blvd 1:14 p.m.
Grand theft 400blk Santa Monica Blvd 1:15 p.m.
Vehicle parked in alley 800blk 4th St 1:24 p.m.
Threats 800blk 6th St 1:29 p.m.
Burglary 1100blk 22nd St 2:27 p.m.
Grand theft 300blk Santa Monica Pl 2:30 p.m.
Burglary 400blk Wilshire Blvd 2:31 p.m.
Assault 1700blk Cloverfield Blvd 2:43 p.m.
Strongarm robbery 1300blk 3rd Street Prom 2:58 p.m.
Fraud 1500blk Harvard St 3:07 p.m.
Vehicle parked in alley 900blk 7th St 3:18 p.m.
Auto burglary 1100blk Pacific Coast Hwy 3:26 p.m.
Traffic collision with injuries 600blk Santa Monica Blvd 3:44 p.m.
Petty theft 3000blk Airport Ave 3:54 p.m.
Threats 600blk Marguerita Ave 3:57 p.m.
Traffic collision - no injuries Lincoln Blvd / Pico Blvd 4:26 p.m.
Petty theft 2900blk Main St 4:47 p.m.
Petty theft 100blk Santa Monica Blvd 4:55 p.m.
Panhandling 2400blk Santa Monica Blvd 4:56 p.m.
Petty theft Ocean Ave / Olympic Dr 5:39 p.m.
Grand theft 1100blk 10th St 5:46 p.m.
Traffic collision with injuries 4th St / Alta Ave 5:49 p.m.
Traffic collision with injuries 1500blk Pacific Coast Hwy 5:51 p.m.
Traffic collision with injuries 1500blk Pacific Coast Hwy 5:52 p.m.
Battery 1400blk 3rd Street Prom 6:00 p.m.
Hit and run felony 700blk Santa Monica Blvd 6:24 p.m.
Animal related incident 2600blk Barnard Way 6:28 p.m.
Auto burglary 500blk Santa Monica Blvd 6:29 p.m.
Traffic collision - no injuries Lincoln Blvd / Pacific St 6:52 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 39 CALLS ON AUGUST 21

Emergency Medical Service 400blk 25th St 12:05 a.m.
EMS 800blk Pico Blvd 12:38 a.m.
EMS 900blk 3rd St 1:07 a.m.
EMS 1300blk 20th St 2:36 a.m.
EMS 200blk 23rd St 3:56 a.m.
Structure fire 3000blk Ocean Park Blvd 6:53 a.m.
Haz mat - level 1 1900blk Cloverfield Blvd 8:04 a.m.
EMS 1300blk 15th St 8:12 a.m.
EMS Neilson Way / Hollister Ave 8:30 a.m.
EMS 14th St / Santa Monica Blvd 8:48 a.m.
EMS 3100blk Highland Ave 9:37 a.m.
Automatic alarm 400blk California Ave 10:16 a.m.
EMS 1200blk 15th St 10:18 a.m.
EMS 600blk San Vicente Blvd 10:31 a.m.
EMS 200blk Ocean Ave 11:07 a.m.
EMS 900blk 3rd St 1:29 p.m.
EMS 1900blk Pico Blvd 2:01 p.m.
EMS 1300blk 2nd St 2:28 p.m.
Wires down 2700blk 6th St 2:46 p.m.
EMS 700blk Navy St 2:50 p.m.
EMS 2200blk Pico Blvd 3:18 p.m.
EMS 600blk Santa Monica Blvd 3:44 p.m.
EMS 800blk 2nd St 4:56 p.m.
EMS 1600blk Santa Monica Blvd 5:01 p.m.
EMS 1100blk 26th St 5:38 p.m.
Traffic collision with injury 4th St / Alta Ave 5:49 p.m.
EMS 700blk Santa Monica Blvd 6:46 p.m.
Traffic collision with injury Lincoln Blvd / Pacific St 6:52 p.m.
EMS 800blk 2nd St 6:53 p.m.
EMS 400blk Ocean Ave 6:59 p.m.
EMS 1300blk 6th St 7:27 p.m.
EMS 800blk 7th St 8:37 p.m.
EMS 2000blk Arizona Ave 8:43 p.m.
EMS 300blk Santa Monica Pl 9:05 p.m.
EMS 300blk Santa Monica Pl 9:52 p.m.
EMS 2900blk Neilson Way 10:22 p.m.
Elevator rescue 1200blk 16th St 11:07 p.m.
EMS 1300blk 15th St 11:20 p.m.

VOTING

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constitution that would lower the voting age from 18 to 17 even in general elections. That measure is awaiting an Assembly vote.

California is among 14 states that allow 16-year-olds to pre-register to vote, but they can't currently vote until they turn 18. Nine other states set different pre-registration ages.

Berkeley voters in 2016 allowed 16- and 17-year-olds to vote in local school board elections, but a similar measure failed in nearby San Francisco.

WARREN

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Warren shared personal anecdotes about her struggle growing up in Oklahoma, mentioning that the minimum wage used to put food on the table when she was growing up, but that today's minimum wage will not keep a mother and her child out of poverty.

Warren went on to propose "big structural change," saying that she is going to attack corruption head on. Namely, she pledges herself to "ending lobbying as we know it, Locking the revolving door between Wall St. and Washington, and pushing back against corporations."

Warren identified the Koch brothers as being particularly harmful and prone to negligence and practicing bad faith in their investments. Warren explained that in the early 1990's scientists were publishing studies revealing the planet was in danger from climate change.

"[The Koch Brothers] could have invested in clean energy technologies, but instead bought politicians and 'experts' who denied climate change."

She spelled out her two percent wealth tax plan saying any person whose equity exceeds $50 million must "pitch in" two cents for every dollar earned after that.

"I guarantee you [your fortune] was built at least in part with hard working employees ... at least in part with the goods and services you transported using tax-payer funded roads and bridges," she said.

Chants of "two cents" grew as Warren explained how the wealth tax will "invest in a whole generation." She claimed it could fund Universal Child Care, Universal Pre-K and raise the wages of childcare workers. She also mentioned tuition free college and canceling student loan debt.

Shifting from tax reform, Warren explained her plans to "protect Democracy" after her election. She promised to advocate for a constitutional amendment protecting every citizens right to vote. "We need to repeal every single racist voter suppression law," she said.

Warren went on to advocate for getting rid of political gerrymandering and overturning Citizens United, a landmark U.S Supreme Court case that ruled corporate political spending is protected speech under the 1st amendment.

Taking questions from raffle winners in the crowd, Warren addressed what she would do to guarantee that transgender and nonbinary people have adequate healthcare protections. She responded that the United States government must hold accountable those who swear to protect citizen's rights.

Warren went on to say "universal health care is a basic human right."

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MAN

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circumstance allegations , including lying in wait and multiple murders, which make him eligible for the death penalty or life in prison with no possibility of parole.

His lawyers declined comment after Thursday's sanity verdict.

Gargiulo is a native of the Chicago area who moved to Los Angeles in the late 1990s. During the trial he was described as having acting aspirations and working as an air conditioning repairman and Hollywood nightclub bouncer at the time of the attacks.

His defense lawyers urged jurors to reject the case, citing little physical evidence tying him to the killings of Bruno and Ellerin.

Prosecutors cited uncannily similar patterns in home-invasion attacks that were all in places near his residence at the time.

Gargiulo is also awaiting trial in Illinois, where he is accused of killing a woman in 1993.

Allowed to cite evidence from the Illinois case, they said all four attacks were the work of a skilled serial killer who studied the lives, homes and habits of victims that he stabbed quickly, powerfully and repeatedly with a knife that he knew how to use, and studied ways to cover his tracks.



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