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100 YEARS AGO:

Skeleton of 7-foot man found by Santa Monica resident

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

Editor's note: This monthly feature uncovers Santa Monica's history by compiling notable city happenings from a century ago. The stories are found in old newspaper archives.

The skeleton of what was believed to be a prehistoric man was found by a Santa Monica resident a century ago this month.

The bones were discovered by Silas Brady at the mouth of Malibu Creek near Santa Monica, according to an archived Los Angeles Times article.

"The skeleton was unearthed by an unusually high and vicious tide which cut a big swath in the shore line," the article reads. "That the bones had not previously been exposed to the water was evidenced by their dryness; they presented the appearance, in fact, of never having come in contact with air or the elements."

It was believed that the bones of what appeared to be a 7-foot man had been buried many centuries earlier. Brady did not locate the skull, however.

"Should the waves wash away enough sand to uncover the missing head the exact character of this possible missing link will be determinable," the article reads.

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No fits of age for Santa Monica triathletes

60-and-over locals prepare to conquer Malibu Triathlon

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

It's never too late to complete a triathlon. Just ask Steve Evans.

A longtime Santa Monica resident who works for the Showtime television network, Evans had never seriously considered doing so much swimming, cycling and running all in one day.

But something about the athletic feat appealed to him.

"It was one of those moments where somebody said, 'How would you like to join the CBS triathlon team?'" he said. "I thought, 'Well, that sounds like a good idea.'"

Evans is one of scores of Santa Monicans participating in the 29th annual Malibu Triathlon, which will be held Sept. 20 at Zuma Beach and which features a half-mile swim in the Pacific Ocean, an 18-mile bicycle ride and a 4-mile run.

But he is also part of a dedicated contingent of entrants with no shortage of chronological mileage. He turned 66 earlier this summer.

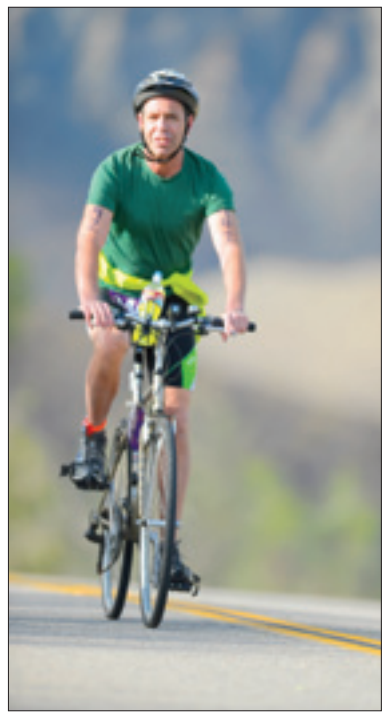
"It's a challenge," Evans said. "But it's a great way to stay in shape and meet new people, and it's a terrific sport."

The triathlon weekend in Malibu is popular among amateur athletes from across the Westside and Southern California, and it has been known to attract Hollywood actors and other celebrities.

The event doubles as a fundraiser for Children's Hospital Los Angeles, with last year's edition drawing more than 5,000 participants and generating about $1.35 million for the hospital's pediatric cancer research and treatment efforts.

The Malibu Triathlon appears

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Courtesy photos

ATHLETES: Glen Greenfield and Steve Evans will be participating in the Malibu Triathlon on September 20.

Diverse opinions at affordable housing discussion

BY MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Based on the discussion at the August 25 City Council Meeting, most Santa Monicans support the concept of affordable housing. However, residents differ in preferred funding choices, how much housing to build, where that housing should be and even the importance of affordable housing to the city.

The purpose of the council's discussion was to provide direction to staff regarding possible ways to increase the amount of affordable housing in the City. Council received 24 requests to speak on the issue and while residents differed on the kind of housing they preferred or what funding mechanism they supported, the vast majority expressed philosophical support for the concept of affordable housing.

Several specifically praised the city and the city council for taking up the subject.

Former Mayor Denny Zane called affordable housing a hallmark of Santa Monica for more

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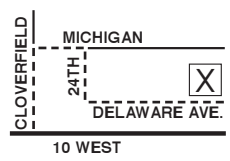
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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

August 29

Saturday Certified Farmer's Market (Virginia Ave. Park)

Fresh seasonal produce sold direct by California's farmers! Parking for the market is available in the lot along Pico Blvd., at meters along Pico Blvd. or adjacent to Virginia Park in the parking lot on north/east corner of Pico and Cloverfield. Virginia Ave. Park, 8 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Santa Monica Certified Farmers Market (Downtown - Saturday)

The Saturday Downtown Farmers Market, also known as the Organic Market, opened in May 1991. As Santa Monica's second CFM, it had a different mission to fulfill. With the passage of the California Organic Foods Act of 1990, consumers were eager for more organic produce and another market for weekend shopping. The Organic Market boasts the largest percentage of Certified Organic growers of the City's four markets. 2nd at Arizona Ave., 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

SUP Lesson

Learn to Stand Up Paddleboard! $57/lesson. Register by 2 p.m. the day before class to receive a parking pass for class time. Same day drop-ins must pay for parking. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 PCH, 9 - 10:30 a.m.

UCLArts and Healing Initiative: Managing Stress Through Music, Sound, and Yoga

Learn and experience how brain responses to stress can be altered by music, sound and yoga. No musical or yoga background or equipment is required for participation. With Ping Ho, MA, MPH; Kathy Cass, MA, BC-DMT, NCC, CYT, E-RYT 500; and Elizabeth Cohn, MT. Dress comfortably in pants and with comfortable shoes for walking. Bring a sweater for additional warmth. Bringing plenty of water is also important. Free parking is available in the alley between Wilshire and Arizona, Lincoln (8th street) and 7th Street, by the basketball courts. Please enter through the back of the building by the playground area.
Fee: $35 https://www.uclartsandhealing.net/ViewProgram.aspx?ID=443
Boys & Girls Club of Santa Monica, 1238 Lincoln Blvd., 9:00 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

1450 Ocean: Dancing

Democracy with Christine Suarez

Join organizers for this fun, high energy, and sweaty dance class for adults of all levels of dance ability. Bring your enthusiasm and come dressed to move in sneakers or barefoot - dancers' choice. Studio Resident Artist Christine Suarez developed this class by drawing on her 20+ years as a professional contemporary dancer/choreographer. Dancing Democracy celebrates pluralism by blending dance forms and approaches: modern dance, social dances, stretching/strengthening and somatic practices. Each class culminates in a democratically created group dance. Workshops build over six sessions but drop-ins are welcome. Cost: $5 each. Palisades Park, 11 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

1450 Ocean: Fun with Polymer Clay with Angharad Caceres

Polymer Clay is endlessly fun! Learn how to create various colorful effects by mixing and conditioning the clay in just the right way. For this class they'll be making a selection of small tokens, usable in jewelry, hat embellishments, cellphone charms, Refrigerator poetry tiles - that cherry bunch for your hat and more! Basic tools, baking and finishing techniques will be covered. Come away with several finished pieces and the clay and know-how to make what you like! Cost: $15 + $5 cash material fee to instructor. Palisades Park, 1 - 3 p.m.

Summer Concert on the Library Lawn: Todd Washington Trio

Spend an afternoon outdoors enjoying live music on the library lawn with the Todd Washington Trio. They will entertain with a mix of blues, folk, rock, soul and gospel. Bring a picnic! Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St., 2 - 4 p.m.

Polo With A Purpose

The Mulligan Project's inaugural "Polo With A Purpose" fundraiser will be a fun, summer event which will include Vietnamese food, an open bar and a champagne divot stomp. The Mulligan Project is a nonprofit organization dedicated to improving the lives of children with disabilities in Central Vietnam through special education, physical therapy, speech therapy and above all, dignity. The Mulligan Project is trying to raise much needed funds to help an underserved and overlooked generation of children growing up without the education they

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Downtown

An Exclusive Book Signing with Author Amelia Saltsman

Author Amelia Saltsman will sign copies of her new cookbook, The Seasonal Jewish Kitchen, at The City of Santa Monica Wednesday Downtown Farmer's Market. In her second cookbook, Amelia shares 150 recipes that offer a refreshingly different take on traditional and contemporary Jewish cooking, tracing the delicious thread of Jewish cuisine from its ancient roots to today's focus on seasonality and sustainability. Books will be available for purchase at $29.95.

Amelia traces the delicious thread of Jewish cuisine from its ancient roots to today's focus on seasonality and sustainability. She draws on her own rich food history to bring you a warmly personal cookbook filled with soul-satisfying spins on beloved classics and bold new dishes. From her Iraqi grandmother's kitchri — red lentils melted into rice with garlic slow-cooked to sweetness-to four-ingredient Golden Borscht with Buttermilk and Fresh Ginger and vibrant Blood Orange and Olive Oil Polenta Upside-Down Cake, Amelia's melting-pot approach will win over a new generation of cooks. Guided by the Jewish calendar, Amelia divides the book into six micro-seasons that highlight the deep connection of Jewish traditions to the year's cycles. Today's sustainability and gleaning projects are founded in the agricultural and social justice lessons of the Bible, and it's no coincidence that holiday foods are seasons-based-the spring herbs of Passover, for instance, or the autumn pomegranates and apples of Rosh Hashanah.

The City of Santa Monica Farmer's Market under the tent at 3rd and Arizona, Wednesday, September 2, 10 a.m. - 12 p.m. Facebook Event Listing: https://www.facebook.com/events/1455813664727103

- SUBMITTED BY LAURA AVERY

Citywide

Santa Monica Police Department conducts decoy shoulder tap/minor decoy operation

Within the past couple of weeks, the Santa Monica Police Department (SMPD) conducted an undercover Decoy/Shoulder Tap operation. Using a supervised underage decoy, the enforcement team visited three alcohol retail establishments in the city of Santa Monica and made a total of 15 contacts. The decoys stood outside and solicited adult patrons to act as proxies and purchase alcohol on their behalf. One misdemeanor citation was issued.

Decoy Shoulder Tap operations are geared towards adults who knowingly furnish alcoholic beverages to minors. The goal is to reduce substance abuse and enhance community welfare by limiting underage access to alcohol.

This operation is part of the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control's Minor Decoy/Shoulder Tap Grant Project funded by the California Office of Traffic Safety through the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration.

- SUBMITTED BY SERGEANT RUDY CAMARENA

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deserve. Tickets are $100 per person. Will Rogers State Park, Pacific Park, 2 - 5 p.m.

1450 Ocean: Chrisitne Suarez Final Presentation

All are welcome to see Christine Suarez' work in progress presentation of dance and movement created during her Studio Residency. She is working on a project based on the biblical Book of Ruth, part of a commission from the Bronx-based organization Spark and Echo Arts (sparkandecho.org). Joining her in this project are dance artists Carol McDowell and Rebeca Hernandez. Themes they have been developing through movement center on relationships between women during bereavement, displacement, and within the bonds of friendship and family. Cost: free! Please RSVP at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/work-in-progress-performance-book-of-ruth-with-studio-artist-in-residence-christine-suarez-tickets-17532189250. Pacific Park, 4 - 6 p.m.

COLLAGE-O-RAMA Art Show

The Cadillac Hotel proudly presents this show, featuring a group exhibition of visionary mixed-media artists (collages and assemblages), including recent works from local Venice artists. Free admission. (310) 399-8876 https://www.facebook.com/events/1009098469110052/. 8 Dudley Ave., Venice, 6 - 9 p.m.

Cardboard Yacht Regatta

4th annual Cardboard Yacht Regatta! Register by August 26. At home, build your own cardboard yacht to seat two people, and race across the pool. $15 per yacht. All ages. Spectators free. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 PCH, 6:30 - 9:30 p.m.

TNB @TYPHOON

Monthly dance party. Summer is in full swing and so are we! Come on down and celebrate with us! Typhoon at the Santa Monica Airport, 3221 Donald Douglas Loop, 9 - 11 p.m.

August 30

Santa Monica Certified Farmers Market (Main St.)

The Sunday Main Street Farmers Market is a well balanced blend of Certified California Farmers, tasty prepared and packaged foods, entertainment and children's activities as well as local retail. Attended by over 5000 customers each weekend. The Main Street market hosts a variety activities including bands, a bi-weekly cooking demonstrations, arts and crafts, a face painter, a balloon animal designer as well as seasonal California grown fruits, vegetables, nuts, meats and cheeses. 2640 Main St. at Ocean Park, 9:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

1450 Ocean: Handwork Hangout with Leslie Robinson

Local hatmaker Leslie Robinson will be supervising collage, beading, knitting, sewing and other handwork activities while taking apart and repurposing vintage hats, working on new fascinators and other projects that mix modern and vintage material. Bring your own accessorizing projects to get tips, or embark on something new! Some materials provided and others are available for purchase from Leslie, or bring your own. Even if you have no idea what to make, you can learn some great handwork tips from Leslie and embark on a new craft. Short classes make parking a breeze! $1 for two and half hours at Structure 6, right around the corner. Enroll online for $2 off: https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search?detailskeyword=handwork . Palisades Park, 2 - 4 p.m.

P.S. ARTS Fundraiser

Join P.S. ARTS and the chefs of Venice from for an afternoon of savory samples, delightful drinks, and delicious desserts, all to support P.S. ARTS' public school arts education programs. This year's event is sponsored by and located at Lincoln Place Apartment Homes and features a silent auction and VIP Tasting Tour. 1050 Fredrick St., Venice, 3 - 7 p.m.

Summer of Soul Art Exhibition

Benefitting Compassion International and Resonate LA Arts Programming, this exhibition will feature 100 local artists and 100 sunglass masterpieces on canvas. You can take home one original artwork of your choice for every $99 donation. Come hungry! The Upper West is generously donating 30 percent of all food and beverage sales! First come first serve. Art will be flying off the walls! For reservations call (310) 586-1111. 3321 Pico Blvd., 4 - 7 p.m.

Jazz on the Lawn 2015

This 10th annual concert series presents lively, family-friendly music to dance, relax, and picnic with rotating food and dessert trucks. For more information call (310) 458-8350 or visit www.smgov.net/jazz . Stewart Street Park, 5 - 7 p.m.

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Santa Monica's Katrina story

THE 10TH ANNIVERSARY OF HURRICANE Katrina arrives Aug. 29, and it's hard to believe that it has been 10 years since Hurricane Katrina struck the Gulf Coast.

When the hurricane made landfall it broke the city of New Orleans' levees and wrecked the Gulf Coast from Louisiana to Florida, killing 1,833 people and causing more than $100 billion in damage. More than a million people in the Gulf region were displaced by the storm, according to FEMA. At their peak, hurricane relief shelters housed 273,000 people. Later, approximately 114,000 households were housed in FEMA trailers. The population of New Orleans fell from 484,674 in April 2000 to 230,172 in July 2006, a decrease of more than 50 percent.

While this event took place thousands of miles from Santa Monica, its impact was felt locally and has resulted in positive changes to the way in which the City of Santa Monica plans and prepares for emergencies. Experts have warned that a catastrophic earthquake could impact Southern California at any time and that we need to be ready. Taking to heart the lessons learned from Hurricane Katrina, Santa Monica has improved its resiliency and is helping the community be better to respond to, recover from and mitigate against future disasters.

COMMUNITY COLLABORATION

Many may not know that less than one week following the flooding in the Gulf Coast, more than 250 families from the affected areas arrived on Santa Monica's doorstep. Many of them had only the shirts on their backs and the few belongings they were able to carry. Most had no place to stay, no food to eat, nowhere to receive medical treatment and very little hope of recovery or returning home.

For a period of time, it appeared that Santa Monica High School was going to be used as a temporary emergency shelter for these evacuees. This would have delayed the start of the school year for local students and placed a tremendous strain on the City and partner agencies to provide the necessary care for those affected.

Fortunately, those tasked with emergency management and preparedness in Santa Monica rose to the occasion and were able to develop a plan to care for our new visitors. City of Santa Monica staff as well as partners from the Santa Monica chapter of the American Red Cross, Meals on Wheels West, WISE & Healthy Aging, the Salvation Army, Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, Westside Food Bank and UCLA Santa Monica and St. John's hospitals worked for months to meet the needs of the evacuees while limiting the impact on our local community. This group, Santa Monica Organizations Active in Disasters (SMOAID), was able to find permanent housing for the refugees who opted to stay in Santa Monica.

Once the evacuees were given the assistance they needed, it was decided that the organization was so successful in the coordination of that it should continue to meet regularly to strengthen and improve emergency preparedness, communications, response and recovery efforts for Santa Monica. Additionally, SMOAID brings together members of the community including service providers, response agencies, businesses, nonprofits, neighborhood organizations, schools and others.

SMOAID has worked to make Santa Monica one of the most disaster-resilient communities in the Los Angeles region. SMOAID has hosted community events including emergency preparedness for businesses, nonprofits and pet owners as well as emergency supply pop-up shops and services.

EMERGENCY READINESS

In 2011, the City of Santa Monica created an entire division devoted to disaster management and preparedness. The Office of Emergency Management (OEM) is housed in the City Manager's Office. Since its inception, OEM has made great strides in strengthening Santa Monica's disaster preparedness and response capabilities. Some of the accomplishments of the Santa Monica OEM include:

Creating a local Community Emergency Response Team (CERT) program, which has trained more than 300 people who either live or work in Santa Monica.

Conducting business continuity trainings for hundreds of businesses in partnership with the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce and RAND Corp.

Procuring disaster supply caches to assist in disaster response and emergency shelter activities.

Training City departments in emergency operations center management for incidents and emergencies.

Developing partnerships with local businesses to support each other in the event of emergencies.

Working with neighborhood organizations and residents to prepare the Santa Monica community to become disaster resilient.

FUTURE EVENTS

Moving forward, the Santa Monica Office of Emergency Management continues to promote preparedness activities.

On Aug. 22, Santa Monica CERT Class #10 graduated and will join the 280-plus CERT team members who work to keep the community safe and prepared.

This fall, the City will launch its "I've Got 7" Emergency Preparedness campaign in partnership with the Santa Monica- Malibu Unified School District. This campaign encourages everyone in Santa Monica to pledge to be prepared for emergencies and have a disaster kit which includes up to seven days of emergency supplies.

On Oct. 13, OEM will sponsor a disaster preparedness workshop for local businesses in partnership with the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce.

On Oct. 15, the City of Santa Monica will participate in the Great California Shakeout, the annual earthquake response drill. OEM encourages everyone to join the millions of Californians who will drop, cover, and hold on as part of the exercise.

On Oct. 20, the Santa Monica CERT team will join Meals on Wheels West to deliver emergency supplies to more than 150 Meals on Wheels clients in Santa Monica.

TAKING ACTION

The Santa Monica Office of Emergency Management offers training and planning assistance to those who live, work and play in our great city. We encourage everyone to follow three simple steps to be prepared for emergencies:

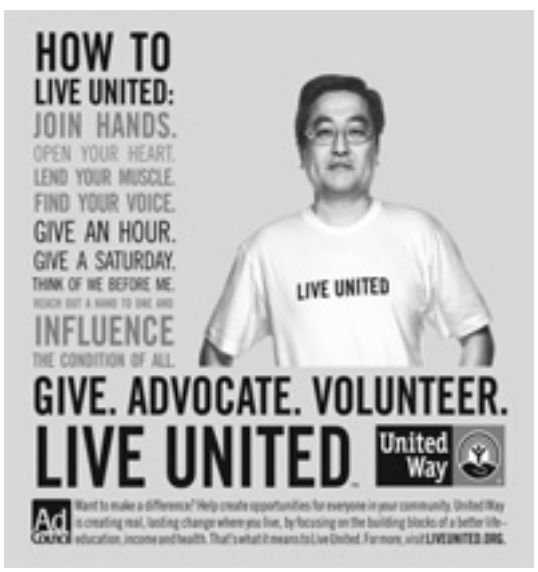
1) Have a disaster kit with up to seven days of emergency supplies.

2) Have a family or business emergency plan in order to get in touch with people following a major disaster.

3) Be informed by signing up for the SM Alerts system. SM Alerts is the City of Santa Monica's emergency notification system, which is used to inform the public about incidents and emergencies. To sign up for SM Alerts, visit SMalerts.net.

For additional information about Santa Monica's emergency preparedness efforts and general disaster preparedness information for residents, businesses, children, pets and others, visit OEM's homepage at smgov.net/oem.

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Infrastructure, and its Continuing Challenges

LATE THIS MORNING, THIS WRITER arrived at a bus stop at 17th and Montana, intending to travel to downtown Santa Monica. The bus stop contains no printed bus schedule, but a customer service number is provided, which includes an automated arrival information service. The recording asks for the stop's four-digit number, but it quickly became clear that no such number is visible at the stop. Another call to customer service was answered by a live human, who, after a lengthy wait, cheerfully provided next-bus arrival information. In due course the bus indeed arrived-but on the opposite side of the street, going the opposite way to the requested destination. A follow-up call revealed that the first operator was wrong.

About a year ago, not long after SMa.r.t. started publishing this column, one of our articles discussed challenges to the use of mass transit. "A major barrier to the implementation of mass transit," we wrote, "is the "first mile, last mile issue" - how to get to the station and then to one's final destination. This is why the car is still favored over other options." Much has been written before, and since, about the need for a practical, reliable and frequent public transit system in the city, to provide an alternative to driving. Reducing the number of drivers is seen by many people as a worthwhile goal, not only for environmental reasons, but also to reduce traffic congestion.

A convenient local, in-town public transportation system is one alternative to much local driving. "The City's traffic is becoming worse," our colleague Thane Roberts wrote in the July 12 column, "and will continue to do so as more development is approved despite our inadequate infrastructure." "Some new measures to consider are: 1) a bike share system that is integrated with adjacent municipalities; 2) elevated pedestrian paths Downtown from the new Expo Line to avoid conflicts with street traffic; 3) "first mile" and "last mile" solutions such as small shuttles, improved bus service with better transit information, comfortable seating and weather protection at bus stops."

In-town transit, and the "first mile, last mile" issue are really infrastructure challenges, several of which we have identified as fundamental building blocks for local residents' quality of life. "One issue on which most residents can readily agree," we said last July, " is that moving about the city by car, bus or bike is increasingly time consuming and frustrating. Traffic in downtown is abysmal... The city needs a realistic approach to mitigate this situation. Our quality of life, safety, and possibly our livelihoods are affected. Every new project needs to be assessed for its cumulative effect on this vital part of our infrastructure."

But transportation is not the only infrastructure matter needing attention. "The city's electrical and water infrastructure is increasingly under pressure due to the burden from thousands of daily visitors," we said in the same article, "(s)trains in the city's infrastructure manifest as disruptions in the electrical supply, the rising cost of water (only partially due to the drought), and the unwillingness or inability of our public officials to discuss reasonable limits on our city's resources. A plan to honestly address inadequate infrastructure and limited resources must be part of any discussion on the city's future."

In August of last year, we pointed out the difficulties of achieving water independence (a City of Santa Monica goal for 2020 while large, water-consuming developments continue to be approved. "City government has not asked us to subsidize new development," we wrote. "but that is the net effect of continuing to encourage and process large developments that significantly increase the city's water consumption-especially projects substantially larger than basic zoning allows. Let's not mince words: it's irresponsible to consider such developments given the current water crisis. This past year has been the driest in recorded California history. There was a similarly dry year over 100 years ago, but our population has grown 40 times since then-and with indoor plumbing and hygiene changes, consumption is probably closer to 100 times what it was then."

All of these infrastructure issues-transportation, traffic, water use and others, continue to be on the front burner in our city today, a year later. We have now had some time to consider solutions and alternatives, and indeed the city has made considerable progress across many fronts. The Big Blue Bus, for example, has inaugurated new routes connecting to the light rail stations, although their effectiveness remains to be seen. And water use in the city-at least among residents-is down substantially, by nearly a third, not least because of the City's outreach efforts, new water pricing, and rebates for water-saving measures such as turf removal, landscape improvements and appliance and fixture replacements.

Nonetheless the major issues, which at their core are driven at a high level by City policies, and at a low level by the city's daily management, continue to severely challenge the city today. They require an approach that is both imaginative and truly responsive to residents.

Going back to this morning's bus ride mentioned at the beginning of this article. A bus eventually did arrive, and the friendly driver was treated, by this writer, to a small description of the phone recording which required the stop's non-existent four-digit code. The driver peered through the windshield at the stop, and said "how are you supposed to know the code if it isn't there?"

Precisely.

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BOMB THREAT

Matthew Hall editor@smdp.com

California Ave between 11th and 12th Streets was closed for several hours on Aug. 28 as authorities investigated a suspicious package.

According to the Santa Monica Police Department and the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department, a suspicious box was found on the hood of a vehicle near the intersection of California Avenue and 11th Street.

The box contained what appeared to be an improvised explosive device filled with an unknown powder and a liquid. The Sheriff's bomb squad was called in and transported the device to a safe location for destruction. Investigators from the Santa Monica Police Department, Santa Monica Fire Department and the Federal Bureau of Investigation are continuing the investigation.

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TALK

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than 40 years.

"If we value our economic diversity, and I think we do, we have to make this our top priority," he said.

Zane said he supported a ballot measure of some type to secure funding.

Councilwoman Himmelrich, who hired Zane as her campaign manager last year, called him "the father of rent control" and asked for his thoughts on expanding rent control to more units. Zane said it might be possible to extend rent control to units built before 1995, but as the majority of those units are currently set at or near market rates, residents who need affordable housing are already priced out of that potential housing category.

Sarah Letts Executive Director of Community Corporation of Santa Monica, the city's largest affordable housing provider, said the city should leave no stone unturned when evaluating options and said it was important to utilize all of the options that exist under this program.

"When it comes to the financing of affordable housing we need more tools and we need much bigger tools," she said.

Sunset Park Resident Leslie Lambert praised the council for addressing the issue. She said she had seen the positive impact affordable housing has on a community in her professional work.

"It really boggles my mind that people don't find that an important objective and I appreciate that you do,"

Carter Rubin, who served briefly on Planning Commission this year, said the city needed to expand the area it considers appropriate for affordable housing.

"I think Santa Monica has changed so much in such a short period of time that we have to look at the single family neighborhoods as places where we expect to generate additional housing," he said. "I think it's unfair and unjust that such a huge swath be off the table for new housing."

While most speakers said they supported the goal, some did so with reservations.

Current planning commissioner Mario Fonda-Bonardi spoke on his own behalf and said the pace of housing, whether affordable or otherwise, needed to be slowed.

"Our city is changing and reaching the limits of its infrastructure," he said.

Some speakers supported the concept but took issue with the city's process saying minorities where excluded from affordable housing options, that the city's recent restrictions on Airbnb prevent residents from maintaining enough income to pay rent or that more social services were needed to accompany housing.

The strongest criticism came from Trisha Crane who addressed the council on behalf of the Northeast Neighbors Association.

She attacked the council for developing priorities that she said were out of step with residents and for creating what she described as an atmosphere of hostility toward residents who disagreed.

She said her association recently polled residents on their top concerns with development and traffic topping the list.

"Not one of our members identified the public funding of affordable housing as a top priority," she said.

"We have many questions about the way council is moving ahead with this without public support," she said later in her statements.

During the exchange, Councilman Tony Vazquez questioned if Crane could represent a majority of residents as he felt she had tried to do in an email she sent to the council. He said the council has to respond to the city at large and cited overwhelming public support for their work on the airport as an example of an issue the public supported, yet was absent from the Crane's neighborhood list of priorities.

"To make a generalization on that small sampling, I have a problem with that," he said.

When Crane said more residents responded to the open-ended questionnaire than attended the Council's priority setting meeting over the weekend that had identified maintaining diversity as a key priority. She went on to say the council meeting study session was "rigged event" staffed with supporters.

Vazquez said, "It's not a rigged event, it's an open meeting."

Vazquez said affordable housing was hugely important to maintain the diversity of the population. He said while the overall population has remained stable for about 40 years, the number of minorities has dwindled as a direct result of increasing housing costs.

In response to Crane's assertion that affordable housing was not a top priority for residents, Mayor Kevin McKeown said affordable housing was a vital issue in Santa Monica and said the city's housing growth wasn't keeping pace with the city's birth rate. "We're not even housing our own kids," he said. "When we say we need to create affordable housing, the need is probably near infinite."

He asked Crane how they could create housing without government funding.

Crane said her group wasn't opposed to the idea of affordable housing, but doubled down on her criticism that the council should not be funding it with public money and that the council was pursuing an agenda that disenfranchised residents. She claimed residents weren't allowed to ask questions about the council process.

Councilwoman Himmelrich offered to ask any question of staff on Crane's behalf. Other than to reiterate a question about the total need for affordable housing, Crane declined to ask additional questions but returned to her theme that questioning the council is discouraged.

"It needs to be ok for people to not support what you all want," she said.

City Manager Rick Cole weighed in on the discussion toward the end of the meeting. He said the city should think about ways to encourage long-term participation by residents in the civic process and consider how to encourage that conversation.

He said a council meeting wasn't designed for widespread public participation and that limited interaction to the two-minute speech.

"Which is really not a great way to have that kind of community dialog," he said. "And we saw three councilmembers try to engage in that dialog and it didn't work particularly well and it clearly didn't work for Trisha Crane who felt, as we talked about, the intimidation of this setting and it didn't work for all three of you that were very intentionally trying to engage in a public dialog but this is not the place or the time for that kind of thing."

He said a discussion should encourage the best thinking, not just solicit opinions and said resident opinions needed to be "seasoned" with the opinions of experts while motivating everyone to work toward a solution.

"Our residents need to hear a wide range of opinions and expert analysis," he said.

See Monday's SMDP for more information about the affordable housing discussion.

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HISTORY

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GOVERNMENT DISPUTE SETTLED

A fight for control over Santa Monica was settled 100 years ago this month.

The courts, which had been tapped to determine whether the council or the commission was the city's true governing body, decided that the commissioners appointed by Gov. Hiram Johnson were "not entitled to their seats and that the old Council shall hold office" until citizens could elect commissioners a few months later, according to an archived Times article.

The city's fire chief and sanitary inspector had been canned during the commissioners' brief stint in power, according to the article. Street improvements and other public works projects were expected to resume following the settlement.

'THE LURE OF THE BEACHES'

Richard Bret Harte, the grandson of California literary pioneer Bret Harte, wrote an essay for the Times in August 1915 on his observations of the beaches in the Santa Monica area.

On tanning: "Here the lover of art will find ample studies in anatomy. Scattered here and there are human forms, some fair and graceful, some fat and funny, and all so tanned that they almost seem like creatures of the sand."

On popcorn: "You will find children and also adults devouring bag after bag of it from 8 a.m. to midnight. Probably there are quite a number that eat it in their sleep."

On seagulls: "I am perfectly aware that their topic of conversation is myself, but then birds will be birds, you know, and you cannot blame them for their lack of etiquette."

GROCERS' PICNIC ATTRACTS THOUSANDS

Santa Monica's second-annual grocers' picnic was expected to draw 25,000 people to the Ocean Park pier and beach 100 years ago this month.

Mayor Thomas Dudley was planning to serve as ceremonial host of the event, which featured swimming activities, a bowling contest, target shooting and a "fat man's race," according to an archived Times article.

"Thrifty housewives" were encouraged to do their grocery shopping ahead of time because local stores would be closed during the festivities, the article reads.

'QUITE UNUSUAL' DIVORCE SUIT

The divorce suit filed by a Santa Monica woman a century ago this month named two men as defendants, according to an archived Times article.

Birdie E. Bowden sought a divorce from her husband, Rolandus Frank Bowden, and also wanted to prevent her husband's father, Charles L. Bowden, from retaining any disputed real estate.

The woman alleged that her husband beat, struck and choked her while they lived in Santa Monica and that he "threatened to take her life."

The woman also claimed that her husband transferred his property holdings to his father "so as to avoid supporting her," the article reads.

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to have a special appeal among the 60-plus crowd, including active senior citizens and retirees who have more time to train and working adults who are trying to maintain health-conscious lifestyles. Last year's race featured 53 men and women in a variety of 60-and-over age categories.

For Evans, a Seattle native who settled in Santa Monica in 1982, the upcoming Malibu Triathlon will be his third.

He's finished marathons in Los Angeles and New York even though he didn't start running until his 30s, and he's comfortable on a bike. But he knew he'd have to hone his swimming skills, which he did by taking a masters class at Santa Monica College.

"One of the great things about the triathlon is the people you get to know," said Evans, who finished last year's Malibu race in 2 hours 32 minutes 43.94 seconds. "There's a triathlon community, so you see the same faces out there training on the weekend, you meet some new friends and you have a common interest."

Glen Greenfield, 62, started doing triathlons after being challenged by his daughter, Santa Monica High alumna Joanna Greenfield.

But the Malibu Triathlon presents a new obstacle for the Santa Monica resident and longtime Lincoln Middle School history teacher, who in previous triathlons has swum in a lake, not an ocean. He has spent time training in the coastal waters with a floatation device, although he knows he can't use it during the upcoming race. And he's slowly conquering his fear of ocean swimming.

"I'm a little panicked out there," he said. "The biggest challenge is getting through that swim. Psychologically, I'm so nervous about it. Afterward, I'm so happy that I can sail through the biking and the run. That's easy compared to the swim. I get passed a lot in the water, but I pass a few people after that."

As part of his training regimen, Greenfield wakes up at 5 a.m. several times a week to go on a run or bike ride before school.

When it comes to participating in triathlons, he still feels young.

"I've seen people who are 82 doing triathlons," he said. "I figure I have at least another 20 years."

Santa Monica resident Brian Burke, 70, is hoping to continue his triathlon streak.

He's entered the Malibu race in each of the last four years, but his status for this year's edition is in question after he crashed his bike and fractured a rib while doing a personal time trial.

Burke, a Northern California native who moved to the beachside city in 2007, was a track athlete in high school and found time to train for triathlons after finishing his career in education as a teacher and principal.

"I wanted to keep my health together in retirement and stay active," he said. "And here in this area, you can do triathlons very easily. There are plenty of bike trails and running trails. The environment fits perfectly."

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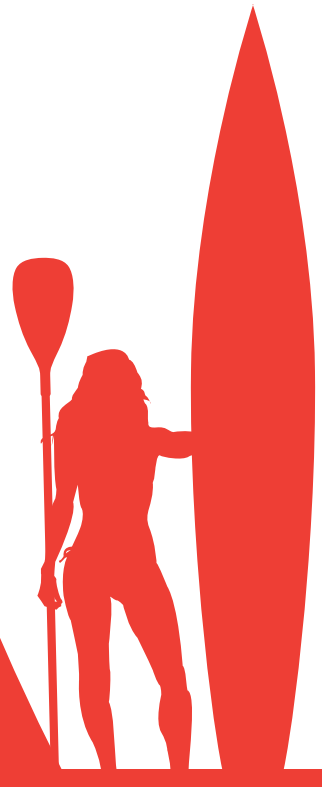
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Californians cut water without state imposing fines

SCOTT SMITH
Associated Press

For the second straight month, Californians exceeded hefty water conservation mandates during the relentless drought without the state imposing fines, officials said.

Cities cut water use by a combined 31 percent in July, exceeding the governor's statewide conservation mandate of 25 percent, the State Water Resources Control Board reported Thursday.

The figure surpassed the June figure of 27 percent savings despite hot summer temperatures.

Locally, Santa Monica reduced water usage by 23.4 percent during the time, exceeding its 20 percent goal.

The strong figures show California residents are beginning to understand the dire need to cut back in the fourth year of the drought, said Felicia Marcus, chair of the water board.

"This isn't your mother's drought or your grandmother's drought," she said. "This is the drought of the century."

Gov. Jerry Brown has ordered cities to use 25 percent less water, compared to the same period of 2013, the year before Brown declared a drought emergency.

Officials said heavy rain in July in Southern California played a role in the latest savings, causing people to leave their sprinklers idle. Enforcement and strong messaging by water agencies were bigger factors, Marcus said.

"We have a movement in urban California," she said.

The state water board also released water conservation figures for each community.

Some 290 water suppliers serving 29 million people met or exceeded their conservation standard in July - an increase from 265 in June, officials reported.

Regulators are turning their focus to the communities failing to conserve and making personal visits with local officials in cities that haven't responded to the mandate by Brown.

Four smaller communities reported missing target conservation numbers by 15 percent or more. One was Livingston, but state regulators say a Foster Farms chicken processing plant in the area counteracted conservation by the community's 15,000 residents.

Regulators say they are working with city officials and Foster Farms on a plan that doesn't force the plant to lay off employees and saves water where possible.

Foster Farms said in a statement that it is committed to water conservation and working with the city to reduce use.

The state's largest water agencies met targets set by the state.

Los Angeles Department of Water and Power reported saving 21 percent in July - more than its mandated 18 percent savings. San Diego used 29 percent less water. The San Jose Water Co. consumed 38 percent less, and Fresno reported conserving by 31 percent.

State officials have the ability to fine underperforming water districts. Fines start at $500 a day and increase to $10,000 a day. So far there have been none from the state, which is leaving education and enforcement to local districts.

Regulators called the Coachella Valley Water District the comeback kid for saving about double in July over June, hitting 41 percent conservation.

The 300,000 residents in the Coachella Valley have been urged to take advantage of programs that help them install efficient toilets and showerheads or rip out lawns, said Heather Engel, director of communications and conservation for the district.

In July, the district started using tiered water rates, resulting in bills that totaled thousands of dollars in a few extreme cases, she said.

The bills followed a warning in June, telling customers what their rate would be under the upcoming rate system.

"They saw that warning and they changed their behavior," Engel said. "I don't know what else to attribute it to."

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WNW/SSW swell mix easing. Possible tropical swell starting to show.

TUESDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** knee to chest high
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LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Los Alisos creeks.		
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	B	A+
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	A+	F
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	F	A+
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	F
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	F	A+
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A+	D
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	A+
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 21572 Malibu Rd..	A+	F
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	F
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	A	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	ns	F
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	F
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	A+
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A+	A+
Pena Creek at Las Tunas County Beach.	A+	F
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	B
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ns	ns
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	B	F
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	B	A+

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence.	A+	A+
Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain.	A	F
Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain.	A+	A+
Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua).	B	B
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A+	A+
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	A+	F
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	C	C
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	A	D
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A+	A+
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A+	B
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A+	F
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	A+
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	A	F
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	F	A+
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St..	A+	D
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower.	F	B
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth.	ns	ns
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain.	A	F
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	B	B
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of DBW jetty).	A+	A+
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	A+	F
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	A+
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	A+

LEGEND

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ON AUGUST 23 AT ABOUT 11:35 P.M.

Officers saw a subject riding a bike and pulling a second women's bike along his side in the 3100 block of the beach on the bike path. They contacted him due to frequent burglaries to residential parking garages where bikes have been the target. The suspect gave officers consent to search him and his backpack. While searching his backpack, the officers found a pair of bolt cutters, cutting tool and blade, a flashlight, pliers, screwdriver, vice grips, and other items commonly used to defeat locks. The officers also discovered partially filled out checks from a business the suspect is not affiliated with, a Utah birth certificate, three identification cards, vehicle registration, a pay stub, and rental car agreements. None of these items that were found in his backpack belonged to him. The women's bike he claimed to have bought for $30. Michael Lee Calloway, 44, of Los Angeles had bail set at $20,000.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 460 calls for service on Aug. 27.

HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE CALLS CHOSEN BY THE SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

Drunk-driving, 1200 block 2nd, 12:04 a.m.
Drunk-driving, Centinela/Pico, 12:05 a.m.
Fight, 1500 block Lincoln, 3:31 a.m.
Disturbance, 2400 block Main, 7:30 a.m.
Attempted burglary, 700 block Adelaide, 8:09 a.m.
Disturbance, 1300 block 3rd, 8:13 a.m.
Traffic accident, 1600 block 4th, 8:15 a.m.
Speeding, 2600 block Wilshire, 8:20 a.m.
Assault with a deadly weapon, 2000 block Ocean, 8:44 a.m.
Assault, 2400 block Wilshire, 8:53 a.m.
Battery, Neilson/Bicknell, 9:46 a.m.
Bike theft, 1200 block Harvard, 10:12 a.m.
Indecent exposure, 600 block Pico, 10:27 a.m.
Elder abuse, 1300 block 2nd, 10:35 a.m.
Battery, 1500 block Broadway, 10:36 a.m.
Indecent exposure, 300 block Pico, 10:57 a.m.
Overdose, 2500 block Wilshire, 11:04 a.m.
Disturbance, 900 block Colorado, 12:01 p.m.
Grand theft auto, 1700 block Lincoln, 12:27 p.m.
Fraud, 1700 block Delaware, 1:05 p.m.
Hit-and-run, 1500 block PCH, 1:16 p.m.
Drunk-driving, 1700 block Pico, 1:33 p.m.
Public intoxication, 1200 block 4th, 1:45 p.m.
Traffic accident, 1200 block 2nd, 2:03 p.m.
Grand theft auto, 2000 block 5th, 2:59 p.m.
Drinking in public, 1900 block Lincoln, 3:01 p.m.
Identity theft, 2400 block Cloverfield, 3:04 p.m.
Defrauding innkeeper, 200 block Broadway, 3:37 p.m.
Burglary, 500 block Colorado, 3:41 p.m.
Death investigation, 1400 block Ocean, 3:55 p.m.
Vandalism, 400 block Pacific, 4:12 p.m.
Fight, 1400 block 3rd, 4:37 p.m.
Defrauding innkeeper, 2500 block Wilshire, 5:49 p.m.
Grand theft, 100 block Wilshire, 5:59 p.m.
Grand theft auto, 2900 block Arizona, 6:20 p.m.
Identity theft, 300 block Olympic, 7:31 p.m.
Shots fired, 400 block Euclid, 9:11 p.m.
Sexual assault, 3100 block Lincoln, 9:31 p.m.
Domestic violence, 2500 block Santa Monica, 10:45 p.m.
Fight, 1400 block Lincoln, 11:41 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 49 calls for service on Aug. 27.

HERE IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE CALLS CHOSEN BY THE SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

Flooded condition, 300 block Civic Center, 3:04 a.m.
Emergency Medical Service (EMS), 1200 block 6th, 3:48 a.m.
EMS, 2600 block Ocean Front Walk, 4:21 a.m.
EMS, 1100 block 11th, 4:54 a.m.
Smoke investigation, 1800 block 9th, 5:11 a.m.
EMS, 200 block Ocean, 8:46 a.m.
EMS, 4th/Interstate 10, 8:07 a.m.
EMS, 2000 block Ocean, 8:46 a.m.
Public assist, 1500 block Euclid, 9:36 a.m.
Injuries from assault, Ocean/Arizona, 9:59 a.m.
Service request, Ocean/Arizona, 9:59 a.m.
EMS, 3000 block Olympic, 10:30 a.m.
EMS, 2200 block Main, 10:49 a.m.
EMS, 1300 block 2nd, 10:50 a.m.
EMS, 2500 block Wilshire, 11:04 a.m.
EMS, 2700 block Ocean Front Walk, 11:39 a.m.
EMS, 600 block Idaho, 11:51 a.m.
Automatic alarm, 1100 block Princeton, 12:24 p.m.
EMS, 200 block Euclid, 12:43 p.m.
EMS, 800 block 2nd, 12:47 p.m.
EMS, 1500 block Palisades Park, 12:57 p.m.
EMS, 2100 block Lincoln, 1:51 p.m.
EMS, 4th/Wilshire, 2:11 p.m.
Automatic alarm, 1200 block 15th, 2:24 p.m.
EMS, 1000 block Pico, 2:46 p.m.
EMS, 1800 block 12th, 2:50 p.m.
Automatic alarm, 2000 block Santa Monica, 3:04 p.m.
EMS, 600 block Palisades Beach, 3:08 p.m.
EMS, 1900 block Pico, 3:18 p.m.
EMS, 1900 block 12th, 3:20 p.m.
EMS, 2800 block 3rd, 3:31 p.m.
EMS, 600 block Wilshire, 4:09 p.m.
EMS, 1500 block Bay, 4:51 p.m.
EMS, 1400 block 9th, 6:38 p.m.
Automatic alarm, 2300 block Santa Monica, 6:52 p.m.
EMS, 1300 block 20th, 7:19 p.m.
Service request, 300 block SM Pier, 7:46 p.m.
Service request, 200 block SM Pier, 7:48 p.m.
EMS, 200 block SM Pier, 7:58 p.m.
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EMS, 200 block SM Pier, 9:36 p.m.
EMS, 200 block SM Pier, 9:57 p.m.
EMS, 1400 block Ocean, 10:57 p.m.
Automatic alarm, 1200 block 3rd, 11:15 p.m.
EMS, 2500 block Santa Monica, 11:35 p.m.

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By THOMAS JOSEPH

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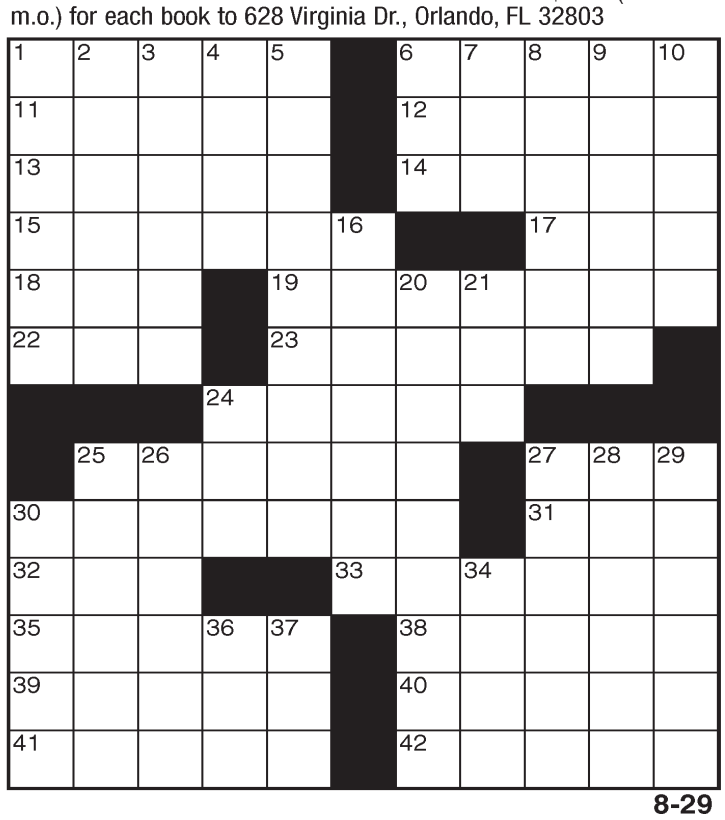
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Yesterday's answer

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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. The difficulty level ranges from (easiest) to (hardest).

Difficulty Level ★★★★

GETTING STARTED

There are many strategies to solving Sudoku. One way to begin is to examine each 3x3 grid and figure out which numbers are missing. Then, based on the other numbers in the row and column of each blank cell, find which of the missing numbers will work. Eliminating numbers will eventually lead you to the answer.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

3	6	8	2	7	5	1	9	4
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DAILY LOTTERY

POWERBALL Draw Date: 8/26
2 22 32 45 56
Power#: 12
Jackpot: 110M

MEGA MILLIONS Draw Date: 8/25
5 44 54 59 63
Mega#: 1
Jackpot: 64M

SUPER LOTTO Draw Date: 8/26
19 28 31 39 47
Mega#: 17
Jackpot: 12M

Fantasy 5 Draw Date: 8/27
2 4 12 33 39

DAILY 3 Draw Date: 8/28
MIDDAY: 5 4 3
Draw Date: 8/27
EVENING: 6 7 5

DAILY DERBY Draw Date: 8/27
1st: 11 Money Bags
2nd: 04 Big Ben
3rd: 05 California Classic
RACE TIME: 1:47.15

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WORD UP!

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2. conveying or expressing opprobrium, as language or a speaker: opprobrious invectives.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1922 – The first radio advertisement is broadcast on WEAF-AM in New York City.

1930 – The last 36 remaining inhabitants of St Kilda are voluntarily evacuated to other parts of Scotland.

1941 – Tallinn, the Capital of Estonia is occupied by Nazi Germany following an occupation by the Soviet Union.

1943 – German-occupied Denmark scuttles most of its navy; Germany dissolves the Danish government.

1944 – Slovak National Uprising takes place as 60,000 Slovak troops turn against the Nazis.

1946 – USS Nevada is decommissioned.

1949 – Soviet atomic bomb project: The Soviet Union tests its first atomic bomb, known as First Lightning or Joe 1, at Semipalatinsk, Kazakhstan.

1950 – Korean War: British troops arrive in Korea to bolster the US presence there.

1958 – United States Air Force Academy opens in Colorado Springs, Colorado.

1965 – The Gemini V spacecraft returns to Earth, landing in the Atlantic ocean.

1966 – The Beatles perform their last concert before paying fans at Candlestick Park in San Francisco.

NEWS OF THE WEIRD BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ Once again during a police raid of a suspected drug house (this time, in Wood River, Illinois, in July), with cops swarming the home and yard, confiscating evidence and arresting occupants, officers had to stop briefly from time to time to answer the front door (10 times during a 90-minute period) -- as the dealer's regular (oblivious) customers continually arrived to buy more heroin.

■ (1) Wallace Berg, 81, was charged with public indecency in Stratford, Connecticut, in July after a neighbor showed police a video he had made of Berg, naked and (according to an Associated Press report) "performing a sex act with some shrubbery." (2) "Where the sun don't shine" is now a standard hiding place for contraband, including for Matthew Smith, 36, arrested in Greendale, Indiana, in July. After he drew attention with a long restroom session at a Shell station, police confronted him about the white powder on his nose, and Smith sheepishly handed over the minutes-ago-removed pills and cocaine -- but he had also extracted, inexplicably, a fishing bobber, a screwdriver and an "open tire plug kit."

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Mental Health is no joke

by Colin Newton

Recent weeks have been no laughing matter for Rosie O'Donnell. The comedienne's daughter, 17-year-old Chelsea, went missing on Aug. 11. A missing child is bad enough, but Chelsea also suffers from mental illness.

Scarily enough, Chelsea was recovered by police in the attic of Steven Sheerer, a 25-year-old man who has been charged with possession of heroin and endangering children in the past. Chelsea was unharmed and Sheerer has been arrested, but the implications are sobering.

Unfortunately, if you or someone you know struggles with mental illness, you're in plenty of company. According to studies by the National Institute of Mental Health, about 20 percent of teens suffer from mental health issues, but only 36 percent of teens with a lifetime mental health issue receive help.

Those figures don't have to be that high. If you want information and help resources about mental health issues



that might be affecting you or the people around you, visit MedlinePlus or National Institute of Mental Health. Or you can help everyone who struggles with mental health by searching Giive's Causes directory for nonprofits in your community.

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Go along with the moment, Aquarius

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★ While you generally are an extrovert, today you'll opt for some privacy and time away from the here and now. A Full Moon could be problematic and irritating. Your instincts to head for the hills might be right-on. Choose a solo adventure today. Tonight: In the whirlwind of living.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ A friend might be a source of frustration for you today. You could cause a loved one to feel deprived in some sense because of your preoccupation with another matter. A special desire is likely to become a reality in the near future. Tonight: Celebrate the moment.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★ You could be in the position of wanting more from a personal matter than the other party does. Focus on what is happening with an older relative. Your help could make a big difference in what happens with this person. Get into the moment. Tonight: A must appearance.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ An opportunity to head down a new path appears. You could be in a situation where you meet someone very different who helps you see his or her world. Some of you might experience greater knowledge through travel or education. Tonight: Juggling many different opportunities.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★ You might have made a miscalculation that could hurt you financially. You will want to understand what choice backfired and why you went down this road. This piece of information could affect your decision-making in the long term. Tonight: Listen to a loved one's news.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ You'll have your hands full with a dear friend. You have a personal matter that is important for you to handle. Others could interfere with your progress. The Full Moon is causing an either-or situation to evolve. Work on finding a solution. Tonight: Say "yes" to living.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★★ You could be taken aback by all that surrounds you and everything you need to do. Fatigue plays a bigger role in your choices than you realize. If you feel like retreating rather than responding to what seems like a demanding world, please do. Tonight: Not to be found.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★★ Suddenly a child or loved one wants all your attention, while you might have other plans involving friends. Rather than start a conflict, could you be open to mixing everyone together? This solution might not be natural for you, but it will be effective. Tonight: Go for naughty.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★ You might have gone a long way to handle a very important matter. However, others still might challenge your actions and stir up some confusion. This, too, will pass. Reach out to a family member for some feedback. Tonight: Don't internalize everything you are hearing.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ What you hear could be partially off. Don't take what is being said as fact or a given. Know that you are likely to hear nearly the opposite story later on. Somewhere in between lies the reality. Be clear in what you are requesting. Tonight: Make it easy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Be aware of what your finances are saying as well as what your heart wants. Confusion reaches a new level, partially because you have not taken in all the facts that are needed. Pull back, and you will gain a better understanding. Tonight: Go along with the moment.

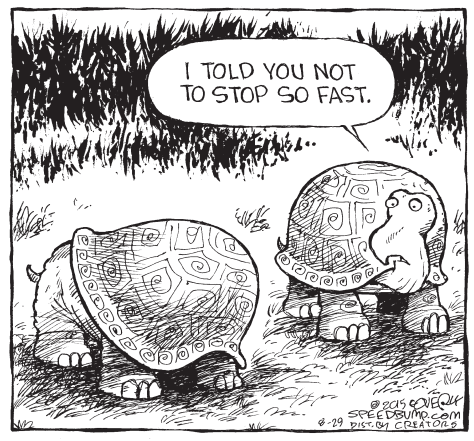
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★★ You might want to use your charisma to make a difference. Your ability to come to an understanding evolves. How you feel about a personal matter could change after you get an earful from the other party. Do not make assumptions. Tonight: Go with the flow.

Weekend Edition, August 29-30, 2015

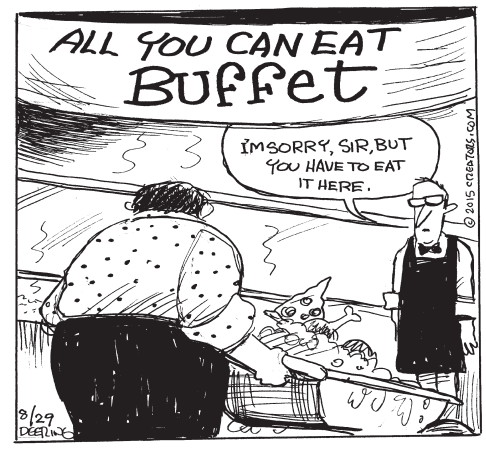
JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS
The stars show the kind of day you'll have:
★★★★★Dynamic ★★ So-So
★★★★ Positive ★ Difficult
★★★ Average

This year you often see both sides of an argument. You could be overwhelmed by everything that is going on around you. In situations involving constant ups and downs, consider that both sides might be right! If you are single, you certainly will have an entourage of admirers to choose from. Your charisma seems to draw others to you like a magnet. If you are attached, you might find that often you and your sweetie tend to be on opposite sides of an ongoing debate. Remember to support each other, even when you don't agree. PISCES can be as emotional as you can be cynical.

Speed Bump By Dave Coverly



Strange Brew By John Deering



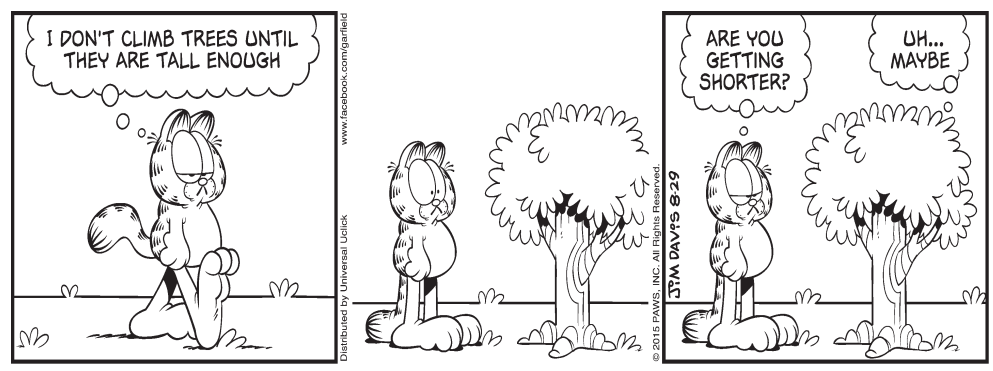
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