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Patriot Day



Kathy Grant, PDDGER

ELKS: Santa Monica Elks 906 celebrated Patriot Day at the Lodge. The lodge had a 20th Anniversary of 9/11 memorial. They honored Santa Monica Fire Department Captain Mike Fitzgerald as the 2021 Elks Firefighter of the Year. Finally, the lodge awarded Stephen J. Schechter, a local Santa Monica citizen, with the Frank J Italiano Award for Americanism as the 2021-2022 Elks Patriot of the Year. Schechter is the 17th recipient of this award and first non-Elk to receive it. All honorees received an American Eagle statuette, a letter of commendation from the City of Santa Monica, a Special Citation from Grand Lodge through PGER Robert L Duitsman and DDGER Karen Buchanan, a Special Citation from California Hawaii Elks Association President Jay Larkins and Association Vice President Beverly Woulfe, and two commemorative patches by California Hawaii Elks Association Americanism Chairman R.A. Pickett. Chief Tom Klemo spoke about Capt. Fitzgerald who was on assignment with the fire in Northern California. Pictured are L-R: Santa Monica Police Lt. Francisco Franco, Lodge President Jaynee Roszhart, Patriot of the Year Steve Schechter, Santa Monica Fire Chief Tom Klemo, Past National President Robert Duitsman, and California Hawaii Elks Americanism Chairman Robert Pickett.

Local leaders react to recall results and its implications for systems of democracy

CLARA HARTER
SMDP Staff Writer

With early polls showing a nail biting or Republican-led race, local Democratic leaders breathed a collective sigh of relief when recall results rapidly indicated a landslide victory for Governor Newsom.

The Daily Press spoke with four prominent local Democrats about the results and their thoughts on the implications for our systems of democracy and local recall campaigns.

SUE HIMMELRICH, MAYOR

Our hard work in Santa Monica to stop the misguided recall effort was rewarded with our big victory last night. Now it's time to turn our attention to the hard work of restoring a safety net for those less fortunate, addressing the challenges of global warming, and creating the truly progressive government we wish we had in the State of California.

ANASTASIA FOSTER, RENT CONTROL COMMISSIONER

I breathed a sigh of relief when the local news posted the first returns. Any different result would have been tragic for California and for Santa Monica and, truly, for the whole country to see the 6th largest economy in the world fall into the hands of a talk show host who is not qualified to lead.

The recall process is flawed and needs a ballot measure to fix it on the 2022 ballot. An egregious violation of ethics or laws should warrant a recall, but not just sour grapes and another bite at the apple



Santa Monica Democratic Club

NEWSOM: Local democrats are happy with the results of the statewide recall election.

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New SMFD Community Response vehicle will target the most vulnerable including homeless patients

DANIEL FARR
SMDP Staff Writer

The Santa Monica Fire Department announced the launch of a brand-new type of emergency resource, the Community Response Unit (CRU) on Sept. 13. The CRU is a typical-looking ambulance staffed by two Firefighters, but it has a unique mission.

The emergency resource strives to provide an alternative response to 9-1-1 calls to better address the needs of vulnerable populations in Santa Monica, including people experiencing homelessness. 9-1-1 has evolved to for many in the community as their only access to primary care, hence the creation of the CRU.

"For the first few months, we plan on hitting the ground running. This is a completely new type of program for our Fire Department, or any Fire Department for that matter. We want to be out front learning as much as we can, and discovering where we are most effective. Out of the box, we are already equipped to do some amazing things like diverting mental health patients from crowded emergency rooms to alternative destinations, such as Psychiatric Urgent Care Centers, which is really where they can get the appropriate care they need," Patrick Nulty SMFD Fire Captain said. "Another aspect of our program is having the CRU team connected with the broad network of serviced providers within the community. Many of our communities' most vulnerable people, both housed and unhoused, will end up on our list first as they trend towards using the 9-1-1 system for care. The Fire Department has so many opportunities to navigate folks to the services they need. Our hope is that early interventions can be made to really help improve a lot of Santa Monica residents' quality of life."

CRU will be working hand in hand with Santa Monica Police Department's Homeless Liaison Officers, the City Attorney's Office and the Human Services Division. The city's goal is for each team to be an extension of one another.

"For example, our team is prepared to respond to 9-1-1 calls involving behavioral health crisis,



Courtesy photo

FIRE: The Community Response Unit will handle homeless calls.

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Discussion debate hits a nerve at City Council meeting

CLARA HARTER
SMDP Staff Writer

Tuesday's City Council agenda was dominated by a long list of Councilmember discussion items, but the real meat of the meeting came in a heated debate around the proper use of discussion items.

Councilmember discussion items, also known as 13 items, are proposals submitted by Councilmembers for consideration at the end of meeting.

They often take the form of requests for staff to research a particular issue and return with a report and agenda item for a future meeting. They can also be used as a manner for Council to expediently approve a simple action, such as allocating funding for student travel, without the need for a formal staff report.

There has been a proliferation of 13 items in recent meetings and some members feel that several items have veered away from their intended use. Problems brought forward include discussing topics that are already in the process of being agendized, making consequential decisions without a staff report and the late hour at which these items are heard.

In response to these problems, Councilmembers added a rule to meeting procedures requiring all 13 items be discussed with the City Manager prior to being

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What's Up Westside
out and about in Santa Monica

THURSDAY | SEPT. 16

LANGUAGE & CULTURE WITH DR. AMELIA TSENG, 6:30 - 7:30 P.M.
Dr. Tseng, Assistant Professor of World Languages and Cultures at American University, discusses how language is shaped by identity across immigrant generations. Register here: https://us02web.zoom.us/meeting/register/tZEufu2rqTMiGNX8jqS1Z3JyAux3bjkR603g

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH VIRTUAL PROGRAMMING, 6:30 - 7:30 P.M.
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FRIDAY | SEPT. 17

ENGLISH AS S SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) CONVERSATION, 10 A.M. - 12 P.M.
Santa Monica Public Library hosts an ongoing series of English as a Second Language (ESL) classes taught by Adult Education Center instructors. Classes are free and students must be 18 years or older to attend. Community parents and SMMUSD parents have priority enrollment. Learn more about California adult education at caladulted.org. Enrollment is through the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Adult Education Center, located at 2510 Lincoln Blvd., Room 203, Santa Monica, CA, 90405. Visit smmusd.asapconnected.com or contact Olga Saucedo at osaucedo@smmusd.org or (310) 664-6222, ext.76203 to enroll. Classes will begin in a virtual format. If live classes become possible, they will take place at Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. Register online at https://smmusd.asapconnected.com/ or call 310-664-6222 x76203

SATURDAY | SEPT. 18

COASTAL CLEANUP DAY, 9 A.M. - 12 P.M.
Join Heal the Bay for Coastal Cleanup Month 2021 in Los Angeles County during September as they embark on Healing Our Watersheds. Visit https://healthebay.org/coastalcleanup-month/ for more information.

OPEN MAIN STREET, ALL DAY
Four weekends this summer, two blocks of Main Street will become a pedestrian plaza where the community can safely enjoy al fresco dining, family-friendly activities, and other fun experiences with local businesses. Main St. between Hill & Ashland and Ashland & Kinney

SELF-CARE SATURDAYS 10 A.M. - 12 P.M.
Third Street promenade.
Two classes available:
HIIT with Double Ops Santa Monica – HIIT Sessions are a combination of: strength and resistance, functional cardio with some shadow boxing and kick boxing. For more information, see www.doptraining.com. 10 a.m.
Let That S**t Go Yoga with @nafbabes – Kari J. will lead you through a yoga asana voyage that is fun, vibrant and rooted in a deep sense of grounding + awareness to help you shake off the haters & step into your power. ALL ARE WELCOME! You don't already have to be happy, calm, peaceful or flexible to practice with us. Expect laughter and anatomical details & playful movement experience with kick-ass music. When selecting tickets, please choose General Admission 11 a.m. Class. Tickets available online at: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/self-care-saturdays-tickets-148069994339

HI DE HO GRAND OPENING
Hi De Ho Comics, LA's oldest comic book store, is celebrating their new location at 1803 Lincoln Blvd. There will be prize raffles, guest signings comic writers/artists and opening day specials. 12 - 7 p.m. https://www.facebook.com/GeoffreysHiDeHoComics/ for more information.

GET LIT AT THE PROMENADE, 6 - 7:30 P.M.
Get Lit at the Promenade is a monthly showcase featuring poets, artists and musicians for an evening of entertainment. Promenade between Arizona and Santa Monica.

SUNDAY | SEPT. 19

MAIN STREET FARMERS MARKET, 8:30 A.M. TO 1:30 P.M.
Please join us each Sunday for farmers and pre-packaged foods. 2640 Main St. (In The Victorian Parking Lot)

MONDAY | SEPT. 20

PLANNING COMMISSION, 5:30 P.M.
Planning Commission will meet via Zoom to discuss needs and priorities within the community in accordance with the City's General Plan and Specific Plans. The meeting can be watched live at: https://www.youtube.com/user/Citytv16santamonica

MAIN LIBRARY BOOK GROUP, 7 P.M. TO 8 P.M.
Join a community discussion of current and classic books, alternating fiction and nonfiction each month. September's title is "I, Claudius" by Robert Graves. Email jeff.schwartz@smgov.net for the Zoom link.

For help submitting an event, contact us at
310-458-7737 or submit to events@smdp.com

DAILY POLICE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 268 CALLS ON SEPTEMBER 14

Vandalism Now 1400blk 2nd St 1:07 a.m.
Vandalism 1700blk Wilshire Blvd 2:36 a.m.
Petty Theft 1600blk Santa Monica Blvd 3:16 a.m.
Loud Music 500blk Colorado Ave 4:37 a.m.
Of Shots Fired 1500blk Yale St 6:04 a.m.
Person With A Gun 2100blk Arizona Ave 6:10 a.m.
Burglary 500blk Montana Ave 6:51 a.m.
General Parking Problem 2400blk Santa Monica Blvd 8:15 a.m.
General Parking Problem 600blk Pico Blvd 8:15 a.m.
Petty Theft 400blk Georgina Ave 8:18 a.m.
General Parking Problem 2400blk 16th St 8:22 a.m.
Domestic Violence Now 200blk California Ave 8:31 a.m.
Arson 2100blk Lincoln Blvd 8:32 a.m.
General Parking Problem 300blk Olympic Dr 9:00 a.m.
Encampment 1600blk Ocean Front Walk 9:16 a.m.
Handicap Zone Violation 700blk Montana Ave 9:20 a.m.
Grand Theft 1200blk 25th St 9:37 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 800blk 2nd St 9:57 a.m.
Fraud 2600blk 32nd St 9:58 a.m.
Vandalism 2300blk Wilshire Blvd 9:58 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries Ocean Ave / Wilshire Blvd 10:09 a.m.
Battery 1800blk Lincoln Blvd 10:09 a.m.
Vandalism 1200blk 2nd St 10:16 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1500blk 11th St 10:24 a.m.
Medical Emergency 1600blk The Beach 10:27 a.m.
Loitering 1400blk 17th St 10:35 a.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 1800blk Pearl St 10:53 a.m.
Exhibition Of Speed Centinela Ave / Exposition Blvd 11:00 a.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1800blk 18th St 11:05 a.m.
Injured Person 18th St / Santa Monica Blvd 11:19 a.m.
Encampment 1800blk Euclid St 11:21 a.m.
Encampment 1500blk The Beach 11:50 a.m.
Encampment 1200blk The Beach 12:10 p.m.
Family Disturbance 400blk Wilshire Blvd 12:23 p.m.
Fight 600blk Santa Monica Blvd 12:24 p.m.
Petty Theft 1800blk 14th St 12:38 p.m.
Failure To Pay Parking Fee 1500blk Pacific Coast Hwy 12:44 p.m.
Fraud 1400blk 2nd St 12:51 p.m.
Encampment 1400blk Lincoln Blvd 12:59 p.m.
Missing Person 300blk Olympic Dr 1:07 p.m.
Loitering 1400blk 16th St 1:12 p.m.
Vandalism Now 900blk Broadway 1:24 p.m.
Identity Theft 1800blk 16th St 1:30 p.m.
9-1-1 Hang Up 1600blk Ocean Ave 1:56 p.m.
Vandalism 1400blk 11th St 2:10 p.m.
Battery 2700blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:14 p.m.
Vehicle Burglar Alarm 1800blk Oak St 2:17 p.m.
Fraud 1400blk 2nd St 2:21 p.m.
Encampment Clover St / Pier Ave 2:25 p.m.
Public Intoxication 1100blk 16th St 2:30 p.m.
Stolen Vehicle Recovered 900blk 22nd St 2:41 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 1600blk Ocean Park Blvd 3:11 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 17th St / Ocean Park Blvd 3:13 p.m.
Fraud 1500blk 5th St 3:23 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries Ocean Ave / Washington Ave 3:29 p.m.
Red Zone Violation 1100blk Lincoln Blvd 3:30 p.m.
Traffic Collision - Unknown Injuries 1300blk Cedar St 3:46 p.m.
Petty Theft 1500blk 2nd St 3:52 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation Stanford St / Wilshire Blvd 4:00 p.m.
Loud Music 1800blk 18th St 4:19 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 30th St / Pico Blvd 4:44 p.m.
Vandalism 14th St / Pico Blvd 4:48 p.m.
Battery 100blk Colorado Ave 4:57 p.m.
Public Intoxication 2000blk Ocean Ave 4:58 p.m.
Loud Music 1600blk Ocean Front Walk 5:09 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 300blk Civic Center Dr 5:19 p.m.
Hit And Run Felony Investigation 1800blk 4th St 5:22 p.m.
Grand Theft 1600blk The Beach 5:26 p.m.
Fraud 300blk Olympic Dr 5:34 p.m.
Bike Theft 700blk Raymond Ave 5:38 p.m.
Found Property 1800blk 10th St 5:48 p.m.
Battery 1500blk 2nd St 6:02 p.m.
Fraud 2100blk 20th St 6:09 p.m.
Bike Theft 2900blk Neilson Way 6:19 p.m.
Drunk Driving Investigation Cloverfield Blvd / Interstate 10 6:20 p.m.
Lost Property 3000blk Wilshire Blvd 6:20 p.m.
Battery 1400blk Stanford St 6:23 p.m.
Oversize Vehicle Violation 1400blk Pacific Coast Hwy 6:28 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries City Prop Involved 4th St / Colorado Ave 6:38 p.m.
Loud Music 1900blk Lincoln Blvd 7:36 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto Ocean Ave / Broadway 7:57 p.m.
Fight 20th St / Wilshire Blvd 8:06 p.m.
Vandalism 1600blk Stanford St 8:14 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 2400blk Virginia Ave 8:15 p.m.
Encampment 2300blk 4th St 8:21 p.m.
Keep The Peace 300blk Arizona Ave 8:23 p.m.
Petty Theft 1600blk Cloverfield Blvd 8:43 p.m.
Of Shots Fired 3000blk Arizona Ave 8:55 p.m.
Urinating/Defecating In Public 1000blk California Ave 8:57 p.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 500blk Pacific St 8:58 p.m.
Shots Fired Harvard St / Wilshire Blvd 8:59 p.m.
Battery 2500blk San Vicente Blvd 9:00 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 2000blk Broadway 9:04 p.m.
Family Disturbance 1000blk Lincoln Blvd 9:23 p.m.
Petty Theft 2800blk Main St 9:24 p.m.
Assault W/Deadly Weapon 1900blk Main St 9:50 p.m.
Loud Music Ocean Ave / Colorado Ave 9:55 p.m.
Petty Theft 300blk Olympic Dr 10:53 p.m.
Theft Of Recyclables 1300blk Ocean Ave 11:14 p.m.
Loud Music 1800blk 9th St 11:53 p.m.

California Democrats seek to make recalls more difficult

DON THOMPSON AND KATHLEEN RONAYNE
Associated Press

Hours after California Gov. Gavin Newsom beat back a recall election that could have removed him, his fellow Democrats in the state Legislature said Wednesday they will push for changes to make it more difficult to challenge a sitting governor.

Those reforms could include increasing the number of signatures needed to force a recall election, raising the standard to require wrongdoing on the part of the office-holder and changing the process that could permit someone with a small percentage of votes to replace the state's top elected official.

"We need to create a system where a small, small, small minority of Californians can't create, can't initiate a recall that the California taxpayers spent almost $300 million on and that frankly distracts and really has an impact on our ability to govern for nine months," Assemblyman Marc Berman said.

State Sen. Josh Newman, who himself was recalled in 2018 before regaining his seat two years later, separately said he will propose two constitutional amendments: One to raise the number of signatures needed to trigger a recall election and another to have the lieutenant governor finish the governor's term if a recall succeeds.

Newsom on Tuesday became only the second governor in U.S. history to defeat a recall; the other was Wisconsin Republican Scott Walker. The decisive victory cements him as a prominent figure in national Democratic politics and ensures that the nation's most populous state remains a laboratory for progressive policies.

With an estimated 70% of ballots counted, the "no" response to the question of whether to recall Newsom was ahead by a 28-point margin. That lead was built on votes cast by mail and in advance of Tuesday's in-person balloting. While likely to shrink somewhat in the days ahead as votes cast at polling places are counted, Newsom's lead cannot be overcome.

Republican talk radio host Larry Elder was the runaway leader among potential replacement candidates and if his lead held would have replaced Newsom had the recall succeeded, an outcome that would have brought a polar opposite political worldview to Sacramento.

The recall turned on Newsom's approach to the pandemic, including mask and vaccine mandates, and Democrats cheered the outcome as evidence voters approve of their strategy. The race also was a test of whether opposition to former President Donald Trump and his brand of conservative politics remains a motivating force for Democrats and independents, as the party looks ahead to midterm elections next year.

At the Capitol, Berman and Sen. Steven Glazer, who head the elections panels in their respective chambers, promised bipartisan hearings in the coming months, with the goal of proposing constitutional changes sometime after lawmakers reconvene in January. Changes to the recall law could go before voters as early as the November 2022 general election.

The Republican vice chairmen of the elections committees, Jim Nielsen in the Senate and Kelly Seyarto in the Assembly, did not immediately comment. But Orrin Heatlie, chief proponent of the recall effort that gathered more than 1.7 million signatures to put the question before voters, said recall supporters will fight any changes "on every grounds that we can."

"They're working in opposition of the will of the people when they take action like that to limit our ability to self-govern," he said.

The two elections committees will look at recall laws in other states and hear from experts on California's process.

"I want to make sure we have is a system where a governor can't be recalled and replaced by someone" who gets fewer votes because "that's undemocratic, and there's really no other way to say that," said Berman, with Glazer in agreement.

Nineteen states have some sort of recall process, Glazer said, but only Colorado has a similar two-stage process.

In the majority of other recall states, he said, the only question on the ballot is whether the official should be recalled. If a majority of voters say yes, the office is then declared vacant and filled by appointment or a separate special election.

Reform discussions have the backing of the Legislature's two leaders, both of whom are Democrats, and their party holds two-thirds majorities in both chambers. But the final decision on reforms will come down to voters because the recall process is enshrined in the state Constitution.

Article II of the California Constitution, which governs recalls, was approved by California voters in 1911.

"This is a system that was set up about a century ago and to the extent to which it's still valid in its current form, it needs to be looked at for sure," Assembly Speaker Anthony Rendon said.

Rendon's second-in-command, Assembly Speaker Pro Tempore Kevin Mullin, called the recall effort "a $276 million waste just to reaffirm 2018's results with an election coming in 2022."

The recall needed 1.5 million signatures to make the ballot out of California's 22 million registered voters. It never would have come before voters if a judge had not given organizers four extra months to gather signatures due to the pandemic. That decision came the same day Newsom attended a maskless dinner at the lavish

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Faulconer ponders future after drubbing in California recall

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Kevin Faulconer said his failed campaign to replace California Gov. Gavin Newsom was only his first round and that he would discuss next steps with family and supporters, but his drubbing in the recall contest casts serious doubt on the appeal of a moderate Republican in an overwhelmingly Democratic state.

The former San Diego mayor was among 46 candidates seeking to replace Newsom if a majority of voters opted to retire the Democratic governor a year before his term was up. Voters overwhelmingly backed Newsom while incomplete results show Faulconer getting only about 9% support.

Conservative Republican talk radio host Larry Elder was the runaway leader among potential replacements with nearly 50%. Faulconer even finished far back of Elder in San Diego County.

Elder "served as a life preserver" for Newsom because he gave the governor a target and shifted attention from his own performance, said Ron Nehring, former chairman of the California Republican Party and a Faulconer supporter. Without naming Elder, Faulconer, 54, said as much to reporters Tuesday night, flanked by his wife, Katherine, and about 20 supporters on a short, somber night at his campaign headquarters.

"I believe it is incredibly obvious that this recall showed that if you keep the focus on Gavin Newsom, he can be beat, but what we clearly saw in this election that the focus of this election turned into national politics and personalities," said Faulconer, whose prescriptions for homelessness, housing affordability, wildfire prevention and drought management never gained traction.

Despite having difficulty increasing his name recognition beyond his home turf, Faulconer had said prior to Tuesday that he was would run for governor in 2022 regardless of what happened in the recall. But those plans may be dashed by the twin realities that Newsom is in a stronger position to win a second term next year and Faulconer will have monumental challenges raising money off such a poor performance.

There are still millions of mail-in votes left to count and Brian Adams, a political science professor at San Diego State University, said Faulconer needs to finish with at least double-digit support to have any shot at being taken seriously.

"His big claim that he made to Republicans prior to the recall was, 'Yes, I may be more moderate than you want but I'm electable,'" Adams said. "This recall has taken his main argument and proven it false."

Faulconer rose to prominence in California's Democratic-leaning, second-largest city by seizing on moments of turmoil, portraying himself as a bridge-builder who works across party lines and a steady, if somewhat dull, hand at the wheel.

The self-described vanilla candidate lost his first bid for City Council in 2004 but beat labor organizer Lorena Gonzalez, now a state assemblywoman and one of California's most prominent Democrats, in a special election the following year after a jury convicted the sitting councilman of corruption charges that a judge later overturned.

Three of nine council members had been charged with corruption in federal court and the Republican mayor, Dick Murphy, resigned in disgrace, mired in crisis over the city's underfunded pension system.

Faulconer, a former public relations executive and student body president at San Diego State University, handily won a special election for mayor in 2014 when scandal struck again. Bob Filner, the city's first Democratic mayor in 20 years, resigned amid a flurry of sexual harassment allegations that left party leaders shell-shocked.

Faulconer coasted to a second term in 2016, even as San Diego voters favored Democrat Hillary Clinton by 38 percentage points over Republican Donald Trump in the U.S. presidential race. San Diego's status

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DAILY FIRE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 30 CALLS ON SEPTEMBER 14

Automatic Alarm 1700blk Berkeley St 12:21 a.m.
EMS 1500blk 7th St 12:25 a.m.
EMS 2900blk Arizona Ave 1:17 a.m.
EMS 1500blk 2nd St 1:17 a.m.
EMS 400blk California Ave 1:41 a.m.
Flooded Condition 1300blk 15th St 3:55 a.m.
EMS 100blk Palisades Ave 5:55 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury Ocean Ave / Wilshire Blvd 10:09 a.m.
EMS 800blk 2nd St 10:39 a.m.
EMS 500blk Olympic Blvd W 10:45 a.m.
EMS 1400blk Lincoln Blvd 10:50 a.m.
EMS 18th St / Santa Monica Blvd 11:18 a.m.
Elevator Rescue 1500blk 2nd St 11:49 a.m.
EMS 1600blk Ocean Ave 12:44 p.m.
EMS 1100blk 5th St 1:23 p.m.
EMS 500blk Colorado Ave 2:18 p.m.
EMS 1200blk 16th St 2:51 p.m.
EMS 2000blk Santa Monica Blvd 3:16 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury Ocean Ave / Washington Ave 3:29 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury 1300blk Cedar St 3:48 p.m.
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Miscellaneous Outside Fire 19th St / Colorado Ave 4:57 p.m.
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Wires Down 800blk Pacific St 9:00 p.m.
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BRIEFS

Citywide

Forgiveness Process for Street Sweeping Citations Issued August 30 – September 3

At its meeting last night, the Santa Monica City Council approved a forgiveness program for street sweeping citations issued between August 30 and September 3. Only citations for street sweeping will be forgiven through a process active now through October 5. Those who may have already paid the citation are eligible and will be issued a refund.

The City resumed weekly street sweeping on August 30 and engaged in a broad awareness campaign to reach residents with the new schedule. Information was shared on the City's website; posted to 52,000 social media followers on Facebook, Twitter, Instagram, and Nextdoor; included in the bi-weekly SaMoNews community newsletter sent to over 23,000 email addresses; posted on digital message boards throughout Santa Monica; and included in the September edition of Seascape. A text message was also sent on SMAlerts to residents who are enrolled in the SMAlerts program. To enroll now, visit www.santamonica.gov/alerts.

Community members who received citations for street sweeping, can follow the following process for citation forgiveness no later than October 5, 2021:

1. Submit a request to the City for initial review that affirmatively states that the recipient of the citation was not aware of weekly street sweeping during the period between August 30 and September 3 with an explanation of why (e.g., did not access social media or website postings, did not see notice in newspaper, and did not otherwise learn of the street sweeping). Requests for review can be submitted in the following ways:

a. Online at https://prdwmq.etimspayments.com/santamonica/dev/review.htm (preferred);

b. Letter sent to City of Santa Monica, PO Box 515213 Los Angeles, CA 90024;

c. Calling 800-214-1526 to request that the initial review be taken by the customer service representative; or

d. In person at 1575 Westwood Blvd., Suite 100-B, Los Angeles, CA 90024 (open Monday – Friday, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m.).

2. Once the request is received, and whether previously paid or not, the City will dismiss the citation based on a determination that extenuating circumstances make dismissal of the citation appropriate and, if applicable, a refund will be processed for a citation that was previously paid.

Residents are encouraged to sign up for the City's SaMoNews community newsletter for the latest updates at www.santamonica.gov/newsletter.

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Citywide

Santa Monica College to Celebrate Constitution Day with Talk by Renowned Legal Scholar Jonathan Turley September 17

Santa Monica College will celebrate Constitution Day this year with an informative talk by renowned legal scholar Jonathan Turley from 11:15 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. (PDT) on Friday, September 17. A brief discussion and Q&A, moderated by Hari Vishwanadha, will follow the talk.

The talk is free and will be presented online as a live virtual event. A Zoom link taking guests directly to the event will be available on the event date at smc.edu/calendar shortly before the event begins. To attend, Zoom software must be installed on the viewer's computer (free download available at zoom.com).

The event is sponsored by the Associated Students of Santa Monica College, with support from the SMC Civic Engagement Committee.

Constitution Day, also known as Citizenship Day, was established in 2005 to honor the signing of the United States Constitution on September 17, 1787, by the 39 delegates to the Constitutional Convention in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania. All educational institutions that receive federal funds must present a program for students each Constitution Day to celebrate the rights and liberties protected by a written Constitution.

The J.B. and Maurice C. Shapiro Professor of Public Interest Law at George Washington University Law School, Turley was named the youngest chaired professor in the school's history in 1998, and is nationally recognized for his expertise in areas ranging from constitutional law to legal theory to tort law. He is a columnist for USA Today, writes regularly for the Washington Post and other national publications, and appears regularly on all of the major television networks as a legal expert.

Professor Turley has served as counsel in some of the nation's most notable cases, representing clients ranging from whistleblowers – including the Area 51 workers at a secret air base in Nevada and the nuclear couriers at Oak Ridge, Tennessee – to military personnel, judges, and members of Congress.

He is the founder and executive director of the Project for Older Prisoners (POPS). For his work with older prisoners, he has been honored with the Dr. Mary Ann Quaranta Elder Justice Award at Fordham University. His award-winning blog, Res ipsa loquitur - The thing itself speaks, is ranked as one of the most popular legal blogs by AVVO, and has been regularly ranked in the top 100 blogs in the world by the ABA Journal, which inducted the blog into its Hall of Fame in 2013.

For more information, please call (310) 434-4003.

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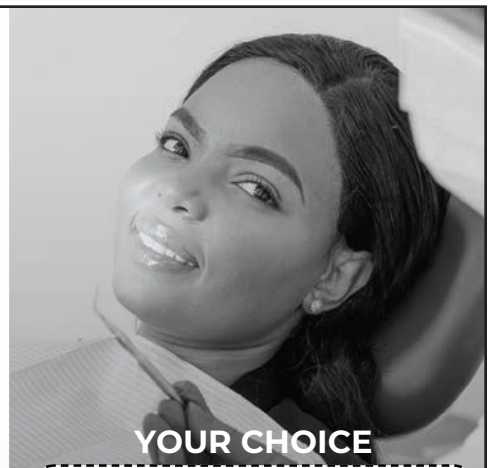
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French Laundry restaurant with lobbyists and friends, stirring an outcry.

Supporters of the recall expressed frustration over monthslong business closures and restrictions that kept most children out of classrooms. Rising homicides, a homelessness crisis and an unemployment fraud scandal further angered Newsom's critics.

But the broader public stayed on the governor's side. Polling from the Public Policy Institute of California showed his approval rating remaining above 50% throughout the pandemic. With weeks to go, the institute's poll showed 60% of Californians approved of Newsom's handling of the pandemic.

Newsom will soon be campaigning again. He's up for reelection next year.

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CRU

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which the CRU is certified to assess and transport to a Psychiatric Urgent Care Center, but when a mental health clinician is needed in the field our team can reach out to the HLP team who has a Department of Mental Health Clinician embedded in their team," Nulty said. "It is truly a collaborative approach, and one that will deliver very favorable outcomes."

When a 9-1-1 call is less urgent and the solution is not necessarily the emergency room, the CRU goes to work and has the latitude to spend more time on scene to help connect those in need with more appropriate resources. Additionally, this team has the unique distinction of being able to transport people experiencing a behavioral health crisis to a psychiatric urgent care center, rather than an emergency room. Firefighters assigned to the CRU have received specialized training in mental health emergencies, crisis communications, de-escalation, and substance use disorders.

One of the two Firefighters on the CRU is a licensed Paramedic so they have the ability to medically assess patients for acute health conditions and provide immediate lifesaving measures if encountered.

"These highly trained Santa Monica Fire Department professionals look forward to serving the Santa Monica community and helping those in need with specialized interventions and access to supportive services," said Interim Chief Knabe. "This is something our team has been working toward for a long time and this launch is a big day for us as we evolve our service to uniquely meet the community's needs."

The Santa Monica City Council funded the CRU in the FY 2021 – 2023 budget as a priority project to address homelessness, one of the City's top three community priorities.

"For now the program is only funded for two years. We are hopeful it will continue beyond that. The program budget is $523,000 for the 2 years, which includes personnel, training, equipment/vehicle maintenance, and other miscellaneous expenses," Nulty said.

The CRU will work in collaboration with other City departments, regional agencies, and nonprofits to help bridge the gap for housing and other support services. Another important goal of the program is to help keep Paramedics, Firefighters, and emergency room resources available for higher acute care services.

"The Santa Monica City Council wholeheartedly moved the Community Response Unit forward earlier this year as one new investment to meet our community priority of addressing homelessness," said Mayor Sue Himmelrich. "The CRU's 'one meaningful intervention at a time approach' will help improve outcomes for individuals experiencing homeless and will serve as an additional team on our streets to meet this crisis head on."

The CRU will be in service Monday through Thursday during peak hours.

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Noteworthy

Charles Andrews — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

The Singles Life



Courtesy image

RECORDS: Those voices will live forever.

THAT'S SOME CADENCE

Don Everly's recent passing (84) was nicely commemorated in NICOLE RECOMMENDS in last Thursday's NOTEWORTHY. She mentioned a song she'd "been stuck on," "Don't Forget to Cry," and I didn't recognize that title. Odd, because I was a big fan of all the EB songs when I was young(er). You could have the Rolling Stones and their milquetoast covers of American R&B (now, the Animals, different story), I dug Don and Phil and those drop dead vocals. "Don't Forget" came out in '64, in their peak years. I should have known of it.

Then I realized: it wasn't a single, and I didn't buy albums then, only 45s. Lots of them. I had every one the brothers released, on the Cadence label. Still have 'em.

That song has only eight lines, written by Felice and Baudleaux Bryant, who wrote most of their early hits (and that's yet another good story), the song barely breaks two minutes, but it is a little slice of heaven. The vocal harmonies just might bring a chill, maybe even a tear.

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED:

TOO BLUES BROS — that's not their name, I just made it up, but it's not bad because this slide guitar-harmonica vocal duo are stone cold blues masters in every way, and they are unpretentious and humble, just regular guys. They have been playing in the parking lot next to Ashland Hill restaurant on Main Street every Sunday from 3 to 5 p.m. for about five months, they told me.

Darryl Carriere is an arresting blues shouter who also blows killer harp but talk about an embarrassment of riches in the smallest band possible, his partner Celso Salim could easily, superbly carry the vocals himself, and sometimes he does or they trade off in a song. I love slide or bottleneck guitar, the blues is where it was born, and Salim is so dang good, not only with the upper register singing sliding pinging we usually associate with it, but he often plays a lower rumble that meshes magically with Carriere's locomotive harmonica.

I've never put someone with a regular weekly gig straight into the HIGHLY RECOMMENDED category, but after catching them a second time and seeing my musically astute daughter with very tough standards agree with nothing but smiles, I mean, why mess around? I can't think of a better way to wind down the week than sitting in front of these guys. Every Sun 3-5 p.m., parking lot adjacent to Ashland Hill restaurant on Main Street, free.

EM THE MASTER — why would you put skepticism in people's minds before they even get to the door, by proclaiming yourself "The Master"? Maybe, it's worth it if you know you can back it up, and that becomes part of the image, the legend. EM does back it up and does it all, like no one you've seen in years or maybe ever, in a local bar not an arena and for a ticket price under a hundred bucks. She sings, she dances, she has dancers, they all jump up on the bar (watch those drinks!), practically spilling out the door onto Fourth Street, she crawls across the floor while singing, she doesn't play the piano she attacks it, she aggressively leads a killer band, her energy is nonstop and seemingly limitless, she can sell a song, rockers and ballads, vocally and with her flawless arrangements, she writes terrific songs, and she may remind you some of a more energetic LadyGaga. In her spare time she co-authored a book with Gaga that made the NY Times best-seller list. Every Tues 9 p.m., Harvelle's, DTSM, $10.

RECOMMENDED:

TONIGHT! HAMILTON — No, I haven't seen it, dammit, but I think I can only go wrong by not recommending it, right? Tonight, Fri, Sat, Tues, Wed, next Thurs 8 p.m., Sun 6:30 p.m., also Sat 2 p.m., Sun 1 p.m., all performances at Pantages Theater, Hollywood, $49-3000+, depending on where you purchase.

TONIGHT! GETTY VILLA presents LIZASTRATA — I spent a lovely afternoon recently, at the invitation of friends who shared extra tickets, strolling the Getty Villa and taking in the grounds and art and the exhibition on Mesopotamia, thousands of years old but right next to today's news. It would seem I was a little early because now they are featuring a campy send-up of Aristophanes' famous tale of sexual politics, "Lysistrata," now "Lizastrata" and powered

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NOTEWORTHY

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by Ms. Minelli's well-known songbook. The review in the LA Times made it seem like a hoot worth howling at. Tonight, Fri, Sat, next Thurs, 8 p.m., Getty Villa, Pacific Palisades, $36-48.

LA OPERA presents VERDI'S "IL TROVATORE" — great news, LA Opera is back! And kicking out the jams for the long-delayed new season with a lineup of some of the best-known operas, by a composers' hall of fame. Sounds like a party to me. LA Opera is known for innovation and taking chances, but like so many other arts companies forced into an 18-month hiatus, they have got to get butts back into the seats, so let's play favorites this season. It follows that the music comes from an all-star roster of composers, bookended by Verdi ("Aida" next May), with Wagner's "Tannhäuser," Rossini's "Cinderella," and ``St. Matthew Passion" by Johann Sebastian Bach. When you can see spectacle like this, some of the world's greatest voices and exquisite music, for around 20 bucks a pop, well, I just can't understand why you wouldn't hit all five. Sat 6 p.m., $23-292; Wed 7:30 p.m., $19-255; Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, DTLA.

THEATRICUM BOTANICUM presents "THE LAST, BEST SMALL TOWN" — this moving, timely original with themes of racism, small town life, economic disparity, stereotypes, youthful rebellion, the value of education, family expectations and dynamics, tradition — in other words, the full range of the human condition. Sat 7:30 p.m.

SHAKESPEARE'S "A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM" — one of the best "AMND" I can recall, since the time my daughter played a faerie when she was wee. Loved the inventive physical comedy, and these TB fairies were show stealers, who could not be charmed by their little chirping sounds? Sun 4 p.m.

SHAKESPEARE'S "JULIUS CAESAR" — historically informative, makes ancient political drama seem contemporary. In school Shakespeare's dialog was often Greek to me but now every word shimmers, due to the delivery and acting of the TB thespians. Christopher W. Jones stood out as conflicted bad guy Brutus, as did Willow Geer as Portia, and special linguistic laurels go to Melora Marshall as Cassius, who was just made for this role, even though it is a man's part. She pulls you straight in, to the moment. Sun 7:30 p.m.

All performances TB, Topanga Canyon, $10-60.

COMING ATTRACTIONS: LA PHIL returns to Disney Hall! - Homecoming Gala and Benefit with DUDAMEL, varied program, 10/9; DUDAMEL conducts STRAUSS, 10/14-17; DUDAMEL conducts MAHLER'S 4TH, 10/21-24, all performances at Disney Hall, DTLA.

Charles Andrews has listened to a lot of music of all kinds, including more than 2,000 live shows. He has lived in Santa Monica for 34 years and wouldn't live anywhere else in the world. Really. Send love and/or rebuke to him at therealmrmusic@gmail.com

RESULTS

FROM PAGE 1

in the form of an outrageously expensive recall election.

Newsom's landslide win tells me that California's Democratic voice and principles are ringing loud and clear. I hope the other team will accept the results and not further the junk that has been dividing our nation, our cities and even our families and friendships.

SION ROY, SANTA MONICA COLLEGE BOARD MEMBER, AD-50 ASSEMBLYMEMBER CANDIDATE

I feel relieved today that Californians sent a strong message of support for the Governor and his policies, particularly in regards to COVID. Governor Newsom has consistently put the health and safety of all Californians first during this pandemic, and it is heartening that we overwhelmingly rejected this cynical recall that would have taken our state backwards and put the health and safety of Californians at risk.

We are seeing recalls up and down the state in both local and state level elections. Recalls are ideally meant to protect democracy where if an elected official does something so egregious, it gives citizens a right to challenge them. However, in California, the system is instead being used to challenge elected officials cynically to force special elections that typically have lower voter turnout and manipulate the voting process.

We must take a long and hard look at our recall process both to save Californians their hard earned tax dollars, but also to make sure that our democracy is as inclusive as possible, holding elections on traditional dates so more voters have input.

JON KATZ, PRESIDENT OF SANTA MONICA DEMOCRATIC CLUB

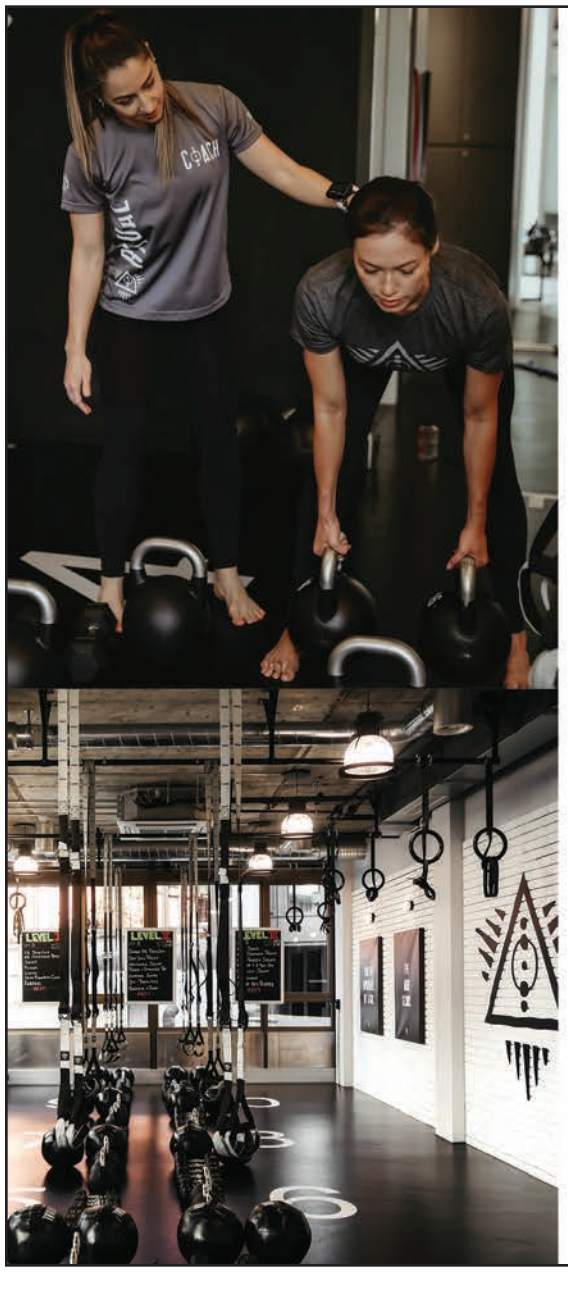
My best case scenario was that the no vote would be close to the 2018 results and it seems right now that Newsom may have beaten the 2018 results, which is pretty amazing, so I'm pretty thrilled with the results today. The turnout was way better than anybody had predicted, outperforming the polls, outperforming expectations.

We (the Santa Monica Democratic Club) got into gear up two months ago, when we saw the polls were really close and we weren't quite sure what the plan was for the Newsom campaign. We started out very early on with canvassing, going door-to-door in Santa Monica, finding Democratic voters, leaving literature and having conversations with the voters.

We really ramped up our efforts and the state party really ramped up their efforts and within a few weeks we were starting to hear much more positive responses from people who were now aware of the election, they knew about Larry Elder, they had an understanding of the undemocratic and unconstitutional nature of the recall election format.

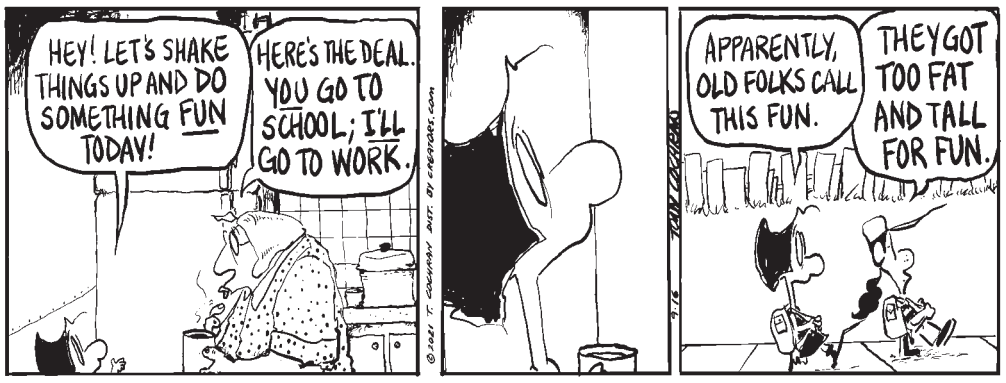
We saw a really strong increase in awareness from the average voter who may be only voting every four years. The only way we were going to loose was if we didn't get those voters involved.

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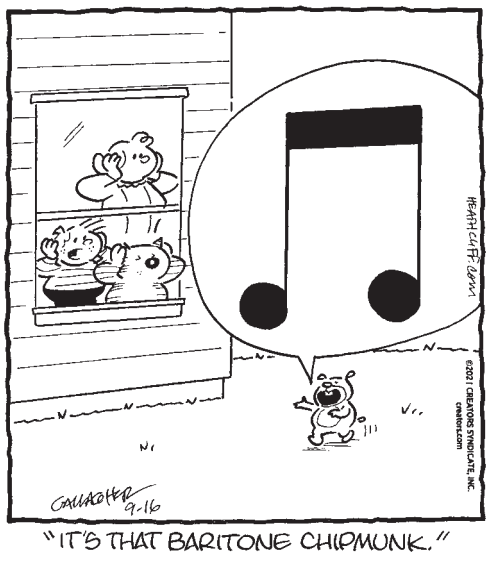
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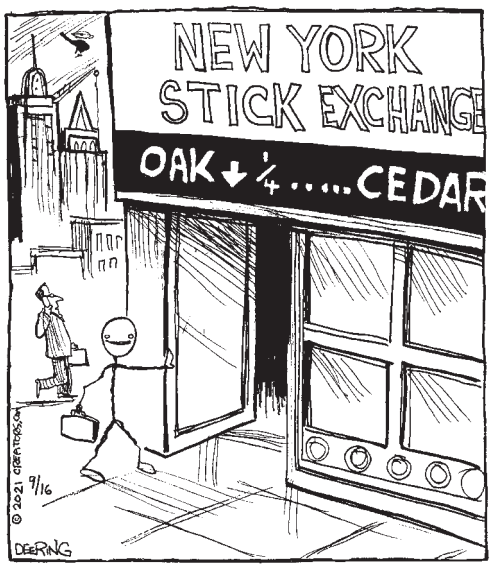
Heathcliff

By PETER GALLAGHER



Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING





SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 61.5°

THURSDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 3-5ft Waist to head high
Decent, easing SSW/S swell – strongest for focal points west of Dume. NW swell mix drops out. A day to target – morning looking clean for now.

FRIDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 3-4ft Waist to chest high
SSW/S swell continues to taper off, showing strongest for focal points west of Dume. Weak NW swell mix. Morning looking clean at this time.

WEATHER

Thursday: Cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 67.
Thursday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, increasing clouds, with a low around 57.
Friday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 69.

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2021/09/17	Fri	7:41 PM	6.10	H
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The sparkle of charisma you ride through the year sparks many a lucky interaction. Your phone buzzes, and your calendar fills with engagements, both lucrative and friendly. Love deepens as you alternate between making sacrifices and allowing others to rise to the occasion to give to you. Libra and Sagittarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 4, 2, 22, 18 and 38.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Keep repeating the action that's going so well for you until you can do it no longer. Like the weightlifter who works the muscle until it fails, you will see results not despite that last exhausted effort but because of it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Long-lasting friendships are important to you, so you'll make extra efforts, especially when life pulls you and a friend in opposing directions. You'll find new parallels and commonalities that help you stay on the same wavelength.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You're like a divining rod for hot spots, so you mostly end up where the fun is. But even the most skilled diviners sometimes come up dry. In that case, your best bet is to cut out early and keep looking.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). While some would use charm as a manipulation, you employ your charisma for the sole purpose of stirring up the playful energies of delight, without which existence would be dull indeed!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Even though your leadership is typically sound, right now you'll be more comfortable without followers. This path is new. You'll be more adventurous when you know you're the only one affected by your choices.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Meditation and mantras are not for everyone. In a way, whatever you do to feel more like yourself is your spiritual practice. Repetition with reverence is one key to making it a ritual.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You're willing to slog it out until the bitter end, but what if the end isn't bitter? You just may slog it out to a savory end or a sweet one. In any case, definitely do slog it out, because the end will be worth it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Now it is effortless for you to maintain the steady flow of supportive communication that facilitates good relationships, but this is only because you worked at the skill. Others might need some time to catch up.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You may not be sure where to set your sights. You want to stretch yourself, and you're not afraid to fail, but you'd rather not reach for something that doesn't exist. Ask around to find out what's possible.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Who you are in the bigger view of society is not who you really are, and yet it does influence how you feel about yourself to a degree. You are in charge of the degree. Dial it down.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You think you know your function within a group, but your notion of this is limited to how you see yourself. The others have their own view of you, and in some instances, it is greatly expanded from yours.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The rules have changed many times over the last few years, and they'll change once more today. Even so, the values and principles that guide you will remain steadfast through the ages.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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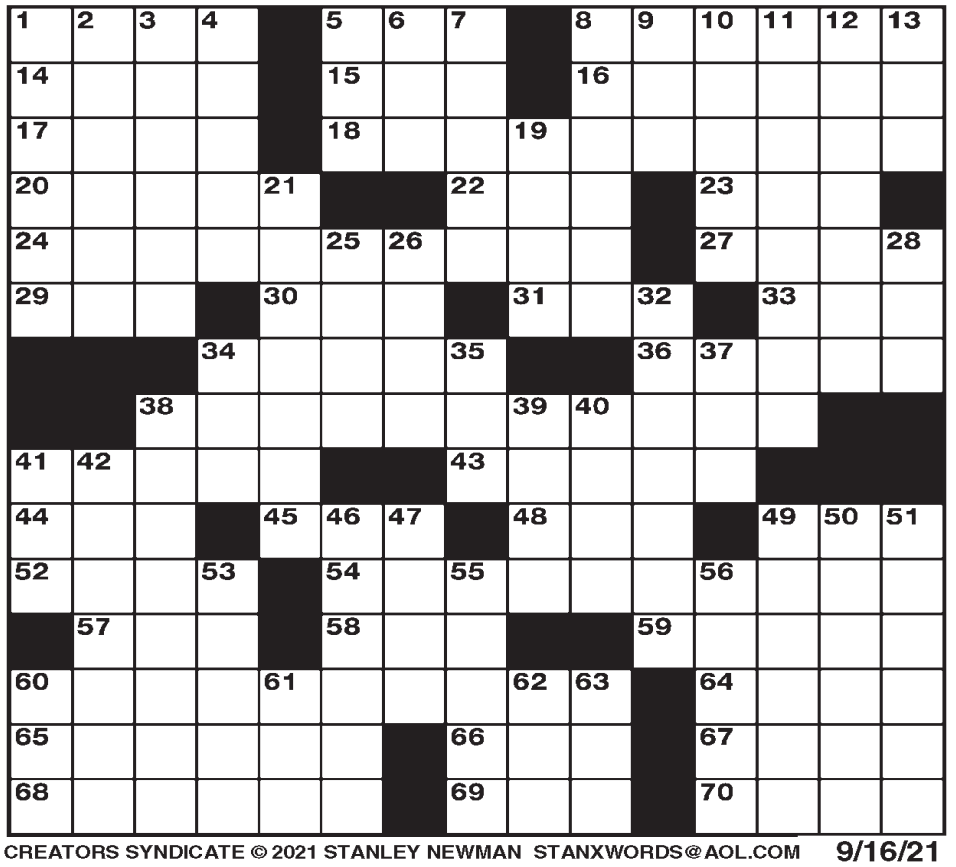
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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Ends of pens
5 "Can't type now" text
8 Mimosa family shrub
14 "Height" prefix
15 What the herder heard
16 A musical's singing
17 Schnitzel meat
18 Floor-cleaning implement
20 What rubdowns remediate
22 Gobbled up
23 Cleric, for short
24 Impromptu band gig
27 Instructions section
29 Covert missions
30 Tuna at luaus
31 San Francisco's __ Hill
33 Tease gently
34 Peak performance
36 Clumsy ones
38 What a crash test tests
41 Thrash about
43 French fry, in France
44 When doubled, a cutesy meal
45 Pull-up muscle
48 Business designation
49 __ Royal Highness
52 Modicum
54 Critical period
57 Annual report VIP
58 Poetic twilight
59 Greeting between bros
60 How some like their carrots
64 Tampa-St. __
65 Flower part
66 Tulane rival
67 Last word in liturgy
68 Comes out with
69 Neurology test
70 Great relish

DOWN
1 Monument Valley group
2 Pole topper
3 Lullaby guy
4 Things to walk on
5 Sit-up muscles
6 Help page header
7 Hawaii's "Garden Isle"
8 Olay alternative
9 Family member, for short
10 Taiwanese PCs
11 Eventuated
12 "This is perfect!"
13 Cobra kin
19 School near Windsor Castle
21 Possible beach wedding observer
25 False undertaking
26 Featherbrain
28 *Nature* network
32 With a calico catlike coat
34 NL West team
35 Worker wearing jingle bells
37 I can stand for it
38 Paddle pusher
39 Poetic green land
40 What brass has
41 Cosmetics regulator
42 Class for English majors
46 Types of alkalines
47 Thing with a trunk
49 Escapee's plea
50 Feigns feelings
51 University official
53 Three-card con
55 Brother in the family
56 Yellow gem
60 Smartphone essential
61 French wine cocktail
62 Employment
63 Sharp yank



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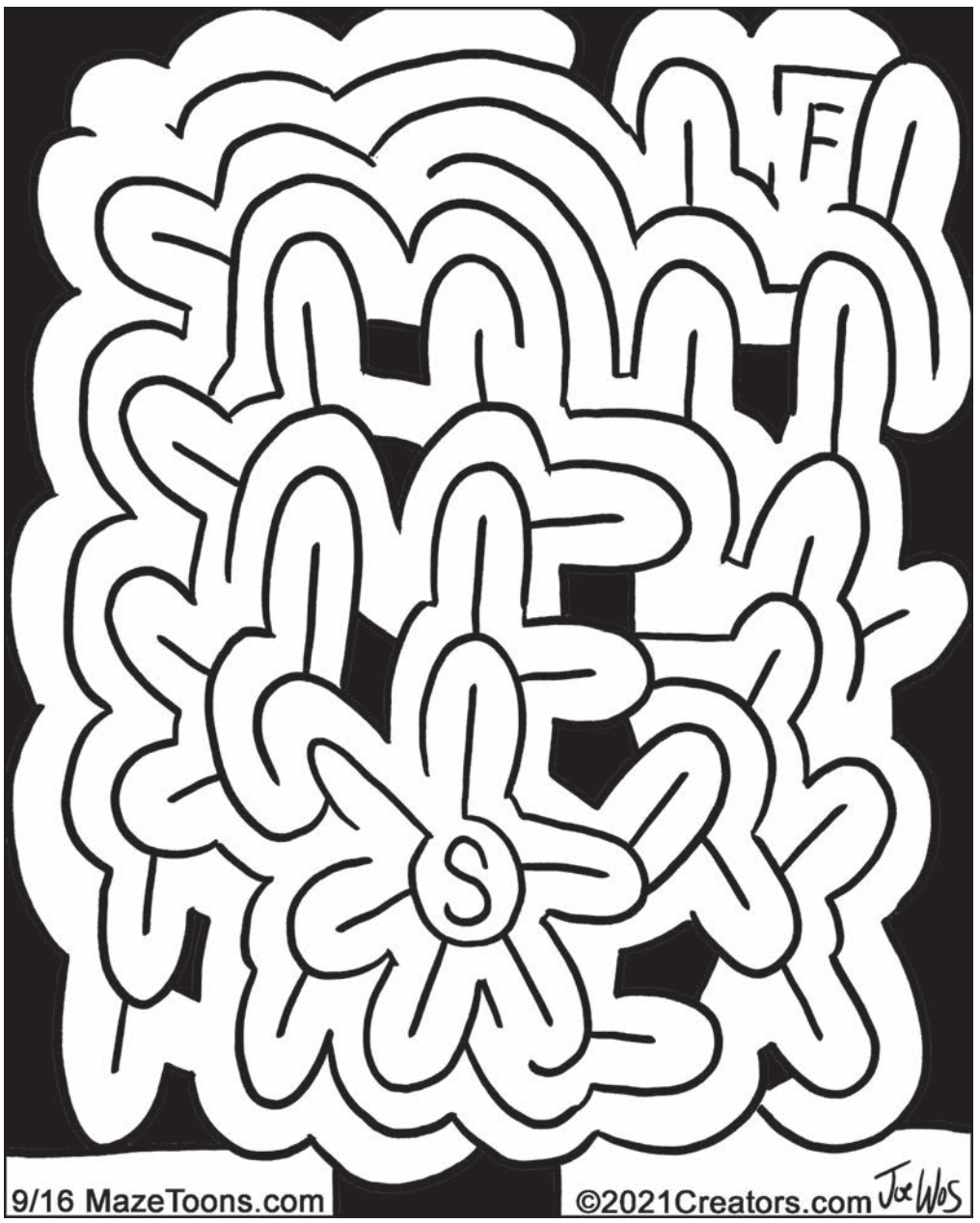
Binary Puzzle

Each cell should contain a zero or a one. No more than two similar numbers below or next to each other are allowed. Each row and each column is unique and contains as many zeros as ones.

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Ashford	East	Hilton	Soil
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Calm	Firle	Oakden	Walks
Cavan	Fulham	Peterhead	Warradale
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COUNCIL

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submitted. This discussion does not limit Councilmembers' ability to submit items, but gives an opportunity for them to learn what City efforts may be underway to tackle the subject at hand and see whether the subject can be addressed as part of the regular agenda items.

Council also voted to direct staff to research changing meeting procedures to allow public comment on key items, including 13 items, to occur earlier in the meeting.

Prior to voting unanimously on these directions, Council spent an hour tensely discussing their viewpoints on 13 items.

"I think we need to establish procedures for 13 items so that 13 items actually are dealing with policy matters, and not with administrative matters," said Mayor Sue Himmelrich. "I think that we should have a different approach to 13 items where they are really meaningful and not simply things that we should have done through staff."

Himmelrich said that some 13 items replicate agenda items that are planned for future meetings or that staff are already working on. She said that when Councilmembers submit such topics as 13 items, it wastes meeting time and gives the impression that staff aren't doing their jobs.

She illustrated her point with discussion item 13H, which waived certain parking tickets for street sweeping, and item 13D, which called for a discussion on safety concerns Downtown.

"I think there are communication issues here on the parking ticket issue, because before the 13 item was put on (the agenda) we had reached a resolution that basically is what the 13 item is," said Himmelrich.

Himmelrich said the Downtown safety 13 item was unnecessary as a discussion including stakeholders and a staff presentation and is agendized for a Sept. 28 meeting.

"We're going to be discussing it with staff input and with all the players here and not as a 13 item that is just, in my view, a criticism of staff without any positive impact at all," said Himmelrich.

Although Councilmember Brock was not directly named, he took offense at Himmelrich's comments and defended his use of discussion items. Brock submitted five 13 items in Tuesday's meeting including the parking ticket and Downtown items.

"I understand it's slap Phil Brock night," said Brock. "If you want to try and shut me up you can, but I'll bring more up then. No, I'm not going to shut up."

Brock said he supports his use of discussion items and believes them to be an important tool to ensure residents' concerns are being discussed by Council.

"I defend my use of 13 items, because in every single case, residents had already asked repeatedly," said Brock. "My approach has been in every instance to always talk to the staff first about items, about issues to see if we can get some action. If I don't see that there's going to be any action any other way, then, I don't know if there's any choice."

Councilmember Gleam Davis brought up a separate concern with 13 items, saying that they sometimes lead to action on significant policy issues that are better suited for a regular agenda item spot.

"I'm very concerned we're making decisions without input, without staff reports, and then we're playing catch up because the community comes back and says, 'why did you do that, how did you do that, I don't understand,'" said Davis.

Davis pointed to a prior 13 item vote that authorized the temporary placement of a screen over City Hall's mural as one such item. She said that talking with the City Manager to see if topics like this can be placed on the regular agenda is a better approach.

The final concern raised over 13 items is the late hour at which they are often discussed, since they come at the conclusion of council meetings.

"What we're devolving into is actually making policy decisions with no staff report, with no public input, with very little council discussion because it's one in the morning and we all want to put our heads down and go to sleep," said Davis.

Several other Councilmembers voiced concerns that the late night timing of 13 items precluded some community members from participating in public comment.

Illustrative of that phenomenon, Council began a two hour discussion of that meeting's 13 items after 10 p.m. and took action on several topics.

A forgiveness program for street sweeping citations issued between Aug. 30 and Sept. 3 was approved. Staff were directed to work to increase outreach efforts to help members of the public purchase TAP cards for Big Blue Bus. Staff were also directed to draft a potential proposal to limit amplified sound levels and times in parks and explore traffic calming measures on Neilson and Barnard Way.

More detailed articles on these topics will be published in forthcoming issues of the Daily Press.

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FAULCONER

FROM PAGE 4

as the largest U.S. city with a Republican mayor in a state where Democrats held all statewide elected offices fueled his prospects for governor.

In mayoral campaigns, Faulconer enjoyed solid backing from Republicans, which clearly eluded him in his first run for statewide office. He found himself in awkward spots, saying he voted for Trump in 2020 but not in 2016 and demanding border security after years fashioning himself as a friend of Mexico and champion of cross-border trade.

John Nienstedt, Faulconer's pollster in his successful campaigns for City Council and mayor, said Faulconer felt outmaneuvered by last-minute labor spending in his failed bid for City Council in 2004 and vowed that "he would never take a knife to a gunfight."

Despite that pragmatic bent, that appears to be exactly what happened this year after Elder entered the race in July. The reality that he was soundly rejected by voters despite a significantly longer campaign than Elder has Faulconer reevaluating his next political move.

"As for what's next for myself," Faulconer said Tuesday night, "I'm going to take the time to talk not only to my family but my supporters and figure out the best steps here in the coming weeks to continue to be a fighter, to continue to serve our great state because California's worth fighting for, don't you think?"

BRIEFS

Malibu

Annual Bulky Item Pickup for Malibu Residents on Sept. 18

The City of Malibu is partnering with Waste Management to host a free bulky item pickup on Saturday, September 18, 2021. Household bulky Items are oversized items that won't fit into an empty solid waste cart, such as a mattress or sofa. The City encourages residents to donate gently-used items to charitable organizations or thrift shops in order to reduce waste, but offers the bulky item collection service to residents once every year.

Schedule an Appointment. Call Waste Management's service center at (800) 675-1171, no later than 12 p.m. on Friday, September 17. Universal Waste Systems customers may call (800) 631-7016 for bulky item disposal options.

Describe the items that are to be collected so that the collection day can be properly routed.

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