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Police get over $6 million to combat organized retail theft

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The Santa Monica Police Department (SMPD) has been awarded $6.125 million in state grant funding to continue and enhance efforts to combat organized retail theft in the City.

Santa Monica was one of 38 local law enforcement agencies awarded funds through the Organized Retail Theft prevention grant program. Funding will directly support the ongoing targeted, innovative, and technology-based efforts by the SMPD to improve safety for residents and business owners.

"We are glad that the state has joined forces with local agencies to acknowledge that organized retail theft doesn't just affect large corporations — it hurts our small businesses, puts employees and shoppers in danger, and it creates feelings of unease and fear in the community," Police Chief Ramon Batista said in a statement.

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This initiative compliments the continued work the SMPD is doing locally by adding focused deployments in major shopping areas and in conjunction with other local agencies, including joining the Los Angeles County Retail Theft Task Force created to collaboratively address high-profile retail theft incidents.

Batista announced in the June 27, 2023 City Council meeting that he was applying for the grant being made available to police departments statewide targeted to issues of retail theft. During that meeting, Council approved its biennial budget ($740.9 million in FY 2023-24 and $746.4 million in FY 2024-25) however, no additional funding was allocated to supplement the department's already allotted $113.3 million and $117.7 million respectively.

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Elementary students absorb advice for the digital age

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Cellular phone usage continues to increase throughout the nation, not just in number, but in age range. Children receiving their first cell phone or similar device before reaching middle school has become commonplace, setting the stage for potential pitfalls on growing minds.

Attempting to define a media-savvy standard for the students of Grant Elementary School, Principal Christian Fuhrer and Grant faculty hosted presenter Julia Storm Wednesday on the topic of media wellness. Fuhrer said that it's the school's duty to provide media training, particularly at the beginning of the year while minds are still fresh.

"We're seeing students, children, engage online at a younger and younger age as the years go by,"

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Photo by Thomas Leffler

GRANT PRINCIPAL: Grant Elementary School Principal Christian Fuhrer addresses 5th-grade students at a media wellness assembly on Sept. 13.

Residents come out in force to advocate for and against Santa Monica voting rights case

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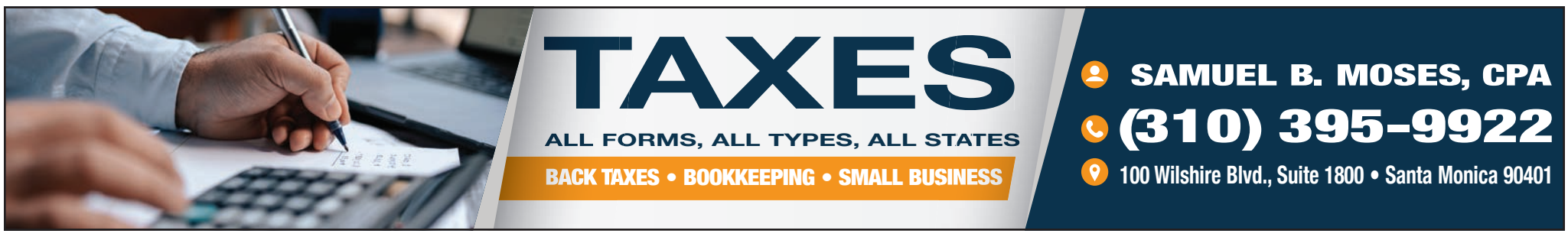
Public comment on the closed session agenda items in Tuesday's City Council meeting was dominated by the Pico Neighborhood Association et al. v. City of Santa Monica case, which revolves around allegations that the city's at-large voting system unfairly discriminates against Latino voters and violates the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA).

The plaintiffs, including the Pico Neighborhood Association and Maria Loya, argue that adopting district-based voting would be a potential remedy. The legal proceedings began in 2016, with the first ruling emerging in 2018 from the Los Angeles Superior Court, favoring the plaintiffs and criticizing the at-large voting approach. However, a 2020 appeals court decision overturned this ruling, leading the plaintiffs to elevate the case to the California Supreme Court. The Supreme Court overturned the lower court's decision and sent the case back for further review.

The final outcome of the case is anyone's guess, but the recent action has prompted new debate over potentially settling the case and residents came to the city council meeting to voice their opinions.

Supporters of continuing the case said the Supreme Court specifically didn't rule on the merits of the case, just that the appeals court made a mistake in its logic. They said if the City were to win, it would avoid paying legal fees to the plaintiffs and that the evidence didn't support the necessary benchmarks set by the Supreme Court.

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GUEST COMMENTARY

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Compromise settles dispute over status of franchises in fast food industry

DAN WALTERS

In some ways, the most interesting — and perhaps most significant — event of the 2023 legislative session's closing days was a compromise agreement on state oversight of the fast food industry.

Last year, unions pushed through legislation that would have created a new state commission to set wages and working conditions in the industry.

Inferentially, the legislation set aside the industry's franchise system and treated locally outlets of as merely branches of their corporate franchisors.

While the wage increases that would have resulted garnered most of the media attention, erosion of the franchise model was most worrisome aspect to the fast food corporations and their franchisees.

Immediately, big guns in the industry pledged tens of millions of dollars for a campaign to challenge the legislation via a referendum that qualified to go before voters in 2024.

The Legislature's response was entertaining another bill that would have doubled down on attacking the franchise model by making corporate franchisors legally responsible for labor law violations in their franchisees' fast food outlets.

With the outcome of the referendum election in doubt, the long-warring factions began negotiating and last week a bargain was struck.

The 2022 legislation would be repealed, the 2023 legislation would be scuttled and a substitute for both would retain the fast food council, but alter its membership slightly, limit its authority to set wages and working conditions, provide a new $20 per hour minimum wage for fast food workers, prohibit local efforts to affect wages, and remove threats to the franchise model.

Like all legislative compromises, this one, written into Assembly Bill 1228, had something for everyone but didn't give every stakeholder everything it wanted.



Photo by Rahul Lal for CalMatters

DEAL: Fast food workers rally at the state Capitol in Sacramento on Aug. 31, 2023.

"For the last decade, fast-food cooks, cashiers and baristas in California have been sounding the alarm on the poverty pay and unsafe working conditions plaguing our industry," Ingrid Vilorio, a fast food union leader, said in a statement. "We have always known that to solve these problems, we need a seat at the table with our employers and the power to help shape better rules across our industry."

"It provides meaningful wage increases for workers, while at the same time eliminates more significant — and potentially existential — threats, costs, and regulatory burdens targeting local restaurants in California," International

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A new breed of leaders are atop the largest US unions today. Here are some faces to know

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There will be no Emmy Awards tonight and there are thousands of auto workers on picket lines in Missouri, Michigan and Ohio in a seemingly rapid reemergence of organized labor this year.

Unions have nowhere near the pull, or members, that they did decades ago, yet something has changed. There's no single explanation, but the boiling point we're seeing today comes amid soaring costs of living and a widening gap between what workers and top executives are paid. Thousands of workers who were asked to make sacrifices during the pandemic even as corporate profits soared are now asking for a bigger piece of the pie.

Those demands have sparked grassroots organizing efforts across the country in the last year. And some of the nation's largest unions have simultaneously been at the center of heated contract negotiations — with writers and actors hitting Hollywood picket lines, unionized auto workers striking at Detroit's Big Three and UPS reaching a new deal to avert a work stoppage that could have significantly disrupted the nation's supply chain.

Leading those efforts are new union leaders voted into power by workers that have seemingly run out of patience as they have a more difficult time making ends meet.

Here are some faces you should know.

SHAWN FAIN, UNITED AUTO WORKERS

Before Shawn Fain became the rallying voice for thousands of unionized auto workers striking at major car companies today, he was an electrician for Chrysler in his hometown of Kokomo, Indiana.

Fain became president of United Auto Workers this year, but his time with the union began at that then-Chrysler plant in 1994. Two of Fain's grandparents were GM UAW retirees and one grandfather also worked at Chrysler, the union says. A biography on the UAW website notes that Fain "always carries one of his grandfather's pay stubs with him" to remember where he came from.

Fain won a tight election to lead the UAW promising a more confrontational stance with big automakers. He vowed to clean up the union and unite members following a wide-ranging scandal that landed two former presidents in prison.

Fain has engaged aggressively with General Motors, Ford and Stellantis (formerly Fiat Chrysler). Months of contentious contract talks erupted into targeted strikes last week against all three Detroit automakers for the first time in the union's history.

The union under Fain has threatened to hit more plants if there is not enough movement from automakers during negotiations. The UAW wants across-the-board wage increases of 36% over four years, about twice what automakers are offering.

Even Fain has acknowledged that union demands are audacious, but he says automakers are raking in billions and can afford them.

"They could double our raises and not raise car prices and still make millions of dollars in profits," Fain said last week. "We're not the problem. Corporate greed is the problem."

Sean O'Brien, International Brotherhood of Teamsters

Much of what you need to know about Teamsters president Sean O'Brien is right there in his handle for X/Twitter: @TeamstersSOB. Yes, those are O'Brien's initials, sort of, but the underlying message is clear.

No one understands that better than UPS and perhaps James Hoffa, (son of the notorious Teamsters leader Jimmy Hoffa who disappeared in 1975), who was unseated by union members seeking a major leadership change.

O'Brien, a Boston-area native who grew up in a Teamsters family, worked with then-president Hoffa as the chief negotiator in the Teamsters' 2017 contract talks with UPS, but Hoffa abruptly fired him. The contract agreement was widely criticized by members and passed only through a procedural technicality, with a majority of votes cast in opposition.

O'Brien announced a union presidential campaign in 2021 against Hoffa, who soon bowed out. The network of reform-minded union leaders O'Brien assembled helped to elect him easily.

O'Brien immediately zeroed in on UPS and sought to right in their contract what many in the union saw as numerous wrongs. The Teamsters secured a lucrative contract last month that boosted wages and eliminated a second, lower-paid tier for some drivers. The winning margin: 86%.

O'Brien's UPS campaign appears to be a prelude to organizing delivery drivers for the online behemoth, Amazon.com.

"This is the template for how workers should be paid and protected nationwide, and nonunion companies like Amazon better pay attention," O'Brien said.

FRAN DRESCHER, SAG-AFTRA

Fran Drescher rose to fame as the co-creator and star of "The Nanny" in the '90s. She's become the first president of Screen Actors Guild-American Federation of Television and Radio Artists to preside over a strike since 1980.

Actors have been on picket lines since July and along with screenwriters who struck earlier this year, they're seeking better pay in an industry vastly changed due to streaming and the emergence of artificial intelligence.

Since becoming president of SAG-AFTRA in 2021, Drescher has become a firebrand voice for the top creative minds in Hollywood.

Drescher told The Associated Press that this moment in Hollywood is about the entire world of work, and a larger stand against corporate leaders who value shareholders over the people who create their product.

"At some point you have to say no more," she said in recent interview. "I think it's a conversation now about the culture of big business, and how it treats everybody up and down the ladder in the name of profit."

Unlike the writers' negotiations, the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers, which represents major studios, has yet to resume talks with the actors guild.

WRITERS GUILD OF AMERICA LEADERS

Screenwriters have been on strike since early May — far surpassing the landmark 2007-2008 work stoppage that last ground Hollywood productions to a halt.

Talks between WGA leadership and the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers resumed last month, but haltingly. Those on strike seek more pay, the use of smaller writing staffs for shorter seasons of television shows, and control over artificial intelligence in the screenwriting process.

Today, news and documentary writer Michael Winship is the president of the Writers Guild of America East. TV writer and former journalist Lisa Takeuchi Cullen, WGAE's current vice president, will become the next president after voting closes later this week.

Takeuchi Cullen, whose previous TV credits include "The Ordained" and "Law & Order: SVU," tweeted last month that, "I will lead @WGAEast in our epic battle for fair pay."

"This is not your father's Council. Your elected representatives are tireless, passionate, and in the thick of our careers," she wrote. "We have skin in the game. We get our members' issues because they are ours too."

Meredith Stiehm, a writer and executive producer who created the CBS procedural "Cold Case," has been president of the Writers Guild of America West since 2021. Stiehm is running for reelection against challenger Rich Talarico ("Key & Peele"), with voting set to close Tuesday.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Citywide

SMMUSD Assistant Superintendent Dr. Jacqueline Mora dies

The Santa Monica Malibu Unified School District has announced the death of longtime Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services Dr. Jacqueline Mora. According to the district, Dr. Mora died following a five-month, hard-fought, battle with an illness at the age of 46 years old.

SMMUSD said Dr. Mora was a bright light to all who knew her and worked with her. Her passion for public education, dedication to students, families and staff, and her desire to see all students succeed academically and social-emotionally inspired her personally and professionally.

Former SMMUSD Superintendent Dr. Ben Drati, who worked with her in both SMMUSD and Santa Barbara USD, shared his thoughts:

"I am deeply saddened to hear the news of the passing of Dr. Mora, a truly remarkable friend and educator. Throughout our time working together in both the Santa Barbara Unified and Santa Monica-Malibu school districts, I witnessed firsthand her unwavering dedication and genuine care for the education and progress of all students.

Dr. Mora's passion for uplifting underserved and under-resourced communities was truly inspiring. She constantly sought ways to create equal opportunities and ensure that every student had access to a quality education. Her commitment to this cause was unparalleled, and her impact on the lives of those she touched will be remembered for years to come.

Personally, I will greatly miss Dr. Mora. Her kindness, empathy, and unwavering commitment to her students and colleagues have left a lasting impression on my life. Her legacy as a compassionate educator and advocate for educational equality will continue to inspire and guide me in my own endeavors.

During this difficult time, my thoughts and sympathies are with Dr. Mora's family, friends, and the entire educational community. May her memory serve as a reminder of the incredible difference one person can make in the lives of many."

Dr. Mora came to central California from Mexico as a child with her parents, sister and brother. She was an English learner, who worked hard and was motivated to succeed in order to help others achieve their goals. She earned a Bachelor of Arts in Chicano Studies and in Spanish from University of California, Santa Barbara; a master's degree in education with a concentration of teaching and learning from UCSB; a master's degree in education with a concentration in administrative and policy studies from UCLA and a doctorate in K-12 leadership in urban education from USC. Her dissertation is entitled: "Promising Practices that Superintendents Use to Influence Instruction and Increase the Achievement of Latino Students in Urban School Districts."

Dr. Mora worked for SMMUSD for six years in her current capacity. In her role, she had oversight of educational programming, curriculum development and instructional strategies to ensure optimal learning opportunities and outcomes and growth experiences for all students; she was involved in the hiring and evaluation of principals and staff, professional development programming, budgeting and advisory committee leadership and advisement. She was a mentor, teacher, and friend to staff and families in the District. Dr. Mora was a dedicated public servant who worked hard to help SMMUSD meet its goals. She led efforts during the Covid-19 pandemic to shift to distance learning, which ultimately led to SMMUSD students not experiencing extreme learning loss felt in other districts across the country.

In her 17 years of prior public education experience before joining SMMUSD, Dr. Mora served as the director of English learner and parent engagement programs at Santa Barbara USD; served as an elementary school principal for schools in Santa Barbara, San Francisco Unified and Glendale Unified and previously served as assistant principal, categorical program advisor and teacher in LAUSD.

Board of Education President Maria Leon-Vazquez plans to open the September 21, 2023, school board meeting in her memory, and she shared these thoughts:

"Our SMMUSD family lost a crusader and champion for equity and inclusion for ALL our students, especially for our most diverse and vulnerable students. When you look at our District for positive academic changes for the betterment of ALL our students you will always see Dr. Mora as the initiator or supporter, including initiative and programs such as our diversity, equity and inclusion focus, the expansion and enhancement of our District English Learner Advisory Committee (DELAC), our EL program, career technical education programs, social justice standards integrated into our curriculum, family engagement, anti-racism resources and our American cultures and ethnic studies classes. Dr. Mora will be sorely missed but SMMUSD pledges to continue her work."

We are shaken by this news and understand our SMMUSD family will be heartbroken, as well. We had been hopeful for her complete recovery and supported and encouraged her along the way as she battled her illness. Employees may reach out to the Employee Assistance Service for Education (EASE) program, 800-882-1341, or https://www.lacoe.edu/Home/EASE, for grief or counseling support.

Dr. Mora is survived by her mother, Maria Mora, her brother, David Mora, sister, Vanessa Mora and a niece, of central California, and her fiancé, Eduardo Magaña.

If you would like to send a note or card to the family, please send to:

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ON SEPTEMBER 9 AT APPROXIMATELY MIDNIGHT

SMPD responded to the Victorian on Main Street. Multiple patrons reported their cell phones had been stolen throughout the night. Security at the Victorian identified two individuals they believed were involved. Officers located the suspects and recovered (7) phones and (2) wallets on their persons. Five victims were able to retrieve their property on scene and did not desire prosecution. Suspect, Uriel Suarez Cruz, 28-years-old, was found to have an outstanding warrant out of Orange County for receiving stolen property and was arrested. A second suspect, Jesus Alberto Ramirez Mendoza, 25-years-old, was booked for grand theft and transported to the Santa Monica Jail. Two additional victims were located at a later time and also declined to prosecute the suspects for the theft once their personal items had been returned.

CVRA

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"The reality is the court rejected arguments made by both the city and the plaintiffs and remanded the case back to the appellate panel with a clarifying set of ground rules. The plaintiffs now have to prove the existence of both voter dilution and racially polarized voting, the city only has to prove one of those two are absent in our current voting system," said former mayor Ted Winterer.

"And that decision will then be made by a panel of judges, which showed no love for the plaintiffs in their first hearing. So you should have every reason to be optimistic about prevailing with the appellate panel and therefore should not settle this lawsuit. Ask yourselves why are the plaintiffs so eager to set off unless they fear losing a court."

Real estate attorney Tom Larmore agreed.

"The Supreme Court made very clear that the players are required to prove racially polarized voting. The facts show that they cannot prove that, the standard for that is to show that the team of preferred candidates usually lose, but the fact is, they don't," he said.

"Finally, under the California constitution, city council does not have the authority to switch over from at-large voting to a district system without a vote of the people. So the idea of trying to settle this case and lose a district based system on our city would be in violation of the California constitution."

Some residents said they did support the law but said it didn't apply here.

"I really support the CVRA, but I feel that Santa Monica is a different entity. So the last time that the city council had the opportunity to discuss the CVRA lawsuit was at the May 9 city council meeting prior to when arguments on the case were heard at the California Supreme Court," Nicole Ferris, television producer said.

"Now the Supreme Court has issued its opinion, it is up to the council to decide what the city's next steps are. I urge the city council to stay the course and allow the case to be reheard by the Court of Appeals … It is up to the Santa Monica City Council to ensure that the totality of the facts and circumstances of the city's current at-large voting system are carefully examined by the Court of Appeal."

Residents who argued the case should be settled said the city has already spent too much money fighting the case, that a City victory would undermine the CVRA's voter protections across the entire state and that the current system was unfair.

"I couldn't disagree more with Ted Winterer. I live in the Pico neighborhood and I'm a historian, I know how the Pico neighborhood has been marginalized for years from this at-large electoral system that we've had for decades," said Brian O'Neil, history professor.

"This is about voting rights … I know for a fact that the residents of the Pico neighborhood have been marginalized because of this system. For generations, even recently, it's been made clear that we didn't have direct representation on this council. This is not democracy, this is not what the Voting Rights Act is supposed to protect. We need some sort of reform system, the at-large system does not work."

Richard Polanco, the former state senator who wrote the CVRA came to the meeting to defend the law.

"Over 125 cities, over 200 school districts [in California] have profoundly increased the representation of minority Latinos, Asian Americans, African Americans, elected to local offices. I have watched with bewilderment as the City of Santa Monica has paid millions of dollars to a Republican law firm to attack the California Voting Rights Act and the voting rights of minorities, not just in your city, but throughout the state of California. The implications go beyond the city," he said.

"The Supreme Court of California ruled very clearly that the California Voting Rights Act was in fact constitutional. We see at the federal level the US Supreme Court, we see Republican states continuing to whittle away, to disenfranchise, ethnic minority communities that are protected by the Constitution. The continuation of this litigation jeopardizes the California Voting Rights Act."

Plaintiff Maria Loya said the neighborhood has lacked representation for decades.

"I have been in Santa Monica for close to 25 years and I've experienced the marginalization that the lack of political representation has done to the Pico neighborhood," she said. "In fact, for 75 years the Pico neighborhood has gone without representation in city government which has led to the marginalization of the residents and it has created the Pico neighborhood as a dumping ground."

Council discussed the case in closed session but there was no action taken and no trial date has been set to re-hear the case.

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With Hollywood on strike, Biden leans on Broadway stars in his hunt for 2024 campaign cash

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Associated Press

President Joe Biden's reelection campaign is getting some big-name fundraising help Monday from Broadway's top stars.

With members of the Writers Guild of America and actors from SAG-AFTRA on strike, Biden is avoiding Hollywood for now and turning to the theater, with Sara Bareilles, Lin-Manuel Miranda and Ben Platt among those scheduled to appear at a fundraising concert on behalf of the president.

Theatrical work in the U.S. is overseen and contracted by the Actors' Equity Association, whose some 51,000 American actors and stage managers remain on the job.

Both Biden and first lady Jill Biden will attend the event, with tickets ranging from $250 to $7,500. Biden will also take part in another private fundraiser in Manhattan on Monday.

Biden, who is set to address the U.N. General Assembly on Tuesday, arrived in New York on Sunday evening so he could squeeze in the fundraisers as the end of the quarter for federal election reporting on fundraising nears. The early arrival also allowed him to attend a birthday celebration for one of his grandchildren at a swanky downtown restaurant.

Writers have been on strike for 4 1/2 months over issues including pay, job security and regulating the use of artificial intelligence. SAG-AFTRA members went on strike on July 14.

Southern California, the home of extraordinary wealth and the engine of the film and television industry, has historically served as an ATM for the Democratic Party.

Since at least Bill Clinton, Democratic presidents have cultivated intimate ties with powerful figures in the Hollywood entertainment industry. Biden himself raised roughly $1 million during an early 2020 campaign fundraiser at the home of Michael Smith and James Costos, a former HBO executive. That event was attended by former DreamWorks co-founder Jeffrey Katzenberg, now a Biden campaign co-chair.

The ongoing actors and writers strike has ground that to a halt. At least for now.

Biden is the most vocally pro-union president in decades, and is mindful of staying on the right side of labor, a key constituency. As long as the strike goes on, he has been advised by Katzenberg to steer clear, according to three people with direct knowledge of the guidance who insisted on anonymity to discuss internal planning details.

Biden has kept a tepid fundraising schedule since announcing he reelection campaign in April, worrying some donors who believe the president needs to start stockpiling massive amounts of cash now for the brutal campaign that lies ahead. Still, campaign officials say they are raising plenty of money during big-dollar events -- just not anywhere near Los Angeles.

> "You're running a risk. Raising money at a hotel, or somebody's home in LA, enlists the possibility you could have demonstrators outside. That would make the whole thing look negative
>
> - Mickey Kantor

"Joe Biden is the most pro-labor president that I can recall in my lifetime. He is true to his word on that," said Chris Korge, who serves a dual role as finance chairman of the Democratic National Committee, as well as the Biden Victory Fund, the chief fundraising committee for Biden's reelection. "The president will decide when is the right time to go, but it's not impacting our fundraising ability at all."

Some Biden allies worry that time is wasting. And they note Biden could still raise money from southern California donors who are not affiliated with the entertainment industry.

Even that could prove perilous. The potential of a picket line forming outside the gates of a multimillion-dollar home would present made-for-TV fodder that would only serve to underscore the reality that even a pro-labor president must raise cash from wealthy tycoons who have far more in common with Hollywood studio heads than rank-and-file union members. Add to that the fact that Katzenberg is himself a former studio head, and is still viewed by many as an extension of the Hollywood aristocracy.

"You're running a risk. Raising money at

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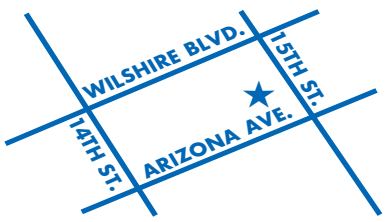
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Fuhrer said. "I feel like we're doing them a disservice if we don't talk to them about the dangers ... I don't think we want to get rid of technology out here. We don't want to get rid of the access to important resources. But we have to be safe online."

Storm provided two separate presentations, one for 3rd and 4th-grade students, and a separate session for 5th-graders. A Los Angeles-based digital media wellness educator, Storm launched her organization ReConnect as a way to educate parents and students alike on "how to live healthy lives in the digital age."

The sessions gave students the opportunity to have conversations about bigger themes such as online-offline balance, along with smaller sub-themes such as how social media feeds use notifications to increase screen time. Lessons typically reserved for teenagers are also crucial for younger device users, Storm noted.

"It's this really kind of sweet spot where they're starting to have the experiences online, but they're still open to learning the lessons that will keep them safe," Storm said. "If you wait until they're teenagers, they don't really want to hear it from you, they think they have the answers. It's a lot more important for them to fit in than to take care of their digital well-being."

Storm walked students through text etiquette, and how emoji usage can change the meaning of a sentence. She used the example of someone texting 'I just fell down the stairs!' in three different contexts: One without an emoji that signified discomfort, one with a laughing emoji that showed the sender was okay and laughing about the situation, and the same sentence with a frown and ambulance emoji that meant the sender was going to the hospital.

Another tenet of text etiquette is the 'invisible audience,' or those that aren't the intended recipient of a message that see it anyways. This could be other friends, family members or co-workers. Because of the 'invisible audience,' Storm suggests thinking before texting or posting, as it leads to shaping one's reputation in a potentially negative way.

The wellness educator also visited with Grant parents earlier this year, stating that it is a tough time for parents to manage both the drama and distraction that technology can bring to kids' lives.

"We need each other," Storm said. "Parents need the support of schools, and schools really need the support of parents. We all need to figure this out together, get educated; and learn how to guide, mentor, and be allies to our kids in the digital age. Not just always fighting and putting down roadblocks."

Fuhrer, a former education technology teacher in his own right, agreed that the partnership was important. Grant currently ties media wellness topics into school standards and goals, creating a system to shield students from online predatory tactics and indecent exposure.

"Who's to say what's appropriate or not, but we can all agree that there's at least a baseline standard of what children shouldn't be seeing," the principal said.

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Photo by Thomas Leffler

TEACHING TECHNOLOGY: Digital media wellness educator Julia Storm speaks to 3rd and 4th-grade students during a Sept. 13 assembly.

FOOD

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Franchise Association CEO Matt Haller said in a statement.

Haller's statement hints that on balance, it appears that given the circumstances, the fast food industry's big players, such as McDonald's, came out ahead, although their franchisees will feel whatever financial pinch ensues.

The $20 minimum wage is only slightly over what, on average, fast food workers are being paid now, the industry having boosted wages sharply in the last few years in an effort to fully staff the outlets. Current California fast food wages average $19 an hour.

More significantly, the agreement protects the franchise system's assumption that the operators of fast food outlets are independent businesspersons who invest their money and are fundamentally responsible for hiring, training, paying and sometimes firing their workers.

Had state regulation of fast food wages and working conditions survived as originally proposed, with franchisees indirectly considered to be merely branch managers rather than entrepreneurs, it could have undermined franchising in other consumer industries.

Union leaders much prefer to deal with large scale sectors rather than individual employers in both organizing workers and negotiating contracts. The recently ratified labor contract affecting every West Coast port is an example of sector-wide negotiations, as is the current standoff over a new auto industry contract.

Cracking the fast food franchise system would have been a big step in that direction.

This article was originally published by CalMatters.

COMMUNITY NEWS

SMC

SMC Barrett Gallery Hosts Gallery Reception Sept. 30 for Chris Badger's "Ideas Without Edges – Patterns/Loops/Quasicrystals/and Other Infinites" Exhibition

The Santa Monica College (SMC) Pete & Susan Barrett Art Gallery is pleased to present "Ideas Without Edges – Patterns/Loops/Quasicrystals/and Other Infinites," an exhibition of works by artist Chris Badger.

The exhibition will be open to the public through Dec. 15, with a free gallery reception on Saturday, Sept. 30, from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. The SMC Pete & Susan Barrett Gallery is located at the SMC Performing Arts Center, 1310 11th Street (at Santa Monica Boulevard), Santa Monica. Entry is through the Performing Arts Center's courtyard.

The artworks on exhibit are Badger's own responses to Chemical Painting, Computational Choreography, Psychological Color Theory, Sculpture as a Model of Physical Phenomena, Mathematical Composition of the Picture Plane, all assignments and prompts he gives to his students in his SMC courses on design, digital media, contemporary art, and creative coding. The works are curriculum and serve as demonstrations of how the study of art and design can open onto a wide array of other fields, including mathematics and the physical sciences.

An SMC professor of art and design since 2015, Badger has also taught special seminars at Otis College of Art and Design covering topics such as Systems Thinking, Speculative and Esoteric Music, SUPEREXUBERANCE, Omni-Dimensional Phenomena, and Wilderness as Myth and Metaphor. His art has been exhibited at Jessica Silverman Gallery, Various Small Fires, The Wattis Institute for Contemporary Arts, The Detroit Museum of Art, and other galleries in the United States and Europe.

More information is available by visiting smc.edu/barrett.

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SMC

Santa Monica College to Hold Four Glass Pumpkin Sales

Santa Monica College will hold four special fundraising Glass Pumpkin Sales this fall.

The first SMC Glass Pumpkin Sale will be held Saturday, Sept. 30, from 8 a.m. to 3 p.m., along with the Mini Fall Festival at Virginia Avenue Park, located at 2200 Virginia Avenue, Santa Monica. Proceeds from this sale will benefit the SMC Art Department and the Santa Monica Public Library Pico Branch.

The second SMC Glass Pumpkin Sale will be held Sunday, Oct. 8, from 10 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Palisades-Malibu YMCA's Simon Meadow at Temescal Gateway Park, located at 15601 Sunset Blvd. (corner of Temescal and Sunset), Pacific Palisades. Proceeds from the sale will benefit the SMC Art Department, the Palisades-Malibu YMCA, and local artists.

The third and fourth SMC Glass Pumpkin Sales will be held on two Thursdays, Oct. 12 and Oct. 26, from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. in the Core Performance Center (CPC) Courtyard, adjacent to the SMC Quad on the main SMC Campus (1900 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica). Proceeds from the sales will benefit the SMC Art Department.

The SMC Glass Pumpkin Sales offer a wonderful opportunity to buy handcrafted glass pumpkins in a variety of colors, styles, and sizes. Each pumpkin is a truly unique work of art that can enhance fall-season home and office decor, as well as satisfy holiday, anniversary, birthday, and other year-round gift needs.

The Mini Fall Festival — sponsored by the City of Santa Monica, Virginia Avenue Park, Santa Monica Public Library, Santa Monica Farmers Markets, and Santa Monica College — offers fresh fruits, vegetables, and prepared foods, as well as a craft workshop for children of all ages and a pumpkin giveaway (one per family, while supplies last).

Palisades-Malibu YMCA, established in 1844, is a community-focused nonprofit offering recreational programs and family-friendly activities for all ages.

More information about SMC's Glass Pumpkin Sales is available by sending email to Bromberg_Terri@smc.edu with "Glass Pumpkins" in the Subject line. More information about the Mini Fall Festival is available by visiting smgov.net/vap or calling 310-458-8688. More information about Palisades-Malibu YMCA is available at ymcala.org/locations/palisades-malibu-ymca.

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CAMPAIGN

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a hotel, or somebody's home in LA, enlists the possibility you could have demonstrators outside. That would make the whole thing look negative," said Mickey Kantor, a former U.S. commerce secretary who served as chairman of Clinton's 1992 campaign. "It's probably the only decision (Biden) could make. Why would you make a controversy you don't need to?"

Biden and the DNC raised more than $72 million for his reelection in the 10 weeks after he announced his 2024 candidacy, his campaign announced in July. It was a strong but not a record performance by an incumbent.

Former President Donald Trump 's campaign raised more than $35 million for his White House bid during the second fundraising quarter, nearly double what he raised during the first three months of the year. Trump remains the GOP front-runner despite facing indictments in four different jurisdictions.

Others set to perform at Monday's Broadway fundraiser include Annaleigh Ashford, Alex Edelman, Josh Gad, Christopher Jackson, LaChanze, Ruthie Ann Miles, Leslie Odom Jr., Andrew Rannells, Aaron Tveit and Betsy Wolfe.

Thomas Kail will direct, with music supervision by Alex Lacamoire. Additional contributors for the event include Andy Blankenbuehler, Benj Pasek and Justin Paul, and Amanda Green.

Biden will turn his attention to diplomacy on Tuesday and Wednesday at the annual gathering of world leaders at the U.N. After his Wednesday diplomatic engagements, Biden will squeeze in two more fundraisers in New York before returning to Washington.

Slodysko reported from Washington.

BUDGET

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questions from councilmembers, Batista said the department has the money it requires for this year, but he is looking to improve the department's situation, both in terms of officers and resources, in the future.

Batista said the department is utilizing technology that doesn't cost hundreds of thousands of dollars, such as more advanced security cameras, as a way to increase efficiency and free up human officers to respond to more serious incidents.

However, the department does have some big ticket items on its wishlist including establishing a new Crime Information Center that would help analyze information to determine more efficient uses of police time.

"With this grant money Santa Monica PD has an opportunity to establish a truly advanced real-time crime center that can make a significant difference in the safety of our residents, businesses, and visitors," Batista told the *Daily Press*.

"Working only within the confines of the small percentage of our budget that can be spent on equipment and software, we would never have the resources to build a technology-based hub of this caliber. With the additional funding we will be able to meaningfully deploy our contingent of hard-working officers by aggregating crime data, synthesizing it, and communicating it in a timely manner."

This new funding, authorized by Governor Gavin Newsom, will further the establishment of the Santa Monica Analytical Real-Time Center, or SMART Center, which will bring together technology and support staff to synthesize and interpret real-time data to strategically allocate police resources to address crime throughout the city.



SMDP photo

POLICE: Despite serious crime rates rising, most response times are falling and the number of 911 calls are down.

According to SMPD, the center will help aggregate data and coordinate police response by using existing and coming technology including:

- Closed-circuit television cameras and a video management system
- Automated license plate readers, both mobile and at fixed locations
- Unmanned aircraft systems that can respond to incidents quickly and start collecting information for officers
- Live911, a program that allows officers to hear 911 calls as they are being received

Santa Monica police officers are making more arrests this year, but according to recent information presented to City Council, the rate of serious crime has now returned to pre-pandemic levels. Moreover, after years of being understaffed, the department is making progress towards hiring enough officers to actually fill its ranks

"Our new ceiling, thanks to Measure CS, is 228. We're currently in line to bring on about seven new officers and that'll take us to about 221, but due to the number of retirements that we can forecast, I think that we'll be down to about 215 by about the beginning of the year," Batista said.

"Promoting a clean and safe Santa Monica is a top priority to support the safety and wellbeing of all who live, work and visit our great city," City Manager David White said. "I commend the police department for the work they've already done securing this grant and look forward to seeing the tangible impacts of this funding and future strategic initiatives."

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Sept. 19)

You understand trends and market demands and will bank on this ability. Loved ones make you proud, and you'll often be reminded how the union you cultivate contributes to the brighter and more promising aspects of society. More highlights: A special connection with animals, and a training followed by a new income source. Gemini and Pisces adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 10, 4, 40, 6 and 28.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You are naturally drawn to the things that broaden your knowledge of the world and deepen the world's knowledge of you. In the weeks to come, you'll be loving, exploring, reading and writing based on something you investigate today.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The primary aim of sleepwalkers is to repeat the pattern thoughtlessly. Don't be lulled into the drone. Stay awake and aware. If you seize opportunities, you'll be given more. If you decline them, you'll be given fewer.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Words present options; action makes things happen. The words will open the curtain on a new arena. Nothing will happen there until you make your first move. You'll be surprised and delighted how others counter it.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The way you're going at a task is working to some extent, but not to the extent you would like. If you try harder, the returns will not be commensurate with your effort. Switch tracks. You'll find better, cheaper, faster methods.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). While sorting the problem out, it will go better for you if you don't stop to judge, teach or preach. People are only doing what comes naturally given the circumstances. The better you understand, the faster you'll solve this one.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). At the start of an endeavor, you don't need skill; you just need courage. The unknown is scary and beginners make mistakes — bravely embrace it. Someone welcoming will make you feel safer.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). To handle problems, you have to have the capacity to see them. This same capacity is the reason you get overwhelmed. Accept that it's all a part of the same gift and you would not be nearly as effective without it.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The dragonfly lives underwater then one day takes flight. Changes that seem miraculous are common, natural and happening to millions the world over. Rest assured, your transformation is underway. It feels strange, but you're not alone in it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll be at your best when you're comfortable. Gravitate toward people who feel easy to be around. Check in with yourself to recognize what doesn't feel quite right. Small adjustments can make a world of difference.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You're too vigilant to believe life should be sheer enjoyment. However, you're open-minded enough to take on the concept as a thought exercise and see how it affects your day. If your sole job and purpose were to do as you please, what then?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You've done a job so long you've become desensitized to certain aspects of it. Alter your perspective through research of new developments, competitors and the like. How does it look when you pretend you're new?

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Go forward even when you "don't feel like it" because feelings are fickle. Once you get into action, they will change. The cost of inaction will be higher than it seems. Make your move.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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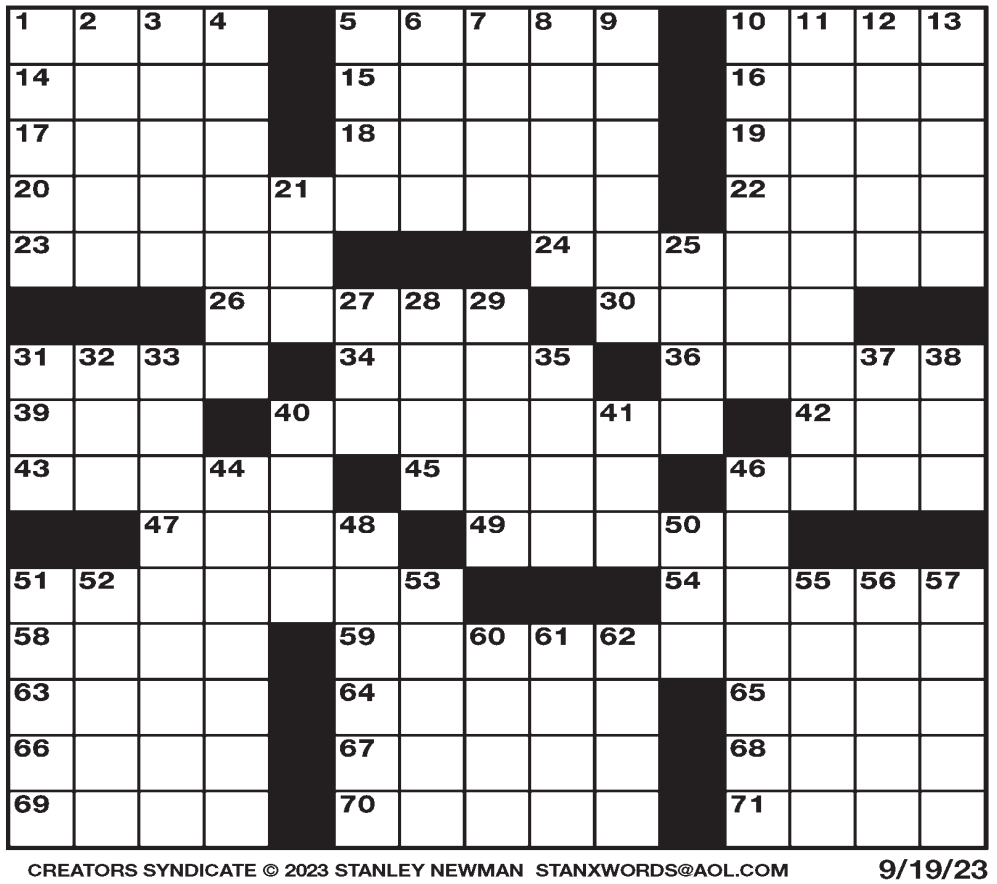
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ACROSS

1 Wine barrel
5 Molar or incisor
10 Natural bandage
14 Vietnam's continent
15 Chicago airport
16 *Othello* villain
17 __ and rave (throw a tantrum)
18 Theater aisle worker
19 Spherical hairstyle
20 Outdoor area for recreation
22 Timid
23 Go into a skid
24 Crosses out
26 Tiny amounts
30 Measure of medicine
31 Office's "package arrived" stamp
34 Centers of hurricanes
36 Program's second airing
39 Bird that hoots
40 Moved on the sly
42 Intense anger
43 Seashore area
45 Blend liquids together
46 Is unable to
47 Chimney dirt
49 Store away secretly
51 Quickly
54 Soup scooper
58 Pub game projectile
59 Where students watch a recital
63 Woodwind instrument
64 Single record's lesser song
65 Land measure
66 Low-quality
67 Make amends
68 Animal with antlers
69 Male cats
70 Greek sandwiches
71 Small whirlpool

DOWN

1 Complains
2 Big __ outdoors (very large)
3 Mountain climbed by Moses
4 Noisy summer insect
5 "Guided" excursion
6 Extremely
7 Honolulu's island
8 Become very popular on social media
9 Rounded up, as cattle
10 Short-haired pedigreed cat
11 Where students have lunch
12 Concur
13 Library's volumes
21 Prefix meaning "world"
25 Tolkien's __ *of the Rings*
27 Smallest two-digit number
28 Sailor's assents
29 Sofas and chairs
31 Steal from
32 Lamb's mom
33 Where a teacher teaches
35 Short comedic sketch
37 Large coffee dispenser
38 Butterfly catcher
40 Sandal or loafer
41 Chapter of history
44 Vehicles at heliports
46 Obvious deception
48 Paper pouch for pekoe
50 __-mo video
51 Get a pet from a shelter
52 Prohibited thing
53 Not brushed off recently
55 Chopped into cubes
56 Enticed
57 Nail file material
60 Fashion designer Christian
61 Digits on a driver's lic.
62 Golfer's pegs

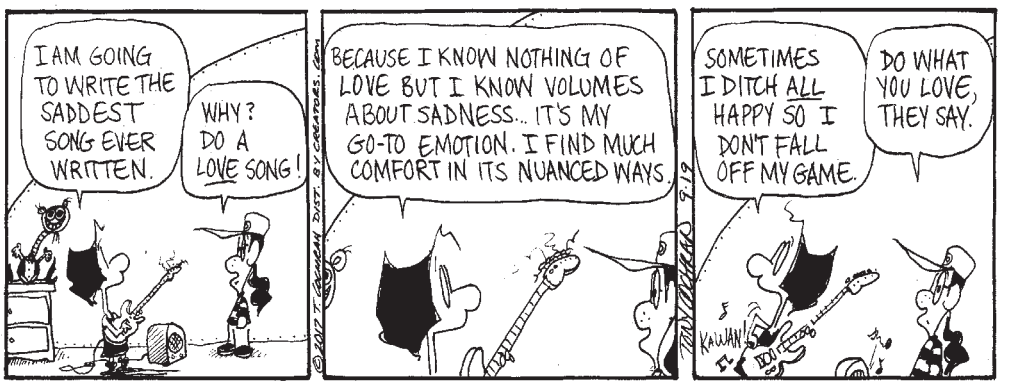


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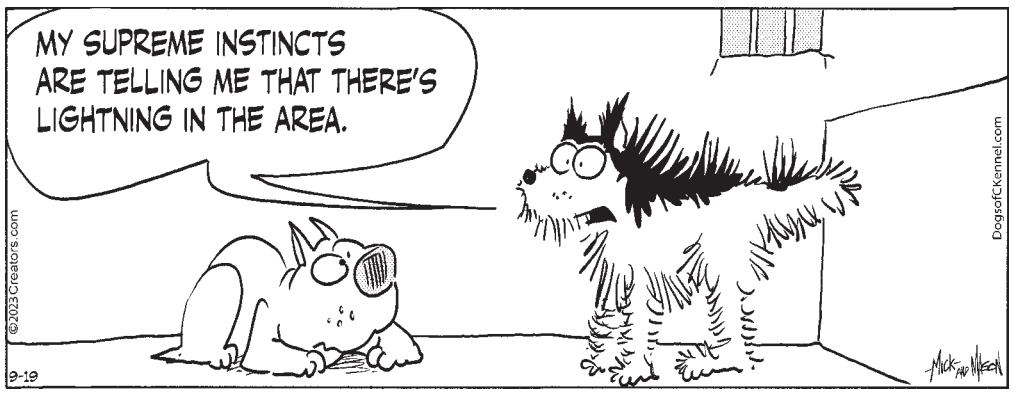
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Dogs of C-Kennel

By MICK & MASON MASTROIANNI & JOHNNY HART



Zack Hill

By JOHN DEERING & JOHN NEWCOMBE



Heathcliff

By PETER GALLAGHER



"BANANA DAIQUIRI SALES CONTINUE TO PLUMMET."

Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING



FIND THE WORDS

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 20 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle. © australianwordgames.com.au 5972

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Action	Cool	Lagoon	Raft
Arundel	Cruise	Lakes	Rent
Band	Dawn	Lunch	Shade
Bays	Disco	Magic	Shops
Bike	Dreamworld	Mermaid	Sunny
Buses	Drinks	Beach	Surf
Cabs	Fishing	Noosa	Swim
Camp	Happy	Ocean	Towels
Casino	Hats	Open	Trips
Catch	Idle	Party	Waterslides
Cavill	Jet ski	Pass	Wind
Avenue	Keno	Picnic	

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TUESDAY | SEPTEMBER 19

MEMORY & AGING: WHAT YOU NEED TO KNOW
Monica Moore, from the Mary S. Easton Center for Alzheimer's Disease Research of UCLA, discusses how the brain changes with age, the latest research on brain health, and practical tips to stay focused and mentally sharp. Santa Monica Public Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. 3 - 4 p.m.

WEDNESDAY | SEPTEMBER 20

COMPUTER CLASS: HOW TO USE ZOOM
Learn how to set up an account, schedule a meeting, upload a virtual background, share your screen, and more. For all levels. Main Library. 601 Santa Monica Blvd. 10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

PLANNING COMMISSION
City Hall, 1685 Main Street, 6 p.m.

THURSDAY | SEPTEMBER 21

LOCALS NIGHT ON THE PIER
Featuring Westside Crew, Mayaztek, Books & Cookies, La Compania, Salsa Way, Bach2Rock, DJ Andy Lorenzo, Westside Dream Car Club and Trombor.

MONTANA AVENUE BRANCH BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP
This community-led, monthly book discussion group currently meets in person. September's selection is Thunderstruck by Erik Larson. Montana Branch Library, 1704 Montana Avenue 6 - 7 p.m.

FRIDAY | SEPTEMBER 22

ANDY & SLIM
Doors open at 8 PM. Show starts at 9:30PM. Online ticket sales end at 7 PM, tics available at the door after 8 PM. SUGARMILL SLIM: 9:30 to 10:45 ANDY VIMAR. 2 drink minimum. Harvelle's Santa Monica 1432 4th St.

SATURDAY | SEPTEMBER 23

A MARINE PARK COMMUNITY GARDEN OPEN HOUSE
Refreshments, including some fresh vegetables and herbs plus seed giveaways and composting tips. 9 - 11 a.m. 1406 Marine Street

EXIT, PURSUED BY A BEAR
In this biting revenge comedy, Nan enlists the help of her best friend, a stripper, and Jimmy Carter to finally free herself by tying her husband to a chair and making him watch the painful re-enactments of their past... before feeding him to a bear. September 23rd at 7:30pm and 24th at 6:00pm. Get tickets https://white-spot-theatre-co.ticketleap.com/exit-pursued-by-a-bear/details. Santa Monica Playhouse: 1211 Fourth St.

FIRST AROUND THE WORLD DAY CELEBRATION AT SANTA MONICA AIRPORT
This family-friendly event features food trucks, aircraft on static display, and a showcase of the future of air mobility. The event is free, but tickets must be obtained through https://www.eventbrite.com/e/santa-monica-airport-open-house-first-around-the-world-day-tickets-697220444117. 2828 Donald Douglas Loop North 10 a.m. - 3 p.m.

SUNDAY | SEPTEMBER 24

AMERICANA IN THE PARK 2023
Bring a picnic, blanket, and beach chairs for this end-of-summer series that explores Americana styles from its roots to modern forms. In addition to two Southern California acts featured at each concert, there will also be food trucks and a McCabe's Guitar Pop-Up Shop. Opener: singer/songwriter Dan Navarro | roots eclectic folk rock with Steve Postell's Night Train Music Club | Food Trucks*: Drizzle Funnel Cakes, Bison Burger, Eagle Rock BBQ. Gandara Park, 1819 Stewart St. 4 - 7 p.m.

MONDAY | SEPTEMBER 25

CITIZENSHIP CLASSES
An ongoing series of citizenship 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. The classes help students complete and submit their U.S. citizenship applications, and prepare them for the official review. Enrollment is through the SMMUSD Adult Education Center (310) 664-6222, ext. 76203 or osaucedo@smmusd.org. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd. 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

BABY TIME!
Introduce your child to story with interactive books, bounces, and more! Free tickets available at 10:15 a.m. For ages 0-17 months. Main Library 601 Santa Monica Blvd. 10:30 - 10:50 a.m.

TUESDAY | SEPTEMBER 26

HISPANIC HERITAGE MONTH MOVIE: HALF BROTHERS
Celebrate Hispanic Heritage Month with a screening of this uplifting comedy about an uptight Mexican businessman forced to take a cross-country road trip with his goofy American half-sibling. Followed by a Q&A with the film's writer Eduardo Cisneros. Runtime: 96 min. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd. 5 p.m.

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SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **64.8**

TUESDAY *FAIR*	**SURF:**	2-3ft+ Thigh to stomach	New SSW swell fills in further, mixing with some lingering SSW swell leftovers. Fun on the tide push in the morning but maybe a little lully between the bigger sets. Early window looking clean at this point.
WEDNESDAY *FAIR*	**SURF:**	3-4ft Waist to chest	Modest to fun morning tide push as new SSW swell tops out. Should be just enough NW energy for a few corners at the beachbreaks west of Dume.

WEATHER

Tuesday: Patchy drizzle and fog before 11am. Mostly sunny, with a high near 72.
Tuesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 61. West wind 5 to 10 mph.
Wednesday: Partly sunny, with a high near 68. Southeast wind 5 to 10 mph.
Wednesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 59.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2023/09/19	Tue	12:04 AM	3.89	H
2023/09/19	Tue	05:23 AM	1.93	L
2023/09/19	Tue	11:51 AM	5.30	H
2023/09/19	Tue	6:58 PM	1.06	L
2023/09/20	Wed	01:03 AM	3.35	H
2023/09/20	Wed	05:39 AM	2.35	L
2023/09/20	Wed	12:26 PM	5.24	H
2023/09/20	Wed	8:08 PM	1.12	L
2023/09/21	Thu	02:48 AM	2.92	H
2023/09/21	Thu	05:47 AM	2.74	L
2023/09/21	Thu	1:16 PM	5.13	H
2023/09/21	Thu	9:53 PM	1.00	L
2023/09/22	Fri	2:39 PM	5.04	H
2023/09/22	Fri	11:25 PM	0.59	L
2023/09/23	Sat	4:24 PM	5.19	H
2023/09/24	Sun	12:26 AM	0.10	L
2023/09/24	Sun	07:38 AM	3.85	H
2023/09/24	Sun	11:41 AM	3.13	L

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Draw Date: 9/16
8 11 19 24 46
Power#: 5
Jackpot: 638 M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 9/15
5 13 29 50 53
Mega#: 25
Jackpot: 183 M

SuperLotto Plus
Draw Date: 9/16
7 18 34 36 47
Mega#: 23
Jackpot: 10 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 9/17
8 18 30 37 38

Daily 3
Draw Date: 9/17
EVENING: 4 1 0

Draw Date: 9/17
MIDDAY: 0 5 3

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 9/17
1st: 01 - Gold Rush
2nd: 04 - Big Ben
3rd: 12 - Lucky Charms
Race Time: 1:46.91

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