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Hundreds strike for the climate in Santa Monica



Madeleine Pauker

PROTEST: Students from local schools walked out Friday to demand action to fight global climate change.

MADELEINE PAUKER
Daily Press Staff Writer

Hundreds of people marched through Downtown Santa Monica Friday morning, joining millions around the world who left work and school to call for government action on climate change at the urging of Swedish activist Greta Thunberg.

Protesters rallied along Ocean Front Walk, in Palisades Park and in front of Santa Monica City Hall to demand that elected officials facilitate a transition to renewable energy and halt the use of fossil fuels, carrying signs that read "There is no planet B" and "We'd be at school if the earth was cool."

"We have to move toward total decarbonization, which of course means an entire restructuring of how the system works," said Barrett Stuart, a film producer from Marina Del Rey. "It won't be easy

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23 states sue Trump to keep California's auto emission rules

BY ADAM BEAM
Associated Press

California sued Friday to stop the Trump administration from revoking its authority to set greenhouse gas emission and fuel economy standards for cars and trucks, enlisting help from 22 other states in a battle that will shape a key component of the nation's climate policy.

Federal law sets standards for how much pollution can come from cars and trucks. But since the 1970s, California has been permitted to set tougher rules because it has the most cars and struggles to meet air quality standards. On Thursday, the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration withdrew California's waiver.

The NHTSA action does not take effect for 60 days, but state leaders did not wait to file a lawsuit. Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom, who has clashed with President Donald Trump on several fronts, vowed the state "will hold the line in court to defend our children's health, save consumers money at the pump and protect our environment."

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Replica gun triggers early morning standoff

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

A multi-hour standoff ended early Friday morning with a suspect arrested by the Santa Monica Police Department's K9 unit.

The incident began at about 1:30 a.m. when SMPD received a call of a man creating a disturbance in the alleyway on the 1800 block of Santa Monica Blvd.

When officers arrived, they heard a noise in the alley and saw a man with a flashlight who directed the light at the officers. The officer saw the outline of a rifle and backed away while ordering the suspect to drop the gun.

"We made contact and (the suspect) said 'I have guns' so it was unclear if he had more weapons," said Lt. Saul Rodriguez.

The suspect ignored the instructions and barricaded himself behind the dumpsters in the alley. Santa Monica's SWAT team responded to the situation as did trained negotiators.

After several hours, the suspect dropped the gun and tried to leave the area on foot. He continued to ignore police commands and officers deployed a K9 unit to subdue him at about 6 a.m.

"After about four and a half hours, the individual was talked into putting the rifle down and starts walking away," said Lt. Saul Rodriguez. "We believe he is still armed, the K9 was deployed, he was apprehended and taken in by

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Saturday, September 21

Meet Me at Reed

Santa Monica's summer outdoor cultural and recreational program is expanding into fall with free Saturday events throughout September and October. Bring picnic blankets, lawn chairs, food and enjoy a day at the park. To view the series lineup, please visit www.santamonica.gov/meetmeatreed. 3 - 5 p.m.

Material Mindfulness

Plastic pollution is one of the most crucial environmental problems we face today. It is considered a global health crisis. Zero Waste Wizard Miles Lewis enlightens us on the effect plastic has on the health and wellbeing of humans and the planet, what we can do to decrease our use and consumption of plastic, and an explanation of alternative resources. Main Library, 2 - 3 p.m.

Walking Sticks and Magical Staffs with Mimi Haddon

Using wood, paint, fabric and fiber, create a staff that inspires a story, then spend some time writing that story down. With a survey of the significance of wands, staffs, and symbols of office, power, direction and divination, we'll consider the symbology and practicality of extensions of our bodies and how accessories create narrative. Free. Register online at https://www.eventbrite.com/e/walking-sticks-and-magical-staffs-with-mimi-haddon-tickets-60644895515 or call (310) 458-2239. 1 - 3 p.m.

The Seed Library: Seed Starting 101

Teague Weybright of the Santa Monica Community Gardens and our branch's resident green thumb Shirley Vernale teach you the fundamentals of starting your autumn seeds. Fairview Branch Library, 11 a.m.

Floating Fitness Class

Floating Fitness Class 8 - 9 a.m. High-intensity workout on a floating platform. Annenberg Community Beach House. https://www.annenbergbeachhouse.com/activities/calendar.aspx

Sunday, September 22

Dolci Duo: Oboe and Piano Music of Our Place and Time

The duo of Ted Rust and Viva Knight performs music for oboe and piano, with particular focus on music composed during their own lives. The program includes works by Bruce Babcock, Jenni Brandon, Bill Douglas, Terry Riley, and John Steinmetz, most of whom live in the greater Los Angeles area and all in the western United States. Main Library, 3 - 4 p.m.

Adventures in Poetry with Dinah Berland

Taking pen to paper in the service of poetry can be an invitation to adventure - whether that means discovering new ways to use language or diving into unexplored depths of memory. If you're lucky, you may find something in the making that will surprise and delight you or even set you free. Drop-in $20, 2 - 4 p.m. Register online at https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search/72963

Monday, September 23

Airport Commission Meeting

The Santa Monica Airport Commission meets the 4th Monday of each Month at 7 p.m. in the City Hall Council Chambers

Children's Author Event: The Artist Who Loved Cats by Susan S. Bernardo

Join us as author Susan S. Bernardo reads from her picture book "The Artist Who Loved Cats: The Inspiring Tale of Theophile Steinlen," a biography of the artist who created the iconic Le Chat Noir cabaret posters. Illustrator Courtenay Fletcher will guide children in a craft during this pajama story time and celebration of art and inspiration. For families. Fairview Branch Library, 6:30 - 7:15 p.m.

Get Started with 3D Printing

Learn the basics of 3D printing and design by completing a guided project during this 90 minute class. To register, email ideashappen@smgov.net. Main Library, 5 - 6:30 p.m.

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

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide

Eco Star Awards Celebration to Honor Leaders

On Wednesday evening, September 25, Sustainable Works, a local nonprofit environmental organization, will honor three local leaders as Eco Stars for making valuable contributions to sustainability in our communities. The Eco Stars Celebration will take place at Capital One Café in Santa Monica. This year's Eco Star honorees are:

Julia Jaye Posin, co-founder of Steel Straws, a social good company with the mission of reducing single-use plastics and organizing environment-focused community events;

Mike Sullivan, owner of LAcarGUY, a family of 11 dealerships, recognized for 20 years of dedication to environmental stewardship and community involvement; and

Sony Pictures A Greener World empowers its worldwide workforce to lower their footprints at home and at work by offering programs that encourage companywide participation in sustainable living.

The September 25 event will be hosted by Capital One Café and will include, in addition to the Eco Star Awards presentation, organic food and beverages. The leading event sponsors which are critical for this fundraising event are Southern California Edison, HBO, Sony Pictures and LAcarGUY. Santa Monica Travel & Tourism, Bird Rides Inc, Shore Hotel, Cedars-Sinai and JW Marriott Santa Monica Le Merigot.

Tickets are available online at https://sustainableworks.networkforgood.com/events/13484-sustainable-works-2019-eco-star-awards. Sponsorships are also appreciated to further the important work of Sustainable Works. For information on all of the organization's programs, please visit sustainableworks.org.

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Downtown

No Longer Forgotten: The Groags, Transplants of Viennese Modernism

Santa Monica Public Library will present No Longer Forgotten: The Groags, Transplants of Viennese Modernism in the Martin Luther King, Jr. Auditorium at 2 p.m. on Sept. 28 in the Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd

Join the Society of Architectural Historians, Southern California Chapter (SAH/SCC), publisher Carrie Paterson, and architecture professor Dr. Laura McGuire for a look at the work of Jacques and Jacqueline Groag, two pillars of Modern architecture who were nearly lost to history.

Jacques and Jacqueline Groag were notable in their fields before the Nazi Anschluss of Austria. The Groag couple fled their native Czechoslovakia to Britain when the Nazis invaded Prague in 1939. Bringing their unique aesthetics to Britain, they were critical participants in the Modern revolution in that country post-war. With many of their works buried in time, no longer extant, or split among five different countries, it took Viennese design scholar Ursula Prokop ten years to trace the important roles they played in the Second "Wiener Moderne".

McGuire specializes in early- and mid-century architecture and design history. She was a Fulbright Scholar in 2009 and a Richard Plaschka grantee from 2011-13 in Austria. She has spent the last decade working on projects that reflect on Vienna's unique cultural contributions through immigrant and exiled cultural figures. Paterson is a Los Angeles-based author, editor, and publisher at DoppelHouse Press, which released the Groag book in English in July 2019.

This program is free and open to the public. Seating is limited and on a first arrival basis. For more information, call the Santa Monica Public Library at (310) 458-8600 or visit smpl.org. The Santa Monica Public Library is wheelchair-accessible. For disability-related accommodations, call Library Administration (310) 458-8606 one week prior to the event. Big Blue Bus routes 1, R10 and 18, directly serve the Main Library. The Expo Line and other bus routes stop nearby. Ride your bike. Bicycle parking racks are available at the library.

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CITY OF SANTA MONICA
NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT FOR 2018 PROGRAM YEAR

Notice is hereby given that the City of Santa Monica has developed the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the 2018 Program Year. The CAPER is submitted annually to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and provides a status report on how the City's Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME grant funded projects and activities are meeting the City's overall housing and community development needs as specified in the 2015-19 Consolidated Plan and the 2018-19 Action Plan adopted by City Council in May 2018 and submitted to HUD. The City is seeking community comments on this report.

The CAPER is now available to the public for a 15-day community review period ending on September 25, 2019. Copies are available at City Hall (Room 212) and on the web at www.smgov.net/hsd, or you may contact the Human Services Division, 1685 Main Street, Room 212, Santa Monica, CA 90401, telephone (310) 458-8701; TDD (310) 458-8696. Please send your written comments to Claire Hester at the above address or via email at humanservices@smgov.net by September 25, 2019.

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SAN FRANCISCO

Trump to try again with 9th Circuit Court of Appeals nominee

President Donald J. Trump is trying again to nominate a former adviser to then-Attorney General Jeff Sessions to the U.S. Ninth Circuit Court of Appeals.

The White House on Friday announced Trump would nominate Patrick J. Bumatay, an assistant U.S. attorney in the Southern District of California, to the busy appeals court headquartered in San Francisco.

The Sacramento Bee reports that Trump nominated Bumatay in October, which prompted U.S. Sen. Dianne Feinstein of California to issue a statement complaining Bumatay had "no judicial experience."

Feinstein is the senior Democrat on the committee that confirms judicial nominees.

The Senate did not take up the nomination and it expired.

Trump also wants on the appeals court Lawrence VanDyke, a deputy assistant attorney general at the Department of Justice.

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Facebook says it has suspended 'tens of thousands' of apps

Facebook says it has suspended tens of thousands of apps made by about 400 developers as part of an investigation following the Cambridge Analytica scandal.

Starting in March 2018, Facebook started looking into the apps that have access to its users' data. The probe came after revelations that data mining firm Cambridge Analytica used ill-gotten data from millions of Facebook users through an app, then used the data to try to influence U.S. elections.

It led to a massive fallout for Facebook that included CEO Mark Zuckerberg testifying before Congress. The company is still trying to recover its reputation.

Facebook said Friday its investigation is ongoing and it has looked at millions of apps so far.

It says it banned a few apps completely and has filed lawsuits against some.

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LONG BEACH

Suspect in Southern California robberies shot by police

Police say a suspect in a series of Southern California armed robberies was fatally shot when detectives interrupted another heist.

The Long Beach Police Department says detectives were watching a car linked to the robberies late Thursday when a man got out and entered a business.

The department says the detectives followed and gave multiple orders for the man to drop his gun but he failed to comply.

The detectives attempted life-saving measures but firefighters pronounced the man dead. He was not immediately identified.

Another man who was in the car was taken into custody.

The detectives and three people inside the business were unharmed.

The crime series included six robberies this month in Long Beach and others outside the city.

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SACRAMENTO

California unemployment rate held steady at 4.1% in August

California's unemployment rate held steady at the record low of 4.1% in August as the state's period of job gains reached 114 months, exceeding the expansion of the 1960s.

The California Employment Development Department says Friday the state's employers added 34,500 nonfarm payroll jobs last month.

The rate also was 4.1% in July, when California tied the old job expansion record of 113 months. The record low rate was first set from July through December 2018.

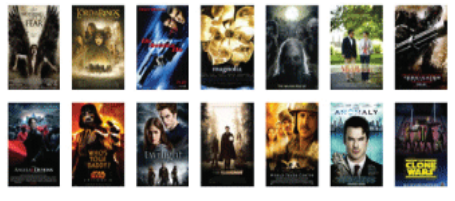
The department says California has added an average of 29,200 jobs per month over the 114-month expansion since the Great Recession. That exceeds the 8,000 to 9,000 new jobs needed monthly to keep up with growth of the labor force.

The department says the expansion has been broad-based with gains across multiple industries.

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Short-term Rentals: A Tale of Two Cities

It was the best of times, it was the worst of times. A true story in two acts.

Act One: Around 8 p.m. after a recent neighborhood meeting. An elderly woman (let's call her Sarah) comes forward to share her story. She says she owns a three bedroom, ranch style house north of Wilshire:

"This city is killing me," she says in strained tones. "I used to rent my house a few weeks a year to some nice families, then go and stay with my son in Sacramento. That would help me pay the bills as it's so expensive to live here. Now, because I can't set up to do "home sharing" where I would stay on a separate floor, I have to sell. How does that help solve the housing crisis?"

Act Two: Around 1 a.m on the eve of the September 10th meeting of the Santa Monica City Council. A woman (let's call her Nancy) comes forward to protest a new stricter ordinance.

"I'm an AirBnb "Superhost" with over 600 five star reviews." She explains. "I have 2 bedrooms that I host as a bed & breakfast… I rent those rooms out to different people. Your new rules will cut my income in half."

The Council asks a couple of questions, is sympathetic to Nancy's B&B and agrees on the spot to amend the ordinance and allow up to two groups to be booked at a time in the 2 bedroom unit.

Nancy, the AirBnB Superhost, walks away happy. But Sarah, the elderly home owner struggling to make ends meet, feels forced to sell up and leave Santa Monica.

What's behind these different outcomes? The elderly woman only feels able to rent her home empty, rather than be present in the home on the few weeks a year she would rent to paying guests. But the City has said empty home rentals are illegal. By contrast, the AirBnb Superhost mentioned that she was a widow, her children were grown and had moved out. Those facts combined with the layout of her home and her own comfort being in the house with strangers has enabled her to turn her home into a successful, 600+ reviewed, busy Bed and Breakfast operation, fully supported by the City.

Let's step back for a moment to look at the City Council's stated objectives with regards to neighborhoods. They are to:

Preserve the quality, character & charm

Preserve quietude, cultural, ethnic & economic diversity

Value cohesiveness

Limit density of structures, people and traffic, except where needed to alleviate the housing crisis, especially low income housing

Their guiding principal, as stated by Code Enforcement in their September 10th memo to the Council, is:

"…to strike a balance: allowing residents to supplement their income through home-sharing and providing home-share visitors with more affordable accommodations, while deterring landlords from evading rent control laws, evicting tenants and converting residential units in to de facto hostels or hotels, thus removing needed permanent housing from the market, while at the same time changing the character of and undermining community ties in residential neighborhoods."

With the above in mind, let's compare Sarah's situation (if she were permitted to rent her ranch style home for a few weeks a year, which today is illegal) & Nancy's AirBnb situation (supported by the Council) and how each would impact their respective neighborhoods.

Sarah would rent to between three and five groups per year at her ranch style home. Nancy would rent to up to 730 groups (one group per bedroom, year round) in her two bed B&B.

Sarah would rent for between 21 and 35 days a year. Nancy would rent for 365 days per year, if she could.

Sarah's renters are typically families or couples looking for a place to vacation. Nancy's renters are typically singles or couples seeking cheaper accommodation.

Sarah moves out of her ranch style home when her renters move in, creating a minimal increase in human density, and little to no increase in traffic density. Nancy, who stays in her B&B and entertains two sets of renters simultaneously, more than doubles both human and traffic density.

Both women are trying to make ends meet in our increasingly expensive city. However Sarah's situation, currently illegal, aligns much more closely with the Council's stated objectives, concerns and principals than Nancy's Bed & Breakfast.

So why is it Sarah feels shut out of the gig economy and is forced to sell, but Nancy is a gig economy winner who has the council's support? As mentioned above, the wrinkle here is that Nancy is happy to stay in her home as a host, while Sarah cannot.

"Home Sharing" ordinances were driven by the City Council's desire to stop the "bad guys" from converting apartments and single family homes to virtual hotels and hostels rented 365 days per year, removing housing stock from an already tight market and evading hotel type taxes. But what the Council doesn't realize they're doing in the process is creating a blatantly unfair playing field, providing an impetus to accelerate conversion of homes to B&B's for anyone who can do so (Nancy mentioned she has 4 friends now doing the same), while harming a much larger segment of the population who, like Sarah, don't want to, or can't convert their homes to B&B's, perhaps because they have young children in the house or are caring for an elderly parent. Sarah's situation is like many in Santa Monica, they live in their homes most of the year and simply want the chance to supplement their income a few weeks per year so they can survive in an increasingly expensive city.

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Warren's momentum spurs new attacks from 2020 rivals

BILL BARROW
Associated Press

Elizabeth Warren has enjoyed a heady summer of massive crowds and endless selfie lines as she steadily climbs in Democratic presidential primary polls. With the apparent success comes a new reality: She's now a prime target for rivals and their supporters.

Some of the offensives are direct, with Pete Buttigieg hammering her this week as "evasive" on what a single-payer government health insurance system would mean for middle-class tax bills. Some Bernie Sanders supporters lashed out when the Working Families Party endorsed Warren over Sanders. Others are more circumspect, with Joe Biden's campaign beginning to question Warren's corporate legal work decades ago, suggesting it's at odds with her brand as a progressive champion for middle-class Americans.

Together, it's a new dynamic that at once affirms Warren's strength and promises to test whether she can dispatch fellow progressive Bernie Sanders and ultimately challenge the more moderate Biden, who has maintained front-runner status since the spring. At least in the short term, it could shift some heat off of Biden, who as the consistent polling leader has drawn more frequent attacks and media scrutiny than the Massachusetts senator, but has thus far weathered the hits.

For her part, Warren insists she won't go hard after her opponents, at least not yet, and her campaign has declined comment on the emerging onslaught. Some of her supporters, meanwhile, are leaning into the latest turn.

"Ironically, I think most attacks make her stronger, because they send a signal to Democratic voters that she's a threat and can win," said Adam Green, co-founder of the Progressive Change Campaign Committee and top Warren supporter. "That's a far cry from January."

Mayor Pete Buttigieg, who along with Kamala Harris is trying to join a top tier that now consists of Warren, Sanders and Biden, launched the most direct attacks this week, casting her as less-than-honest about how she'd pay for the "Medicare for All" insurance overhaul. Buttigieg, like Biden, backs adding a government insurance plan to existing insurance markets without eliminating private insurance.

Buttigieg told CNN that Warren has been "extremely evasive" when asked about middle-class taxes that Sanders, the lead "Medicare for All" advocate, has said would have to go up. Warren emphasizes that many if not most middle-class households would see their overall spending on health care go down, because they'd no longer have private premiums, deductibles and co-pays. But she avoids confirming that taxes would rise.

"Look, people are used to Washington politicians not giving straight answers to simple questions," Buttigieg said in a remark striking at Warren's effort to frame herself as an outsider and reformer.

Buttigieg's argument partially echoes a months-old Biden tactic. "At least Bernie is being honest," Biden would often say. He got more direct Friday in Iowa. "Tell Elizabeth ... she's gonna raise people's taxes," he said at a campaign stop in Cedar Rapids. "What we are gonna do" if we end up in a recession, he added.

Harris hasn't yet taken on Warren, but in a conference call with reporters this week, a top Harris aide took veiled swipes at the progressives. "I think there are far more ideological, strict ideological candidates who I believe will contribute to the partisan rancor," Lily Adams said.

One of Biden's top supporters, meanwhile, has abandoned all subtlety.

"I like Elizabeth Warren. I like her a lot. Too bad she's a hypocrite," Ed Rendell wrote in a Washington Post op-ed this month. He chided the senator for touting her refusal to hold traditional large-donor fundraisers when she's previously taken big donor money — most recently ahead of the 2018 midterms — and used her Senate campaign account to seed her presidential run.

It's an argument related to one Biden and his aides make more quietly: that Warren is glossing over her time as a Republican who did legal work for the kinds of large corporations she now blasts.

Biden has yet to make that case explicitly, perhaps aware of his own cozy history with credit-card companies in his home state of Delaware and Warren's previous criticism of it. But his aides noted ahead of the Sept. 12 Houston debate that he's released at least two decades of his tax returns, more than Warren, and they suggested she doesn't want scrutiny on her sources of income in the years before she established herself as a consumer champion. At a Houston fundraiser the day after debate, Biden quipped that some of his opponents used to be Republicans.

Green said he welcomes Biden to make those claims openly.

"Elizabeth Warren's willingness to challenge corporate power is unquestioned," Green said. "He'd only help her emphasize her record."

Whatever the case, the shifting spotlight could help Biden in the short run.

Since he entered the race in April, Biden, 76, has had to defend his long public record, deflect a stream of broadsides during debates and, in part because of his own verbal missteps, navigate questions about whether he's still up for the job — concerns the 70-year-old Warren hasn't faced.

Biden's aides say candidates are ratcheting up their shots at Warren because previous attempts to derail Biden haven't yet worked. "I think candidates have seen ... that attacking Joe Biden is not the way to advance yourself," said Kate Bedingfield, a top Biden campaign official, after the Houston debate.

Indeed, over the first three debates, Harris, Bill de Blasio, Eric Swallwell and Julian Castro blistered Biden on everything from his record on school desegregation and immigration to his fitness for office. Swallwell and de Blasio have since dropped out. Castro is mired near the bottom of the polls. Harris is struggling to establish herself as a top tier candidate.

Now, if nothing else, candidates like Buttigieg who focus attention on Warren aren't spending energy on Biden.

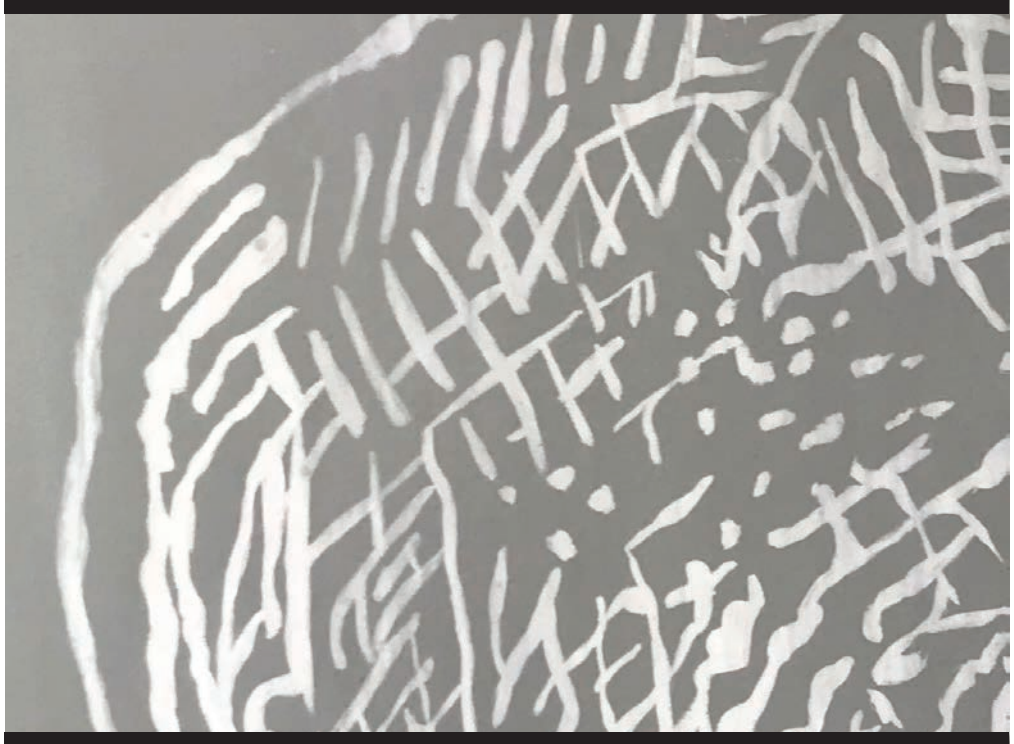
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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Malibu

Santa Monica Bay Audubon Society Bird Walks

Santa Monica Bay Audubon Society (SMBAS) invites all to their monthly Malibu Lagoon Field Trips, held on the 4th Sunday of every month, at 8:30 and 10 a.m. Next dates are September 22ndand October 27. Free.

ADULT WALK 8:30 a.m. - Beginner and experienced, 2-3 hours. Species range from 40 in June to 60-75 during migrations and winter. They meet at the metal-shaded viewing area next to the parking lot and begin walking east towards the lagoon. They always check the offshore rocks and the ocean. When lagoon outlet is closed they continue east around the lagoon to Adamson House. They put out special effort to make the monthly Malibu Lagoon walks attractive to first-time and beginning bird-watchers. So please, if you are at all worried about coming on a trip and embarrassing yourself be-cause of all the experts, they remember their first trips too. Someone showed them the birds; now it's their turn.

CHILDREN AND PARENTS WALK 10 a.m. - One hour session, meeting at the metal-shaded viewing area next to the parking lot. They start at 10 for a shorter walk and to allow time for families to get it together on a sleepy Sunday morning. their leaders are experienced with kids so please bring them to the beach. They have an ample supply of binoculars that children can use without striking terror into their parents. They want to see families enjoying nature. (If you have a Scout Troop or other group of more than seven people, you must call Jean (310-472-7209) to make sure they have enough binoculars and docents.)

DIRECTIONS: Malibu Lagoon is at the intersection of Pacific Coast Highway and Cross Creek Road. Look around for people wearing binoculars.

PARKING: Parking machine recently installed in the lagoon lot: 1 hr $3; 2 hrs $6; 3 hrs $9, all day $12 ($11 seniors); credit cards accepted. Annual passes accepted. You may also park (read the signs carefully) either along PCH west of Cross Creek Road, on Cross Creek Road, or on Civic Center Way north (inland) of the shopping center. Lagoon parking in shopping center lots is not permitted.

Submitted by Grace Murayama

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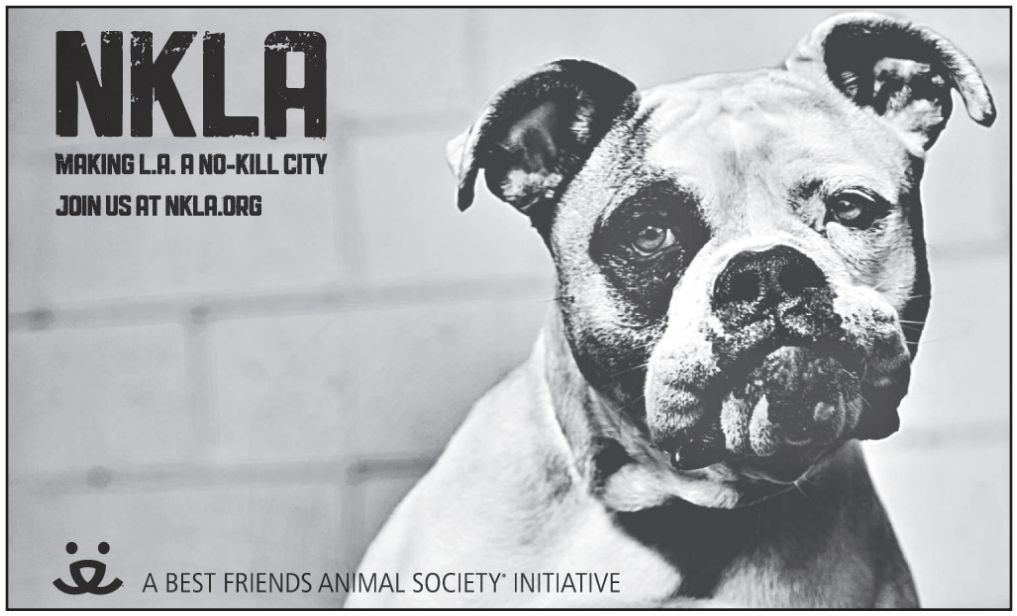
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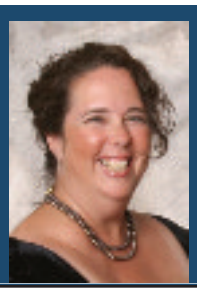
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STRIKE

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or palatable, but that's what has to happen."

Thunberg, a 16-year-old who began walking out of school on Fridays last fall, has asked that other young people participate in the fight for their collective future. In Santa Monica, children led marchers of all ages along the beach and into downtown Friday, chanting "Fossil fuels have got to go" and "Climate justice now."

Santa Monica's New Roads School organized a strike of its own on the Santa Monica College campus and other local schools, such as the Archer School for Girls, sent students to a larger strike at Pershing Square in Downtown Los Angeles.

"Climate change is the biggest threat to life on earth," said Archer student Abigale Lischak, a Santa Monica resident. "If changes aren't made now, there won't be much of a future for my generation."

One group of young people was conspicuously absent, however. The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District did not support student participation in the strike and marked students absent if they decided to walk out of school.

Superintendent Ben Drati said the district has implemented a sustainability plan and provides on-campus opportunities for students to participate in the climate movement.

"We ask that students consider the impact on their education by choosing to leave school and encourage any outside activities be conducted under parent supervision, after school or weekends," Drati wrote in an email to families.

Wendy Dembo, a parent of a 6th-grader at Lincoln Middle School, said she was disappointed that SMMUSD did not allow students to participate in the strike.

"They're saying they're for sustainability and then they're not allowing kids to participate in a protest that has so much meaning to their generation," Dembo said. "To have Superintendent Drati say that kids will not be excused for protesting seems counterintuitive."

Older participants in Friday's protest said they were marching for their children and grandchildren.

"I'm worried about what kind of world we're leaving them and I'd like to see a president who doesn't deny science and climate change," said Diana Pagan, who was visiting from Florida. "I'd like to see the Green New Deal adopted, because time is running out."

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STUDENTS: The Santa Monica Malibu Unified School District marked students absent if they participated in the global climate strike .

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

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SMC Photography Department Alumni Exhibition

The Santa Monica College Photography Gallery and the SMC Foundation have joined hands to raise funds for hungry SMC students with the Santa Monica College Photography Department Alumni Exhibition Silent Auction.

An opening reception and kickoff for the silent auction – with 100 percent of proceeds going to feeding students – will be held September 28 from 6 p.m. to 8 p.m. in the SMC Photography Gallery. The gallery is located opposite the elevators on the second floor of Drescher Hall, on the main SMC campus at 1900 Pico Blvd., Santa Monica.

The exhibition, which runs through October 25, will feature exciting personal and visually captivating works created by some of the most impressive alumni to graduate from SMC's Photography Department.

The silent auction runs through October 25. Silent auction sheets will be available in the gallery, and the auction includes a 'buy it now' option.

SMC Photography Gallery exhibits and receptions are free.

For gallery hours and more information, please call 310-434-4289 or 310-434-3547.

Submitted by Grace Smith, SMC Public Information Officer

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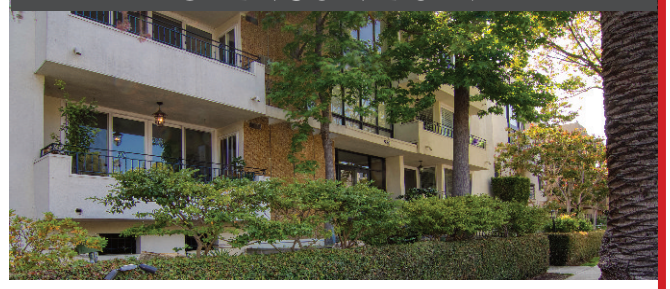
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Oversize vehicle violation 2200blk 5th St 12:43 a.m.
Strongarm robbery Ocean Ave / Colorado Ave 1:12 a.m.
Public intoxication 00blk Bay St 1:20 a.m.
Auto burglary 800blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:20 a.m.
Burglary 200blk Broadway 2:33 a.m.
Domestic violence 1200blk 5th St 3:22 a.m.
Vehicle blocking driveway 3000blk Santa Monica Blvd 4:21 a.m.
Encampment 200blk Santa Monica Pier 5:34 a.m.
Traffic collision with injuries Appian Way / Pacific Ter 5:53 a.m.
Attempt suicide 1600blk Hill St 6:46 a.m.
Hit and run Lincoln Blvd / Hill St 6:57 a.m.
Vehicle parked in alley 1400blk 3rd Street Prom 6:59 a.m.
Burglary 1400blk 4th St 7:16 a.m.
Battery 24th St / Wilshire Blvd 7:24 a.m.
Encampment 2300blk 33rd St 7:27 a.m.
Vehicle parked in alley 2000blk 20th St 7:35 a.m.
Petty theft 700blk Broadway 7:39 a.m.
Domestic violence 700blk Broadway 8:11 a.m.
Fight 2600blk Lincoln Blvd 8:17 a.m.
Strongarm robbery 2600blk Lincoln Blvd 8:21 a.m.
Burglary /walk through 900blk 17th St 8:44 a.m.
Person with a gun 1300blk Yale St 9:16 a.m.
Vehicle parked in alley 1800blk Euclid St 9:42 a.m.
Hit and run 600blk Broadway 10:04 a.m.
Vehicle blocking driveway 300blk Montana Ave 10:12 a.m.
Traffic collision with injuries 20th St / Wilshire Blvd 10:15 a.m.
Battery 1700blk Cloverfield Blvd 10:22 a.m.
Traffic collision - no injuries Stewart St / Olympic Blvd 10:23 a.m.
Identity theft 2000blk Lincoln Blvd 10:26 a.m.
Smoking violation 300blk Wilshire Blvd 10:26 a.m.
Speeding 6th St / Washington Ave 10:39 a.m.
Elder abuse 200blk Montana Ave 10:45 a.m.
Indecent exposure 1300blk 3rd Street Prom 10:49 a.m.
Petty theft 1400blk 2nd St 11:10 a.m.
Sexual assault 1200blk 16th St 11:33 a.m.
Hit and run 20th St / Arizona Ave 12:24 p.m.
Identity theft 1300blk 10th St 12:24 p.m.
Indecent exposure 300blk Santa Monica Pier 12:40 p.m.
Burglary 900blk Ozone Ave 12:45 p.m.
72 hour psychiatric hold 1400blk 9th St 12:46 p.m.
Petty theft 1900blk Ocean Way 12:49 p.m.
Stakeout 800blk Pacific St 12:50 p.m.
Panhandling 4th St / Interstate 10 12:52 p.m.
Vehicle blocking driveway 1100blk Centinela Ave 12:56 p.m.
Fraud 1100blk 9th St 1:02 p.m.
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Petty theft 2200blk Colorado Ave 1:36 p.m.
Grand theft 1800blk 9th St 1:56 p.m.
Indecent exposure 500blk Colorado Ave 2:02 p.m.
Theft of recyclables 2900blk 4th St 2:17 p.m.
Traffic collision - no injuries 1700blk Pearl St 2:19 p.m.
Auto burglary 500blk Pier Ave 2:33 p.m.
Burglary 100blk San Vicente Blvd 2:34 p.m.
Petty theft 600blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:35 p.m.
Burglary 400blk Broadway 2:40 p.m.
Critical missing person 2500blk 5th St 2:52 p.m.
Person down 1600blk 11th St 2:52 p.m.
Fraud 500blk 21st Pl 2:55 p.m.
Vehicle parked in alley 1800blk 20th St 3:19 p.m.
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Assistance call 300blk Olympic Dr 3:28 p.m.
Vehicle parked in alley 1800blk Euclid St 3:30 p.m.
Status check 1700blk Appian Way 3:31 p.m.
Fight Lincoln Blvd / Pico Blvd 3:32 p.m.
Burglary 1600blk Ocean Ave 3:32 p.m.
Petty theft 1400blk 2nd St 3:38 p.m.
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Indecent exposure 400blk Pacific Coast Hwy 5:10 p.m.
Battery 1500blk Ocean Ave 5:14 p.m.
Defrauding innkeeper in progress 1600blk Ocean Ave 5:22 p.m.
Hit and run 2700blk Arizona Ave 5:30 p.m.
Speeding 100blk Hart Ave 5:42 p.m.
Burglary 200blk Montana Ave 5:51 p.m.
Fight 9th St / Broadway 6:01 p.m.
Violation of restraining order in progress 1700blk Cloverfield Blvd 6:09 p.m.
Burglary 1600blk 14th St 7:00 p.m.
Speeding Centinela Ave / Ocean Park Blvd 7:06 p.m.
Vandalism 300blk Santa Monica Pier 7:18 p.m.
Assault 4th St / Santa Monica Blvd 7:31 p.m.
Found person 300blk Santa Monica Pier 7:46 p.m.
Out of order traffic signals Olympic Blvd / 26th St 7:51 p.m.
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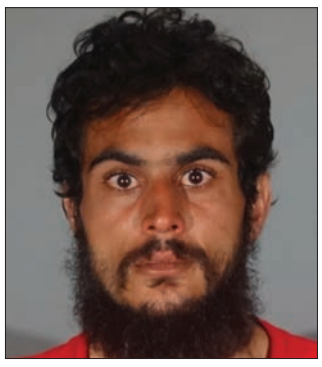
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CRIME WATCH BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

Crime Watch is culled from reports provided by the Santa Monica Police Department. These are arrests only.
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ON SEPTEMBER 12, AT 9:45 A.M.

Officers responded to the 1400 block of Lincoln for a trespassing call. There was a male subject inside an office who was refusing to leave. The subject was trying to get into his ex-girlfriend's apartment. He was told to leave by management and refused. The building manager placed the subject under private person's arrest. Michael Gregory Partizpanyan, 31, homeless, was arrested for trespassing. Bail was set at $500.



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Go out on a limb this year. It's where all the fruit is! Also, don't be afraid to let down your guard. Your silliness will be charming, your humor disarming and the rest of you a lovable addition to the groups in which you participate. You'll assemble a kind of supportive and purposeful second family that helps all involved. Leo and Pisces adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 3, 31, 38 and 5.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Each has his or her own financial values. What constitutes necessity is debatable. Differences come to the fore, and mutual respect on the matter is necessary to prevent conflict.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You're good at what you spend time doing. You'll realize that some of the things you spend time doing are well worth it and bring you much happiness, and some are quite the opposite.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Everyone seems to need you at once. What does it mean? It means that you're exactly where you should be. Usefulness is among the highest callings. Just don't confuse your usefulness with your worth.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Those who are very busy convincing themselves that they are right are, of course, wrong. "Right" shouldn't take that much effort and seldom does. The gray area demands navigation.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll be a rock star in your arena, so follow the rock star ethos: Rock stars may or may not be schooled, and it doesn't matter because they won't follow what they've learned. They are essentially inventors.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It may feel like you are working awfully hard for something that is irrelevant to the bottom line of your worth. Please know that you are loved in a way you don't have to earn and couldn't lose even if you tried.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Attention can be a compliment and a gift, but only if it's the kind of attention the other person really wants. If not, attention can make people anxious, self-conscious, fearful and worse. Make sure you know which kind to deliver.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). It is possible to live near a person for years, decades even, and not know that person in the least. Your stars favor the acknowledgment of community, especially those in close vicinity.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Among your most precious possessions is an absolutely incredible imagination. A vivid inner life can cause great emotional charge in any direction, so direct it well.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). To reach for excellence is one thing; to know when you've attained it is quite another. Probably, you'll need an outside eye to tell you when you've hit the point of diminishing returns.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You'll wonder if the weird thing you experience today is a coincidence or a plan. Either way, you can take this as a sign that you're exactly where you're supposed to be.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Maybe it's time to take happiness off the table as an option, if only because the pursuit of happiness usually leads people astray. Seek purpose instead, and you'll soon be smiling in spite of yourself.

Jupiter and Neptune Square of Social Science

Among the recent discoveries proven by social science is one that many have long sensed: Humans typically don't know themselves nearly as well as they think they do. So if, under this dicey square of Jupiter and Neptune, you guess a thing will make you happy and it doesn't, you certainly won't be alone.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTION

"I'm doing a report in school about amulets. Are amulets evil? Do amulets really work? Do they do any good, and if they do, is there a price to pay? If so, who can pay it and to whom do they pay it?" Amulets are small charms used for magic, protection and/or worship. They are in essence, lucky charms. Amulets have been found in the tombs of ancient Egypt, in ancient Rome and among the ruins of many early cultures. They are still used today. There are amulets for almost every religion. For instance, a crucifix or star of David on a necklace could be considered an amulet. Amulets can take many forms – gem, statute, coin, drawing or other. Some amulets are inscribed with symbols or are shaped like animals. There are different schools of thought as to whether amulets work. I believe they are imbued with the power you and others have given them with focus, energy and intent. Therefore, they are not inherently effective, good or evil; rather, they are reflections of the intentions of the person using them. As for the price, everything in life is an exchange of energy. So yes, there is always a "price," but it is not always painful to pay it.

CELEBRITY PROFILES

Virgo hit-maker Jason Derulo was somewhat of a child prodigy, having studied opera and ballet and written songs for Diddy and Danity Kane when he was still a teenager. Look for the fur-faced star in the movie musical "Cats." Derulo was born under a fast-talking, clever and charming Gemini moon and has Mercury and Mars in harmonious Libra. **Write Holiday Mathis at HolidayMathis.com.**

WORD UP!

Galvanize
Verb (used with object) [gal-vuh-nahyz]
To startle into sudden activity; stimulate.

Heathcliff

By PETER GALLAGHER



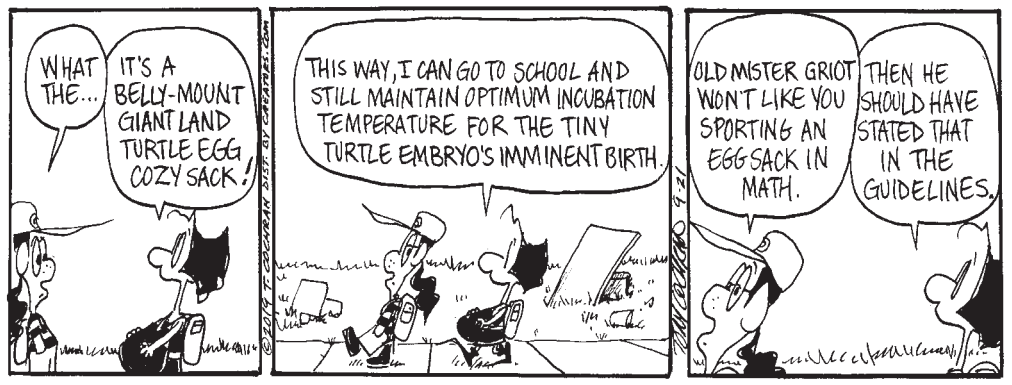
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Jackpot: 12 M

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Daily Derby
Draw Date: 09/19
1st: 08 - GORGEOUS GEORGE
2nd: 09 - WINNING SPIRIT
3rd: 01 - GOLD RUSH
RACE TIME: 1:40.72

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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 71.6°

SATURDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft knee to waist high
New, long period SW swell should slowly build. May see some small tropical swell from Mario.

SUNDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft+ waist to stomach high
Long period SW swell fills in further - more size for best exposures. May see some small tropical swell from Mario.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

B	E	S	P	E	A	K	■	I	O	C	■	U	P	I
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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

8	7	9	5	3	4	1	2	6
1	5	6	9	2	8	4	7	3
2	3	4	6	7	1	5	8	9
4	1	7	3	9	6	8	5	2
6	8	5	7	1	2	9	3	4
9	2	3	4	8	5	6	1	7
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Newsday Crossword

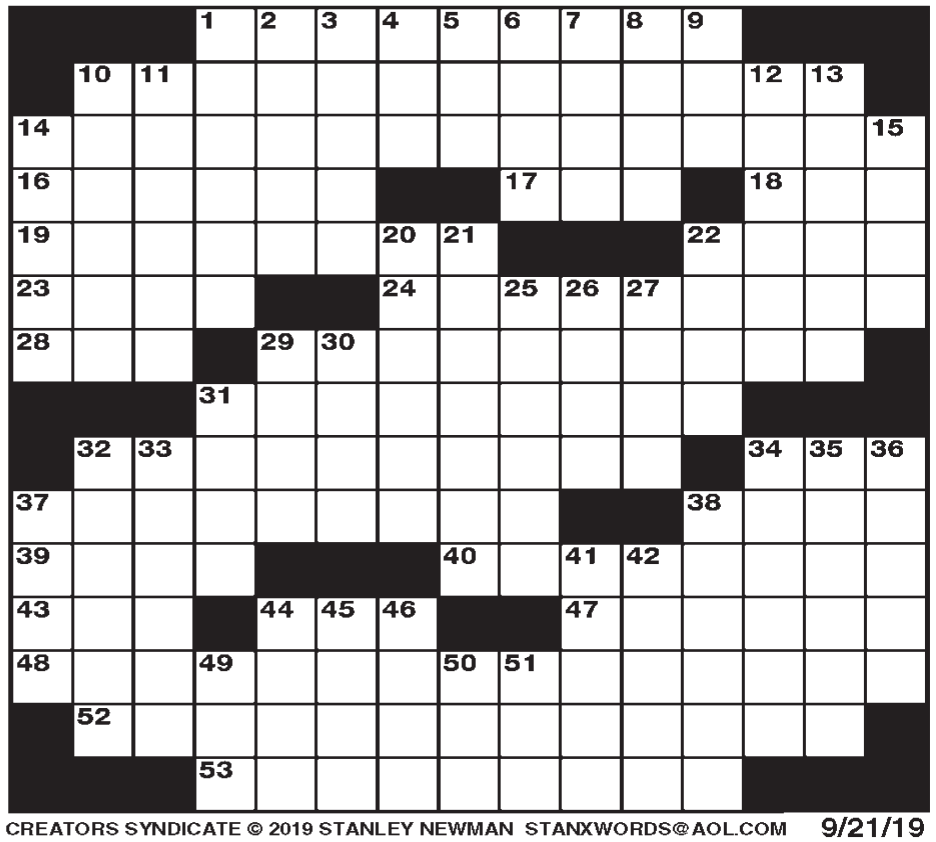
SATURDAY STUMPER by Greg Johnson
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ACROSS

1 Where you can refuse to go
10 Energized and enthusiastic
14 Noticeably neutral display
16 Historic Charleston battleground
17 Show of contempt
18 Judgment conclusion call
19 "Nobody wins"
22 Supporter in a spray
23 Diamond Head's surroundings
24 Bases for comparison
28 Seven OED chiefs
29 Frequent Broadway openings
31 OK
32 Small portion
34 NBC's tri-tone and Leo's roar, legally
37 Film
38 It means "fondness for"
39 Schemer since Elizabethan times
40 Cut or slash
43 Boss-to-be, quite possibly
44 Harvester of carrots
47 How many sandwiches are served
48 Interns in learning
52 "Enough is enough!"
53 Word from the Greek for the Genesis Flood

DOWN

1 Pretended to be
2 Off
3 Toon princess twin of He-Man
4 Bite of your bacon
5 Medium power
6 One on the hook, perhaps
7 Noodle concoction
8 Liar/inquiar versifier
9 Familial sobriquet
10 Groovy
11 Valley of the Kings name
12 Weekend temp, often
13 They're far from cosmopolites
14 Fare that was rare to air
15 Oscar __
20 Gang leader on the Hollywood Walk of Fame
21 Went back and forth orally
22 Tart jam flavor
25 Put back in a kiln
26 ". . . __ like silversmiths / Beating and beating . . .": Plath
27 Reaching far in the past
29 It forms Earth's pedosphere
30 Kin to Kristy
31 Its 1963 soundtrack includes "Twisting with James"
32 Feather features
33 Take a few seconds
34 Got close to
35 Blue state
36 "Baby pull" transportation
37 Obsessive behavior
38 Sir __ Grenville Wodehouse
41 Guarded
42 Mid-autumn multihour news coverage
44 Acronym for vacuums' cleaners
45 Doing as told
46 Ending for brief music
49 Script writer
50 What middle squares must be
51 Mahler's fourth



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GUN

FROM PAGE 1

SWAT."

Lt. Saul Rodriguez said the gun was actually an air-soft replica that looked like a real weapon.

According to Rodriguez early reports that said the suspect had entered a nearby car dealership were incorrect.

The suspect had not been identified by press time.

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RENTALS

FROM PAGE 5

Restricted Short-term Rentals ("RSR"), vacant homes available to rent on a restricted basis. Restriction is the key to stopping short term rental abuses while allowing people like Sarah to supplement their income. Some examples of restrictions might be: homes can only be rented by persons, not companies; homeowners must have been resident in Santa Monica for a minimum of a year to qualify; they must prove physical residence in the home for a majority of the year (7+ months per year): RSR's can only be offered up to a maximum of 4 months per year; no more than one group booked at the same time, and/or a limited bed count; complaints by neighbors about behavior of tenants may result in fines & the loss of an RSR permit. In summary, there are many ways this can be achieved & controlled.

In addition to leveling the playing field between B&B and non-B&B home owners, this should help everyone financially, including the City of Santa Monica Treasurer. The principal renters of rooms via home shares are singles and some couples. Most families searching for a vacation rental, and most couples who can afford it, desire and pay a premium for "the entire house", not home share, B&B style rooms. Home shares are always discounted versus empty rentals. So the current ordinance puts Santa Monica residents, and the city treasurer, at a disadvantage versus Venice, Brentwood, Pacific Palisades and Malibu. (The proof is in the pudding. As I wrote this I opened AirBnb for Venice listings. Of the eighteen listings on page one, all eighteen were for "the Entire House." Private home rentals is where the money is.)

It's time to end this tale of two cities and create a level playing field for all Santa Monicans. To keep the "bad guys" out, maintain the housing stock and character of this beautiful city we love, while recognizing that evolution and innovation in our economy offer ways for many different types of local residents to survive and make ends meet. Sarah, our 70 year old homeowner who is uncomfortable operating a B&B, is not the bad guy. In fact, allowing Sarah to share in the gig economy like Nancy, to do some type of short term restricted rental, might just be the lifeline she needs to not sell, to keep her here, to preserve the cohesiveness and diversity of our neighborhoods and act as a brake on the gentrification that results from increased costs of living, and as a bonus, brings in additional revenue to the city treasurer.

I believe that's what you call "Win, win."

Robin Nydes is the Coordinator of Santa Monica Resident Owners Association, stamonicaowners@gmail.com

SUE

FROM PAGE 1

The Trump administration's decision does not just affect California. Thirteen other states, plus the District of Columbia, have adopted California's standards.

A spokesman for the National Highway Traffic Safety Administration declined to comment on the lawsuit. But Thursday, Transportation Secretary Elaine Chao said the rules "were making cars more expensive and impeding safety because consumers were being priced out of newer, safer vehicles."

"We will not let political agendas in a single state be forced upon the other 49," Chao said.

The National Highway Traffic Safety Administration said its authority to set nationwide fuel economy standards preempts state and local programs.

California Attorney General Xavier Becerra cited a 2007 U.S. Supreme Court decision that rejected the NTSB's argument that greenhouse gas emission standards under the Clean Air Act interfered with its ability to set fuel economy standards.

"The Oval Office is really not a place for on-the-job training. President Trump should have at least read the instruction manual he inherited when he assumed the Presidency, in particular the chapter on respecting the Rule of Law," Becerra said in a statement.

Federal regulators said the regulation would not impact California's programs to address "harmful smog-forming vehicle emissions."

Joining California in the lawsuit are attorneys general from Colorado, Connecticut, Delaware, Hawaii, Illinois, Maine, Massachusetts, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, Nevada, New Jersey, New Mexico, New York, North Carolina, Oregon, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Vermont, Virginia, Washington and Wisconsin.

The cities of New York and Los Angeles and the District of Columbia also joined the lawsuit.

Associated Press reporter Michael Biesecker contributed reporting from Washington.

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