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Families mourn victims who died in Santa Monica Airport crash

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

As the city awaits a preliminary report from the National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) regarding a fatal accident at Santa Monica Airport, friends and family are memorializing the two people who died.

Flight instructor Christian West and student Jackson Nazario died on Sept. 8 when an introductory flight lesson went wrong.

According to the NTSB, their flight took off at about 3:30 p.m., flew along the coast for about an hour and showed no signs of distress during the landing approach before the plane suddenly climbed about a hundred feet and then rolled back to the ground.

NTSB is leading the investigation and a preliminary report on the crash will be released when investigators have enough information.

However, in the meantime, services and memorials are being held for the pair who lost their lives.

Santa Monica Flyers held a memorial on Sept. 15 for instructor Christian West.

"All of us here at SMF are heartbroken, but the process of healing begins with community. Now is the time to come together and grieve our loss," the company wrote before the event.

West was a graduate of Santa Monica College and had said he

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Samohi Tennis











Emily Sawicki

TENNIS: The Samohi Vikings girls varsity tennis team hosted the Palos Verdes Peninsula Panthers in Santa Monica on Tuesday, Sept. 27, for the second league match of the 2022 season. The Vikings head out on the road for the next several matches and will next play at home on Tuesday, Oct. 18, hosting the Mira Costa High School Mustangs.

Landlords will pay $35K to avoid criminal prosecution for price gouging

EMILY SAWICKI
SMDP Staff Writer

Santa Monica landlords accused of price gouging tenants during a declared state of emergency after raising rents by 250% have agreed to a diversion program that could keep them out of criminal proceedings including potential jail time.

Following a joint request from the Santa Monica City Attorney

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Rancho Cucamonga police kill Santa Monica man after car and knife attack

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Santa Monica resident Marlon Bonds was killed by Rancho Cucamonga police on Sept. 24 after he drove his car into an officer and then approached him with a knife.

According to the San Bernardino County Sheriff's Department at approximately 7:14 p.m., deputies with the Rancho Cucamonga Police Department conducted a traffic stop on a Toyota Matrix, related to a

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City of Santa Monica

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: **1) Approval of Addendum to the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) (SCH #2020100575) for the 6th Cycle (2021-2029) Housing Element to the City's General Plan; and**
2) Adoption of amendments to the 6th Cycle (2021-2029) Housing Element of the City's General Plan previously adopted by the City Council on October 12, 2021.

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to consider approval of an addendum to the Final Environmental Impact Report (FEIR) previously adopted by the City Council on October 12, 2021 for the 6th Cycle (2021-2029) Housing Element of the City's General Plan, and adoption of amendments to the 6th Cycle (2021-2029) Housing Element. The FEIR was certified and the 6th Cycle Housing Element was adopted by the City Council on October 12, 2021.

The proposed addendum to the Final Environmental Impact Report and revisions to the 6th Cycle (2021-2029) Housing Element were prepared in response to a letter from the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) dated February 8, 2022 determining that the adopted 6th Cycle Housing Element required revisions in order to comply with State Housing Element law. On September 6, 2022, the HCD issued a letter determining that the revised draft Element resubmitted by the City meets all statutory requirements described in the February 8, 2022 letter, and that it will comply with State Housing Element law when it is adopted, submitted and approved by HCD.

On September 22, 2022, the Santa Monica Planning Commission adopted Resolution Number 22-018 (PCS), recommending to the City Council that the City Council adopt the proposed Amended 6th Cycle Housing Element.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2022 AT 6:30 PM**

LOCATION: City Council Chamber, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

California State law requires that communities prepare and update the Housing Element of the General Plan every eight years. The Housing Element serves as the City's guide for addressing the housing needs of all segments of Santa Monica's population. Housing needs are determined by the California Housing and Community Department (HCD), which decide the numerical housing targets for each regional council of governments. Each council of government across the State then further allocates the regional housing number (known as the Regional Housing Needs Allocation – or RHNA) to every city and county within its jurisdiction. The RHNA is a targeted housing number - cities and counties must plan for the RHNA and show that under current land use and development standards, there is capacity to accommodate for this number of housing. For the proposed 6th Cycle (2021-2029) Housing Element, the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) determined that the City's draft RHNA allocation is 8,895 units, more than 5 times than the last cycle. The significant increase in the City's RHNA housing number is indicative of the severity of the current housing crisis. As part of the proposed 6th Cycle Housing Element, Santa Monica must demonstrate to the State that there is available capacity within its jurisdictional boundaries to meet its targeted RHNA number.

On October 12, 2021, per State requirements, the City Council adopted its 6th Cycle 2021-2029 Housing Element, which is available online at www.santamonica.gov/housing-element-update. The proposed revisions to the adopted 6th Cycle Housing Element are based on achieving Housing Element compliance as determined by the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD). The adopted Housing Element sets forth a series of goals, policies and programs to be implemented over the next 8 years of the 6th Cycle.

The 6th Cycle Housing Element was analyzed in accordance with the California Environmental Quality Act ("CEQA") and this analysis is contained in the Housing Element Update's Final Environmental Impact Report (SCH #2020100575) (FEIR). At its October 12, 2021 meeting, the City Council adopted Resolution Number 11369 (CCS) certifying the FEIR, and Resolution Number 11370 (CCS), making the findings necessary to adopt the Housing Element and adopting a statement of overriding considerations and mitigation monitoring and reporting program.

On February 8, 2022, the State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) issued a letter determining that although the Adopted 6th Cycle Housing Element addressed "many statutory requirements," "revisions would be necessary to comply with State Housing Element Law". The proposed revisions were prepared in response to the comments received from HCD and are consistent with the draft revisions the City Council reviewed at its June 21, 2022 meeting and directed staff to submit to HCD for review. Additional environmental analysis was prepared as an addendum to the project's Final Environmental Impact Report.

On June 21, 2022, the City Council reviewed the draft revisions to the 6th Cycle Housing Element, made recommended revisions, and directed staff to transmit to HCD for review and comment.

On September 6, 2022, the HCD issued a letter determining that the revised draft Element meets all statutory requirements described in the February 8, 2022 letter, and that it will comply with State Housing Element law when it is adopted, submitted and approved by HCD.

The proposed revisions are consistent with the draft revisions presented to the City Council on June 21, 2022, except for revisions to implementation deadlines for certain programs to reflect changes in State law and minor typographical errors. On September 22, 2022, the Planning Commission adopted Resolution Number 22-018 (PCS), recommending that City Council adopt the proposed revisions to the 6th Cycle (2021-2029) Housing Element, with recommended revisions to the proposed implementation timelines for certain programs. The proposed September 2022 revisions to the 6th Cycle Housing Element are available online at www.santamonica.gov/housing-element-update.

The City Council will consider approval of the addendum to the Final Environmental Impact Report and consider the adoption of amendments to the 6th Cycle (2021-2029) Housing Element.

HOW TO COMMENT:
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MORE INFORMATION: If you want more information about the revised 6th Cycle (2021-2029) Housing Element and amended FEIR, please see the City's website: https://santamonica.gov/housing-element-update, or email housingupdate@smgov.net. For disability-related accommodations, please contact the City Clerk's Office at (310) 458-8211 or (310) 917-6626 TDD at least 72 hours in advance. Every attempt will be made to provide the requested accommodation. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Santa Monica Big Blue Bus Lines serve City Hall and the Civic Center area. The Expo Line terminus is located at Colorado Avenue and Fourth Street, and is a short walk to City Hall. Public parking is available in front of City Hall, on Olympic Drive, and in the Civic Center Parking Structure (validation free).

Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the public hearing.

ESPAÑOL : Esto es una noticia de una audiencia pública para revisar applicaciónes proponiendo desarrollo en Santa Monica. Si deseas más información, favor de llamar a Carmen Gutierrez en la División de Planificación al número (310) 458-2275.

New California abortion laws set up clash with other states

ADAM BEAM
Associated Press

California Gov. Gavin Newsom signed more than a dozen new abortion laws Tuesday, including some that deliberately clash with restrictions in other states — a sign of the coming conflicts that must be sorted out as lawmakers rush to set their own rules now that Roe v. Wade has been overturned.

Most abortions are now illegal in 13 states, and others — including Texas, Oklahoma and Idaho — allow people to sue anyone who performs or aids in an abortion. Meanwhile, Democratic-led states like California, New York and Connecticut have been writing and passing laws to make it easier to get an abortion, with California promoting its abortion services on a state-funded website designed in part to reach women who live in other states.

Conflicts seem inevitable as more people travel for abortions in the coming years, especially with California and Oregon prepared to spend millions of taxpayer dollars to help pay for things like travel, lodging and child care. On Tuesday, Newsom signed a number of laws meant to thwart investigations from other states seeking to prosecute or penalize abortion providers and volunteers in California.

The laws block out-of-state subpoenas, empowering the state insurance commissioner to punish health insurance companies that divulge information about abortions to out-of-state entities. They ban police departments and corporations from cooperating with out-of-state investigations regarding abortions that are legally obtained in California. And they shield prison inmates from other states' anti-abortion laws.

> "An alarming number of states continue to outlaw abortion and criminalize women, and it's more important than ever to fight like hell for those who need these essential services - Gov. Gavin Newsom"

"An alarming number of states continue to outlaw abortion and criminalize women, and it's more important than ever to fight like hell for those who need these essential services," Newsom said in a news release announcing the signings.

If another state tries to apply its laws against someone in California, and California officials say they can't do that, there is "a lot of gray area as to who is right in that situation," said Mary Ziegler, the Martin Luther King Jr. professor of law at the University of California, Davis.

"If you are talking about a state applying its criminal laws outside its borders, there's just not a lot of guidance about how that plays out," Ziegler said.

It's not just California. Democratic governors in Colorado, North Carolina, Minnesota, New Mexico, Nevada, Washington, Rhode Island and Maine have all signed executive orders aiming to protect abortion providers and volunteers. Connecticut was the first state to pass a law protecting abortion providers and others, signed in May even before the U.S. Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade.

Newsom this year signed a law that would block the enforcement of some out-of-state court judgments against doctors and volunteers for legally obtained abortions in California — a law anti-abortion activists argue is illegal because of a clause in the U.S. Constitution that requires each state to give "full faith and credit" to the laws of every other state.

California Democrats say the law is legal because federal courts have recognized some exceptions to that clause, including when laws in one state violate the public policy of another state.

Still, the legal uncertainty could end up hindering people who work in the field of abortion, Ziegler said.

"What that would mean is the person from California would have a hard time traveling to a lot of places, especially if the judgment is out against them," she said.

Public opinion polls have shown a majority of California voters, including Republicans, support abortion protections, making it difficult for opponents to stop such bills from becoming law. Still, California Family Council President Jonathan Keller said the group is "investigating which of these laws are ripe for a court challenge."

One early candidate: a law that requires religious employers to tell their workers about publicly available abortion services. Keller noted a previous California law that instructed crisis pregnancy centers to tell patients about abortion services was struck down by the U.S. Supreme Court in 2018.

Newsom is expected this week to sign a law that would authorize as much as $20 million in public spending to help pay for women in other states to come to California for an abortion, something Keller said he

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DAILY POLICE LOGS

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 255 CALLS ON SEPTEMBER 26

Trespassing 300Blk Olympic Dr 12:15 a.m.
Burglary Now 100Blk Broadway 12:25 a.m.
Loud Music 3300Blk Barnard Way 1:05 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1500Blk 4th St 4:01 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 3100Blk Donald Douglas Loop S 4:43 a.m.
Encampment 2200Blk Virginia Ave 7:01 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 2200Blk Colorado Ave 7:09 a.m.
Encampment 1600Blk 5th St 7:31 a.m.
Battery 700Blk Santa Monica Blvd 7:32 a.m.
Traffic Hazard Pacific Coast Hwy / California Incline 7:43 a.m.
Loitering 700Blk Palisades Beach rd 7:59 a.m.
Fraud 1100Blk 7th St 8:09 a.m.
Found Property 300Blk Olympic Dr 8:09 a.m.
Battery 1600Blk Ocean Ave 8:28 a.m.
General Parking Problem 3100Blk Highland Ave 8:31 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1400Blk Grant St 8:35 a.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries City Prop Involved 2400Blk Wilshire Blvd 8:36 a.m.
Petty Theft 3200Blk Wilshire Blvd 8:40 a.m.
Assault 2600Blk Main St 8:45 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1500Blk Grant St 8:58 a.m.
Grand Theft 200Blk Broadway 9:20 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 300Blk San Vicente Blvd 9:25 a.m.
Trespassing 1600Blk Appian Way 9:49 a.m.
Scar Investigation 800Blk 9th St 10:18 a.m.
Trespassing 1400Blk 16th St 10:29 a.m.
Lewd Activity 1600Blk The Beach 10:36 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 2000Blk Olympic Blvd 10:44 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 2600Blk Lincoln Blvd 10:45 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1500Blk 10th St 10:46 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 100Blk Wadsworth Ave 10:46 a.m.
Trespassing 1600Blk 5th St 10:57 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1200Blk 12th St 11:06 a.m.
Expired Registration 1100Blk 18th St 11:25 a.m.
Petty Theft 1000Blk 14th St 11:25 a.m.
Expired Registration 1300Blk 18th St 11:49 a.m.
Harassing Phone Calls 900Blk 7th St 12:09 p.m.
Lost Property 1400Blk 3rd Street Prom 12:22 p.m.
Battery 2000Blk Olympic Blvd 12:23 p.m.
Trespassing 500Blk California Ave 12:44 p.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 800Blk 11th St 12:47 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 2500Blk 5th St 12:48 p.m.
Violation Of Posted Sign 1400Blk Ocean Ave 12:53 p.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 2000Blk 14th St 1:03 p.m.
Expired Registration 700Blk 9th St 1:03 p.m.
Petty Theft 2400Blk The Beach 1:15 p.m.
Trespassing 500Blk California Ave 1:21 p.m.
General Parking Problem 400Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 1:29 p.m.
Sexual Assault 1300Blk 4th St 1:32 p.m.
Expired Registration 600Blk 9th St 1:46 p.m.
Traffic Control Request - Level 1 2900Blk 4th St 1:59 p.m.
Traffic Hazard 2300Blk 27th St 2:14 p.m.
Failure To Pay Parking Fee 2600Blk Barnard Way 2:20 p.m.
Battery 400Blk Broadway 2:24 p.m.
Battery 4th St / Colorado Ave 2:24 p.m.
Critical Missing Person 2400Blk The Beach 2:48 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2300Blk Hill St 2:54 p.m.
Failure To Pay Parking Fee 2000Blk Ocean Ave 2:55 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries City Prop Involved 4th St / Broadway 2:55 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries City Prop Involved Ocean Ave / Washington Ave 3:04 p.m.
Burglary 1000Blk Pacific St 3:23 p.m.
Loud Music 1700Blk Dewey St 3:25 p.m.
Person Down 1000Blk Pico Blvd 3:36 p.m.
Lost Property 1500Blk 2nd St 3:49 p.m.
Attempt Strongarm Robbery Main St / Ocean Park Blvd 3:50 p.m.
Attempt Strongarm Robbery Main St / Ocean Park Blvd 4:05 p.m.
Abandoned Vehicle 200Blk Alta Ave 4:11 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation Pacific Coast Hwy / California Incline 4:23 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2300Blk Hill St 4:23 p.m.
Indecent Exposure 500Blk Broadway 4:30 p.m.
Loitering 1900Blk Lincoln Blvd 4:39 p.m.
Vehicle With Excessive Parking Violations 1000Blk 6th St 4:39 p.m.
Prowler Just Left 2000Blk 5th St 4:41 p.m.
Domestic Violence 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 4:44 p.m.
Attempt Auto Theft 100Blk Hill St 4:57 p.m.
Traffic Hazard Lincoln Blvd / Marine St 4:57 p.m.
Person With A Gun 200Blk Broadway 5:01 p.m.
Fraud 500Blk Wynola St Pac Palisades 5:18 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 800Blk 22nd St 5:20 p.m.
Trespassing 2600Blk Centinela Ave 5:23 p.m.
Trespassing 800Blk Maple St 5:35 p.m.
Abandoned Vehicle 1600Blk Appian Way 5:36 p.m.
Loud Music 1800Blk 16th St 5:45 p.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 3300Blk Barnard Way 5:48 p.m.
Attempt Burglary 2400Blk 34th St 5:49 p.m.
Traffic Hazard 14th St / Olympic Blvd 6:09 p.m.
Failure To Pay Parking Fee 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 6:25 p.m.
Traffic Collision - Unknown Injuries 500Blk Pier Ave 6:33 p.m.
Public Intoxication 300Blk Pico Blvd 6:43 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 20th St / Pico Blvd 6:45 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries Cloverfield Blvd / Pico Blvd 6:50 p.m.
Drunk Driving Investigation 16th St / Pearl St 7:22 p.m.
Loud Music 1100Blk 18th St 7:27 p.m.
Fight Lincoln Blvd / Interstate 10 7:32 p.m.
Traffic Collision - Unknown Injuries 20th St / Interstate 10 7:40 p.m.
Battery 1600Blk Santa Monica Blvd 7:49 p.m.
Auto Burglary 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 8:20 p.m.
Petty Theft 600Blk Wilshire Blvd 8:42 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 400Blk Colorado 8:57 p.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 20th St / Pico Blvd 9:09 p.m.
General Parking Problem 1300Blk 2nd St 9:59 p.m.
Trespassing 300Blk California Ave 10:03 p.m.
Trespassing 800Blk 7th St 10:13 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2900Blk Ocean Park Blvd 10:19 p.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 800Blk Pacific St 10:22 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1700Blk Wilshire Blvd 10:24 p.m.
Loud Music 2700Blk Main St 10:51 p.m.
Loud Music 2000Blk Ocean Ave 10:51 p.m.
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Traffic Hazard 14th St / Pearl St 11:57 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOGS

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EMS 1400Blk 6th St 1:43 a.m.
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EMS 1500Blk 5th St 3:25 a.m.
Elevator Rescue 2100Blk Santa Monica Blvd 4:01 a.m.
EMS 500Blk Colorado Ave 6:05 a.m.
EMS 2500Blk Arizona Ave 7:01 a.m.
EMS 6th St / Colorado Ave 7:12 a.m.
EMS 26th St / Santa Monica Blvd 8:06 a.m.
EMS 1600Blk Ocean Ave 8:28 a.m.
Public Assist 2800Blk Montana Ave 8:50 a.m.
EMS 1600Blk 10th St 9:52 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 2600Blk Santa Monica Blvd 10:12 a.m.
EMS 2700Blk Ocean Park Blvd 10:57 a.m.
EMS 4th St / Arizona Ave 10:58 a.m.
EMS 2100Blk Wilshire Blvd 11:08 a.m.
EMS 1800Blk Lincoln Blvd 11:13 a.m.
EMS 2000Blk Cloverfield Blvd 12:07 p.m.
EMS 1300Blk 20th St 12:48 p.m.
EMS 900Blk 6th St 1:19 p.m.
EMS 800Blk Ashland Ave 1:27 p.m.
EMS 1100Blk Centinela Ave 1:32 p.m.
Structure Fire 2900Blk 4th St 1:53 p.m.
EMS 1100Blk 7th St 2:13 p.m.
EMS 1900Blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:57 p.m.
EMS 1300Blk 3rd Street Prom 3:16 p.m.
EMS 1500Blk 5th St 3:23 p.m.
EMS 1000Blk Pico Blvd 3:36 p.m.
EMS 2000Blk Arizona Ave 4:27 p.m.
EMS 2nd St / Colorado Ave 5:06 p.m.
EMS 1300Blk Pacific St 5:09 p.m.
Request Fire 14th St / Olympic Blvd 6:18 p.m.
EMS 14th St / Olympic Blvd 6:18 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury 500Blk Pier Ave 6:33 p.m.
EMS 1300Blk 15th St 6:54 p.m.
EMS 1000Blk 11th St 6:59 p.m.
EMS 300Blk Olympic Dr 7:41 p.m.
EMS 800Blk Colorado Ave 7:47 p.m.
EMS 100Blk Fraser Ave 7:48 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 1500Blk 5th St 9:01 p.m.
EMS 1400Blk Olympic Blvd 9:05 p.m.

CRIME WATCH

Crime Watch is culled from reports provided by the Santa Monica Police Department. These are arrests only. All parties are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

ON SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

Officers in the Downtown area, near the 300 block of Broadway, responded to a call of a fight. The reporting party stated there were three males kicking and stomping on another male. Upon arrival, officers attempted to connect with the victim that presented with a visible bump on the back of his head and a laceration above his eye. The victim was not cooperative and refused assistance. Based on witness statements, officers located three suspects in the area: Jerry Garcia, 21 years old; Pedro Delgado, 22 years old; and Rudy Jimenez, 27 years old. All involved were charged with battery with serious injury and transported to the Santa Monica Jail.



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City of Santa Monica

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: **Proposed amendments to the text of the Zoning Ordinance related to economic recovery in the City's Downtown, Mixed-Use and Commercial, Employment, Oceanfront, and Public and Semi-Public Districts, excluding the area including and immediately adjacent to the Third Street Promenade, and economic recovery in the area including and immediately adjacent to the Third Street Promenade.**

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to consider amendments to the text of the City's Zoning Ordinance, Santa Monica Municipal Code Article 9, Chapters 9.01 to 9.52, related to: 1) economic recovery in the City's Downtown, Mixed-Use and Commercial, Employment, Oceanfront, and Public and Semi-Public Districts, excluding the area including and immediately adjacent to the Third Street Promenade; and 2) economic recovery in the area including and immediately adjacent to the Third Street Promenade. The proposed amendments would incorporate interim zoning regulations first adopted by the City Council in May of 2020 to support economic recovery efforts into the City's Zoning Ordinance. The amendments would include, but not be limited to, amendments to increase flexibility in land uses and opportunities for streamlined review, and amendments to relax certain standards related to parking and loading requirements.

On August 17, 2022, the Santa Monica Planning Commission adopted Resolution Numbers 22-013 and 22-14, recommending to the City Council that the City Council adopt the proposed amendments to the text of the Zoning Ordinance.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2022 AT 6:30 PM**

LOCATION: City Council Chamber, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Los Angeles

Los Angeles County Begins Mailing Sample Ballots for the 2022 General Election

The Los Angeles County Registrar-Recorder/County Clerk (RR/CC) begins mailing Sample Ballots to all registered voters for the 2022 General Election.

The Sample Ballot contains critical election information related to candidates, measures, and how to safely vote by mail or in person in this election.

Sample Ballots are mailed continuously through October 14. Vote by Mail ballots in this election is scheduled to begin mailing on October 6.

The RR/CC provides translated election materials in 18 different languages. Voters can request to receive their materials in their preferred language by returning the Language Request Form on the back of the Sample Ballot Book, or by calling (800) 815-2666, option 3.

In mid-October the RR/CC will issue a separate mailing to all registered voters displaying the nearest Vote Center locations to the voter's residence.

SUBMITTED BY THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY REGISTRAR RECORDER

Countywide

The Court seeks applicants for 23-member 2023-24 Civil Grand Jury

The Superior Court of Los Angeles County seeks civic-minded applicants for the 2023-24 Civil Grand Jury of Los Angeles County. The Civil Grand Jury acts as a government watchdog by examining the operations of various government agencies within Los Angeles County. Civil grand jurors may invest weeks or months of time reviewing government institutions after attending detailed briefings and training sessions.

No prior jury service experience, investigative skills or training are required to serve. The deadline to apply is November 1, 2022.

Qualified applicants must be:
- U.S. citizens, age 18 or older
- Able to read and speak English
- LA County residents for at least one year

Citizens may apply for the Civil Grand Jury, or a Los Angeles Superior Court judge may nominate an individual.

HOW TO APPLY:

People may apply to serve as a 2023-24 Civil Grand Jury member by doing one of the following:
- Submit a Grand Jury Application which is found on the Court's website at www.lacourt.org/forms/jury;
- Send an email to: grandjury@lacourt.org;
- Call (213) 893-0411; or
- Write to the Grand Jury Administration at: 222 S. Hill Street, Suite 670, Los Angeles, CA 90012.

After applicants are interviewed and qualified, 23 citizens will be randomly selected and trained to investigate county, city and joint-powers agencies during the one-year tenure of Civil Grand Jury service. At the end of its investigation, the Civil Grand Jury will issue recommendations in a final report.

Former civil grand jurors indicated in a survey that "serving the public's interest" and "performing their civic duty" were their chief reasons for applying. They also described serving as "engaging" and "personally satisfying."

Civil grand jurors typically work 30-40 hours per week, usually meeting daily at 222 S. Hill St. in downtown Los Angeles. In addition to their $60 in daily compensation, civil grand jurors also are reimbursed for mileage.

The Court's Juror Services Division coordinates applications. If applicants and nominees become finalists, they are eligible for the Civil Grand Jury. In the spring of 2023, 23 individuals from the finalist group will be randomly selected to serve on the 2023-24 Civil Grand Jury.

Further information can be found on the Court's website at lacourt.org.

SUBMITTED BY THE SUPERIOR COURT

DEATH

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retail theft in the 11800 block of Foothill Boulevard.

As deputies conducted a search of the Toyota, a Hyundai Elantra driven by Santa Monica resident Marlon Bonds approached from the north. The Sheriff's statement said Bonds accelerated towards the officers, hitting one of them and pinning him between the two vehicles. Bonds exited the Hyundai armed with a knife and is described as aggressively approaching the officers.

Officers then shot Bonds who was subsequently transported to a local hospital where he died.

The deputy suffered injuries to his leg as a result of being pinned between the vehicles and was also transported to a local hospital.

Investigators with the Sheriff's Specialized Investigations Division responded and are conducting the investigation. The investigation has revealed no connection between Bonds and the initial theft investigation.

Anyone with information about this case is asked to contact Detective Malcolm Page, Specialized Investigations Division at (909) 890-4904. Callers can remain anonymous and contact We-Tip at 800-78CRIME or www.wetip.com.

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Jan. 6 sedition trial underway for Oath Keepers leader

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Associated Press

Jury selection began Tuesday in the trial of the founder of the Oath Keepers extremist group and four associates charged with seditious conspiracy, one of the most serious cases to emerge from the Jan. 6, 2021, attack on the U.S. Capitol.

Amid complaints by attorneys for Stewart Rhodes and the others that they can't get a fair jury in Washington, the judge began winnowing the pool of potential jurors who will decide the fate of the first Jan. 6 defendants to stand trial on the rare Civil War-era charge.

The case against Rhodes and his Oath Keeper associates is the biggest test yet for the Justice Department in its massive Jan. 6 prosecution and is being heard in federal court not far from the Capitol. Seditious conspiracy can be difficult to prove, and the last guilty trial verdict was nearly 30 years ago.

Prosecutors have accused Rhodes of leading a weekslong plot to violently stop the transfer of presidential power from election-denier Donald Trump to Joe Biden that culminated with Oath Keepers dressed in battle gear storming the Capitol on Jan. 6.

Jury selection could take several days and the trial is expected to last at least five weeks.

U.S. District Judge Amit Mehta on Tuesday denied defense attorney's latest bid to move the trial out of Washington. The judge acknowledged that no juries have acquitted Jan. 6 defendants so far, but said that doesn't tell him about "bias or inherent bias of jurors in the District of Columbia."

The court already had dismissed more than two dozen potential jurors before Tuesday, including a journalist who had covered the events of Jan. 6. and someone else who described that day "one of the single most treasonous acts in the history of this country."

The judge disqualified several other people Tuesday based on concerns about their impartiality. One man recalled the fear and "trauma" that he experienced on Jan. 6. Mehta also disqualified a woman who said she used to work as a House staffer on Capitol Hill and still has many friends who work there.

"I was really afraid for their lives that day," she said.

Others excused from the jury pool include an attorney who questioned why hundreds of people have been charged with Capitol riot offenses when some of them appeared to him to be "just standing around." Another was a man who said he raised money for Biden's 2020 presidential campaign and expressed negative impressions of the Oath Keepers

Phillip Linder, an attorney for Rhodes, urged the judge to disqualify another man who said he has a close family friend who works for a House member and recalled watching livestreamed video of the Capitol attack. The judge called it a "close call" but declined to disqualify the man who said he could set aside what he has heard about the Oath Keepers.

Hundreds of people have already been convicted of joining the mob that overran police barriers, beat officers and smashed windows, sending lawmakers fleeing and halting the certification of Biden's electoral victory.

In a different court on Tuesday, a judge handed down one of the longest sentences so far in the riot. Kyle Young of Redfield, Iowa, was ordered to serve seven years in prison after he admitted to assaulting then-Metropolitan Police Officer Michael Fanone.

Prosecutors will try to show that an Oath Keepers' plot to stop Biden from becoming president started well before that, in fact before all the votes in the 2020 race had even been counted.

On trial with Rhodes, of Granbury Texas, are Thomas Caldwell, of Berryville, Virginia; Kenneth Harrelson, of Titusville, Florida; Jessica Watkins of Woodstock, Ohio, and Kelly Meggs of Dunnellon, Florida.

Caldwell, a retired U.S. Navy intelligence officer and the only defendant released from jail ahead of trial, walked with a cane as he slowly entered the courthouse wearing a dark suit.

Authorities say Rhodes, a former U.S. Army paratrooper and a Yale Law School graduate, spent weeks mobilizing his followers to prepare to take up arms to defend Trump. The Oath Keepers repeatedly wrote in chats about the prospect of violence, stockpiled guns and put "quick reaction force" teams on standby outside Washington to get weapons into the city quickly if needed, authorities say.

On Jan. 6, Oath Keepers were captured on camera storming the Capitol in military-style "stack" formation. Rhodes isn't accused of going inside the Capitol, but phone records show he was communicating with Oath Keepers who did enter around the time of the riot and he was seen with members outside afterward.

Conviction for seditious conspiracy calls for up to 20 years behind bars. The last time prosecutors secured a seditious conspiracy conviction at trial was in 1995 in the case against Islamic militants who plotted to bomb New York City landmarks.

Three of Rhodes' Oath Keepers followers have pleaded guilty to the charge and are likely to testify against him at trial. Rhodes' lawyers have claimed those Oath Keepers were pressured into pleading guilty and are lying to get a better sentencing deal from the government.

On Tuesday, Rhodes' lawyers asked the judge to bar prosecutors and witnesses from using words such as "antigovernment" or "extremists" in describing the Oath Keepers to jurors, saying in court documents that it would "add nothing but prejudice into what already promises to be an emotionally charged trial."

Rhodes' attorneys have suggested that his defense will focus on his belief that Trump would invoke the Insurrection Act and call up a militia to support his bid to stay in power. Defense attorneys say Rhodes' actions in the weeks leading up to Jan. 6 were in preparation for what he believed would have been lawful orders from Trump under the Insurrection Act, but never came.

The defense has said that Oath Keepers were dressed in helmets and goggles to protect themselves from possible attacks

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Attorneys for Musk, Twitter argue over information exchange

RANDALL CHASE
AP Business Writer

A Delaware judge on Tuesday ordered attorneys for billionaire Elon Musk to create a log of certain documents that relate to former Twitter security chief Peiter "Mudge" Zatko but not directly to Zatko's whistleblower complaint against the social media giant.

The ruling came near the start of a three-hour hearing on various pretrial disputes between attorneys for Musk and Twitter over requested document disclosures. The two sides will face off in a trial scheduled to start Oct. 17 that will decide whether Twitter can force Musk to carry through with his agreed $44 billion acquisition of the company.

Scheduled depositions of Musk and Twitter CEO Parag Agrawal on Monday were postponed. Musk is now scheduled to be deposed in Delaware on Oct. 6 and Oct. 7, according to a Twitter court filing late Monday.

Musk, the world's richest man, agreed in April to buy Twitter and take it private, offering $54.20 a share and vowing to loosen the company's policing of content and to root out fake accounts. In July, Musk indicated that he wanted to back away from the deal, claiming Twitter had failed to provide him enough information about the number of fake accounts on its platform.

The hearing first focused on issues related to Twitter's former security chief Peiter Zatko, who filed a whistleblower case against Twitter in July alleging a number of shortcomings in Twitter's privacy and security procedures. Musk's attorneys contend that Twitter needed his consent before paying Zatko $7.75 in severance but failed to do so.

Zatko's complaint alleges a number of other problems at Twitter, including the allegation that CEO Parag Agrawal and other senior executives and board members have made false and misleading statements about Twitter's cybersecurity, privacy and integrity.

Much of the rest of the hearing focused on arguments over discovery, the legal term for information exchanges between parties to a lawsuit. Musk lawyers complained that Twitter has withheld too many of the documents they requested, partly by claiming that they are confidential because they touch on attorney-client privilege.

Musk attorneys also claim that Twitter is improperly withholding information regarding various metrics on user engagement and how they affect the company's financial performance.

Attorneys for Twitter, meanwhile, asked the judge to sanction Musk attorneys for failing to produce responsive phone messages between Musk and various confidantes. They also are asking Chancellor Kathaleen St. Jude McCormick to compel additional document production from certain Morgan Stanley entities that offered to help finance the deal and provided financial advice to Musk.

Jonathan Polkes, an attorney for Morgan Stanley and Co., said his client has already produced some 65,000 documents, far more than any other party in the case, including Musk and Twitter. The relative handful of other documents that Twitter wants are subject to redaction or withholding as legally privileged, he said.

Attorneys have been fighting incessantly over discovery ever since Twitter filed suit in July, seeking an order of "specific performance" directing Musk to carry through with the acquisition. The ongoing battle has tested the patience of McCormick, who has already issued more than a dozen rulings related to discovery disputes.

"Skip the rhetoric and go to the meat," McCormick said tersely near the end of Tuesday's hearing when an attorney for Musk began responding to a Twitter lawyer's argument that the defendants should be sanctioned for withholding documents.

ABORTION

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and his group are the most concerned about.

"He's not inviting (women) to get a state-paid trip for labor and delivery if they live in a county or state with poor maternal mortality, instead (he's) saying you can come here on the taxpayers' dime, but only if it is to end your pregnancy," Keller said.

Democratic Assemblymember Cristina Garcia said California's new laws would save lives, arguing that abortion bans don't stop abortions but instead lead to "unsafe and deadly abortions for communities of color, low-income communities, trans and other marginalized communities," adding: "We promise to be a refuge state for anyone seeking an abortion."

Most of the laws Newsom signed Tuesday were inspired by the California Future of Abortion Council, a group of 46 public officials and abortion rights groups that began planning last year on what to do if the U.S. Supreme Court overturned Roe v. Wade.

Newsom approved several of the group's ideas Tuesday, including new laws to let some nurse practitioners perform abortions without a doctor's permission, establish scholarships for students studying to provide abortions, and stop officials from prosecuting women for pregnancy loss.

"California is showing what is possible when leaders listen to experts, facts, science, and from the people who are directly impacted," said Jodi Hicks, president and CEO of Planned Parenthood Affiliates of California.

Newsom also signed several laws Tuesday that were endorsed by the California Women's Caucus, including one that stops retailers from charting different prices on goods based on what gender they are marketed to and a law requiring employers to make pay scale information available to employees and included in job postings.

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Millions of Americans will save on Medicare fees next year

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Associated Press

For the first time in a decade, Americans will pay less next year on monthly premiums for Medicare's Part B plan, which covers routine doctors' visits and other outpatient care.

The rare 3% decrease in monthly premiums is likely to be coupled with a historically high cost-of-living increase in Social Security benefits — perhaps 9% or 10% — putting hundreds of dollars directly into the pockets of millions of people.

"That's something we may never see again in the rest of our lives," said Mary Johnson, the Social Security and Medicare policy analyst for The Senior Citizens League. "That can really be used to pay off credit cards, to restock pantries that have gotten low because people can't afford to buy as much today as they did a year ago and do some long-postponed repairs to homes and cars."

The 2023 decrease in monthly Medicare premiums comes after millions of beneficiaries endured a tough year of high inflation and a dramatic increase to premiums this year. Most people on Medicare will pay $164.90 a month for Part B coverage starting next year, a savings of $5.20.

> "(To) millions of seniors and people with disabilities on Medicare, that means more money in their pockets while still getting the care they need - Joe Biden

The decrease helps to offset last year's $21.60 spike, which was driven in large part by a new Alzheimer's drug, Aduhelm, administered intravenously in doctors' offices and introduced to the market last year with a $56,000 price tag. Medicare set strict limitations on the drug's use earlier this year and the drugmaker has since cut the medication's cost in half.

Medicare paid less for that drug than it expected this year, helping shore up reserves that allowed the agency to set the Part B premiums lower for 2023, the Centers for Medicaid and Medicare said in a statement Tuesday. Spending on other Medicare services and items was lower than expected, too. The annual deductible for the Part B program will also decrease $7 to $226.

President Joe Biden lauded the lower Medicare premiums during a Rose Garden speech Tuesday.

As the midterm elections near and Biden's administration struggles to contain the painful side effects of inflation, the White House has increasingly trumpeted its work around curtailing health care costs.

"(To) millions of seniors and people with disabilities on Medicare, that means more money in their pockets while still getting the care they need," Biden said.

Biden pointed to more cost savings on the way for some Medicare recipients starting next year thanks to the Inflation Reduction Act, which will require Medicare to cover the cost of recommended vaccines for older Americans and will cap monthly insulin copayments at $35 per month. Other provisions in the legislation, including a rule that allows Medicare to negotiate directly with drug companies on the price of some medications, will take a few years to kick in.

The bill received no support from congressional Republicans, a talking point the White House has frequently pushed in speeches and across its social media accounts in recent weeks.

Republicans have a different slant on the subject.

"Desperation is setting in at the White House," the Republican National Committee said in response to Biden's speech Tuesday. "Voters have a clear choice in the midterms as they know Biden and the Democrats sent costs for groceries soaring, created a recession and increased taxes."

The lower Medicare premiums were announced as 66 million Americans await the announcement of next year's Social Security cost-of-living increase for 2023. Analysts estimate that it could be historic, roughly between 9% and 10%. The exact amount will be announced next month.

JAN 6

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from left-wing antifa activists and that the "quick reaction force" outside Washington was meant for defensive purposes if Trump invoked the Insurrection Act.

Nearly 900 people have been charged so far in the Jan. 6 riot and more than 400 have pleaded guilty or been convicted at trial.

Sentences for the rioters so far have ranged from probation for low-level misdemeanor offenses to 10 years in prison for a retired New York City police officer who used a metal flagpole to assault an officer at the Capitol.

Associated Press journalist Mike Pesoli contributed to this report from Washington.

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: **Proposed Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance to extend Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance 2704 (CCS) authorizing the temporary use of private outdoor space for commercial activity, temporary permitted uses for emergency shelters, public safety facilities, and drive-through facilities for COVID-19 testing and vaccination purposes, and flexibility in issuance of temporary use permits and alcoholic beverage sales.**

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to introduce and adopt an Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance extending Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance 2704 (CCS) adopted on May 10, 2022, which extended and amended interim zoning regulations that authorized the temporary use of private outdoor space for commercial activity, temporary permitted uses for emergency shelters, public safety facilities, and drive-through facilities for COVID-19 testing and vaccination purposes, and flexibility in issuance of temporary use permits and alcoholic beverage sales, necessary for continued emergency response and economic recovery. The interim zoning regulations set forth in Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance 2704 (CCS) will expire on December 31, 2022 unless extended by the City Council.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2022 AT 6:30 PM**

LOCATION: City Council Chamber, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

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AIRPORT

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wanted to be a commercial airline pilot. He had taught at Santa Monica Flyers since 2018.

On social media, his students and coworkers praised West.

"If I only knew on the second pic would be the last time I'd see you & our last lesson together, I would've said thanks for being a good instructor to me & hugged you tighter to say goodbye," said Karen Versace on Facebook.

"Christian was an amazing CFI and young man. He will truly be missed in the SoCal aviation community," said Christopher Trotter. "My condolences go out to his family and all that had the privilege to fly with him, because flying with him truly was a privilege. Blue skies and tailwinds, dear friend."

The passenger who died, Jackson Nazario, was an aspiring audio engineer and producer. He is being remembered with an online fundraiser (https://www.gofundme.com/f/jackson-nazarios-celebration-of-life) to pay for funeral expenses and support the family.

"Anyone that knew Jackson will tell you, he's an ultra light beam, his energy emanated outward unto all that were around. His childlike love, curiosity, and wonder, guided him on his journey of travel and meeting new people. Everywhere he went, he made a friend, he was a friend," said the statement for the fundraiser.

"Jackson had a courageous way of being him Self. His efforts to give were limitless, he gave with such an open and pure heart. He gave whatever he had to those around him with zero expectation of anything in return."

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RENT

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and attorneys for the defendants — 1433 Euclid Street, LLC and WS Communities, LLC — a California Superior Court judge ruled Monday that the defendants would be permitted to enter a pretrial diversion program including making payments totaling $35,000, posting notices of price restrictions and attending tenant's rights training. Should the defendants, landlords at 1433 Euclid, meet all stipulations laid out in the proposed program, they will avoid potential punishments that could have included jail.

Although Santa Monica was in a state of emergency relating to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic when charges were filed, the alleged price gouging at issue in the court case occurred during a different concurrent emergency. At the time, Gov. Gavin Newsom had declared wildfire-related emergencies in seven counties including Los Angeles; since his predecessor Jerry Brown first issued a wildfire emergency in October 2017, various areas of California including Los Angeles County have essentially been in an extended emergency due to the impact of destructive wildfires.

The amended complaint, filed in California Superior Court in May 2022, alleges that on Feb. 1, 2020, a little more than three years after purchasing the multi-unit residential property at 1433 Euclid Street, WS Communities raised monthly rent on a unit from $865 per month to $3,000 per month — at about 250%, the change represented "an increase of more than ten percent (10%) in violation of Penal Code section 396(e)," the City Attorney's Office wrote. A 10% increase would have seen the rent go from $865 to $951.50.

The pretrial diversion includes a $20,000 donation to homeless nonprofit The People Concern, a $15,000 payment to the City of Santa Monica toward tenant protection enforcement and outreach, posting of visible notices "informing the tenants of the existence of pricing restrictions during a state of emergency" and two representatives from 1433 Euclid Street attending and completing a tenant's rights training program.

In response to follow-up questions regarding the pretrial diversion, Chief Deputy City Attorney Eda Suh wrote in an email to the Daily Press that "acceptance of diversion is not an admission of guilt" and that "the court and the parties agreed that diversion was appropriate under the facts of this case."

The complaint follows an earlier complaint filed in January 2021 that contained the same allegations.

The decision also marks the second diversion program tied to alleged misdeeds committed by landlords at 1433 Euclid Street; in July, another California Superior Court judge placed defendants Adam Shekhter, MySuite, LLC., 1238 10th Street, LLC., and 1433 Euclid Street, LLC., in a diversion program following alleged tenant harassment, public nuisance, and zoning violations at two other properties: 1238 and 1242 10th Street.

According to previous Daily Press reporting, WS Communities was created as a spin-off of Shekhter's NMS Properties in 2017. While NMS was mired in a legal fight with a former partner over ownership of several apartment buildings, WS Communities was able to secure several additional projects including six micro-apartment developments in the Downtown area.

WS Communities' local projects include a 100-unit mixed use residential building at 1550 Lincoln Boulevard that has made substantial progress toward its completion.

Other proposed future projects include residential buildings at 1543 7th Street, 1441 Lincoln Boulevard, 2901 Santa Monica Boulevard, 1437 6th Street and more.

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HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You have range. Choosing the right mode can be challenging. You can be professional and cordial or irreverent and funny. To be appropriate in every situation means being inappropriate in the ones that call for it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Everyone knows there's more than meets the eye, but some need to poke through the paper scenery to peer to the other side, and others don't. Your curiosity will get the best of you, and you'll cut yourself a small window.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Perfectionism is a form of fear. If you never take the product out into the world, you never have to face the music of the market. Be bold. Take your chances. The worst that can happen is that you'll learn what to work on next.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Honesty moves you, even if it's fiction. Emotional truth and factual truth are different kinds of honesty that don't always show up together. Keep in mind that emotions can be manipulated by skilled actors, liars and storytellers.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). People will talk, but the words aren't what they are really saying. If you listen to just the words, you'll miss the meaning. Mentally distance yourself to see the bigger dance and the motivations that drive it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Sure, you don't want to cause anyone a hassle. But don't be too concerned with making everything easy either. When people have to work for something, they value it more and derive greater pleasure from the experience.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Who comes through for you every day? Take nothing for granted. These loyalties are hardy and may remain whether you nurture them or not. But you'd rather be known as someone who nurtured the very best in others.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The work you've done will be useful one day, meaningful the next and then obsolete — and much later, historic. So you may as well commit as though it's everything. In many ways, it is.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Stay open to your muses, if not for yourself for those you're sure to inspire. You'll surround yourself with things that reflect who you are. Your values, taste and sensibility shine through as you share from the heart.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You love people in different ways and for different reasons. Relationships shift with time, and you'll roll with the changes, whether they be toward depth, friendliness or familiarity. It's nothing to fear.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). There is a benefit in everything you experience, even if you may not understand it at the time. Therefore, today's cosmic gift of immediate comprehension is no small boon. You'll base your next move on this valuable learning.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). It would be senseless to pine after unpossessed talents when you own so many, though everyone does this from time to time. Avoid the tendency! Winning move: Key into your strengths and ignore everything else for now.

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

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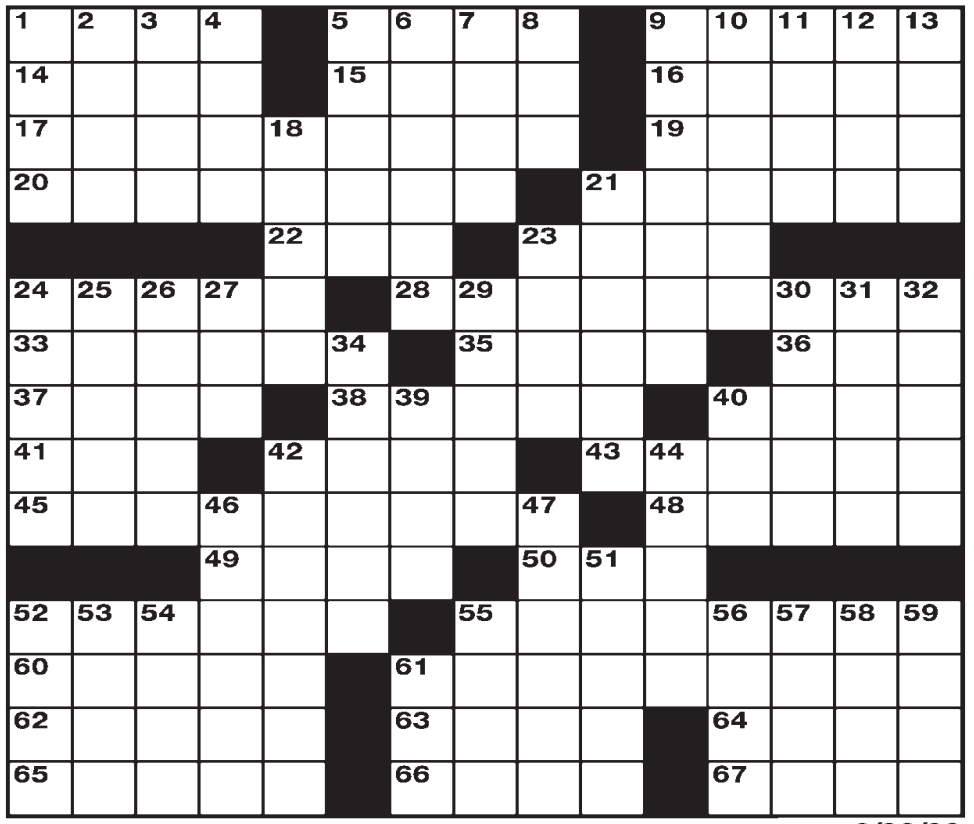
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Newsday Crossword

TAKE APART by Mark McClain
Edited by Stanley Newman
www.stanxwords.com

ACROSS
1 Courage, informally
5 *Beetle Bailey* dog
9 Alligator's marshy home
14 A Great Lake
15 Be afraid of
16 Weird and scary
17 Show one's dislike, amusingly
19 Northernmost New England state
20 Most slender
21 Not as spicy
22 Opposite of post-
23 Refuses to
24 Thin French pancake
28 Display emotion, figuratively
33 Greek letter before mu
35 Blacken on a grill
36 Texter's "I think"
37 Colored part of an eye
38 French coin before the euro
40 Santa's laughing sounds
41 Director Brooks or singer Tillis
42 Fake coin
43 Spotted wildcat of Mexico
45 Theatrical "Good luck!"
48 Does not include
49 Green citrus fruit
50 Toward the rear of a ship
52 Three-in-one
55 Talked nonsense
60 Watchful attention
61 Help out, so to speak
62 Make amends
63 Fencing sword
64 Verdi opera adapted by Elton John
65 Had the nerve (to)
66 Founded: Abbr.
67 ___-bitsy

DOWN
1 Opals and emeralds
2 ___ Mountains (Eurasian range)
3 Hawaiian restaurant figurine
4 Appear to be
5 Volunteer to provide
6 China grouping for pekoe
7 Diplomatic skill
8 Metal-filled rock
9 Instructional conference
10 Financial prosperity
11 Very dry, as a climate
12 Source for 8 Down
13 Gaze (into)
18 Excited, in slang
21 Monte Carlo's locale
23 Small songbird
24 Ascend a mountain
25 More uncommon
26 French novelist Zola
27 *Antiques Roadshow* network
29 Electric meter measurement
30 Garlicky sauce
31 "Turn up the A/C!"
32 Below-ground plant parts
34 Burning
39 Reign over
40 Tailor's border
42 Highly adept
44 Terra ___ pottery
46 Of Swiss peaks
47 Dark red stone
51 Became less colorful
52 Broadcast commercial
53 Actress Moreno or Hayworth
54 Frankenstein's assistant
55 Livens (up)
56 Spicy Asian cuisine
57 Café au ___
58 Ceases
59 WWII turning point
61 Director Spike or Ang



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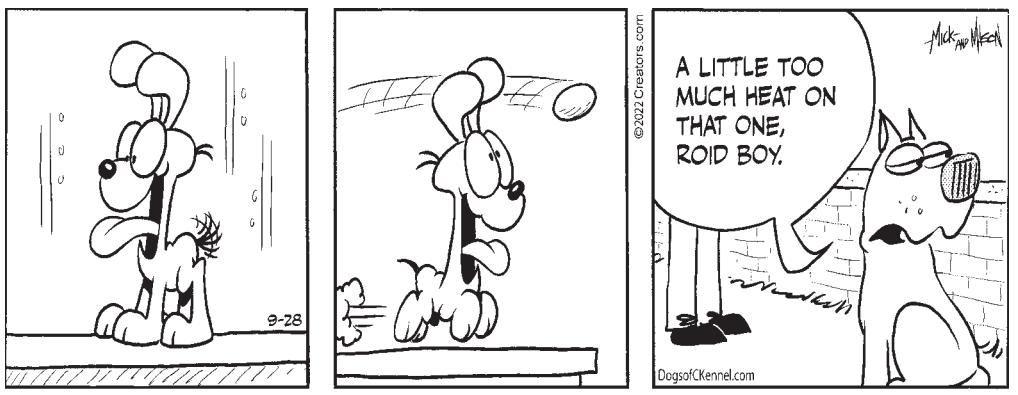
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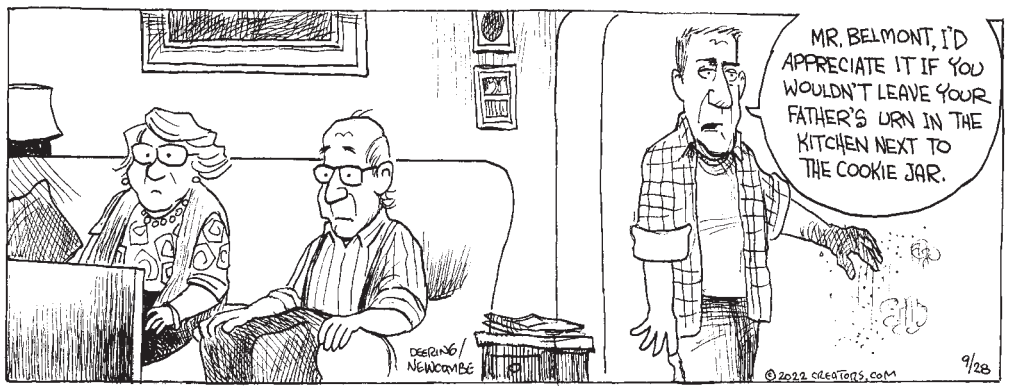
Dogs of C-Kennel

By MICK & MASON MASTROIANNI & JOHNNY HART



Zack Hill

By JOHN DEERING & JOHN NEWCOMBE



Heathcliff

By PETER GALLAGHER



"YES, HE IS VERY CUTE."

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 24 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle. © australianwordgames.com.au 5616

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G O S N O W M T I S A G E B C
I N G O E U K A K A D U U I H
T M F N D S R B R I G H T N O
S O R W I E B I M E A Y A E S
E R E Y A K S O B I E M M V T
R P M N L A E S N A L O A C E
O E A D E L N B A D J D C A L
F T N H D H R U G Y I L U I S
N H T A A E O N A R U R H R M
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A N E L H M N U A O N F E S Y
R U O T O O A R N R G A T R A
O D R L R R R Y F I T Z R O Y
A E O Y K A L G O O R L I E N
P C B D W T R Y B L A D I P N

Adelaide	Dalby	Lakes	Roma
Arid	Echuca	Lorne	Snow
Bega	Fitzroy	Maree	Snug
Bondi	Fremantle	Maya	Tour
Bright	Grafton	Mildura	Warragul
Bunbury	Hobart	Morpeth	Wyndham
Byron Bay	Hostels	Mt Isa	Yamba
Cairns	Jabiru	Nerang	Yass
Ceduna	Kakadu	Omeo	
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What's Up Westside

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WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 28

MAIN STREET FOOD TRUCKS

The California Heritage Museum is proud to announce the return of the weekly Gourmet Food Truck event, taking place every Wednesday evening. Come taste delicious food located one block from the beach, in the parking lot of the California Heritage Museum at 2612 Main Street (on the corner of Main Street and Ocean Park Boulevard). 5 - 9 p.m.

TRIPTEASE BURLESQUE

Every Wednesday features a fresh new line-up of talent hosted by the Original Dame herself, Lola Boutée. Live music kicks off the night each week at 8 p.m. followed by the burlesque show. Choose from over 60 beers from around the world, 16 beers on tap, delicious wine, or even some bubbly during the show. Tipping is encouraged. 2101 Lincoln Blvd. $10 - $120, https://www.eventbrite.com/e/triptease-burlesque-live-on-demand-tickets-33918310580

TRIVIA NIGHT AT THE BUNGALOW

Meet at The Bungalow at Fairmont Miramar Hotel & Bungalows every Wednesday for Trivia Night. Test your knowledge, enjoy the food and fare and win over $500 worth of prizes every week. Bring friends and family for an epic showdown. See you there! 101 Wilshire Blvd. https://thebungalow.com/santa-monica/#calendar

THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 29

WALK-IN TUTORING @TUTORING CENTER

Location is 2nd floor Tutoring Center. Volunteer tutors provide help with basic reading and writing skills, using the Internet, filling out online forms, using email, resume writing, and job searches. Main Library. 1 - 3 p.m.

SUMMER SOIREE

Let La Lom band take you away and make your toes tap with Latin Jazz and Americana being played on the Pool Terrace (lobby level) every Thursday. Shore Hotel, 1515 Ocean. 4 - 7 p.m.

AIRBNB: THE MUSICAL

Enjoy AirBnB: The Musical, a Guest Production at the historical Santa Monica Playhouse. This production is running for three nights only, so reserve your tickets early! Santa Monica Playhouse, 1211 4th Street. $15. https://www.eventbrite.com/e/airbnb-the-musical-tickets-350800893917

SALSA & BACHATA AT THE VICTORIAN

Get your dance shoes on and meet at The Victorian every Thursday for 21 and up Salsa and Bachata classes. Enjoy music spun by The Victorian's featured djs and stay after the lesson to participate in open floor dancing with other amazing dancers and great food and drink. 2640 Main St $12, https://www.eventbrite.com/e/salsa-bachata-at-the-victorian-tickets-391011675447

CURRENT EVENTS DISCUSSION

Attend a lively discussion on current events, every Thursday 1 to 2:30 p.m. Formerly at the Fairview Library, now conveniently on Zoom. Excellent facilitator, Marsha, sends an email list on Wed. night of topics to discuss which is informative in itself. There is never a lack of interesting material or opinions. For information and to receive a Zoom link for the next meeting, email to mushcb@gmail.com.

NATIONAL COFFEE DAY

The Coffee Bean & Tea Leaf have installed colorful, interactive Coffee Cams at select locations to encourage everyone to 'Treat Yourself.' Guests are encouraged to snap a picture of their favorite coffee beverage using the Coffee Cam installation in celebration of National Coffee Day. Those that share a photo of their coffee in the Coffee Cam to their Instagram Stories and/or profile, tagging @thecoffeebean as well as using the #CoffeeBeanCoffeeCam will receive a promo code to use in The Coffee Bean Rewards App for a free brewed or iced coffee. Participating stores include 3rd Street Promenade.

LOVE ISN'T BLIND

In this brand new dating experiment, men will compete for one lucky bachelorette, with the tiny caveat that the men aren't allowed to speak. Through a series of elimination rounds in which they may check their Bumble messages, have them compete in feats of strength, and call their mothers, they'll narrow it down to two men. Finally, they'll hear their voices, and the lucky winning man will be sent with the bachelorette to the bar for an immediate date while the rest of the singles mingle and the couples wingperson everyone they see. Hosted by Allison Goldberg. The Crow, 2525 Michigan Avenue, Unit F4. $20 https://www.eventbrite.com/e/love-isnt-blind-tickets-407110196557

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 30

ENGLISH AS A SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) CONVERSATION, LOW

Santa Monica Public Library hosts an ongoing series of English as a Second Language (ESL) classes taught by Adult Education Center instructors. Classes are free and students must be 18 years or older to attend. Community parents and SMMUSD parents have priority enrollment. Learn more about California adult education at caladulted.org. Enrollment is through the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Adult Education Center, located at 2510 Lincoln Blvd., Room 203, Santa Monica, CA, 90405. Contact Olga Saucedo at (310) 664-6222, ext. 76203 or osaucedo@smmusd.org to enroll. 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Pico Branch Library.

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



SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **70.9**

WEDNESDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:** 3-4ft Waist to chest	SSW swell continues. NW swell mix could offer enough energy to help set up peaky shape for combo breaks out West. Early push to a deep mid-morning high tide.
THURSDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:** 2-3ft+ Thigh to stomach	Easing SSW swell as modest NW swell mix hangs in there and creates a couple of peaks for the beachbreaks out west. Morning conditions looking clean with an okay tide push to start the day.

WEATHER

Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 78. Light south wind becoming west southwest 5 to 10 mph.
Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 67. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.
Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 78. East wind 5 to 10 mph becoming southwest in the afternoon.
Thursday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 64.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2022/09/28	Wed	04:47 AM	1.27	L
2022/09/28	Wed	11:03 AM	5.75	H
2022/09/28	Wed	5:48 PM	0.43	L
2022/09/28	Wed	11:53 PM	4.17	H
2022/09/29	Thu	05:12 AM	1.75	L
2022/09/29	Thu	11:36 AM	5.77	H
2022/09/29	Thu	6:42 PM	0.45	L
2022/09/30	Fri	12:56 AM	3.61	H
2022/09/30	Fri	05:39 AM	2.25	L
2022/09/30	Fri	12:16 PM	5.67	H
2022/09/30	Fri	7:50 PM	0.53	L
2022/10/01	Sat	02:31 AM	3.18	H
2022/10/01	Sat	06:07 AM	2.73	L
2022/10/01	Sat	1:10 PM	5.47	H
2022/10/01	Sat	9:22 PM	0.52	L
2022/10/02	Sun	2:29 PM	5.26	H
2022/10/02	Sun	10:57 PM	0.28	L
2022/10/03	Mon	06:41 AM	3.62	H

DAILY LOTTERY

Although every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the winning number information, mistakes can occur. In the event of any discrepancies, California State laws and California Lottery regulations will prevail. Complete game information and prize claiming instructions are available at California Lottery retailers. Visit the California State Lottery web site at http://www.calottery.com

POWERBALL
Draw Date: 9/26
13 20 31 33 59
Power#: 20
Jackpot: 300 M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 9/23
5 50 53 58 64
Mega#: 22
Jackpot: 325 M

SuperLotto Plus
Draw Date: 9/24
6 12 21 23 36
Mega#: 7
Jackpot: 28 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 9/26
7 9 22 23 36

Daily 3
Draw Date: 9/26
EVENING: 6 3 9

Draw Date: 9/26
MIDDAY: 2 3 0

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 9/26
1st: 06 - Whirl Win
2nd: 04 - Big Ben
3rd: 08 - Gorgeous George
Race Time: 1:46.70

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WATER CONSERVATION ORDINANCE

The City of Santa Monica's Water Conservation Ordinance (SMMC 7.16.020) currently in effect helps residents and businesses conserve precious potable water.

New Changes Effective July 5, 2022

Outdoor Watering Restrictions

Outdoor watering with sprinklers is restricted to 2 days a week with different watering days assigned to odd-numbered and even-numbered street addresses.

New Changes

- Customers with odd-numbered street addresses – ending in 3, 5, 7 or 9 - are allowed to water on Mondays and Wednesdays.
- Customers with even-numbered street addresses – ending in 0, 2, 4, 6, or 8 - are allowed to water on Tuesdays and Thursdays.
- No watering is allowed outdoors between 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., regardless of the watering day.
- Hand-held hose watering with a positive quick release shutoff valve or nozzle is allowed every day of the week for trees and vegetation except for the 9:00am to 5:00pm time period.
- Drip irrigation supplying water to a food source is allowed every day except for the 9:00am to 5:00pm time period.
- No runoff is allowed onto streets, driveways and gutters from excessive watering.

Other Prohibited Uses

- You may not allow leaks from pipes or fixtures to go unrepaired.
- You may not wash down hard surfaces such as sidewalks, walkways, driveways or parking areas.
- You may not wash vehicles using a hose without a self-closing water shut-off nozzle. Runoff to the street and/or alley is prohibited.
- Restaurant staff may not serve water to customers unless requested.
- Recommend use of pool covers to decrease water evaporation.
- Recommend washing of vehicles at commercial car wash facilities.

KNOW YOUR *Watering Days*

Monday	*Tuesday*	*Wednesday*	*Thursday*	*Friday*	*Saturday*	*Sunday*
Odd Addresses	Even Addresses	Odd Addresses	Even Addresses	No Watering	No Watering	No Watering

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Learn more: santamonica.gov/watering-restrictions

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