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Tenants endure 6 years of construction hell

In December 2016 Anastasia Foster was completing her regular rounds of food delivery as a Meals on Wheels volunteer, but when she arrived at 220 San Vicente Boulevard her longtime client Suzette Glickman was nowhere to be found.

Glickman was a rent controlled tenant in her eighties, who had lived in the building for 38 years. She was a partial amputee and had multiple disabilities that prevented her from leaving her unit, so her absence caused Foster immediate alarm.

After contacting the building manager Foster eventually found Glickman in a state of utter distress. She had been left in an empty unit for hours with no water, no food, no electricity, no way to lift herself off of the overstuffed loveseat she was placed on and no idea when anyone was coming to get her.

The property management company had moved her in order to complete an unnecessary cosmetic upgrade in the hallway outside her unit and only provided notice the night before. At the time Foster was horrified, but unaware this was just the tip of the iceberg in terms of the abuse alleged by tenants at 220 San Vicente.

Five years later, Foster was no longer volunteering at 220 San Vicente, because she was dealing with the building as a Commissioner on the Rent Control Board, where it was the subject of the largest consolidated case in the agency's history. The case concluded on Sept. 9 with Foster and her fellow commissioners authorizing a collective total of $642,645 in rent reductions to tenants in 17 units for damages suffered during over half a decade of construction.

"We have had other cases before this group, before this commission, similar in tone, similar in content, similar in nature, but never even quite to this unbelievably high threshold of pain — physical pain, emotional pain, mental pain — that people were paying to endure," said Foster.

Tenants' woes began in June 2015, when Brad Korzen purchased the building under San Vicente Tower SPE, LLC. Korzen is the CEO of the Kor Group, which lists 220 San Vicente as part of its portfolio in addition to several other luxury residential and hotel properties, including the Downtown Santa Monica Proper Hotel.

According to a report prepared by the case's hearing officer Tracy Mattie-Daub, shortly after purchasing the property, the owner began making "sweeping changes to the look and feel of the space by embarking on an overhaul of the entire property."

Over the next six years, tenants dealt with a seemingly never-ending series of inconveniences, loss of amenities, disturbances, dangers and delays.

From Nov. 4, 2015 to May 17, 2018 alone there were at least 48 water shutoffs. Elevator repairs initially estimated to take six weeks took 61. A two-month exterior painting project took almost six months.

Petitioners testified that jackhammering of concrete created deafening noise levels. One resident, Ted Chan, was subjected to days of hearing two metal railings being sliced into pieces directly outside his unit as part of a balcony railing replacement project.

"We are entitled to a recognition when there is so much noise that people cannot work at home, cannot talk on the phone, they cannot talk in person, they cannot do video conferencing, when water is shut off that people can't use their toilets, people can't wash their hands, people can't shower," said Chan during a Sept. 9 Rent Control Board

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Boosters, employer mandates drive increase in US vaccines

JOHN SEEWER
Associated Press

The number of Americans getting COVID-19 vaccines has steadily increased to a three-month high as seniors and people with medical conditions seek boosters, and government and employer mandates push more workers to take their first doses.

Demand is expected to spike in a few weeks when elementary school children can begin getting shots, and some states are reopening mass vaccination clinics in anticipation.

In Missouri, a mass vaccination site at a former Toys R Us store is set to open Monday. Virginia plans to roll out nine large vaccination centers over the next few weeks, including one at the Richmond International Raceway.

Colorado opened four mass vaccination sites in mid-September, largely to deal with employer mandates, and officials saw a 38% increase in vaccinations statewide during the first week.

The total number of doses being administered in the U.S. is climbing toward an average of 1 million per day, almost double the level from mid-July — but still far below last spring.

On Thursday, 1.1 million doses were delivered, including just over 306,000 to newly vaccinated people, said Dr. Cyrus Shahpar, the White House COVID-19 data director.

Organizers of the effort to reach the roughly 67 million unvaccinated American adults say the rise in demand can be traced to approval of the Pfizer booster, mandates that have forced employees to choose between the shot and their jobs and sobering statistics that show nearly all COVID-19 deaths are among the unvaccinated.

"We're seeing people who need the shot to keep a job," said Dr. Ricardo Gonzalez-Fisher, who runs a mobile vaccine clinic mostly for Latinos in Colorado.

Last weekend, his clinic delivered 30 shots to people outside the Mexican Consulate in Denver. "On these days, 30 is a very good number," he said.

Virginia's state vaccine coordinator, Dr. Danny Avula, said opening the large vaccination centers, will allow local health departments to focus on reaching underserved communities. "This should really help relieve the burden for our local providers," he said.

Last week, the number of people getting shots at a mall in Charlottesville, Virginia, doubled over the previous week, said Ryan McKay, who oversees COVID-19 operations for the Blue Ridge Health District.

The big push now, he said, is in neighborhoods where rates are low. The health district has set up mobile clinics at weekend basketball tournaments, high school football games and even at a corner market where 20 people were vaccinated in a day.

"Those 20 vaccinations sound small, but it's really a huge success," McKay said.

Vice President Kamala Harris stopped Friday at vaccine center in Newark, New Jersey, where she met with patients and health care workers and encouraged people to get the shot.

"There will be an end to this," she said. "We really feel we are starting to get in front of this."

Alba Lopez in Ohio decided to get the Pfizer vaccine Friday at the Columbus Public Health Department after tiring of twice-weekly testing required by her employer, Chase Bank, and filling out an online form each day indicating whether she had a fever and how she felt.

The vaccine "helped me to avoid all that," said Lopez, who also figured her company will eventually require it.

Health officials in Springfield, Missouri, an early epicenter of the delta surge, are opening the new vaccination site at the former toy store because they anticipate seeing an influx of people.

"All told, in the coming weeks and months, we are expecting more than 120,000 people to seek vaccine," said Jon Mooney, assistant director of the Springfield-Greene County Health Department. "We are already experiencing increased demand in the last week or two."

Cases in the Springfield area are falling, but 78 people remain hospitalized in the city, and federal officials have determined that community transmission remains high.

Mitchell Maccarone, 24, got his second shot Thursday at a CVS Pharmacy in North Smithfield, Rhode Island. He wanted to wait until the vaccine received full FDA approval.

"Before I put something in my body, I want to make sure it's fully approved," he said. "I'm also not in a high-risk age group. I am healthy, and I had COVID, and it was really just the sniffles."

Vaccination sites that opened within the past week in Memphis, Tennessee, and Tampa, Florida, drew mostly people seeking booster shots and only a handful of people getting their first or second shots, said organizers who expect demand to rise.

A bump in vaccinations in Louisiana began in August, when so many were getting sick from the highly contagious delta variant, said Sheree Taillon, vaccine incentive coordinator for the state's health department.

But now there are few first-timers seeking shots, and most people coming for their boosters are older people and those who rushed to get vaccinated last winter, she said. And COVID-19 deaths and hospitalizations are dropping.

"The fear is leaving yet again," she said. "I feel that fear is the only thing to get folks vaccinated at this point."

Seewer reported from Toledo, Ohio. Associated Press writers Heather Hollingsworth in Mission, Kansas, Jennifer McDermott in Providence, Rhode Island, and Andrew Welsh-Huggins in Columbus, Ohio, contributed to this report.

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California oil pipeline leak: More questions than answers

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Associated Press

Investigators searching for the cause of an undersea oil pipeline break off the Southern California coast have pointed to the possibility that a ship anchor dragged the line across the seabed and cracked it, but two videos released so far provide only tantalizing clues about what might have happened below the ocean surface.

A Coast Guard video released Thursday appears to show a trench in the seafloor leading to a bend in the submerged line, but experts offered varied opinions of the significance of the brief, grainy shots. An earlier video revealed a thin, 13-inch long rupture in the line. The pipe showed no evidence of damage that experts said would be expected from a collision with a multi-ton anchor from cargo ships that routinely move through the area off the ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach.

The slight bow in the line displayed in one video "doesn't necessarily look like anchor damage," Frank G. Adams, president of Houston-based Interface Consulting International, said in an email. When a pipeline is hit by an anchor or other heavy object "that typically results in physical damage that may lead to a fracture."

Ramanan Krishnamoorti, a petroleum engineering professor at the University of Houston, said he considered the video that runs along a bend in the line "revealing."

"It seems to me you've got something that was dragged in the sand that might have impacted the pipeline," he said. However, he remained puzzled that the leak came from a crack and not a larger gash, assuming it was hit by an anchor or some other object.

Reports of a possible spill off Huntington Beach were first coming out Friday evening but the leak wasn't discovered until Saturday morning. While the size of the spill isn't known, the Coast Guard on Thursday slightly revised the parameters of the estimates to at least about 25,000 gallons and no more than 132,000 gallons.

The Coast Guard said about 5,500 gallons of crude have been recovered from the ocean. The oil has spread southeast along the coast with reports of small amounts coming ashore in San Diego County, some 50 miles from the original site.

So far the impact on wildfire has been minimal — 10 dead birds and another 25 recovered alive and treated — but environmentalists caution the long-term impacts could be much greater. As cleanup continued on the shore, some beaches in Laguna Beach reopened Friday, though the public still can't go in the water.

Key questions remain: Could the line have been hit days before the leak started? What ship is responsible? And if a ship anchor is not the culprit, what else could it be? Investigators, meanwhile, continued to hunt for the cause of the break, as well as determine what happened in the crucial early hours after reports of a possible oil spill first came in.

The narrow gash seen in one video could explain why signs of an oil slick were seen Friday night, but the spill eluded detection by the pipeline operator for more than 12 hours.

"My experience suggests this would be a darned hard leak to remotely determine quickly," said Richard Kuprewicz, a private pipeline accident investigator and consultant. "An opening of this type, on a 17-mile-long underwater pipe is very hard to spot by remote indications. These crack-type releases are lower rate and can go for quite a while."

When pipes experience a catastrophic failure, the breach typically is much bigger, what's referred to in the industry as a "fish mouth" rupture because it gapes wide like the mouth of a fish, he said.

Amplify Energy, a Houston-based company that owns and operates three offshore oil platforms and the pipeline south of Los Angeles, said it didn't know there had been a spill until its workers detected an oil sheen on the water Saturday at 8:09 a.m.

The Coast Guard on Thursday said it is investigating the incident with other agencies as a "major marine casualty" due to the potential involvement of a vessel and damages exceeding $500,000. It said they will determine if criminal charges, civil penalties or new laws or regulations are needed.

The leak occurred about 5 miles offshore at a depth of about 98 feet, investigators said. A 4,000-foot section of the pipeline was dislodged 105 feet, bent back like the string on a bow, Amplify's CEO Martyn Willsher has said.

Jonathan Stewart, a professor of civil and environmental engineering at the University of California, Los Angeles, said he was surprised the damage wasn't more severe given how far the pipe was moved.

"My first reaction when I heard that it is displaced so far was that it's remarkable that it's even intact at all," Stewart said.

Moving a large section of pipe up to 105 feet would have caused "bending deformations" – tension on the side that was stretched into a semicircle, with compression on the other, as it was bent inward, Stewart said.

It's possible such pressure alone could result in a break, though Stewart said there is too little information to make a conclusion about the cause. It's possible a sharp section of anchor could pierce the pipeline but "you could still have damage just from the bending."

"Because it's pulling on the pipe, you create these bending stresses in the pipe, which could eventually become large enough that they rupture it," he said.

Questions remain about when the oil company knew it had a problem and delays in reporting the spill.

A foreign ship anchored in the waters off Huntington Beach reported to the Coast Guard that it saw a sheen longer than 2 miles just after 6 p.m. on Oct. 1, and that evening a satellite image from the European Space Agency also indicated a likely oil slick, which was reported to the Coast Guard at 2:06 a.m. Saturday, after being reviewed by a National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration analyst.

Federal pipeline safety regulators have put the time of the incident at 2:30 a.m. Saturday

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DAILY POLICE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 308 CALLS ON OCTOBER 7

Fight 700Blk Ozone St 1:18 p.m.
Found Property 300Blk Olympic Dr 1:20 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 1200Blk 24th St 1:41 p.m.
Prowler There Now 1500Blk Bay St 1:44 a.m.
Check Temporary No Parking Signs 800Blk 20th St 10:16 p.m.
Loud Music 800Blk 2nd St 10:26 p.m.
Battery Report 2600Blk Main St 10:35 p.m.
Loud Music 1300Blk 2nd St 10:46 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 800Blk Hill St 10:52 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 500Blk 22nd St 10:57 a.m.
Petty Theft Report 600Blk Broadway 11:05 a.m.
Fraud Report 2900Blk Santa Monica Blvd 11:12 p.m.
Party Complaint 600Blk Hill St 11:22 p.m.
Harassing Phone Calls Report 1300Blk Princeton St 11:25 a.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 12th St / Broadway 11:41 a.m.
Assault Now 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 11:59 p.m.
Public Intoxication 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 12:16 p.m.
Harassing Phone Calls Report 300Blk Olympic Dr 12:22 p.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 1400Blk 4th St 12:32 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1100Blk 12th St 12:36 p.m.
Loud Music 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 12:41 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 800Blk Yale St 12:52 p.m.
Missing Person 300Blk Olympic Dr 2:04 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 1400Blk 7th St 2:12 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 900Blk Olympic Blvd W 2:41 a.m.
Burglary Report 500Blk Raymond Ave 3:31 p.m.
Found Property 1400Blk 18th St 3:43 p.m.
Person With A Gun 400Blk Broadway 3:53 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1300Blk 3rd Street Prom 4:23 p.m.
Arson 900Blk 17th St 4:47 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1200Blk Palisades Park 4:56 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 500Blk Pier Ave 4:56 p.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 1900Blk Wilshire Blvd 5:02 p.m.
Sexual Assault 1200Blk 4th St 5:06 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 600Blk Wilshire Blvd 5:16 p.m.
Petty Theft Now 6th St / Bay St 5:27 p.m.
Petty Theft Now 600Blk Ashland Ave 5:31 p.m.
Urinating/Defecating In Public 1300Blk California Ave 5:32 p.m.
Stolen Vehicle 200Blk Pico Blvd 5:34 p.m.
Loud Music 00Blk Pico Blvd 5:43 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred Lincoln Blvd / Wilshire Blvd 6:05 a.m.
Lewd Activity 1300Blk 3rd Street Prom 6:18 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 21st St / Wilshire Blvd 6:19 p.m.
Child Endangerment 600Blk Pico Blvd 6:45 p.m.
Encampment 1400Blk The Beach 6:51 a.m.
Check Temporary No Parking Signs 800Blk 20th St 6:51 p.m.
Fraud Suspect Just Left Ocean Ave / Olympic Dr 6:59 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1400Blk Marine St 7:06 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 1500Blk Ocean Ave 7:14 p.m.
Silent Robbery Alarm 2900Blk Main St 7:16 p.m.
Lost Property 1100Blk 3rd St 7:27 a.m.
Found Property 1300Blk 3rd Street Prom 7:28 p.m.
Grand Theft Report 1400Blk Ocean Ave 7:31 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 800Blk 20th St 7:41 a.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 300Blk 22nd St 7:46 a.m.
Missing Person 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 7:49 p.m.
Person Down 5th St / Arizona Ave 7:52 p.m.
Public Intoxication 3000Blk Wilshire Blvd 8:03 p.m.
Person Down 300Blk Santa Monica Pier 8:07 p.m.
Check Temporary No Parking Signs 1200Blk 10th St 8:57 a.m.
Encampment 1100Blk 17th St 9:01 p.m.
Grand Theft Now 1900Blk Wilshire Blvd 9:05 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed Lincoln Blvd / Santa Monica Blvd 9:09 a.m.
Found Property 1600Blk Berkeley St 9:12 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 3000Blk 3rd St 9:28 a.m.
Vehicle Burglar Alarm 21st St / Pearl St 9:30 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred 3rd Street Prom / Santa Monica Blvd 9:31 p.m.
Silent Robbery Alarm 2500Blk Wilshire Blvd 9:42 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 900Blk Harvard St 9:47 a.m.
Found Property 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 9:55 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 22 CALLS ON OCTOBER 7

EMS 900Blk 6th St 1:19 a.m.
Assist LAFD 00Blk E Dudley Ave 8:19 a.m.
EMS 1300Blk 20th St 8:31 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 100Blk Wilshire Blvd 10:19 a.m.
EMS 500Blk Pico Blvd 10:28 a.m.
EMS 2400Blk 14th St 11:03 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 2900Blk 31st St 12:12 p.m.
EMS 2500Blk Pico Blvd 12:20 p.m.
EMS 2500Blk Wilshire Blvd 12:48 p.m.
EMS 1200Blk 6th St 2:05 p.m.
EMS 2000Blk Main St 2:07 p.m.
EMS 1800Blk Stewart St 2:23 p.m.
EMS 1400Blk 7th St 3:10 p.m.
EMS 2700Blk Olympic Blvd 3:53 p.m.
EMS Main St / Bay St 4:02 p.m.
EMS 700Blk Navy St 5:45 p.m.
EMS 2600Blk Main St 6:19 p.m.
EMS 900Blk 3rd St 6:22 p.m.
EMS 1000Blk 11th St 6:33 p.m.
EMS 5th St / Arizona Ave 7:52 p.m.
EMS 3000Blk Arizona Ave 10:19 p.m.
EMS 2000Blk Cloverfield Blvd 11:31 p.m.

Letter to the Editor

Tim Tunks — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Rewarding hobbies

One of my entertainments is to read the newspapers every morning and collect interesting phrases. Sometimes just a few words open up a school of thought. Three that recently caught my attention are; "Tribe defining belief," "Trench-warfare political tribalism," and "Droolingly stupid." You may detect here a theme of intolerance for uninformed people who cast their votes for dangerous positions.

"So how can you tell if someone believes a set of 'facts' because of accurate information processing or because of their tribal loyalty?" you might ask.

My first thought is to check whether their belt goes through all the loops. But that is my elitist view of using markers of a good education and careful self-examination to judge a person's intelligence, a view that unfairly disqualifies folks who, for one reason or another, haven't enjoyed the privilege of a good education or simply dressed in a hurry. My personal experience indicates that the ratio of the stupid educated to those unschooled but very bright is nearly equal.

Looking to see whether their hat has an aluminum foil lining to protect them from mind-altering radiation could be another clue, or perhaps checking to see whether they are card-carrying members of The Flat Earth Society—those would be pretty good indicators. But I think that just talking to folks for a bit gives you a pretty good idea of how their minds work. I regard talking to strangers a rewarding exercise, both because it strengthens ties in our universal community and because it rewards me with an opportunity to get out of myself somewhat to better understand the world and how it works.

If I was still employed in the teaching racket I think enjoying language as they read voraciously and talking to strangers as a regular practice would be the best lessons I could pass on.

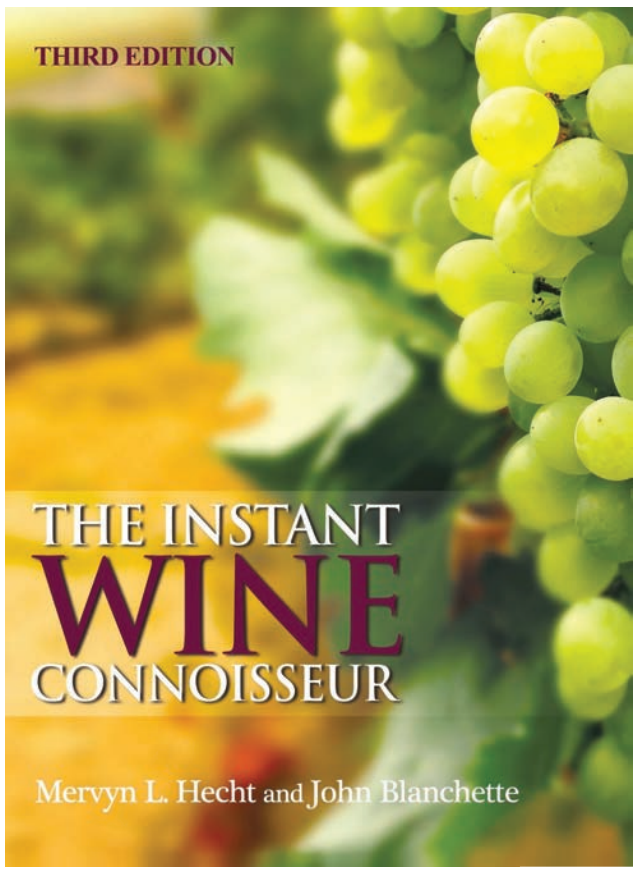
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Delta variant and worker shortage keep a lid on job growth

CHRISTOPHER RUGABER
AP Economics Writer

U.S. employers added just 194,000 jobs in September, a second straight tepid gain and evidence that the pandemic has kept its grip on the economy, with many companies struggling to fill millions of open jobs.

Friday's report from the Labor Department also showed that the unemployment rate sank last month from 5.2% to 4.8%. The rate fell in part because more people found jobs but also because about 180,000 fewer people looked for work in September, which meant they weren't counted as unemployed.

September's sluggish job gains fell shy of even the modest 336,000 that the economy had added in August and were the fewest since December, when employers actually cut jobs.

The economy is showing some signs of emerging from the drag of the delta variant of the coronavirus, with confirmed new COVID-19 infections declining, restaurant traffic picking up slightly and consumers willing to spend. But new infections remained high as September began. And employers are still struggling to find workers because many people who lost jobs in the pandemic have yet to start looking again. The persistence of that trend, with job openings at a record high, has confounded many economists.

Most of them had expected September to produce robust job growth as schools reopened, thereby freeing parents, especially working mothers, to return to jobs. Several enhanced unemployment benefit programs had expired Sept. 6, potentially providing incentives for more people to seek work. And at least before delta intensified, many companies had planned to return to working in offices, which would have revitalized still-dormant downtowns.

Instead, as a result of the delta variant, many office buildings remain vacant and fears of the disease rebounded. A Census Bureau survey found that the number of people not working because they had COVID or were caring for someone with the disease doubled between July and early September. COVID outbreaks have also temporarily closed some schools, making it harder for many mothers to hold down permanent jobs.

At the same time, many economists say that as COVID recedes further and Americans resume traveling, eating out and seeing movies, more people will likely re-enter the workforce, and hiring will strengthen.

"This report is a look in the rear-view mirror," said Daniel Zhao, senior economist at the jobs website Glassdoor, "and hopefully this means the worst is behind us, and the worst was just a slowdown in the recovery."

For now, people like Sarah Neumeier have chosen to stay on the sidelines. Neumeier, 32, of Natick, Massachusetts, who has 3-year-old twin sons, said she will wait until after the winter holidays to look for work again.

She had turned down a job just as the pandemic intensified in March 2020 because, out of concern for their health, she didn't want to place her children in daycare. Those concerns haven't lifted.

"I was waiting for the vaccine," she said. "My boys were preemies, and we did everything to keep them healthy. I don't want to jeopardize that now."

The delta variant has discouraged Neumeier in another way: Her work experience is in event planning, a field that was devastated by the pandemic and is unlikely to recover until the delta variant has faded further.

Neumeier has plenty of company. The proportion of Americans who either have a job or are looking for one — known as labor force participation — declined in September from 61.7% to 61.6%, well below the pre-pandemic level of 63.3%, Friday's report said.

The drop in labor force participation occurred entirely among women, suggesting that many working mothers are still caring for children at home. For men, labor participation was unchanged. Some after-school programs weren't yet in place last month to provide all-day care. And child care has become scarcer and costlier in many cases.

Lael Brainard, a member of the Federal Reserve's Board of Governors, noted in a recent speech that COVID outbreaks in late September caused 2,000 schools to close for an average of six days in 39 states.

John Lai, chief executive of Mister Car Wash, with about 350 locations, said he's seeking to hire 500 people in the next three months to add to the company's 6,000 workers. Mister Car Wash, based in Tucson, Arizona, has raised its average hourly-worker pay to $14.50 an hour since the pandemic began and offers health and retirement benefits. Yet it's struggling to attract applicants.

"It is certainly the most challenging labor market that I have ever experienced in my 20 years in the business," Lai said.

Some of his female employees, he said, have had to quit to care for children. And despite the end of federal supplemental unemployment aid, Lai is seeing little increase in the number of job applicants.

"I think it's the big mystery of the economy," he said. "The folks that are sitting on the sidelines — why are they sitting on the sidelines?"

He suspects that one factor is lingering fear of becoming sick at work.

The enhanced unemployment aid that ended in early September included a $300-a-week federal supplement, as well as programs that for the first time covered gig workers and people who were jobless for six months or more. The expiration of those programs cutoff aid for roughly 7 million people.

Many business owners and Republican political leaders argued that the extra $300-a-week benefit was discouraging some people from seeking jobs because they could receive more money from unemployment aid. So far, though, the ending of those programs appears to have had little effect on the number of people looking for work.

Economists still think that most of the

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Sacramento

California Governor Signs Legislation Establishing the Farm to Community Food Hub Program

Governor Newsom signed AB 1009, effectively establishing California's first Farm to Community Food Hub Program to promote direct farm and ranch sales to local communities. Authored by Assemblymember Richard Bloom (D – Santa Monica), AB 1009 will use the state's $15,000,000 investment from this year's budget to implement three food hubs throughout the state.

The farm to community food hubs created under this bill will allow public institutions to leverage their significant food budgets towards creating jobs and providing communities with access to local, climate-friendly, and equitably produced food. These institutions will be able to prioritize partnerships with farms and ranches that are cooperatively owned, operating on 500 acres or less, or owned by socially disadvantaged, beginning, limited resource, veteran, or disabled farmers and ranchers. AB 1009 provides an opportunity to support disadvantaged local farming communities. This takes on even more importance as we recover from the economic impacts of the pandemic and accelerate climate adaptation and resilience.

The COVID-19 pandemic has resulted in the unpredictability and loss of markets, which has had a disproportionate impact on California's small-scale farmers – particularly historically underserved farmers of color. Food system reform increasingly calls for more regionalized food systems, which in turn provide greater resilience in times of natural disaster or public health emergency.

"California leads the nation in agricultural production, yet we still lag in development of regionalized food systems," said Assemblymember Bloom. "By investing in local farming economies through the food hubs program, we are taking the necessary steps in ensuring our food supply systems remain stable through times of crisis."

Supported by groups such as the California Association with Family Farmers, Ceres Community Project, So Cal Farm Network, and a host of existing community food hubs throughout California, AB 1009 becomes law on January 1, 2022.

Richard Bloom represents California's 50th Assembly District, which comprises the communities of Agoura Hills, Bel Air, Beverly Hills, Brentwood, Hollywood, Malibu, Pacific Palisades, Santa Monica, Topanga, West Hollywood, and West Los Angeles.

MELISSA KAUFLER, BLOOMS OFFICE

CRIME WATCH BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

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 SATURDAY, OCTOBER 2, AT APPROXIMATELY 1 A.M.

Officers to a radio call of a "Battery Just Occurred" near the 2500 block of Pico Boulevard. The comments of the call indicated an unknown subject broke into the reporting party's apartment and beat him up. Additionally, the comments of the call stated the subject was still inside of the apartment and refusing to leave. Upon arrival it was determined that the parties were acquaintances and the suspect, after a verbal altercation, hit the victim over the head with a flat-screen television. The victim refused treatment at the scene. Ines Ricardo Montes Alonzo, 30 years old from Van Nuys was arrested for assault with a deadly weapon and transported to the Santa Monica Jail.

OIL

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but say the company didn't shut down the pipeline until 6:01 a.m. — more than three hours after a low pressure alarm had gone off indicating a possible problem — and didn't report the leak to the Coast Guard until 9:07 a.m. Federal and state rules require immediate notification of spills.

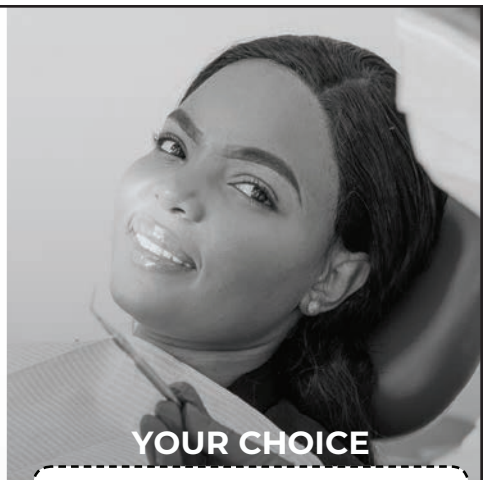
Amplify said the line already had been shut down by 6 a.m., then restarted for five minutes for a "meter reading" and again shut down. A meter reading shows how much oil is flowing into and out of the line. The company could have been using that information to confirm if the pressure-change alarm was set off because the line was leaking, said Krishnamoorti and Kuprewicz.

The company said a boat discovered oil on the water at 8:09 a.m.

Willsher, who took questions alongside Coast Guard and other officials over four days, did not show up at Thursday's news conference. Other officials declined to explain his absence.

Brian Melley contributed from Los Angeles.

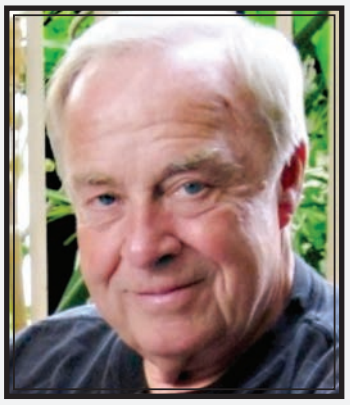
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James F. Northrup

June 3, 1934 – August 25, 2021

James Franklin Northrup was born June 3, 1934, the son of Edward and Debra Northrup. He passed to eternal life on August 25, 2021, at UCLA Santa Monica Hospital.

Jim grew up in the Atwood Neighborhood of Madison WI, and graduated from Madison East High School in 1952. He worked for National Guardian Life Insurance, winning many performance awards. In 1978 he moved to Santa Monica, CA and continued serving his clients as an independent insurance agent. After retiring, Jim continued community service, working with disadvantaged people. He was a member and leader of the Unity-by-the-Sea church of Santa Monica and the Eagles Club. He was an avid Green Bay Packer and Wisconsin Badger fan. He kept fond memories of his Madison roots, returning often to visit family and friends.

Jim loved walking around Santa Monica, which meant frequent stops to chat with neighbors and friends. Jim guided his life with the principle that life worked better with optimistic ideas.

Jim supported local businesses. He participated in City Council Meetings. He volunteered to work the tables on election days. Jim wrote letters to politicians, local and national, to participate in government to effect change.

Jim was witty, friendly and kind. He is and will be greatly missed. A heartfelt thanks to his friend of 30 years, Dr. Gerald Rafferty of Santa Monica, who supported Jim and his family tremendously in his last days, and beyond.

Jim is survived by his first wife, Teresa (Castagna) Northrup, children; Jim, Jeff, Linda Christensen (George), Laura, and Barry (Loretta), his brother Walter Northrup (Karen) of St. Paul, and friend Bonnie Diekow, Grandchildren, George Christensen, John (Sarah) Christensen, Collin (Mary Strause), Amanda and Megan Northrup, great-grandchild Estella Grace Northrup, cousins, nephews and nieces, and many friends in Madison and Santa Monica. He was preceded in death by his parents, Edward and Debra Northrup, and second wife Barbara.

There will be a private gathering in Santa Monica in memoriam later this year.
The family invites memorial contributions are made to the American Cancer Society.

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LOS ANGELES

Los Angeles County sheriff won't enforce vaccine mandate

The Los Angeles County sheriff says he will not enforce the county's vaccine mandate in his agency.

Sheriff Alex Villanueva, who oversees the largest sheriff's department in the county with roughly 18,000 employees, said Thursday in a Facebook Live event that he does not plan to carry out the county's mandate, under which Los Angeles County employees had to be fully vaccinated by Oct. 1.

The mandate was issued by executive order in August and allows only for religious and medical exemptions. Villanueva said his employees are willing to be terminated rather than get vaccinated.

"I don't want to be in a position to lose 5, 10% of my workforce overnight on a vaccine mandate," the sheriff said.

More than 26,000 people have died of the coronavirus in Los Angeles County, which is the nation's most populous county.

Of the county's roughly 10 million residents, 78% have received at least one COVID-19 vaccine dose and 69% are fully vaccinated, according to public health officials.

Health officials said the county has reported 14 deaths a day, on average, even though deaths and hospitalization figures have plunged by some 50% since late August.

Villanueva's announcement came a day after the city of Los Angeles approved one of the nation's strictest vaccine mandates – a sweeping measure that requires the shots for everyone entering bars, restaurants, nail salons, gyms or even a Lakers game.

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JOBS

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roughly 3 million people who lost jobs and stopped looking for work since the pandemic struck will resume their searches as COVID wanes. It took years after the 2008-2009 recession, they note, for the proportion of people working or seeking work to return to pre-recession levels.

September's meager job gain will likely still be enough for the Federal Reserve to proceed with its plans to pull back on its extraordinary assistance to the economy, said Lydia Boussour, an economist at Oxford Economics. The Fed is expected to announce in November that it will begin slowing its bond purchases, which are intended to lower long-term loan rates and encourage more borrowing and spending.

Tammy Browning, president of KellyOCG, a staffing agency, said she notices little urgency among some potential job-seekers. Some families have learned to live with less, she said, adapting to one income as mothers stay home. Household savings are, on average, still above pre-pandemic levels, thanks in part to stimulus checks.

"I think it's going to be several months before people come back in full force," Browning said.

One factor behind the weakness in hiring last month was a sharp drop in local government education jobs. The number of such jobs fell by 144,000 last month despite the reopening of schools. That decline suggested that many local school systems didn't hire as many people as they typically do. Many have had trouble finding enough bus drivers, cafeteria workers and other support staff.

Most industries added jobs last month, though at a reduced pace. Transportation and warehousing, for example, which has been boosted by a spike in online shopping, added 47,000 jobs. Manufacturers added 26,000. Restaurants, hotels and amusement parks, though, gained just 74,000 positions, more than in August but far below the pace in the summer, when they were adding hundreds of thousands of workers a month.

Another reason workers are scarce is a surge in retirements among older, more affluent workers whose home equity and stock portfolios have surged since the pandemic struck and who have managed to build up savings. Goldman Sachs estimates that about 1.5 million people have retired who wouldn't have before the pandemic upended the economy. Many of these people will likely stay retired, economists expect.

AP Writer Jennifer McDermott contributed to this report from Natick, Massachusetts.

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RENT CONTROL

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meeting.

While the 1972 building was in need of repair, Mattie-Daub concluded that most of the renovations constituted unnecessary upgrades.

"There was no evidence presented to establish that demolition, extensive remodeling, and complete replacement of materials within renovated units were necessary to maintain or re-rent the units," wrote Mattie-Daub. "The new and upgraded features were chosen to comport with the owner's plans to give the property a modern, upscale appearance and feel, with the unstated goal of offering the renovated units at much higher rents."

The building's website currently advertises recently renovated units complete with "new hardwood flooring, updated oak cabinetry and sophisticated quartz bathroom countertops" and entreats potential tenants to "come live in luxury at San Vicente Tower."

To facilitate the remodeling of vacant units and the installation of washers and dryers, existing tenants were repeatedly made to leave their units for several hours at a time.

During the construction process tenants also periodically lost access to their amenities including the pool, parking spaces, elevators and the laundry room.

When renovations of these amenities were deemed necessary, tenants were not entitled to rent reductions, but they did receive several reductions accounting for instances when construction was carried out in an unreasonable manner or took an unreasonably long time to complete.

Some tenants were relocated to temporary units for several months to allow for repairs to their existing units.

Tenant Bill Davids was displaced for six months and tenant Paula Wylot for eight months. Wylot was granted a rent reduction on the basis that she was paying the same rent to live in an inferior unit and Davids received a reduction for an unreasonable length of construction and damage done to his belongings by the construction workers.

The construction project also raised health and safety concerns.

The owner voluntarily chose to remove existing popcorn ceilings, a process that exposes asbestos. Although tenants were entitled to information on asbestos testing results, the owner declined to provide them. Additionally, on multiple occasions construction investigators reported failure to mitigate dust and inadequate protection from airborne contaminants.

"It is a combination and an assault on the senses of vibration, noise, dust, lack of an elevator, lack of a parking space, laundry stopped, power on power off, electricity on electricity off, water on water off," said Foster, summarizing tenants' plight. "It is a sustained assault on a person's well-being and on their right to quiet enjoyment."

The petition process began in March 2018 and involved 22 hearings, over 250 exhibits and an appeals process. Tenants who made it through the lengthy proceedings were rewarded with an average of 20 to 24 months of free rent.

Six households who initially filed petitions decided to leave the building before their case was concluded. Foster's former Meals on Wheels client passed away before receiving any relief.

Renovation efforts are still underway at 220 San Vicente as is a pervasive atmosphere of fear among the long-term tenants, many of whom would not be able to afford market-rate housing in Santa Monica were they to lose their units.

"If you're a long-term tenant in Santa Monica no one will address the consequences of ignoring buyout offers," said 31 year tenant Bill Davids. "You're supposed to be very careful about what you say to any management of any building that is going through renovation, because there is a feeling that they have the upper hand."

Davids claims that he continues to suffer daily as a consequence of the building renovations, during which eight air conditioner condensers were relocated directly underneath his unit.

"When a good number of them are running together my apartment sounds like I'm living on top of the engine room of the Titanic," said Davids. "I'm only getting four or five hours worth of sleep and it's specifically due to the concentration of condensers underneath my apartment, so they can rent the renovated apartments for literally triple pay."

While the rent reductions granted signify a victory for the tenants, the Rent Control Board is limited in its legal ability to offer relief. In the case of Davids' condensers, the Board could not authorize any decrease as they are not part of ongoing construction.

Additionally, hearing officers cannot give reductions that total to more than 100 percent of a tenant's rent. The hearing officer reported that she would have authorized much greater rent decreases to tenants at 220 San Vicente were it not for this constraint.

"The rent control law has some pretty robust solutions for tenants and landlords, but in some cases it can't possibly go far enough," said Foster. "Tenants in this city have every right to hire attorneys and seek justice in the court system."

The owner of the property did not respond to a request for comment.

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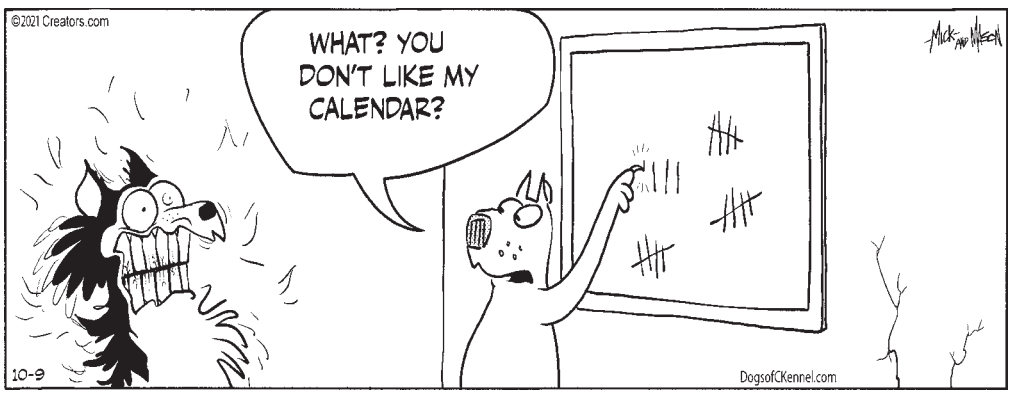
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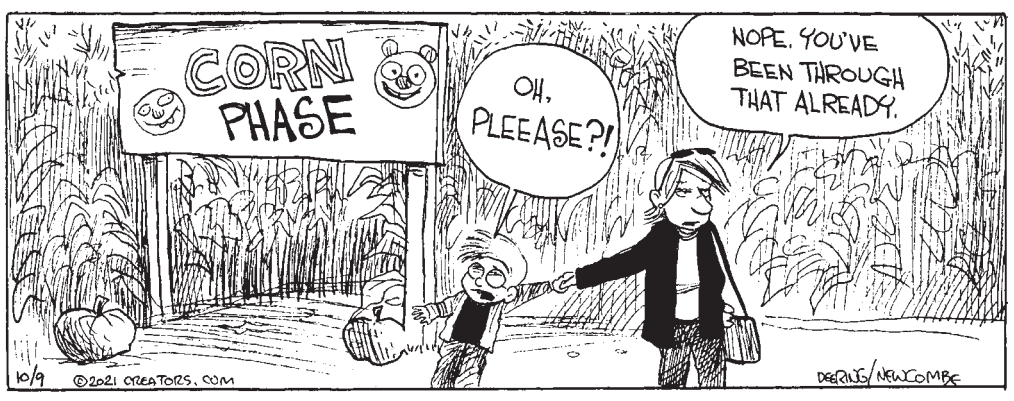
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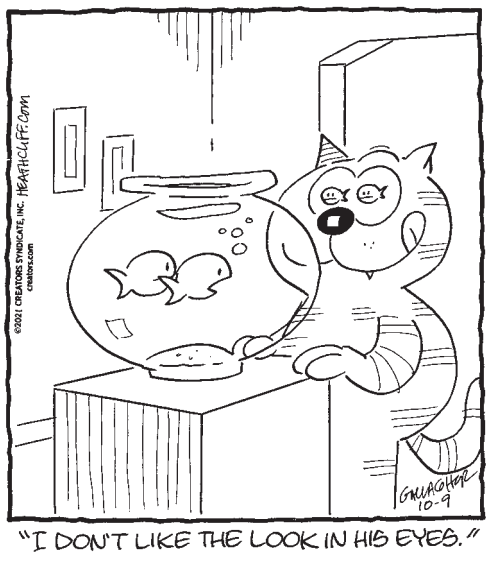
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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 64.9°

SATURDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 1-2ft Knee to thigh high occ. 3 ft
Small NW energy due to linger as Southern Hemi energy remains minor. Looks clean for the morning but not much to work with.

SUNDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft+ Waist to stomach high occ. 4 ft
NW swell due to start tapering off as better pulse of SW/SSW swell fills in through the day. Most size late and the points should be fairly clean but you'll want to avoid that drained low tide.

WEATHER

Saturday: Mostly clear, with a low around 56. West southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.
Saturday Night: Sunny, with a high near 68. North wind 5 to 15 mph.
Sunday: Clear, with a low around 60. West southwest wind 5 to 15 mph.

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2021/10/10	Sun	12:56 AM	3.86	H
2021/10/10	Sun	05:42 AM	2.19	L
2021/10/10	Sun	12:12 PM	6.02	H
2021/10/10	Sun	7:42 PM	-0.03	L
2021/10/11	Mon	02:27 AM	3.46	H
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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Because you show up when expected and do what you said you would, you gain the trust and respect of others. To you, this is just normal. In the process, you make someone feel safe — a wonderful gift to provide.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). A person who seems to have it all together is struggling in ways you wouldn't imagine. You don't have to know what the struggles are to sense that your compassion is needed here.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Theoretical knowledge isn't going to help much. Wherever possible, apply the answer, try things, put plans in motion and see what happens. Let your ideas dance on the stage of life.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You can exchange much without words and will in fact do it constantly today as you interact with your environment. You'll send out energy and be able to communicate wordlessly at a great distance.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There is a treasure inside each person, and if it's your intention to get to it, you will. People love to show you the best they have. You'll establish a meaningful connection.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Love really can change everything, heal the hurts and conquer all. It doesn't always go that way, but it can. Lean into it and believe. Celebrate all that's right.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You deserve to be rewarded for your hard work. The question is, who is going to do this? If no one is stepping up, that only means you get the pleasure and the honor of rewarding yourself in exactly the way you'd most appreciate.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Loved ones seem strong, but they need an advocate. There are certain situations that really should be handled with an entire team. Legal and medical matters fall into this category.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You are able to dial the emotional intensity up or down at will. Amazing! Relatedly, you will experience the serenity of a soft flow of thoughts blowing in gentle waves through the screen of your mind.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). It takes discipline to listen and love at the level you do. Your undivided attention is a valuable gift. Those with similar capabilities understand the treasure. The others will catch up later.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). There are times to avoid the pressure, but right now, you're better off welcoming it. It will make you better. You can use the hum of stress to do excellent work.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You really have come a long way, paid your dues, and are more than deserving of the bounty drifting your way in the weeks to come. Open up your arms. Take it in.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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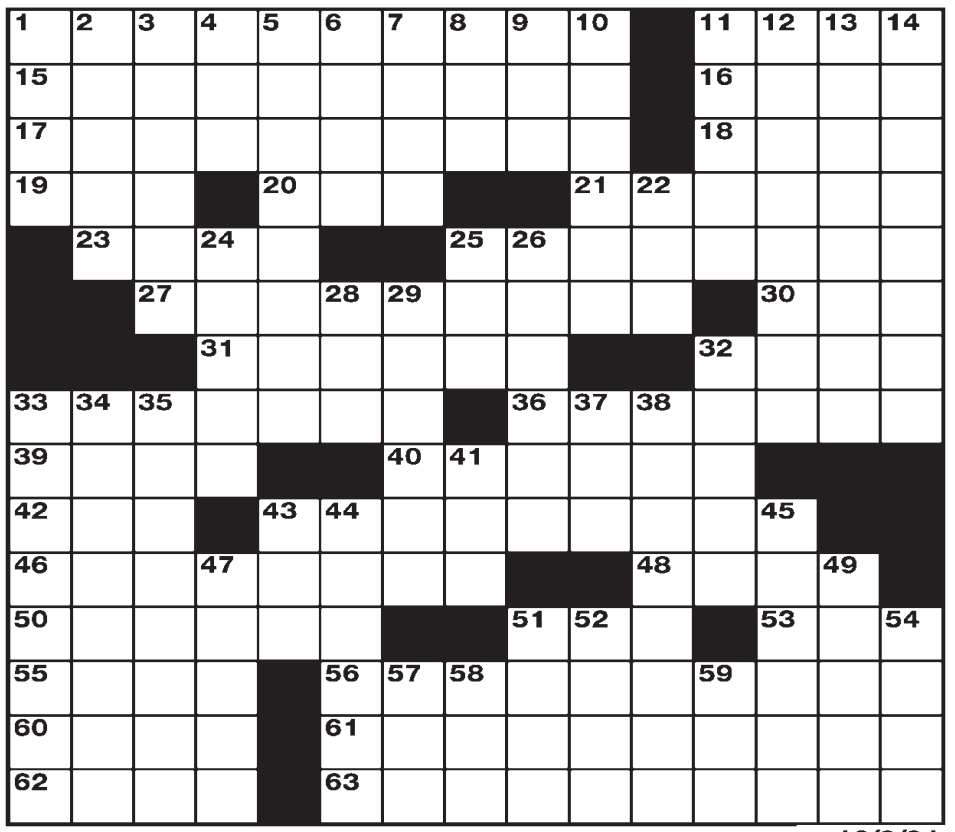
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1 Excessively angled
11 Rice, for instance
15 Modern civil rights phrase
16 *Felino depredador*
17 Convenient for viewing
18 Hit close to home
19 Muskrat habitat
20 Prepare to run over, quickly
21 Tony Soprano, at times
23 It's 9 on the Mohs scale
25 Chess player's contemplation
27 Not fully cooked
30 Open __
31 Rough housing
32 On the way
33 Eyed with awe
36 Won't budge
39 Whom Karl portrayed in *Patton*
40 Calm down, possibly
42 One working with chinning
43 Cocktail garnished with a pome slice
46 Enticing party line
48 They often sell out
50 Far more than a handful
51 Letters in Prof. Higgins' notebook
53 Snap, with "out"
55 Mountain visible from Vietnam
56 "Heavens to Betsy!"
60 UPS app data
61 Alpine attire
62 Walk-on part
63 Summarily dismiss

DOWN
1 Name from Old Norse for "grandfather"
2 Person concerned with slates
3 Balance
4 Meetable character in Disneyland's "Galaxy's Edge"
5 Scarlet kin
6 Part of some chains
7 Big number
8 Diamond-studded lane letters
9 Transitional time
10 Sumptuous
11 Numbers put together
12 Phobias, for instance
13 Trifling occurrence
14 Presses verbally
22 MIL-____ (DoD interoperability classification)
24 One making a bundle
25 Small grouse
26 Hinton's middle name
28 Herd word
29 Magnetically preserved, in a way
32 City near Florence
33 4 Yards More sporting goods
34 Coffee creamer flavor
35 Poppy?
37 Buff
38 Hot tuna roll ingredient
41 Handheld device with a pentaprism
43 Group kept in banks
44 Causes for alarm
45 Formal disclosure
47 Get off the mark
49 Brought into being
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What's Up Westside
out and about in Santa Monica

SATURDAY | OCT. 9

ENGLISH AS S SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) CONVERSATION, HIGH
Santa Monica Public Library hosts an ongoing series of English as a Second Language (ESL) classes taught by Adult Education Center instructors. Classes are free and students must be 18 years or older to attend. Community parents and SMMUSD parents have priority enrollment. Learn more about California adult education at caladulted.org. Enrollment is through the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Adult Education Center, located at 2510 Lincoln Blvd., Room 203, Santa Monica, CA, 90405. Visit smmusd.asapconnected.com or contact Olga Saucedo at osaucedo@smmusd.org or (310) 664-6222, ext.76203 to enroll. Classes will begin in a virtual format. If live classes become possible, they will take place at the Pico Branch Library, 2100 Pico Blvd.

CONSCIOUS NIGHT MARKET
Conscious Night Market is a collection of elevated brands that are for people who want more fitness, wellness and health in their lives through sustainable products, experiences and services. Join Santa Monica community members and support local businesses at this evening event with live music and a kombucha garden! 4 - 9 p.m. Third Street Promenade @ Arizona Ave.

SUNDAY | OCT. 10

MAIN STREET FARMERS MARKET
The Sunday Main Street Farmers Market features some of California's freshest produce plus prepared foods from local Main Street restaurants as well as artisanal foods prepared with ingredients sourced from California farmers - you can't get more local than that. 2640 Main St. 8:30 a.m. - 1 p.m.

MONDAY | OCT. 11

CITIZENSHIP CLASS
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TUESDAY | OCT. 12

ZONING ADMINISTRATOR
The Zoning Administrator issues land use permits that are minor in nature and may adopt specific findings of fact to support the resulting decision, or require specific conditions. Some Zoning Administrator permits are administrative determinations, while others require a noticed public hearing. https://www.smgov.net/Departments/PCD/Boards-Commissions/Zoning-Administrator/ 10:30 a.m.

WEDNESDAY | OCT. 13

FARMERS MARKET
The largest grower-only Certified Farmers Market in Southern California and a favorite for local chefs! Enjoy one of Santa Monica's farmers markets, widely considered to be among the best on the west coast and featuring field-fresh produce, hundreds of kinds of vegetables, brilliant cut flowers, breads, cheeses and delicious foods. Arizona Ave between 4th and Ocean. 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

THURSDAY | OCT. 14

RENT CONTROL BOARD
Regular meeting of the Santa Monica Rent Control Board, 7 p.m. Those wishing to give public comment may make that request via email to rentcontrol@santamonica.gov by 4:30 p.m. on October 14. https://www.smgov.net/rentcontrol/

FRIDAY | OCT. 15

LIVE MUSIC
Free Live Music Friday Nights with good-time Americana band Wild Rust delivering high energy honkey tonk songs to soulful ballads with beautifully blended vocal harmonies at the Third Street Promenade's Main Stage. Oct 8th, Oct 15th, Oct 22nd (Live music from 7-8pm). You won't want to miss it ! https://www.instagram.com/wild.rust/

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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 26 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle. © australianwordgames.com.au 5262

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Axle	Dolly	Night	Sheep
B-double	Engine oil	North	South
Bunk	Exhaust	Pies	Speed
Cabin	Fuel	Race	Stop
Cattle	Gears	Radar	Tax
Coal	Goods	Refrigerated	Tipper
Dalby	Horses	Rest areas	Tired
Damage	Idle	Rims	Tray
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