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Knife used to attack Santa Monica police officer was stolen from local Target store

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

The man who was killed after attacking a Santa Monica Police officer this weekend stole the knife used in the attack from the Downtown Target store just five minutes before the assault.

The police department has identified the suspect as Deyaa Abdelhadi Halaibeh, 28, originally from New York State. SMPD said his housing status is currently unknown but he has no criminal history in California and no prior contacts with the Santa Monica Police Department.

According to SMPD Halaibeh approached an officer on Saturday outside the Public Safety building at the corner of Olympic and 4th St. Police say Halaibeh launched an

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School board to sign off on emergency air conditioning repairs

THOMAS LEFFLER
SMDP Staff Writer

District infrastructure and learning opportunity items are on the plate of the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education this week.

At its Thursday meeting, the board will look to adopt a resolution authorizing and ratifying emergency heating, ventilation and air conditioning work. Specifically, a contract with AC Pros for $169,720 to survey and repair systems in the

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Security guard arrested for attempted murder of unhoused man at People Concern shelter



Courtesy Photo

STABBING: Eddie Gibbs III received 55 stitches after a brutal attack from a security guard working at The People Concern shelter property Sept. 17.

THOMAS LEFFLER
SMDP Staff Writer

A callous act from a security guard working at The People Concern left a local unhoused individual with 55 stitches and a lifetime of scarring.

On the evening of Sept. 17, Eddie Gibbs III, age 32, and girlfriend Sharae O'Dell visited the People Concern shelter, inquiring about housing and receiving a shower at the property. Once arriving, security guard Brenton Isaiah Walker, age 25, with Global Protection Services became hostile with Gibbs, attacking him at the property and eventually chasing him up the street toward the Big Blue Bus parking lot at 6th and Colorado.

"I went to go ask about how to get

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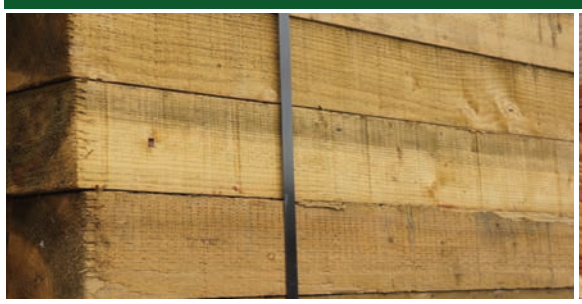
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LA County voters face huge decision on homeless services funding



CalMatters

CAMPS: Homeless tents at an encampment near the PATH apartment complex in Los Angeles on Nov. 17, 2021.

MARISA KENDALL
Special to the Daily Press

Los Angeles voters' decision about a new sales tax next month will have a significant effect on the resources dedicated to California's largest homeless population: Either the county will be set to receive about $1 billion annually, or it will have until 2027 to find a new funding stream.

Measure A would repeal an existing quarter-cent sales tax and replace it with a half-cent sales tax, slightly increasing what consumers pay for everything from clothes to sporting equipment. If it passes, it's expected to raise more than $1 billion a year for shelters, housing and other services in a county where more than 75,000 people have nowhere to call home. If the measure fails and nothing else replaces it, the existing tax that funds much of the county's homeless services will expire in 2027. Officials and service providers worry that would gut LA County's homeless response system at a time when it's most needed.

"To not have those services at our disposal to address the crisis that we're seeing on our streets would be an absolute travesty," Los Angeles County Supervisor Lindsey Horvath said.

Supporters of the measure include local nonprofits such as the Los Angeles-area branches of United Way and Habitat for Humanity. As of late September, 49% of likely voters surveyed in a poll co-sponsored by the LA Times said they would vote for Measure A — just short of the majority the measure needs to pass. Another 33% said they would vote no, and 17% remained undecided.

But with few obvious signs of improvement on the streets, even after seven years of taxes, some critics wonder whether putting more money into existing programs is the right approach.

"We pour too (many) tax dollars into a system that is broken," said Lance Christensen, vice president of education policy and government affairs for the California Policy Center, a conservative fiscal watchdog group. The group hasn't taken an official position on Measure A.

WHAT WOULD MEASURE A DO FOR HOMELESSNESS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY?

Los Angeles County voters in 2017 passed a quarter-cent sales tax dubbed "Measure H." That tax helped the county ramp up its fight against homelessness and today helps fund many of the area's programs, including Pathway Home, which launched last year to move people out of encampments, into hotels, and ultimately into housing. This year, it will make up about a third of the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority's total budget, said Paul Rubenstein, deputy chief external relations officer for the authority.

In all, funds raised by the 2017 tax have helped move more than 42,000 people into permanent housing and 80,500 into temporary housing, according to the county's Chief Executive Office.

If the original tax expires in 2027 without a replacement, and housing programs funded by that tax close, the county's Chief Executive Office estimates unsheltered homelessness could increase by 28%, or nearly 15,000 people.

Measure A would repeal and replace that tax with one that is larger and would fund a wider variety of resources. For example, the prior tax paid for shelters and services, but not for new housing. If Measure A passes, money also would be set aside to build new affordable housing.

"Services alone don't solve the problem," Horvath said. "We need both."

Nearly a third of the money raised by the new tax would go to the LA County Affordable Housing Solutions Agency, to be spent on new homes and services aimed

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COMMUNITY NEWS

The Pier

OFF THE HOOK Santa Monica Seafood Festival Returns to the Iconic Santa Monica Pier on Sunday

The OFF THE HOOK Seafood Festival returns to the iconic Santa Monica Pier on Sunday, October 13 from 3- 7 p.m., showcasing the city's best restaurants and chefs and their favorite underwater ingredients. Benefiting Heal the Bay, attendees will enjoy incredible seafood tastings such as oysters, lobster, shrimp, and sushi along with beer and wine gardens, live music from popular Yacht Rock band The Windbreakers, games, oyster shucking competition, artisan vendors, and a Sustainable Seafood VIP Lounge, sponsored by Santa Monica Seafood. Best of all, OFF THE HOOK is 100% free of single-use plastics helping keep our Santa Monica Bay and beaches clean.

Attendees can enjoy tastings from Westside favorites such as Chef Govind Armstrong of The Lobster, Raphael Lunetta's Marelle, Chef Job Carder of Michael's Santa Monica, Chef Brian Bornemann of Crudo e Nudo, Santa Monica Seafood, Blue Plate Oysterette, Sushi Roku, Gladstones, Tiato, BOA, Blue Ribbon Sushi, Killer Shrimp, The Albright, Layla, Ocean Prime Beverly Hills, The Surfing Fox, Santa Monica Whaler, and more.

Don't miss the crowd favorite Oyster Shucking Competition, sponsored by The Albright, where competitors battle it out for "Best in Shuck" award for who can shuck the most oysters in two minutes.

General Admission Tickets start at $85.00 and include all-you-can-eat seafood tastings (4-7 p.m.), access to the beer and wine garden, spirits tastings, live music, games, and more. VIP Tickets start at $160.00 and include one-hour early entry at 3 p.m. and access to the Santa Monica Seafood Sustainable Seafood VIP Lounge with curated cocktails, premier seating, and specialty seafood dishes from five additional top-tiered restaurants, as well as a free voucher to Pacific Park to ride the rides and iconic Ferris Wheel.

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Community Partners include Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce, Buy Local, Santa Monica Daily Press, Westside Current, Yelp, Venice Paparazzi, and Food and Beverage Magazine.

A portion of the proceeds will benefit Heal the Bay to help preserve our local ocean, waves, and beaches for future generations.

For more info and tickets visit www.offthehookseafoodfest.com or https://www.eventbrite.com/e/off-the-hook-santa-monica-seafood-festival-tickets-866751134977?aff=oddtdtcreator.

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Petition to Admin Estate

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: Michelle Elisabeth Gigon CASE NUMBER: 24STPB10536 To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the will or estate, or both of Michelle Elisabeth Gigon A Petition for Probate has been filed by Stacey Gambonini the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles-Stanley Mosk Courthouse. The Petition for Probate requests Stacey Gambonini be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. The petition requests the decedent's will and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The will and any codicils are availablefor examination in the file kept by the court.The petition requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act. (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority. A hearing on the petition will be held in this court as follows: Date: Oct 21, 2024 Time: 8:30 a.m Dept. 62 Room - Address of Court: Stanley Mosk Courthouse 111 N. Hill St Los Angeles, CA 90012 If you object to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney. If you are a creditor or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within the later of either (1) four months from the date of first issuance of letters to a general personal representative, as defined in section 58(b) of the California Probate Code, or (2) 60 days from the date of mailing or personal delivery to you of a notice under section 9052 of the California Probate Code. Other California statutes and legal authority may affect your rights as a creditor. You may want to consult with an attorney knowledgeable in California law. You may examine the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk. Kristine Tellefsen 339A11Perry, Johnson, Anderson, Miller & Moskowitz LLP 438 First Street, 4th FloorSanta Rosa, CA 95401 Tel (707) 525-8800 Fax (707) 545-8242 Email: telffsen@perrylaw.net09/25/24, 10/03/24, 10/10/24

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Surf report

WATER TEMP: **64.4**

WEDNESDAY *FAIR*
SURF: Knee to thigh 1-2FT

Surf will likely be on the rise - not pumping but fairly fun as new SW swell fills in through the day. Should be a little NW swell in the mix too, which may help the shape at times for the beachbreaks west of Dume.

THURSDAY *FAIR*
SURF: Thigh to waist 2-3FT

Looks close to Wednesday at this point - small'ish but fairly fun off the mix of SW and NW swell. Light AM wind is probable for clean conditions.

Weather

Wednesday: Patchy dense fog before 11am. Otherwise, cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 73.
Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 63. West southwest wind 5 to 10 mph
Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 74. North northwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming south in the morning.
Thursday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 62.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2024/10/09	Wed	1:03 PM	4.86	H
2024/10/09	Wed	10:17 PM	0.83	L
2024/10/10	Thu	2:48 PM	4.71	H
2024/10/10	Thu	11:29 PM	0.50	L
2024/10/11	Fri	07:17 AM	3.77	H
2024/10/11	Fri	10:50 AM	3.46	L
2024/10/11	Fri	4:35 PM	4.86	H
2024/10/12	Sat	12:18 AM	0.17	L
2024/10/12	Sat	07:18 AM	4.12	H
2024/10/12	Sat	12:04 PM	2.85	L
2024/10/12	Sat	5:49 PM	5.18	H
2024/10/13	Sun	12:57 AM	-0.07	L
2024/10/13	Sun	07:35 AM	4.58	H
2024/10/13	Sun	12:56 PM	2.09	L
2024/10/13	Sun	6:49 PM	5.47	H
2024/10/14	Mon	01:32 AM	-0.16	L
2024/10/14	Mon	07:57 AM	5.11	H
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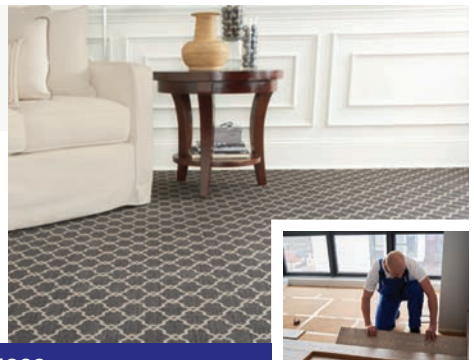
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SMC Emeritus Gallery to Host Free Online Opening Reception for Online Akemi Watanabe Exhibition Oct. 24

The Santa Monica College (SMC) Emeritus Art Gallery will present a free online-only exhibition of colorful, highly detailed paintings and drawings by renowned artist and SMC Emeritus student Akemi Watanabe. The exhibition opens Thursday, Oct. 24, with a free, live Zoom Virtual Launch Event from 5 p.m. to 6:30 p.m. at smc.edu/emeritusgallery, where a link will go live at event time and take guests directly to the exhibition's opening reception.

The opening reception — to be hosted by Emeritus Associate Dean (interim) Guadalupe Salgado-Shower and Emeritus Gallery Curator Jesse Benson — will feature a discussion between Benson and Watanabe about selected works, along with a Q&A offering guests the chance to ask the artist questions.

The exhibition of more than 70 artworks — presented online at smc.edu/emeritusgallery — showcases Watanabe's prolific energy. A signature stylization has driven her work for years, and though beyond language, it is somewhat characterized by an overlap of beauty and material mastery. Lines, edges, and colors within Watanabe's poetic compositions push well beyond realism in imagery ranging from intricate floral renderings to emotive portraiture. A sort of quiet-yet-potent drama permeates — an almost haunting type of beauty.

"It is with great pleasure that we digitally present the magnificent art pieces created by Akemi Watanabi," said Associate Dean Salgado-Shower. "Her work is a real treat, blending creativity and innovation like never before. Don't miss out — join us and take part in something truly special!"

"I've known Akemi for over a decade," said curator Benson. "She is one of the most committed and formed artists in the Emeritus community. Her solo exhibition is long overdue and promises to be unforgettable."

To see the online exhibition of Watanabe's art at any time after 5 p.m. on Oct. 24, viewers may go to smc.edu/emeritusgallery and click the exhibition link, available 24 hours a day. The link takes viewers directly to the exhibition album on a Facebook page that is open to public viewing (Facebook account not necessary).

SMC's widely praised Emeritus program — founded by Santa Monica College in 1975 as a noncredit program to serve the lifelong learning interests of older adults — offers more than 120 noncredit adult education classes and special programs that serve more than 3,000 students each year.

More information is available by visiting smc.edu/emeritusgallery or calling 310-434-4306.

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STABBING

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into housing, (since) the police department (said) there's no camping, it's illegal to camp in Santa Monica, so they referred me to The People Concern," Gibbs told the Daily Press. "When I (went) up there to ask questions, immediately the security guard tells me this is private property, he started cussing me out … he pushed me, I pushed him back, and (as) I'm trying to exit the premises … I started backing up because he brandished a pocket knife."

Once near the Big Blue Bus lot, Gibbs tripped and fell into the street, with O'Dell stating Walker pulled out a pocket knife and "intentionally stabbed (Gibbs) on the right side of his face from almost his temple to his top lip." The stabbing led to massive blood loss.

"I do not know this guy, never seen him before a day in my life, never met him … so I don't know what his problem was," Gibbs said.

In the midst of the blood loss, Gibbs was still able to reach into his pocket for his phone and call 911, with Santa Monica Police Department responders calling paramedics after what O'Dell said "felt like forever."

"A driver from the Big Blue Bus even stood with her mouth wide open, appalled by what she witnessed … she was visibly trying not to cry," O'Dell said of the bystanders around Gibbs. "Eddie was bleeding profusely, nearly soaking the t-shirts he was wearing with blood. I watched as blood filled up in and around his mouth, and as he repeatedly tried to speak, epic amounts of blood were coming out while he was delirious and attempting to talk and seek assistance. I had no towels or blankets on my person, so all I could do was grab a plastic tray bag and try to use pressure and hold it to his face to stop the bleeding."

Gibbs was transported via ambulance to Ronald Reagan UCLA Medical Center, where he was put into the Intensive Care Unit to help control the blood loss. He was given stitches inside his mouth on the inner and top layer of his face, 55 stitches altogether.

His road to recovery will take months, with the situation complicated due to his unhoused status.

"I have to stay out of the sun for six months, that's kind of hard (with) not having a place to stay," Gibbs said. "I gotta stay in the shade and keep Neosporin on it, stuff like that."

Gibbs earns money via acting gigs, something he is also worried about going forward.

"I'm used to doing central casting, background (acting) like that, so now it's messed up my image," he added. "As a model, (he ruined) my face, (he) scarred me for life."

According to SMPD, Walker was arrested following investigation of the crime scene, charged with Mayhem and Attempted Murder of Gibbs. Gibbs stated he is nervous about testifying, and has hired a lawyer to seek legal action against the guard.

"I'm trying to get through it, pretty scary situation, you know?," he said. "I'm still having bad dreams."

The People Concern Director of Public Policy and Advocacy Kristen Aster told the Daily Press that the shelter "has cooperated fully," but cannot comment on the ongoing conversation.

"We can confirm that the security guard is not an employee of The People Concern nor a resident of Samoshel," Aster stated. "One purpose of security guards hired by third party contractors is to protect clients from potential intruders, as was the case on the incident in question, only on site and without weapons."

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Average gasoline prices in Los Angeles have risen 1.7 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging $4.49/g, according to GasBuddy's survey of 2,135 stations in Los Angeles. Prices in Los Angeles are 7.5 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 152.7 cents per gallon lower than a year ago. The national average price of diesel is unchanged from a week ago and stands at $3.54 per gallon.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Los Angeles was priced at $3.79/g while the most expensive was $5.67/g, a difference of $1.88/g. The lowest price in the state was $3.49/g while the highest was $6.79/g, a difference of $3.30/g.

The national average price of gasoline has fallen 4.6 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging $3.13/g today. The national average is down 11.6 cents per gallon from a month ago and stands 56.2 cents per gallon lower than a year ago, according to GasBuddy data compiled from more than 11 million weekly price reports covering over 150,000 gas stations across the country.

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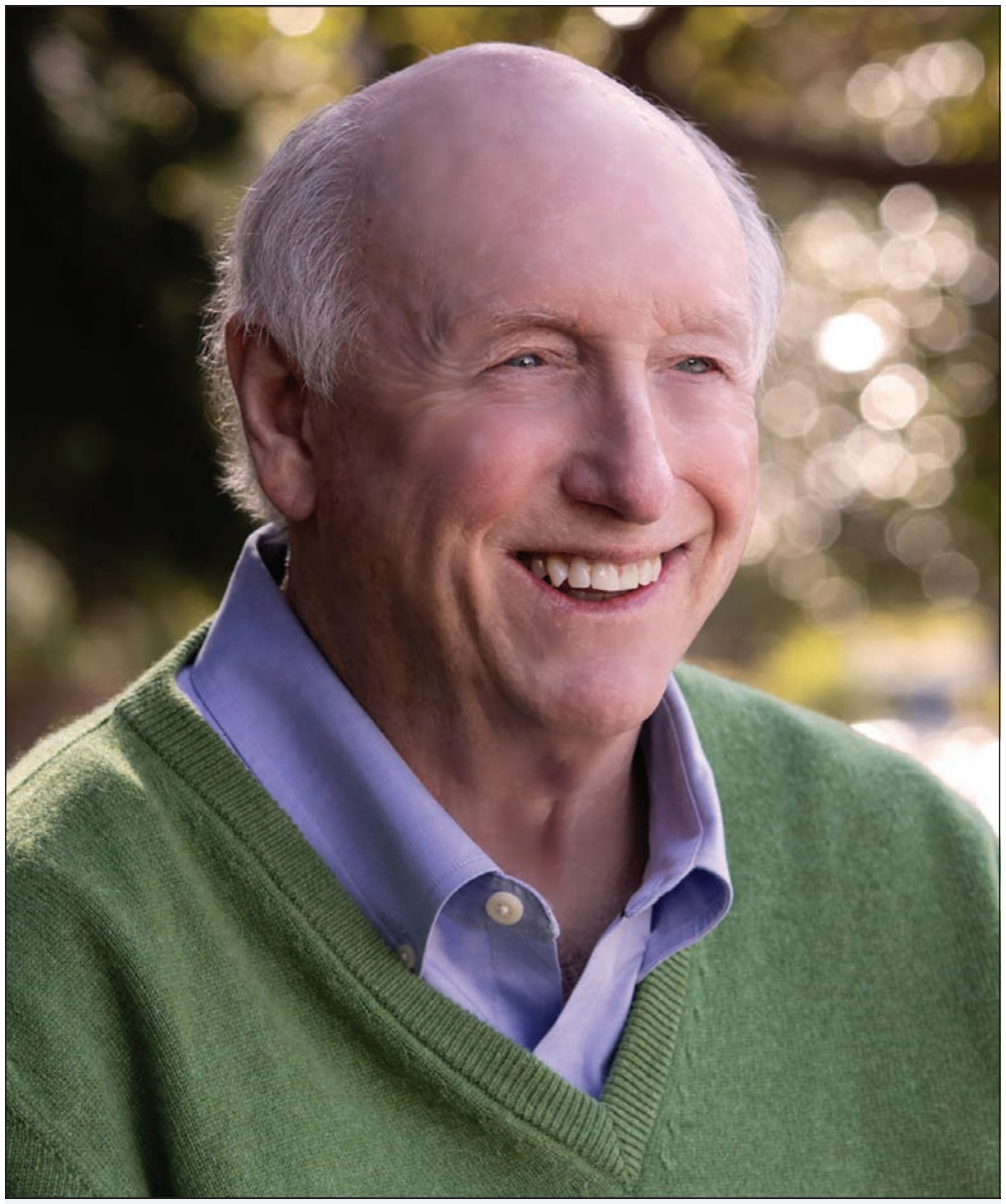


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PHIL BROCK

Question 1) The vast majority of Santa Monica's homeless population were made homeless somewhere else and traveled to Santa Monica. What is the city's role and responsibility in addressing homelessness, given the regional nature of the problem and the disproportional impact the crisis has on Santa Monica?

Santa Monica faces a homelessness crisis that we did not cause and cannot fully control. Thousands of unhoused people, an estimated 6,000 annually, pass through our city, staying for about two weeks. They arrive by plane, train, bus, car, or on foot from Venice and other parts of Los Angeles. This influx, driven by high rents, mental illness, drug abuse, and even a romanticized idea of reaching Route 66's end, strains our resources.

The resulting chaos on our streets causes great stress to our residents, our business community, and visitors to our city. Many, not all, of these homeless individuals, severely tax our police and fire resources, and we offer approximately $10 million each year to local non-profits to mitigate some of the effects of homelessness in our community. These effects are profound—we see drug use on our streets, in our parks, and in the alleys. Grand theft and shoplifting fund their hard drug habits and impact our businesses and residents constantly. Syringes, glass pipes, and other paraphernalia litter our streets and parks, potentially harming innocent residents.

We witness littering, human waste, and a lack of regard for others in the behavior of many of the homeless individuals. For some, there is a legitimate need for aid and resources, but many of these homeless people on our streets will not accept help when it is offered, preferring to live wild on the beaches, streets, and doorways of our city.

The municipal government of Santa Monica has long asserted that compassion toward those in need requires unlimited acceptance, and we've done so for 40 years. However, this approach has worsened homelessness in our town. We must shift to a model of compassion with accountability. Everyone, housed or unhoused, must be held responsible for their actions. Our residents and businesses demand both accountability and a safe, clean environment. We are failing our residents by not enforcing this. We must practice tough love toward those in need of housing, rehab, or mental health counseling. That's compassionate accountability.

We fail those on our streets long-term by ignoring their dire situations under the guise of compassion. In reality, this is neglect. We need different strategies. As a member of the U.S. Mayors Homelessness Task Force, I've successfully advocated for homeless, disabled veterans to receive federal housing without preconditions. About 94-110 unhoused veterans in Santa Monica can now access housing. I've also pushed for federal mental health teams and easier access to Section 8 housing.

All the above will only make a small dent in this daunting problem without further steps to embolden accountability and discourage individuals who seek to come to Santa Monica for assistance or, in many cases, to be left alone on Santa Monica's beaches, parks, or streets. The state government must take steps to discourage sleeping and lying in the public right of way; our city government must enforce anti-drug-use laws, and loitering and camping rules must be enforced. We need to incentivize travel vouchers for those who thought being unhoused in Santa Monica would be a great lifestyle choice to encourage them to return to their hometowns and get their lives together.

Using our actions on Santa Monica City Council combined with the State, County, Metro, Courts, municipal laws, and emergency services, we can and must discourage the homeless migration we continue to see entering our city.

Question 2) The city's economy continues to lag and a recent study said Santa Monica was among the most expensive places to operate a business. What will you do to address the City's economic challenges and increase local revenues?

The city must continue to encourage diversification in our economic structure and help ensure that a setback in one economic sector does not adversely affect our entire economy. More specifically, incentives to spur medical research, to encourage Santa Monica as a model for tech, to ease the way for pioneering new incubator businesses and collaboration, and to relax regulations for jumpstarting new retail and restaurant ventures in Santa Monica are a necessity. Most importantly, businesses will not choose to settle in our beautiful community unless they can be assured of a safe environment to work, create, and play. It is crucial that an environment of safety be created and maintained across the board in Santa Monica. Hotels and general tourism are down due to a lack of both perceived and real safety issues. Tourism is a major factor in our economy, and the time to sit pat is over. If our town is not safe, ALL of the various industries in our city will continue to suffer. To make sure Santa Monica prospers and that all residents and businesses have a fair chance to thrive, we must make the safety of all our foremost priority.

Question 3) Every candidate who spoke to the Daily Press brought up Public Safety as a top priority. What has driven this subject to the forefront of local politics and what are you going to do to make residents feel safe in their public spaces?

Our city is crime-ridden, and the fear of attack by mentally disturbed individuals is rampant both downtown and in our neighborhoods. We must allay the fears of our residents and small businesses by taking decisive action to create an umbrella of safety in Santa Monica.

As an incumbent mayor and city council member, I've emphasized the need for more police and support personnel. I've consistently fought for funding to grow our police department and bring mental health and social worker support teams to our streets. However, I've struggled to gain full city council support to prioritize safety in Santa Monica. An unsafe city robs people of the joy of living here.

We must increase our police force to the recommended 278 officers (currently at 214, with an authorized limit of 232). Tech upgrades, like license plate readers, drones, and cameras, are vital to modern policing. We should also raise the number of civilian public safety officers to 32 to patrol parks, and consider hiring private security teams to make an immediate impact. Traffic units are needed to curb violations, and strict enforcement of municipal laws, including loitering and public sleeping, is necessary to address homelessness while expanding temporary housing. Accountability is key, and I've endorsed Nathan Hochman for Los Angeles District Attorney and Proposition 36.

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I support a regional approach to safely house people experiencing homelessness. I will advocate to fund and reduce red tape for supportive housing. As a relatively small city, expecting to solve this problem ourselves is unrealistic. We must work to ensure that neighboring cities work with us and do their fair share. The homelessness crisis did not happen overnight and we're not going to get out of it overnight. We can be a model for neighboring communities by demonstrating that making real progress is possible– Santa Monica's homeless count showed a 6% reduction in homelessness from 2023 to 2024. We need to prevent local residents from falling into homelessness by expanding programs like the "Preserving Our Diversity" program. We need to advocate for less red tape to get people experiencing homelessness into housing at all levels of government as well as to build more housing overall. Additionally, we can continue trying innovative pilot programs like SMC's upcoming training program for people to work in homeless services, which may help reduce turnover, decrease costs, and address a largely unmentioned challenge we face in getting people off our streets.

Question 2) The city's economy continues to lag and a recent study said Santa Monica was among the most expensive places to operate a business. What will you do to address the City's economic challenges and increase local revenues?

Our lagging economy is the result of several causes including the high cost to opening and running a business in Santa Monica, and effects from the pandemic such as reduced tourism and fewer office workers. Some of the issues are outside of Santa Monica's control, such as challenges for international visitors trying to get visas to visit the US. Some of the challenges can be addressed through local action such as addressing higher numbers of commercial vacancies by identifying solutions that meet Santa Monica's needs, which could include incentives for property owners, a commercial vacancy tax, or other solutions tailored to our community. We should support tourism-related business as a backbone of our local economy but as we learned from the pandemic, we must not be so reliant on one industry alone. We must explore what other types of businesses fit in with our Santa Monica culture and work aggressively to attract them. Thinking outside the box, which includes looking at 21st century industries, will help us reclaim our mantle as the forward-thinking, innovative City we once were. There is also a symbiotic relationship between public safety and thriving businesses– we can address our public safety issues which will help get people out to our local businesses and strengthen city revenues.

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It's not just about feeling safe, it's about actually being safe in public spaces. I will work to enact data-driven policies that help prevent crime and make residents, workers, and visitors safer in our city. We need to collaboratively work with our first responders to improve processes, policies and practices, and make sure they have the right 21st century tools and technologies to keep us safe. We must adequately fund staffing levels so that first responders can perform the jobs they are trained to do - prevent crime and help protect our city. We should support programs like SMPD's HLP (Homeless Liaison Program) and multi-disciplinary street teams staffed by professionals, such as mental health specialists, case workers, and medical personnel, to free up police to respond to violent crimes and make our neighborhoods safer. I will encourage and provide support for neighborhood watch programs and community policing, which allow neighbors to build trust among themselves and actively work with police to make their community safer. Studies have shown that communities with neighborhood watch programs experience a 16% reduction in crime.

We must not forget that public safety includes safety on our streets– making sure that people are safe no matter what form of transportation they use. Supporting our Vision Zero goals is part of addressing public safety.

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: **Proposed Amendments to the Interim Zoning Regulations Established by Interim Zoning Ordinance Number 2654 (CCS) and Extended by Interim Zoning Ordinance Number 2761 (CCS) Promoting Economic Recovery in the City's Downtown Including the Third Street Promenade Area, Office Campus (OC) District, and Other Minor and Clerical Amendments to the Zoning Ordinance Related to Economic Recovery.**

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to introduce for first reading amendments to the interim zoning regulations established by Interim Zoning Ordinance Number 2754 (CCS) and extended by Interim Zoning Ordinance 2761 (CCS) promoting economic recovery in the City's Downtown including the Third Street Promenade Area, Office Campus (OC) District, and other minor and clerical amendments to the Zoning Ordinance related to economic recovery.

The Council adopted Interim Zoning Ordinance 2761 (CCS) on October 10, 2023. The proposed amendments would promote economic recovery by increasing flexibility for certain uses within the City's Downtown, allow for exclusively outdoor open-air markets and events in the Office Campus (OC) District, and make other minor and clerical amendments related to economic recovery.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, OCTOBER 22, 2024 AT 7:00 PM**

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

HOW TO COMMENT:
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Members of the public unable to attend a meeting but wishing to comment on an item(s) listed on the agenda may submit written comments prior to the public hearing via email to councilmtgitems@santamonica.gov or via mail to City Clerk, 1685 Main Street, Room 102, Santa Monica, California 90401. Written public comment submitted before 12:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be available for online viewing. All written comments shall be made part of the public record. Please note the agenda item number in the subject line of your written comments.

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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.

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SMMUSD

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Samohi Innovation Building, after an early September heat wave necessitated the move.

"During the heat wave, the HVAC system had significant systemic failures," a staff report on the item stated. "While the ventilation continued to function in several rooms, the air conditioning in rooms that had ventilation was insufficient. The failure of the system resulted in classrooms, offices and other interior spaces reaching temperatures in which normal teaching, administration or other activities was disrupted, discontinued, or made impossible to continue."

The district's maintenance team reached out to AC Pros, which had previously done work on the Innovation Building's HVAC system, to provide emergency repairs, servicing and equipment replacement or enhancement of existing HVAC systems, with the work slated to be completed by Thursday. The heat wave, which took place between Sept. 3 and Sept. 10, featured five straight days of temperatures hitting at least 87 degrees Fahrenheit, including a 100-degree day on Sept. 6.

On Thursday, the board will also have a study session on the district's Expanded Learning Opportunities Program, which is a state-mandated program to provide unduplicated students in grades TK-6 with after-school and summer enrichment activities.

Per the California Department of Education, an "unduplicated" student means a student that either: Qualifies for free or reduced lunch, is homeless, a foster youth or an English Learner. The program offers daily activities, including at least 30 intercession days in the summer, winter and spring.

The district spent $2,462,960 on the program between the 2021-22 and 2022-23 school years, using the state funding on partnerships with the Boys and Girls Clubs of Malibu and Santa Monica, SMMUSD School-Age Programs, after-school sports and independent contractors such as Planet Bravo and Rediscover Center. In 2023-24, children attended a total of 32,249 program sessions.

Also on the agenda, the board will welcome Webster Elementary School Principal Carina Diana to speak on school celebrations from the past year, including prioritizing restorative justice practices and building out its indoor elementary physical education space.

Other items include an annual public hearing on the sufficiency of district instructional materials, an extension of the employment agreement of SMMUSD Superintendent Dr. Antonio Shelton, and resolutions in support of Safe Schools Month and the Week of the School Administrator.

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HOMELESS

FROM PAGE 2

at preventing people from going through eviction or foreclosure. Most of the rest would be spent on homeless services.

Measure A also would come with some guardrails built into the spending process. Two new oversight bodies are tasked with setting specific goals for programs that spend Measure A dollars. The first is the Executive Committee, which includes two county supervisors, Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass, Newsom homelessness advisor Hafsa Kaka, and officials from other cities around the county.

The second is the Leadership Table, which includes service providers, people from the business community, city and county staffers and three people who have experience being homeless themselves. The inspiration for both groups came from Houston. A delegation of LA County leaders visited the Texas city in 2022 and came back wanting to replicate the way its city, county, business, faith and service leaders work together, according to Peter Laugharn, president and CEO of the nonprofit Conrad N. Hilton Foundation, which led the trip.

Together, the two groups will set goals for Measure A-funded programs, track their outcomes and potentially reallocate funds away from underperforming initiatives.

"I think we're going to come up with some very good stuff," said Laugharn, co-chair of the Leadership Table.

Proponents hope those two oversight bodies will add an extra layer of transparency and accountability at a time when homelessness spending at the state and local levels is under intense scrutiny.

A scathing audit released earlier this year found California fails to track both how much it spends on homeless services, and whether that spending is effective. And the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority (one of the main agencies that distributes homeless funding in Los Angeles County) is currently being audited as part of a legal settlement between advocates for the rights of unhoused residents and the city and county of LA. A federal judge overseeing that settlement recently blasted the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority for failing to make records of its spending available, according to LAist.

Critics of Measure A aren't convinced the new oversight bodies will help the county spend the tax dollars more wisely.

"This is too much administration. Too much bureaucracy," said Susan Shelley, spokesperson for the Howard Jarvis Taxpayers Association, which wrote the official statement in opposition to Measure A that will appear on voters' ballots.

But the association's main complaint is even simpler: A tax increase is not the way to fund the county's fight against homelessness.

Los Angeles County already has some of the highest sales tax rates in California, with some cities above 10%.

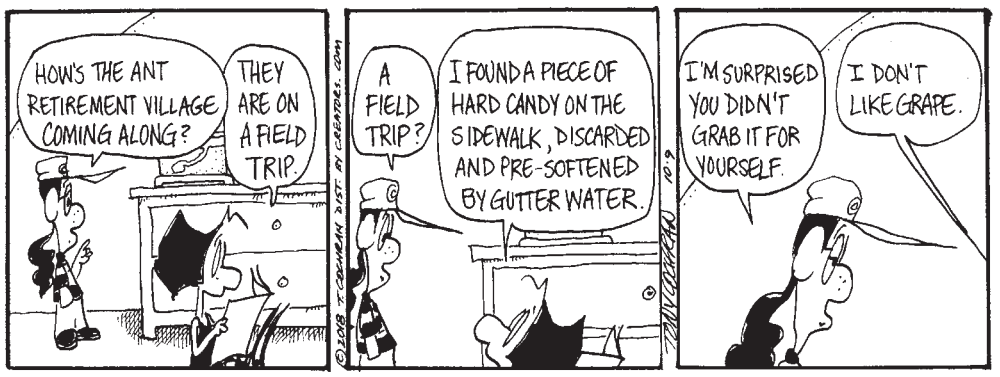
"This is very harsh on people," Shelley said, "especially with inflation pushing prices up."

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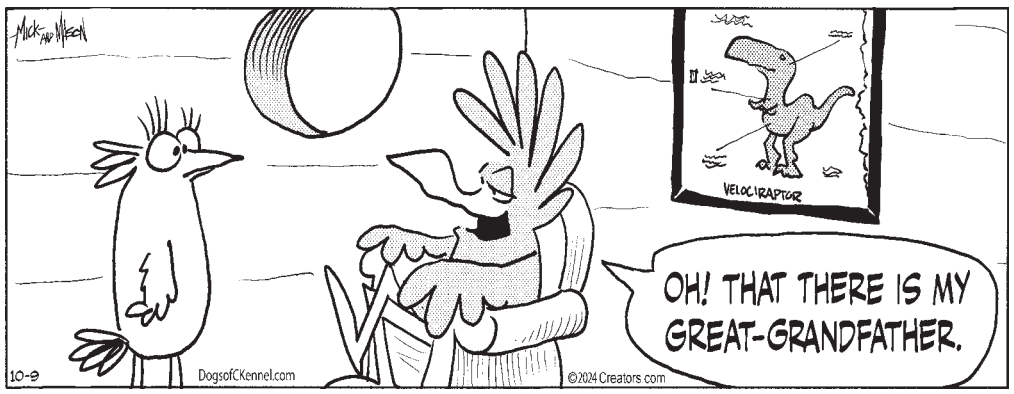
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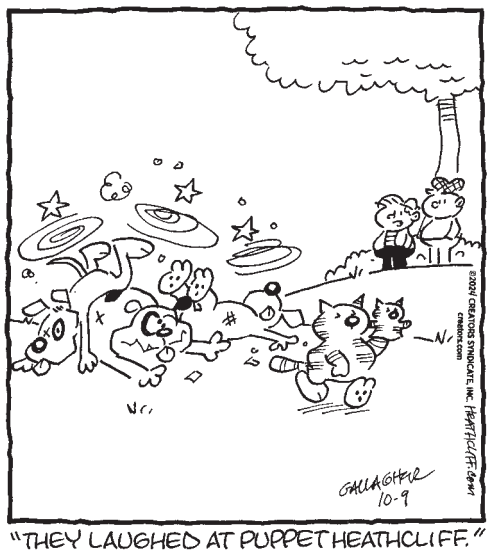
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ARIES (March 21-April 19). The answers might be out there, in here, around the corner or down the way. But most likely, the answer hasn't been invented yet because it's a bespoke situation and each person has to create the one that works for them.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). In the complete dark, a small light can carry for miles, and a big one can be a navigating star for millions of years. As for your light, don't hide it. You never know who is needing it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). In the world of artificial intelligence, understanding a prompt is half the battle for the computer, and usually the more difficult half. In the world of human intelligence, the same will be true.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Someone thinks they can please you, and even if they get it wrong, you'll be the recipient of this one and dozens more attempts. The more communicative you are, the more likely you will be to finally, at some point, be pleased.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). When limitations are lifted, outcomes achieved, stressors relieved... and you still aren't in the mood you thought you would be in, it raises the question, "what gives?" Try deciding how to feel first. Strangely, this order will work much better for you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Can you give what you have and call it enough? Can you give what you want to give and trust that someone will find a way to use it? The point is to give. It's healing. It's living.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Each person around you has a unique mood set point -- a tone they tend to hit, give or take a few degrees in either direction, and reside at when nothing else much is happening. Your set point will be a cozy vibe that others will join you in.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You have the potential to connect to someone in a way that links to other connections like a chain of fortification. It's not the easiest process, but if you are willing to grow through a little awkwardness together, it will be worth it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). If you could tell someone born 300 years ago that future humans could listen to any kind of music they wanted to on demand, would they even process such a luxurious idea? Take advantage of the opulence of the modern era.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The art of wanting the best for others starts with admitting you don't know what that is, and maybe they don't either. You'll be a cheerleader in the journey, regardless of how the result matches with your preferences.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It is your sincere desire to understand another person and to be a source of support, friendship and uplift. You're aware that not everyone leads with an open heart, which is why it's even more important that you do.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There are many lifestyle changes that would never occur to you, but after you see them on another, they seem like the most natural next step. You're not being overly influenced. You just know a good thing when you see it.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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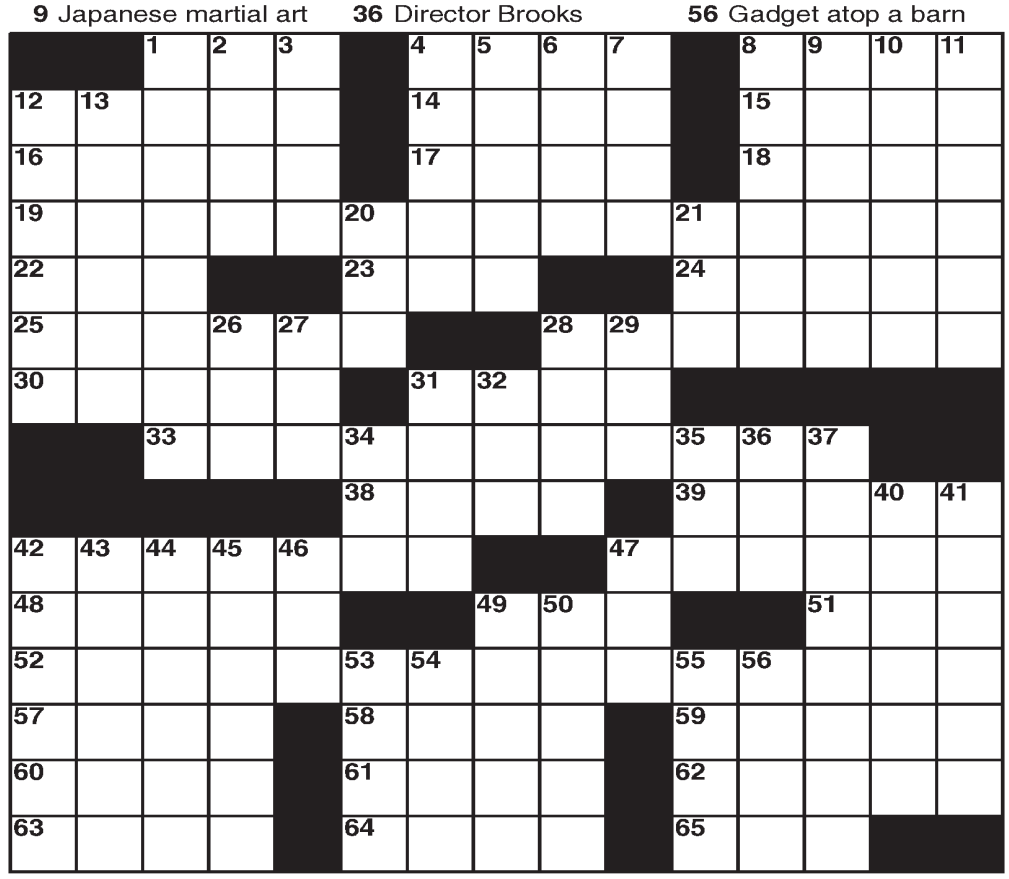
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UPDATE

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unprovoked attack on that officer stabbing him several times before the officer was able to draw his gun and fatally shoot Halaibeh.

On Tuesday, SMPD said Halaibeh stole the knife from the Downtown Target store minutes before the attack.

"Halaibeh is suspected of committing a robbery at the Target store at 420 Broadway in the city minutes before the attack at the police station," said Lt. Erika Aklufi in a statement. "At approximately 5:16 p.m., a SMPD Downtown Services Unit officer was flagged down by store security about a robbery that just occurred. An employee of the store was pushed to the ground and a box of kitchen knives taken by a male subject who fled the area. The box was later found abandoned with one knife missing. This knife, an 8" chef's knife, was used by the subject when he accosted the officer."

The store is located about three blocks from the police station and the SMPD officer was stabbed five minutes later at about 5:21 p.m.

The Target store at that location has been a hotbed of theft since opening. The location was one of many around the country that moved much of its merchandise behind lock and key in recent years as retailers battle with near constant shoplifting but while soap, toothpaste, medicine, electronics and alcohol all require employee assistance to take off the shelf, the kitchen supplies (including knives) were initially unsecured. However, as of Tuesday, several boxed knife sets were behind locked glass.

This is the second time a knife stolen from a Target store has made headlines for its use in an attack.

In 2022, a homeless man walked into a downtown Target store and stabbed two people, including a 9-year-old boy before he was shot and killed by a security guard. In that case, the stabbings took place in the Target store at FIGat7th, a large multi-level open shopping plaza.

The suspect came into the store, grabbed a large butcher-style knife from a shelf and approached a 9-year-old boy, saying several times that he was going to kill him before stabbing a woman in the chest.

Anyone with information about Saturday's attack is asked to contact Detective Zamfirov at peter.zamfirov@santamonica.gov, Detective Sergeant Lozano at alfonso.lozano@santamonica.gov, or the Watch Commander 24 hours a day at (310) 458-8427.

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WEDNESDAY | OCTOBER 9

COFFEE WITH A COP

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Target, 1610 Wilshire Blvd. No agenda or speeches, just a chance to ask questions, voice concerns, and get to know the officers in your neighborhood. Coffee with a Cop brings police officers and the community members they serve together - over coffee - to discuss issues and learn more about each other.

HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION

3 p.m. SMi Room in the Civic Center Parking Structure, 330 Olympic Dr. The goal of the Santa Monica Human Services Commission (HSC) is to advise City Council on priorities and strategies involving the well-being, equity, and needs of vulnerable, low income, and at-risk residents including youth and families, seniors, and people experiencing homelessness.

PLANNING COMMISSION

6 - 10 p.m. City Council Chambers, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main St. Established in 1946, the Planning Commission envisions Santa Monica as a city of wellbeing, sustainability, and equity, and seeks to balance the many needs and priorities within our community in accordance with the City's General Plan and Specific Plans. The Commission acts through open and civil discourse that is informed by public input, impartial analysis, and best practices in land use and planning.

SAMOHI JAZZ BAND AT 1212

6 - 8 p.m. 1212 Santa Monica, 1212 Third Street Promenade. Join 1212 Santa Monica for an evening of smooth jazz and great vibes. Starting at 6 p.m., enjoy all night happy hour with delicious bites and refreshing drinks while supporting the talented Santa Monica High Jazz Band.

SAINTS AND SINNERS OF SANTA MONICA

9 - 10 p.m. Westside Comedy Theater, 1323-A Third Street Promenade. The premiere of a sketch comedy pilot lampooning the world of Santa Monica and Venice. "Saints and Sinners of Santa Monica" features James Heaney, along with many other familiar faces from the Westside. Free screening, must be 21 with valid ID at the door.

THURSDAY | OCTOBER 10

SANTA MONICA PLACE HOLIDAY JOB FAIR

12 - 6 p.m. Santa Monica Place, 395 Santa Monica Pl. As the holiday season approaches, this is a great opportunity for job seekers to explore a variety of employment opportunities across participating retailers and restaurants at Santa Monica Place. Job seekers are encouraged to stop by for a chance to learn more about seasonal positions, submit applications and participate in on-the-spot interviews. Participating retailers include Banter, Coach, Elie Tahari, Intimissimi, Pandora and Santa Monica Place Concierge.

RENT CONTROL BOARD

7 p.m. City Council Chambers, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main St. The Rent Control Board meets to conduct business associated with the Rent Control Charter Amendment and Regulations.

CLARA BINGHAM WITH ELISE LOEHNEN

8 - 9:15 p.m. Ann and Jerry Moss Theatre at New Roads School, 3131 Olympic Blvd. Award-winning journalist Clara Bingham will be discussing her book "The Movement: How Women's Liberation Transformed America 1963-1973," alongside New York Times bestselling author Elise Loehnen. General admission $25, general admission plus a signed copy of the book $50. To purchase, visit: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/clara-bingham-with-elise-loehnen-tickets-998118026887.

FRIDAY | OCTOBER 11

SECULAR HIGH HOLIDAYS

7 - 9 p.m. Church in Ocean Park, 235 Hill St. Join the Church in Ocean Park for a short and sweet, totally musical, seder-style, secular High Holidays. Come see how fulfilling, complete, even spiritual, a humanistic High Holidays can be. To register, visit: https://www.sm-jhc.org/calendar.

SATURDAY | OCTOBER 12

SOCKTOBER DAY OF GIVING

9 - 11 a.m. Main Street Community Garden, 2318 Main St. A volunteer day of service at the Main Street Community Garden, kindly donating new socks to be distributed to neighbors and families in need to ensure everyone has the opportunity to keep their feet warm in the colder months. Hot coffee, warm conversation, lots of smiles and cool season veggie seeds also available. To volunteer, visit https://santamonica.volunteermatters.org/project-catalog/266.

TEEN WRITING WORKSHOP

10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m. Youth Activity Room, Santa Monica Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. Novelist Craig Clevenger leads a discussion on the best practices for writing dialogue for dramatic prose. For teens ages 12-18.

FIRE PREVENTION WEEK OPEN HOUSE

11 a.m. - 1 p.m. Fire Station 1, 1337 7th St. Join Fire Station 1 for an Open House for Fire Prevention Week. This year's theme is "Smoke Alarms: Make Them Work For You." Santa Monica Fire Department is partnering with the American Red Cross to install free smoke alarms for the community. Come take a tour, meet with firefighters and sign up for the Sound the Alarm program.

SUNDAY | OCTOBER 13

SAINT MONICA OPEN HOUSE

1 - 4 p.m. Saint Monica Preparatory, 1011 7th St. Learn more about Saint Monica Preparatory's strong TK-12 academic programs including experiential learning opportunities and league champion athletic programs, plus meet current students, faculty, coaches and families, and explore classrooms and facilities.

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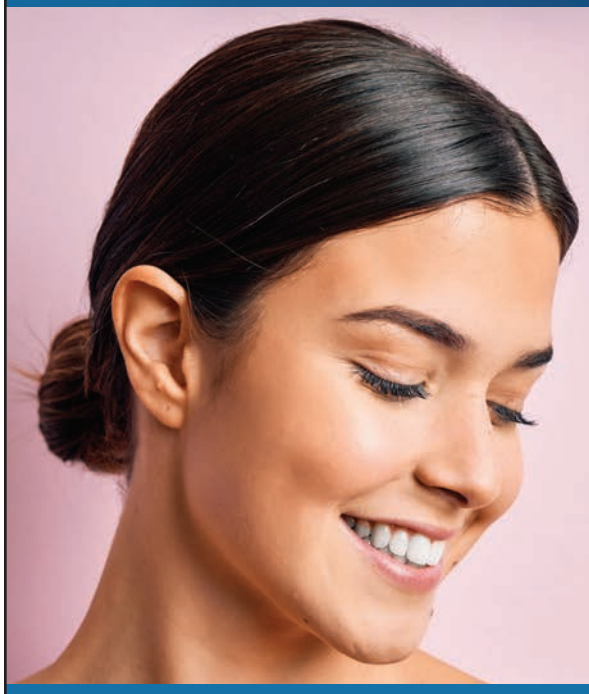
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