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Hispanic Heritage Month ends with City Hall celebration



Courtesy image

CEREMONY: The closing ceremony for Hispanic Heritage Month will be held at City Hall.

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SMDP Staff Writer

On Friday, the Santa Monica community is invited to a closing ceremony for the city's first Hispanic Heritage Month celebration. The event will be held in front of City Hall at 3:30 p.m.

The goal of the Hispanic Heritage Month's Steering Committee was to emphasize and celebrate the diversity of all Hispanic people, beginning with this month-long celebration, and to build on that momentum throughout the year.

"I believe that we started the conversation and this is only the beginning where people will become a program for further relationship building," Steering Committee member Donald Zelaya said. "One of the goals, though, is not only in a transactional manner but to build relationships and develop them. So even though we feel very successful about educating the community, and starting those seeds, we believe that they need to be nurtured, continued to be developed, so that they can prosper, so we know that this is only the beginning."

The Hispanic Heritage Month Planning Committee will present 13 distinguished Santa Monicans from the community with awards for their leadership and dedication to Santa Monica. Awardees were nominated by fellow residents, community members, and colleagues over the last month.

The idea behind Santa Monica's first Hispanic Heritage Month celebration was a total team effort and in large part due to the pandemic.

"This event was born from was wanting to feel seen and wanting to be empowering, but also just reflecting on how difficult these times have been, especially for Latinos, and our first responders and children, really feeling like a due diligence to say what they need to have is their moment in the spotlight. So I think that that's really what drove us, and even though there's six of us that have been really kind of that steering committee, we cannot say enough of the contributions and other members in the organization who've helped us," Zelaya said. "Whether it was setting up, whether it was stuffing bags, coming out at the closer or whether it was helping us find

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Council approves Housing Element Plan for 8,895 new units by 2029



Daniel Farr

HOUSING: The new system would allow housing on the ground floor of developments in retail zones where current rules require mixed use.

CLARA HARTER
SMDP Staff Writer

After 15 months of planning, dozens of community meetings and a six hour long council discussion, Councilmembers voted 5 to 2 to approve the City's 6th Cycle Housing Element Plan.

This 180 page document outlines the City's plan for creating 8,895 new housing units, of which 6,168 must be affordable, by 2029. These numbers are mandated by the State's Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) and the plan must be certified by the Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD).

Councilmembers agreed that planning for almost 9,000 units over an 8 year period is no small feat.

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Film TV workers union says strike to start next week

ANDREW DALTON AND LINDSEY BAHR
Associated Press

The union representing film and television crews says its 60,000 members will begin a nationwide strike on Monday if it does not reach a deal that satisfies demands for fair and safe working conditions.

A strike would bring a halt to filming on a broad swath of film and television productions and extend well beyond Hollywood, affecting productions in Georgia, New Mexico and other North American shoots.

International Alliance of Theatrical Stage Employees International President Matthew Loeb said Wednesday that the strike would begin at 12:01 a.m. Monday unless an agreement is reached on rest and meal periods and pay for its lowest-paid workers.

Loeb cited a lack of urgency in the pace of negotiations for setting a strike date.

"Without an end date, we could keep talking forever," Loeb said in a statement. "Our members deserve to have their basic needs addressed now."

A strike would be a serious setback for an industry that had recently returned to work after long pandemic shutdowns and recurring aftershocks amid new outbreaks.

"There are five whole days left to reach a deal," said Jarryd Gonzales, a publicist for the group representing the studios. "Studios will continue to negotiate in good faith in an effort to reach an agreement for a new contract that will keep the industry working."

As in other industries, many behind-the-scenes people started reevaluating their lives and the demands of their professions during the pandemic. And now that production is ramping up again, union leaders say the "catch-up" is resulting in worse working

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Wildfire rages in Southern California coastal mountains

Associated Press

A wildfire raging through Southern California coastal mountains threatened ranches and rural homes and kept a major highway shut down Wednesday as the fire-scarred state faced a new round of dry winds that raise risk of infernos.

The Alisal Fire covered more than 24 square miles in the Santa Ynez Mountains west of Santa Barbara, and the number of firefighters was nearly doubled to 1,300, with more on the way. Containment remained at 5%.

While the scenic region along the Pacific shoreline is lightly populated, the blaze was a threat to more than 100 homes, ranches and other buildings, fire officials said.

Fire crews were protecting Rancho del Cielo, which was once owned by Ronald and Nancy Reagan and was known as the Western White House during his presidency. The 688-acre ranch where Reagan hosted world leaders sits atop the mountain range, above the flames feeding on dense chaparral and grasses.

Based on staff reports from the ranch, the fire was about a half-mile away late Wednesday morning, but that section of the blaze was not as active as others, said Jessica Jensen, vice president and chief of staff of the Young America's Foundation, which now operates the ranch.

"We are thankful that there has been no fire activity on the actual Reagan Ranch property. The Ranch, itself, is still in a very defensible position," Jensen said in an email to The Associated Press.

The area hadn't burned since 1955, according to the conservative youth organization.

Fire engines were on the ranch property and fire retardant will be sprayed around its structures, the foundation said in a statement. It noted that helicopters have filled up with water from one of the ranch's two lakes.

"Young America's Foundation has emergency personnel on site, and our fire suppression systems are tested and ready to go," it said.

Crews also protected an Exxon/Mobil gas processing facility in a canyon surrounded by flames.

The fire erupted Monday near the Alisal Reservoir, and powerful winds from the north swept the flames down through the mountains, forcing the closure of U.S. 101 in western Santa Barbara County. At one point, the fire jumped the four-lane highway and reached a beach. The closure has forced motorists to take a circuitous detour on smaller routes.

The highway could remain shut until the weekend, said Andrew Madsen, a spokesman for the U.S. Forest Service.

Firefighters working in steep, rugged terrain got help from more than a dozen water-dropping air tankers and helicopters that returned to the skies amid calmer daytime winds, said Madsen.

"The aircraft are probably going to get shut down later this afternoon when the big winds return," he said.

The National Weather Service said there would be a new round of south Santa Barbara County's notorious Sundowner winds Wednesday night, and other parts of California also were expected to experience increased fire danger.

Red flag warnings were expected to go into effect in the interior of Northern California on Thursday due to gusts and low humidity levels. Forecasters also planned to issue a fire weather watch Friday in parts of Southern California due to the predicted development of Santa Ana winds.

Pacific Gas & Electric said it would likely have to shut off electricity to targeted portions of 13 Northern California counties on Thursday to prevent wildfires from being ignited by wind damage to power lines. The utility just restored power to about 25,000 customers who had their electricity shut off due to Monday's windstorm.

California wildfires have scorched nearly 3,900 square miles this year and destroyed more than 3,600 homes, businesses and other structures, according to the state Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

A historic drought in the American West tied to climate change is making wildfires harder to fight. It has killed millions of trees in California alone. Scientists say climate change has made the West much warmer and drier in the past 30 years and will continue to make weather more extreme and wildfires more frequent and destructive.



Biden tries to tame inflation by having LA port open 24/7

JOSH BOAK
Associated Press

President Joe Biden tried to reassure Americans on Wednesday that he can tame high inflation, announcing a deal to expand operations at the Port of Los Angeles as prices keep climbing and container ships wait to dock in a traffic jam threatening the U.S. economy and holiday shopping.

Prices are jumping in large part because container ships are stranded at ports and because unloaded goods are waiting for trucks, leading to mass shortages and delays that have caused a longer than expected bout of inflation. The rising costs are eating into worker pay, creating a drag on growth and driving Republican criticism of Biden just as his multitrillion-dollar tax, economic, climate and infrastructure agenda is going through the crucible of congressional negotiations.

The White House responded to the backlog by finalizing an agreement for the Port of Los Angeles to become a 24-hour, seven-days-a-week operation. The hope is that nighttime operations will help to break the logjam and reduce shipping delays for toasters, sneakers, bicycles, cars and more.

"With holidays coming up, you might be wondering if the gifts you plan to buy will arrive on time," Biden said at the White House. "Today we have some good news: We're going to help speed up the delivery of goods all across America."

But the expansion of port operations was also an unspoken recognition that inflation is lingering at higher levels long after the economy began to reopen from the coronavirus pandemic. Businesses were worrying about monthslong delays for shipping containers in June, yet the administration only formed its supply chain task force that month and named a port envoy on Aug. 27 to address the challenge.

Ports are also just one piece of the puzzle, Biden said. The country needs more truck drivers, private retailers to step up and better infrastructure, as well as a supply chain that can less easily be disrupted by pandemics and extreme weather. The president is trying to use the predicament as a selling point for his policy plans that undergoing congressional scrutiny.

"We need to take a longer view and invest in building greater resiliency to withstand the kinds of shocks we've seen over and over, year in and year out, the risk of pandemic, extreme weather, climate change, cyberattacks, weather disruptions," he said.

The sense of uncertainty is beginning to consume the attention of many Americans.

University of Michigan economist Betsey Stevenson noted on Twitter the "economy is in a very fragile and unprecedented place." Prices are rising at more than 5%, trade in goods and services have slowed and more Americans are quitting their jobs while the delta variant has made the coronavirus pandemic a risk.

"No one really knows what's going to happen," wrote Stevenson, a former member of the White House Council of Economic Advisers under President Barack Obama.

Ports in Los Angeles and Long Beach, California, account for 40% of all shipping containers entering the United States. As of Tuesday, there were 64 ships berthed at the two ports and 80 waiting to dock and unload, according to the Marine Exchange of Southern California.

Commitments by the Los Angeles port's operator, longshoremen and several of the country's largest retail and shipping companies are expected to help relieve the backlog.

Walmart, FedEx, UPS, Target, Samsung and The Home Depot committed to unloading during off-peak hours, making it easier for the Los Angeles port to operate nonstop. The Long Beach port has been operating 24 hours daily for seven days for roughly the past three weeks.

Biden also held a virtual roundtable with the heads of Walmart, FedEx Logistics, UPS, Target, Samsung Electronics North America, the Teamsters Union and the U.S. Chamber of Commerce, among other groups, before his speech.

Republican lawmakers say Biden's $1.9 trillion coronavirus relief package has fueled higher prices. A recent analysis issued by the investment bank Goldman Sachs estimates that "supply-constrained goods" account for 80% of this year's inflation overshoot, yet the political criticism continues to sting as housing and oil prices add to inflationary pressures.

Senate Republican leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky has made inflation one of his central charges against Biden, a sign that getting prices under control could be essential for Democrats trying to hold onto congressional seats in next year's elections.

"The Democrats' inflation is so bad that even though the average American worker has gotten a multiple-percentage-point pay raise over the last year, their actual purchasing power has been cut," McConnell said in a Senate speech last week. "Even dollar stores are having to raise their prices. Just ask any American family about their last few trips to the supermarket, the gas station or the toy store. Heaven forbid if they've had to participate in the housing market or the auto market anytime lately."

The Biden administration has argued that higher inflation is temporary. Yet the supply chain issues have persisted months after the economy began to reopen and recover as vaccines lessened many of the risks from the pandemic.

Consumer prices climbed 5.4% from a year ago, the Bureau of Labor Statistics reported Wednesday. That is significantly above the Federal Reserve's 2% target. Higher energy, food and shelter costs were prime drivers of price increases in September.

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DAILY POLICE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 303 CALLS ON OCTOBER 12

Family Disturbance 1800Blk 9th St 12:04 a.m.
Loud Music 2100Blk Cloverfield Blvd 12:06 a.m.
Burglary Report 900Blk 20th St 12:19 a.m.
Periodic Check 300Blk Civic Center Dr 12:21 a.m.
Status Check 100Blk Broadway 1:10 a.m.
Status Check 21st St / Washington Ave 1:37 a.m.
Assistance Call 3200Blk Donald Douglas Loop S 1:41 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 2:18 a.m.
Suspicious Person 1100Blk Marguerita Ave 2:22 a.m.
Suspicious Person 1700Blk Main St 2:35 a.m.
Disturbance Of The Peace 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 2:41 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 1900Blk 22nd St 2:55 a.m.
Death Investigation 1600Blk Ocean Ave 3:23 a.m.
Suspicious Person 1400Blk Lincoln Blvd 3:30 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2400Blk Pico Blvd 3:30 a.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 00Blk Pico Blvd 4:14 a.m.
Periodic Check 1200Blk 4th St 4:18 a.m.
Periodic Check 1400Blk 2nd St 4:30 a.m.
Pedestrian Stop 1400Blk Palisades Park 4:30 a.m.
Periodic Check 1400Blk 4th St 4:31 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2200Blk Wilshire Blvd 4:35 a.m.
Periodic Check 1300Blk 2nd St 4:46 a.m.
Periodic Check 1300Blk 4th St 4:53 a.m.
Periodic Check 1200Blk 2nd St 5:00 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1400Blk Wilshire Blvd 5:17 a.m.
Periodic Check 1500Blk 4th St 5:18 a.m.
Periodic Check 1100Blk 3rd St 5:27 a.m.
Periodic Check 1100Blk 4th St 5:45 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1100Blk 17th St 5:48 a.m.
Periodic Check 1500Blk 2nd St 5:48 a.m.
Suspicious Vehicle 1300Blk Ocean Ave 6:13 a.m.
Periodic Check 1500Blk 2nd St 6:13 a.m.
Periodic Check 1300Blk 2nd St 6:18 a.m.
Pedestrian Stop 1400Blk 3rd Street Prom 6:28 a.m.
Periodic Check 2700Blk Barnard Way 6:38 a.m.
Pedestrian Stop 1400Blk 3rd Street Prom 6:39 a.m.
Pedestrian Stop 1300Blk 2nd St 6:50 a.m.
Follow Up 300Blk Olympic Dr 6:51 a.m.
Periodic Check 1300Blk 2nd St 7:03 a.m.
Periodic Check 1400Blk 2nd St 7:08 a.m.
Periodic Check 1500Blk 4th St 7:09 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now Ocean Ave / Arizona Ave 7:20 a.m.
Burglary Report 900Blk 20th St 7:24 a.m.
Periodic Check 1300Blk 2nd St 7:28 a.m.
Pedestrian Stop 100Blk Arizona Ave 7:30 a.m.
Periodic Check 1400Blk 4th St 7:36 a.m.
Disturbance Of The Peace 3000Blk Lincoln Blvd 7:47 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1600Blk Washington Ave 7:52 a.m.
Periodic Check 1500Blk 4th St 7:54 a.m.
Hit And Run Investigation Lincoln Blvd / Olympic Blvd E 7:57 a.m.
Periodic Check 1500Blk 2nd St 8:01 a.m.
Periodic Check 1200Blk 2nd St 8:04 a.m.
Suspicious Person 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 8:05 a.m.
Periodic Check 300Blk Santa Monica Pier 8:11 a.m.
Citizen Flag 200Blk San Vicente Blvd 8:13 a.m.
Pedestrian Stop 1600Blk 9th St 8:15 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1700Blk Cloverfield Blvd 8:18 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 2300Blk 4th St 8:18 a.m.
Violation Of Temporary No Parking Signs 1200Blk 14th St 8:19 a.m.
Disturbance Of The Peace 2400Blk Virginia Ave 8:30 a.m.
Follow Up 1300Blk Toberman St, La 8:31 a.m.
Periodic Check 1300Blk 2nd St 8:32 a.m.
Forensics Request - Miscellaneous 900Blk 20th St 8:33 a.m.
Transport Prisoner 300Blk Olympic Dr 8:37 a.m.
Family Disturbance 1000Blk Bay St 8:38 a.m.
Periodic Check 1200Blk 4th St 8:48 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1300Blk 3rd Street Prom 8:53 a.m.
Status Check Main St / Ocean Park Blvd 8:56 a.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 1800Blk 14th St 8:56 a.m.
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Check Temporary No Parking Signs 1500Blk Berkeley St 8:59 a.m.
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Expired Registration 1700Blk Main St 9:03 a.m.
Disturbance At A Business 2700Blk Pico Blvd 9:04 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2600Blk Pico Blvd 9:04 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 3100Blk Pearl St 9:05 a.m.
Assistance Call 300Blk Olympic Dr 9:06 a.m.
Disturbance Of The Peace 2200Blk Virginia Ave 9:07 a.m.
General Parking Problem 300Blk Olympic Dr 9:08 a.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 2100Blk Virginia Ave 9:09 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 700Blk Montana Ave 9:13 a.m.
Malicious Mischief Just Occurred 6th St / Colorado Ave 9:16 a.m.
Abandoned Vehicle 1000Blk 10th St 9:20 a.m.
Periodic Check 1100Blk 3rd St 9:22 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 2600Blk Ocean Front Walk 9:22 a.m.
Suspicious Person 7th St / Wilshire Blvd 9:24 a.m.
Violation Of Posted Sign 600Blk 12th St 9:25 a.m.
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Indecent Exposure Now 2600Blk Ocean Front Walk 9:30 a.m.
Citizen Flag 300Blk Olympic Dr 9:32 a.m.
Periodic Check 1500Blk 4th St 9:35 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 1400Blk 7th St 9:35 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 2300Blk 4th St 9:35 a.m.
General Parking Problem 1200Blk Yale St 9:40 a.m.
Suspicious Person 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 9:42 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 2300Blk 4th St 9:42 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1200Blk 4th St 9:56 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 200Blk Arizona Ave 9:56 a.m.
Periodic Check 1300Blk 4th St 9:59 a.m.
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EMS 2100Blk Oak St 6:10 a.m.
EMS 400Blk 2Nd St 7:47 a.m.
EMS 1700Blk Pine St 8:45 a.m.
EMS 800Blk 2Nd St 9:21 a.m.
Wires Down 800Blk 11Th St 9:27 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 2000Blk Wilshire Blvd 9:28 a.m.
EMS Lincoln Blvd / Broadway 9:57 a.m.
EMS 3Rd Street Prom / Wilshire Blvd 10:08 a.m.
EMS 1400Blk 16Th St 10:33 a.m.
EMS 400Blk 20Th St 10:58 a.m.
EMS 2600Blk 31St St 11:01 a.m.
EMS 1500Blk 5Th St 11:50 a.m.
EMS 800Blk Ocean Ave 1:38 p.m.
EMS 1300Blk 4Th St 1:41 p.m.
EMS 1200Blk 4Th St 2:28 p.m.
EMS 2000Blk Santa Monica Blvd 3:47 p.m.
EMS 800Blk Ashland Ave 4:05 p.m.
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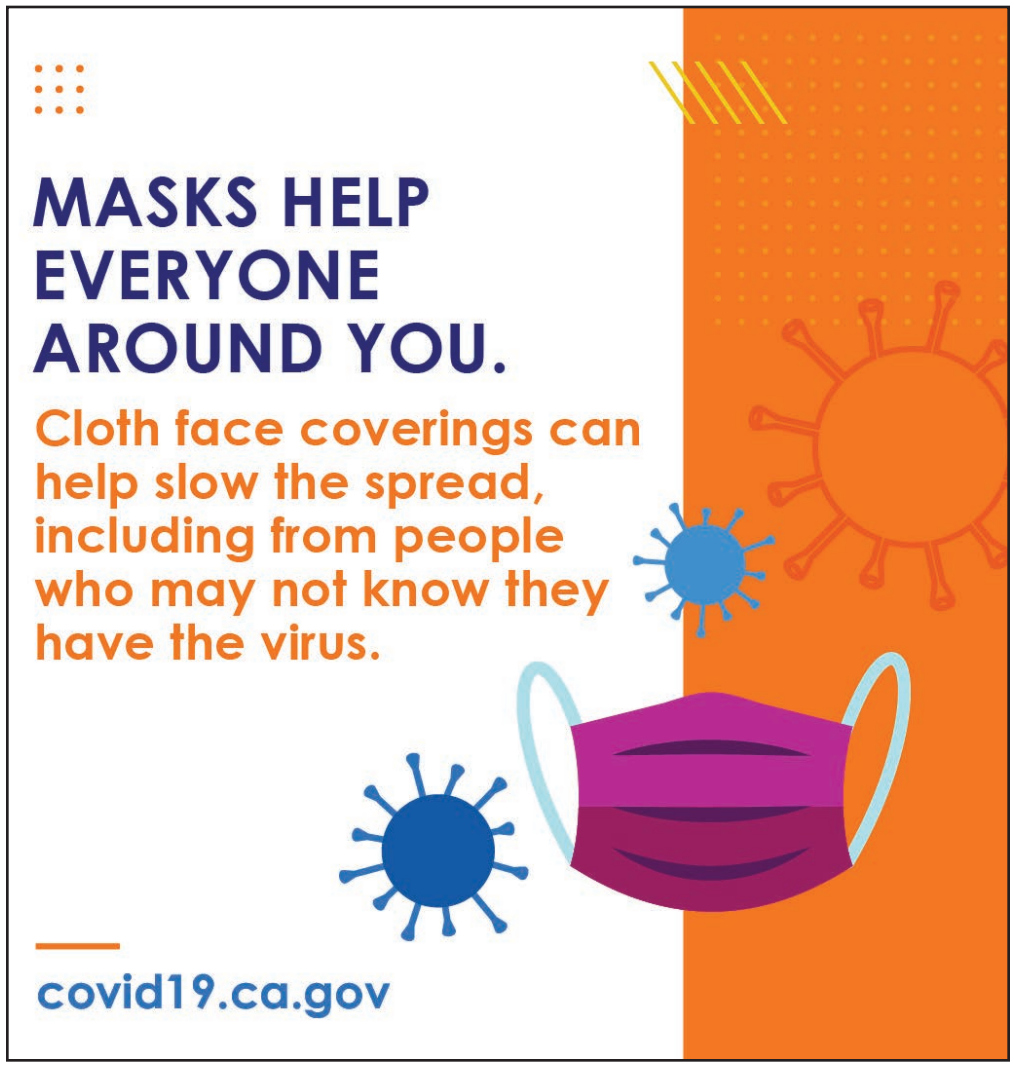
CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

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

ON SEPT. 27, AT APPROXIMATELY 2 P.M.

Police dispatch broadcasted a disturbance at a business radio call near the 1400 block of the 3rd St. Promenade. The comments of the call stated a female subject in her 20's, covered in a yellow blanket, was sitting in the restaurant refusing to leave. Additionally, the reporting party stated the subject was screaming and yelling at customers. Upon arrival, officers noticed the subject, later identified as Shanae Russell, sitting at a table yelling at assaulting officers who were already on scene. She had been the subject of additional calls earlier in the day for similar behavior. Russell was transported to SMPD jail and booked for trespassing. While at the jail, Russell qualified and agreed to participate in the Alternatives to Incarceration program. She was eventually issued a citation pending her completion of the program.



Border residents rejoice as US says it will lift travel ban

ZEKE MILLER AND ELLIOT SPAGAT
Associated Press

Beleaguered business owners and families separated by COVID-19 restrictions rejoiced Wednesday after the U.S. said it will reopen its land borders to nonessential travel next month, ending a 19-month freeze.

Travel across land borders from Canada and Mexico has been largely restricted to workers whose jobs are deemed essential. New rules will allow fully vaccinated foreign nationals to enter the U.S. regardless of the reason starting in early November, when a similar easing of restrictions is set for air travel. By mid-January, even essential travelers seeking to enter the U.S., such as truck drivers, will need to be fully vaccinated.

Shopping malls and big box retailers in U.S. border towns whose parking spaces had been filled by cars with Mexican license plates were hit hard by travel restrictions.

San Diego Mayor Todd Gloria said the economic impact was hard to quantify but can be seen in the sparse presence of shoppers at a high-end outlet mall on the city's border with Tijuana, Mexico. The decision comes at a critical time ahead of the holiday shopping season.

In Nogales, Arizona, travel restrictions forced about 40 retail businesses to close on the main strip in the city of 20,000 people, said Jessy Fontes, board member of the Nogales-Santa Cruz County Chamber of Commerce and owner of Mariposa Liquidation Store, which sells household appliances. His sales fell 60%, and he considered closing but instead cut his staff from seven to two.

In Del Rio, Texas, Mexican visitors account for about 65% of retail sales, said Blanca Larson, executive director of the chamber of commerce and visitors bureau in the city of 35,000 people.

"Along the border, we're like more of one community than two different communities," she said.

The ban has also had enormous social and cultural impact, preventing family gatherings when relatives live on different sides of the border. Community events have stalled even as cities away from U.S. borders have inched toward normalcy.

In Sault Ste. Marie, Michigan, where hockey and ice skating are ingrained, the Soo Eagles haven't had a home game against a Canadian opponent in 20 months. The players, 17 to 20 years old, have been traveling to Canada since border restrictions were lifted there two months ago. Now the U.S. team can host.

"I almost fell over when I read it," said Ron Lavin, co-owner of the Eagles. "It's been a long frustrating journey for people on a lot of fronts far more serious than hockey, but we're just really pleased. It's great for the city."

Fully vaccinated U.S. citizens and permanent residents have been allowed into Canada since August, provided they have waited at least two weeks since getting their second vaccine dose and can show proof of a recent negative COVID-19 test. Mexico has not enforced COVID-19 entry procedures for land travelers.

The latest move follows last month's announcement that the U.S. will end country-based travel bans for air travel and instead require vaccination for foreign nationals seeking to enter by plane.

The new rules only apply to legal entry. Those who enter illegally will still be subject to expulsion under a public health authority that allows for the swift removal of migrants before they can seek asylum.

Travelers entering the U.S. by vehicle, rail and ferry will be asked about their vaccination status as part of the standard U.S. Customs and Border Protection inspection. At officers' discretion, travelers will have their proof of vaccination verified in a secondary screening process.

Unlike air travel, for which proof of a negative COVID-19 test is required before boarding a flight to enter the U.S., no testing will be required to enter the U.S. by land or sea, provided the travelers meet the vaccination requirement.

According to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, the U.S. will accept travelers who have been fully vaccinated with any of the vaccines approved for emergency use by the World Health Organization, not just those in use in the U.S. That means that the AstraZeneca vaccine, widely used in Canada, will be accepted.

Officials said the CDC was still working to formalize procedures for admitting those who received doses of two different vaccines, as was fairly common in Canada.

U.S. Homeland Security Secretary Alejandro Mayorkas said he was "pleased to be taking steps to resume regular travel in a safe and sustainable manner" and lauded the economic benefits of it.

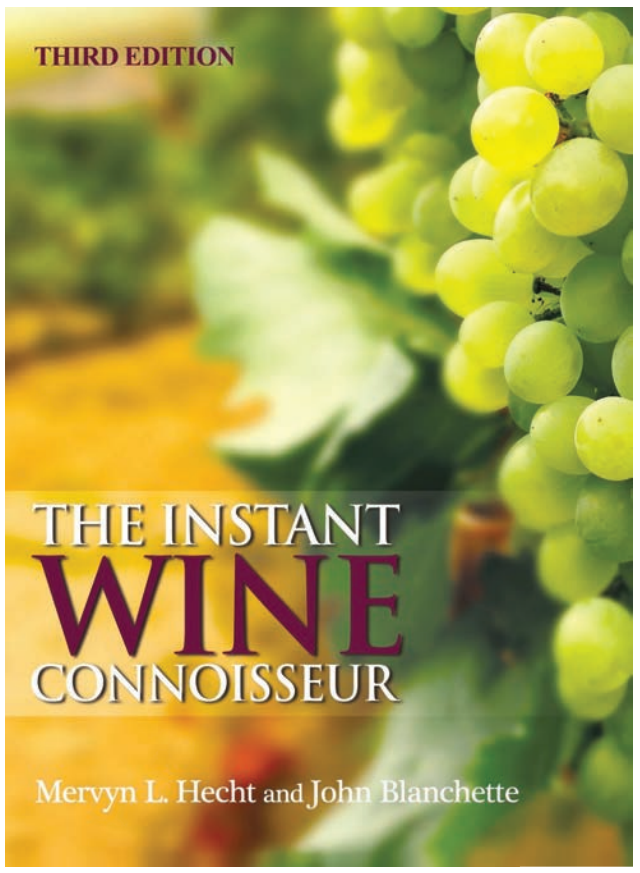
Mexico, Canada and elected officials from U.S. border regions have pressured the Biden administration for months to ease restrictions.

"This is a win for families who've been separated and businesses and tourism industries whose operations have been blocked since the start of the pandemic," said

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SAN FRANCISCO

UCLA picked to win Pac-12 basketball title in preseason poll

UCLA is an overwhelming favorite to win the Pac-12 after reaching the Final Four last season.

The Bruins received 32 votes from 34 media members who cover the league in the preseason poll released Wednesday.

Oregon received the other two first-place votes and was second, followed by Southern California, Arizona and Oregon State.

UCLA made a surprise run to the Final Four last spring after losing in the semifinals of the Pac-12 Tournament. Most of the key players from that team return, led by guard Johnny Juzang.

Oregon has won the past two Pac-12 regular-season titles and will have a new-look roster.

USC and Oregon State are both coming off Elite Eight runs in the NCAA Tournament.

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2 birds oiled in California pipeline spill treated, released

Two birds oiled after an undersea pipeline ruptured off the Southern California coast have been treated and released.

Workers brought the ruddy duck and eared grebe Wednesday to a shorefront park in a harbor area of Huntington Beach. The duck swam away and the grebe, a small waterbird, took flight.

"It's a joyous occasion," said Michael Ziccardi, director of the Oiled Wildlife Care Network.

Officials have reported 28 oiled birds since the spill a little more than a week ago off the coast of Orange County. Forty five birds have been found dead, though not all were visibly oiled, he said.

Birds are often the first wildlife affected by an offshore spill because oil clumps their feathers and leaves them exposed to cold water temperatures. Experts have said relatively few birds seem to have been hit by this spill, possibly because migratory birds are not typically present at this time of year.

The spill was confirmed on Oct. 2, a day after residents reported a petroleum smell in the area. Coast Guard officials said a pipeline that shuttles crude from offshore platforms to the coast leaked at least about 25,000 gallons (95,000 liters) and no more than 132,000 gallons (500,000 liters) of crude oil into the ocean.

Officials have said the cause remains under investigation, and they believe the pipeline owned by Houston-based Amplify Energy was likely damaged by a ship's anchor several months to a year before it ruptured.

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SACRAMENTO

California union leader charged with tax fraud, embezzlement

The top staff member at California's largest labor union has resigned after she and her husband were charged with felonies including tax fraud.

Alma Hernandez served as executive director for SEIU California since 2016. The union represents more than 700,000 workers and is politically influential, regularly donating millions to Democratic candidates. The Sacramento Bee first reported the charges and her resignation.

Attorney General Rob Bonta said Wednesday his office filed charges against Hernandez and her husband, Jose Moscoso, on Oct. 4.

They were charged with five felony counts of filing false tax returns, allegedly under reporting their income by about $1.4 million over five years, according to the complaint. They allegedly owe the state more than $140,000 and could face state prison time.

Hernandez did not respond to a Twitter message seeking comment and calls to phone number for Hernadez and Moscoso went unanswered. A message for Moscoso seeking comment that was left with a worker who answered the phone listed for Moscoso's business was not immediately returned.

Hernandez also faces two charges of grand theft and one of perjury for her work as treasurer on a 2014 political committee supporting a state Senate candidate.

The complaint alleges she directed nearly $12,000 in campaign money to her husband for campaign food services that he never provided.

That political committee received numerous contributions from the SEIU California's political arm, according to campaign finance filings.

"We are deeply concerned about the allegations against Alma Hernández. We have accepted Ms. Hernández's resignation, and we have cooperated fully with authorities on this matter and will continue to do so," Bob Schoonover, executive director of the SEIU California State Council, said in a statement.

He added: "Any misuse of funds is unacceptable, and we are committed to doubling down on our efforts to ensure that all officers and staff adhere to the highest level of ethical and financial conduct."

SEIU California's director of government relations, Tia Orr, will take over as interim executive director for the union, Schoonover said. It oversees more than a dozen local unions representing state workers, education workers, healthcare workers and others.

Mike Roth, a spokesman for the union, did not answer a question about when Hernandez resigned.

Separately, Moscoso was charged for unreported wages and failing to pay employment taxes for his business, LA Duct Cleaning LLC.

The investigation included members of the attorney general's office, the Employment Development Department, the Franchise Tax Board and the Fair Political Practices Commission, which is the state's campaign finance watchdog.

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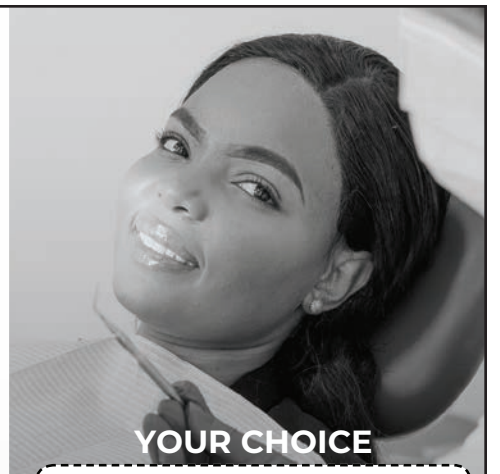
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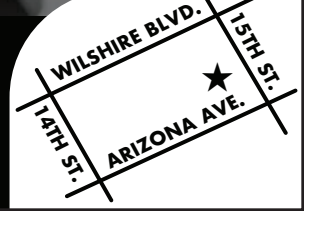
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Sylvia Rae Marble

December 8, 1936 – September 19, 2021

Sylvia Rae Marble, age 84, native of Santa Monica died in her home in Santa Monica on September 19, 2021. She was a 1954 graduate of Santa Monica High School and a Member of the Sargeanettes. She attended University of Southern California where she joined Alpha Omicron Pi Sorority.

She was married to James King in 1956 until his death in 1993. They had three daughters, Keely King, Terri King and Laurie King. Sylvia was preceded in death by her husband, James and daughter, Terri.

She was employed by many local doctors as a Medical Office Manager until her retirement.

Sylvia and husband co-owned the former, Jim King's Professional Pharmacy (corner of 15th St. & Arizona Ave.) until his death.

Her daughters were pleased that she found love again and married Harry Marble in 1996 where they enjoyed many years of traveling the world. This December would have been their 25th Wedding Anniversary.

She is survived by her husband, Harry, her two daughters, Keely King of Burbank, and Laurie King of Santa Monica; grandchildren, Jennifer Ward, Brian Ward, Kristina Rosales, Jessica Rosales, and Angela Caton; great grandchildren, Haven, Alexis, and Miranda Ward; and cousin, JB Ross. She is also survived by four stepchildren and five step-grandchildren.

She enjoyed interior decorating, cooking, traveling and photography.

A Memorial Service will take place at Woodlawn Cemetery Mausoleum Chapel in Santa Monica on Saturday, October 23rd at 2:00pm. Burial services will be private in the family gravesite where she will join many Santa Monica relatives.

A remembrance can be made in the form of a charitable contribution to the American Cancer Society.

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Noteworthy

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Majestic Mahler, Ry Slides



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BIG FINISH

To the summer music series in Gandara Park last Sunday, with Americana artist JOACHIM COODER interpreting through his mbira, a large vertical African thumb piano. Without slighting the accomplished musician who was a vital part of the landmark "Buena Vista Social Club sessions," I was exceedingly happy that he brought his old man along, and I camped out behind the stage just a few feet from RY COODER to catch his easy fretboard mastery, and especially the tasty slide guitar cascades. Ry is one of the best pickers there is and a musicologist of note, he still lives in SM (I caught a benefit solo concert he did a few years back at The Church in Ocean Park) and Joachim was raised here.

It was also a big finish for Kora "Koko" Peterson, who is leaving McCabe's for green pastures after doing an outstanding job of booking the acts and making sure everything else ran smoothly since, I think, 2017, at our legendary acoustic music venue. How legendary? Go to their website and look for "past concerts" and your mind may be blown. She stepped into the very large shoes of Grammy-winner John Chelew, who produced the Blind Boys of Alabama from near-obscurity onto the charts and big sales, and legendary booker and music tour maven Nancy Covey. Peterson was always low key but confident in a high profile, high pressure position, and she delivered with the best of them. Thanks for the music, Koko.

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED:

THE ENGLISH BEAT — don't look for any EB or General Public original members except Dave Wakeling but he's all you need, that voice, all those hits, I've never seen them play without the room bouncing the whole time, Sat 9 p.m., The Venice West, (but) $48 (yikes! - oh, go, you'll have a ball).

DARRYL CARRIERE & CELSO SALIM — this blues duo each also plays in other bands but I'm betting this is the way you want to hear them, whittled down to Carriere's smokin' harmonica and whiskey-rough, high- octane vocals, and guess what? Salim is one helluva blues shouter himself and plays enough guitar for an army. Tasty slide guitar too, and that's at the top of my list, always. It's as full a sound as you could wish for and for now, they are wailin' and moanin'down on Main Street, right next to Ashland Hill, where you can score a mighty good burger or other items for five bucks, and drinks to boot. What a great way to wrap up the week. Every Sun 3-5 p.m., parking lot adjacent to Ashland Hill, Main Street, free.

EM THE MASTER — EM bills herself as "The Master" — whoa! — but she backs it up in every aspect of her show, like no one you've seen in years or maybe ever. She sings, she dances, she has dancers, she slithers on her belly like a reptile, across the stage and across the floor, gripping the mic and never missing a musical beat. She has dancers, and they all jump up on the bar (watch those drinks!), practically spilling the show out the door onto Fourth Street. she

JULIUS CAESAR

doesn't play the piano, she attacks it, she uses her outstanding voice as an instrument in creative ways to transform each number. She aggressively leads a killer band, her energy is nonstop and seemingly limitless, she can sell a song, rocker or ballad, vocally and with her smart, seductive arrangements. She writes terrific songs perfect for her act, and she may remind you of a more energetic Lady Gaga. Now I'm either lyin' or crazy or you're crazy for not catching this unique performer while she's here. Every Tues 9:30 p.m., Harvelle's, DTSM, $10.

DUDAMEL conducts MAHLER'S 4TH, oh boy do I love Mahler and so does our LA Phil Music Director Gustavo, it is one of his areas of great passion and recognition, when he won the first ever Gustav Mahler Conducting Competition in 2004 at age 23 it brought him worldwide attention and had a lot to do with his appointment to lead our LA Philharmonic just a few years later (he was named one of Time Magazine's 100 most influential people in 2009), and did you know Mahler was considered one of the best conductors of his time? We'll have to wait until next March for another Mahler, the 7th, followed by Mozart's "Great" Mass and our former MD Esa-Pekka Salonen conducting his Finn countryman Sibelius, another of my Top Four, in February, so I'm pretty happy and my calendar is marked, next Thur-Sat 8 p.m., Sun 2 p.m., Walt Disney Concert Hall, DTLA, $20-227.

RECOMMENDED:

TONIGHT! DUDAMEL conducts STRAUSS (x2), Schoenberg's "Transfigured Night," Thurs 8 p.m., Fri 11 a.m., Sat-Sun 2 p.m. Walt Disney Concert Hall, DTLA, $20-227.

TONIGHT! HAMILTON — Nope, nope, still haven't caught it —hey, I've got poetry readings and phenom jugglers on my busy calendar — but I think I can only go wrong by not recommending it, from what I've heard and read. Tonight, Fri, Sat, Tues, Wed, next Thurs 8 p.m., Sun 1 p.m., 6:30 p.m., also Sat 2 p.m., all performances at Pantages Theater, Hollywood, $49-3000+, depending on date/time.

LA OPERA presents WAGNER'S "TANNHÄUSER" — no shrinking violet nor

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master of the minuet, Wagner always goes big (and that's why Hollywood loves his tunes) and this is archetypal Wagner, with LA Opera using 145 cast and musicians to present his sin and salvation spectacle of a knight deciding it's time to get back to the real world, to normalcy, morality, and what is expected of a knight, and to pursue the woman of virtue he desires after a year of debauchery with Venus in her underworld Playboy Mansion, can he do it? "'Tannhäuser' is widely regarded as one of most majestic, sublime, and moving of all operas," I'm told, and who am I to argue? Wed, Sat 7:30 p.m., Sun 2 p.m., Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, DTLA, $19-292.

THEATRICUM BOTANICUM presents SHAKESPEARE'S "JULIUS CAESAR" — historically informative, makes ancient political drama seem contemporary. All politics are local politics, right? Every word shimmers, due to the delivery and acting of the TB thespians. Christopher W. Jones stood out as conflicted bad guy Brutus, as did Willow Geer as Portia, with special linguistic laurels to Melora Marshall as Cassius, who was just made for this role, even though it is a man's part. She pulls you straight in, to the moment. Sat 4 p.m.

SHAKESPEARE'S "A MIDSUMMER NIGHT'S DREAM" — one of the best "AMND" I can recall. Loved the inventive physical comedy, and these fairies are show stealers; who could not be charmed by their little chirping sounds? Sun 4 p.m.

"THE LAST, BEST SMALL TOWN" — this moving, timely original with themes of racism, small town life, youthful rebellion, tradition — set in a small town that both nurtures and stultifies. Great acting, but you could say that about everything TB does. This is a world class company. Sun 7:30 p.m.

All performances TB, Topanga Canyon, $10-60.

COMING ATTRACTIONS: X, BLASTERS, Horrorpops, Greek Theater, 10/23; LA OPERA ORCHESTRA plays live soundtrack to horror film "GET OUT", The Theater at Ace Hotel, 10/29-31; MONTY ALEXANDER, Catalina Jazz Club, 10/29-30; LA OPERA presents ROSSINI'S "CINDERELLA." Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, 11/20-12/12; PONCHO SANCHEZ and His Latin Jazz Band, Catalina Jazz Club, 12/10-12; JOHN MAYALL, WALTER TROUT, Saban Montclair, 12/12; MUSICARES honors JONI MITCHELL, LA Convention Center, 1/29/22.

Charles Andrews has listened to a lot of music of all kinds, including more than 2,000 live shows. He has lived in Santa Monica for 34 years and wouldn't live anywhere else in the world. Really. Send love and/or rebuke to him at therealmrmusic@gmail.com

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HISPANIC

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talent or, you know, just being supportive and reaching out to different organizations."

Friday closes out the series of events that kicked off on Sept. 15. The month-long series included virtual discussions, movie screenings, literary events, night market, cultural dance and music, and so much more.

"The Latino community is one that sometimes, you know, may be overlooked, but we definitely want to make the closer and this month something that's unforgettable," Zelaya said. "So that's really what we're hoping to drive through to the end, so it's been a very rewarding experience and I think that's something that we hope will leave an impression on the fabric of the city."

For more information, visit www.santamonica.gov/hispanic-heritage-month-2021.

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BORDER

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U.S. Sen. Jeanne Shaheen of New Hampshire, echoing reactions of other federal, state and local officials.

Mexico President Andres Manuel López Obrador said it took "many meetings to achieve the opening of the border." Bill Blair, Canada's minister of public safety, called the announcement "one more step toward returning to normal."

Cross-border traffic has plummeted since the pandemic, according to U.S. Department of Transportation figures.

The number of vehicle passengers entering the U.S. in Niagara Falls, New York — the busiest land crossing on the Canadian border — fell 83% to 1.7 million in 2020 and has remained low this year.

"Losing those customers over the last 18 months has been one of the primary reasons our hotels, restaurants and attractions have been suffering," said Patrick Kaler, president and chief executive of Visit Buffalo Niagara, the area's tourism agency.

At San Diego's San Ysidro border crossing, the nation's busiest, crossings dropped 30% last year to 18 million. Taxi drivers were largely idled Wednesday on a nearby bridge, including one who did exercises.

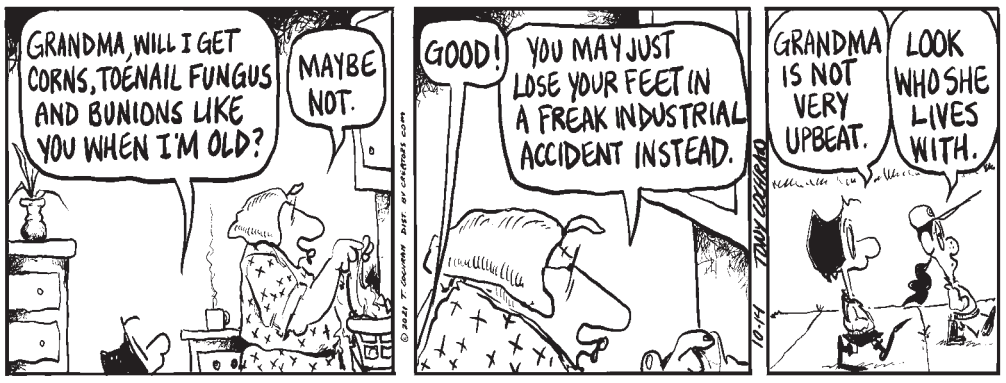
COVID-19 cases in the U.S. have dropped to about 85,000 per day, the lowest level since July. Per capita case rates in Canada and Mexico have been markedly lower than the U.S. for the duration of the pandemic, which amplified frustrations about the U.S. travel restrictions.

Miller reported from Washington. Associated Press writers Rob Gillies in Toronto; Juan A. Lozano in Houston; Wilson Ring in Montpelier, Vermont; Ed White in Detroit, Anita Snow in Phoenix, Carolyn Thompson in Buffalo, New York, Alexis Triboulard in Mexico City and Julie Watson in San Diego contributed.



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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 58.6°

THURSDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft+ Waist to stomach high
Light morning wind and a few clean leftovers on order. Combo of lingering SSW swell and refreshed NW swell mix. Account for the mid to higher tide all day.

FRIDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft Waist to stomach high
Another clean, peaky little morning of waves. Should be worth a look on the small wave gear. SSW swell levels off and NW swell mix continues. Account for the early AM high tide.

WEATHER

Thursday: Mostly clear, with a low around 50. West southwest wind 10 to 15 mph.
Thursday Night: Clear, with a low around 54. West southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.
Friday: Sunny, with a high near 77. North wind around 10 mph.

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3rd: 04 - Big Ben
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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (OCTOBER 14)

Daily, you'll be showered in gifts, such as the evidence that someone likes and enjoys you, looks forward to being with you and needs what only you can give. While you do make marked progress on your ambitions, it's the way you treat people that attracts joy galore. A professional breakthrough creates financial ease. Leo and Pisces adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 1, 4, 44 and 17.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Compassion will well up in your heart when you're around those who need it. Today, your love will flow to someone who is usually self-sufficient.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). People root around to know what you need and want. This they do for selfish reasons, hoping you'll pay a pretty penny for their offerings. Even so, wonderful, unselfish connections will be born of the interaction.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You enjoy stories of surprise and transformation. To witness a character develop into someone different from where they started is intriguing, in part because it's exactly what you're doing right now.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). As comfortable as it is to just "be yourself," you enjoy learning and growing too much to say definitively who "yourself" is. You'll use different words, go to new places and talk to strangers, exponentially expanding your horizons.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Popularity and financial success work together, though financial success is not your only goal. Today you'll get into something that will strike a deeper and resonant chord in you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You don't have to be greatly talented to sell your work; you just have to do something others want. Your experimental mood will allow you to sample many perspectives and understand where you can be most useful.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You've a sense for how much to reveal about yourself and what to hold back — a social skill that will bring you into the imagination of many as they try to fill in the blanks you've left. You're more fascinating than you know.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Friendly invaders will shake up your personal system of law and order. As inconvenient as it may seem at first, the disruption will jump-start your creative pulse.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). What's in it for you? Most days, it's fine not to know. Whatever you're drawn to, you can trust it to work out more-or-less fairly. However... today is different. Figure it out up front.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Independent by nature, it's unnerving to realize how much you've come to depend on someone. As steadfast as the relationship may be, you are uneasy with dependencies of any kind. Does it help to know they need you, too?

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You are an excellent listener, and yet you'll still make every effort to improve further. Your understanding of the people around you deepens, which provides an immediate benefit to your relationships.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You'll go about the day like you know the role; relationships play true to the script, plot on-track... and yet... your heart is a rebel whisper. Will it get louder? Overtake you with a rock 'n' roll swagger? Will you break the guitar?

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

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SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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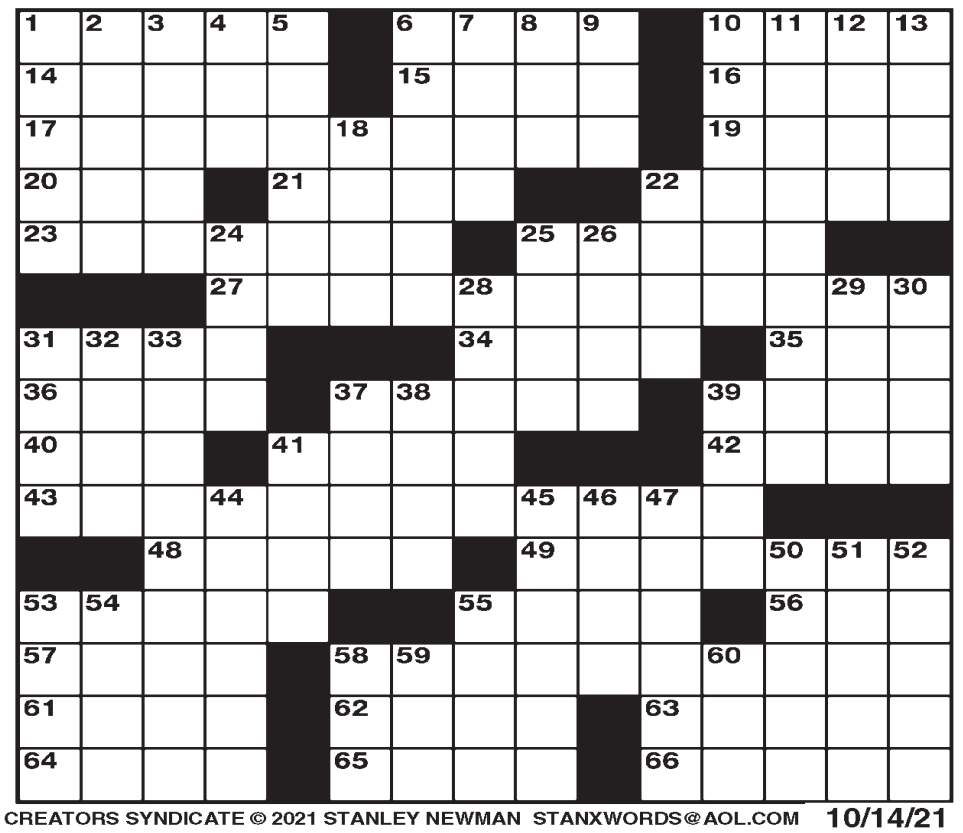
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20 Beside oneself
21 Soup partner for bacon
22 Two-bit
23 __ Fields (mythical paradise)
25 Sandburg's "language that rolls up its sleeves"
27 Decline to respond
31 Learned
34 Force to step down
35 Contents of some deep pockets
36 Wax-coated cheese
37 Type styles
39 Decant
40 Thriller writer Deighton
41 Trilled or tattled
42 Pac-12 team
43 Left Bank neighborhood
48 Somewhat wrong
49 Fresh start
53 Rework into a screenplay
55 Fill beyond full
56 Anderson Cooper, as a collegian
57 Enjoy a repast
58 Spouse, so to speak
61 Asia's vanishing __ Sea
62 Watery War of 1812 "battleground"
63 Put pedal to metal
64 Cleanup candidate
65 Sort of shortening
66 What nods indicate

DOWN
1 *Parisienne, par exemple*
2 Common computer typeface
3 Like dunes and beaches
4 General on Chinese menus
5 Balkan republic
6 Gas in natural gas
7 Steak cut
8 Despoil
9 Not the usual
10 Greek bread spread
11 Metaphor for a bad start
12 Riotously
13 *Resident Alien* cable channel
18 Tropical hardwood
22 Moonstruck
24 Blossom holder
25 Out of business
26 Not as intense
28 South Seas kingdom
29 Well-aligned
30 Possessive pronoun
31 Skillfully
32 Cartoon light bulb
33 Southern California blowhards?
37 Online assistance staple
38 Heavy duty
39 Unmitigated
41 Piqued state
44 Drives forward
45 Too violent for PG, perhaps
46 Henri's head
47 Part of an Einsteinian equation
50 Withdraws from slowly
51 Holden's *Catcher in the Rye* brother
52 Certain shoe inserts
53 Sistine ceiling subject
54 Fraught with peril
55 Start to waken
58 __ Paese (Italian cheese)
59 What a coup might complete
60 Coloration



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What's Up Westside

out and about in Santa Monica

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/

CLOSING CELEBRATION AND HISPANIC HERITAGE AWARDS CEREMONY
Closing event with music, awards, dance, lowrider car show, and art. This event will also host a Job Fair and vaccination clinic. Don't forget to submit your stamped loteria cards you received at the September 15 kickoff event for a drawing to win a Hispanic Heritage Month giveaway. 3:30 p.m., speakers begin at 4:30 p.m. Santa Monica City Hall

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

SATURDAY | OCT. 16

OPEN MAIN STREET
Main Street, Santa Monica turns into a pedestrian plaza with a pumpkin patch, beer booth, live music, kid korner, fitness classes & more. Open Main Street returns for Halloween. Enjoy al fresco dining, family friendly activities, & other fun experiences with local businesses when the two blocks between Hill & Kinney streets close to cars. Visit the "Popup Park" near Ashland & Main for live music in partnership with TRiP Santa Monica, free fitness classes by Fit Girl Club & activities for kids in front of Pump Station (2727 Main St.). Event schedule: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/open-main-street-halloween-edition-tickets-178274763617

GET LIT AT THE PROMENADE
Get Lit at the Promenade is a monthly showcase featuring poets, artists and musicians for an evening of entertainment. Every third Saturday of the month. 7:30 p.m. Free.

SUNDAY | OCT. 17

FARMERS MARKET
2640 Main St. (In The Victorian Parking Lot) 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

OPEN MAIN STREET
Two day event continues from Saturday. Event schedule: https://www.eventbrite.com/e/open-main-street-halloween-edition-tickets-178274763617

MONDAY | OCT. 18

LIVE MUSIC
Free Live Music Friday Nights with good-time Americana band Wild Rust delivering high energy honkey tonk songs to soulful ballads.

MAIN LIBRARY BOOK GROUP
Join a community discussion of current and classic books, alternating fiction and nonfiction each month. October's title is "Caste" by Isabel Wilkerson. Email jeff.schwartz@smgov.net for the Zoom link. 7 - 8 p.m.

TUESDAY | OCT. 19

MYSTERY BOOK GROUP DISCUSSION: THE SURVIVORS BY JANE HARPER
A young man with a growing family returns to visit his parents at his coastal birthplace, only to have long-held secrets stirred up when a dead body washes up on the beach. To register, email karen.reitz@santamonica.gov. 7 - 8 p.m.

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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 25 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle. © australianwordgames.com.au 5267

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HOUSING

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"I think everyone agrees that those RHNA numbers are not going to be easily met," said Councilmember Gleam Davis.

The current RHNA allocations, which call for the construction of 1.34 million units statewide, are themselves the subject of controversy. The Orange County Council of Governments is suing HCD alleging that they utilized flawed metrics and grossly over calculated the state's housing needs.

While City Council previously voted to have the Westside Cities Council of Governments, of which Santa Monica is a member, discuss joining the lawsuit, all councilmembers voiced a commitment to meeting the City's RHNA allocations through the Housing Element plan.

"I don't believe we lack will to create more housing in the city," said Mayor Sue Himmelrich. "I think that our commitment to housing and to affordable housing is 100% clear."

Councilmember Davis voted against the Housing Element as drafted as she felt the plan contained too many restrictions and caveats that would ultimately hinder the City's ability to meet the ambitious numbers. The goal of many of these restrictions is to maintain the character of residential neighborhoods and protect communities from overdevelopment.

"I think every time we do this death by 1,000 cuts of 'we'll reserve our rights here and we won't do this here,' I think reflects on our willingness to really embrace the commitments that you say we're making," said Davis in response to Himmelrich's statement. "If we really want to show HCD that we are serious about building this housing... then we should be making decisions at every turn to encourage the building of more housing."

Councilmember Kristin McCowan also voted against the plan, which she said did not include a clear enough vision of how homes will be made affordable and available for families. The other five councilmembers voted in favor of the plan as drafted.

Councilmembers were facing an Oct. 15 deadline to get an approved draft to the Department of Housing and Community Development. HCD will undergo a 90 day review process and either certify the plan as submitted or request more modifications.

The Housing Element Plan has four key goals: increase housing production, maintain housing stability, locate housing strategically and ensure equitable housing access. The plan contains a myriad of programs, strategies and land use and zoning changes to facilitate the development of thousands of new units.

These include incentivizing housing development on parking lots, rezoning commercial boulevards to allow for 100 percent residential use of buildings and committing City-owned sites for 100 percent affordable housing.

Other program highlights include amending the City's Land Use and Circulation Element and zoning plans to allow multi-unit housing in non-residential zones where housing is currently prohibited.

The City also added a requirement that 100 percent of housing be affordable—meaning restricted to individuals making 120 percent or less of the area median income—in areas around key public transportation stations. This includes spaces in the Downtown area, Bergamot area and by the 17th Street E-Line station.

There was significant discussion of the fact that the RHNA allocations are an unfunded mandate, and while the State is requiring Santa Monica and other cities to build these units, the State is not necessarily equipping them with the resources to do so.

"What we're really saying is 'we're going to need help, we're ready to do this, we're willing to do this,'" said Councilmember Phil Brock. "I also want the Governor and HCD over time to realize that they're going to have to help, not only Santa Monica, but every other City in the state."

Councilmembers voted to include a cover letter to HCD as part of their Housing Element submission that emphasizes the City's robust commitment to meeting its RHNA allocation and requests financial support to help meet this goal.

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STRIKE

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conditions.

"Folks have reported working conditions deteriorating and being aggravated," Jonas Loeb, IATSE's director of communication told the AP last week. "And these 60,000 behind the scenes workers that are under these contracts are really at a breaking point."

It would be the first nationwide strike in the 128-year history of IATSE, whose members include cinematographers, camera operators, set designers, carpenters, hair and makeup artists, animators and many others.

Union members say they are forced to work excessive hours and are not given reasonable rest via meal breaks and sufficient time off between shifts. Leaders say the lowest paid crafts get unlivable wages. And streamers like Netflix, Apple and Amazon are allowed to pay even less under previous agreements that allowed them more flexibility when they were up-and-comers.

"We've continued to try and impress upon the employers the importance of our priorities, the fact that this is about human beings, and the working conditions are about dignity and health and safety at work," said Rebecca Rhine, national executive director of the Cinematographers Guild, IATSE Local 600. "The health and safety issues, the unsafe hours, the not breaking for meals, those were the exception for many years in the industry, which is a tough industry. But what they've become is the norm."

The union reported on Oct. 4 that its members had voted overwhelmingly to allow its president to authorize a strike, but negotiations, and hopes to avert a walkout, resumed after the vote.

The Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers, which represents the studios and other entertainment companies in negotiations, said its members value their crew members and were committed to avoiding a shutdown in a still-recovering industry.

"A strike is always difficult for everybody. Everybody suffers, it's hard, but I believe that our members have the will and the resolve to do what's necessary to be heard and to have their voices translated into actual change in the industry," Rhine said. "What we learned from the pandemic is the employers can change the way they do business if it's in their interest to do so."

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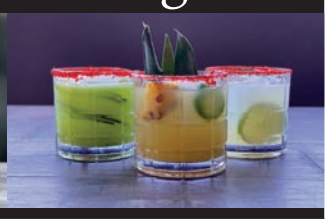
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