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PS1 celebrates 50 years of pluralistic education









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EDUCATION: PS1 students learn to understand themselves as individuals and as part of a democratic society

DANIEL FARR
SMDP Staff Writer

Santa Monica's PS1 Pluralistic School turns 50 this year, and its founder Joel Pelcyger continues to live by the school's founding question: "What is the purpose of school?"

Pelcyger was born and raised in Brooklyn, NY. A child of the 60's, he was an idealistic kid that wanted to change the world. He's been in charge of PS1 Pluralistic School for over 50 years and gained great aspiration from the US national motto "E Pluribus Unum," which means out of many, one.

"You're different from anybody else on this earth and the more you are valued for who you are and you get to see who you are — strengths, stretches, blemishes, gorgeous nature, genius, we all have all these different kinds of talents and we all have a lot of weaknesses too," Pelcyger said. "And if you're in an environment where that is acknowledged and nobody is better than anyone else, we're just different from each other, you're going to be creating a much better world because each person has a chance to be really fulfilled in their life."

PS1 Pluralistic School is a private elementary school in Santa Monica. According to the school's website, the 'P' in PS1 – refers to respecting, recognizing, and building upon a child's passions, interests, talents, personal expressions, and uniqueness.

The school believes that understanding and original thinkers can build a better world for all. Pelcyger believes the best time to nurture this mindset is in children's earliest years.

From the first day of kindergarten through 6th grade, PS1 Pluralistic School helps students understand themselves as individuals by designing their classes and physical campus to bring out the student's individualistic aura.

When Pelcyger talks to the children attending his school, he physically gets down to their level to relate to them as people. He also tries to ask them questions that keep them in the moment.

"It's not like we try to make a kid be anything but who they want to be," Pelcyger said. "And we don't say what are you going to be when you grow up, which is the most common thing an adult says to a kid and we encourage the kid to turn to the adult and say, 'I don't know, what are you going to

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Woman's Club offers free bridge lessons for a cause

DANIEL FARR
SMDP Staff Writer

The Santa Monica Bay Woman's Club is looking for a few good women. As an enticement to join the venerable institution, they are offering free bridge lessons to new members. The club's goal is to sign up at least eight players, which would be enough for two full tables. Proceeds of the membership drive will help fund the Elmira T. Stevens Scholarship Fund for Santa Monica High School seniors.

"The money we take in goes to scholarship funds for some senior girls at Santa Monica High. Usually, we get four scholarships a year, which sort of depends on how much money we take in," Darlene Bahr, the club's former president said. "But because some of our trainees that are playing bridge are getting



Courtesy photo

BRIDGE: Members play together

in their 90's. We decided we better do something to get more bridge players to continue raising funds for the scholarship."

Scholarship recipients are given money to help pay for their college expenses, but earning the

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Councilmember's conflict of interest case regarding CVRA case heading to court

CLARA HARTER
SMDP Staff Writer

A judge has agreed to hear arguments between the City and Councilmember Oscar de la Torre over whether de la Torre has a common law conflict of interest with the City's defense of the California Voting Rights Act lawsuit.

In January, City Council voted to bar de la Torre from participating in any closed session or confidential conversation concerning the City of Santa Monica's defense of the suit. Four council members voted in favor of the exclusion, two voted against it and one council member abstained.

The California Voting Rights Act lawsuit was filed in 2016 by de la Torre's wife Maria Loya and the Pico Neighborhood Association, which de la Torre is the former Co-Chair of. The plaintiffs in the CVRA suit seek a move to a district voting system and allege that the City's at-large voting system discriminates against Latino voters. The case is currently awaiting oral argument before the California Supreme Court.

De la Torre does not believe he has a common law conflict of interest and filed a lawsuit seeking to prove this so that he may participate in discussions.

"The Council majority wants to marginalize one of its members and really the only thing I seek is a change to the election system that will support our residents, that will be more democratic, you know where every neighborhood is represented, and where it's cheaper to run for office," said de la Torre.

On July 23, Judge Richard L. Fruin issued a tentative ruling that de la Torre did have a conflict of interest, but on Oct. 5 reversed course and denied the City's request to have the case dismissed, thus allowing it to proceed to a trial hearing.

According to Interim City Attorney Joe Lawrence, a status conference is set for Oct 26, which will provide more information on the timeline of the case.

The City maintains that de la Torre has a conflict of interest due to his close personal relationships

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide

Don't get scared. Be prepared!

The air has turned crisp and the winds are howling, suggesting that fall is upon us and the holidays are fast-approaching. With the support of our community, we are hoping to face a different holiday season than the last. With at least 86% of Santa Monicans vaccinated against COVID-19 and having far more information about the disease, we're well prepared to implement what works this holiday season to keep ourselves and our loved ones healthy.

Healthy Hauntings

Having a healthy Halloween will help ensure we avoid the start of a community COVID-19 surge and keep our children healthy and in school before they are able to be vaccinated. Here are some tips to keep COVID at bay and still enjoy the spooky season.

If you're able to be vaccinated and haven't taken your shot, get vaccinated now to be able to celebrate the holidays safely with family and protect your loved ones. Find a clinic near you here.

If you're not fully vaccinated and aged 2 or older, wear a mask when around people outside of your household, including in busy outdoor locations.

Outdoor, uncrowded environments are safer. Get in the spirit with an outdoor neighborhood costume parade, hayride, or pumpkin patch visit.

If you have unvaccinated persons in your household, choose a Safer Halloween option to keep your distance from others and avoid mixing with people you don't know.

While allowed, trick-or-treating poses some risks. Reduce your family's risk by wearing a face mask, avoiding crowded streets, bringing hand sanitizer and using frequently, and only trick-or-treating with your family or a small group you know well.

When handing out treats, set up a candy station outdoors or make sure you wear a mask and give out individually packaged treats outdoors.

For more ideas visit, http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/Coronavirus/docs/community/guidancehalloween.pdf

Holiday Gatherings

Hosting a holiday gathering last year likely caused as much stress as a visit from your in-laws! From weekend sports watch parties to formal holiday meals, use the tried and tested rules below to prevent the spread of COVID-19.

Use a VIP (Vaccinated Individuals, Please) guest list. When hosting or attending an event, ask about people's vaccination status and recent risks.

Stay home when you're sick. Even if you think it's a small cold or bad allergy day, skip the party. If you have COVID-19 symptoms, get a test and stay home until you receive your results. Make an appointment at a COVID-19 testing site near you, including the new Clover Park location.

Keep gatherings outdoors. If bad weather ruins your outdoor plans, keep the group small, vaccinated, and open doors and windows to improve air flow.

When in doubt, mask up. When you must gather indoors with others and aren't sure about everyone's vaccination status, wear a face mask.

Be prepared for large events. For mega event indoor and outdoor gatherings, remember that you are required to show proof of vaccination or a negative COVID test and photo identification.

Use extra care if immunocompromised. People who have weakened immune systems are still at risk of contracting the Delta variant, even if fully vaccinated. It's best for these individuals to take all precautions recommended for unvaccinated people, including wearing a well-fitted mask, unless told otherwise by their health provider.

Boost up if eligible. If you are over 65 years old or in a high-risk group and are eligible, consider getting your booster shot before the holidays for an extra dose of protection. Check booster eligibility here: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/booster-shot.html

While restrictions have relaxed, it's up to all of us, even fully vaccinated persons, to keep each other healthy when gathering throughout the holiday season. Thank you Santa Monica for getting vaccinated, wearing your mask indoors, and working together to keep our community on the path of recovery during this pandemic.

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City of Santa Monica

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NOTICE INVITING BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that bids will be received by the City of Santa Monica until 3:00 p.m. on the date indicated at which time they will be opened and posted for:

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Submission Deadline is November 5, 2021 at 5:00 PM Pacific Time.
Virtual Mandatory Job Walk will be held on October 25, 2021 at 11:00 AM Pacific Time.

Bids must be submitted on forms supplied by the City of Santa Monica. Bid packages containing all forms, specifications, terms and conditions may be obtained on the **City's Online Vendor Portal.** The website for this Notice of Inviting Bids and related documents is: ProcureNow (https://secure.procurenow.com/portal/santa-monica-ca). There is no charge for bid package and specifications.

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Husband charged with killing wife who vanished in January

Associated Press

A Southern California man was arrested Tuesday on suspicion of killing his wife nine months ago, and her family pleaded for help in finding her body.

Larry Millete, 40, was arrested at his home in the San Diego suburb of Chula Vista, a day after San Diego County prosecutors charged him with murder and illegal possession of an assault weapon, officials said at a news conference.

He could face a potential sentence of life in prison if convicted of killing Maya Millete.

"This is a surprise to me since they have no proof Maya is dead, and I believe she is still alive," Bonita Martinez, Millete's attorney, told KFMB-TV.

District Attorney Summer Stephan said prosecutors can file a murder charge without having a body.

"The law is so crystal clear that we cannot let someone murder someone and gain a benefit by hiding the body in a way that we cannot discover it," she said.

Maya Millete, 40, vanished in early January, authorities said. She left her mobile phone and other valuables along with the couple's three children, authorities said.

Larry Millete told police that his wife voluntarily left the family. But investigators said he had been considered a "person of interest" in her disappearance.

Stephan said Maya Millete was in a "toxic relationship" and that her last known call before she vanished on Jan. 7 was to a divorce attorney.

Before Maya Millette disappeared, her husband opposed divorcing and hired "spellcasters" to keep her from leaving, Stephan said.

"He was asking for May to become incapacitated … so that she could stay at home, thus displaying his homicidal idealizations to harm May," Stephan said.

Also missing were a gun owned by Millete and a black Lexus SUV that prosecutors believe he used to dispose of his wife's body, authorities said.

Authorities and family members urged anyone to come forward who may have seen the missing car around the time she vanished.

"We're still asking the public: Please, help us bring my sister home," a sobbing Maricris Drouaillet said. "We did a promise to her 11-year-old daughter that we will bring her mom home."

In addition to police and the District Attorney's office, the investigation also involved the FBI and the Naval Criminal Investigative Service, police said.

Tesla hits record profit despite parts shortage, ship delays

TOM KRISHER
Associated Press

Record electric vehicle sales last summer amid a shortage of computer chips and other materials propelled Tesla Inc. to the biggest quarterly net earnings in its history.

The company said Wednesday that it made $1.62 billion in the third quarter, beating the old record of $1.14 billion set in the second quarter of this year. The profit was nearly five times larger than the $331 million Tesla made in the same quarter a year ago.

Revenue of $13.76 billion from July through September also set a record, but it fell short of Wall Street expectations of just over $14 billion, according to FactSet.

Excluding special items such as stock-based compensation, Palo Alto, California-based Tesla made $1.86 per share, beating analyst estimates of $1.62. CEO Elon Musk has said he's moving the headquarters to Austin, Texas, the dateline of Wednesday's earnings release.

Some of the quarterly profit, though, came from selling regulatory credits to other automakers. Tesla made $279 million on credits during the quarter. Other automakers buy the credits when they can't meet emissions and fuel-economy standards.

Study: Fossil fuel plans would far overshoot climate goals

Workers fed up with nights, weekends seek flexible schedules

Bitcoin tops $66,000, sets record as crypto goes mainstream

Fed survey finds economy facing supply chain, other drags

"A variety of challenges, including semiconductor shortages, congestion at ports and rolling blackouts, have been impacting our ability to keep factories running at full speed," the company said in a statement to shareholders. "We believe our supply chain, engineering and production teams have been dealing with these global challenges with ingenuity, agility and flexibility that is unparalleled in the automotive industry."

Earlier this month Tesla said it delivered a record 241,300 electric vehicles in the third quarter even as it wrestled with the shortages that have hit the entire auto industry.

Third-quarter sales rose 72% over the 140,000 deliveries Tesla made for the same period a year ago.

So far this year, Tesla has sold around 627,300 vehicles. That puts it on pace to soundly beat last year's total of 499,550.

While sales grew in the third quarter, the average sales price fell 6% because Tesla is selling more less-expensive Models 3 and Y and fewer pricier Models S and X.

Wedbush analyst Daniel Ives wrote in a note to investors that Tesla's deliveries and earnings are impressive despite an overhang from the shortage of automotive computer

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DAILY POLICE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 319 CALLS ON OCTOBER 19

Fight 1500Blk 2nd St 12:03 a.m.
Report Of Shots Fired Lincoln Blvd / Ocean Park Blvd 12:43 a.m.
Disturbance Of The Peace 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 1:14 a.m.
Trespassing 900Blk 4th St 1:15 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 100Blk Wadsworth Ave 1:33 a.m.
Disturbance At A Business 1800Blk Lincoln Blvd 1:35 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1300Blk 2nd St 1:40 a.m.
Construction Noise 1500Blk Wilshire Blvd 1:54 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1500Blk Wilshire Blvd 2:06 a.m.
Disturbance At A Business 1600Blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:40 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2000Blk Broadway 2:45 a.m.
Disturbance Of The Peace 1700Blk 15th St 3:01 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1500Blk Wilshire Blvd 3:04 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1700Blk Berkeley St 3:16 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2000Blk Broadway 3:30 a.m.
Status Check 1400Blk 7th St 4:08 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2200Blk Lincoln Blvd 4:37 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1400Blk Ocean Ave 4:38 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2200Blk Lincoln Blvd 4:51 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm Lincoln Blvd / Ocean Park Blvd 4:53 a.m.
Malicious Mischief Just Occurred 1400Blk Palisades Beach rd 4:58 a.m.
Person Down 200Blk 21st St 5:31 a.m.
Fight 1900Blk Arizona Ave 6:50 a.m.
Encampment 2600Blk Ocean Front Walk 6:54 a.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1200Blk Berkeley St 7:08 a.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1500Blk Yale St 7:14 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 800Blk Centinela Ave 7:14 a.m.
Found Property 800Blk 19th St 7:29 a.m.
Fight 400Blk Santa Monica Pier 7:31 a.m.
Trespassing 2400Blk Wilshire Blvd 7:40 a.m.
Disturbance At A Business 1000Blk Wilshire Blvd 7:42 a.m.
Disturbance Of The Peace 100Blk Colorado Ave 7:58 a.m.
Disturbance At A Business 2700Blk Pico Blvd 8:06 a.m.
Loitering 2400Blk Virginia Ave 8:06 a.m.
Disturbance At A Business 1800Blk Lincoln Blvd 8:09 a.m.
Disturbance Of The Peace 10th St / Wilshire Blvd 8:18 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1400Blk Broadway 8:19 a.m.
Malicious Mischief Report 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 8:19 a.m.
Petty Theft Report 2500Blk Arizona Ave 8:27 a.m.
Disturbance Of The Peace 100Blk Colorado Ave 8:29 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1400Blk Broadway 8:37 a.m.
Family Disturbance 1300Blk Wilshire Blvd 8:39 a.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1800Blk Delaware Ave 8:48 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 3300Blk Pico Blvd 8:52 a.m.
Transport Prisoner 300Blk Olympic Dr 8:52 a.m.
Disturbance Of The Peace 1300Blk Wilshire Blvd 8:55 a.m.
Disturbance Of The Peace 900Blk 7th St 9:05 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 2500Blk 25th St 9:10 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1000Blk Wilshire Blvd 9:10 a.m.
Loitering 1800Blk California Ave 9:22 a.m.
Disturbance At A Business 1300Blk 3rd Street Prom 9:22 a.m.
Found Property 2600Blk The Beach 9:42 a.m.
Missing Person 300Blk Santa Monica Pier 9:46 a.m.
Fraud Report 1500Blk Ocean Ave 9:47 a.m.
Forensics Request - Fingerprint 300Blk Olympic Dr 9:56 a.m.
Encampment 2000Blk The Beach 9:59 a.m.
Fraud Report 1300Blk Ocean Ave 10:00 a.m.
Disturbance Of The Peace Ocean Ave / Olympic Dr 10:01 a.m.
Disturbance At A Business 2200Blk Pico Blvd 10:08 a.m.
Suspicious Vehicle 100Blk Hollister Ave 10:12 a.m.
Lewd Activity Lincoln Blvd / Olympic Blvd E 10:14 a.m.
Grand Theft Report 1900Blk Ocean Way 10:16 a.m.
Disturbance At A Business 800Blk Wilshire Blvd 10:16 a.m.
Expired Registration 1700Blk 18th St 10:23 a.m.
Disturbance At A Business 1200Blk 5th St 10:27 a.m.
Trespassing 2300Blk Lincoln Blvd 10:30 a.m.
Defrauding Inkeeper In Progress 1800Blk Ocean Ave 10:32 a.m.
Abandoned Vehcile 1300Blk 18th St 10:33 a.m.
Transport Prisoner 300Blk Olympic Dr 10:34 a.m.
Disturbance At A Business 600Blk Wilshire Blvd 10:57 a.m.
Disturbance At A Business 1400Blk Lincoln Blvd 11:05 a.m.
Public Intoxication 500Blk Olympic Blvd W 11:06 a.m.
Administrative Incident 300Blk Olympic Dr 11:08 a.m.
Traffic Hazard Main St / Hill St 11:11 a.m.
Forensics Request - Fingerprint 900Blk 9th St 11:21 a.m.
Disturbance At A Business 1400Blk Lincoln Blvd 11:26 a.m.
Encampment 2200Blk Broadway 11:57 a.m.
Assault W/Deadly Weapon Just Occurred 900Blk Palisades Park 12:05 p.m.
Disturbance At A Business 700Blk Broadway 12:13 p.m.
Burglary Report 2800Blk Ocean Park Blvd 12:21 p.m.
Expired Registration 1700Blk Stewart St 12:22 p.m.
Silent Burglar Alarm 200Blk Santa Monica Pier 12:29 p.m.
Grand Theft Report 1000Blk Ocean Park Blvd 12:35 p.m.
Disturbance Of The Peace 20th St / Arizona Ave 12:54 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1800Blk 10th St 12:56 p.m.
Disturbance At A Business 1000Blk Broadway 1:04 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 800Blk 3rd St 1:04 p.m.
Disturbance Of The Peace 1400Blk 17th St 1:08 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 36 CALLS ON OCTOBER 19

EMS 2500Blk 20th St 12:32 a.m.
EMS 100Blk California Ave 1:36 a.m.
EMS 2500Blk 17th St 2:31 a.m.
EMS 1600Blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:50 a.m.
EMS 1100Blk 2nd St 6:44 a.m.
EMS 1400Blk Lincoln Blvd 7:30 a.m.
EMS 500Blk Colorado Ave 7:36 a.m.
EMS 1000Blk 6th St 8:09 a.m.
EMS 1300Blk Ocean Park Blvd 9:04 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 600Blk 22nd St 10:05 a.m.
EMS 1300Blk 2nd St 10:29 a.m.
EMS 1200Blk 6th St 11:13 a.m.
EMS 2800Blk Santa Monica Blvd 11:44 a.m.
EMS 900Blk 9th St 11:48 a.m.
EMS 1100Blk 23rd St 11:55 a.m.
EMS 1200Blk 6th St 12:03 p.m.
EMS Ocean Ave / Idaho Ave 12:06 p.m.
Vehicle Into A Structure 800Blk 3rd St 1:04 p.m.
EMS 1800Blk 10th St 1:07 p.m.
EMS 200Blk Ocean Ave 1:13 p.m.
EMS 1100Blk 7th St 1:33 p.m.
EMS 2nd St / Colorado Ave 2:03 p.m.
EMS Centinela Ave / Interstate 10 3:44 p.m.
EMS 400Blk 9th St 3:44 p.m.
EMS 1200Blk 4th St 5:19 p.m.
Elevator Rescue 2700Blk Neilson Way 5:38 p.m.
Wires Down 500Blk Pier Ave 7:03 p.m.
EMS 1500Blk 4th St 7:06 p.m.
EMS 4th St / Colorado Ave 7:29 p.m.
EMS 800Blk 19th St 8:06 p.m.
EMS 1600Blk 5th St 8:17 p.m.
EMS 1300Blk 20th St 8:45 p.m.
EMS 1300Blk 20th St 10:04 p.m.
EMS 2300Blk 31st St 10:17 p.m.
EMS 1100Blk 7th St 10:23 p.m.
EMS 200Blk Montana Ave 11:58 p.m.

CVRA

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with both plaintiffs and his involvement on behalf of the plaintiffs in many aspects of the CVRA action.

"Such close personal relationships pose the concern the common-law conflicts doctrine is intended to address—that a public official may be tempted to act to benefit those with whom he has the close personal relationships rather than with the disinterested skill, zeal, and diligence required of a public official," said Lawrence.

De la Torre argues that his interest in the outcome of the CVRA case does not differ from that of any other Santa Monica voter and that he therefore does not have a disqualifying conflict of interest.

De la Torre said that were he able to participate in CVRA discussions he would urge the City to stop fighting the case and settle.

"It puzzles me why the City Council majority feels that it's appropriate to continue to waste taxpayers dollars on this legal adventure," said de la Torre. "They should have resolved this case a long time ago but anyway we find ourselves here because people in power did not want to change the election system."

The City has hired an outside attorney to assist with the conflict of interest case. Carol Silberberg, an attorney from Berry Silberberg Stokes PC, will serve on the City's legal team as the case proceeds to a trial hearing in the Los Angeles Superior Court.

According to City Public Information Officer Constance Farrell, it is a normal process for the City to seek external legal support given that it is involved in several complex legal matters at this time.

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Groups want US to suspend oil leases off California coast

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Associated Press

A group of environmental organizations demanded Wednesday that the Biden administration suspend and cancel oil and gas leases in federal waters off the California coast after a recent crude oil spill.

The Center for Biological Diversity and about three dozen organizations sent a petition to the Department of the Interior, arguing it has the authority to end these leases. The groups say offshore drilling threatens wildlife, fisheries and tourism and the decades-old platforms off the coast of California are especially susceptible to problems due to their age.

The move comes several weeks after an undersea pipeline that shuttles oil from offshore platforms to the coast leaked about 25,000 gallons (94,635 liters) of crude into the ocean off Orange County.

"Federal officials have the power and the duty to stop the oil industry from killing our birds, fouling our beaches and polluting our climate," Emily Jeffers, an attorney for the Center for Biological Diversity, said in a statement. "The Biden administration needs to bring the hammer down on offshore drilling in California's federal waters."

The department is required to respond to the petition, Jeffers said. If it doesn't, she said the groups could take legal action.

The spill washed blobs of oil ashore affecting wildlife and the local economy, though the environmental damage so far has been less than initially feared. But environmental advocates say the long-term impact on sensitive wetland areas and marine life is unknown and shop owners in surf-friendly Huntington Beach fear concern about oil will keep tourists away even once the tar is gone.

Federal investigators are examining whether a 1,200-foot (366-meter) cargo ship that was dragging anchor in rough seas caught the pipeline operated by Houston-based Amplify Energy and pulled it across the seafloor early this year. They have not determined if the Panama-registered MSC DANIT caused the spill or if the line was hit by something else or failed due to a preexisting problem.

Officials are starting to wind down some of the clean-up efforts as conditions along the coastline have improved. While tar balls continue to wash up further south in San Diego County, beach clean up in some areas of Orange County could soon be deemed complete, said California Fish and Wildlife Lt. Christian Corbo.

Workers are scaling back efforts to scour the coastline for oiled wildlife, but will continue to respond to reports from the public of oiled birds, said Michael Ziccardi, director of the Oiled Wildlife Care Network. Six birds that were treated for oiling were released Wednesday along the shoreline and another six are still being cared for, he said, adding they will hopefully be released next week.

So far, the network has recovered 32 oiled birds and found 76 dead birds that will be studied to determine if oil was a cause, he said.

Fisheries remain closed off the coast of Orange County.

$650M plan would give Los Angeles Zoo flashy transformation

Associated Press

A $650 million plan would give the Los Angeles Zoo a theme park-style transformation over the next 20 years.

The city-owned zoo in the city's Griffith Park area would get exhibit upgrades and new attractions such as a 60-foot-deep (18-meter-deep) canyon for rock climbing and a hilltop building called the California Center in the style of a Yosemite National Park lodge with a sweeping view of a 25,000-square-foot (2,323-square-meter) vineyard, the Los Angeles Times reported Wednesday.

Supporters of the zoo's "20-year Vision Plan" said building the features would increase zoo attendance by 72%, to up to 3 million visitors annually.

But the construction would consume 23 acres (9.3 hectares) of native woodlands, drawing opposition led by the historical preservation group Friends of Griffith Park and the California Native Plant Society.

Zoo officials were thinking about the 2028 Los Angeles Olympic Games as they crafted the plan, said Denise Verrett, the zoo's director and chief executive.

"What are we going to do to attract international travelers to the zoo as a place they should not miss?" Verrett said.

The renovation would happen in seven phases starting next year and it would be funded by grants and donations raised by the Greater Los Angeles Zoo Association and possibly a bond issue, the Times said.

The next step for the proposal is consideration by the Los Angeles City Council's Arts, Parks, Health, Education, and Neighborhoods Committee.

The zoo relies on $11.6 million from the city's general fund to meet its approximately $25 million fiscal budget for 2021-22.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Countywide

LA County reports 76 percent increase in anti-Asian hate crimes in 2020

The Los Angeles County Commission on Human Relations (LACCHR) released a special report on anti-Asian hate crime in LA County in 2020. Since 1980, LACCHR collects and reports hate crime data submitted by law enforcement agencies, educational institutions, and community-based organizations. Today's special report revealed that anti-Asian hate crimes rose 76% from 25 to 44 in 2020. This is the largest number of anti-Asian hate crimes reported since 2001.

To view the 2020 anti-Asian Hate Crime Report, please click here. LA County's annual Hate Crime Report, which will encompass all reported hate crimes in LA County, will be released in November.

"I have been increasingly alarmed by the rise in anti-Asian hate crimes across Los Angeles, and I am particularly disturbed by the three-fold increase in anti-Asian hate crimes perpetrated against women," said Supervisor Kuehl. "This report reveals a significant and troubling problem that is growing, and makes clear that LA County must take every possible step to curb this rise in racial violence."

Significant findings include the following:

Specific Asian nationalities and ethnicities were the targets of hate. Most slurs were anti-Chinese, but anti-Japanese and anti-Asian Indian hate crimes also occurred. Among the victims were people of Korean, Taiwanese, Vietnamese, and Guatemalan ethnicity.

In 10 of the anti-Asian hate crimes (23%), the suspects explicitly blamed the victims for COVID-19.

The rate of hate-related violence in 2019 (76%) and 2020 (77%) was significantly higher compared to prior years.

The median age of victims increased from 30 to 41. Half of the victims were over 40, including two seniors. In 2019, there were no victims of hate crimes over 40.

There was a tripling in the number of female victims of anti-Asian hate crime compared to the previous year, rising to nearly half of all victims

In cases in which the race of the suspect was known, Whites comprised 42% of anti-Asian hate crime suspects. This was followed by Latino/a (36%) suspects and African American (19%) suspects.

In response to the rise in hate, the Board of Supervisors directed LACCHR to develop an initiative to prevent and respond to hate incidents in the County, which resulted in "L.A. vs Hate." The initiative has three components: (1) a community-driven public engagement campaign to encourage residents and organizations to unite against and report acts of hate; (2) the first government hotline (via 211) for reporting acts of hate and providing assistance to hate victims; and (3) a network of community agencies that provide hate prevention and rapid response services. Since launching in June 2020, "L.A. vs Hate" content has been viewed over 468 million times and has been shared over 88 million times. Since September 2019, when L.A. vs. Hate and 211 began accepting calls to report hate, L.A. vs. Hate has received more than 1,400 reports of hate acts.

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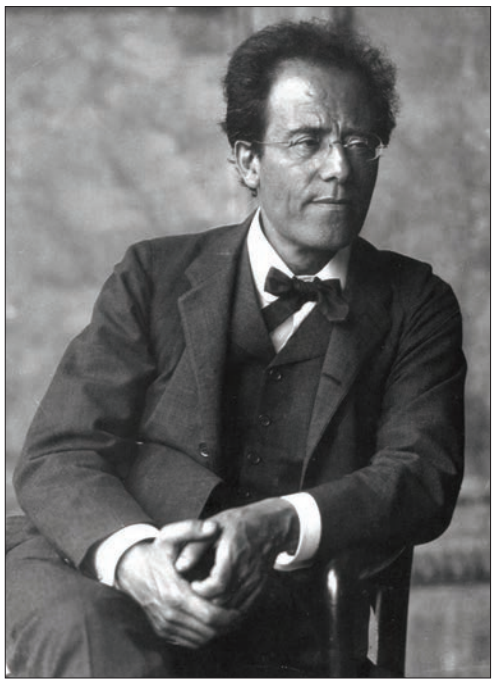
HIGHLY RECOMMENDED:

TONIGHT! - DUDAMEL conducts MAHLER'S 4T -- 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, all the top orchestras were wooing him, and it had a lot to do with his appointment just a few years later to lead our LA Philharmonic (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, Thur-Sat 8 p.m., Sun 2 p.m., Walt Disney Concert Hall, DTLA, $20-227.

X, BLASTERS, Horrorpops -- I might have been a little gun shy on this one if I hadn't seen X, after many years, at the Teragram Ballroom a couple years ago, Exene is still a gun-totin' tin foiler whose blog posits that people aren't leaving their jobs, they are being replaced by androids, and the mighty Billy Zoom no longer shreds his guitar from a near-splits rock and roll stance but sits on a stool and looks almost unrecognizable -- but who cares, he still plays like a monster and Exene is still a phenomenon leading that iconic LA band, at 65 maybe as good as she ever was, and the Blasters? I promise they will make you see rockabilly heaven, Greek Theater, LA, Sat 7 p.m., $19-79.

EM THE MASTER + ANGELO MOORE's Dr Madd Vibe & The Missin' Links -- I've been giving EM's show a HIGHLY RECOMMENDED for months now and still do, but this night you get a big bonus when the above-named musical chaos merchants join her to open. Angelo was the founding lead singer and sax player for the groundbreaking, crazy great Fishbone, you may have caught his previous conglomeration Trulio Disgracious, he's also a published poet and his dad played sax for Count Basie. Do not miss this one. Tues 9:30 p.m., Harvelle's, DTSM, $12.

PETER ERSKINE TRIO -- It may be an odd thing but I am usually satisfied "experiencing" a great performer or band once or twice, but there are a handful of exceptions and jazz drummer Peter Erskine is one, any time I can see him without buying a plane ticket, I'm there. He started playing drums at age 4, joined Stan Kenton's band at 18, then Maynard Ferguson, then Weather Report with Jaco Pastorius -- now, that's a rhythm section -- Joni Mitchell, Steely Dan, Diana Krall, now more than 700 albums and soundtracks, it's best to get up close because Erskine plays so gracefully and without flash, melodically, like a gifted classical pianist, in such a captivating style, and Sam First, an intimate jazz club near LAX, is the perfect place for that. He's got a first-class trio here with Alan Pasqua on piano, Derek Oles on bass. Next Thurs, 7:30 and 9 p.m., Sam First, LAX, $25.



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COMPOSER: Gustav Mahler

RECOMMENDED:

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.

THEATRICUM BOTANICUM presents --

Familiarity breeds contempt, they say, but just because you have gotten used to seeing these three plays RECOMMENDED in this column week after week means only this: it's a shortened season so I got to see them all first thing, reassuring myself that each lives up to the company's sterling decades-long reputation, so why wouldn't I recommend them every week? There is always a lot of good theater going on in LA, but these three are each as good as you will find.

Seeing them perched there every week in NOTEWORTHY through a long summer may mean you keep putting it off. Don't. You don't want to miss any of them and time is running out and the days will soon get shorter and the nights chillier, so just go now.

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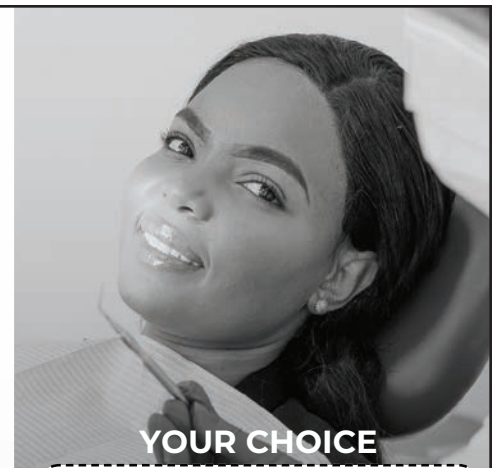
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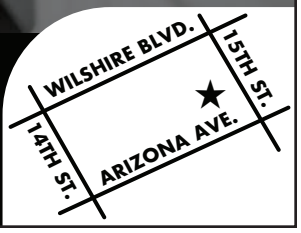
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Beating cancer taught Laura Hertz the gift of giving back

DANIEL FARR
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Laura Hertz is one impressive woman: a CEO, a Forbes 30 under 30 Social Entrepreneur and a cancer survivor.

Hertz earned her bachelor's degree in Business administration from University of California, Berkeley and later earned her Master's degree in Business from the University of Southern California.

She was one year out of Cal Berkeley and living in San Francisco with plans of moving abroad when she found out she had cancer.

"It was definitely hard and scary, especially at a younger age," she said.

Hertz not only successfully battled the cancer, but turned around and founded her own company for social change. She is now the co-founder and CEO of Gifts for Good, a certified B Corp that sources corporate gifts with a social impact. With a company motto of "corporate gifts that give back," Gifts for Good today helps support dozens of charities and social enterprises in 65 countries.

At the time of her diagnosis, Hertz had little idea of the heights she would rise to. She said she felt alone because she had just graduated from college and felt embarrassed to talk about her diagnosis with friends, as she was the only one going through it.

However, she kept a positive outlook on life and tried to see the good in a bad situation. When Hertz decided to share information on her diagnosis publicly she was amazed by how many other women related to her.

"I was so surprised by how many women reached out to me that they had been going through something similar, especially when I had posted about it on social media. A lot of people are really quiet when they're going through that journey but I actually felt like it was a nice way to almost realize you're not alone and kind of talk about it and find a way to support other people through it too," she said.

Currently, she serves on the National Board for the American Cancer Society. The Society was founded in 1913 and helps support cancer patients and their families across the country using its network of 250 regional offices. Hertz is one of the younger board members and believes it's important to have that representation because a lot of the time cancer has an older face connected to it.

"There are so many people, even in their early 20's or teens who are going through that (cancer) but sometimes feel like they don't have a community," she said.

Battling through her diagnosis changed her outlook on life and showed her the importance of a healthy lifestyle.

"When you're younger you can kind of feel like you're invincible especially right out of college and the things you put your body through, going out and going to bars doing all those things, but I think just recognizing that no matter the age it's important to always put your health and safety first," Hertz said.

The unexpected challenging experience also served as a powerful reminder of how important friends and family are to personal wellbeing. It inspired her to be a positive force in the lives of her loved ones by encouraging

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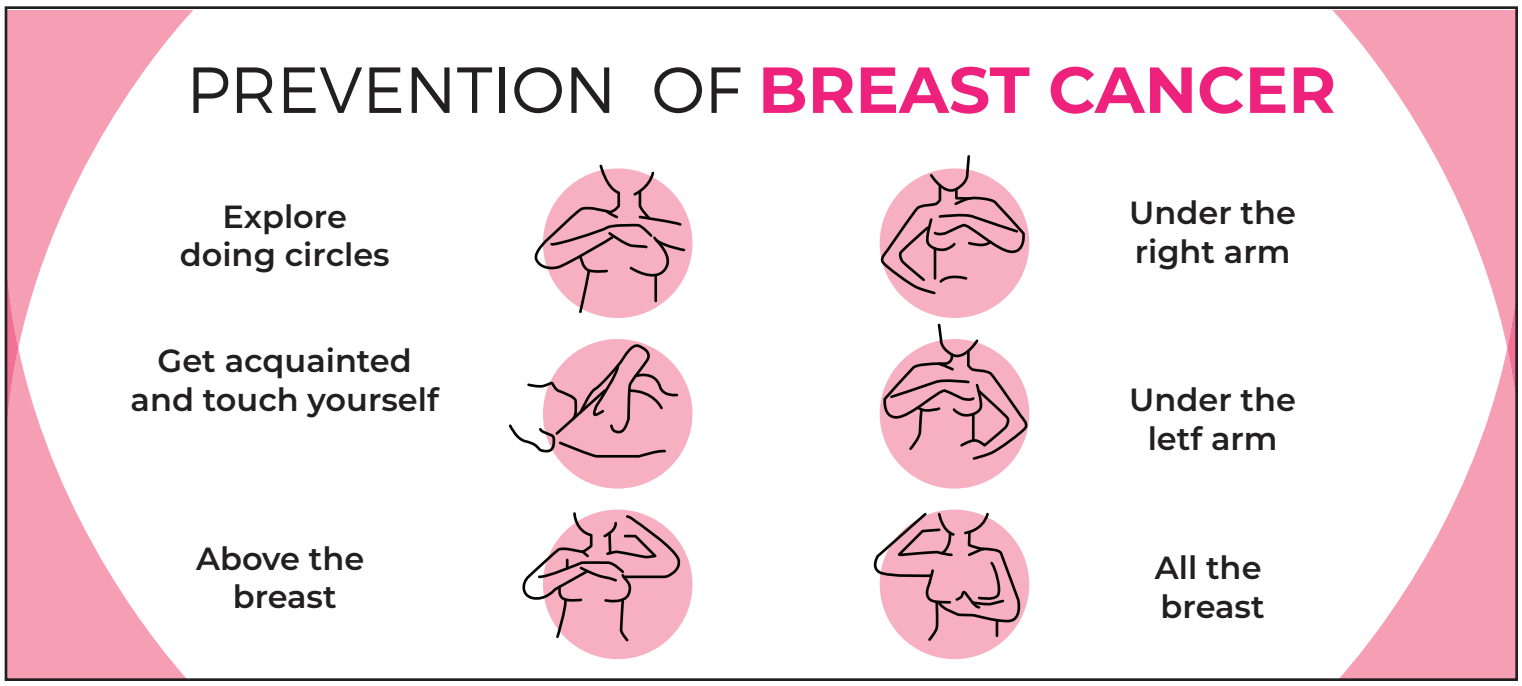
CANCER

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them to improve their health and lifestyle. Regardless of whether one has cancer, Hertz realized that health and healthy habits should always be a top priority.

"I think looking for a support system when you're training or working out and finding friends and family who can kind of support you in that journey too is so important and making it fun because at the end of the day you're not going to enjoy it if you don't make it fun," Hertz said.





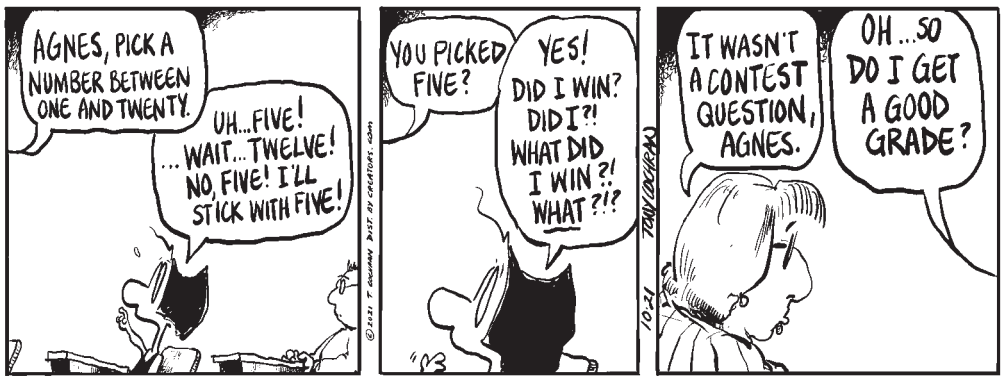
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THURSDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 3-4ft+ Waist to shoulder high
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FRIDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft+ Waist to stomach high
Clean morning but keep in mind the incoming high tide. Easing WNW swell while small SSW swell lingers. Few peaks on hand, could be fun on small-wave gear.

WEATHER

Thursday: Cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 67.
Thursday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, increasing clouds, with a low around 56.
Friday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, partly sunny, with a high near 65.

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You'll neatly wrap up a major project, and that's when the real work (and play!) will begin. You'll inspire, coach and facilitate big successes for the ones you care about. In doing so, you'll fulfill your own destiny. There's a mystery to solve at the turn of the year. A relationship of tenderness and vulnerability will heal. Libra and Taurus adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 5, 36, 4, 48 and 16.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). The gestures and rituals around togetherness will have meaning that lives beyond the implications of the day. It is gracious to take a little of what's being offered to you.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). A temperate approach will work for you. You would rather get small daily doses of adrenaline than live dramatically, inducing large-scale thrills and adrenaline rushes that can be a challenge to come down from.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The group works best when everyone brings an intangible something -- for instance, an idea, receptivity, a custom, a grateful heart or an infectious enthusiasm.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Excuse yourself from too much thinking. The processing of past lessons gets boring. It's safe to assume you absorbed what you could from it; that's over. What's next?

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Though you try to get to a place of "no regrets," if you don't quite make it, you can use whatever you wish you would have done differently to inform your next move.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll excel where others haven't. They got impatient, they gave up too soon or maybe they just couldn't figure it out. Hang in there and believe. Your win will show the way.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Sure, the time is always now. But time for what? To inhabit the moment isn't always to act in it. You'll focus yourself thoughtfully, with maturity and strategy.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're making sense of something that is difficult for many people to understand. It is too early to declare your findings or share your insights. This requires much more observation.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). All snowflakes have the same color and melting point, and yet each one is completely unique. The one who appreciates your distinctive qualities will quickly discover your heart's melting point.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Connection has a cost you feel willing to pay. You are ready to be aware of the other person's struggles, to be curious about their inclinations and to feel somewhat responsible for serving their needs.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Anyone willing to put in the time can have the skill. Things can always be learned by those who know how to learn. Learning how to learn -- or, more specifically, how (SET ITAL)you(END ITAL) learn -- is the key to becoming whoever you want to be.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). While it is possible to learn from the feedback your emotional responses provide, feelings can also be attached to lies, falsehoods and misinformation. Gather emotional data without acting on it. This needs to be tested.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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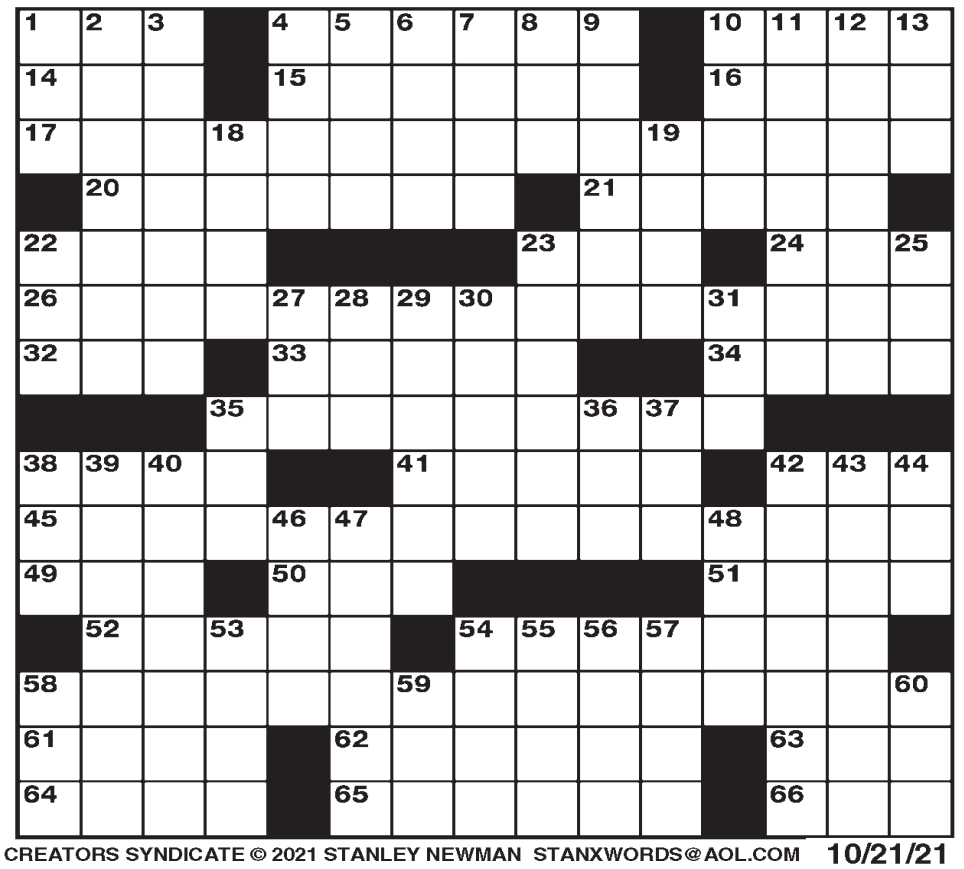
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26 "Can you tell me about it?"
32 YMCA grammar class
33 "People are saying . . ."
34 Out of concern that
35 Family member
38 Kin to 34 Across
41 Closely compacted
42 Creator of Kinsey
45 "I'm not sure"
49 Baltimore Ravens raven mascot
50 '80s First Son
51 Shakespearean schemer
52 Stylishly smooth
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SATURDAY | OCT 23

DUETS – DIANNE REEVES, CHUCHO VALDÉS & JOE LOVANO
Three legends. Twelve GRAMMY® Awards. One night. This all-star evening of piano duets features the most influential figure in modern Afro-Cuban jazz, Chucho Valdés, sharing the stage with preeminent jazz vocalist, Dianne Reeves, and celebrated saxophonist Joe Lovano. Broad Stage, 1310 11th St, 7:30 p.m., $60, https://thebroadstage.org/performances/2021-22/jazz-blues/duets.

DOWNTOWN FARMERS MARKET
Established in 1991, the Saturday Downtown Santa Monica Market opened ten years after the Wednesday Market in the same location, as customers were eager for another market for weekend shopping. While the Wednesday market centers on the hustle and bustle of chefs and restaurants doing their shopping, the Saturday Downtown Santa Monica market offers a more intimate experience for the casual market-goer. Arizona Ave at 3rd St. 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

STORY TIME AT THE SANTA MONICA PIER AQUARIUM
The Santa Monica Pier Aquarium will host story time in the Dorothy Green Room. Children (and adults) love to hear a good story, and the Aquarium has a nearly endless supply of books celebrating life of the sea. $3 - $12. 1600 Ocean Front Walk. 2:00 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.

OUT OF THE DARKNESS WALK
The American Foundation for Suicide Prevention Chapters across Southern California will come together for a virtual opening ceremony at 8:00am on October 23rd, followed by an in-person event at Third Street Promenade in Santa Monica with 1500+ people expected to attend. Our community has always been the heart of the Out of the Darkness Walks. 3rd Street Promenade. 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.

SUNDAY | OCT 24

MAIN STREET FARMERS MARKET
The Sunday Main Street Farmers Market features some of California's freshest produce plus prepared foods from local Main Street restaurants as well as artisanal foods prepared with ingredients sourced from California farmers. 2640 Main Street. 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

KIDS ROCK THE PROMENADE
The First Day of School Band (@fdosofficial,) perform live every Sunday, on the Third Street Promenade in Santa Monica. The duo is made up of Bradley (12) on guitar/vocals, and Bowie (9) on keyboards/vocals. The Center Stage is located between Santa Monica Blvd and Arizona Ave. 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 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 31 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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PS1

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be when you grow up?' We're living life now, life is in the present. Life is not a preparation for future life; life is a journey that you're always on."

The school motto, "Celebrate the many, build one," sticks with students.

"When I reflect upon my experience, it's a collection of experiences of feeling loved, feeling welcomed and feeling respected by a community that took me and my family in with open arms," Alumni Farid Adibi said. "And that made us feel like we have a second home. Even though my parents aren't from this country; they immigrated from Iran approximately 25 years ago. However, it was really nice to find people like Joel, and the faculty there that really treated me like their son, not just a student."

For a school to truly incorporate this style of thinking, it must be accepted by teachers and put in their lesson plans.

"I think that families that apply to PS1 also really value preserving childhood and, at our school we actually really understand the value of keeping children, children, and not having them grow up so fast," Bonnie Koo, kindergarten and first grade teacher said.

Pelcyger announced his retirement after this year and the search for a new Head of School is underway. The pluralistic school is in strong financial shape and has been preparing for this moment over the last 13 years.

He will leave the school on June 30, 2022. Whoever is named new Head of School inherits an institution with a financial backbone paired with a study foundation of support.

"It's kind of hard to toot your own horn like this," Pelcyger said. "But we are a success story."

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NOTEWORTHY

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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.

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. Sun 7:30 p.m.

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

LA OPERA presents WAGNER'S "TANNHÄUSER" -- no shrinking violet nor 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 Playgirl Mansion, "trapped" he was, he said -- can he do it?

"'Tannhäuser' is widely regarded as one of the most majestic, sublime, and moving of all operas," I'm told, and who am I to argue, there are still a couple I haven't seen yet. Lead Issachah Savage is considered a "heldentenor," or "heroic tenor," well, when you own it and bring your voice to one of the most challenging roles in opera, it's pretty likely you can back it up, and I can't wait, Sun 2 p.m., Wed 7:30 p.m., Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, DTLA, $19-292.

COMING ATTRACTIONS: 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; LIBRARY GIRL, Ruskin Group Theater, 11/14; LA OPERA presents ROSSINI'S "CINDERELLA." Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, 11/20-12/12; THE SKATALITES, The Venice West, 12/3; PONCHO SANCHEZ and His Latin Jazz Band, Catalina Jazz Club, 12/10-12; JOHN MAYALL, WALTER TROUT, Saban Montclair, 12/12; X, BLASTERS, HENRY FONDA, 12/16; 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

TESLA

FROM PAGE 2

chips. He wrote that demand is outstripping supply for Tesla and that Wedbush believes the chip shortage took about 40,000 vehicle sales off Tesla's numbers so far this year.

Still, he predicts Tesla will hit about 900,000 in sales this year and about 1.4 million in 2022.

The company said in its statement that construction of its new factory near Austin is progressing as planned and it's preparing equipment and "fabricating our first pre-production vehicles."

The factory, which is centrally located versus Tesla's other assembly plant in Fremont, California, will send Model Y small SUVs and new Cybertruck pickups to East Coast population centers.

Tesla said it expects to expand its factory capacity quickly, and over a "multi-year horizon" it expects sales to grow an average of 50% annually.

"The rate of growth will depend on our equipment capacity, operational efficiency and the capacity and stability of the supply chain," the company said.

Tesla said its factory in China continues to be its main source of exports. It plans to change to a lithium iron phosphate battery chemistry globally for standard range vehicles.

Shares of Tesla Inc. fell 0.7% to $860 in after-hours trading Wednesday.

WOMAN'S

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scholarship takes a strong essay. Interested young women of Samohi must write an essay on how their future college education will allow them to help the community they live in.

To take advantage of the eight free lessons, one must become a member of the Woman's Club, which costs $50 for the first year and $40 after that.

On Mondays, the club plays bridge and canasta. Duplicate bridge is available to play on Thursdays. Men are more than welcome to join the club as well.

Since 1905, the Santa Monica Bay Woman's Club mission has been to enrich the lives of members and the community through their legacy of women's fellowship and charitable service and, through stewardship of their historic building to provide a place for social, civic and cultural programs and events.

Its purpose is to create friendships and to make a difference in the Santa Monica community. There are several weekly and monthly events for members from card games, to arts, to getting together for their monthly potluck.

The club's building on 4th Street is in the classic revival style. It was built in 1914 and became a landmark in 1991. Its most notable feature is a two-story ballroom that has been the centerpiece of important events for over 100 years and remains a popular venue for wedding receptions, bar and bat mitzvahs, live performance, fundraisers and as a filming locale.

"The Santa Monica Bay Woman's Club is an inspiration both in its history, the building and the women participating in its continuing events! I have come to love so many of the women I have met there." Mary Spata, Santa Monica Bay Woman's Club secretary said.

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