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Rain brings pollution and waves to beaches



Matthew Hall

DRAIN: Locals should stay out of the water for several days.

Associated Press

Because of the recent rainfall, Los Angeles County Health Officer, Dr. Muntu Davis issued a health advisory for local beaches. Water runoff with bacteria, chemicals, debris, trash, and other public health hazards from city streets and mountain areas will likely to contaminate ocean waters at and around discharging storm drains, creeks, and rivers after a rainfall. Individuals who enter the water in these areas could become ill.

This advisory will be in effect until at least Thursday, October 28 at 1 p.m. and may be extended

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Drought-stricken California pounded by massive storm

Associated Press

A massive storm barreled toward Southern California on Monday after flooding highways, toppling trees, cutting power to about 380,000 utility customers and causing rock slides and mud flows in areas burned bare by wildfires across the northern half of the state.

Drenching rains and strong winds accompanied the weekend arrival of an atmospheric river — a long plume of Pacific moisture — into the drought-stricken state.

Rainfall records were shattered and heavy snow pounded high elevations of the Sierra Nevada. The National Weather Service issued numerous flash flood warnings.

There were widespread power outages in Northern California, with Pacific Gas & Electric reporting Sunday evening that about 130,000 customers did not have electricity, though the utility said power had been restored to about 250,000 customers.

Flooding was reported across the San Francisco Bay Area, closing streets in Berkeley, inundating Oakland's Bay Bridge toll plaza and overflowing rivers in Napa and Sonoma counties.

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Fighting compassion fatigue with an army of volunteers





Courtesy photos

VOLUNTEERS: A local organization is working to encourage volunteerism among residents.

CLARA HARTER
SMDP Staff Writer

With millions of dollars being poured into homeless services annually and the problem only getting worse, it's easy for residents to throw in the towel and give up on change, but longtime Santa Monican Rick Stoff doesn't think they should.

Instead, he wants them to focus on one small thing a month they can do to help out and then to ask their friends to do the same. This is the premise behind The Volunteer Collective, an organization he founded that has grown from a small email list to a registered nonprofit with an army of volunteers several thousand strong.

Stoff started the initiative in 2019 alongside close friend Richard Foos. At the time, Stoff had just retired from a 15 year position at local job training nonprofit Chrysalis and wanted a way to continue making a difference.

"As I got into retirement I still had so many friends who were hand wringing and seemed to care about what was going on with homelessness, but they didn't know what to do and they weren't doing anything," said Stoff.

Stoff guessed that many other local residents were in the same position — willing to help, but unsure where to start.

He and Foos decide to take the guesswork out of the volunteer equation and began sending a monthly email listing one action that their friends could take, whether it was serving a substitute driver shift for Meals on Wheels, sending letters of support for a homeless housing initiative, or collecting and donating unwanted clothes.

"The premise that we had was if you ask directly, you ask one thing and you ask for it now, people are going to say yes," said Stoff. "It's the exact opposite of what, let's say Volunteer Match does, which is they put 150 volunteer things in your neighborhood on a database; It couldn't be more passive."

Their hypothesis proved correct and the pair was shocked by the level of response their calls to action received. An ask to prepare lunch bags garnered over 4,000 meals and a request to donate shoes led to the collection of 5,000 pairs over the course of a week.

"I'm convinced we're the only organization that's finding people, asking people, cajoling people to volunteer, versus just presenting volunteer opportunities and that's what's missing out there," said

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Animal Related Incident 200Blk Washington Ave 12:00 a.m.
Party Complaint 100Blk Ocean Park 12:01 a.m.
General Parking Problem 900Blk Ocean Ave 12:17 a.m.
Public Intoxication 2900Blk Neilson Way 12:20 a.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 1700Blk 22nd St 12:22 a.m.
Party Complaint 300Blk Montana Ave 12:39 a.m.
Loud Music 1500Blk Olympic Blvd 1:26 a.m.
Party Complaint 200Blk Washington Ave 1:28 a.m.
Person With A Gun 200Blk Wilshire Blvd 2:33 a.m.
Construction Noise 5th St / Broadway 2:37 a.m.
Prowler There Now 2400Blk Washington Ave 2:55 a.m.
Grand Theft Report 1300Blk Montana Ave 3:56 a.m.
Auto Burglary Just Occurred 800Blk 23rd St 4:09 a.m.
Death Investigation 1400Blk 2nd St 4:52 a.m.
Loud Music 2600Blk Santa Monica Blvd 5:31 a.m.
Strongarm Robbery Just Occurred 2800Blk Ocean Front Walk 5:51 a.m.
Party Complaint 900Blk 12th St 6:06 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 5th St / Colorado Ave 6:09 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 300Blk Santa Monica Pl 6:12 a.m.
Person With A Gun 2600Blk Ocean Park Blvd 7:08 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1200Blk 16th St 7:33 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 500Blk Idaho Ave 7:36 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred 200Blk Santa Monica Pier 8:07 a.m.
Burglary Report 1000Blk 20th St 8:17 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 500Blk Idaho Ave 8:36 a.m.
Loud Music 800Blk Montana Ave 8:48 a.m.
Loitering 2600Blk 29th St 8:51 a.m.
Red Zone Violation 1000Blk Washington Ave 9:00 a.m.
Loud Music Appian Way / Seaside Ter 9:24 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1900Blk Pico Blvd 9:27 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1100Blk Oak St 9:36 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 2100Blk Washington Ave 9:43 a.m.
Burglary Report 2600Blk Centinela Ave 9:46 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 1600Blk Appian Way 9:58 a.m.
Fight 1900Blk Lincoln Blvd 10:02 a.m.
Loud Music 800Blk Montana Ave 10:07 a.m.
Found Property 1100Blk 22nd St 10:08 a.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 1000Blk 10th St 10:08 a.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1000Blk Stanford St 10:25 a.m.
Grand Theft Just Occurred 100Blk Santa Monica Pl 10:39 a.m.
Construction Noise 900Blk Lincoln Blvd 10:49 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 1100Blk The Beach 10:50 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 2400Blk Cloverfield Blvd 10:57 a.m.
Auto Burglary Report 800Blk 15th St 11:00 a.m.
Lost Property Ocean Ave / Arizona Ave 11:08 a.m.
Loud Music 2700Blk Barnard Way 11:22 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 1200Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 11:27 a.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 3100Blk Donald Douglas Loop N 11:36 a.m.
Grand Theft Report 800Blk 23rd St 11:36 a.m.
Petty Theft Report 1100Blk 10th St 11:52 a.m.
Fight 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 11:56 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 400Blk Santa Monica Pier 12:02 p.m.
Petty Theft Now 200Blk Santa Monica Blvd 12:03 p.m.
Missing Person 800Blk Pico Blvd 12:09 p.m.
Person With A Gun 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 12:17 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 12:28 p.m.
Abandoned Vehicle 600Blk Washington Ave 12:29 p.m.
Handicap Zone Violation 1100Blk 10th St 12:34 p.m.
Theft Of Recyclables 900Blk 9th St 12:35 p.m.
Loud Music 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 12:47 p.m.
Grand Theft Report 2200Blk 20th St 12:47 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred Ocean Ave / Broadway 12:56 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 1600Blk Wilshire Blvd 1:07 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 2300Blk Wilshire Blvd 1:25 p.m.
Burglary Report 1400Blk 7th St 1:27 p.m.
Handicap Zone Violation 1300Blk 2nd St 1:37 p.m.
Burglary Investigation/Walk Through 1400Blk 7th St 1:48 p.m.
Abandoned Vehicle 1900Blk 3rd St 1:54 p.m.
Burglary Investigation/Walk Through 1400Blk 7th St 1:54 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 700Blk 9th St 1:57 p.m.
Construction Noise 900Blk Lincoln Blvd 2:28 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1000Blk 20th St 2:31 p.m.
Out Of Order Traffic Signals 4th St / Olympic Blvd E 2:44 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 1100Blk 3rd St 3:00 p.m.
Traffic Collision - Unknown Injuries Lincoln Blvd / Arizona Ave 3:01 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries Lincoln Blvd / Arizona Ave 3:02 p.m.
Assault Just Occurred 800Blk Pacific St 3:11 p.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 1200Blk Wilshire Blvd 3:23 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1900Blk 14th St 3:31 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 4th St / Olympic Blvd E 3:37 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1600Blk 12th St 3:42 p.m.
Abandoned Vehicle 100Blk San Vicente Blvd

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COVID cases falling, but trouble signs arise as winter looms

LINDSAY WHITEHURST
Associated Press

Tumbling COVID-19 case counts have some schools around the U.S. considering relaxing their mask rules, but deaths nationally have been ticking up over the past few weeks, some rural hospitals are showing signs of strain, and cold weather is setting in.

The number of new cases nationally has been plummeting since the delta surge peaked in mid-September. The U.S. is averaging about 73,000 new cases per day, less than half of the nearly 173,000 recorded on Sept. 13. And the number of Americans in the hospital with COVID-19 has plummeted by about half to around 47,000 since early September.

In Florida, Miami-Dade County's mask mandate could be loosened by the end of October if the encouraging numbers continue, and nearby Broward County will discuss relaxing its requirement on Tuesday. The superintendent in metro Atlanta said he will consider waiving mask requirements at individual schools.

A high school outside Boston became the first in Massachusetts to make masks optional after it hit a state vaccination threshold. With about 95% of eligible people at Hopkinton High inoculated, school leaders voted to allow vaccinated students and staff to go maskless for a three-week trial period starting Nov. 1.

Still, there are some troubling indicators, including the onset of cold weather, which sends people indoors, where the virus can more easily spread.

With required mask use reduced in much of the U.S., the University of Washington's influential COVID-19 forecasting model is predicting increasing infections and hospitalizations in November.

Also, COVID-19 deaths per day have begun to creep back up again after a decline that started in late September. Deaths are running at about 1,700 per day, up from close to 1,500 two weeks ago.

In sparsely populated Wyoming, which has one of the nation's lowest vaccination rates, hospitals are coping with more patients than at any other point in the pandemic.

"It's like a war zone," public health officer Dr. Mark Dowell told a county health board about the situation at Wyoming Medical Center, the Casper Star Tribune reported. "The ICU is overrun."

The vast majority of hospitalized patients in Wyoming haven't gotten the vaccine, the state's vaccination rate is only about 43%. Only West Virginia ranks lower.

In rural Minnesota, a man waited two days for an intensive care bed and later died. Bob Cameron, 87, had gone to his hometown hospital in Hallock with severe gastrointestinal bleeding and COVID-19. Officials searched for space in a larger center.

The bleeding exhausted the hospital's blood supply, and state troopers drove 130 miles (209 kilometers) with new units, but his condition worsened after surgery and he died Oct. 13, t he Minneapolis Star Tribune reported.

"We can't say for certain, of course, that if he got to an ICU bed sooner that he would have survived, but we just feel in our hearts that he would have," said Cameron's granddaughter, Janna Curry.

During a three-week stretch this month, rural hospitals in Minnesota were caring for more COVID-19 patients than those in the state's major urban center, Minneapolis-St. Paul.

The strain on hospitals in Colorado forced a second county to reinstitute an indoor mask mandate last week, the Denver Post reported. Nearly 80% of COVID-19 patients in Colorado hospitals are unvaccinated.

DAILY FIRE LOG

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Automatic Alarm 1400Blk 21st St 1:06 p.m.
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EMS 2600Blk 31st St 1:58 a.m.
EMS 1200Blk Lincoln Blvd 2:04 a.m.
EMS 700Blk 9th St 3:47 a.m.
EMS 1400Blk 2nd St 4:49 a.m.
EMS 1300Blk Ocean Park Blvd 4:55 a.m.
EMS 1000Blk Pico Blvd 5:11 a.m.
Miscellaneous Outside Fire 1300Blk 4th St 7:43 a.m.
EMS 2800Blk Lincoln Blvd 8:00 a.m.
EMS 21st St / Pico Blvd 8:31 a.m.
EMS 1800Blk 9th St 8:33 a.m.
EMS 800Blk Ozone Ave 8:41 a.m.
EMS 2100Blk Ocean Ave 8:48 a.m.
EMS 1900Blk Pico Blvd 9:28 a.m.
EMS 1800Blk 9th St 10:02 a.m.
EMS 1100Blk Washington Ave 11:32 a.m.
EMS 800Blk Montana Ave 12:56 p.m.
EMS Ocean Ave / Broadway 12:57 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury Lincoln Blvd / Arizona Ave 3:02 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury Stanford St / Santa Monica Blvd 5:15 p.m.
EMS 1600Blk Cloverfield Blvd 6:38 p.m.
Haz Mat - Level 1 1300Blk Yale St 7:04 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 700Blk Ozone St 7:16 p.m.
EMS 1300Blk 2nd St 9:02 p.m.
EMS 200Blk Washington Ave 9:35 p.m.
Odor Investigation 200Blk 25th St 10:32 p.m.

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Tesla's market value tops $1T after Hertz orders 100K cars

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AP Auto Writer

Hertz announced Monday that it will buy 100,000 electric vehicles from Tesla, one of the largest purchases of battery-powered cars in history and the latest evidence of the nation's increasing commitment to EV technology.

The news of the deal triggered a rally in Tesla's stock, driving the carmaker's market value over the $1 trillion mark for the first time.

The purchase by one of the world's leading rental car companies reflects its confidence that electric vehicles are gaining acceptance with environmentally minded consumers as an alternative to vehicles powered by petroleum-burning internal combustion engines.

In an interview with The Associated Press, Mark Fields, Hertz' interim CEO, said that Teslas are already arriving at the company's sites and should be available for rental starting in November.

Hertz said in its announcement that it will complete its purchases of the Tesla Model 3 small cars by the end of 2022. It also said it will establish its own electric vehicle charging network as it strives to produce the largest rental fleet of electric vehicles in North America.

Fields wouldn't say how much Hertz is spending for the order. But he said the company has sufficient capital and a healthy balance sheet after having emerged from bankruptcy protection in June.

The deal likely is worth around $4 billion because each Model 3 has a base price of about $40,000. It also ranks at the top of the list of electric vehicle orders by a single company. In 2019, Amazon ordered 100,000 electric delivery vans from Rivian, a startup manufacturer of electric van, pickup trucks and SUVs. Amazon is an investor in Rivian.

The Hertz order sent Tesla shares soaring nearly 13% to a record closing price of $1,024.86, and pushed the world's most valuable automaker's total market value to just over $1 trillion. The wealth of CEO Elon Musk, the richest person in the world, grew 11.4% to $255.8 billion, according to Forbes.

In his interview with the AP, Fields made clear his belief that electric vehicles are increasingly moving into the mainstream and that Hertz intends to be a leading provider of EVs to rental customers. He pointed to surveys showing that over the past five years, consumer interest in electric vehicles has grown dramatically.

"More are willing to try and buy," he said. "It's pretty stunning."

Fields said that Hertz, which is based in Estero, Florida, is in discussions with other automakers, too, about buying additional electric vehicles as it expands its EV fleet as more models enter the marketplace.

Hertz also is investing in its own charging network. Fields said it has plans for 3,000 chargers in 65 locations across the United States by the end of 2022 and 4,000 by the end of 2023. Many of the sites will be at Hertz locations such as airports, he said, while others will be in suburban areas.

Customers also would be able to use Tesla's own large charging network for a fee, Fields said. The company has a network of about 25,000 chargers worldwide.

Fields declined to say how much Hertz will charge to rent the Teslas or whether they would be more expensive for customers than gas-powered vehicles.

Daniel Ives, a technology analyst at Wedbush Securities, wrote in a note Monday to investors that Hertz's order represents a "major feather in the cap" for Tesla and shows that a broad adoption of electric vehicles is under way "as part of this oncoming green tidal wave hitting the U.S."

China and Europe have been ahead of the U.S. on vehicle electrification. But demand in the United States is accelerating, Ives noted, with Tesla leading the way, followed by startup Lucid Motors, General Motors, Ford and others that are chasing a potential $5 trillion market opportunity over the next decade.

In an interview, Ives said he expected other rental car companies to follow Hertz's lead.

"It's a wake-up call for the rest of the industry as well," he said.

Ives suggested that the deal will help Tesla and other manufacturers by giving thousands of consumers the experience of driving electric vehicles who might not otherwise have done so.

"It's the ultimate test drive," he said. "For a company that doesn't normally market, this is the best brand and marketing deal they've ever struck," he said of Tesla.

Hertz's order may also help alleviate a nationwide shortage of rental cars, he said. Automakers have slashed production and sales to rental car companies because of a global shortage of computer chips.

Still, Ives said he doesn't expect Hertz to receive significant numbers of Teslas until the automaker's new factory near Austin, Texas, starts producing late next year.

Hertz likely will charge customers more to rent the Model 3s compared with conventional vehicles with combustion engines, Ives noted.

Hertz Global Holdings Inc. filed for bankruptcy protection in May 2020, two months after the coronavirus erupted across the country. It was among the first major corporations to be felled by the pandemic as infections surged and shut down travel on a global scale for both companies and vacationers.

In October, Hertz named Fields, a former Ford Motor Co. CEO, as its interim chief executive.

Shortly after Hertz's announcement Monday, the National Transportation

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Alexander Luis Daly-Williamson and Abraham Tonatiuh Baltazar — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Living in Santa Monica might seem like a dream that is far out of reach for renters trying to move in or too expensive for renters currently living in the Santa Monica area. Santa Monica has focused on affordable housing, but this may be at risk with the addition of Senate Bill No. 9.

Recently Senate Bill No. 9 (SB 9) has been signed into law by Governor Newsom. This bill changes zoning laws which allow more units to be built on a single parcel of land. SB 9 allows new development on lots that are currently allotted for single-family homes and the owners have the possibility of splitting their property into two lots. It is debated whether it will help with affordable housing or lead to profit for developers and investors as these new bills don't require any of the newly constructed units to be affordable. Additionally, a poll taken from David Binder Research showed an opposition of 71% for the state of California. The new SB 9 does not mandate that any of the new buildings that would be developed have to be allotted for Section 8 or low-income housing.

Historically Santa Monica has done a good job at having Section 8 and low-income housing in their developments. In 2010 Santa Monica added the Land Use and Circulation Element (LUCE) which builds upon Santa Monica's General Plan. LUCE focuses on the future of Santa Monica for the next 20 years, ending in 2030. According to Santa Monica's 2021-2029 Housing Element, it focuses on "affordable housing, tenant protection, housing and services for special needs groups, homeless services, sustainable development, and fair housing". LUCE follows the States Regional Housing Needs Allocation (RHNA) requirements for more than 8,800 new housing units, two-thirds needing to be affordable living. This needs to be completed within the next eight years.

According to City Council Member Oscar de la Torre, this bill does nothing to expand affordable housing and will lead to further gentrification and displacement of lower-income residents. With an overwhelming percentage of Santa Monica renting, adding more buildings might seem like a good choice for people to move. According to the U.S. Census Bureau, 71% of people living in Santa Monica are renters. Additional housing seems like a logical decision based on these statistics as an easy way to add affordable housing.

To enhance this bill, it should be mandated that a certain amount of the housing that is split must be created for affordable housing. This would also build upon the housing laws already set forth by Santa Monica. SB 9 seems like a good bill that would allow for Section 8 and low-income housing; however it is not stated that it needs to be a part of the developers' plan. SB 9 can be improved by making a section of bill focusing on Section 8 and low income. This would provide lower income families an opportunity for upward social mobility. SB 9 is not essential to Santa Monica to continue the growth of affordable housing in fact it could be doing just the opposite.

Alexander Luis Daly-Williamson and Abraham Tonatiuh Baltazar

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Failure To Pay Parking Fee 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 4:15 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries Cloverfield Blvd / Olympic Blvd 4:17 p.m.
Audible Burglar Alarm 2400Blk Pico Blvd 4:53 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries City Prop Involved 1200Blk Block Of 4th St 4:59 p.m.
Traffic Collision - Unknown Injuries Stanford St / Santa Monica Blvd 5:15 p.m.
Grand Theft Report 2000Blk Pier Ave 5:35 p.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 800Blk Montana Ave 5:40 p.m.
Assault Just Occurred 1000Blk Lincoln Blvd 5:46 p.m.
Found Property 1000Blk Lincoln Blvd 6:08 p.m.
Trash Dumping Lincoln Blvd / Idaho Ave 6:14 p.m.
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Facebook profits rise amid revelations from leaked documents

BARBARA ORTUTAY AND KELVIN CHAN
AP Business Writers

Amid fallout from the Facebook Papers documents supporting claims that the social network has valued financial success over user safety, Facebook on Monday reported higher profit for the latest quarter.

The company's latest show of financial strength followed an avalanche of reports on the Facebook Papers — a vast trove of redacted internal documents obtained by a consortium of news organizations, including The Associated Press — as well as Facebook whistleblower Frances Haugen's Monday testimony to British lawmakers.

Facebook said its net income grew 17% in the July-September period to $9.19 billion, buoyed by strong advertising revenue. That's up from $7.85 billion a year earlier. Revenue grew 35% to $29.01 billion. The results exceeded analyst expectations for Facebook's results.

The company's shares rose 2.5% in after-hours trading after closing up 1% for the day.

"For now, the revenue picture for Facebook looks as good as can be expected," said eMarketer analyst Debra Aho Williamson. But she predicted more revelations and described the findings so far as "unsettling and stomach-churning."

CEO Mark Zuckerberg made only a brief mention of what he called the "recent debate around our company." Largely repeating statements he made after Haugen's Oct. 5 testimony before a U.S. Senate subcommittee, he insisted that he welcomes "good faith criticism" but considers the current storm a "coordinated effort" to paint a "false picture" of the company based on leaked documents.

"It makes a good soundbite to say that we don't solve these impossible tradeoffs because we're just focused on making money, but the reality is these questions are not primarily about our business, but about balancing difficult social values," Zuckerberg said.

Haugen, meanwhile, told a British parliamentary committee Monday that the social media giant stokes online hate and extremism, fails to protect children from harmful content and lacks any incentive to fix the problems, providing momentum for efforts by European governments working on stricter regulation of tech companies.

While her testimony echoed much of what she told the U.S. Senate this month, her in-person appearance drew intense interest from a British parliamentary committee that is much further along in drawing up legislation to rein in the power of social media companies.

Haugen told the committee of United Kingdom lawmakers that Facebook Groups amplifies online hate, saying algorithms that prioritize engagement take people with mainstream interests and push them to the extremes. The former Facebook data scientist said the company could add moderators to prevent groups over a certain size from being used to spread extremist views.

"Unquestionably, it's making hate worse," she said.

Haugen said she was "shocked" to hear that Facebook wants to double down on what Zuckerberg calls "the metaverse," the company's plan for an immersive online world it believes will be the next big internet trend.

"They're gonna hire 10,000 engineers in Europe to work on the metaverse," Haugen said. "I was like, 'Wow, do you know what we could have done with safety if we had 10,000 more engineers?'" she said.

Facebook says it wants regulation for tech companies and was glad the U.K. was leading the way.

"While we have rules against harmful content and publish regular transparency reports, we agree we need regulation for the whole industry so that businesses like ours aren't making these decisions on our own," Facebook said Monday.

It pointed to investing $13 billion (9.4 billion pounds) on safety and security since 2016 and asserted that it's "almost halved" the amount of hate speech over the last three quarters.

Haugen accused Facebook-owned Instagram of failing to keep children under 13 — the minimum user age — from opening accounts, saying it wasn't doing enough to protect kids from content that, for example, makes them feel bad about their bodies.

"Facebook's own research describes it as an addict's narrative. Kids say, 'This makes me unhappy, I feel like I don't have the ability to control my usage of it, and I feel like if I left, I'd be ostracized,'" she said.

The company last month delayed plans for a kids' version of Instagram, geared toward those under 13, in order to address concerns about the vulnerability of younger users.

Pressed on whether she believes Facebook is fundamentally evil, Haugen demurred and said, "I can't see into the hearts of men." Facebook is not evil, but negligent, she suggested.

It was Haugen's second appearance before lawmakers after she testified in the U.S. about the danger she says the company poses, from harming children to inciting political violence and fueling misinformation. Haugen cited internal research documents she secretly copied before leaving her job in Facebook's civic integrity unit.

The documents, which Haugen provided to the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, allege Facebook prioritized profits over safety and hid its own research from investors and the public. Some stories based on the files have already been published, exposing internal turmoil after Facebook was blindsided by the Jan. 6 U.S. Capitol riot and how it dithered over curbing divisive content in India. More is to come.

Representatives from Facebook and other social media companies plan to speak to the British committee Thursday.

Haugen is scheduled to meet next month with European Union officials in Brussels, where the bloc's executive commission is updating its digital rulebook to better protect internet users by holding online companies more responsible for illegal or dangerous content.

Under the U.K. rules, expected to take effect next year, Silicon Valley giants face an ultimate penalty of up to 10% of their global revenue for any violations. The EU is proposing a similar penalty.

Associated Press writer Marcy Gordon in Washington contributed to this report.

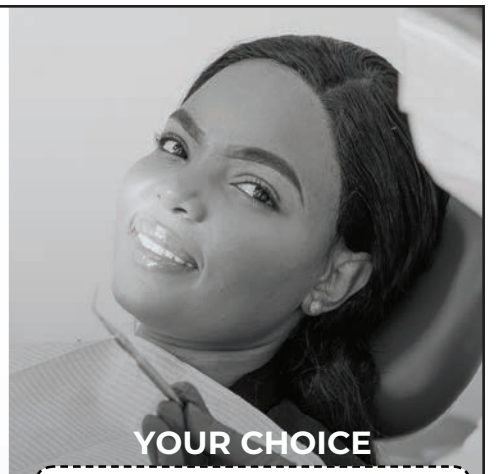
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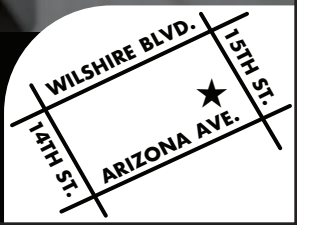
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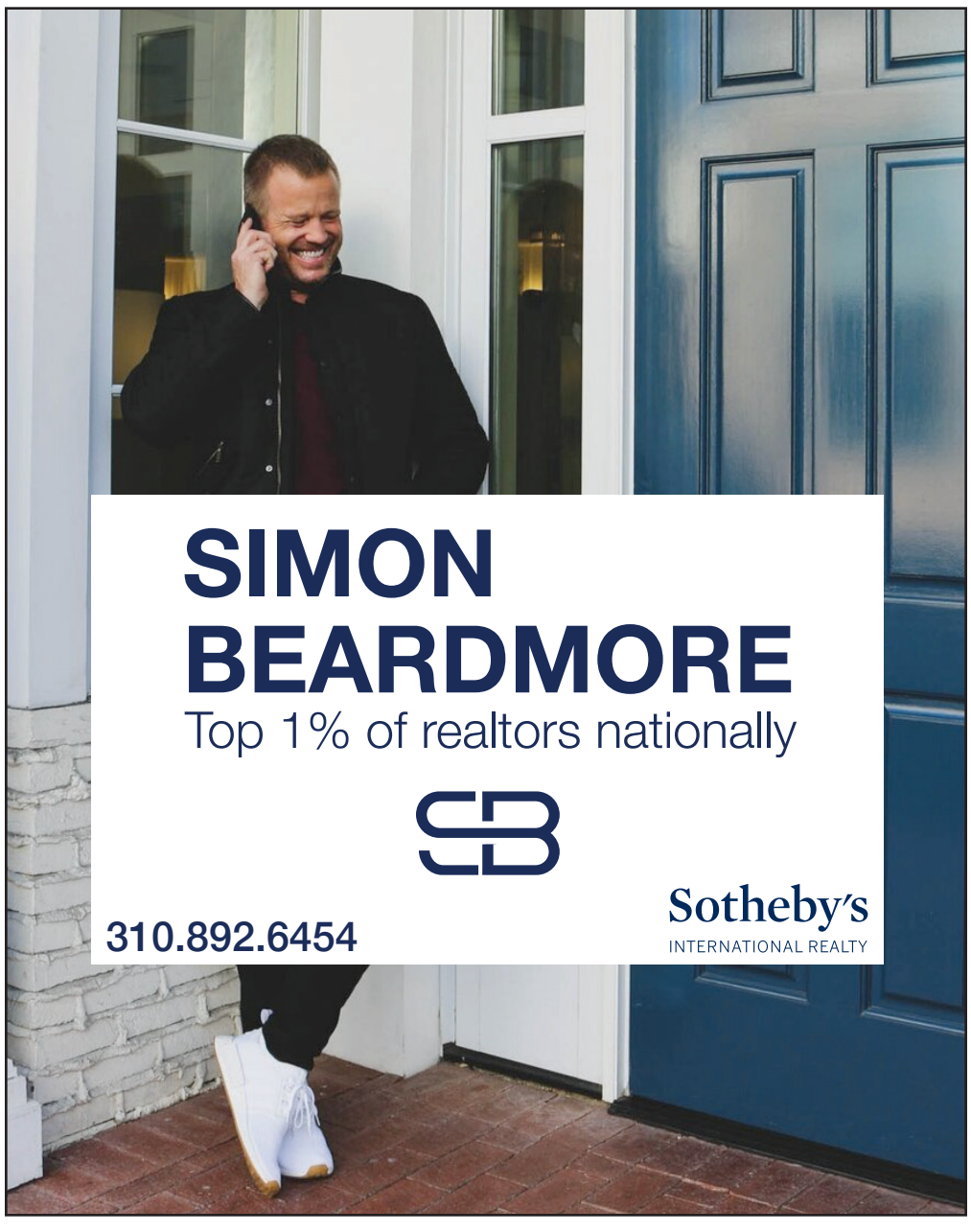
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Moderna says its low-dose COVID shot works for kids 6 to 11

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AP Medical Writer

Moderna said Monday that a low dose of its COVID-19 vaccine is safe and appears to work in 6- to 11-year-olds, as the manufacturer joins its rival Pfizer in moving toward expanding shots to children.

Pfizer's kid-size vaccine doses are closer to widespread use. They are undergoing evaluation by the Food and Drug Administration for youngsters in nearly the same age group, 5 to 11, and could be available by early November. The company's vaccine already is authorized for anyone 12 or older.

Moderna hasn't yet gotten the go-ahead to offer its vaccine to teens but is studying lower doses in younger children while it waits.

Researchers tested two shots for the 6- to 11-year-olds, given a month apart, that each contained half the dose given to adults. Preliminary results showed vaccinated children developed virus-fighting antibodies similar to levels that young adults produce after full-strength shots, Moderna said in a news release.

The study involved 4,753 children ages 6 to 11 who got either the vaccine or dummy shots. Moderna said that like adults, the vaccinated youngsters had temporary side effects including fatigue, headache, fever and injection site pain.

The study was too small to spot any extremely rare side effects, such as heart inflammation that sometimes occurs after either the Moderna or Pfizer vaccines, mostly among young men.

Moderna released no further details and hasn't submitted its data to a scientific journal but said it plans to share the interim results with the FDA and global regulators soon. The study is still going on, and the company cannot calculate the vaccine's effectiveness in actually preventing infections in children unless there are sufficient COVID-19 cases to compare rates between vaccinated and unvaccinated participants.

The FDA hasn't yet ruled on the company's application to expand its vaccinations to 12- to 17-year-olds, although some countries have cleared Moderna's shots for adolescents.

But the U.S. is expected to begin vaccinating children under 12 sometime next month, if the FDA clears low doses of the Pfizer vaccine for 5- to 11-year-olds. Pfizer reported last week that its kid-size doses proved nearly 91% effective at preventing symptomatic COVID-19 in that age group, even as the extra-contagious delta variant was spreading widely.

FDA's advisers will weigh Pfizer's evidence in a public meeting Tuesday. If the agency authorizes Pfizer's kid shots, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention the following week is set to recommend who should receive them.

VOLUNTEER

FROM PAGE 1

Stoff.

The Volunteer Collective started off with around 1,000 emails, but as friends referred other friends the organization grew a following of around 8,000 individuals. A few months ago they successfully registered as a 501c3 nonprofit and Stoff is now seeking to raise money and hire staff members.

The organization is also looking to foster long-term volunteer partnerships so that the nonprofits they work with can depend on a stable source of volunteers. The Volunteer Collective team will keep up with their periodic calls to action, but also pick one cause at a time to maintain a sustained focus on.

"We take this big funnel approach: we will try and throw everything out there one thing at a time to see who can be attracted to do one little thing," said Stoff. "And, then as people go through the funnel, the more committed volunteers end up sticking around and helping the nonprofits even more."

Stoff likens his post-retirement career to that of a cheerleader, waving his metaphorical pompoms to get Angelenos excited about getting involved. The enemy his volunteer team is fighting is "compassion fatigue," which Stoff said can plague even the most kind-hearted of residents.

He acknowledges that problems like homelessness do not appear to be getting better, but he is sick of all the finger pointing and blame and believes that everybody needs to lend a hand in order to create real change.



Courtesy photo
HELP: The Volunteer Collective would like to establish long term partnerships.

"The long game here is that the more people who are involved, the more people who care, the more people who are active, the more pressure there is on the powers that be for a solution," said Stoff.

People can learn more about the volunteer collective and sign up for the organization's newsletter at www.volunteer-collective.org.

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California's unemployment fraud reaches at least $20 billion

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Associated Press

California has given away at least $20 billion to criminals in the form of fraudulent unemployment benefits, state officials said Monday, confirming a number smaller than originally feared but one that still accounts for more than 11% of all benefits paid since the start of the pandemic.

State officials blamed nearly all of that fraud on a hastily approved expansion of unemployment benefits by Congress that let people who were self-employed get weekly checks from the government with few safeguards to stop people from getting benefits who were not eligible to receive them.

"I don't think people have captured in their mind the enormity of the amount of money has been issued errantly to undeserving people," said Assemblyman Tom Lackey, a Republican from Palmdale, who brought along an illustration of 29 dump trucks filled to the brim with $100 bills representing just over half of that money lost to fraud.

The pandemic ushered in widespread fraud at unemployment agencies across the country, with at least $87 billion in fraudulent payments approved by states, according to a June report from the inspector general's office at the U.S. Department of Labor. In Arizona alone, state officials said scammers pocketed nearly 30% of all its unemployment benefit payments.

In California, the fraud was so widespread that state officials OK'd at least $810 million in benefits in the names of people who were in prison, including dozens of infamous killers on death row. State officials even sent $21,000 in benefits to an address in Roseville under the name and Social Security number of U.S. Sen. Dianne Feinstein, some of the $2 million in total fraudulent payments that were sent to that same address.

But Gov. Gavin Newsom's administration on Monday sought to assure state lawmakers that the fraud pipeline in California has been closed. Employment Development Department Director Rita Saenz said the state has implemented new identity verification software that, along with other preventative measures, has stopped an estimated $120 billion in fraud attempts.

Saenz told lawmakers on Monday during an oversight hearing that "2020 was an anomaly, a criminal assault on the unemployment insurance program across the country."

"We closed the door to that type of fraud last year," she said.

In January, state officials estimated the fraud could be as high as $31 billion. But Monday, state officials revised that down to $20 billion. The Newsom administration has hired former U.S. Attorney McGregor Scott to help prosecute scammers, with the department saying Monday investigations are ongoing.

But the department is still plagued with other problems. When people apply for unemployment benefits, sometimes the information they file with the state is different than what their former employer filed. When this happens, state officials have to interview these people to resolve those issues.

But people are having to wait up to six months for these interviews. Saenz called this delay "unacceptable." But she said the state has a new policy that pays people their benefits while they wait, as long as they pass the state's fraud filters. Saenz said about half of the people waiting for interviews are being paid.

"Things are not improving fast enough for some. There are still some challenges ahead," she said.

California has paid out more than $178 billion in unemployment benefits since the start of the pandemic based on 25.5 million total claims. Saenz said that's four times as much as the combined worst two years of the Great Recession a decade ago.

The sheer volume of claims overwhelmed the department, creating a massive backlog and making it nearly impossible to get an answer when people called the agency's call centers. In January, a state audit blasted the department for doing little to stop the fraud for the first four months of the pandemic, blaming the Newsom administration for "significant missteps and inaction."

Monday, the auditor's office said the department had completed 13 of its 21 recommendations so far.

"EDD has made notable progress in addressing areas of concern we found during our audits. But significant steps still need to be taken to address areas of risk," said Bob Harris, who managed the department's audit.

Saenz told lawmakers the department had not missed any of the auditor's deadlines to make changes. She said the department plans to finish hiring people for its newly formed fraud investigation unit by the end of November.

But other changes will take longer. The department is working on a new system that will deposit unemployment benefits directly to people's bank accounts instead of sending them check or debit card in the mail, which is more susceptible to fraud. But Saenz said this will take a few years to implement.

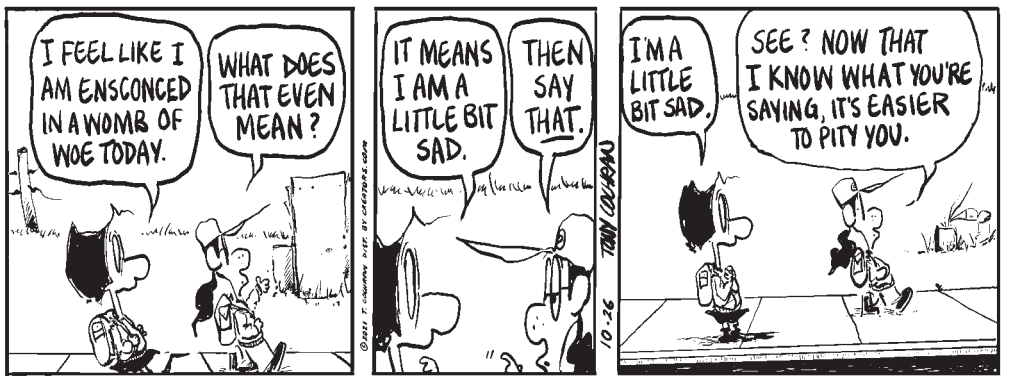
That delay upset some lawmakers, who said they were worried people were losing faith in their government.

"When one of our government agencies fails this badly, I believe that it breaks the public trust," said Assemblywoman Cottie Petrie-Norris, a Democrat from Laguna Beach.



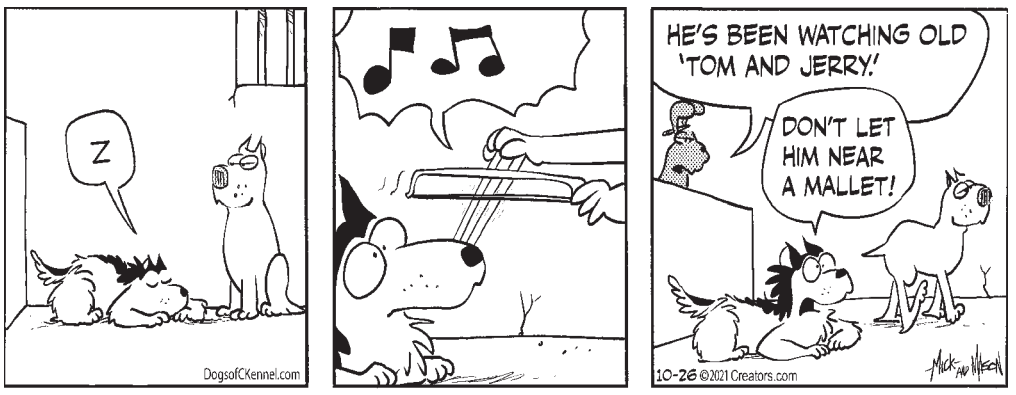
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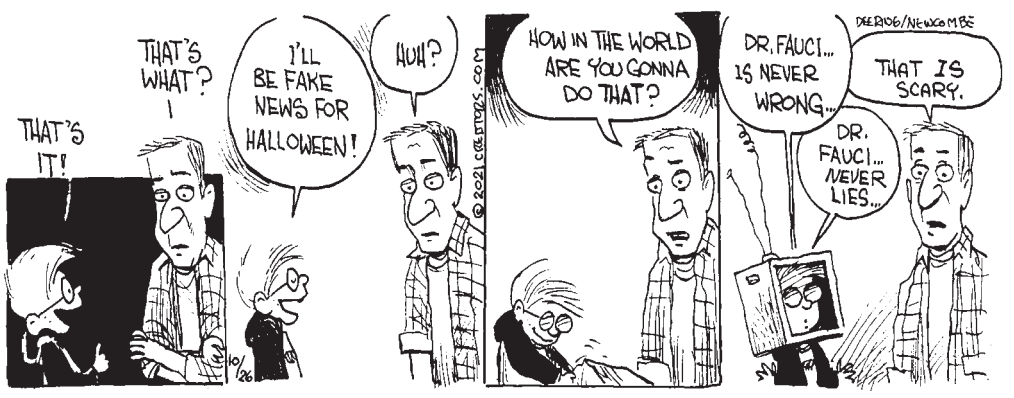
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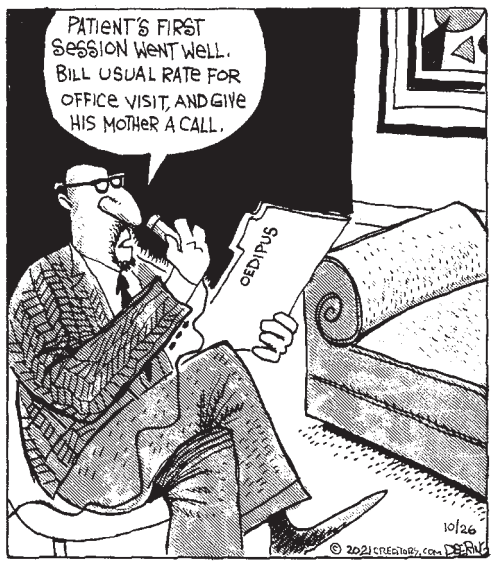
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"I PREFERRED IT WHEN THEY SAID 'BOO!'"

Strange Brew

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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 60.1°

TUESDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 4-6ft Shoulder high to 1 ft overhead occ. 7 ft
Looks like a good day. SSW/S swell tops out through the day along with peaking WNW/NW swell. Favorable AM winds due.

WEDNESDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 3-5ft Waist to head high
Offshore morning wind looking likely with a fun combo of fading WNW/NW swell and lingering SSW/S swell on tap. Tide is a touch full but there should be some fine waves on offer.

WEATHER

Tuesday: Sunny, with a high near 64. North wind around 10 mph.
Tuesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 54. West northwest wind 10 to 15 mph.
Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 72. North northeast wind around 10 mph.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). You're independent and will resist all help. You want to do it your way. You don't want to be indebted. You like what you're learning. You want to improve. And you'll get satisfaction knowing you did it on your own.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Love hurts, but so do a lot of things that masquerade as love. There's a power dynamic to work out. It doesn't have to be solved in a day, but with boldness, it could be.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Convincing someone to like you, buy from you or agree to your plan will be a bit like grabbing at space. The very goal belies its aim. Build the attractive aspects up until they are undeniable and impossible to resist.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You're excellent at prioritizing. You'll accomplish the time-sensitive job, then you'll handle the one on the back burner and about 17 other tasks before lunch. You're getting ahead of the rush.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You enjoy a person because of who that person is, not what they have or what they can do for you. Your lack of social agenda keeps the good vibes flowing and makes you all the more lovable.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Power move: Know your weaknesses, but spend very little time on them. You don't need to remedy, hide or apologize for what you're not good at. Just double down on your talents, and it all works out fine.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). The adoption of better beliefs will change everything for you. And today, this will come at the perfect cost: free, or close to free. In some cases, you'll have to drop the old belief, but that price will be a pleasure to pay.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You're clearheaded and deliberate. Even when emotions of those around you get hot and cold, creating a chaotic swirl, you'll remain still -- the calm eye of the storm.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). What you can't overcome with sheer will or force you can overcome with something more powerful: patience. Something as soft as water can turn a mighty mountain into sand, given enough time and repetition.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The heavyweight boxing champion Gentleman Jim Corbett famously said, "You become a champion by fighting one more round." Regardless of how you feel, when the bell rings, you'll get up and do what you have to do.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). No need to take directions too literally. The same goes for suggestions, expectations and the meaning of events. This is all up for interpretation and the looser you go with that today, the better.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). There is no greater law than attraction. It keeps the planets in place and the atoms follow its rules. Attraction moves the tides and creates the diversity of life. You'll gladly find yourself in its spell today.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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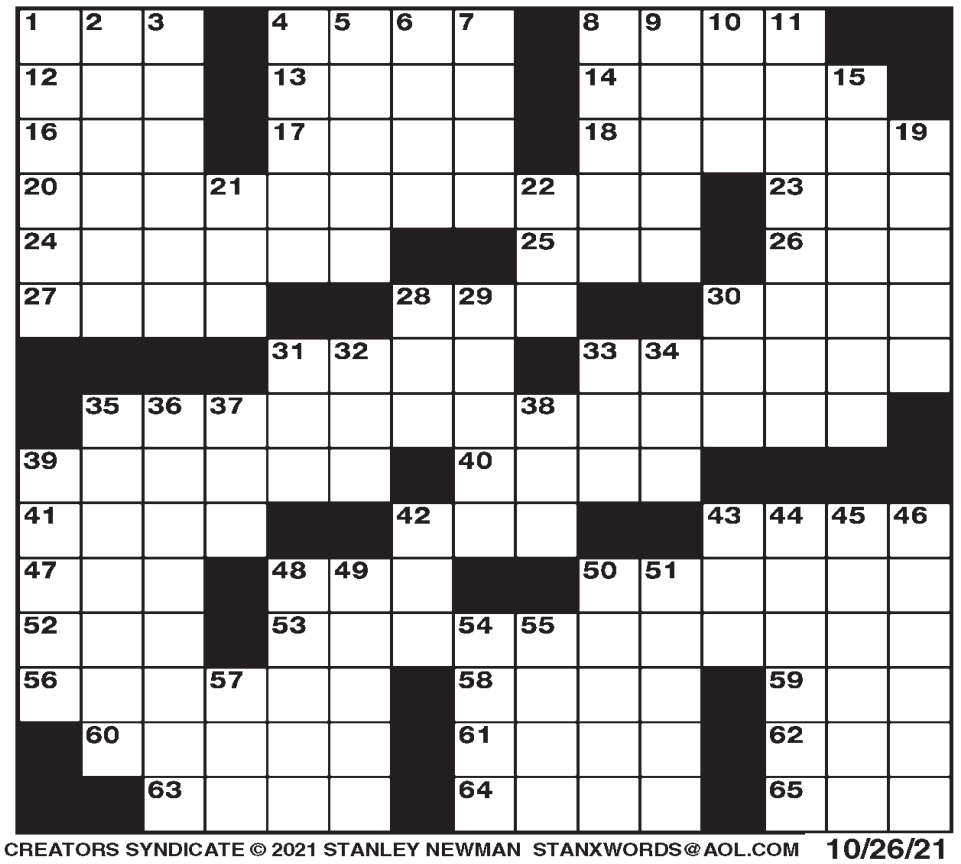
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20 No matter what the weather
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25 Calculate a sum
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28 Wolf Blitzer's channel
30 "How clumsy of me!"
31 Keyboarding mistake
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35 Eventually
39 Daredevil's feats
40 Don't throw out
41 Hamsters and parakeets
42 Sixth sense, for short
43 Rapidly
47 Police dept. alert
48 Feeling blue
50 Seek advice from
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56 Speak sharply to
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60 Wear away
61 Make a donation
62 Be untruthful
63 Bambi, for one
64 Cleared weeds from a garden
65 Ship's "Help!" signal

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1 Bank's security workers
2 Tel Aviv's country
3 Zodiac sign of the twins
4 Floor-sweeping implement
5 Loud sounds of crowds
6 Inquires
7 Deep cut
8 Rise from a chair
9 Made a mistake
10 Beast in a sty
11 Where to buy action figures
15 Convertible sofa
19 Extremely small
21 Tiny bite
22 Fleming who created James Bond
28 EMT's skill
29 Cozy corners
30 __ out (unsubscribe)
31 Explosive initials
32 "Absolutely!"
33 Spanish cheer
34 Drain, as strength
35 First part of a plan
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38 Salesperson, for short
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43 "TGI" day: Abbr.
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There is a regular meeting of the City Council at 5:30 p.m. Residents who wish to provide public comment on a particular agenda item, can call by phone at (310) 312-8173 when the caller queue opens for the agenda item on which you wish to comment. The meeting can be streamed live at https://www.youtube.com/user/Citytv16santamonica

SUSAN MOSS: COLORSPHERE
The Colorsphere series explores the intersection of color and atmosphere in a celebration of our environment. The Los Angeles area with it's beaches, green trees, cactus and flowering plants provided inspiration to the artist who has a storied history bringing tying abstract expressionism with west coast colorfield. These large scale 8ft works are a testament to the artists enthusiasm and passion for life and blend together her past series together into a new bold body of work. 2525 Michigan Ave. 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

WEDNESDAY | OCT 27

NEW HEROES CELEBRATION
The 27th Annual New Heroes Celebration, sponsored by the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce, is scheduled for Wednesday, October 27, 2021, at 5 p.m. in a virtual program. This event is an opportunity for the business community and City to welcome Santa Monica's finest educators, firefighters, and police officers. For more information visit http://smchamber.com/new-heroes-celebration/

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

MARINA MONSTER PADDLE PARADE
Pro SUP Shop's Annual Monster Paddle is when stand-up paddle board enthusiasts in costume paddle on the water in Marina del Rey, Calif. The spooktacular sunset paddle will feature a costume contest and prizes. Staff will be on hand to provide a lesson on the beach and different groups will go out (depending on experience) with our instructors for a guided Marina tour. Lights will be provided. Some experience is required. Participants are urged to arrive 15 minutes early. Marina "Mother's" Beach, 4175 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey. Book online at https://www.prosupshop.com/ and register for your spot. $40 per person; stand-up paddle board, paddle, brief lessons, fun lights and guided Marina tour are included

THURSDAY | OCT 28

HALLOWEEN TRAIL AT THE MAIN LIBRARY
Kids and families are invited to walk through our not-too-scary trail of fun activities and receive a Halloween treat at the end. Costumes are encouraged. 601 Santa Monica Blvd. 2:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

FRIDAY | OCT 29

ABSOLUTELY HALLOWEEN! A MAGICAL, MARVELOUS MUSICAL
ABSOLUTELY HALLOWEEN is one in a series of original Rudie-DeCarlo fairy tale musical comedies that make up the award-winning Family Theatre Musical Matinee Series for Kids 2 to 102 that celebrates 51 years as it cuts across the imaginary generation gap by providing an experience the entire family can enjoy. Santa Monica Playhouse, $12 - $15, 1211 4th Street. 6:00 p.m.

MARION DAVIES GUEST HOUSE TOUR
Santa Monica Conservancy docents are on hand to share the rich history of the Beach House site from the 1920s onward. Free 20-minute docent tours are available on a walk-up basis, for groups of up to six people. Just head to the Marion Davies Guest House where you will be greeted by a docent. 415 Pacific Coast Hwy. 12 p.m. to 2 p.m.

HALLOWEEN LIGHTS ON THE PACIFIC WHEEL
The Santa Monica Pier will be doing a special light program on Pacific Wheel for Halloween/Dia de los Muertos this year from 10/29 - 11/2. The Wheel will be lit in fall colors of orange, red, and yellow and feature spooky ghosts and pumpkins. The lights can be seen from dusk to midnight. If you can't make it to the Pier, be sure to check out the live-streaming webcams at: https://pacpark.com/santa-monica-pier-live-cams/wheel/. 380 Santa Monica Pier, 6:00 p.m. to 11:30 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 13 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle. © australianwordgames.com.au 5279

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STORM
FROM PAGE 1

"It's been a memorable past 24 hours for the Bay Area as the long talked-about atmospheric river rolled through the region," the local weather office said. "We literally have gone from fire/drought conditions to flooding in one storm cycle."

The weather service called preliminary rainfall totals "staggering," including 11 inches at the base of Marin County's Mount Tamalpais and 4.02 inches in downtown San Francisco.

"It looks like yesterday was the 4th wettest day ever for downtown SF where records go back to the Gold Rush years," the weather service said.

About 150 miles to the north, the California Highway Patrol closed a stretch of State Route 70 in Butte and Plumas counties because of multiple landslides within the massive Dixie Fire burn scar.

In the state's Central Valley, Sacramento got 5.4 inches of rain, smashing the all-time one-day rainfall record dating to 1880, the weather service said. Interstate 80, the major highway through the Sierra to Reno, Nevada, was shut down by heavy snow early Monday.

The same storm system also slammed Oregon and Washington state, causing power outages that affected tens of thousands of people. Two people were killed when a tree fell on a vehicle in the greater Seattle area.

In California's Colusa and Yolo counties, state highways 16 and 20 were shut for several miles because of mudslides, the state Department of Transportation said.

Burn areas remain a concern because land devoid of vegetation can't soak up heavy rainfall as quickly, increasing the likelihood of flash flooding.

"If you are in the vicinity of a recent burn scar and haven't already, prepare now for likely debris flows," the Sacramento weather service tweeted. "If you are told to evacuate by local officials, or you feel threatened, do not hesitate to do so. If it is too late to evacuate, get to higher ground."

South of San Francisco, evacuation orders were in effect in the Santa Cruz Mountains over concerns that several inches of rain could trigger debris flows in the CZU Lightning Complex Fire burn scar when the storm moves through early Monday.

Further south, evacuation warnings for parts of western Santa Barbara County were upgraded to evacuation orders in the area burned by this month's Alisal Fire.

Officials said mountain areas above 9,000 feet in the Sierra Nevada could get 18 inches of snow or more from Sunday until Monday morning.

Recent storms have helped contain some of the nation's largest wildfires this year. But it remains to be seen if the wet weather will make a dent in the drought that's plaguing California and the western United States.

California's climate is hotter and drier now and that means the rain and snow that does fall is more likely to evaporate and less likely to absorb into the soil.

California's 2021 water year, which ended Sept. 30, was the second driest on record and last year's was the fifth driest on record. Some of the state's most important reservoirs are at record low levels.

RAIN
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depending on further rainfall.

The National Weather Service also issued a high surf warning.

Large breaking waves of 6 to 10 feet with dangerous rip currents are predicted for the Los Angeles County Coast and Catalina and Santa Barbara Islands through 3 a.m. on Wednesday, Oct. 27. There is an increased risk for ocean drowning. Rip currents can pull swimmers and surfers out to sea. Large breaking waves can cause injury, wash people off beaches and rocks, and capsize small boats near shore.

Recorded information on beach conditions is available 24 hours a day on the County's beach closure hotline: 1-800-525-5662. Information is also available online at: PublicHealth.LACounty.gov/Beach/



Matthew Hall

WATER: Polluted water pools on local beaches and can be dangerous.

TESLA
FROM PAGE 3

Safety Board released a letter from its chairwoman chastising Tesla for failing to respond to recommendations that emerged from several fatal crash investigations involving the company's Autopilot partially automated driver-assist system. The agency recommended four years ago that Tesla limit where its Autopilot system can operate and that it better monitor drivers to make sure they're paying attention.

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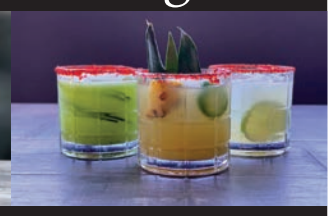
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