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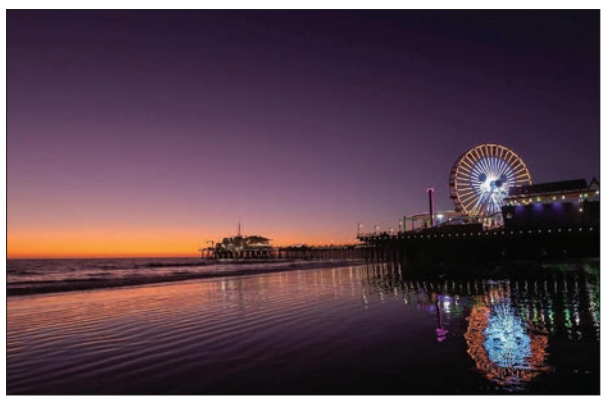
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Halloweekend returns with spooktacular range of local events







Courtesy photos

HOLIDAY: Santa Monica has a variety of events scheduled for the next few days celebrating the spooky season.

CLARA HARTER
SMDP Staff Writer

With the majority of last year's Halloween activities marred by a fall COVID surge, residents have much haunting to make up for and fortunately there are a plethora of spooky events happening around town.

FRIDAY OCT. 29

Yappy Hour at the Fairmont Miramar Hotel & Bungalows

The Fairmont Miramar is hosting a happy hour for residents and their pups from 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. in the Miramar garden area. The event will feature cocktails from Nosotros Tequila, treats from the Healthy Spot and a doggy costume contest where the winner will receive a one-night stay at the Fairmont Miramar. The contest begins on Oct. 29 and the winner will be announced by 5 p.m. on Nov. 1. More details at: www.fairmont-miramar.com/blog/activities/halloween-yappy-hour-at-the-miramar/

"HUCKTIVITIES" AT HUCKLEBERRY BAKERY AND CAFÉ

Pick up a haunted house or fall cookie decorating kit from Huckleberry Bakery & Café by placing an order at www.exploretock.com/huckleberrycafe/ or by calling 310-451-2311 during business hours. The haunted house kit costs $65 and comes with a variety of organic and plant-based candies, sprinkles, icing, and chocolate cookies to build a house, while the cookie kit costs $18 and includes 4 chocolate acorn cookies, vanilla icing and plant-based decorations. 1014 Wilshire Blvd.

ABSOLUTELY HALLOWEEN! MUSICAL AT SANTA MONICA PLAYHOUSE

Now a SMP Halloween theatre tradition, Absolutely Halloween! is the heartwarming musical tale of the aptly named "Candy," a sweet young girl who learns some surprising lessons about life, love, laughter and sugar, from a delightful array of colorful costume-come-to-life characters who take her on a magical All Hallows' Eve adventure to save Halloween for one more year. Tickets cost $15 per adult and $12.50 per kid 12 and under. The show begins at 6 p.m. at 1211 4th St.

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Union Endorsement



Clara Harter

ENDORSEMENT: UNITE HERE Local 11 members endorsed Dr. Sion Roy for Assembly District 50 at a protest and picket line at Shore Hotel on Thursday. Dr. Sion Roy is a Santa Monica leader running to replace Richard Bloom in the competitive race for the assembly seat.

Officials hope vaccines will prevent winter COVID surge



Courtesy image

SCHOOLS: Cases in schools have been declining.

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Despite huge success in vaccination and some of the best case rates in the Country, officials at the state and local level are asking residents not to become complacent in the fight against Covid-19 as tentative warning signs are emerging in the infection models.

About 88% of those 18 and older in California have received at least one dose of a vaccine that didn't

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Traffic Collision With Injury Ocean Ave / Montana Ave 12:05 a.m.
EMS 3000Blk Wilshire Blvd 12:22 a.m.
Haz Mat - Level 1 5th St / Broadway 2:23 a.m.
Miscellaneous Outside Fire 2400Blk Main St 2:57 a.m.
EMS 1700Blk Cloverfield Blvd 3:55 a.m.
EMS 800Blk 2nd St 4:13 a.m.
EMS 2000Blk Arizona Ave 6:16 a.m.
Public Assist 1300Blk 7th St 6:37 a.m.
EMS 2000Blk Santa Monica Blvd 8:33 a.m.
EMS 1200Blk 6th St 8:42 a.m.
Wires Down 600Blk Lincoln Blvd 8:42 a.m.
EMS 600Blk Idaho Ave 8:46 a.m.
EMS 1700Blk Cloverfield Blvd 9:05 a.m.
Transformer Fire 200Blk 21st Pl 10:06 a.m.
EMS 1500Blk Ashland Ave 10:21 a.m.
EMS 1300Blk 23rd St 12:16 p.m.
EMS 2400Blk 25th St 12:25 p.m.
EMS 1300Blk 20th St 12:45 p.m.
EMS 1400Blk Olympic Blvd 12:46 p.m.
EMS Lincoln Blvd / Ocean Park Blvd 1:00 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury Interstate 10 / Lincoln Blvd 1:06 p.m.
EMS 2000Blk Delaware Ave 1:23 p.m.
EMS 700Blk Raymond Ave 2:38 p.m.
EMS 700Blk Santa Monica Blvd 4:17 p.m.
EMS 1800Blk 7th St 4:35 p.m.
EMS 1800Blk 20th St 4:48 p.m.
EMS 1800Blk 9th St 5:37 p.m.
EMS 800Blk Bay St 5:48 p.m.
EMS 3100Blk Lincoln Blvd 6:57 p.m.
EMS 800Blk 26th St 10:15 p.m.
EMS 200Blk Ocean Ave 10:28 p.m.

City of Santa Monica

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA LANDMARKS COMMISSION
VIA TELECONFERENCE
Pursuant to AB361

A discussion will be held by the Landmarks Commission on the following:

1665 Appian Way, Landmark Designation Application 21ENT-0067, Zoning: R3 BCH (Medium Density Residential Beach Overlay) District. Consideration of a Landmark Designation application to determine whether the multi-family residential building in whole or in part, should be designated as a City Landmark and, if so designated, whether an associated Landmark Parcel should be defined and described in order to preserve, maintain, protect, or safeguard the Landmark. The Landmarks Commission will consider the application based on whether the application, research and public testimony presented demonstrates that the building meets one or more of the required criteria for Landmark designation pursuant to SMMC Section 9.56.100(A). **Applicant:** Shawn Hugus. **Owner:** Shyle LLP.
This hearing has been continued from September 13, 2021.

212 San Vicente Boulevard, Certificate of Appropriateness 21ENT-0112, Zoning: R2 (Low Density Residential) District. Consideration of a revised landscape design, exterior building painting, lighting, railing replacement, and other maintenance items in accordance with S.M.M.C 9.27.030 (C). **Applicant & Owner:** United Property Management Services, Jeff Appel.
This hearing has been continued from September 13, 2021.

DATE/TIME: **MONDAY, NOVEMBER 8, 2021 AT 7:00 PM**

LOCATION: In an effort to reduce the risk of spreading Coronavirus (COVID-19), members of the Landmarks Commission and City Staff will participate via teleconference. The public may join the teleconference via https://primetime.bluejeans.com/a2m/live-event/fzurvwcx or by dialing in at 1-415-466-7000 (PIN: 6844650#).

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Those wishing to give written public comment shall email comments to planningcomment@smgov.net. Comments received prior to 12 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be distributed to the Planning Commission prior to the meeting and posted online. Please note the agenda item in your comments.

Additionally, public comment can be made by telephone by calling 1-408-740-7256 (Meeting ID: 465946632 and Passcode: 8172 followed by #) when the caller queue opens for the item on which you wish to comment. Remarks from the public made by telephone will be limited to up to 3 minutes per item. Please check the agenda for more detailed instructions on how to comment.

QUESTIONS regarding the project may be addressed to Stephanie Reich, AIA, LEED AP, Design and Historic Preservation Planner at stephanie.reich@smgov.net.

MORE INFORMATION: For disability-related accommodations, please contact planning@smgov.net or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the public hearing.

ESPAÑOL: Este es un aviso de una audiencia publica sobre una solicitud para remodilar un edifecio que tiene valor historico importante. Para más información: planning@smgov.net

DAILY POLICE LOG

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Traffic Collision - No Injuries Ocean Ave / Montana Ave 12:05 a.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries Lincoln Blvd / Olympic Blvd E 12:30 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Neilson Way / Hollister Ave 2:58 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 800Blk San Vicente Blvd 6:20 a.m.
Silent Robbery Alarm 700Blk Wilshire Blvd 6:33 a.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 300Blk Santa Monica Pier 6:36 a.m.
Burglary Now 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 6:47 a.m.
Encampment 300Blk Santa Monica Pier 7:23 a.m.
Fraud 900Blk Centinela Ave 7:49 a.m.
Violation Of Temporary No Parking Signs 4th St / Wilshire Blvd 8:03 a.m.
Violation Of Temporary No Parking Signs 800Blk 6th St 8:03 a.m.
Encampment 1400Blk Olympic Blvd 8:08 a.m.
Violation Of Temporary No Parking Signs 1100Blk 4th St 8:31 a.m.
Violation Of Temporary No Parking Signs 1200Blk 4th St 8:33 a.m.
Fight 400Blk Wilshire Blvd 8:54 a.m.
Violation Of Temporary No Parking Signs 1000Blk 6th St 8:54 a.m.
Violation Of Temporary No Parking Signs 1100Blk 6th St 8:55 a.m.
Lost Property 1500Blk 2nd St 9:02 a.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 2900Blk 3rd St 9:04 a.m.
Auto Burglary 24th St / Wilshire Blvd 9:19 a.m.
Petty Theft 00Blk Village Pkwy 9:21 a.m.
Public Intoxication 00Blk Bay St 9:49 a.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 2300Blk 31st St 10:08 a.m.
Violation Of Restraining Order 2300Blk Pearl St 10:27 a.m.
Burglary 400Blk Colorado Ave 10:29 a.m.
Death Investigation 1500Blk Ashland Ave 10:34 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1600Blk Berkeley St 10:42 a.m.
Expired Registration 2000Blk Wilshire Blvd 10:55 a.m.
Drinking In Public Lincoln Blvd / Olympic Blvd W 11:01 a.m.
Loud Music 3000Blk Ocean Front Walk 11:02 a.m.
Drinking In Public 1400Blk Olympic Blvd 11:11 a.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1100Blk Harvard St 11:20 a.m.
Burglary 600Blk Raymond Ave 12:02 p.m.
Burglary 2200Blk Main St 12:11 p.m.
Battery 2000Blk 20th St 12:26 p.m.
Petty Theft 19th St / Arizona Ave 12:33 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 500Blk Ocean Ave 12:35 p.m.
Auto Burglary 600Blk Raymond Ave 12:48 p.m.
Petty Theft 2100Blk Santa Monica Blvd 12:52 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 400Blk Ocean Ave 12:52 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1200Blk 23rd St 12:54 p.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 1400Blk 23rd St 12:54 p.m.
Violation Of Restraining Order 600Blk Kensington rd 1:06 p.m.
Stolen Vehicle Recovered 100Blk Washington Ave 1:07 p.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 400Blk 19th St 1:08 p.m.
Auto Burglary 23rd St / Wilshire Blvd 1:09 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1600Blk 11th St 1:12 p.m.
Violation Of Preferential Parking Zone 200Blk Bicknell Ave 1:13 p.m.
Petty Theft 20th St / Santa Monica Blvd 1:13 p.m.
Fraud 900Blk Centinela Ave 1:24 p.m.
Lost Property 3000Blk Airport Ave 1:29 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 2400Blk Hill St 2:05 p.m.
Found Property 1400Blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:09 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries City Prop Involved 1000Blk 11th St 2:11 p.m.
Battery 1400Blk 10th St 2:14 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation Stewart St / Pico Blvd 2:23 p.m.
Failure To Pay Parking Fee 2000Blk Ocean Ave 2:28 p.m.
Urinating/Defecating In Public 1700Blk Ocean Ave 2:39 p.m.
Fraud 1000Blk Wilshire Blvd 2:45 p.m.
Illegal Weapon 1600Blk 5th St 2:55 p.m.
Auto Burglary 1400Blk 4th St 3:04 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 2700Blk Neilson Way 3:21 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 600Blk 19th St 3:33 p.m.
Grand Theft 800Blk 2nd St 3:43 p.m.
Vehicle With Excessive Parking Violations 1400Blk Yale St 4:01 p.m.
Grand Theft 800Blk 2nd St 4:11 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed Ocean Ave / Broadway 4:32 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 900Blk Franklin St 4:55 p.m.
Animal Related Incident 600Blk Palisades Ave 4:56 p.m.
Vehicle Blocking Driveway 1000Blk 5th St 4:59 p.m.
Battery 1100Blk Pico Blvd 5:01 p.m.
Loud Music 2000Blk Ocean Ave 5:03 p.m.
Loud Music 800Blk Lincoln Blvd 5:04 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1000Blk 10th St 5:42 p.m.
Overdose 1700Blk Appian Way 5:48 p.m.
Encampment 700Blk Ozone St 5:52 p.m.
Loud Music 3000Blk Ocean Front Walk 6:35 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1400Blk 16th St 6:54 p.m.
Found Property 1700Blk The Beach 7:16 p.m.
Grand Theft 1600Blk Cloverfield Blvd 7:26 p.m.
Burglary Now 2200Blk Colorado Ave 7:40 p.m.
Loud Music 2nd St / Santa Monica Blvd 8:14 p.m.
Arson 900Blk 15th St 8:29 p.m.
Drunk Driving Investigation 1300Blk Montana Ave 9:29 p.m.
Battery 300Blk Santa Monica Pl 9:35 p.m.
Domestic Violence 1200Blk Euclid St 10:04 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 2400Blk Ocean Park Blvd 10:27 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 3200Blk Airport Ave 10:44 p.m.
Critical Missing Person 1100Blk Arizona Ave 10:44 p.m.
Lewd Activity 2500Blk Santa Monica Blvd 10:48 p.m.
Vehicle Burglar Alarm 1500Blk Berkeley St 11:01 p.m.
Loud Music 2900Blk Exposition Blvd 11:16 p.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 2500Blk 20th St 11:36 p.m.

Rams look for 4th straight win Sunday at terrible Texans

KRISTIE RIEKEN
AP Sports Writer

Matthew Stafford's stellar play has the Los Angeles Rams rolling as they prepare to visit the Houston Texans.

"There's not many things he's not doing well, and that's a real positive," coach Sean McVay said. "I think that's a big reason why we are where we are right now."

Stafford ranks third in the NFL with 2,179 yards passing and his 19 TD passes are second to Tom Brady's 21. The 13-year veteran doesn't worry about his statistics and is solely focused on making sure the offense is effective.

"I want every play that we run for the defense to feel pressure and for us to execute at a high level. So, I'm trying to do that," he said. "If I can do that, I know I'll be doing what I'm supposed to be doing for our team."

While the Rams (6-1) have won three straight in their first season with Stafford leading the offense, the Texans (1-6) have dropped six in a row behind the struggles of rookie quarterback Davis Mills.

Injured starter Tyrod Taylor returned to practice this week for the first time since hurting his hamstring in Week 2, but it was unclear if he'll be ready to play Sunday.

Taylor opened the season as Houston's starter with Deshaun Watson sitting out amid a trade request and 22 lawsuits alleging sexual harassment or assault. Taylor led the Texans to a win in the opener against Jacksonville before he was injured in the second quarter of a loss to Cleveland Sept. 19, and rookie Mills took over after halftime.

Things have only gone downhill for the Texans since as their lackluster offense has led to their longest skid since dropping the last six games of the 2017 season.

Coach David Culley knows dealing with Stafford and the Rams will be difficult, but said they're less worried about the opponent than they are about fixing their many mistakes.

"The challenge is more so not them, but us," he said. "For us to get our stuff right, to get our tackling right, to get the penalty stuff taken care of, to eliminate the big plays, that's the big thing for us right now. Not so much who we're playing, because it doesn't matter who we're playing if those things aren't corrected."

ERNEST GOES TO HOUSTON

The Texans' offense could have a chance to exploit an unusual personnel change on the Rams' defense.

Rookie linebacker Ernest Jones has only played 45 defensive snaps, but is likely to be the man in the middle after Los Angeles' abrupt trade Monday of second-leading tackler Kenny Young to create about $1.3 million in cap space. The curious move reflects the Rams' belief in Jones and in starter Troy Reeder, who will also have more responsibilities.

Jones plans to get plenty of friends and family into Houston from his native Georgia for his first big game.

INGRAM'S EXIT

Running back Mark Ingram, who started the first seven games for Houston, was traded to New Orleans on Wednesday. The move appeared to anger veteran Brandin Cooks, who leads the team with 502 yards receiving.

Moments after news of the trade broke Cooks tweeted an expletive followed by: "Such a joke."

The Texans are among the league's worst teams and recent moves seem to indicate that they've given up on this season and are focused on developing young players with an eye toward the future.

UNDER PRESSURE

Stafford has been excellent in almost every situation this season, but he and the Rams are particularly effective against the blitz.

According to Next Gen Stats, Stafford is 48 of 64 for 698 yards and eight TDs when facing blitzes this season, racking up a 151.3 passer rating. Los Angeles' offensive line also has allowed just seven sacks.

The Texans are near the middle of the NFL pack with 14 sacks and a solid defensive front, but even with their sketchy performances in the secondary, blitzing probably isn't the answer – although the discussion changes if Rams left tackle Andrew Whitworth can't play or is limited by his knee injury.

NOT SO SPECIAL

All eyes will be on the Rams' special teams after an embarrassing performance last week in LA's 28-19 win over Detroit.

The Lions recovered an onside kick in the first quarter and later successfully faked two punts, leading them to an early 10-point lead and allowing the winless club to hold a lead into the fourth quarter. The Rams overcame the mistakes, but special teams are a concerning area for the second straight season.

Kicker Matt Gay has wobbled in effectiveness while battling injuries, and rookie Tutu Atwell hasn't been able to cement his job as LA's punt returner. In a rare public rebuke of a player, McVay even said Wednesday he would like to see "a little bit more increased sense of urgency" from Atwell.

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Multiple QBs could play when desperate USC, Arizona meet

DAN GREENSPAN
Associated Press

With an eye on both its present and future, Southern California might use two quarterbacks against Arizona on Saturday.

Freshman Jaxson Dart could play for the first time since suffering a knee injury in his college debut for the Trojans last month.

"We're gonna do what we need to do to win this particular ballgame, whether that's playing two quarterbacks, whether that's just one playing the whole game or whatever the case may be," interim coach Donte Williams said.

USC (3-4, 2-3 Pac-12) had prepared a package of plays for Dart to come in against Washington State on Sept. 18 in the first game after the firing of head coach Clay Helton. But starter Kedon Slovis sustained a neck injury on the opening possession, forcing Dart to direct the offense to a 45-14 win.

Dart threw for 391 yards, four touchdowns and two interceptions and rushed for 32 yards but sustained a knee injury that required surgery, scuttling Williams' desire to create competition at quarterback.

After returning to practice on a limited basis last week, Dart worked with the second unit this week and looks to be on track to play at home for the first time.

"I'm just excited to be back now," Dart said.

Dart's mobility could help out an offensive line that has struggled to keep a clean pocket for Slovis, a junior. Offensive coordinator Graham Harrell didn't specify whether Dart would come in for specific situations, such as short yardage or at the goal line, or stay on the field for an entire drive.

For the Wildcats (0-7, 0-4), they are certain to take the tack of using multiple quarterbacks in an effort to end a 19-game losing streak, the longest in school history. Wide receiver Jamarye Joiner proved effective as a change of pace to freshman Will Plummer in a tough loss to Washington last week. Joiner rushed four times for 25 yards, scoring Arizona's only touchdown on a 1-yard run in the second quarter, and did not complete his lone pass attempt.

"He'll have another week of reps," coach Jedd Fisch said. "So I believe that there'll be some more opportunity to expand his package."

TIGHT SPACES

The big numbers posted by USC wide receiver Drake London have been perhaps the lone bright spot in a forgettable season, as he ranks second in the FBS in receptions (79) and yards receiving (1,003). London has 156 more yards than the next-most productive Power 5 receiver, Virginia's Dontayvion Wicks (847).

But even in those statistics are signs of the Trojans' struggles in the passing game, as Pro Football Focus has credited London with 19 contested catches. "I think that when Drake's covered, he's still open," Harrell said. "Regardless of what they're doing over there, you got to give that guy a chance to make plays, and he's gonna make something."

FLUMMOXED IN FOURTH

The Wildcats have been outscored 48-0 in the fourth quarter of their past four games, which Fisch said is all the more disappointing because they led Washington and were within one possession against Oregon and UCLA after three quarters.

"We have to play 60 minutes of football. We're playing like 47 minutes, and we're just

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COVID

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exist last fall and millions have survived contracting the virus and have a level of natural immunity, though it's unclear for how long.

Still, millions are not vaccinated and new cases and hospitalizations have flattened after a steady two-month decline that saw California boast the nation's lowest infection rate. State models show a gradual increase in hospitalizations in the next month.

The state seems to have reached what Dr. Mark Ghaly, secretary of the California Health and Human Services Agency called a plateau after its steady decline in cases and hospitalizations since the summer surge of the delta variant of the virus.

Models show coronavirus hospitalizations increasing slightly over the next month, from about 3,800 in hospitals now to about 4,460 by Thanksgiving.

The models forecast a gradual drop in intensive care patients but with a troubling upward curve starting in about two weeks. Deaths are expected to continue their inexorable climb, adding nearly 3,000 to reach a pandemic total of 74,000 by Thanksgiving week.

The rate at which each infected person spreads the disease, known as the R-effective, remains below 1 statewide but had been creeping up since mid-September until another recent dip. Anything below 1 means the number of infected persons will decrease.

Counter-intuitively, experts expect the hardest-hit and most vulnerable populations last time to enjoy the best protection now because they have built up a natural immunity. So areas like Los Angeles, which had disproportionate levels of infections, hospitalizations and deaths, are likely to be protected from a surge.

On Thursday Los Angeles County Department of Public Health Director Dr. Barbara Ferrer said the County has seen about a seven percent increase in hospitalizations over the past week.

"We don't see steep declines anymore in case numbers in case rates, there's a lot of plateauing, but we're all plateauing at a level that's much higher than where we'd like to be, certainly much higher than where we were back in June," she said. "So, we're going to watch this carefully. There's no need for alarm at the moment. But as I've always said, the goal is not to plateau where we are today. The goal is to drive our numbers down and the way to get hospitalization numbers down is to get case numbers down. So we've got to continue to do everything we can to prevent that spread in our communities."

She said the vast majority of cases are among unvaccinated residents and that greater vaccine adoption, particularly among young minority populations that have the lowest vaccine rates, is the most effective way to prevent another surge. She said there's also strong evidence for seasonal swings to the virus.

"We all lived through, you know, a terrible November, December and January last year but I do think we have this new tool, it's vaccinations, it's super powerful, it's making a difference and will continue to make a difference as we are cautious about the activities that we're all engaging with," she said. "The biggest effort right now is to get people vaccinated and to get boosters among those people who are now eligible and are at higher risk for serious outcomes, should they get sick."

Ferrer said Los Angeles County has done well in controlling outbreaks among youth and said many of the cases identified on campuses are among asymptomatic individuals who are identified through routine screening. She said the anticipated rollout of additional vaccines for younger students would also aid in keeping cases low.

California is prepositioning millions of small-dose Pfizer vaccines in anticipation that the federal government will give final approval to administer the shots to children aged 5-11 as early as the end of next week. About 3.5 million children would be eligible, or 9% of California residents, state epidemiologist Dr. Erica Pan said.

The state plans to mandate vaccinations for school children but that's not expected to kick in until the 2022-23 school year. Meanwhile, California will wait until after this winter to review its school masking requirement and then will look at typical indicators like the number of people who are vaccinated and the rate of transmissions and hospitalizations, Ghaly said.

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Orchestra Santa Monica: "Musical Return and Gathering"

Orchestra Santa Monica and Music Director Roger Kalia return to live performance with a special admission-free concert. The orchestra will present an early preview of its collaborative film*, "We Gather: Black Life in Santa Monica told through Music, Visuals, and Narrative". Iain Farrington's arrangement of Mahler's Symphony No. 1 for 15 musicians will also be performed, providing an intimate feel to the listening experience and revealing Mahler's chamber-like writing as each musician is treated as a soloist.

Free; Advance ticket registration required; Proof of full vaccination and photo ID needed at the door for admission; Please see Orchestra Santa Monica website for program details, COVID protocols, tickets, and free parking information. https://www.OrchestraSantaMonica.org

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Citywide

Halloween & Dia de los Muertos Safety Tips

As we approach Halloween, Sunday October 31st and Dia de los Muertos on Monday November 1st, it is important to remember that along with candy, costumes and a good scare, safety should remain at the top of the list. SMPD encourages everyone to have a fun and safe holiday by following these important safety tips.

WALK SAFELY

- Cross the street at corners, using traffic signals and crosswalks.
- Look left, right and left again when crossing and keep looking as you cross.
- Put electronic devices down and keep heads up and walk, don't run, across the street.
- Teach children to make eye contact with drivers before crossing in front of them.
- Watch for cars that are turning or backing up. Teach children to never dart out into the street or cross between parked cars.

PLAN ACTIVITIES WISELY

- Provide adult supervision at all times for the youngest of your group.
- Remind older children that if not with an adult, to stay together and look out for each other.
- Avoid alleys or shortcuts and stay on parent/guardian approved routes.
- Attend a City sponsored event like the Police Activities League Trunk or Treat that provides a family safe activity (http://www.smpal.org/).

Keep Costumes Both Creative and Safe

- Decorate costumes and bags with reflective tape or stickers and, if possible, choose light colors.
- Have kids carry glow sticks or flashlights to help them see and be seen by drivers.
- When selecting a costume, make sure it is the right size to prevent trips and falls.
- Avoid costumes that include makeshift or replica weapons.

DRIVE SAFELY

- Slow down and be especially alert in residential neighborhoods. Children are excited on Halloween and may move in unpredictable ways.
- Take extra time to look for kids at intersections, on medians and on curbs.
- Enter and exit driveways and alleys slowly and carefully.
- Eliminate any distractions inside your car so you can concentrate on the road and your surroundings.
- Drive slowly, anticipate heavy pedestrian traffic and turn your headlights on earlier in the day to spot children from greater distances.

Follow State Covid Suggestions

- Visit https://covid19.ca.gov/holidays/

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Los Angeles

District Attorney George Gascón Announces National Search for Director of Victim Services

Los Angeles County District Attorney George Gascón announced a national search for an expert in the field of victim services and trauma-informed care to lead the office's Bureau of Victim Services.

"This new director will bring trauma-informed care to crime victims throughout Los Angeles County as they embark on the journey to becoming survivors," District Attorney Gascón said. "My goal is to provide crime victims with clinical services that will help them through the healing process."

"I want to thank the Board of Supervisors for authorizing this crucial position and for strengthening victim services for all residents of Los Angeles County by increasing the number of victim services representatives in my office," District Attorney Gascón said.

The director will be responsible for leading, planning, organizing and evaluating the operations of the Bureau of Victim Services. This leader will implement innovative, groundbreaking programs to further evolve and grow victim services in the District Attorney's Office.

The Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors authorized the new position on September 15.

Tiffiny Blacknell, Special Advisor to the District Attorney, will serve as interim director of the Bureau of Victim Services until the new director is selected. For more information, click here: https://www.governmentjobs.com.

The Bureau of Victim Services is one of the oldest and largest programs of its kind in the United States, with nearly 100 victim services representatives who work in courthouses and police stations throughout the county and provide an array of services. Victim services representatives are available to assist victims in several languages. Services are provided free of charge and there is no legal residency or citizenship requirement.

For victim services, call 1-800-380-3811.

PAMELA J. JOHNSON, PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

Letter to the Editor

Peter Borresen — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Allowing mini-heaters

Dear Editor,

Mini-split heat pumps can save the planet. Santa Monica makes it impossible to retro-fit them.

Mini-split heat pumps are incredibly efficient, non-polluting, safe, almost silent, compact and a breeze to install.

Gas furnaces are horribly polluting (both CO2 and gas leaks), dangerous (fires and carbon-monoxide), and inefficient.

Retrofitting mini splits in Santa Monica apartments is almost impossible due to requirements to upgrade insulation/windows, and banning them from side-yards, balconies and rooftops.

To encourage rapid adoption of mini-splits, especially for apartments, the city needs to:

Allow mini splits in side-yards, balconies and rooftops (with suitable screening if publicly visible).

Stop requiring upgrades to windows and insulation. Often these are cripplingly expensive, giving landlords zero motivation.

Wave all permit and inspection fees for mini splits as long as any gas heaters present are disabled.

And remember, that besides heating, mini-splits can cool. The alternative is that hideous, rattling, inefficient window AC that your neighbor runs continually and ruins your sleep.

By insisting on the best, Santa Monica is leaving the planet stuck with the worst. If these changes are not made the vast majority of apartments in the city will never switch from gas heating, and we are doomed.

Peter Borresen. Santa Monica.

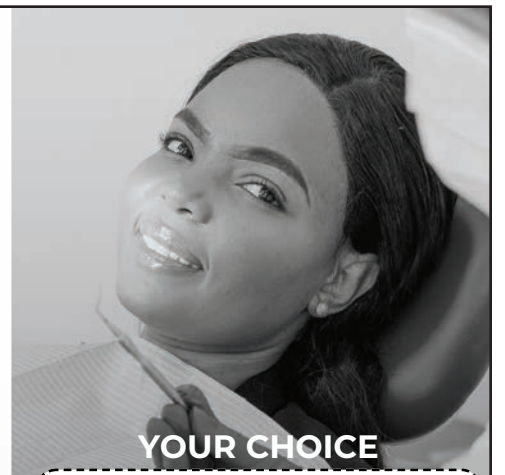
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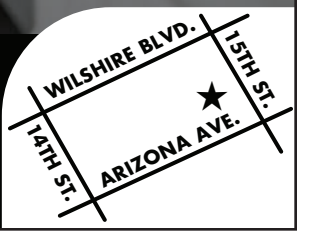
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Laughing Matters

Jack Neworth
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Trick or Treat Fiasco

Sunday is Halloween and many children in Santa Monica are understandably excited. However, I have a good friend, who shall remain nameless, who's concerned because his kids hate trick or treating and would rather play video games or be on their phone. (I joked maybe it'd be different if there was a "Tic Toc Trick or Treat" or a "Zoom Halloween," though he didn't find that amusing.)

I have nothing but fond memories of trick or treating. (Actually that's a slight overstatement because one night backfired so badly I worried I'd wind up in reform school.) Before I forget, this column is also an apology, albeit decades too late, to Barry who was younger than we were and wound up getting the blame. (But remarkably escaped trouble.)

First, some context. I grew up in a middle class neighborhood of well-kept tract homes near Pico and La Cienega. While gangs were unheard of some kids could be rowdy on Halloween to home owners who didn't answer their door or told us to beat it. These kids were older than I was so I felt like a big shot they let me tag along.

The rowdiness could include spreading toilet paper in the trees and on the porches but that was tame to this particular evening. The older guys, who were 13 or so, conjured up a unique prank.

You see in those days most people didn't pick up after their dogs. So the prank involved collecting lots of dog poop in a paper bag, placing it on the porch, lighting it on fire, ringing the door bell and running away.

The idea was to covertly watch the grouch answer the door and stomp the fire out, thus spreading the poop all over his shoes and porch. Knowing it was obviously wrong and, not wanting to get caught, when the others weren't paying attention, I snuck back home.

However, two years later on Halloween, the older kids were now in high school and into cars and girls. My neighbor Dennis and I were in junior high, while Barry, was in elementary school. As I had been, he too was flattered that we let him tag along. Sure enough, after one crabby home owner chastised us for disturbing him, the dog poop prank came up for discussion.

The bottom line is we did but I'll spare you and cut to the chase. Much to my horror... no one answered the door! As we stared in disbelief, I panicked. Fearing the fire could spread to the vines hanging all over the porch, I ran across the street and hurriedly stomped the fire out. (Of course I got poop all over my shoes but I was relieved that was all it was. Or so I hoped.)

Weeks later I had naively forgotten the incident, until one day, at Pasteur Jr. High, while in class, I was given a notice that the Boy's Vice-Principal, the much feared Mr. Hawkins, wanted to see me. I was a good student and Hawkins generally only dealt with juvenile delinquent types and was known for his paddle which he used to unleash painful corporal punishment.

I nervously walked over to Mr. Hawkins office. As I looked in I saw Dennis, siting in the waiting area crying. Not a good sign. Dennis didn't see me and I just kept walking. After about ten minutes I slowly walked back to Mr. Hawkins office. Dennis was gone but Mr. Hawkins was there and clearly not in a good mood.

He ordered me into his office, I assumed to administer his feared corporal punishment. In his office was a Fire Captain standing there in full uniform, including the big captain's hat. (Which, frankly, seemed a little over the top.)

"Jack, do you know what the Captain is doing here?" Mr. Hawkins asked very sternly. I gulped. And I can't believe it to this day, but, feigning innocence, I asked, "Is he giving out fire safety awards?"

As Mr. Hawkins and the Captain grilled me, of course I cracked but I did my best to make it sound like I had been a reluctant participant that night and essentially blamed Barry. When I got home after school the first thing I did was call Dennis and told him what happened. He was stunned. It turns out he had blamed Barry, too!



Courtesy photo

KIDS: Kids having unbridled trick or treat fun.

Apparently, because Barry was in elementary school out of Hawkins' jurisdiction nothing more happened. That said, at age 12 I'd definitely had a genuine "scared straight" experience. In fact, until this column, I hadn't thought about the dog poop prank in all these years.

As for my friend with the gamer kids, when he reads this, I have a hunch he won't be so worried that his children aren't into trick or treating.

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UCLA presents new challenge for Utah's run defense

JOHN COON
Associated Press

Stopping the run has become a huge problem for Utah.

The Utes led the Pac-12 in rushing defense for three consecutive seasons heading into this year. Now Utah is the one getting bullied along the line of scrimmage.

Oregon State gashed the Utes for 260 rushing yards in a 42-34 victory a week ago. Defending the run doesn't get any easier this Saturday when the Utes host UCLA. The Bruins average 206.1 yards on the ground per game, second only to Oregon State in the Pac-12.

Youth and inexperience have been a problem for Utah on the defensive line and a crucial factor behind the Utes giving up more than 200 rushing yards in three different games this season.

"We're starting three freshmen D-linemen," Utah coach Kyle Whittingham said. "You never make excuses, because if you're out there, you've got to perform. But we're just not quite where we need to be up front yet. We've had flashes during the course of the year, but not quite enough consistency."

UCLA may need to lean heavily on the run game if Dorian Thompson-Robinson is not able to play Saturday. Thompson-Robinson injured his arm during the Bruins' 34-31 loss to Oregon. He did not practice early in the week. If he can't go, redshirt freshman Ethan Garbers will likely start.

Garbers threw a late interception that helped the Ducks fend off UCLA's comeback. Still, the Bruins' coaching staff has confidence in the Washington transfer's abilities to run the offense.

"Ethan's done a real nice job," UCLA coach Chip Kelly said. "From when he got here last spring, progressing all the way through, he's done a really nice job. He's got a great grasp of what we're doing. (We're) real comfortable with Ethan."

Utah and UCLA did not meet last season because of the league's shortened schedule due to the pandemic. The Utes have dominated the Bruins in recent seasons, winning four straight games in a series that UCLA leads 11-7 overall and outscoring the Bruins 190-75 in those contests.

This latest meeting could factor into which team wins the Pac-12 South. A victory would give Utah tiebreakers over UCLA and Arizona State. The Bruins would gain a tiebreaker against the Utes with a win, but the Sun Devils still hold a tiebreaker over UCLA after winning 42-23 earlier in October.

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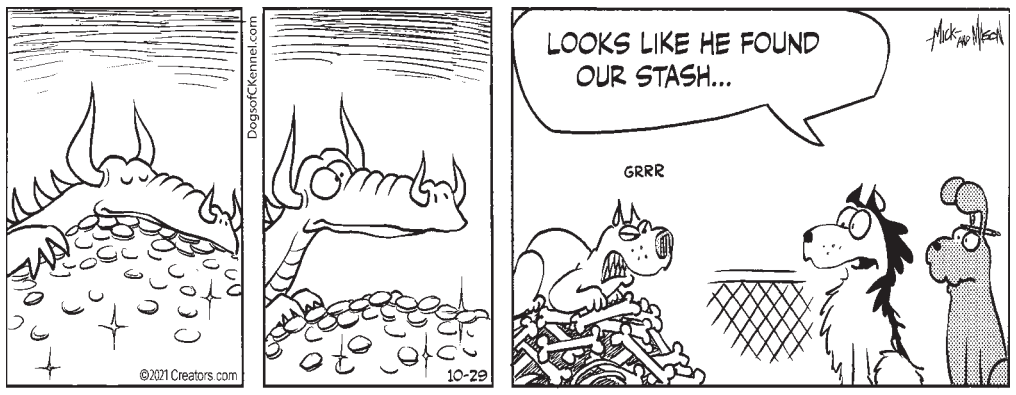
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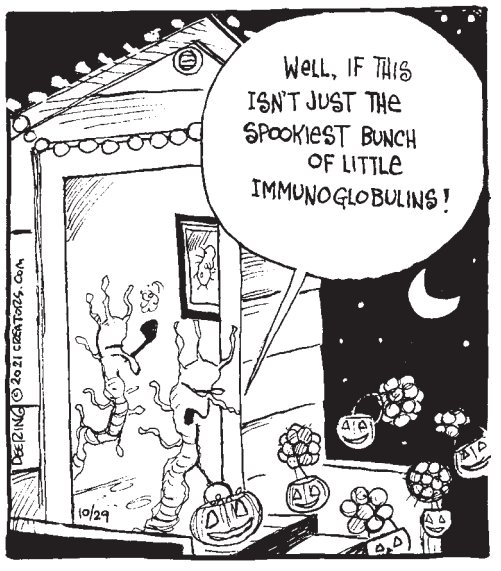
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"WE SHOULD ADD EYE OF NEWT."

Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING





SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 59.9°

FRIDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft+ Waist to stomach high
Down to small leftovers from earlier in the week. Should still be enough to push a longboard or possibly a fish and weather/wind look nice - just getting pretty small. Elevated tide through the day.

SATURDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 1-2ft Knee to thigh high occ. 3 ft
Small new SW/SSW swell and lingering NW swell mix. AM winds look light. Elevated tide through the day.

WEATHER

Friday: Sunny, with a high near 77. Northeast wind around 5 mph.
Friday Night: Increasing clouds, with a low around 55. Southwest wind around 5 mph.
Saturday: Partly sunny, with a high near 63. East southeast wind 5 to 10 mph.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2021/10/29	Fri	07:00 AM	3.97	H
2021/10/29	Fri	11:37 AM	3.23	L
2021/10/29	Fri	4:44 PM	4.32	H
2021/10/30	Sat	12:07 AM	0.53	L
2021/10/30	Sat	07:10 AM	4.29	H
2021/10/30	Sat	12:26 PM	2.64	L
2021/10/30	Sat	5:51 PM	4.54	H
2021/10/31	Sun	12:43 AM	0.39	L
2021/10/31	Sun	07:26 AM	4.68	H
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2021/10/31	Sun	6:47 PM	4.77	H
2021/11/01	Mon	01:16 AM	0.34	L
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2021/11/01	Mon	7:37 PM	4.94	H
2021/11/02	Tue	01:47 AM	0.40	L
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2021/11/03	Wed	02:18 AM	0.58	L
2021/11/03	Wed	08:36 AM	6.14	H

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Power#: 17
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6 14 19 56 62
Mega#: 9
Jackpot: 22 M

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Jackpot: 30 M

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EVENING: 7 2 8

Draw Date: 10/27
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3rd: 11 - Money Bags
Race Time: 1:47.84

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Spending more than you earn creates problems, even if it's just a little more. This will be a theme that echoes financially and more so in subtle systems of exchange between people. You'll keep the balance in check.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Act on your moneymaking ideas, especially if they involve the general public. You've special luck in matters of publicity and your reputation. People want what you have to offer.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). It appears someone has skipped ahead in the line of life. But there is no reason to be envious of a person who received early awards. At some point, every lesson must be learned and every prize must be earned.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). With total self-love and acceptance, the validation from the outside becomes unnecessary. It's relaxing to interact with the need to prove your worthiness, and a lot more fun, too.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The quest is well underway, but you're still trying to find the best method to make it to the promised land. Today's research and experimentation will be most enlightening.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). While maintaining a degree of control is comfortable, always being the master is an exhausting way to go. Give up on taking yourself seriously. Submit to spontaneity, and let success fall into your casually outstretched hand.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). While success is the best revenge, there are other forms on your mind. Perhaps it's not revenge you need but justice. Seek an outside opinion to decide once and for all if this is worth pursuing.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). With your hardworking style, you will go far. And if you find yourself getting lazy, you will go even farther. Your intelligence gives you the edge, helps you maximize efforts and see your way to shortcuts.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You have faith in humanity and believe the better angels will prevail. It doesn't always turn out to be true, but you'd rather be an optimistic fool than a correct cynic.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). When you get the feeling someone needs help, you offer it before you're asked, an act of graciousness which is one reason people identify you straightaway as a gem.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It won't be easy to bring ideas into reality, though it's among the most worthy uses of your time. Expect roller coaster highs and lows and long, tedious stretches of concentration. Dream realization is for the tenacious.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The one who is noncommittal has good reasons for being that way. Take their lead. There are situations that are like quicksand, appearing quite stable on the surface, though one step and you're already trapped.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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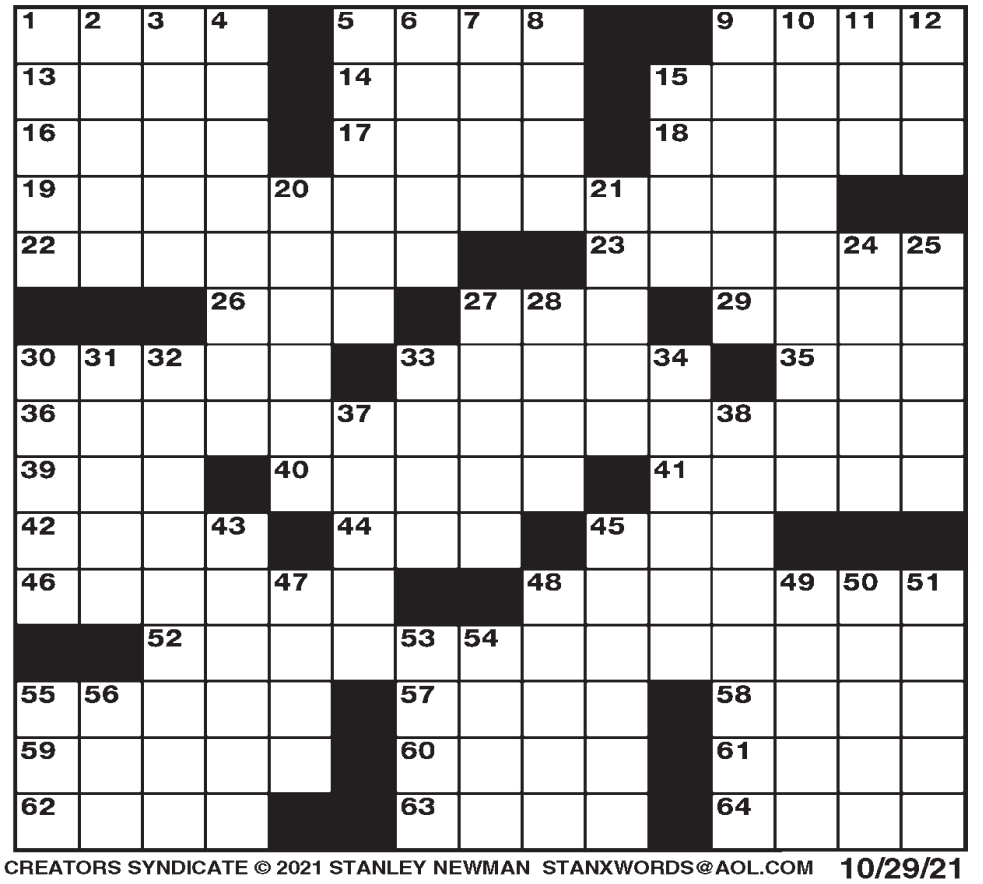
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ACROSS
1 Composer of cantatas
5 Clutch
9 Lake formers
13 *Glamour* rival
14 Rounded top
15 Cake pan brand
16 Purple smoothie flavor
17 MP3 player batteries
18 As is fitting
19 Apollo orbiter
22 Unlucky
23 Folded food
26 Press coverage, informally
27 Shut out
29 Sweet sign-off
30 Prop up
33 Cinema snoozer of song
35 Access code letters
36 Giant of crime fiction
39 One, up front
40 Spanish Armada opponent
41 Operatic voice
42 Shine up
44 Alcott girl
45 Secluded spot
46 Gusto
48 Had coming
52 Architecture inspired by early America
55 Whatsoever
57 Start to trust
58 Vocal encouragement
59 Where Miss Liberty was built
60 Locks up or nails down
61 Summoning gesture
62 Higher-up
63 Secure at the pier
64 "Language" skills

DOWN
1 Umbrella rental venue
2 Big name in home siding
3 Get tough, with "down"
4 Name seen on life-saving posters
5 Polish port
6 Outdoor arteries
7 Mosque leader
8 Latin American capital
9 Multi-floor rental
10 Impalas, but not Corvettes
11 Mid-16th-century date
12 Farm area
15 *Wicked* inspiration
20 Epic Trojan tale
21 *Andrea* __ (ill-fated ship)
24 Leaves the scene
25 Lone Ranger namer
27 Cumbersome
28 Stadium near Citi Field
30 Chicken wings franchise, for short
31 Accrued
32 "Big deal!"
33 Bad-mouth
34 Smoldering residue
37 Poetic muse
38 North Dakota neighbor
43 Gambol
45 "That's scrumptious!"
47 They're not good
48 Ship's staffers
49 Polk's preceder
50 Pick
51 Newsroom array
53 Head banger's target
54 Andean of old
55 Big bumbler
56 Receipt datum



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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.

YAPPY HOUR AT MIRAMAR GARDENS
Enjoy cocktails in the Miramar Garden area from Nosotros Tequila, treats from Healthy Spot, and alongside a doggy costume contest where the winner will receive a one-night stay at the Fairmont Miramar. 7 p.m. 101 Wilshire Blvd,

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PRESERVATION RESOURCE CENTER LIVE VIRTUAL TOURS
Step inside the last intact shotgun house in Santa Monica with one of our friendly and knowledgeable docents. Built in 1897, the little house features three board-and-batten rooms where you can look behind the walls and the floor to reveal the original materials. Learn about life, history and architecture in Santa Monica in the early 1900s on our virtual tour. Sign-up online at https://smc.givecloud.co/prc-virtualtour. 1 p.m.

MANOS A LA OBRA WALKTHROUGH WITH COG•NATE COLLECTIVE
In conjunction with the exhibition Manos a la Obra, Cog•nate Collective will be leading a tour in Spanish and English from 1:30 – 2 p.m. on October 30, with a meet & greet with artists from 2-3 p.m. Please join us for this casual and fun event. 18th Street Arts Center | Propeller Gallery. 3026 Airport Avenue.

THE SANTA MONICA PLAYHOUSE BFF BINGE FRINGE FESTIVAL OF FREE THEATRE
Join organizers for the 6th Annual BFF Binge Fringe Festival of FREE Theatre, Oct 10 - Nov 9, offering over two dozen plays and family-oriented events thanks to generous grants from the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors through the Los Angeles County Department of Arts and Culture, the City of Santa Monica and the Santa Monica Arts Commission and Playhouse PALS. 3 p.m. 1211 4th Street https://www.santamonicaplayhouse.com/the-bff-calendar-of-events.html

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS CELEBRATION
A cultural celebration featuring La Catrina sculptures, community altars, ballet folklorico, family activities, makers market, DJ & dance party. 5 - 10 p.m. Third Street Promenade.

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

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS AT SANTA MONICA PIER
Join organizers for the inaugural Dia de los Muertos celebration at the Santa Monica Pier, October 30-31st from 11 a.m. - 7 p.m. & November 1st from 11 a.m. - 6 p.m. in the historic Carousel building. Together with Pico Youth & Family Center, our joint event of reflection will feature an artistic altar dedicated to the lives of friends and family who have played an important role in the Santa Monica Pier community, traditional Ballet Folklorico, an art installation called "Letters of Life," and an unmissable Aztec dancing performance.

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HALLOWEEN

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CLIMATE HALLOWEEN YOUTH PROTEST

The LA Youth Climate Movement is organizing a Climate Halloween parade to call for an immediate halt to the expansion of fossil fuels. Participants will gather at 3 p.m. in Tongva Park and at 3:30 p.m. begin their march through Downtown and the Promenade and end at Chase Bank on 4th St. for a rally of speeches and performances. The march aims to protest the continued investment of JPMorgan Chase and other banks in fossil fuels. Participants are encouraged to come in costume as locally endangered species such as honey bees, brown pelicans, Californian condors, vaquita dolphins, bighorn sheep and more.

COCO MOVIE NIGHT AT THE BRENTWOOD COUNTRY MART

The Brentwood Country Mart is hosting a free screening of Coco in the South Courtyard at 6 p.m. Sweet Rose Creamery and Edelweiss Chocolates will have grab and go movie snacks available and viewers are encouraged to grab nibbles and sips from the mart to go with the show. 225 26th St.

HALLOWEEN MOVIES AT THE SANTA MONICA AIRPORT

The Rooftop Cinema Club is running a series of Halloween movies for drive-in or drive-up viewing — there are car parking spots available alongside tables and chairs. Concessions are available for purchase and free candy is given to viewers in costume. Friday's films are 5:15 p.m. Nightmare Before Christmas, 7:30 p.m. Beetlejuice and 10:00 p.m. Friday the 13th (1980).

3233 Donald Douglas Loop S, Santa Monica Interim Open Space.

SATURDAY OCT. 30
DIA DE LOS MUERTOS ON THE PIER (30, 31 & 1)

Together with Pico Youth & Family Center, this inaugural Dia de los Muertos celebration will feature an artistic altar dedicated to the lives of friends and family who have played an important role in the Santa Monica Pier community, traditional Ballet Folklorico, an art installation called "Letters of Life," and an unmissable Aztec dancing performance. The event will take place inside the Pier Carousel building from 11 a.m. to 7 p.m. on Oct. 30 and 31 and until 6 p.m. on Nov. 1.

GOURMANDISE COOKING SCHOOL: DATE NIGHT HALLOWEEN BASH

Learn how to curate your own witches brew cocktail, pumpkin ravioli, pepitas salad and pomegranate pear crisps from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. Renowned Gourmandise Chef May Hennemann will run this spookily sweet class. Registration is available for guests 16+ on The Gourmandise website: https://thegourmandiseschool.com/. 395 Santa Monica Pl #323

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SUNDAY OCT. 31
PAL'S "OUTDOOR SPOOKTACULAR" TRUNK OR TRICK EVENT

At this year's annual Spooktacular, families are invited to a trick or treat while safely distancing and admire festive Halloween decor. Santa Monica Police Department patrol cars will be dressed up in seasonal and Halloween-themed decorations. All are invited to this free community event. 4 p.m. to 6 p.m., Memorial Park Parking Lot, 1401 Olympic Blvd.

ESTERS WINE SHOP & BAR HALLOWEEN WINE TASTING

Esters Wine Shop & Bar is open from 3-9 p.m. on Halloween. Their weekly Sunday tasting is Orange Wine-themed for $25/person. Residents can swing by anytime from 3-9 p.m. for pours of four, funky wines and a mini cheese pairing. Those dressed up in a costume will receive a free "Spooky Cocktail" with a purchase of food.

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USC

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picking which 47 we want to play," Fisch said.

USC has outscored the opposition 88-13 in the fourth quarter this season, but much of that has been empty production in losses because the Trojans have been so dismal in the second and third quarters.

STILL FIGHTING

USC has little margin for error to avoid the ignominy of its second losing season in four years, and London insists the Trojans will do everything possible to salvage a bowl game at a minimum. And London is backing it up despite being draft-eligible and regarded as a possible first-round selection, insisting it's "100%" he'll play in the postseason should USC reach it.

"I think that's just our role as upperclassmen to guide them and lead them in a way that is better for the program and better for them as individuals," he said.

MORE OPTIONS

Arizona expects to have sophomore running backs Drake Anderson and Michael Wiley available after they missed the loss to the Huskies because of injuries. Anderson leads the team with 238 yards rushing, and Wiley is second with 185 yards.

UCLA

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For the Bruins, the focus is squarely on ending Utah's recent dominance in the series.

"You can go around and around and around with scenarios, but if you don't win it doesn't really matter," Kelly said.

BOWL ASPIRATIONS

UCLA is one win away from being bowl eligible for the first time in Kelly's four seasons in Los Angeles. The Bruins last qualified for a bowl in 2017 when they lost to Kansas State 35-17 in the Cactus Bowl.

LLOYD AND JOHNSON SIDELINED

Utah linebacker Devin Lloyd will not play in the first half against UCLA after being ejected for targeting against Oregon State. His temporary absence leaves Utah without a key defensive leader for a critical juncture. Lloyd leads the Pac-12 with 13 tackles for loss and is tied for first in the league with seven sacks. He is also the leading tackler for the Utes overall with 68.

UCLA cornerback Cameron Johnson will also miss the first half after being ejected for targeting in the third quarter against Oregon. Johnson has 23 tackles and two pass breakups for the Bruins this season.

RECEPTION MILESTONE

Kyle Phillips has tallied at least one reception in each of his last 25 games. With three catches on Saturday, Phillips can move into UCLA's all-time top 10 list for career receptions. He is currently 12th with 136 career catches and will tie Brian Poli-Dixon for 10th with three more. Phillips has led the Bruins in receptions each of the previous two seasons, totaling 98 over that stretch.

JERSEY HONOR

Utah will retire No. 22, the jersey number worn by Ty Jordan and Aaron Lowe, in a special ceremony between the first and second quarters Saturday. The ceremony will also feature a video tribute to Jordan and Lowe, friends and teammates who died nine months apart.

Jordan died at 19 in an accidental shooting on Christmas Day 2020 and Lowe changed his number to honor his friend. The 21-year-old Lowe was shot at a house party on Sept. 26, hours after Utah's game against Washington State.

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