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Many Santa Monicans are due for a COVID-19 booster shot

CLARA HARTER
SMDP Staff Writer

While many residents remember the joy, or pain, of receiving their COVID-19 vaccination like it was yesterday, a large swath of the local population is already eligible for a booster shot.

The CDC has recommended booster shots for all three FDA-approved vaccines—Pfizer, Moderna and Johnson & Johnson—and is allowing eligible patients to choose which vaccine they wish to receive as a booster dose.

Boosters are recommended first and foremost for all adults 65 and older, as this age group is at the highest risk of serious health consequences from Covid-19. Boosters are also recommended for anyone age 18 and older who has an underlying medical condition, lives in a long-term care setting, or lives or works in a high-risk setting. Examples of workers in high-risk settings include first responders, healthcare workers, education workers, and food and agriculture workers.

Individuals who received a Moderna or Pfizer vaccine are eligible for a booster six months after their second dose, while individuals who received a Johnson & Johnson vaccine are eligible two months after their dose. The Moderna booster is a half dose of the initial shots, while Pfizer's and J&J's boosters are the same as the initial doses.

"While we continue prioritizing getting unvaccinated people vaccinated against COVID-19, we encourage everyone who is eligible

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Plaintiffs in Homelessness Suit Amend Complaint Against LA City/County

FRED SHUSTER
Special to the Daily Press

The plaintiffs in a lawsuit seeking to force the county and city of Los Angeles to find shelter for the thousands of people camping on sidewalks and near freeways have filed a proposed updated complaint after a federal appeals court gutted the previous effort, documents obtained show.

The L.A. Alliance for Human Rights, an association of downtown residents, homeless individuals and property owners, added plaintiffs to the amended complaint, and described what it contends is the history of housing failures and systemic racism, which exacerbated the homelessness crisis. The suit updates equal protection claims — an area in the original suit that in September led the U.S. 9th Circuit Court of Appeals to overturn a judge's ruling favoring the plaintiffs.

The revised 116-page suit, filed late Friday in Los Angeles federal court, alleges decades of inactivity, missed opportunities, structural racism and fiscal waste on the part of the city and county, resulted in the current crisis in which the local population of people experiencing homelessness has nearly doubled in the past nine years.

"The only way to address this crisis with the urgency it deserves is an emergency response — providing immediate shelter for all, increasing necessary outreach, services, and treatment, and abating the degradation of our cities and communities, for the good of everyone," the suit states.

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New restaurant round up: Southeast Asian street food, churros and mocktails





Courtesy photos

FOOD: New restaurants are opening at a surprising pace coming out of the pandemic.

CLARA HARTER
SMDP Staff Writer

Sugar, spice and change is in the air with new bars, cafes and restaurants cropping up all around town. For those who might be behind the times, the Daily Press has compiled a list of Santa Monica's newest eateries.

COBI'S

While residents may have mourned the death of 50 year local institution Dhaba, they will be able to celebrate the rebirth of the space as Cobi's, a new restaurant serving a fresh take on South East Asian street food classics. The Main Street restaurant features a small but flavorful menu and a redone interior straight out of a Wes Anderson movie complete with floral wallpaper, mismatched antique furniture and lush plants dangling around vintage light fixtures.

Menu highlights include pork and shiitake dumplings, beef rendang, nasi goreng and dry-aged branzino with yellow curry. The raw bar features kanpachi with lime, green chili and coconut dressing as well as bluefin tuna with citrus dressing and prawn crisps. Sweet lovers will enjoy the Thai tea pudding with lemongrass and boba, while wine lovers will enjoy the selection of natural whites, reds, oranges and rosés.

The indoor-outdoor space is open at 2103 Main Street on Sunday to Wednesday from 5 to 10 p.m. and Thursday to Sunday until 11 p.m.

KINDRED SPIRIT

From the self-titled coffee geeks at Demitasse comes a new daytime drinks and dessert spot on the Promenade. Kindred Spirit serves a range of pastries, bagels, toasts, teas, coffee and elixirs inspired by the seasonal products on offer at the nearby Downtown Farmers Market.

At the center of their menu are a range of mocktails designed by Nikki Popkow and billed as "fresh flavors that lift the spirit." Each of the alcohol free drinks are infused with a touch of whimsy and are undoubtedly designed to be Instagrammable. There is the Cloud Nine Sparkling Brut mixed with glitter and topped with cotton candy and sprinkles as well

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Dear John

John Moos, MD

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Dear John,

What keeps you on track to finding happiness and living through love each day? How do you avoid getting derailed with the stresses of life that surround us?

CONTINUED FROM LAST WEEK...

The best definition of love I've heard came from my experience at The Hoffman Process: love is what overflows from your cup when you decide to fill your cup first. This identifies two important principles of love. First, you have to fill yourself whole with self-love. If you are trying to serve from a cup that is not full, you will diminish yourself until your cup runs dry. Serving from an empty cup is the quickest way to resentment, martyrdom, and burnout. Second, the outward expression of your love is a reflection of how you love and treat yourself. When you authentically and wholeheartedly love yourself, you will do the same for others. You will do so from a place of abundance, needing nothing in return. You will love without conditions or expectations, which will keep you out of the roles of persecutor, victim, or savior - the three roles of the dreaded drama triangle (The Power of TED by David Emerald). You will also identify that the love you give yourself and others does not depend on others. You are your own wellspring of vitality and love.

Building a language and understanding of love, and joy, will help you to stay in alignment despite the obstacles that will come your way. There will always be obstacles and stress is inevitable. You will get derailed. There is no way around this; it is the grist of living a human life. Stress is integral to growth. You cannot have growth without stress or friction. Stress is what guides us to our growth edge, those uncomfortable places that we need to lean into and move through in order to expand our capacity and capabilities. There is always going to be stress in our lives, so learning how to deal with and lean into it is more important than practicing how to avoid it. There is a notable example of this that came from the Biosphere 2 constructed by the University of Arizona. Scientists were studying the viability of growing plants on other planets. They accounted for all variables except wind. Without wind, the trees grew taller, faster, but inevitably collapsed. Without the stress of the wind, the trees didn't form "stress wood," which strengthened their bases allowing them to grow taller, more resilient, and mature properly. Stress is integral to our own maturation, fortitude, and growth. The more we welcome it into our lives, instead of avoiding or resisting it, the smoother and quicker we can transition back to our abundant growth.

With the proper language to describe love, happiness, and joy, I have no doubts you can use them like stepping stones on your own personal journey. And, hopefully, by reframing stress and shifting your perspective, it will allow you to look at adversity, challenges, and obstacles in a new light. Life is always giving us opportunities - only you can choose to receive them or resist them.

With love and light,

John Moos, MD

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

SACRAMENTO

Covered California begins open enrollment period for 2022

Open enrollment for the nation's largest state-run health insurance marketplace began Monday and runs through the end of January.

Covered California sells individual health insurance plans to people who can't get coverage through their job. Some people, depending on how much money they make, are eligible for deep discounts on their monthly premiums. Even families making more than $100,000 per year are eligible for discounts.

Covered California says if everyone chose the cheapest plan, more than 70% of consumers would pay less than $10 per month.

Twelve insurance companies will sell plans on Covered California for 2022. How many choices you get depends on where you live. Covered California says everyone will have at least two options.

More than 12.2 million people are enrolled in state and federal marketplaces across the country, including 1.6 million in California.

U.S. Health and Human Services Secretary Xavier Becerra participated in a news conference in Sacramento on Monday to launch the open enrollment period. He said the only thing people should be worried is the quality of their health care, not how much it costs.

"That's where we're heading. That's where President Biden wants to go," he said.

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CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

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

ON FRIDAY, OCT. 22, AT 11:45 P.M.

SMPD officers responded to a call near the 300 block of Santa Monica Blvd regarding a possible assault that had occurred. A suspect was accused of throwing bricks at a security guard and passersby from the rooftop of a neighboring building. With the help of the Santa Monica Fire Department, officers gain access to the roof where suspect, Nicholas Upton, 32 years old from Santa Monica, was located. He was arrested for assault with a deadly weapon and transported to the Santa Monica Jail.

Americans sour on economy amid inflation woes: AP-NORC Poll

KEN SWEET AND EMILY SWANSON

The Associated Press

Americans' opinions on the U.S. economy have soured noticeably in the past month, a new poll finds, with nearly half expecting economic conditions to worsen in the next year.

Just 35% of Americans now call the national economy good, while 65% call it poor, according to a poll by The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research. That's a dip since September when 45% of Americans called the economy good, and a return to about where views of the nation's economy stood in January and February, when the pandemic was raging across the nation.

The deterioration in Americans' economic sentiments comes as the cost of goods is rising nationwide, particularly gas prices, and bottlenecks in the global supply chain have made purchasing everything from furniture to automobiles more difficult. The Labor Department reported earlier this month that consumer prices in September rose 5.4% from a year earlier, the largest one-year increase since 2008.

Nadine Christian, 55, said she's been concerned about the rising cost of living the past year.

"I grew up in the 1970s and I remember it was hard for my parents to make ends meet," Christian said, referring to the last time the U.S. economy was severely impacted by high inflation. "It's not quite as bad as it was back then but I feel like any day we could go off the rails."

Roughly half of Americans — 47% — now say they expect the economy to get worse in the next year, compared with just 30% who think it will get better. In an AP-NORC poll conducted in February and March, the situation was reversed: 44% expected the economy to get better in the year ahead and just 32% said it would get worse.

Earlier this year, 70% of Democrats said they expected the economy to get better. Now, just 51% do. And the share of Republicans who think the economy will get even worse has grown to 74% from 59% earlier in the year.

Joseph Binkley, 34, from Indiana, said he's worried about inflation but thinks the problems in the economy are temporary.

"I think it's mostly a supply-demand issue, as the economy is improving," he said.

Binkley said he supports President Biden's economic policies.

"A lot of the first years of a presidency is dealing with the predecessor's policies. I think Biden is having to work through the problems of the previous administration."

The AP-NORC poll shows a majority of Americans are critical of Biden's handling of the economy, with 58% saying they disapprove and 41% saying they approve.

Despite the deterioration in Americans' economic outlooks, the poll found they remain relatively optimistic about their own financial situations. The poll found that 65% of Americans say their personal financial situation is good, a number that has remained about constant since before the pandemic began. Still, 24% say they think their personal finances will get worse in the next year, up from 13% earlier this year.

The poll also shows signs that the pandemic has helped improve workers' bargaining power: 36% of Americans are very or extremely confident that they could find a good job if they wanted to. In March of 2020, 25% said that, and in June of 2019, 30% said so. Another 35% say they're at least somewhat confident.

About half of Americans, 49%, now say they're highly confident they could pay an unexpected bill of $1,000, up from 36% in March of 2020 and 40% in June of 2019.

Economic inequalities between Black and Hispanic Americans compared to their white counterparts remain, however. White Americans are much more likely than Black or Hispanic Americans to be highly confident in their ability to pay an unexpected bill or medical expense.

For businesses, the supply chain issues have dampened economic forecasts. Dozens of large companies say it's been hard to find basic goods for manufacturing, like raw materials and semiconductors.

"Companies keep telling me, 'If I could just get the materials, my business would grow significantly,'" said Steve Steinour, CEO of Huntington Bancshares, a large regional bank chain found primarily in the Midwest.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

DENVER

California man charged in alleged flight attendant assault

A 20-year-old California man has been charged with assault and interfering with a flight crew in an alleged assault on a flight attendant on a cross-country American Airlines flight, federal prosecutors said Monday.

Details of the allegations against Brian Hsu of Irvine were not immediately available. The case was listed as sealed.

It is not known if Hsu has an attorney. He was expected to appear in federal court in California's Central District later Monday, the U.S. Attorney's Office for Colorado said in a press release.

Flight 976 from John F. Kennedy International Airport in New York to John Wayne Airport in Santa Ana, California was diverted to Denver on Wednesday because of the incident, which was investigated by the FBI and did not immediately result in an arrest.

The assault comes amid a surge in unruly airline passengers this year, who sometimes become violent.

Passenger Mackenzie Rose told CBS Los Angeles that the flight attendant was assaulted about halfway through the trip, when the plane was over Ohio.

At the time, Fort Worth, Texas-based American said the passenger, not publicly identified then, would be banned from all future flights and called for his prosecution. "This behavior must stop," it said.

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DAILY POLICE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 276 CALLS ON OCTOBER 31

Party Complaint 900Blk Lincoln Blvd 12:00 a.m.
Party Complaint 28th St / Pico Blvd 12:12 a.m.
Party Complaint 1000Blk 7th St 12:17 a.m.
Malicious Mischief Report Ocean Ave / Colorado Ave 12:33 a.m.
Loud Music 2500Blk Ocean Park Blvd 12:45 a.m.
Hit And Run Felony Investigation 3rd Street Prom / Wilshire Blvd 12:58 a.m.
Party Complaint 1000Blk Ashland Ave 1:00 a.m.
Party Complaint 600Blk 9th St 1:29 a.m.
Loud Music 500Blk Broadway 1:40 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1500Blk Berkeley St 2:16 a.m.
Battery Now 1700Blk Ocean Ave 2:50 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 900Blk Pico Blvd 3:21 a.m.
Loud Music 1500Blk 4th St 3:23 a.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries Princeton St / Santa Monica Blvd 5:32 a.m.
Theft Of Recyclables 600Blk Navy St 6:53 a.m.
Burglary Now 600Blk Broadway 7:00 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 700Blk 22nd St 7:48 a.m.
Person With A Gun 1600Blk Wilshire Blvd 8:11 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 100Blk Colorado Ave 8:17 a.m.
Encampment 1100Blk 18th St 8:34 a.m.
Vehicle Cite & Tow (Parking Problem) 800Blk Princeton St 8:39 a.m.
Malicious Mischief Report 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 8:46 a.m.
Malicious Mischief Report 1700Blk 11th St 9:04 a.m.
Malicious Mischief Report 1700Blk 11th St 9:05 a.m.
Encampment 800Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 9:16 a.m.
Drinking In Public 1300Blk Wilshire Blvd 9:19 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 300Blk Santa Monica Blvd 9:23 a.m.
Grand Theft Now Stewart St / Colorado Ave 9:25 a.m.
Person Down 2000Blk 6th St 9:34 a.m.
Malicious Mischief Report 2100Blk 3rd St 10:13 a.m.
Burglary Report 1500Blk Centinela Ave 10:53 a.m.
Encampment 1000Blk 9th St 10:57 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 500Blk Wilshire Blvd 11:08 a.m.
General Parking Problem 2000Blk Ocean Ave 11:18 a.m.
General Parking Problem 2000Blk Ocean Ave 11:26 a.m.
Lewd Activity 1300Blk 2nd St 11:33 a.m.
Abandoned Vehicle 1200Blk Hill St 11:34 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 2000Blk Ocean Ave 11:45 a.m.
Sexual Assault 300Blk Santa Monica Pier 12:19 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1000Blk 10th St 12:32 p.m.
Encampment 800Blk Grant St 12:36 p.m.
Encampment 1800Blk 9th St 12:51 p.m.
Abandoned Vehicle 2600Blk Barnard Way 12:52 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1600Blk Sunset Ave 1:09 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 3100Blk Olympic Blvd 1:11 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 900Blk Ocean Ave 1:21 p.m.
Encampment 1800Blk 12th St 1:34 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 1:36 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 2000Blk Olympic Blvd 1:48 p.m.
Vehicle Parked In Alley 1500Blk Lincoln Blvd 1:50 p.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred 2600Blk Main St 2:05 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 2:11 p.m.
Drinking In Public 700Blk Broadway 2:29 p.m.
Assault Just Occurred 3000Blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:34 p.m.
Abandoned Vehicle 900Blk 4th St 2:45 p.m.
Public Intoxication 800Blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:46 p.m.
Found Property 300Blk Santa Monica Pier 2:50 p.m.
Lewd Activity 1400Blk 16th St 3:11 p.m.
Loud Music 3100Blk 2nd St 3:11 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1600Blk Ocean Ave 3:12 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 600Blk Grant St 3:18 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed 2000Blk 4th St 3:27 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1800Blk 16th St 3:27 p.m.
Petty Theft Report 1800Blk 4th St 3:27 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 500Blk Pico Blvd 3:30 p.m.
Traffic/Vehicle Stop 14th St / Montana Ave 3:52 p.m.
Party Complaint 3100Blk 2nd St 4:07 p.m.
Encampment 2200Blk California Ave 4:31 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto In Progress 800Blk Maple St 4:56 p.m.
Fight 400Blk 16th St 5:13 p.m.
Traffic Collision - Unknown Injuries Cloverfield Blvd / Interstate 10 6:02 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 100Blk Broadway 6:09 p.m.
Burglary Report 1100Blk Ocean Park Blvd 6:13 p.m.
Vehicle Cite & Tow (Parking Problem) 1400Blk 18th St 6:29 p.m.
Traffic Control Request - Level 1 16th St / Georgina Ave 6:36 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 4th St / Wilshire Blvd 6:53 p.m.
Found Property 20th St / Washington Ave 7:06 p.m.
Traffic/Vehicle Stop 20th St / Wilshire Blvd 7:09 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 1500Blk Wilshire Blvd 7:13 p.m.
Traffic/Vehicle Stop 1300Blk Ocean Ave 7:15 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 600Blk Wilshire Blvd 7:17 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 2nd St / Wilshire Blvd 7:22 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 200Blk Broadway 7:48 p.m.
Malicious Mischief Just Occurred 900Blk Arizona Ave 7:51 p.m.
Loud Music 3100Blk 2nd St 8:15 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred Ocean Ave / Santa Monica Blvd 8:40 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 20th St / Olympic Blvd 8:42 p.m.
Auto Burglary Now 4th St / Arizona Ave 8:47 p.m.
Exhibition Of Speed Berkeley St / Santa Monica Blvd 8:59 p.m.
Public Intoxication 800Blk 10th St 9:07 p.m.
Petty Theft Report 2700Blk Main St 9:19 p.m.
Assault W/Deadly Weapon Just Occurred 800Blk 10th St 9:24 p.m.
Battery Report 1100Blk 6th St 9:31 p.m.
Malicious Mischief Just Occurred 1500Blk Berkeley St 9:41 p.m.
Party Complaint 600Blk 21st Pl 9:57 p.m.
Domestic Violence Now 1800Blk 22nd St 10:02 p.m.
Loud Music 2100Blk Ocean Ave 11:30 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 35 CALLS ON OCTOBER 31

EMS 2200Blk 30th St 12:51 a.m.
EMS 2600Blk 24th St 2:53 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 2800Blk Santa Monica Blvd 3:10 a.m.
EMS Princeton St / Santa Monica Blvd 5:32 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1800Blk 9th St 5:48 a.m.
EMS 900Blk Princeton St 6:04 a.m.
EMS 900Blk Berkeley St 9:05 a.m.
Elevator Rescue 200Blk Ocean Ave 9:13 a.m.
EMS 300Blk Santa Monica Blvd 9:37 a.m.
Automatic Alarm 1800Blk 9th St 10:24 a.m.
EMS 900Blk 22nd St 10:47 a.m.
EMS 1400Blk Arizona Ave 11:00 a.m.
EMS 2200Blk 29th St 12:18 p.m.
EMS 700Blk 25th St 12:20 p.m.
EMS 900Blk Lincoln Blvd 12:37 p.m.
EMS 2200Blk Virginia Ave 12:57 p.m.
EMS 1200Blk Lincoln Blvd 1:45 p.m.
EMS 6th St / Arizona Ave 2:25 p.m.
EMS 23rd St / California Ave 2:30 p.m.
EMS 800Blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:58 p.m.
EMS 26th St / Arizona Ave 3:19 p.m.
EMS 200Blk Santa Monica Blvd 4:58 p.m.
EMS 1800Blk 19th St 5:24 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury Cloverfield Blvd / Interstate 10 6:02 p.m.
EMS 1400Blk 7th St 6:03 p.m.
EMS 100Blk Broadway 6:12 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 2300Blk Washington Ave 6:16 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 1900Blk 11th St 6:49 p.m.
EMS 600Blk Wilshire Blvd 7:19 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury 20th St / Olympic Blvd 8:44 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injury 20th St / Olympic Blvd 8:45 p.m.
EMS 800Blk 10th St 9:14 p.m.
EMS 1900Blk Cloverfield Blvd 9:26 p.m.
EMS 500Blk Pico Blvd 9:39 p.m.
EMS 1300Blk 15th St 11:12 p.m.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Venice

Venice Family Clinic merges with South Bay Family Care

Venice Family Clinic and South Bay Family Health Care, which have together provided more than a century of health care to L.A. County residents in need, announced today that they have completed their merger and will move forward as a single organization.

Operating under the name of Venice Family Clinic, the nonprofit community health center is expanding the scope and comprehensiveness of its services to the 45,000 patients the two organizations serve and to people without care in their combined service areas stretching from the Santa Monica Mountains through the South Bay.

"The need for more comprehensive health care and greater access to that care has never been clearer," said Venice Family Clinic CEO Elizabeth Benson Forer, who will lead the merged organization. "This merger comes during a global public health crisis of historic scale, and at a time when communities throughout Los Angeles are wrestling with the consequences of inequities in access to health care and in the delivery of that care. Venice Family Clinic and South Bay Family Health Care have been longtime allies in the fight to overcome health care disparities and, together as one organization, we will continue to provide access to high-quality health care for people in need, build health equity and deliver better outcomes for our patients and the communities we serve."

Each health center has been providing care for more than 50 years, growing to serve neighboring areas extending from Malibu to Torrance and overlapping in Inglewood and Hawthorne. The health centers' leadership teams worked together for many years to better serve these areas, and their ongoing collaboration informed the decision to merge operations.

"We share the same mission, values and commitment to delivering care with compassion, dignity and respect," said Jann Hamilton Lee, who has served as the CEO of South Bay Family Health Care and will now serve as a senior executive of the merged organization until her retirement in December. "By merging, we will advance our shared mission of providing high-quality health care to people regardless of their ability to pay, insurance or immigration status. Most importantly, we will be able to do more together for our patients than the two organizations could do separately, and that is what makes this merger so exciting."

Patients of both health centers can expect the same high-quality care they currently enjoy with the same providers and at the same locations. At the same time, the unified organization will be able to build on and expand innovative programs that increase access to care and make patients and the community healthier. For example, Venice Family Clinic plans to expand its pioneering street medicine program, which provides health care to people experiencing homelessness, to the South Bay.

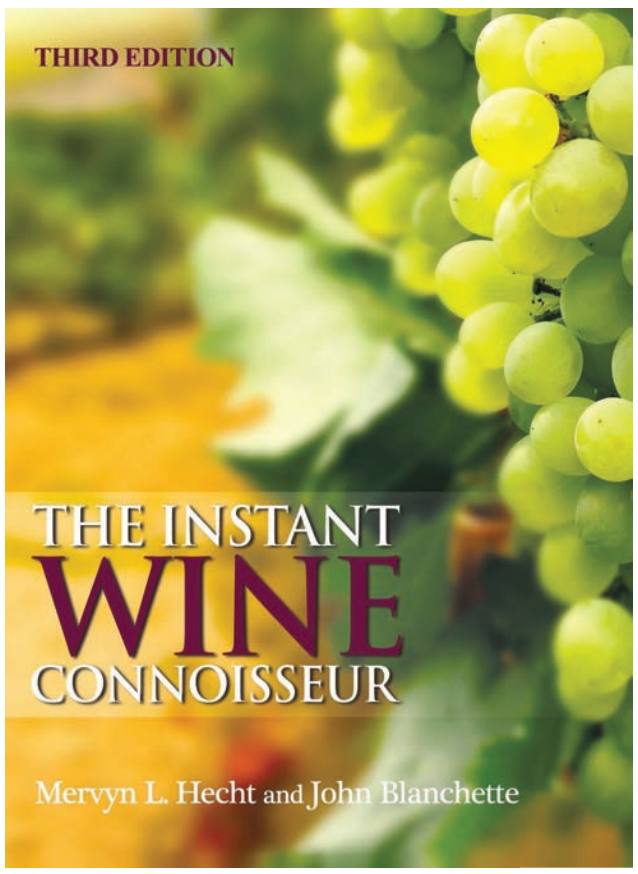
"Each of us has a proud legacy of caring for our communities, and we will apply what's best from each one to create a stronger unified organization," said Forer. "Building on those legacies, we plan to expand our care to help people whose needs remain unmet."

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What's the Point?

David Pisarra — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Men! Let's Talk, It's Movember!

Last month was all about the women with Breast Cancer Awareness (the corporate world turns Pink for October!) and Domestic Violence Awareness month with the occasional nod to the fact that men and boys are victims of domestic violence and abuse. (Yes, I took a few shots last month over my documented, supported and substantiated claim that men and women are targets of domestic violence in roughly equal numbers. My detractors of course, could not be bothered to provide me with anything other than frantic claims of "DAVID this is not true at all - and dangerous for you to spread this - the stats are nowhere near equal - it smacks of yet another attempt at minimizing women's issues..."

When I provided my critic with a report that substantiates my position, directing them to literally the page and paragraph of the Centers for Disease Control National Intimate Partner and Sexual Violence Report, I was told that "this smacks to me of a total smear job of spin against women."

When I pointed out that it was the CDC – you know the U.S. Government – I got back, "Yes - it's old and based on much older data and incomplete and slanted."

I asked for them to "... point me towards a more recent, more accurate, more complete and less slanted study/report by an equally reliable resource?" The response was "Your's [sic] is the worst most slanted check any others - I have been really busy and will get to this later,,but honestly David- who are you kidding with this crap?"

I'm still waiting for *ANY* other credible report, but in reality I'm moving on, because it's MOVEMBER!

Yep that month of the year when men across the globe have an excuse to not shave their upper lip. To put a caterpillar on their face, and to do it all with the intention of increasing awareness of men's issues like prostate and testicular cancer, suicide prevention and mental health.

I've been a longtime proponent for a Santa Monica Men's Commission, which we all know is going nowhere with this city council and its current composition. My application to the Commission on the Status of Women is on hold, as is the Commission last time I checked (supposedly there's an upcoming Council Agenda Item regarding the status of all commissions – but I can't get an answer on what's happening there. Let alone the future feasibility of a Diversity commission that I've ALSO asked for and offered to be on – which is probably also going nowhere.)

Movember started out as a movement by two Aussies in 2003 who enrolled 28 other men to grow a mustache and has grown into a global movement with over 6,000,000 participants, 1,250 men's health related projects and last year raised over $16 million dollars in the U.S. alone, and almost $100 million globally,which was used for funding inventions, outreach and services.

My personal connection to this movement is that I have lost friends to suicide. It's a devastating event in one's life that creates unanswerable questions, personal guilt and hurt. The grief of losing a friend or family member to suicide seems to be a more potent kind to me. I've lost family and friends to natural and unnatural causes. I know men who fought, or are fighting, prostate cancer. Most men will die with it, not from it. But some do.

The men though that die by suicide, those sting more than the others for me. I never got to say goodbye. I never got to reach out and help. They never let me, or anyone, know that they were in pain. They didn't call the National Suicide Prevention Hotline at 800-273-8255.

We lose a lot of men to suicide every day. Veterans take their own lives each day by the score. Men in their 50s are at an increased risk of suicide due to several factors like: midlife crisis, drop in testosterone that causes depression, homelessness, unemployment, substance abuse trying to self-medicate over the above reasons.

I'm self-aware enough to know that I need to speak to my doctor and be brutally honest with him about what's going on. I had my testosterone checked, so far I'm in the normal range. I know that I need to have male friends that I can share with, and that I have to create an environment that allows them to share with me.

This past week I was working with a young man who was in crisis. I could see the hurt on his face, the unsaid shame rose from him like bad cologne. I made it okay for him to share with me what his fears, hurts and shame were. At one point we were both crying and I can say that he left my office a bit lighter, a bit more relieved and with a new safe place for him to share his emotions. He was bottling them up, like so many men do. They were starting to come out sideways. He was being angry and short with his partner but she didn't know why, and neither did he. By the end of our session, he was calmer and ready to talk to her.

That's the power of one man talking to another. Lives are saved. Mental health is restored and relationships are healed. This is why this Movember, I'll be growing something on my upper lip. Could be a Rhett, might be a Magnum, maybe I'll go Handlebar.

No matter what though. I'll be doing it for the men I know and love, and the ones I've not met yet who need to know it's okay to talk about their mental health, prostates and testicles. Because together we can reduce the numbers of men who die by suicide and cancer.

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COVID vaccine for younger kids already being packed, shipped

RICARDO ALONSO-ZALDIVAR
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Anticipating a green light from vaccine advisers, the Biden administration is assembling and shipping millions of COVID-19 shots for children ages 5-11, the White House said Monday. The first could go into kids' arms by midweek.

"We are not waiting on the operations and logistics," said coronavirus coordinator Jeff Zients.

By vaccinating children, the U.S. hopes to head off another coronavirus wave during the cold-weather months when people spend more time indoors and respiratory illnesses can spread more easily. Cases have been declining for weeks, but the virus has repeatedly shown its ability to stage a comeback and more easily transmissible mutations are a persistent threat.

On Tuesday, a special advisory panel to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention will meet to consider detailed recommendations for administering the Pfizer-BioNTech vaccine to younger children. The Food and Drug Administration already cleared the shots, which deliver about one-third of the vaccine given to adults. After CDC advisers make their recommendations, agency director Dr. Rochelle Walensky will give the final order.

Zients said the government has enough of the Pfizer vaccine for all 28 million children in the 5-11 age group. "We're in great shape on supply," Zients said during the White House coronavirus briefing.

The children's vaccination drive is expected to start later this week and go into full swing by next week. Parents will be able to go to vaccines.gov and filter on vaccines for children 5-11 to find a location near them that is offering the shot.

Pfizer's vaccine already has been authorized for use in older children.

After the FDA gave its authorization for younger children, the Biden administration asked states, territories and other jurisdictions to place their initial orders. Workers at the drug company and at distribution centers began the process of preparing and packing 15 million doses, said Zients.

"More doses will be packed and shipped and delivered," he added. "More and more vaccine will come on line as we ramp up."

The goal is for parents to have a range of options for getting children vaccinated, from pediatricians' offices to clinics and pharmacies.

Walensky acknowledged both a sense of urgency and concern about getting children vaccinated. She stressed that clinical trials of the Pfizer vaccine for children have found it highly effective in preventing serious disease, with no severe adverse reactions in safety and efficacy trials.

"There has been a great deal of anticipation from parents," Walensky said. "I encourage parents to ask questions."

Separately, Zients announced that about 70% of U.S. adults are now fully vaccinated, while 80% have received at least one vaccine dose.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide

Santa Monica Extends Local Emergency to January 31

The City of Santa Monica's Forty-First Emergency Supplement signed October 29, 2021, extends the City's remaining local emergency orders through January 31, 2022. It also extends the City's protections against eviction for reasons other than nonpayment of rent and renews the landlord's eviction reporting requirement.

Specifically, the order adopts provisions of the Los Angeles County's COVID-19 Tenant Protections Resolution, including residential eviction protections for reasons other than nonpayment of rent (such as no-fault termination of leases, owner move-ins, nuisance, and unauthorized occupants or pets). The supplement also revises the email (EMReports@santamonica.gov) to which landlords should send any notices of endeavors to evict.

While the residential eviction moratorium for nonpayment of rent has ended, the statewide rental assistance program is ongoing, and residential tenants may still be protected from eviction if they apply for state rent relief. So far, close to $18.5 million has been paid to Santa Monica landlords and tenants, with an average assistance of $16,207 per household. Applications for rent and utility assistance are still being accepted at https://housing.ca.gov/. Santa Monica tenants and landlords who need help applying for state rental assistance can call 311.

Later expiration dates stated in specific supplements remain unchanged as do the emergency orders that have not previously expired or been modified. These include suspension of water shutoffs for nonpayment of water bills; adoption for enforcement of Los Angeles County public health orders; time limits on loud construction activities; reporting requirements on notices of endeavors to evict, and extensions of deadlines for planning and permit-related activities.

"As we enter the holiday season and we once again gather safely with friends and loved ones, remember that COVID-19 remains a serious threat and there are measures we can take to prevent its spread," said City Manager David White. "Get the COVID-19 vaccine or booster if you are eligible and remember to schedule a flu shot. Enjoy celebrations outside and if moving indoors, ensure your company is vaccinated. Thank you to the nearly 87 percent of our community who has received the COVID-19 vaccine."

Don't forget that you can get a digital COVID-19 vaccine record at myvaccinerecord.cdph.ca.gov. To schedule a COVID-19 vaccine or booster if eligible, visit vaccines.gov.

For the latest information, please visit santamonica.gov/coronavirus, or call 3-1-1.

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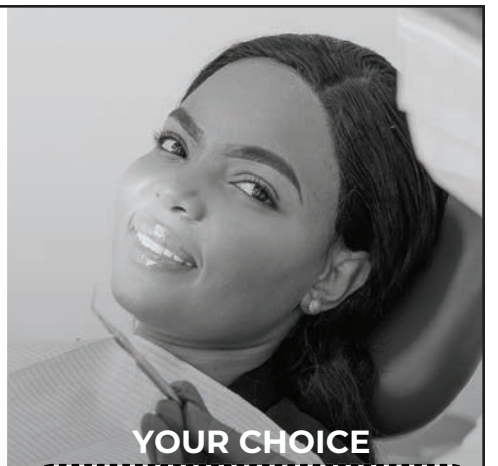
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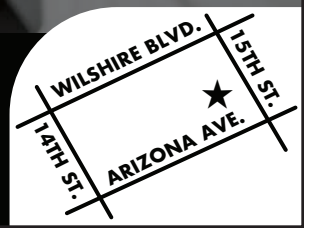
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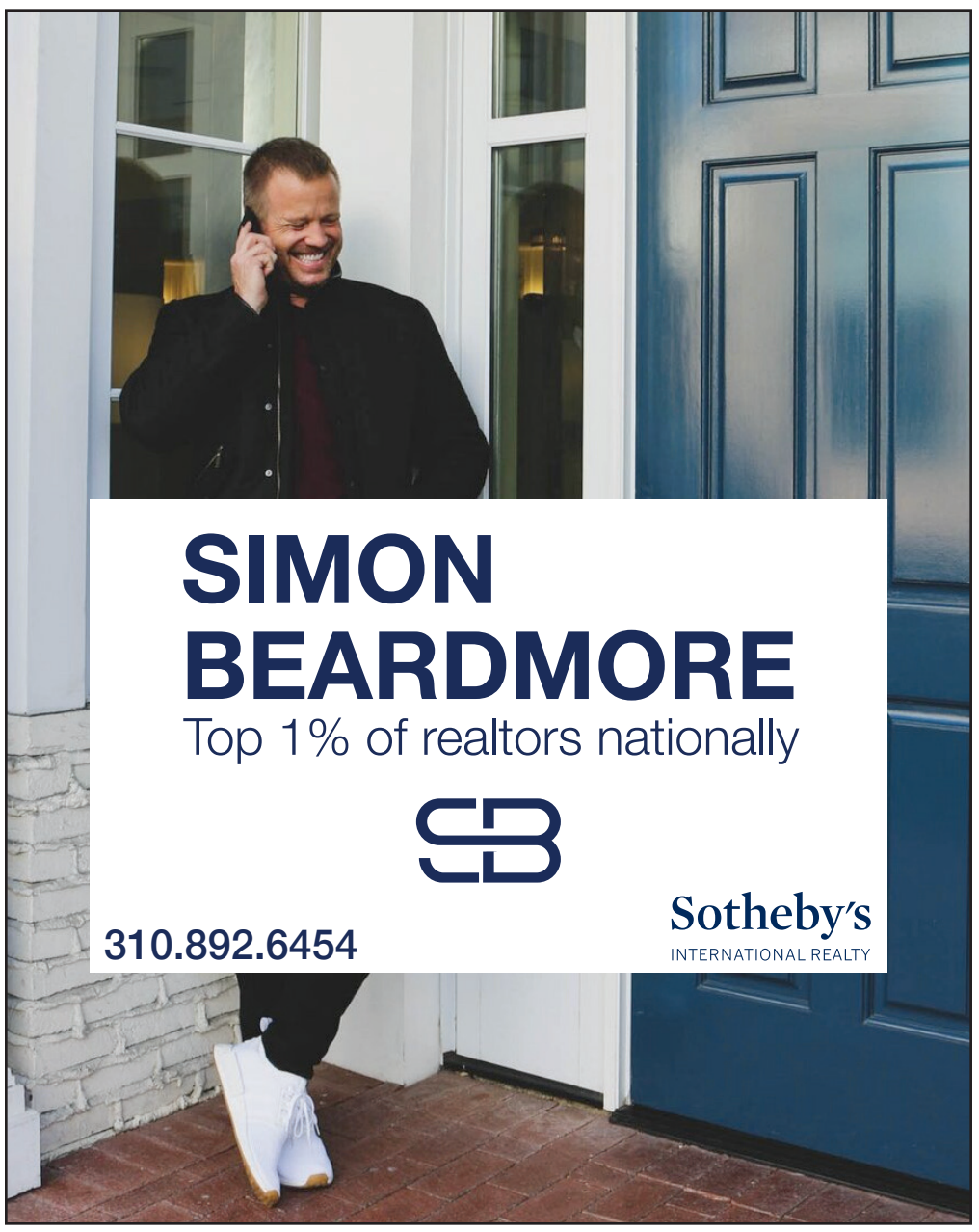
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FOOD

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as the Monsieur Café, which features spirit of bourbon, vanilla bean syrup, Demitasse cold brew, cherry juice and a topping of whipped cream and espresso caviar.

Kindred Spirit is open at 1260 3rd Street Promenade, Wednesday through Sunday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m.

PAPI'S TACOS & CHURROS

Papi Tacos and Churros is a well loved Mexican street food joint from Jefferson Park. Unfortunately, their original location has been closed since April due to heavy fire damage, but fortunately for local residents they recently opened a Downtown location just steps from the Promenade.

The no nonsense menu is centered around their red tacos designed for dipping in their 16-hour cooked consommé. Churros are made fresh from scratch daily and are available with lechera, dulce de leche, chocolate, nutella and ice cream. Taco and burrito fillings are either beef birria pollo asado, or smoked jackfruit for vegetarians.

Papi Tacos and Churros is located at 313 Wilshire Blvd. and is open from 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Tuesday through Sunday.

PREVIEW: THE BROTHERS SUSHI

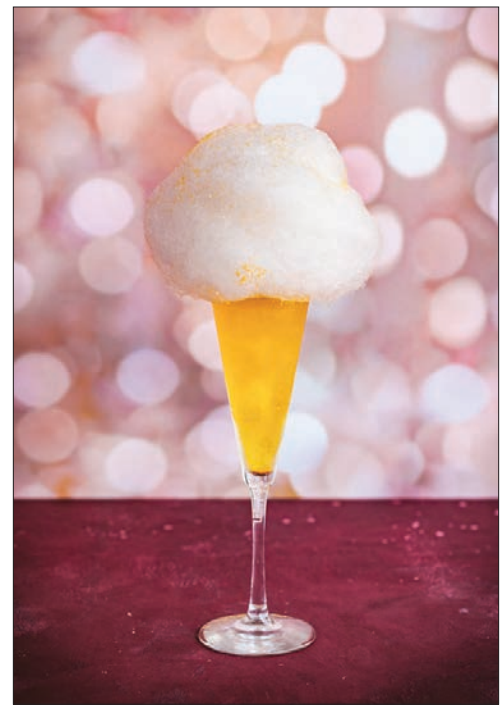
Uber popular Woodland Hills sushi bar is opening a second location on Montana Ave. The new restaurant is replacing the former Maria's Italian Kitchen space and is expected to open soon. The restaurant specializes in high-end sushi that can be bought both Omakase and a la carte. Bento boxes are a popular takeout option, while those who dine in person will be able to consult with an onsite sake advisor.

Reps for Brothers Sushi told Eater LA that the Montana location will keep much of the Woodland Hills menu designed by Chef Mark Okuda. Currently, Omakase offerings range from $100 per person for the Sushi Omakase, to $180 per person for the seasonal Modern Omakase. Although billed as the Basic Omakase, the midrange $125 offering is quite a feast and includes mori-no salad, tuna and sawara sashimi, lobster tempura, dry age ora king salmon, dobin chowder, a sushi selection, yuzu cheesecake and the option to add on a wagyu steak and king crab leg.

The Brothers Sushi will open at 1008 Montana Ave.

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Courtesy photos

DRINKS: Some of the new options include traditional and specialty options.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

HOUSTON

World Series TV viewers for Braves-Astros up 37% for Game 3

Television ratings are up for the World Series along with its return to its usual format with games in each team's city.

Atlanta's 2-0 victory over visiting Houston in Game 3 on Friday drew a 6.1 rating, 16 share and 11,232,000 viewers on Fox. That was up 37% from 8,210,000 viewers for the Los Angeles Dodgers' 6-2 win over Tampa Bay in Game 3 last year, played at the neutral site of Arlington, Texas, due to the pandemic.

This year's Game 3 drew 11,471,000 viewers combined on Fox, Fox Deportes and Fox digital streams.

The Braves' win drew a 26.3 rating and 48 share in the Atlanta market, and 24.2 rating and 49 share in the Houston market.

Atlanta's 3-2 win in Game 4 on Saturday received a 7.2 overnight rating and 16 share from metered markets on Fox and Houston's 9-5 win on Sunday night, in which the Astros overcame a four-run, first-inning deficit against Atlanta, drew a 9.1 overnight rating and 19 share from metered markets.

National ratings will be available later this week.

The rating is the percentage of television households tuned in to a broadcast. The share is the percentage viewing a telecast among those households with TVs on at the time.

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Leaders dial up doomsday warning to kick-start climate talks

SETH BORENSTEIN
AP Science Writer

World leaders turned up the heat and resorted to end-of-the-world rhetoric Monday in an attempt to bring new urgency to sputtering international climate negotiations.

The metaphors were dramatic and mixed at the start of the talks, known as COP26. British Prime Minister Boris Johnson described global warming as "a doomsday device" strapped to humanity. United Nations Secretary-General António Guterres told his colleagues that humans are "digging our own graves." And Barbados Prime Minister Mia Mottley, speaking for vulnerable island nations, added moral thunder, warning leaders not to "allow the path of greed and selfishness to sow the seeds of our common destruction."

Amid the speeches, Indian Prime Minister Narendra Modi said his coal-dependent country will aim to stop adding greenhouse gases to the atmosphere by 2070 — two decades after the United States and at least 10 years later than China. Modi said the goal of reaching "net zero" by 2070 was one of five measures India planned to undertake to meet its commitments under the Paris climate accord.

Meanwhile, U.S. President Joe Biden and German Chancellor Angela Merkel avoided soaring rhetoric and delved into policy.

"There's no more time to sit back," Biden said in a more measured warning that also apologized for his predecessor's decision to temporarily pull the U.S. out of the historic 2015 Paris agreement, something he said put the country behind in its efforts. "Every day we delay, the cost of inaction increases."

In a recorded welcome message, Queen Elizabeth II said she hoped the conference would be "one of those rare occasions where everyone will have the chance to rise above the politics of the moment."

"History has shown that when nations come together in common cause, there is always room for hope," she said in the video, which was recorded on Friday at Windsor Castle.

One of the United Nations' biggest concerns is that some countries are more focused on amorphous long-term net-zero goals instead of seeking cuts this decade that could prevent temperature increases that would exceed the Paris goal.

Modi also outlined shorter-term goals for the world's third-biggest carbon emitter: raising its goal for non-fossil energy production, meeting half of its energy needs with renewable sources, cutting carbon emissions by 1 billion tons compared with previous targets and reducing the carbon intensity of its economy by 45% — all by 2030.

While 2070 sounds far off for India's pledge, four outside experts from think tanks and universities said India's new short- and long-term goals are significant, while not huge, because of that nation's development status. Ulka Kelkar, who directs India climate policy analysis for the World Resource Institute, said a lot depends on details, but the 2070 goal would be similar to the U.S. and Europe adopting net-zero goals 20 years ago.

Still, European officials privately expressed disappointment at India's late target, but declined to comment publicly.

European Commission President Ursula von der Leyen touted already announced efforts to make Europe "the first net-zero continent" in the long-term and cut emissions 55% in this decade. She pushed for other rich countries to aid poorer nations as much as Europe does and put a price on carbon emissions because "nature cannot pay that price anymore."

Bolivia President Luis Arce said the speeches from developed countries sought to portray them as climate change leaders "but this is far from the truth." He said rich nations need to face their historic responsibilities for causing the warming problem and not fix it by forcing rules on poor countries. The real solution, he said, "is an alternative to capitalism" and "unfettered consumerism."

Johnson pointed out that the 130-plus world leaders gathered for the leaders' summit portion of the conference had an average age of over 60, while the generations most harmed by climate change aren't yet born.

Outside the negotiations, youth climate activist Greta Thunberg accused world leaders of "pretending to take our future seriously."

"Change is not going to come from inside there," Thunberg said, "We say no more blah, blah, blah."

The conference aims to get governments to commit to curbing carbon emissions fast enough to keep global warming to 1.5 degrees Celsius (2.7 degrees Fahrenheit) above pre-industrial levels. The world has already warmed 1.1 degrees Celsius (2 degrees Fahrenheit). Current projections based on planned emissions cuts over the next decade are for it to hit 2.7C (4.9F) by the year 2100.

Increased warming over coming decades would melt much of the planet's ice, raise global sea levels and greatly increase the likelihood and intensity of extreme weather, scientists say. With every tenth of a degree of warming, the dangers soar faster, they say.

The other goals for the meeting are for rich nations to give poor nations $100 billion a year in climate aid and to reach an agreement to spend half of the money to adapt to worsening climate impacts.

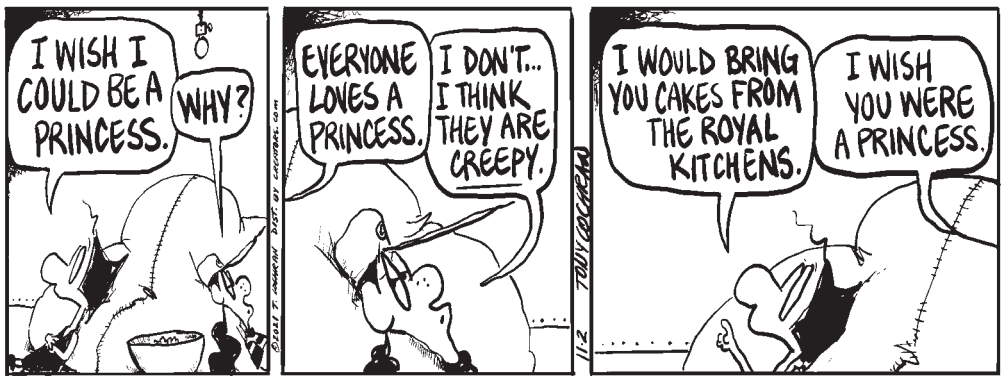
But Mottley, of Barbados, warned that negotiators are falling short.

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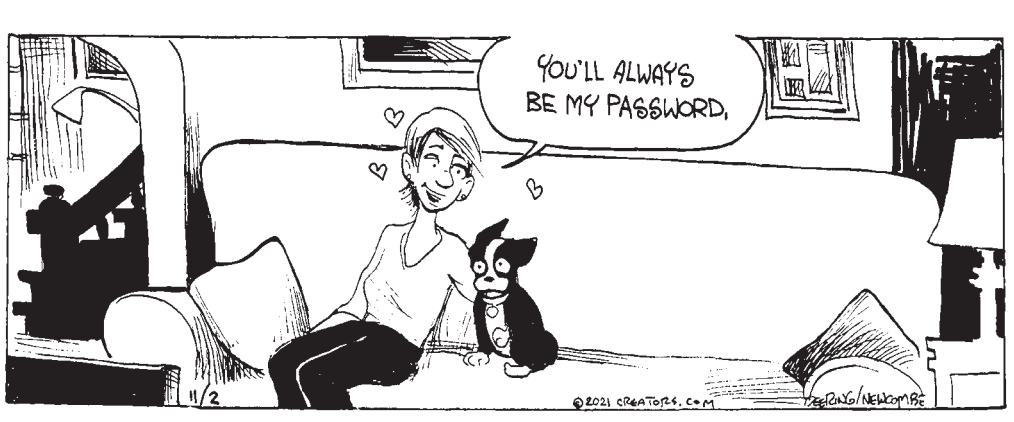
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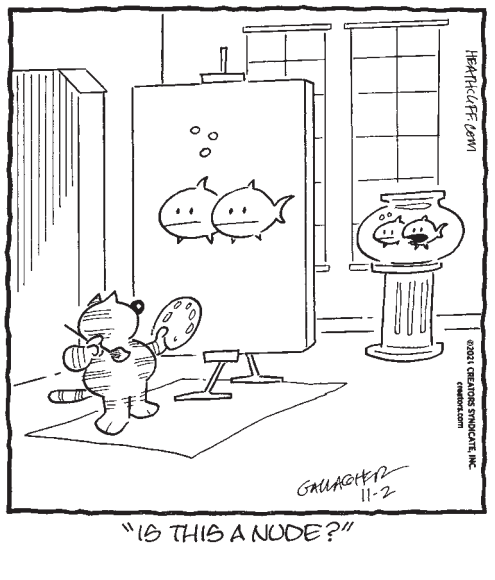
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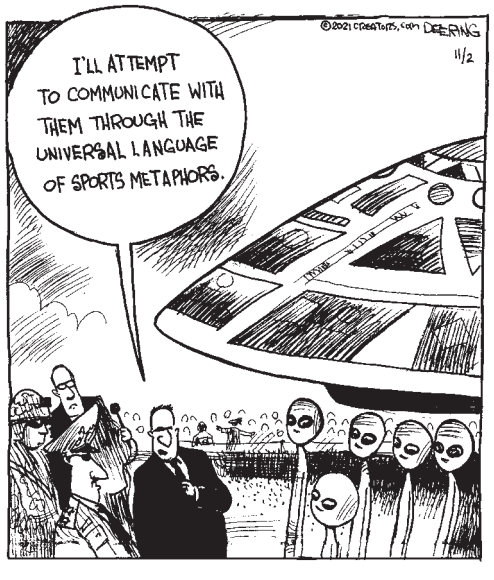
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SURF FORECASTS

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TUESDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft+ Waist to stomach high occ. 4 ft
Probably the best day of surf early week. The morning high tide is a drag but wind looks pretty amicable as it drops through the mid to late morning. Mixed WNW and SW swell.

WEDNESDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft Waist to stomach high occ. 4 ft
Down early but still rideable as WNW swell eases. New SSW swell builds late but won't really factor in for the morning. AM high tide continues to slow many breaks.

WEATHER

Tuesday: Cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 66.
Wednesday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, increasing clouds, with a low around 56.
Wednesday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 67.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). Strike lukewarm objectives from your list. Go for what you really want. Self-discipline doesn't always come naturally, but when your desire is strong enough, you'll do what it takes to get it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Most people don't take the time to craft their casual conversation, but you take pride in being as entertaining as you are informative. You'll tell a story that plucks on the heartstrings, tickles the funny bone and gets people thinking.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Some so-called methods of self-improvement will instead lead to diminishing the good resources you already have. Consider leaving things how they are, except appreciating or using them differently.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The intrigue of the unfamiliar, foreign cultures and other kinds of adventure call to you. Don't be afraid to dream big. You have time to make this happen. Think long-term. It's all doable with a good plan.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). New to the scene, it's hard to tell which actions are essential. The practices that serve no purpose beyond the political are extremely important to keep, as one wrong political move can thwart all production.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You got into it for fun, but this game you're playing is far more competitive than you'd imagined. Your own best intentions will not be enough to win. Add the power of a supportive team.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Without realizing it, you're making something for people to believe in. Your values shine through the work you do. The community feels the commitment inside your every gesture.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll be in a position to introduce yourself, your work or your cause. Note how your story has changed and is still evolving. The events you lived through are the same, but your take is different.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). To stand out as more charismatic than the bunch is so easy. All you have to do is get your head out of the phone and tend to real life, and you'll be far ahead of the digitally engaged masses.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The fantasy has you escaping the grind of your normal life and landing in a new realm. There is good information to reap from this dream — hints about what you really want out of life, and ideas about how to get it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). If only you had a "Gilligan's Island"-type theme song to outline your backstory and sum up how you arrived in the current comic predicament. Alas, you'll come up with your own clever way to bring people up to speed.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). People can tell it's good to be you because you say it with your choices, your confidence and your generosity. You try to keep your joy low-key, but it still spills all over the place.

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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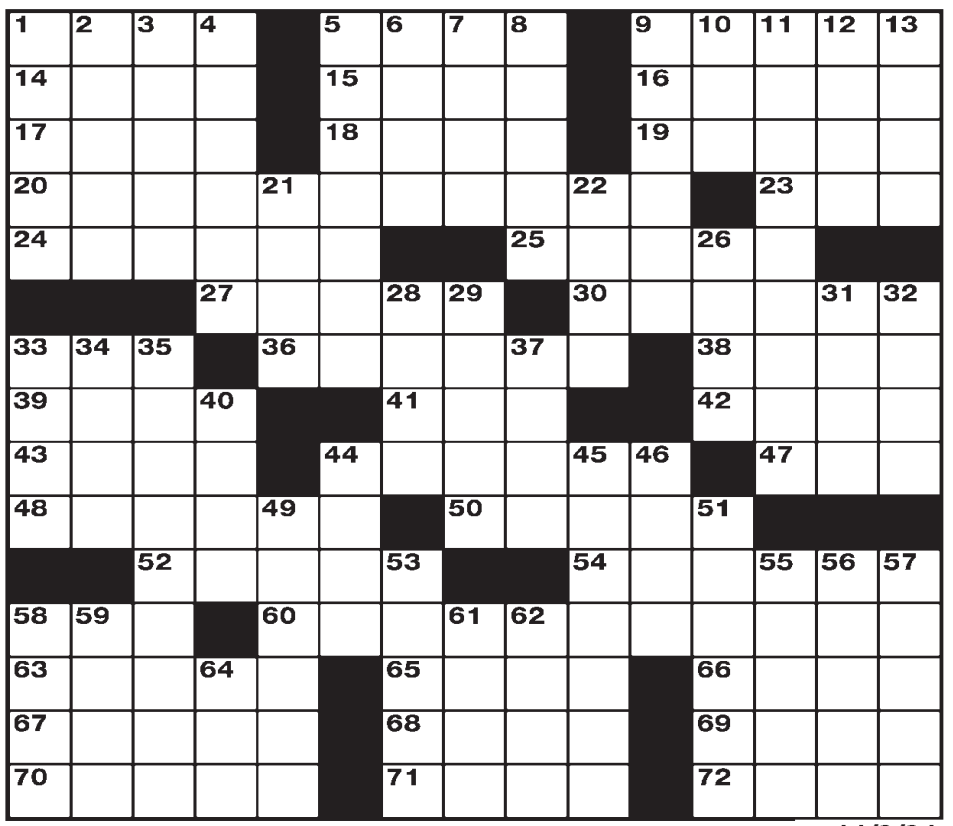
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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Forehead
5 __-fulfilling prophecy
9 Pie nut
14 Four-star review
15 Duo plus one
16 Caribbean resort island
17 "Terrible" Russian czar
18 San Juan, Puerto __
19 Less dangerous
20 Clothing closures at the waist
23 Aviate
24 Happened next
25 Detect an aroma
27 Social equals
30 Self-evident statement
33 Not hers
36 Openly disregards, as rules
38 Initial poker stake
39 Sound in a tunnel
41 "X __?" (tic-tac-toe choice)
42 Hawaiian instruments, for short
43 Tie up at a dock
44 Be able to pay for
47 Healthful resort
48 Villainous grins
50 Pilfer
52 Cash advances
54 Decorative fabric border
58 Keogh plan alternative
60 Clothing closures for outerwear
63 Specialty retail market
65 Pirate's plunder
66 Low poker pair
67 "Sorry to say . . ."
68 Reduced-price event
69 Poor, as an excuse
70 Tries out
71 Tacks on
72 Hurricane centers

DOWN
1 Illegal cash incentive
2 Poe's black bird
3 "Squashed circle" shapes
4 Ascended
5 German apple pastry
6 Explorer __ the Red
7 Small taste of a lollipop
8 Plays a trick on
9 Quarterback who's throwing
10 Historical period
11 Clothing closures at the wrists
12 Adam's second son
13 __ a soul (no one)
21 Hamburger or steak
22 CPR experts
26 Hawaiian feast
28 Solar panel site
29 Catches a wave
31 Ladder rung
32 Flat-topped Southwestern hill
33 Skirts' edges
34 App symbol to click on
35 Clothing closures around the feet
37 Car horn beep
40 Tri-level cookie
44 "It came __ surprise . . ."
45 Disproves
46 Missile in a pub game
49 Indy 500 entrants
51 Tiny
53 Taco topping
55 "Never!"
56 Bearded garden statue
57 What "endless" ends with
58 "What's __ for me?"
59 Teeming (with)
61 Frog's cousin
62 Courageous
64 Beret or bonnet



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What's Up Westside
out and about in Santa Monica

TUESDAY | NOV 2

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.

WEDNESDAY | NOV 3

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).

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Virtual meeting begins at 5:30 p.m.
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https://primetime.bluejeans.com/a2m/live-event/huqtyqzv
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THURSDAY | NOV 4

LIBRARY BOARD MEETING
The mission of the Santa Monica Public Library Board is to support and have charge of the administration of the Santa Monica Public Library. Due to COVID-19 precautions the Board is meeting virtually. Agenda: https://smpl.org/Library_Board.aspx. 7 - 9 p.m.

FRIDAY | NOV 5

ENGLISH AS S SECOND LANGUAGE (ESL) CONVERSATION, LOW
Santa Monica Public Library hosts an ongoing series of English as a Second Language (ESL) classes taught by Adult Education Center instructors. Classes are free and students must be 18 years or older to attend. Community parents and SMMUSD parents have priority enrollment. Learn more about California adult education at caladulted.org. Enrollment is through the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Adult Education Center, located at 2510 Lincoln Blvd., Room 203, Santa Monica, CA, 90405. Visit smmusd.asapconnected.com or contact Olga Saucedo at osaucedo@smmusd.org or (310) 664-6222, ext.76203 to enroll. Classes will begin in a virtual format. If live classes become possible, they will take place at Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. 10 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

SATURDAY | NOV 6

CONSCIOUS NIGHT MARKET
Elevated sustainable and wellness brands, healthy food trucks, local artisans, booch garden, live music and more. 4 to 9 p.m. 1351 3rd Street Promenade

OPENING RECEPTION FOR GRONK AND WOODS DAVY
Join us on Saturday November 6th from 4 to 6 p.m. for the opening of Gronk: GronkOne and Woods Davy: They Are What They Do. This event is free and open to the public. 2525 Michigan Ave, #B3

18TH STREET ARTS CENTER'S 2021 VIRTUAL GALA
An evening honoring essential arts workers evolving wellbeing, culture, and community life in LA. Join organizers in uplifting and honoring essential arts workers evolving wellbeing, culture, and community life in Los Angeles in an evening of music, video art, and more. 6 p.m. Online. Register at https://18thstreet.org/gala2021/.

SUNDAY | NOV 7

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.

FIRST DAY OF SCHOOL BAND: KIDS ROCK THE PROMENADE
Kids rock! The First Day of School Band (@fdosofficial,) perform live every Sunday, on the Third Street Promenade in Santa Monica. 3 p.m. 1330 Third Street.

For help submitting an event, contact us at
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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 18 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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Dancing lessons

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Ad lib	Dress	Jive	roll
Adapt	Drinks	Jota	Rondo
Barre	Easy	Kolo	Salsa
Basic	Enjoy	Lead	Samba
Boogie	Fast	Legs	Shimmy
Cancan	Floor	Onestep	Shoes
Caper	Gavotte	Pavan	Skilful
Carioca	Glide	Plan	Slip
Chasse	Hiphop	Polka	Teacher
Choreography	Hula	Rave	Tempo
Conga	Improvise	Reel	Tricky
Cool	Jazz	Rock and	Trot

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COVID

FROM PAGE 1

to enhance their immunity by getting a booster dose," said Director of Public Health Barbara Ferrer. "It is important that those at high risk because of their age, underlying health conditions, or occupational setting, get their booster dose, and we're encouraging people that fall into these higher-risk categories, to please make sure you are getting your boosters well before the holidays."

Individuals can make an appointment for a booster dose at VaccinateLACounty.com or by contacting their local pharmacy. Both Rite Aid and CVS are offering online scheduling for booster shots.

"COVID is still around, so our goal is to protect as much of our community as we can," said Lisa Kalajian, district leader CVS Health. "We want everyone to feel comfortable to go out and go back to normalcy and if that for them means receiving their booster then we absolutely recommend that they come in for that."

Kalajian said that people should talk to their doctor and consult the CDC guidance to decide which booster shot they would like to receive. CVS is offering Moderna and Pfizer boosters and each location will only offer one type. Patients can determine which pharmacies are delivering which shot when booking an appointment online.

In order to lower barriers to access, proof of eligibility will not be required to receive a booster, however individuals may be asked to sign a form attesting to their eligibility. Individuals should bring a digital or physical proof of their primary vaccination series to their booster appointment.

More information on CDC booster recommendations can be found at: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/vaccines/booster-shot.html

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HOMELESS

FROM PAGE 1

In his sweeping order in April, U.S. District Judge David Carter set a 180-day timetable for local government to offer shelter to every unhoused person on downtown's Skid Row.

The order was based on the court's finding of structural racism in the city's history of discriminatory lending, redlining, unequal access to affordable housing, and other past mistreatment and its disproportionate impact on the Black community.

City officials appealed, although the defendants did not dispute the premise that structural racism is a cause of homelessness on Skid Row. Instead, the city claimed Carter issued an overly broad order and abused the court's discretion.

The appellate court agreed, finding none of the plaintiffs' claims alleged racial discrimination and that the district court's order was largely based on claims and theories not argued in the complaint.

Carter had "impermissibly resorted to independent research and extra- record evidence," according to the appellate opinion. The panel vacated Carter's order that housing to downtown's homeless population must be offered by the middle of October.

The L.A. Alliance filed suit in federal court in March 2020, but litigation was almost immediately put on hold for nearly a year to explore settlement. From April to September, the parties waited on a ruling from the Ninth Circuit on the judge's preliminary injunction.

As a result, this case has only been active for less than three months and no discovery has begun," plaintiffs wrote.

A hearing is set for Nov. 29 in downtown Los Angeles to discuss the revised complaint.

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CLIMATE

FROM PAGE 7

"This is immoral and it is unjust," Mottley said. "Are we so blinded and hardened that we can no longer appreciate the cries of humanity?"

"We are already gasping for survival," chimed in President Wavel John Charles Ramkalawan of the Seychelles, another island nation. "Tomorrow is not an option for it will be too late."

Guterres struck an equally gloomy note.

"We are digging our own graves," said the U.N. secretary-general. "Our planet is changing before our eyes — from the ocean depths to mountaintops, from melting glaciers to relentless extreme weather events."

The speeches will continue through Tuesday, then the leaders will leave.

The idea is that they will do the big political give-and-take, setting out broad outlines of agreement, and then have other government officials hammer out the details. That's what worked to make the historic 2015 Paris climate deal a success, former U.N. Climate Secretary Christiana Figueres told The Associated Press.

"For heads of state, it is actually a much better use of their strategic thinking," Figueres said.

Thousands lined up in a chilly wind in Glasgow on Monday to get through a bottleneck at the entrance to the venue. But what will be noticeable are a handful of major absences.

Xi Jinping, president of top carbon-polluting nation China, is not in Glasgow. Figueres said his absence is not that significant because he isn't leaving the country during the pandemic and his climate envoy is a veteran negotiator.

Biden has chided China and Russia for their less-than-ambitious efforts to curb emissions and blamed them for a disappointing statement on climate change at the end of the meeting of leaders from the Group of 20 major economies in Rome this weekend.

Perhaps more troublesome for the U.N. summit is the absence of several small nations from the Pacific islands that couldn't make it because of COVID-19 restrictions and logistics. That's a big problem because their voices relay urgency, Figueres said.

In addition, the heads of several major emerging economies beyond China are also skipping Scotland, including those from Russia, Turkey, Mexico, Brazil and South Africa. That leaves Modi the only leader present from the so-called BRICS nations, which account for more than 40% of global emissions.

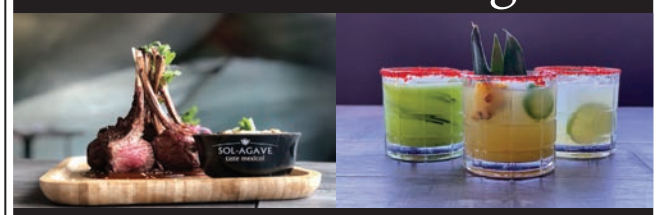
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