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Veterans Day
Santa Monica will mark Veterans Day with a ceremony at 11 a.m. in the North Beach Lot 1, 1550 PCH. The event can also be seen online at: https://www.youtube.com/user/Citytv16santamonica

Chamber CEO announces departure

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Longtime Chamber of Commerce CEO Laurel Rosen has stepped down from her position and will depart the chamber in the coming months pending the hiring of her replacement.

In a letter sent out Wednesday, the Chamber, Rosen said she was proud of her 23 years at the Chamber.

"From my earliest days, I was passionate about the role the Chamber plays in serving our beautiful community, and I have been inspired by the people I have met," she said. "I will be forever grateful to the friends and mentors who have supported me along the way, and I am very proud of our collective achievements."

Rosen spent nine years on the Chamber's Board of Directors before becoming the CEO.

The statement credited her with collaborating with the City of Santa Monica to create the Santa Monica Alliance, creating the Organization of Women Leaders (OWL), working with the city's Commission on the Status of Women to produce the International Women's Day and developing a slate of annual city-wide events, including the State of the City, Sustainable Quality Awards, New Heroes Celebration, Buy Local Health and Fitness Expo, among many others.

Board of Directors Chair Michael Ricks, chief executive of Providence Saint John's Health Center, said, "It's been a privilege to partner with

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Police Officers Association reaches settlement with City over unfair labor practice charge

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SMDP Staff Writer

The City and the Santa Monica Police Officers Association reached a settlement over an unfair labor practice charge filed by the SMPOA in response to the formation of the Public Safety Reform and Oversight Commission.

On July 23, SMPOA filed a complaint with the Public Employment Relations Board (PERB) alleging that the City failed its legal obligation to meet and confer with the SMPOA prior to City Council enacting Chapter 2.50 of the Municipal Code, which established the Commission.

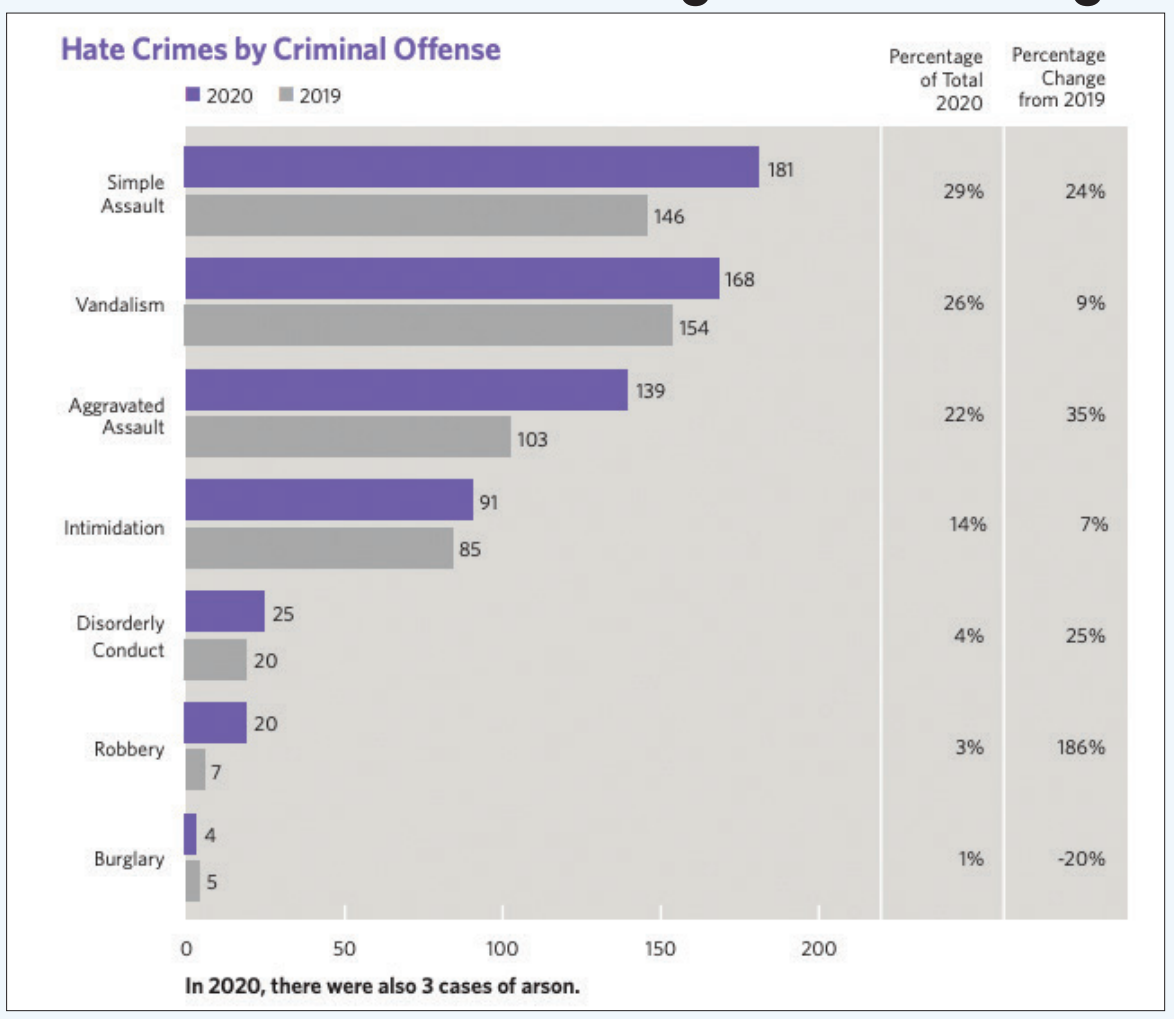
The Public Safety Reform and Oversight Commission was formed in the wake of the 2020 Black Lives Matter movement to provide independent oversight of the SMPD and recommendations to promote best practices in community-oriented policing.

It was the perspective of the union that they are entitled to confer with the City when an ordinance impacting the workplace conditions of personnel is enacted.

The recently announced settlement is predicated on several changes to the Municipal Code. Of greatest significance is the ability for the Police Chief and SMPOA to jointly appoint a non-voting member to serve on the Commission. This member cannot

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Spike in racial crimes drives L.A. County hate crime levels to 12 year record high



Courtesy image

CRIMES: Hate crimes increased in Los Angeles County by about 20 percent year on year.

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SMDP Staff Writer

Even though many residents were confined to their homes for months at a time, the number of hate crimes in Los Angeles soared in 2020 reaching the highest levels recorded since 2013.

The 20 percent year-on-year increase in hate crimes was largely due to a 54 percent spike in racial crimes. Crimes rose against African Americans, Latinos, whites and Asians.

The director of the L.A. County Commission on Human Relations Robin Toma pointed to three separate but unique events as being the drivers behind the explosion in hate: the presidential election, the pandemic and the protest movement following the killing of George Floyd.

The election led to increased partisan and racial division, while the protest movement was related to more racial clashes. The pandemic fueled resentment and anger, much of which was unfairly directed towards Asian Americans.

"This was a perfect storm that brought into focus so many phenomena that tore at our society's social fabric and surfaced many pre-existing prejudices, intergroup tensions and divisions," said Toma.

In total there were 635 hate crimes reported in the County in 2020, although Toma took care to point out that the US Department of Justice's crime victimization surveys repeatedly indicate that at least twice as many hate crimes

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As cities grow, wastewater recycling gets another look

BRITTANY PETERSON AND SAM METZ
Associated Press

Around the U.S., cities are increasingly warming to an idea that once induced gags: Sterilize wastewater from toilets, sinks and factories, and eventually pipe it back into homes and businesses as tap water.

In the Los Angeles area, plans to recycle wastewater for drinking are moving along with little fanfare just two decades after similar efforts in the city sparked such a backlash they had to be abandoned. The practice, which must meet federal drinking water standards, has been adopted in several places around the country, including nearby Orange County.

"We've had a sea change in terms of public attitudes toward wastewater recycling," said David Nahai, the former general manager of the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power.

The shifting attitudes around a concept once dismissively dubbed "toilet to tap" come as dry regions scramble for ways to increase water supplies as their populations boom and climate change intensifies droughts. Other strategies gaining traction include collecting runoff from streams and roads after storms, and stripping seawater of salt and other minerals, a process that's still relatively rare and expensive.

Though there are still only about two dozen communities in the U.S. using some form of recycled water for drinking, that number is projected to more than double in the next 15 years, according to WateReuse, a group that helps cities adopt such conservation practices.

In most places that do it, the sterilized water is usually mixed back into a lake, river or other natural source before being reused — a step that helps make the idea of drinking treated sewage go down easier for some.

Funding for more wastewater recycling projects is on the way. The bipartisan infrastructure bill passed by Congress has $1 billion for water reuse projects in the West, including the $3.4 billion project in Southern California.

And tucked into the federal budget reconciliation package being debated is $125 million in grants for alternative water sources nationwide that could include reuse technologies.

The Southern California project would be the nation's largest wastewater recycling program, producing enough water to supply 500,000 homes, according to the Metropolitan Water District, which serves 19 million people in Los Angeles and surrounding counties.

In Colorado, over two dozen facilities already recycle water for non-drinking purposes, which is more affordable than cleaning it for drinking. But growing populations mean cities could need to pull additional supply from the Colorado River, which is already strained from overuse.

At that point, it might make sense to start recycling for drinking purposes as well, said Greg Fisher, head of demand planning for Denver Water.

To warm residents to the idea, Colorado Springs Utilities is hosting a mobile exhibit that shows how wastewater recycling works. On a cold, rainy afternoon, dozens of visitors showed up to learn about the carbon-based purification process and sample the results, which several noted tasted no different than their usual supply.

The recycling process typically entails disinfecting wastewater with ozone gas or ultraviolet light to remove viruses and bacteria, then filtering it through membranes with microscopic pores to remove solids and trace contaminants.

Not all water can be recycled locally. Often, Western communities are required to send treated wastewater back to its source, so that it can eventually be used by other places that depend on that same body of water.

"You have to put the water back into the river because it's not yours," said Patricia Sinicropi, executive director of WateReuse.

As a result, much of the country already consumes water that's been recycled to some degree, simply by living downstream from others. It's why drinking water undergoes stringent sterilization even when it's pulled from a river or lake that looks clean.

Encouraged by efforts in other cities, even places with stable water supplies are considering recycling their own wastewater. After a poll showed broad support for the idea in Boise, Idaho, city officials began studying plans to recharge local groundwater with treated wastewater.

"We need to be managing for the potential impacts of climate change," said Haley Falconer, a senior manager in the city's environmental division.

The Southern California project, which still needs to undergo environmental review and finalize its funding plan, would also lessen the region's need to pipe in water from afar. In exchange for financing from water agencies in Nevada and Arizona, the area is ceding some of its share of the Colorado River.

"We're taking advantage of a water supply that's right here in our backyard," said Deven Upadhyay, chief operating officer for the Metropolitan Water District.

Officials emphasize the project uses technology that's been used safely elsewhere, including in Israel and Singapore. The reassurances have become critical after a separate Los Angeles wastewater treatment plant, which uses a different process to purify water for irrigation and industrial purposes, flooded and spilled sewage into the ocean in July.

"The last thing that any of us want is one of these projects that have a water quality hiccup that sets back public perception," Upadhyay said.

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US food banks struggle to feed hungry amid surging prices

JANIE HAR
Associated Press

U.S. food banks already dealing with increased demand from families sidelined by the pandemic now face a new challenge — surging food prices and supply chain issues walloping the nation.

The higher costs and limited availability mean some families may get smaller servings or substitutions for staples such as peanut butter, which some food banks are buying for nearly double what it cost two years ago. As holidays approach, some food banks worry they won't have enough stuffing and cranberry sauce for Thanksgiving and Christmas.

"What happens when food prices go up is food insecurity for those who are experiencing it just gets worse," said Katie Fitzgerald, chief operating officer of Feeding America, a nonprofit organization that coordinates the efforts of more than 200 food banks across the country.

Food banks that expanded to meet unprecedented demand brought on by the pandemic won't be able to absorb forever food costs that are two to three times what they used to be, she said.

Supply chain disruptions, lower inventory and labor shortages have all contributed to increased costs for charities on which tens of millions of people in the U.S. rely on for nutrition. Donated food is more expensive to move because transportation costs are up, and bottlenecks at factories and ports make it difficult to get goods of all kinds.

If a food bank has to swap out for smaller sizes of canned tuna or make substitutions in order to stretch their dollars, Fitzgerald said, it's like adding "insult to injury" to a family reeling from uncertainty.

In the prohibitively expensive San Francisco Bay Area, the Alameda County Community Food Bank in Oakland is spending an extra $60,000 a month on food. Combined with increased demand, it is now shelling out $1 million a month to distribute 4.5 million pounds (2 million kilograms) of food, said Michael Altfest, the Oakland food bank's director of community engagement.

Pre-pandemic, it was spending a quarter of the money for 2.5 million pounds (1.2 million kilograms) of food.

The cost of canned green beans and peaches is up nearly 9% for them, Altfest said; canned tuna and frozen tilapia up more than 6%; and a case of 5-pound frozen chickens for holiday tables is up 13%. The price for dry oatmeal has climbed 17%.

On Wednesdays, hundreds of people line up outside a church in east Oakland for its weekly food giveaway. Shiloh Mercy House feeds about 300 families on those days, far less than the 1,100 families it was nourishing at the height of the pandemic, said Jason Bautista, the charity's event manager. But he's still seeing new people every week.

"And a lot of people are just saying they can't afford food," he said. "I mean they have the money to buy certain things, but it's just not stretching."

Families can also use a community market Shiloh opened in May. Refrigerators contain cartons of milk and eggs while sacks of hamburger buns and crusty baguettes sit on shelves.

Oakland resident Sonia Lujan-Perez, 45, picked up chicken, celery, onions bread and potatoes — enough to supplement a Thanksgiving meal for herself, 3-year-old daughter and 18-year-old son. The state of California pays her to care for daughter Melanie, who has special needs, but it's not enough with monthly rent at $2,200 and the cost of milk, citrus, spinach and chicken so high.

"That is wonderful for me because I will save a lot of money," she said, adding that the holiday season is rough with Christmas toys for the children.

Many people also rely on other government aid, including the federal Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, or SNAP.

Kate Waters, a spokeswoman for the USDA, which administers the SNAP program, said there were no immediate plans for an emergency boost in SNAP benefits to compensate for the rising food costs. But she said that previous moves by the Biden administration such as the permanent increase in SNAP benefits earlier this year and a fresh wave of funding for food banks should help ease the burden. In addition, Waters said the fact that schools are open and offering free lunches and, in some cases, free breakfast, should also help.

Bryan Nichols, vice president of sales for Transnational Foods Inc., which delivers to more than 100 food banks associated with Feeding America, said canned foods from Asia— such as fruit cocktail, pears and mandarin oranges— have been stuck overseas because of a lack of shipping container space.

Issues in supply seem to be improving and prices stabilizing, but he expects costs to stay high after so many people got out of the shipping business during the pandemic. "An average container coming from Asia prior to COVID would cost about $4,000. Today, that same container is about $18,000," he said.

At the Care and Share Food Bank for Southern Colorado in Colorado Springs, CEO Lynne Telford says the cost for a truckload of peanut butter —40,000 pounds (18,100 kilograms)_has soared 80% from June 2019 to $51,000 in August. Mac and cheese is up 19% from a year ago and the wholesale cost of ground beef has increased 5% in three months. They're spending more money to buy food to make up for waning donations and there's less to choose from.

The upcoming holidays worry her. For one thing, the donation cost to buy a frozen turkey has increased from $10 to $15 per bird.

"The other thing is that we're not getting enough holiday food, like stuffing and cranberry sauce. So we're having to supplement with other kinds of food, which you know, makes us sad," said Telford, whose food bank fed more than 200,000 people last year, distributing 25 million pounds (11.3 million kilograms) of food.

Alameda County Community Food Bank says it is set for Thanksgiving, with cases of canned cranberry and boxes of mashed potatoes among items stacked in its expanded warehouse. Food resourcing director Wilken Louie ordered eight truckloads of frozen

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DAILY POLICE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 302 CALLS ON NOVEMBER 9

Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1200Blk 2nd St 4:12 a.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred Ocean Ave / Santa Monica Blvd 5:28 a.m.
Petty Theft Just Occurred Ocean Ave / Santa Monica Blvd 5:37 a.m.
Found Property 300Blk Olympic Dr 7:03 a.m.
Encampment 1400Blk The Beach 7:10 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred Ocean Ave / Bay St 7:54 a.m.
Battery Now Ocean Ave / Pacific St 7:54 a.m.
Burglary Report 1500Blk 17th St 8:04 a.m.
General Parking Problem 2400Blk Santa Monica Blvd 8:21 a.m.
Burglary Report 2100Blk 10th St 8:25 a.m.
Battery Just Occurred 1200Blk Ocean Ave 8:38 a.m.
Encampment 1500Blk Euclid St 8:39 a.m.
Animal Related Incident Cloverfield Blvd / Colorado Ave 8:40 a.m.
Loud Music 2000Blk 20th St 8:44 a.m.
General Parking Problem 300Blk Olympic Dr 9:06 a.m.
Fight 1600Blk Santa Monica Blvd 9:17 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 1900Blk 18th St 9:18 a.m.
Burglary Report 1400Blk 7th St 9:21 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 100Blk Hollister Ave 9:27 a.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 2100Blk Yorkshire Ave 9:28 a.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation Urban Ave / Pico Blvd 10:00 a.m.
Forgery Report 2000Blk Santa Monica Blvd 10:05 a.m.
Loud Music Main St / Hill St 10:09 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1100Blk 7th St 10:30 a.m.
Petty Theft Report 600Blk Bay St 10:35 a.m.
Animal Related Incident 2600Blk The Beach 11:13 a.m.
Out Of Order Traffic Signals 23rd St / Wilshire Blvd 11:20 a.m.
Battery Report 2300Blk 6th St 11:35 a.m.
Encampment 900Blk 3rd St 11:37 a.m.
Identity Theft 700Blk Ocean Ave 11:53 a.m.
Petty Theft 500Blk Euclid St 11:57 a.m.
Burglary Report 2300Blk Main St 12:09 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries Moomat Ahiko Way / Ocean Ave 12:16 p.m.
Arson 1500Blk Palisades Park 12:31 p.m.
Burglary 1200Blk Ocean Ave 12:36 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 600Blk Strand St 12:37 p.m.
Mark & Tag Abandoned Vehicle 600Blk Strand St 12:38 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries Lincoln Blvd / Broadway 12:38 p.m.
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Battery Just Occurred 1100Blk Wilshire Blvd 12:51 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation Lincoln Blvd / Pico Blvd 1:03 p.m.
Battery Report 1700Blk 17th St 1:20 p.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 2400Blk Wilshire Blvd 1:25 p.m.
Traffic Collision - No Injuries 20th St / Olympic Blvd 1:32 p.m.
Assault Report 700Blk Pico Blvd 1:41 p.m.
Suicide Now 1300Blk The Beach 1:41 p.m.
Battery Report 1700Blk 17th St 1:44 p.m.
Found Property 1500Blk 9th St 2:19 p.m.
Failure To Pay Parking Fee 2600Blk Barnard Way 2:22 p.m.
Loud Music 1700Blk Wilshire Blvd 2:41 p.m.
Critical Missing Person 1300Blk 15th St 2:46 p.m.
Fraud Report 1300Blk 4th St 2:50 p.m.
Loud Music 1700Blk Wilshire Blvd 2:55 p.m.
Encampment 500Blk Colorado Ave 2:59 p.m.
Traffic Collision With Injuries 2nd St / California Ave 3:17 p.m.
Overdose 1600Blk 5th St 3:32 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 3000Blk Santa Monica Blvd 3:57 p.m.
Petty Theft Now 400Blk Expo Line 4:03 p.m.
Failure To Pay Parking Fee 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 4:04 p.m.
Grand Theft Report Highland Ave / Pier Ave 4:11 p.m.
Found Property 300Blk Olympic Dr 4:16 p.m.
Petty Theft Now 400Blk Expo Line 4:19 p.m.
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Auto Burglary Just Occurred 7th St / Arizona Ave 4:56 p.m.
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Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 1800Blk Lincoln Blvd 5:19 p.m.
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Drinking In Public 1100Blk Lincoln Blvd 5:25 p.m.
Drinking In Public 1100Blk Lincoln Blvd 5:26 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 900Blk 20th St 5:26 p.m.
Panic Alarm 3200Blk Wilshire Blvd 5:29 p.m.
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Grand Theft Auto Report 800Blk 20th St 5:46 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto 1100Blk 12th St 6:01 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 300Blk Olympic Dr 6:50 p.m.
Stolen Vehicle Recovered 1100Blk 12th St 6:57 p.m.
Public Intoxication 2900Blk Lincoln Blvd 7:03 p.m.
Person Down 2900Blk Lincoln Blvd 7:07 p.m.
Burglary Report 1100Blk 12th St 7:18 p.m.
Indecent Exposure Just Occurred 4th St / Wilshire Blvd 7:20 p.m.
Loitering 300Blk Wilshire Blvd 7:32 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 400Blk 24th St 7:46 p.m.
Petty Theft 100Blk Pacific St 8:49 p.m.
Battery 300Blk Colorado Ave 8:53 p.m.
Battery Now 1900Blk Wilshire Blvd 9:29 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation Lincoln Blvd / Pico Blvd 10:17 p.m.
Loud Music 400Blk Hill St 10:49 p.m.
Person Down 2500Blk Virginia Ave 11:00 p.m.
Loud Music 1500Blk Yale St 11:09 p.m.
Threats Report/Investigations 1700Blk Pico Blvd 11:24 p.m.

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Traffic Collision With Injury 2nd St / California Ave 3:18 p.m.
EMS 2200Blk Wilshire Blvd 4:14 p.m.
EMS 1500Blk 6th St 4:30 p.m.
EMS 1400Blk 16th St 4:45 p.m.
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EMS 2900Blk Lincoln Blvd 7:07 p.m.
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EMS 1400Blk Ocean Ave 9:40 p.m.
EMS 2nd St / Wilshire Blvd 10:25 p.m.
EMS 2500Blk Virginia Ave 11:00 p.m.
EMS 2000Blk Olympic Blvd 11:06 p.m.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

LOS ANGELES

Southern California drought emergency declared

The giant Metropolitan Water District of Southern California has declared a regional drought emergency due to record dry conditions.

Directors made the declaration Tuesday in a resolution that calls for increased efforts to maximize conservation. Metropolitan is a wholesaler to 26 local water agencies that supply a region with 19 million people.

"We need immediate action to preserve and stretch our limited State Water Project supplies," board Chairwoman Gloria D. Gray said. "Southern California on average gets about one-third of its water from Northern California via the state project. Next year, we'll be lucky to get a small fraction of that."

Water years 2020 and 2021 were the driest two-year sequence on record in the state, and in August, Lake Oroville, the main State Water Project reservoir, reached its lowest point since being filled in the 1970s, MWD said.

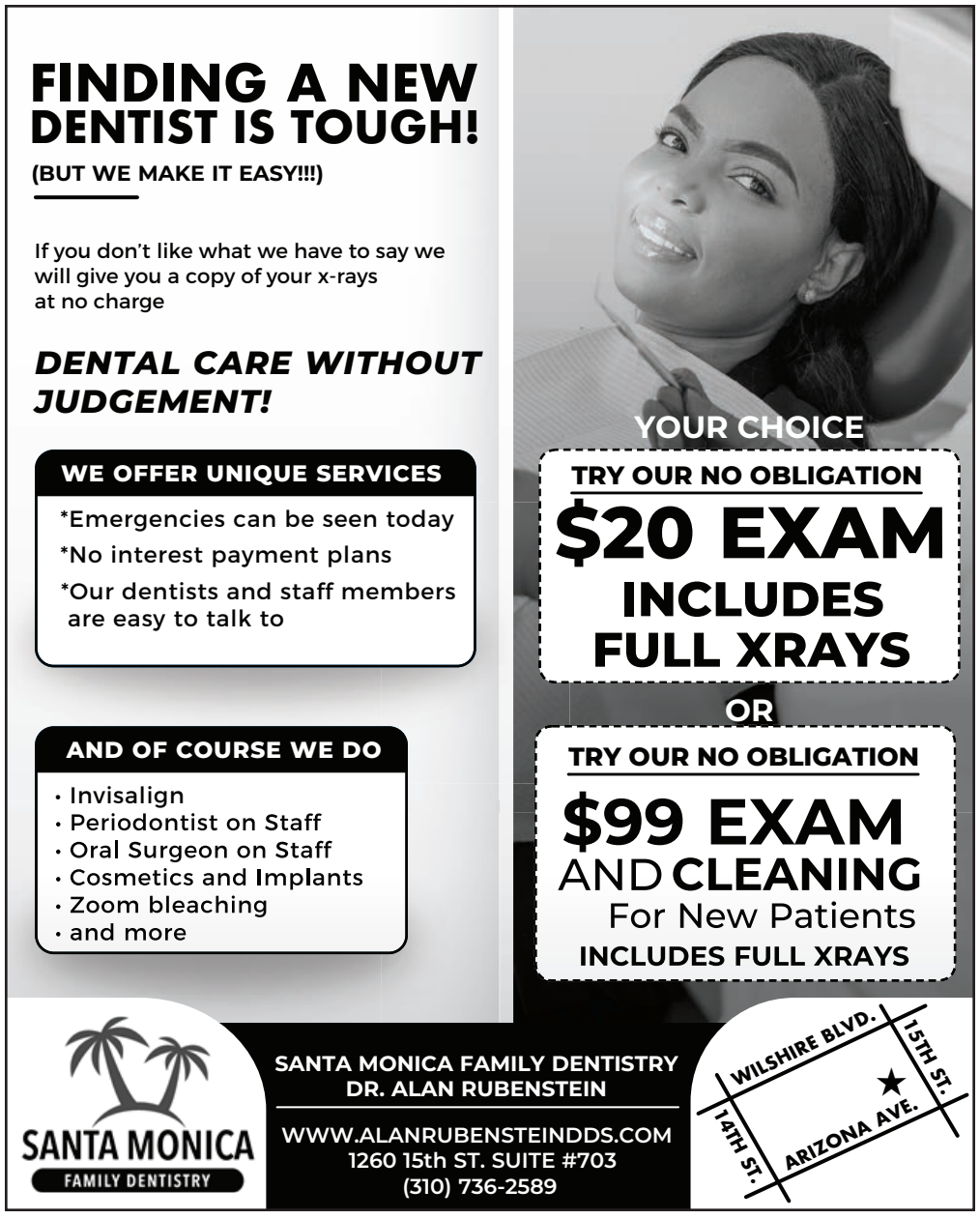
Metropolitan has been trying to preserve State Water Project supplies by instead delivering Colorado River water to as much of the region as possible but some areas remain dependent on state project water.

Last month, Gov. Gavin Newsom expanded the state's emergency drought declaration to include all of California, including major population centers. That order gives state water officials permission to enact mandatory water restrictions.

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California prepares for possible winter pandemic surge

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Associated Press

California has begun positioning equipment and locking in contracts with temporary health care workers in preparation for another possible winter surge of coronavirus cases, Gov. Gavin Newsom said Wednesday.

The most populous state in the country still is doing comparatively well with the rest of the U.S. in terms of cases and hospitalizations. But Newsom warned Californians should prepare for another harsh pandemic winter even though the state is among the nation's leaders with about 74% of eligible people with at least one dose of the vaccine.

While statewide hospitalizations have fallen by about half since a summer peak at the end of August, they have started creeping up in some areas, particularly the Central Valley and portions of Southern California including Los Angeles and San Bernardino counties.

"We've seen some signs that suggest concerns," Newsom said.

California earlier this fall had the nation's lowest case rate but is now 16th, he said, while the positivity rate for those tested is 2.3% after falling below 1% in June.

Newsom signed an executive order that through March 31 will continue to allow out-of-state medical workers to treat patients in California and allow emergency medical technicians and others to keep administering vaccines and providing other related services. It also keeps flexibility for health care facilities, for instance allowing parking lots to be used for vaccination sites.

Beyond the upward trend in certain parts of the state, state health officials said they are generally apprehensive because colder weather will keep people inside. There will be more holiday mingling at a time when vaccine and natural immunity acquired months ago will begin to wane unless more people get booster shots.

"We have learned over the last two years that COVID-19 takes advantage when we put our guard down," Newsom's health department said in a statement.

The state's own models still predict an overall decline in hospitalizations and intensive care cases over the next month. And the statewide R-effective that measures infection rates also continues dropping and now is at 0.85. Anything below 1 means the number of infected persons will decrease.

The concern is that even those who are vaccinated may be more vulnerable to the extremely contagious delta variant unless many more people get booster shots, which currently are lagging, said Dr. Kirsten Bibbins-Domingo, a professor of epidemiology at the University of California, San Francisco.

Moreover, California is so large and geographically and demographically diverse that conditions are "wildly variable," which also affects the state's modeling at a time when many have grown tired of precautions like masking and isolating, she said.

"There are plenty of local models that do show rising hospitalizations that we are already starting to see in local environments," Bibbins-Domingo said. "It is a little bit of a race, and it sort of depends on whether waning immunity wins or whether us getting boosters into people wins."

Newsom used a visit to a COVID-19 vaccine and flu shot clinic in Los Angeles to urge residents, including newly eligible children 5 to 11, to get vaccinated. He also urged booster shots for those who are eligible.

Newsom, who got a booster on Oct. 27, said it has become evident from the experience of Europe and other U.S. states that the coronavirus has a seasonal aspect that can lead to an increase in infections.

He used apocalyptical reminders of last year's winter surge that had officials buying body bags and bringing mobile morgues to Southern California as infections surged 10-fold over eight weeks and overwhelmed many hospitals.

"Thousands of people lost their lives, thousands of people on life support, close to death," he said. That's why state officials are "doing everything in our power to prepare."

Brian Ferguson, a spokesman for the Governor's Office of Emergency Services, said the state's preparations since the start of the pandemic have "put the state in a much better place to withstand any surge that occurs this winter."

The state "has all of the expanded capacity from the mobile field hospitals and supply caches that were acquired during the pandemic as well as the contracts to bring in nursing and medical personnel that were put in place previously," Ferguson said.

Stephanie Roberson, government relations director of the California Nurses Association, said the Health and Human Services Agency "has been working super closely with the hospitals to make sure that they are getting staff."

That includes extending an out-of-state staffing waiver and in-state waivers for nurses to work as teams. Roberson expects the state to soon start spending money help with hiring temporary employees, as it did before as hospitals were stretched to the breaking point last winter.

The California Hospital Association is in regular communication and working collaboratively with state health officials as cases rise in parts of the state, said spokeswoman Jan Emerson-Shea.

Hospital staffing shortages are already a concern in some areas, Bibbins-Domingo said.

"The challenge is that the areas that are least vaccinated are also the areas that are least able to withstand a surge, which are oftentimes our rural areas" and denser, poorer urban areas, she said. "It is prudent to plan for that for some extent, just because where we are more likely to see it is going to be in those areas that are least able to withstand it."

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

The Pier

High-Flying American Flag On Ferris Wheel In Special Salute To Veterans Will Also Include Five Armed Services' Seals

Pacific Park on the Santa Monica Pier will highlight Veterans Day with a Pacific Wheel Ferris wheel lighting program of patriotic red, white and blue colors and patterns including 130-feet tall icons of the American flag and five armed services' seals.

Veterans Day honors all of those who have served the country in war or peace – dead or alive – although it's largely intended to thank living veterans for their sacrifices. It was originally called Armistice Day, commemorating the end of World War I on November 18, 1918.

The City of Santa Monica will also join the Los Angeles Army Recruitment Battalion and the California Army National Guard for a live streamed and in-person Veterans Day commemoration on Thursday, November 11 at 11 a.m. in the North Beach Lot 1, 1550 PCH. A limited number of seats will be available for in-person participation and the Santa Monica community is encouraged to view the ceremony live streamed on the City's YouTube. COVID-19 safety measures will be utilized.

The Pacific Wheel is the world's only solar-powered Ferris wheel featuring 174,000 LED lights that are mounted on the Ferris wheel's 40 spokes and two hubs. The Ferris wheel's lighting system features 16.7 million color value combinations to display dynamic, custom, computer-generated lighting entertainment. The eco-friendly, enhanced LED lighting provides 81 percent greater energy savings than most Ferris wheel's traditional incandescent bulbs.

For more information and operating hours, please call 310-260-8744, visit pacpark.com, and go to Facebook.com/pacificpark, Instagram.com/pacpark or Twitter.com/pacpark.

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POLICE REFORM

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be a current member of the police department or a City employee.

The Municipal Code adjustments also include a stipulation that the Commission may not participate in SMPD's individual disciplinary investigations and that the Inspector General, who was hired by the City to assist the Commissioners' work, may gather information related to disciplinary investigations, but will also not participate in those investigations.

Additionally, the Commission must provide the City Manager, Police Chief and SMPOA with 72 hours notice of recommendations and reports to be considered by the Commission or City Council.

City Council will vote on the proposed Municipal Code changes at a future meeting, and if they are approved the PERB charge will be dismissed.

While the SMPOA initially sought to have an officer serve on the Commission, a statement by the association expressed satisfaction with the terms of the settlement.

"The SMPOA is pleased to report that an agreement has been reached with the City to resolve this matter and avoid litigation… the sworn public servants represented by the SMPOA are committed to a safe and equitable Santa Monica where the rights of all people are protected, and we're hopeful that this is the beginning of a new era of community collaboration to that most vital end," said the SMPOA in a statement.

Commission Chair George Brown expressed some concerns with the terms of the settlement, but said that overall most of the Municipal Code adjustments are benign.

From Brown's perspective the ability of SMPOA and the Police Chief to appoint a non-voting commissioner offers both potential benefits and detriments to the Commission's work.

"The risk that we need to pay attention to is maintaining the independence of the Commission," said Brown. "It's an opportunity because the Chief and the union together can have the opportunity to find somebody who is in fact independent and thoughtful and could be very helpful to the Commission overall."

Brown said that it would be valuable to the Commission's work for the rank and file officers to feel that there is someone on the Commission who accurately represents their point of view as this could improve overall dialogue between the Department and Commission.

The additional area of concern noted by Brown is the clarification that the Commission cannot file disciplinary complaints, which he said may cause issues down the line if a serious issue comes to the attention of the Commission.

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FOOD

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5-pound chickens —which translates into more than 60,000 birds— to give away free, as well as half-turkeys available at cost.

For that, Martha Hasal is grateful.

"It's going to be an expensive Thanksgiving, turkey is not going to cost like the way it was," said Hasal as she loaded up on cauliflower and onions on behalf of the Bay Area American Indian Council. "And they're not giving out turkey. So thank God they're giving out the chicken."

AP reporters Terence Chea in Oakland and Ashraf Khalil in Washington contributed to this story.

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City of Santa Monica

**NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL
VIA TELECONFERENCE
Pursuant to AB361**

SUBJECT: **Proposed Extension of Interim Zoning Regulations Revising the Demolition Permit Review Process Related to the Preservation of Historic Resources**

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to introduce and adopt an Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance to extend interim zoning regulations established by Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance Number 2592 (CCS), extended by Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance Numbers 2599 and 2626 (CCS), and amended by Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance Number 2643 (CCS).

The interim zoning regulations amend Chapter 9.25 of the Santa Monica Municipal Code to revise the demolition permit process relating to the preservation of historic resources and to reflect the restructured historic preservation program implemented in July 2020. The interim zoning regulations apply to demolition permit applications filed for buildings or structures 40 years of age or older.

The proposed Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance would extend the interim zoning regulations to allow for further study of the revised demolition permit review process prior to making permanent changes to the Santa Monica Municipal Code.

DATE/TIME: **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 23, 2021, AT 6:30 P.M.**

LOCATION: In an effort to reduce the risk of spreading Coronavirus (COVID-19), only members of the City Council and City Staff will participate in person at City Hall. Members of the public may participate via telephone. The meeting will be broadcast on CityTV Channel 16 and streamed on the City's website as normal at https://www.youtube.com/user/Citytv16santamonica or https://www.smgov.net/video. Members of the public may also dial in at 1-800-520-9950 (PIN: 9553446#).

HOW TO COMMENT

The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Written public comment can be submitted via email to councilmtgitems@santamonica.gov. Written public comment submitted before 2:00 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be available for online viewing. Please note the agenda item number in the subject line of your written comments.

If you want to speak on a particular agenda item, please call (310) 312-8173 once the caller queue for the agenda item opens. Please note that the caller queue for each agenda item will not open until just before the item is called and will close after the first five public comments (from other callers) are heard.

Please see the November 23, 2021 City Council Agenda for more detailed instructions.

Address your comments to: City Clerk
Re: Demolition IZO Amendments

MORE INFORMATION

If you want more information about this project or wish to review the project file, please contact Jing Yeo by e-mail at jing.yeo@smgov.net. For disability-related accommodations, please contact (310) 458-8341 or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. Every attempt will be made to provide the requested accommodation. 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

Esto es una noticia de una audiencia pública para revisar applicaciónes proponiendo desarrollo en Santa Monica. Si deseas más información, favor de llamar a Carmen Gutierrez en la División de Planificación al número (310) 458-8341.

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HATE

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occur as are officially reported.

The greatest number of hate crimes took place in the Metro Service Planning Area, which extends from West Hollywood to Boyle Heights, followed by the San Fernando Valley region. However, when examining hate crimes on a per capita basis, the Western region of Los Angeles, which includes parts of West L.A., Beverly Hills, Culver City and several beach communities, ranked second.

The Black community bore a disproportionate brunt of hate crimes. While only accounting for 9 percent of County residents, African Americans comprised 42 percent of racial crime victims. Anti-black crimes rose by 25 percent, increasing from 125 in 2019 to 169 in 2020.

Breaking with previous patterns, there was also a spike in hate crimes against white individuals, which grew from 22 incidents to 50, representing a 127 percent surge.

"The increase that we saw against a number of the racial groups, particularly African Americans and whites, you know, there are some cases that would indicate that they occurred related to the protests," said Toma.

Anti-Asian hate crimes, which surged across the nation in 2020, rose 76 percent in L.A. County, from 25 incidents to 44.

Hate crimes can take many forms, but are broadly defined as a criminal offense where prejudice against a victim's race, religion, sexual orientation, gender or disability is a substantial factor in the motivation of the action. Hate crimes can include violence, assault, targeted graffiti, robbery and intimidation.

In 2020, 68 percent of hate crimes were of a violent nature, which was the largest proportion of violence among recorded crimes since 2003.

Of all groups experiencing hate crimes, transgender individuals experienced violence at the highest rate, which was 94 percent. Fortunately, there was a 24 percent decrease in anti-transgender crimes in 2020, which dropped from 42 to 32 incidents, although it was still the third highest number ever recorded.

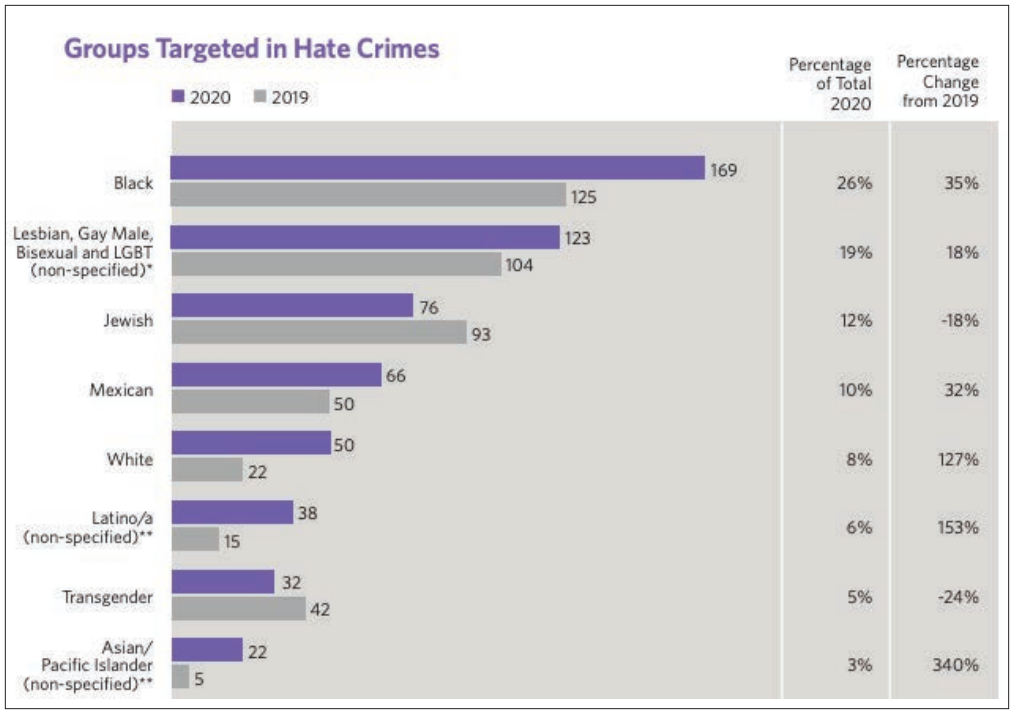
There was also a slight decrease in religiously motivated hate crimes, which dropped from 105 to 86. The Jewish community was the target of 88 percent of these cases.

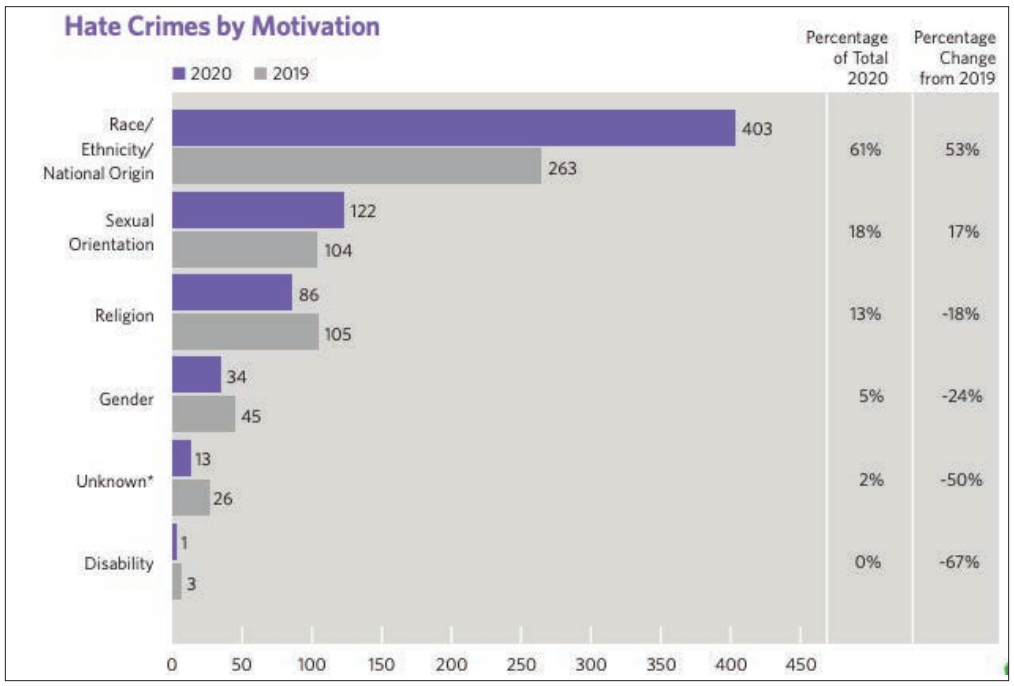
The County is addressing the ongoing increases in hate crimes through a number of different approaches.

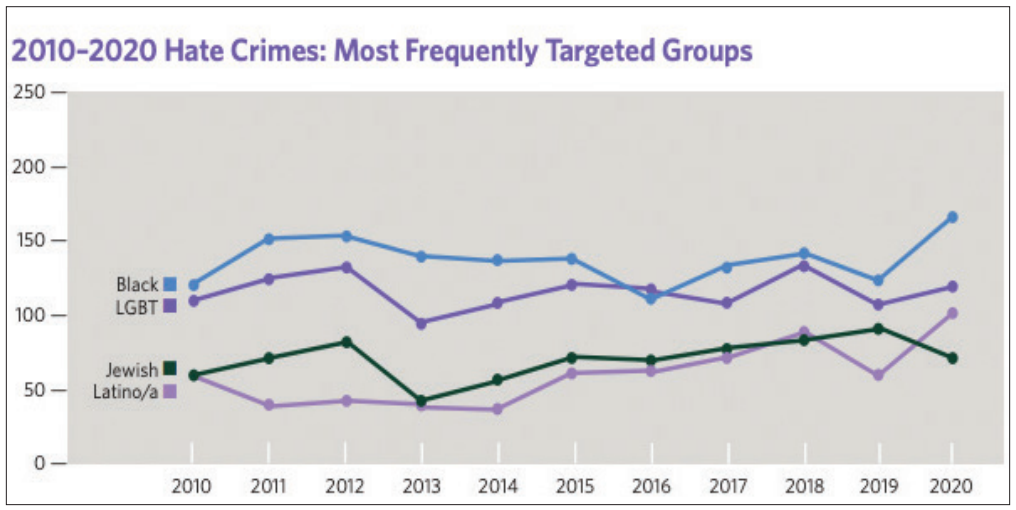
"We have three Deputy District Attorneys in our hate crimes unit that not only prosecute hate crimes, but they also work everyday to prevent these crimes from happening," said District Attorney George Gascón. "We're using all laws at our disposal, prosecution, community outreach, prevention, education, and training. We're working with community based organizations and nonprofits to raise awareness and resilience to hate crimes throughout the County."

Another key effort is L.A. vs Hate initiative, which was launched in 2020. The initiative includes an advertising campaign to encourage residents to unite against hate, the first government hate crime reporting hotline and a network of community response and advocacy agencies. For more information visit www.lavshate.org.

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CRIMES: Over the past year, hate crimes have mostly been targeted based on race although the second most targeted group are LGBT individuals.

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Noteworthy

Charles Andrews Send comments to editor@smdp.com

"Gamble" On Great Live Music

A WORD OR TWO ABOUT LIVE MUSIC

It's always a gamble. A gamble you have to take.

Recently, following my own column recommendations...

I caught Dave Wakeling, founder/leader/songwriter and most importantly THE VOICE of all those great hits from The (English) Beat and General Public, delivering a fine concert that the packed crowd at our new neighborhood venue that looks very promising, The Venice West, on Lincoln. But I have seen Wakeling 8-10 times and this show was not what I hinted at in my column. Not nearly as many hits, too many slower or little-known songs. The band was excellent, but on those hits, they can be killer.

Last week I went all the way up to Northridge (90 minutes there, 28 back) for a very promising show: Founding Police drummer Stewart Copeland, a sensational player, had arranged those great songs for a 28-piece orchestra plus guitar and bass and three singers. But I couldn't "hear" it, even in acoustically fine Soraya Hall, and seated right next to the sound board. Copeland was too loud and the bass boomed in the first half, and the singers were too loud and the guitar and instrumental soloists all unheard the whole time. I had never encountered bad sound there before. The mixologist looked about 20 and sheepishly said, at intermission, "we were having some technical problems." But they never got fixed.

But you have to show up anyway, for the gold. That you will almost always get if you choose wisely. And as the great philosopher of Kings Wayne Gretky one said, adapted here — you will miss out on 100% of all the great concerts you don't go to.

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED:

HARVELLE'S Celebrates Jason & Damian's 4-Year Anniversary there with THE DAMN WELL PLEASE ORGAN TRIO — If you have somehow, in the last 90 years, managed to never make it inside Harvelle's, now is your perfect opportunity because Darius Holbert, aka The DWPOT, is a show like no other, a mob of excellent musicians crowding the stage on the edge of chaos but with Darius herding those cats to make them sound like heaven in New Orleans. He is mostly retired now and only plays here, and usually only for Mardi Gras, so what just what are you waiting for? Fri 9:30 p.m., Harvelle's, DTSM, $10.

CELSO SALIM & DARRYL CARRIERE



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ELLA: The music of Ella Fitzgerald is at CSU Northridge on Wednesday.

— I kept telling you about these two because while it seemed they would be there forever, that word doesn't exist for musicians and now they are leaving, this will be their last show. Just walk down to Main Street on a beautiful Sunday afternoon, for a spectacular slide guitar-harmonica vocal blues duo. Earlier than before because of stoopid DST change. Sun 2-4 p.m., parking lot adjacent to Ashland Hill, Main Street, free.

EM THE MASTER — I've been giving EM's show a HIGHLY RECOMMENDED for months now and still do. "The Master"? Too much hype on the marquee? Not if you can

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By TONY COCHRAN



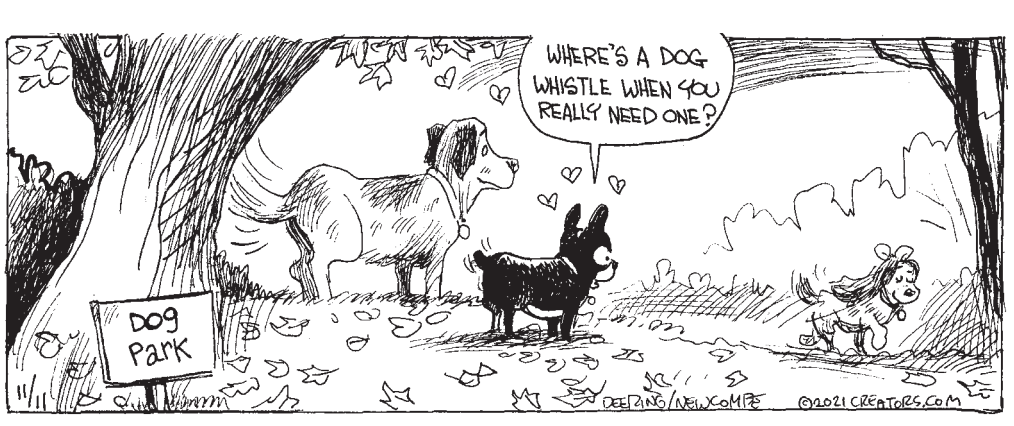
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Zack Hill

By JOHN DEERING & JOHN NEWCOMBE



Heathcliff

By PETER GALLAGHER



"BONE-FLAVORED GUM?"

Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING





SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 60.8°

THURSDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 3-4ft Waist to chest high
Leftover peaks at combo breaks. WNW swell mix drops off through the day along with older SSW swell. Full tide limits some of the morning options as size comes down. Offshore flow early.

FRIDAY - **POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft+ Waist to stomach high occ. 4 ft
Smaller surf with stronger offshore Santa Ana wind possible. Lingering NW swell mix on offer, blending with refreshed SSW swell.

WEATHER

Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 80. North northeast wind around 10 mph
Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 63. North northeast wind 5 to 10 mph.
Friday: Sunny, with a high near 83. North northeast wind around 10 mph.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
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2021/11/15	Mon	1:17 PM	0.76	L
2021/11/15	Mon	7:11 PM	4.33	H
2021/11/16	Tue	12:53 AM	1.02	L
2021/11/16	Tue	07:13 AM	5.70	H

DAILY LOTTERY

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Power#: 8
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MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 11/9
9 14 16 26 49
Mega#: 14
Jackpot: 53 M

SuperLotto Plus
Draw Date: 11/6
11 17 20 27 34
Mega#: 9
Jackpot: 33 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 11/9
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Daily 3
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EVENING: 2 9 9
Draw Date: 11/9
MIDDAY: 1 0 4

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 11/9
1st: 10 - Solid Gold
2nd: 06 - Whirl Win
3rd: 12 - Lucky Charms
Race Time: 1:46.32

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Once upon a time, you dreamed of a hero, and now you are becoming that person. With this trip around the sun, a new reality forms for you. Your intentions for yourself, the needs of those around you, the hand of fate – all act together to transform your day to day, add a few characters and boost your power. Libra and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 1, 4, 44 and 16.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's better to make zesty mistakes than flatly follow a soul-numbing protocol. Maybe your work isn't flawless but you are emotionally engaged, which will speak to people.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). As it goes with other types of ironing, there are a few ways to smooth out the rough patches of a relationship. You can leave something heavy on it for a long time, or you can move quickly over the area with something light and hot.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You have vivid powers of visualization. You'll see your ideal and lay that image over your current reality. You'll notice the biggest things that need to change and get right to work.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Time isn't money; time is much more valuable than money. Today features luxuries that only time can afford you, like comfortable longtime relationships.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You won't feel firmly in control of a good relationship, mainly because good relationships just don't work that way. By definition, to share is to relinquish some control. The more you trust, the easier it is to share.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). With an open mind, you'll find allies in the strangest places. Someone who once envied you, competed with you or openly opposed you could be a great friend to you now.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll run into an old friend, habit or reminder of how far you've come. It will be fortifying to acknowledge that who you were back there is still inside you contributing to the work you do now.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your passion is apparent in every area of life. Though you approach work and play very differently, there's a through line of intensity in your personal and professional life.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Unanticipated expenditures arise, most likely in the form of something you want so much you won't stop thinking about it until it's yours. Others advise, but you're going to do what you want to do on this one.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll bask in attention like you bask in the sun. You need it, miss it, get your fill and get out at the right time, too, observing the threshold between healthy and unhealthy levels of exposure.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You're talented, but you don't want others to think of you only in this way. Being a friend, a family member and a human is far more important to you than the specialness of being gifted.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You'll move quickly through the landscape. Before one vista has time to lose its mystique, you'll be onto the next. Will it be more beautiful than the last? It doesn't matter. It will be new.

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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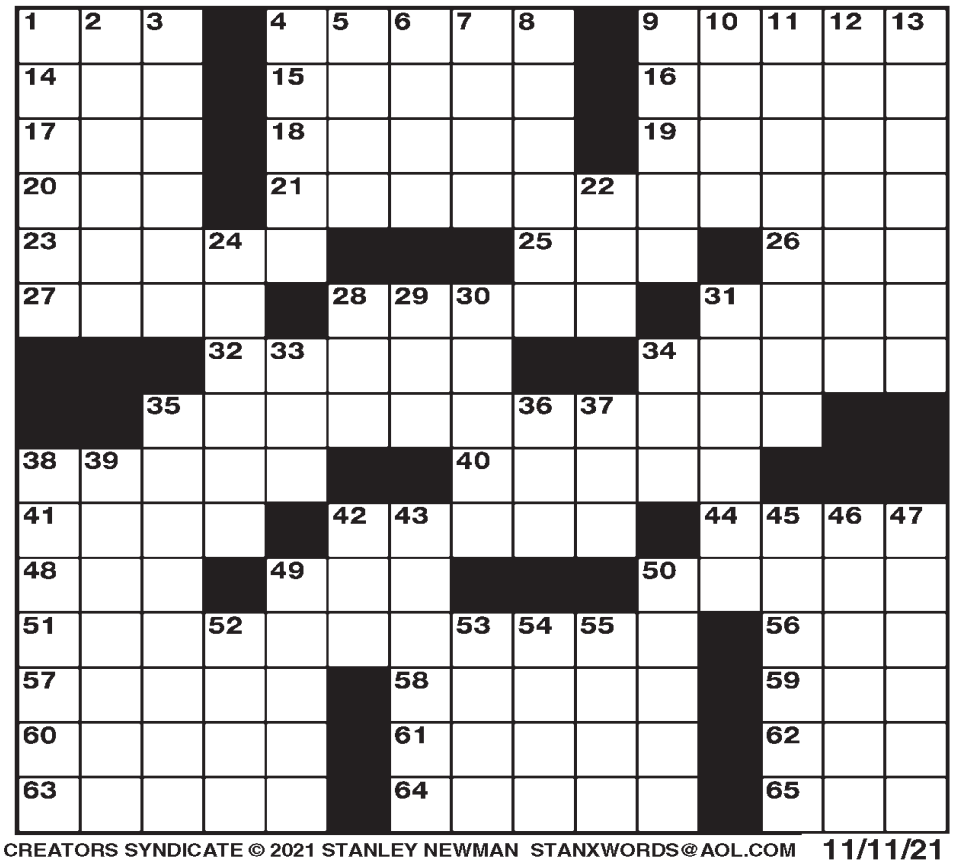
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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Family member, for short
4 Title surfaces of a Hemingway short story
9 Show biz prize
14 Equal footing
15 Pop art punch
16 British artist's earthy hue
17 Weepy rock category
18 "Grand" music
19 Squirrel away
20 Inexact ordinal
21 *Toy Story* composer
23 Skeptical feeling
25 End of an Albertan's alphabet
26 Prank missile
27 Spiritual exercise
28 Predicated (on)
31 Homebuilders of fable
32 Replay speed
34 Low-level laborers
35 One of the giants of science
38 Fathered, as foals
40 Shed __ (weep)
41 Sort of shirt
42 Podded plants
44 Admired exemplar
48 "__ complicated"
49 Overwhelmed feeling
50 Nissan rival
51 Publisher for whom a kid-lit award is named
56 VT summer setting
57 Still to be decided
58 Tiny trickster
59 Middle of the second century
60 1980s attorney general
61 In an unfriendly way
62 __ lane (carpoolers' convenience)
63 Exams for jrs.
64 Big name in blush
65 __ Jeanne d'Arc

DOWN
1 Costing much, so to speak
2 "You're not!" comeback
3 Warm fraternal greeting
4 LPGA garment
5 Western wine center
6 Still to be decided
7 Solemn promise
8 *Ghost* star
9 Exhibited 49 Across
10 Trash hauler
11 Tourney winner
12 Accuse formally
13 Blushed state
22 Marge and Homer's neighbor
24 Long-eared hound
28 Feathery wrap
29 Basic cable film channel
30 Fish-finding tool
31 Illinois metropolis
33 Young son
34 HS auxiliary
35 Isle of Man surrounder
36 Stat shown on a GPS
37 Horror director Craven
38 Winter Olympics event
39 Vocalizes
42 Be beholden to
43 Collectible carnival doll
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46 Small sale of stock
47 Homegrown
49 Pays to get a hand
50 "Baloney!"
52 Bed in a bower
53 Inexpensive pens
54 Leave the stage
55 Exasperate



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Trevor Mizrahi, college advisor and President of Premier College Guidance, shares everything you need to know about the admissions process at selective schools and how to land scholarships to help cover your tuition. Register for this virtual workshop at: shorturl.at/bnAOQ . 6:30 - 7:30 p.m.

RENT CONTROL REGULAR BOARD MEETING
The Rent Control Board meets to conduct business associated with the Rent Control Charter Amendment and Regulations. 7 p.m. CITY TV: Cable Channel 16 or Streaming at https://www.smgov.net/content.aspx-?id=4292
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FRIDAY | NOV 12

SANTA MONICA MYSTERY QUEST
Downtown Santa Monica, Inc. in partnership with Santa Monica Mystery Quest have launched a free scavenger hunt series on the Third Street Promenade. Lovers of mystery and adventure will enjoy this real-world, immersive experience to solve the case of the missing Promenade dinosaur. Participants will follow clues, collaborate with teammates, collect points and win prizes. Free registration required. https://www.santamonicamysteryquest.com/

JACOB JONAS THE COMPANY'S AT WORK
In association with The Wallis Annenberg Center for the Performing Arts, Jacob Jonas The Company's dance and live music series, ACTIVATE LA, will take place at the Water Garden in Santa Monica, November 12-13. 7:30 p.m. $50. https://thewallis.org/WaterGarden

SATURDAY | NOV 13

INTO THE LABYRINTH
The Annenberg Community Beach House has commissioned artist Lars Howlett to create two temporary site-specific walkable labyrinths in the sand and one on hardscape for Out-of-the-Blue, a program of Santa Monica Cultural Affairs. Labyrinths cultivate peace and bring the community together by providing a container for a reflective experience in a focused and sacred space. Join them at the Beach House on November 13 and 14 to experience the potential of labyrinths to create and hold space for stress reduction, healing, reflection and community building through art. Annenberg Community Beach House.

PAINT-OUT
Allied Artists of the Santa Monica Mountains & Seashore will conduct a Paint-Out at Will Rogers State Beach, 17700 Pacific Coast Hwy. Pacific Palisades 90272. Accomplished watercolorist and popular instructor Timothy Kitz will conduct a demo at 9am. Facilities and beach parking lots, located near the intersection of Temescal Canyon and PCH.

ASTRONOMY CLUB MEETING
Tim Thompson, who's spent many years at JPL and the Mt. Wilson Observatory, will give a presentation on the groundbreaking James Webb Space Telescope, set to launch December 18 after years of delays – the story of its physical construction, the far-out capabilities of its instruments, and the mission's goals: to boldly see where no one has seen before. The Friday SMAAC meeting is free and open to the public on Zoom at 7 p.m. at https://wildwood.zoom.us/j/2799196673

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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 14 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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On the catwalk

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Beret	Heels	Publicity	Tack
Bias	Image	Rayon	Tailor
Blouse	Jeans	Saba	Thimble
Catwalk	Ksubi	Sandals	Thread
Clap	Latest	Season	Trim
Coat	Linen	Sell	Wear
Diet	Makeup	Shawl	Width
Dress	Music	Shoes	Wool
Fads	Orders	Silk	
Fold	Overalls	Skirt	
Gowns	Pins	Stars	

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CHAMBER

FROM PAGE 1

Laurel and to watch her lead us through the pandemic and onto the path of recovery. I've admired her servant leadership mentality and her ability to adapt to rapidly changing circumstances and create new opportunities in the face of adversity."

Rosen established the Santa Monica Chamber Foundation in 2010 to promote economic development through education. The foundation supports the annual Career Day at Santa Monica High School. In partnership with Santa Monica College, it supports the Next Gen Leadership Program for students of color.

Jennifer Taylor, the city's economic development manager who has worked with Rosen since 2008, recalled: "One of my favorite partnerships was our COVID-19 Santa Monica Small Business Recovery Program that raised over $400,000 and awarded $5,000 survival and recovery grants to over 70 small businesses."

The statement praised Rosen for supporting the local business community while also becoming a prominent community leader.

"For over two decades, Santa Monica has benefited from Laurel's leadership, and I've benefited from working alongside a wonderful human being," said Debbie Lee, the City's chief communications officer. "She shared her heart with Santa Monica and her gift to bring people together to advocate as well as to celebrate. Her legacy is our genuine sense of community." Ricks will lead the process to recruit the new Chamber President.

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NOTEWORTHY

FROM PAGE 7

back it up, and EM does. She sings, dances, has dancers. She crawls across the floor like a reptile, gripping the mic and never missing a beat. She doesn't play the piano, she attacks it. Uses her voice as an instrument in creative ways. Her energy is nonstop and seemingly limitless. Writes terrific songs perfect for her act, and she may remind you some of a more energetic Lady Gaga. Every Tues 9:30 p.m., Harvelle's, DTSM, $10.

RECOMMENDED:

TONIGHT! - HAMILTON — I think I can only go wrong by not recommending it, from what I've heard and read. Tonight - Thurs, Fri, Sat, Tues, Wed, next Thurs 8 p.m., Sun 1 p.m., 6:30 p.m., also Sat 2 p.m., Pantages Theater, Hollywood, $49-3000+, depending on date/time.

PACIFIC OPERA PROJECT presents HANSEL AND GRETEL — A few years ago the LA Opera did H&G and I had reservations, I mean really, a children's fairy tale, not the heavyweight moral issues opera usually tackles? But it was superb and funny, and I expect the POP to deliver their own unique brand of that, family-friendly, sung in English, outdoors at Forest Lawn Cemetery, it's the perfect introduction to opera for children and adults who act like children about opera. Co-founder Josh Shaw directing is a big plus. Gates will open at 4 p.m. with table seating available for picnicking before and during each show. Free parking available. Sat, Sun 5 p.m.; Forest Lawn Glendale, $10-125.

LIBRARY GIRL presents MICHAEL CAINE PROJECT, Part III — I missed Parts I & II! But I bet that won't matter for Part III. If you love Michael Caine, especially movies with him in them, or poetry, spoken word and music, you should be here. There's nothing quite like this in LA, and it's in our backyard. And reasonably priced, with free parking, and dessert thrown in. Such a deal. Sun 7 p.m., Ruskin Group Theatre, SM Airport, $15.

THE TOLEDO SHOW — There is little in this life you can count on, especially in the world of live music, but two of them are: Toledo Diamond 1) showing up at Harvelle's every Sunday night, without fail, for 20 (!) years, and 2) delivering a great show. I'm now in my fifth decade of being entertained by The Toledo Show, stretching back to off-Sunset Strip beginnings, and the show and his band have only gotten better over the years. Every Sun 9:30 p.m., Harvelle's, DTSM, $12.

MARTHA GRAHAM DANCE COMPANY: "Appalachian spring" — Haven't seen them in decades but companies that reach their level of recognition usually keep their mojo going through leadership and personal changes and shifting cultural winds, so if they are even close to what they've been for so long this will be an experience to remember. Music by Aaron Copeland, choreography by Graham. Sun 8 p.m., The Soraya, CSU Northridge, $41-86.

COUNT BASIE ORCHESTRA: "Music of Ella Fitzgerald" — This 18-piece band (playing the Basie charts?), some of them hired by Basie way back when, has gotten some rave reviews for bringing forth the solid swing Basie was known for, and while obviously no one could stand in for his incomparable vocalist Ella Fitzgerald, Lizz Wright is a fine choice and wisely does Lizz Wright, not Ella. Wed 8 p.m., The Soraya, CSU Northridge, $41-86.

COMING ATTRACTIONS: PACIFIC OPERA PROJECT presents HANSEL AND GRETEL, Forest Lawn Glendale, 11/20-21; LA OPERA presents ROSSINI's "CINDERELLA," Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, 11/20-12/12; BONEDADDYS, Venice West, 11/21; THE SKATALITES, Venice West, 12/3; CHARLIE HUNTER - SCOTT AMANDOLA DUO, Venice West, 12/4; PONCHO SANCHEZ and His Latin Jazz Band, Catalina Jazz Club, 12/10-12; JOHN MAYALL, WALTER TROUT, Saban Montclair, 12/12; TAKE 6 CHRISTMAS, Pepperdine, 12/15; X, BLASTERS, Henry Fonda, 12/16; MUSICARES honors JONI MITCHELL, LA Convention Center, 1/29/22.

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

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