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Clara Harter

GOLIATH: Cast and crew members with the popular television show "Goliath" stopped by the Ocean Lodge Hotel Tuesday to film scenes for the series' upcoming season. "Goliath" follows Billy McBride, a formerly high-powered attorney who lives at the Ocean Lodge, as he rebuilds his legal career by taking on giant corporations and powerful billionaires. The character, which is portrayed by Billy Bob Thornton, hangs out at the neighboring Chez Jay, a storied bar and restaurant that was built around the same time as the hotel and also happens to be where show creator David E. Kelley met his wife Michelle Pfeiffer.

Local community partners to provide Thanksgiving groceries to food-insecure families

More than a thousand families from the local community left Santa Monica College Tuesday with holiday meals consisting of fresh turkey, pumpkin pie and more as a result of the inaugural Giving Thanks(giving) drive-thru event.

Institutions and community organizations from throughout Santa Monica joined together to make the event possible to ensure local students and families would have a delicious and nutritious meal this Thanksgiving holiday. The feast boxes were distributed through a contactless drive-thru-style pick up that was made possible by the 200 volunteers who — with smiles under face coverings and face shields — worked to ensure a safe experience for all participants.

"The event started as a very

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Andrew Boone/Santa Monica College

MEALS: Thousands of families received meals Tuesday in Santa Monica.

California officials issue dire warnings about virus spread

BY BRIAN MELLEY AND CHRISTOPHER WEBER
Associated Press

Los Angeles County supervisors voted Tuesday against allowing restaurants to remain open for dining during a surge in coronavirus cases that has the nation's most populous county on the brink of a stay-home order just days ahead of Thanksgiving.

In a 3-2 vote, the board rejected a motion to let restaurants continue to serve meals outdoors at reduced capacity, despite a plea from owners that a closure was unwarranted and would crush their businesses.

The county crossed a threshold for issuing a new stay-home order Monday, but the Department of Public Health has not yet acted.

"Our metrics are the most alarming metrics that we've ever seen," said Public Health Director Barbara Ferrer. "Inaction in the face of this devastating acceleration of cases will cause irreparable harm."

Ferrer told supervisors that a proposed stay-home order would be more modest than a statewide closure in the spring but was necessary to try to curb a dramatic spike in cases.

Like all states across the U.S., California is experiencing a surge of cases that threaten to overwhelm hospitals.

Daily case numbers in California have set records on several days recently. Hospitalizations statewide have increased 81% in the last two weeks and by nearly 400 patients in a day.

"Statewide, I don't believe we've ever seen as many hospital admissions increase like we did just in the past 24 hours" Dr. Mark

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DAILY FIRE LOG

SMDP STAFF CHOSE THE FOLLOWING FROM 27 CALLS ON NOVEMBER 23

Automatic Alarm 1600blk Ocean Park Blvd 10:22 p.m.
Automatic Alarm 2900blk Pennsylvania Ave 11:46 a.m.
Elevator Rescue 2700blk Colorado Ave 8:35 a.m.
EMS 2600blk 5th St 9:59 p.m.
EMS 900blk 6th St 9:35 p.m.
EMS 1400blk Yale St 9:25 p.m.
EMS 2500blk 21st St 8:56 p.m.
EMS 900blk Wilshire Blvd 7:16 p.m.
EMS 2200blk 29th St 4:54 p.m.
EMS 1300blk 15th St 2:56 p.m.
EMS 1400blk Montana Ave 1:00 p.m.
EMS 2200blk 29th St 11:43 a.m.
EMS 1500blk 5th St 11:23 a.m.
EMS 1700blk Ocean Ave 11:21 a.m.
EMS 1900blk 22nd St 11:19 a.m.
EMS 5th St / Santa Monica Blvd 11:19 a.m.
EMS 26th St / Wilshire Blvd 11:16 a.m.
EMS 2200blk Virginia Ave 10:48 a.m.
EMS 1300blk 20th St 10:22 a.m.
EMS 2000blk Euclid St 7:35 a.m.
EMS 1300blk 15th St 6:48 a.m.
EMS 800blk 5th St 2:53 a.m.
EMS 1400blk 2nd St 2:32 a.m.
EMS 1000blk Marine St 12:15 a.m.
Fire Out Investigation 1700blk Lincoln Blvd 10:12 p.m.
Haz Mat - Level 1 2nd St / Marine St 3:58 p.m.
Miscellaneous Outside Fire 1500blk 11th St 1:54 p.m.

Fire weather to return to Southern California by holiday

Fire weather will return to Southern California on Thanksgiving with the onset of Santa Ana winds, the National Weather Service said Tuesday.

The gusty, dry northeast winds will kick up on Thursday and persist into Sunday, lowering humidity levels and warming temperatures to levels above normal, forecasters said.

The seasonal offshore winds have historically brought high fire danger during fall, but California has already had a record-setting year of destructive wildfires.

More than 9,200 fires scorched well over 4.1 million acres of land, mostly since a mid-August blitz of dry lightning strikes ignited huge complexes of fires in northern and central areas of the state.

Thirty-one people have been killed and more than 10,400 structures have been damaged or destroyed, according to the California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection.

Some of the summer fires continue to smolder, but new wind-driven fires have erupted this fall.

In October, strong Santa Ana winds fanned two wildfires that sent people fleeing suburbs southeast of Los Angeles and last week powerful winds associated with a winterlike front pushed flames that chased residents from the small Eastern Sierra community of Walker in Mono County and from a section of Reno, Nevada.

The story was written by the Associated Press

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227 calls on Nov. 23

Trespassing 2200blk Colorado Ave 12:17 a.m.
Person Down 100blk Broadway 3:03 a.m.
Petty Theft Now 1700blk Ocean Park Blvd 6:33 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Just Occurred 17th St / California Ave 7:58 a.m.
Burglary Report 1800blk 10th St 8:12 a.m.
Trespassing 1800blk Lincoln Blvd 8:13 a.m.
Trespassing 300blk Santa Monica Pl 8:27 a.m.
Malicious Mischief Report 1700blk Ocean Ave 8:34 a.m.
Trespassing 2600blk Ocean Park Blvd 9:02 a.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 1700blk Wilshire Blvd 9:07 a.m.
Burglary Just Occurred 1500blk 12th St 9:09 a.m.
Trespassing 3400blk Ocean Park Blvd 9:20 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Now 1700blk Ocean Ave 9:20 a.m.
Trespassing 1400blk 15th St 9:40 a.m.
Health & Safety Code Violation 2200blk Lincoln Blvd 9:46 a.m.
Petty Theft Report 2400blk 28th St 9:46 a.m.
Transport Prisoner 300blk Olympic Dr 9:55 a.m.
Person Down 4th St / Santa Monica Blvd 9:59 a.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 1400blk 3rd Street Prom 10:09 a.m.
Burglary Report 1700blk Ocean Ave 10:29 a.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 22nd St / Wilshire Blvd 10:37 a.m.
Trespassing 1700blk Ocean Ave 10:46 a.m.
Malicious Mischief Report 1700blk Ocean Ave 10:52 a.m.
Encampment 3rd St / Pico Blvd 10:52 a.m.
Health & Safety Code Violation 2200blk Lincoln Blvd 10:57 a.m.
Grand Theft Report 3000blk Glenn Ave 11:02 a.m.
Assault Just Occurred Ocean Ave / Montana Ave 11:11 a.m.
Trespassing 1200blk Santa Monica Blvd 11:15 a.m.
Injured Person 5th St / Santa Monica Blvd 11:18 a.m.
Death Investigation 1500blk 5th St 11:23 a.m.
Indecent Exposure Just Occurred 800blk Palisades Park 11:27 a.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 900blk 2nd St 11:36 a.m.
Hit And Run Felony Investigation 2100blk Santa Monica Blvd 11:49 a.m.
Trespassing 500blk Colorado Ave 12:01 p.m.
Trespassing 1100blk 5th St 12:21 p.m.
Trespassing 1200blk 11th St 12:31 p.m.
Petty Theft Report 1300blk Princeton St 12:52 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 2400blk Main St 1:02 p.m.
Trespassing 2800blk 4th St 1:32 p.m.
Fraud Report 2400blk Chelsea Pl 1:36 p.m.
Trespassing 800blk Wilson Pl 2:05 p.m.
Public Intoxication 2800blk Olympic Blvd 2:06 p.m.
Encampment 1100blk 3rd St 2:20 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 3200blk Santa Monica Blvd 2:21 p.m.
Petty Theft Report 1300blk 17th St 2:46 p.m.
Fraud Report 2400blk Ocean Park Blvd 3:00 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 800blk 7th St 3:07 p.m.
Public Intoxication 1200blk Pico Blvd 3:16 p.m.
Violation Of Restraining Order Report 2900blk 4th St 3:48 p.m.
Stalking Report 2400blk 20th St 4:03 p.m.
Hit And Run Misdemeanor Investigation 22nd St / Wilshire Blvd 4:09 p.m.
Identity Theft 1500blk 7th St 4:31 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred Ocean Ave / Santa Monica Blvd 4:36 p.m.
Burglary Report 1100blk 11th St 4:45 p.m.
Malicious Mischief Just Occurred Neilson Way / Hart Ave 4:46 p.m.
Information Received Report 2700blk Pico Blvd 5:23 p.m.
Health & Safety Code Violation 900blk Euclid St 6:05 p.m.
Battery Just Occurred 3rd Street Prom / Arizona Ave 6:08 p.m.
Trespassing 800blk Bay St 6:20 p.m.
Trespassing 1200blk 11th St 6:22 p.m.
Petty Theft Report 2300blk Schader Dr 6:25 p.m.
Malicious Mischief Report 700blk Broadway 7:13 p.m.
Malicious Mischief Just Occurred 32nd St / Pearl St 7:39 p.m.
Battery Now 500blk Broadway 7:43 p.m.
Fraud Report 500blk Wilshire Blvd 7:58 p.m.
Critical Missing Person 200blk Mills St 8:21 p.m.
Encampment 9th St / Pico Blvd 8:33 p.m.
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1600blk Main St 8:39 p.m.
Auto Burglary Report 1400blk Ashland Ave 8:43 p.m.
Critical Missing Person 200blk Mills St 8:56 p.m.
Arson 1700blk Lincoln Blvd 9:46 p.m.
Grand Theft Auto Report 1400blk 2nd St 9:47 p.m.
Trespassing 100blk Wilshire Blvd 11:12 p.m.







Q&A: Teen 'black-ish' star Miles Brown releases debut album

JAMIA PUGH
Associated Press

Miles Brown says playing Jack Johnson on the hit comedy series "black-ish" inspired him to speak out about equality and social justice through his art. He does just that on his debut hip-hop album "We The Future," alongside guests including Slick Rick and Jidenna.

Brown says he's been working on the 15-song collection aimed at empowering young people for two years, with help from his father Jack Brown, who raps as Wildchild in the hip-hop group Lootpack. Brown decided to re-record his raps when his voice deepened after puberty, saying "I think it sounds a lot better."

The 15-year-old performer spoke with The Associated Press over Zoom from his Los Angeles home about his lyrics, following in his father's footsteps and helping other young people find their voices. Remarks have been edited for clarity and brevity.

AP: What fueled your decision to make an entire album about social messages?

BROWN: It really started with "black-ish." And it's me reaching out to kids and the youth. If you look at the cover, I'm expressing how we're going to be the ones who will be in charge one day. I want to make sure we know what we're doing and realize how much power and how much of an impact we're going to have over time. Shout-out to my big sister who helped come up with the album cover which is a resemblance of the signing of the Constitution. "We The Future" is like saying, "We the People."

AP: The album underwent a few changes before you released it. What was the process of updating the project before putting it out?

BROWN: The actual single "We The Future" with Dame D.O.L.L.A (basketball player Damian Lillard) was recorded mad-long-ago, just like all of the other songs on the album. The problem was, I was going to release it and time went by; I was busy with "black-ish" and couldn't find the right time to do it. And then, my voice changed! I was like, do I just put it out even though I sounded way younger than I do now? I re-recorded the whole album all over again — same lyrics, same everything, just different voice. If you pay attention some of the ad-libs are probably older, I kept those in there. But I'm glad I waited because I think it sounds a lot better.

AP: What role does "black-ish" play in your decision to speak about social issues?

BROWN: It's such a groundbreaking show because they've talked about things that no other show covers. That inspired me to start talking about topics other artists my age aren't talking about. Whether it's mental health, confidence, bullying — there's so many things that I can speak about being in the position I'm in. Thank you to "black-ish" for giving me my wings to be able to speak up.

AP: You're known mostly as an actor. Where did your desire to break into the music industry come from?

BROWN: I've always wanted to make music. It's been something I wanted to do since I was young. My dad is an artist and that's always where I got my inspiration from. He's always been there for me when it came to music, acting or dancing. But I think it's special when it comes to music because that's something he's personally done. And seeing him do his thing, going on tours and the impact his music had, I've always thought "this looks fun." But now, I want to take it seriously, and now is the time I want to get things out.

AP: Have you been told you are too young or because of your age, your voice doesn't matter?

BROWN: That's really what inspired this album in the first place. If those things weren't said, I wouldn't need to make a call into the future. If we all knew what our power was, there would be no need for me to make this album. I know friends that have been told they are too young or they don't look good enough to do certain things. That's why I wanted to make this album because it's calling out to the future. We're going to be the ones in control and we don't want to repeat the cycle of the way things are going now.

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Millions stick to Thanksgiving travel plans despite warnings

BY DEE-ANN DURBIN AND DAVID KOENIG
AP Business Writers

About 1 million Americans a day packed airports and planes over the weekend even as coronavirus deaths surged across the U.S. and public health experts begged people to stay home and avoid big Thanksgiving gatherings.

And the crowds are only expected to grow. Next Sunday is likely to be the busiest day of the holiday period.

To be sure, the number of people flying for Thanksgiving is down by more than half from last year because of the rapidly worsening outbreak. However, the 3 million who went through U.S. airport checkpoints from Friday through Sunday marked the biggest crowds since mid-March, when the COVID-19 crisis took hold in the United States.

Many travelers are unwilling to miss out on seeing family and are convinced they can do it safely. Also, many colleges have ended their in-person classes, propelling students to return home.

Laurie Pearcy, director of administration for a Minneapolis law firm, is flying to New Orleans to attend her daughter's bridal shower and have a small Thanksgiving dinner with her son.

"I don't want to unknowingly make anyone sick. But I also don't want to miss this special event for my only daughter," she said.

Stephen Browning, a retired executive from Tucson, Arizona, will be flying to Seattle for Thanksgiving with his sister. The celebration usually has up to 30 people; this year only 10 are coming, and everyone was asked to get a coronavirus test. He doesn't plan on removing his mask to eat or drink on the flight.

"This is my first flight since December 2019, so yes, I have concerns," he said. "But I think most airlines are acting responsibly now and enforcing masks on all flights."

Last week, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention urged Americans not to travel or spend the holiday with people outside their household.

New cases of the virus in the U.S. have rocketed to all-time highs, averaging more than 170,000 per day, and deaths have soared to over 1,500 a day, the highest level since the spring. The virus is blamed for more than a quarter-million deaths in the U.S. and over 12 million confirmed infections.

"There is so much community transmission all over the United States that the chances of you encountering somebody that has COVID-19 is actually very, very high, whether it's on an airplane, at the airport or at a rest area," said Dr. Syra Madad, an infectious-disease epidemiologist for New York City hospitals.

The nation's top infectious-diseases expert, Dr. Anthony Fauci, told CBS' "Face the Nation" that people at airports "are going to get us into even more trouble than we're in right now."

The message may be sinking in for some.

Bookings in 2020 are down about 60% from where they were this time last year. Thanksgiving reservations were ticking upward in early October but fell back again as case numbers surged. Since airlines have made it easier to cancel tickets, there could be a rash of cancellations closer to the holiday, said John Elder, an adviser to airlines from Boston Consulting Group.

In 2019, a record 26 million passengers and crew passed through U.S. airport screening in the 11-day period around Thanksgiving. This year, the industry trade group Airlines for America isn't even providing a forecast because things are so uncertain.

Because of tighter restrictions by many governments, air travel in other parts of the world has, in contrast, come to a near standstill. In Europe, traffic between countries was down by 83% in September from a year earlier, and that has only worsened since then because many countries imposed new limits.

Alejandro Zuniga and his fiancee, Megan Muhs, who live in Costa Rica, thought briefly about flying to Wisconsin for Thanksgiving to see Muhs' family but decided against it. They also nixed a trip to the U.S. in December.

"No part of a major international trip seems safe at this point," Zuniga said. The pair plans to make video calls to family and stream the Detroit Lions football game on Thanksgiving Day.

Josh Holman and his family were planning to fly to Lake Tahoe and spend Thanksgiving with his brother, who lives in San Francisco, and his parents, who live in North Dakota. But they scrapped those plans.

"I see it as my civic duty not to spread this virus further," said Holman, an assistant county prosecutor who lives outside Detroit.

More people tend to drive than fly over Thanksgiving, but even car travel is expected to see a drop-off, according to AAA. Based on surveys in mid-October, the association was expecting 47.8 million people to drive to Thanksgiving gatherings, down 4% from last year. But AAA said the drop could prove to be even bigger, given the worsening crisis.

Brad Carr and his wife, retirees who live in Griffin, Georgia, debated whether to drive 35 miles north to his son's house for Thanksgiving and eat at a separate table on the porch. But after the CDC's announcement, they decided to stay home. Carr's son will deliver their meal "a la Uber Eats," Carr said.

Those who do gather should eat outdoors, wear masks, stay 6 feet apart and have one person serve the food, the CDC said.

That's the plan for Juliana Walter's family. Walter, a student at the University of Tampa, plans to get a coronavirus test and then drive home to Maryland. Her parents have rented tents and outdoor heaters and will host up to 30 masked family members for Thanksgiving dinner.

The holidays close out a bleak year for U.S. travel. Travel spending is expected to drop 45% from 2019 levels, to $617 billion, according to the U.S. Travel Association, a trade group.

SEE **TRAVEL PLANS** PAGE 11

Are dining tents a safe way to eat out during the pandemic?

By The Associated Press

Are dining tents a safe way to eat out during the pandemic? Health experts say outdoor dining tents are generally safer than dining inside, but caution that they're not all equal.

Many restaurants are erecting individual tents, igloos and other outdoor structures that let people who are dining together avoid being indoors, where the coronavirus spreads more easily.

Experts say the structures should be well-ventilated. A tent with four walls and a roof, for example, might not have better ventilation than an indoor dining room.

"The more airflow through the structure, the better it is," says Dr. Isaac Weisfuse, a public health expert at Cornell University.

Igloos and individual tents are a creative solution but shouldn't be shared with people who aren't in your household, says Craig Hedberg, a professor at the University of Minnesota School of Public Health.

"If it's keeping you from being in a common airspace with other people, then that's a good thing," he says.

Between parties, tents should be cleaned and left open for at least 20 minutes, says Aubree Gordon, an associate professor at the University of Michigan School of Public Health. She also suggests servers should be able to leave food on a tray outside to minimize contact with diners.

Tents are helping many restaurants get through lean times. But they may cost extra. In Detroit, Lumen restaurant charges $30 per person to reserve a heated structure with windows for two hours. Lumen's igloos and greenhouses can each seat six people, and the party must spend at least $300.

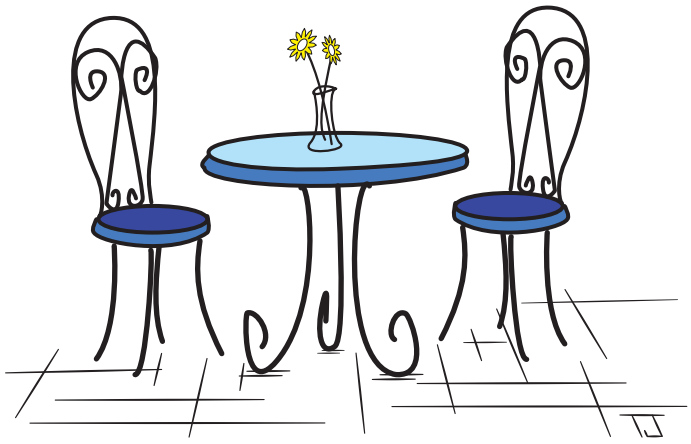
Once a party leaves, the structure is cleaned, sprayed with sanitizing fog and aired out for 30 minutes, says Gabby Milton, the restaurant's managing partner.

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COLUMN: No, no, NO NO NO!

I'VE BEEN AVOIDING WRITING THIS

For a long time. Not sure why I'm writing it now.

I'm not angry, though I have felt that at times in the past nine months. Not disgusted. Still mystified. Incredulous even. Saddened, and discouraged a little. And at a loss for how to proceed.

It's about masks. And all that means.

It's part of the bigger issue so many of us are talking about. We are relieved beyond measure that Joe Biden won/Trump lost, and NOW, three weeks after the election, a handful of Republican "leaders" get up the gumption to acknowledge the indisputable, that Biden "likely" won that election. Too little and way too late. It is cowardly, and by definition treasonous. The GOP has become Trump's cult and should be voted into oblivion. (But it won't be.)

WE HAVE GONE DOWN THE RABBIT HOLE

But where do we go from here?

How do we begin to try to bring the country together, when we don't even speak the same language? There have always been divisions, and hurt feelings and even bitterness after a national election. But not like this.

I remember a few years ago when I had concern over the deterioration of the language. I know it seems picky and get off my lawn you dang kids-ish, but really, how can we communicate if our words have no universally accepted meanings? It's starting to derail every social/political conversation.

IT'S VIRTUALLY IMPOSSIBLE

People use "actual" and "virtual" interchangeably now. Just two months ago the Merriam-Webster folks decided to put "truthiness" in the dictionary. Only 15 years after the first time it left Stephen Colbert's smart alecky mouth.

Are "beingness" and "isness" needed when "being" and "is" cover it? No, they're redundant, unnecessary, and they muddy the waters, even if ever so slightly. Death by a thousand cuts. Last year the Merriam-Webster subversives added "deep state," admitting that it did not even exist as a term until the 2010s. Ah, but many people are using it, so that's good enough; into the official book it goes! Legitimizing another conspiracy theory. I expect to see QAnon and antifa make the cut next time.

2019 was a banner year. Also granted truthiness were "vacay," "sesh," "inspo," "fabulosity," "solopreneur" and "snowflake."

I admit I am kind of obsessive about words and usage. But there is a much bigger issue here. Words are one thing.

FACTS ARE ANOTHER

If you can make up your own meaning for words, you can make up your own facts. That's where we are now. And that's why so many Americans still -- still -- refuse to wear a mask. The one most important thing that all the most credentialed and respected doctors say would help us beat back this virus, if everyone did it.

And yet, so many right here in Santa Monica still do not. Proudly, ferociously. A couple weeks ago I passed a young woman on the sidewalk who was not wearing a mask. When I inquired, nicely, "No mask?" she replied, nicely, "Why should I?" "More than 200,000 dead, that's why," I responded. She thought that was really funny and laughed, "Oh my goodness, you must believe the mainstream media!"

When the pandemic was new, I would notice that maybe 30-40 percent of people I passed on my daily walks in Ocean Park were wearing masks. A quarter of a MILLION deaths later, I'd say it's up to 85-90 percent.

Still 10-15 percent? What is wrong with you people?

LOTS OF "REASONS"

But I blame most of it on Trump. He has had the bully pulpit (such an apt description here) and has used it not to protect the nation but to harm it horribly, by making fun of mask wearing and not taking any other recommended precautions. We know it was intentional. A political decision, to blame it on the blue states and cities, and win re-election.

Very credible doctors and scientists have estimated that up to 90 percent of the deaths in the US could have been avoided with a national policy from the beginning of mask wearing, hand washing, distancing and not gathering in groups. That would make Trump one of the worst mass murderers in history. Does that sound extreme? Facts.... are facts.

EVERY PERSON I PASS BY

On my walks who is not wearing a mask, wearing it under their chin, below their nose, on top of their head, holding it in their hand -- is threatening me. And my family. To a possible agonizing death where every breath until the last is a labor of excruciating pain, with no dear face around to whisper words of love or hold a hand. Now multiply that by 260,000. And counting.

A few days ago on my walk I encountered a man on the narrow sidewalk near my house who was not wearing a mask. Because some

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GIVING THANKS

FROM PAGE 1

small event in my backyard. Literally with my family and friends in the community hosting a Thanksgiving dinner for families in need, specifically for foster youth and homeless students, veterans and international students," said Santa Monica College Foundation President Lizzy Moore, who headed the efforts in recent weeks. "And then, when we weren't able to host a backyard Thanksgiving this year, we decided we had to do something."

Moore and her peers from the City of Santa Monica, college and its foundation got the idea to partner with the Boys and Girls Club of Santa Monica, Police Assistance League and Community Corporation of Santa Monica to give the community all of the makings they'd need to craft their own Thanksgiving meal. "And it became this enormous event," she said, detailing the drive-thru and walk-up stations as well as the available fixings that were being handed out the 1,455 families who attended Tuesday's event.

"We had such a huge response. It kind of blew our mind. And we didn't really know how it would go because we've never done anything on this scale… We feed students every week through the food pantry but that's between two- and three-hundred students a week. Now, we're expected to do more than a thousand," Moore said. "But it's been so great to see everybody happy and excited to share the holiday cheer. These are all employees working today and they all made this happen."

SMC President Kathryn Jeffery said even the most conservative estimates depict the number of households without dependable access to nutritious food has, at the very least, doubled, which is why she feels proud to see the collaborative effort occur on the local campus.

Interim City Manager Lane Dilg, who stopped by Tuesday's event, agreed with the sentiment.

"This Thanksgiving, we have an opportunity to lift up local families in need and remember the joy that generosity and gratitude bring," Dilg said. "Santa Monica thrives when we help each other. This is one of many chances to give in a year when we must, more than ever before, come together as a community."

Moore added she absolutely feels it necessary to hold a similar event in the future.

"We couldn't have done this without the contributions of literally the thousands of people who donated to the Giving Thanksgiving fund," Moore said. "So thanks to all of our patrons who were able to do that and we're looking forward to more opportunities to help out."

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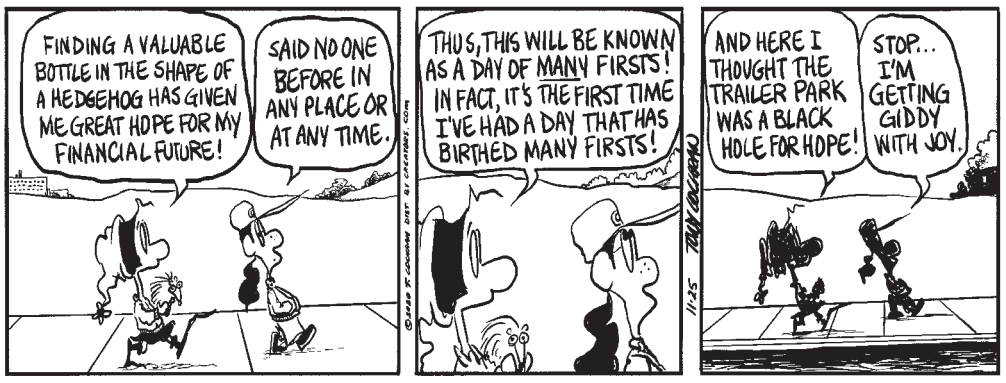
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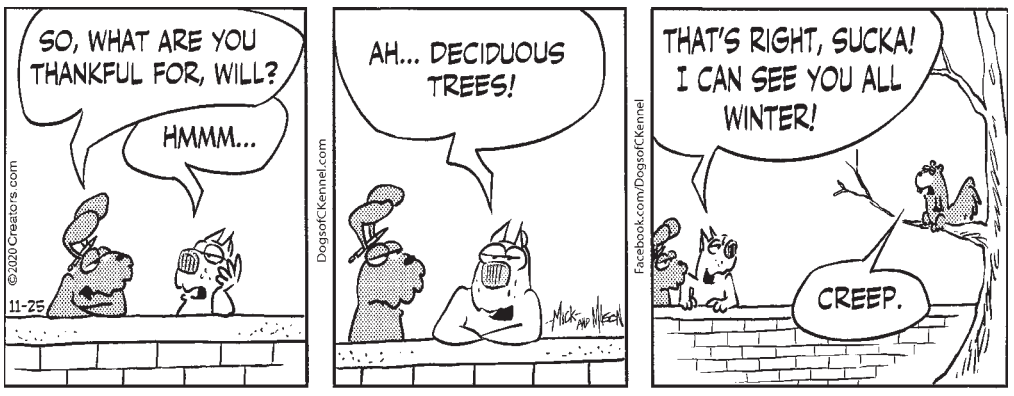
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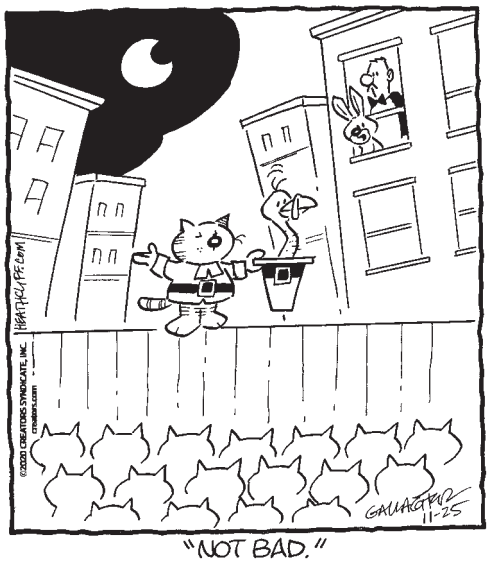
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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 59.5°

WEDNESDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft Thigh to waist high
Minor/steep NW swell, very small SW swell. Should be clean for much of the day but likely not much size to work with.

THURSDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft Thigh to waist high
Larger, steep angled NW swell builds. Minor SSW swell. Possible offshore AM winds.

WEATHER

Wednesday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 64.
Wednesday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 51.
Thanksgiving Day: Sunny, with a high near 63.
Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 49.
Friday: Sunny, with a high near 66.
Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 49.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
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2020/11/27	Fri	12:47 AM	1.46	L
2020/11/27	Fri	07:08 AM	5.59	H
2020/11/27	Fri	1:58 PM	0.28	L
2020/11/27	Fri	8:05 PM	3.87	H
2020/11/28	Sat	01:12 AM	1.68	L
2020/11/28	Sat	07:31 AM	5.78	H
2020/11/28	Sat	2:28 PM	-0.04	L
2020/11/28	Sat	8:42 PM	3.82	H
2020/11/29	Sun	01:37 AM	1.89	L
2020/11/29	Sun	07:54 AM	5.92	H
2020/11/29	Sun	3:00 PM	-0.27	L

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (NOVEMBER 25)

Your cosmic birthday gift is a brightening of your mind, a quickening in your spirit. You'll readily turn and apply the energy to work and relationships, where it will inspire immediate improvements. Dare to hoard your gifts sometimes, too. You're allowed to savor your you-ness. In fact, you're better for it. Virgo and Scorpio adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 11, 8, 31, 28 and 5.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). What you chase will run from you. What you learn about will draw near to you, insomuch that it wants to be understood. Your strategy of astute observation will be most effective.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Your potential is unknown and unknowable. For this reason, it will be important you commit to the work at hand with unself-conscious devotion. There is not a moment to waste in doubt.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Those who accuse others have themselves something to be accused of. The innocent will stay out of it, wishing everyone resolution. Trust people who are too busy to point fingers.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Sometimes, you rate yourself based on how clean your house is. Of course, you are not really your home environment, but you can't help but identify with it as you give such special care to your surroundings.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). There are things you forget because they have little bearing on your experience, and, strangely, some things of equally small impact are unforgettable. Those you must learn to forget so progress won't be hindered by the inconsequential.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Your general habit of minding your own business usually serves you quite well, but today it will help you to be a little nosy and competitive. Are you offering something to the world at too high or too low a price?

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Small decisions are more significant than they seem and, when repeated by you or copied by others, can have an exponential impact. This is why you take great care today with purchases and other choices.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). If thunder did not send its booming scold through the heavens, it would not be thunder. And we could scarcely call it lightning that did not tear the sky with terrifying power. Embrace your stormy phenomenon as part of your package.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Many of your aims are so on track that you rarely think about them anymore. You've developed these goals into daily habits and now they are just part of who you are. Do the same for a new, challenging ambition.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). There may be some confusion about who is accepting which responsibility and exactly what it entails, but don't get caught up in that. Patiently figure out what the best thing you can do is, and then do it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You are learning to recognize your many forms of resistance. Sometimes, it's a hesitation inside you; sometimes, it's a tantrum you feel like throwing. You'll be enlightened by the curiosity you bring to your resistance.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). What you're thinking of as your personality may actually just be a series of decisions you made. You can go on making similar choices or you can change the script. You are totally in charge now, and you feel it.

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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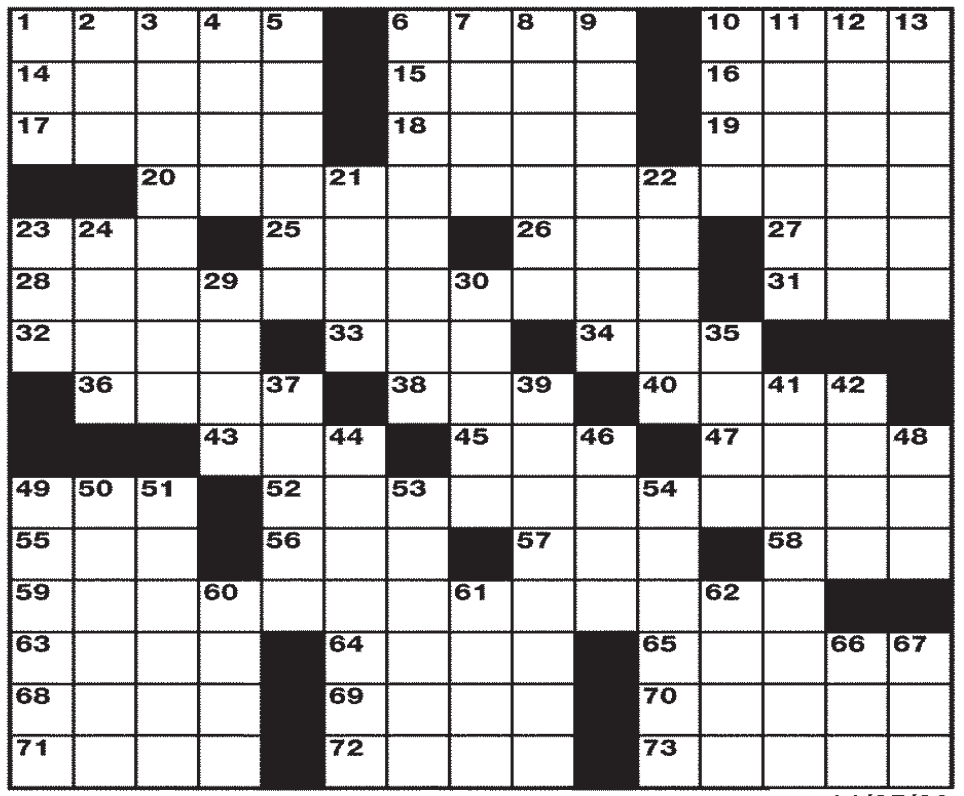
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Newsday Crossword

SHORT BREAKS by Winston Emmons
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ACROSS
1 Four-door family car
6 Lion's sound
10 Statutes and ordinances
14 Make very happy
15 "__ silly question . . ."
16 Shape of a racetrack
17 Ascend, as a ladder
18 __ Party (forerunner of the Republicans)
19 Young Spanish girl
20 Unpolished but prepared
23 Novelist __ Tan
25 Hawaiian garland
26 Tip of a shoe
27 Collarless shirt
28 Elvis' music
31 Make a goof
32 Earth's natural orbiter
33 Pekoe or Earl Grey
34 Ad-__ (improvise)
36 Do the backstroke, say
38 Sister or brother, for short
40 Expense
43 Scottish cap
45 __-la-la (song syllables)
47 Corrosive liquid
49 Homer Simpson's bartender
52 Go ballistic
55 Ancient
56 "Where did __ wrong?"
57 Jennings of *Jeopardy!* fame
58 Close to the ground
59 Two sides of an investor's evaluation
63 Baker's appliance
64 First arrival in 72 Across
65 Vivien of *Gone with the Wind*
68 Grain storage tower
69 "Trillion" starter for byte
70 Sharpshooter Oakley
71 Sunrise direction
72 Biblical garden
73 Marshlike

DOWN
1 Brief moment, for short
2 Shape of a shelf bracket
3 Farm's milk producer
4 Prefix like aero-
5 Astronomical cloud
6 What tanneries turn into leather
7 Worker welfare agcy.
8 Something like
9 Traditional toy named Ann or Andy
10 __ Ranger (Tonto's pal)
11 Fly a plane
12 Roam around
13 David, to Goliath
21 Well-mannered fellow
22 Ancient artifact
23 Sleeve of a shirt
24 Sounds from a 3 Down
29 Make a sweater or scarf
30 Bonnie of blues-rock
35 Wild pig
37 Tennis pro Sharapova
39 Guy assisting a train conductor
41 Extremely hot, as water
42 Digital TV recorder
44 Business tycoon
46 All over again
48 Morning's moisture on meadows
49 Feeling very gloomy
50 Singer Newton-John
51 '50s Fords
53 Signaled agreement
54 Crime evidence analysis room
60 What holds a tie in place
61 How some order steak
62 City near Lake Tahoe
66 Band's booking
67 Attention-getting shout



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Binary Puzzle

Each cell should contain a zero or a one. No more than two similar numbers below or next to each other are allowed. Each row and each column is unique and contains as many zeros as ones.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

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Asia	Farewells	Noise	Skill
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Blues	Hate	Pals	Start
Cars	Hickey	Peers	Suit
Casual	Hobby	Phone	TAFE
Celebrations	Jobs	Pimples	Travel
City	Lines	Rebel	Vague
Defer	Love	Rejoice	Zits
Disco	Luck	Relax	

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S WORDS PUZZLE.
Avoid the man in a grey suit

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CURIOUS CITY

FROM PAGE 6

are flesh-toned, you often can't tell until it is too late. I couldn't step out into the street as I usually do so I turned my back to him as he passed. He knew why I did that.

Some friends of mine consider it a social responsibility to always call people out for not wearing a mask; I hardly ever do. But this time I turned after he passed and said, in a stern tone, "where's your mask!" He spun around and yelled, "F you!! Mind your own business!" I responded, "That's exactly what I'm doing, it IS my business!" He ended the discussion by demanding, "If you don't like it, just stay th' F away from me!" Well, who can argue with that good idea?

I feel the pain of all those deaths and their families and friends, and also of the beaten-down medical workers. I see them speak and cry on the news -- except on Fox -- and it is heartbreaking. A front page story in Atlanta the other day quoted an ER doctor, concerning the deniers who increase their work and suffering loads so much: "It Makes Me Shake with Anger."

So -- how do we even begin to try to bring the country together? Or even Santa Monica? I wish I knew.

Charles Andrews 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 therealm-rmusic@gmail.com

WARNINGS

FROM PAGE 1

Ghaly, the state's health secretary said. "I hope, but don't expect, that it will be the highest that we've ever had."

Public health officials are bracing for a wave of cases that could follow gatherings at Thanksgiving. Ghaly urged people to say "No" to family members who want to get together to celebrate.

Medical centers are prepared to increase capacity for patients and Los Angeles has plans to set up field hospitals if necessary, Mayor Eric Garcetti said.

"At this rate, our hospitals won't have any spare beds by Christmas time," Garcetti said.

Gov. Gavin Newsom has issued a 10 p.m. to 5 a.m. curfew for almost all residents and urged people to avoid nonessential travel during what is typically the busiest travel period of the year. Anyone entering California is advised to quarantine for two weeks.

Most of the state is under the strictest rules for operating businesses that limit capacity of retail operations and prevent indoor dining.

In Los Angeles, however, the spike in cases led public health officials on Sunday to go further and issue an order to halt all dining. That would take effect after Wednesday.

The California Restaurant Association failed Tuesday in its efforts to challenge that order in court.

The group wanted to bar any shutdown until Los Angeles County health officials provide medical or scientific evidence that outdoor restaurant dining poses an unreasonable risk to public health. A judge rejected the effort.

The city of Pasadena, which has an independent public health department, broke with Los Angeles County and decided to allow outside dining to continue at restaurants while it assesses virus numbers.

"We need to balance our growing numbers and the economic hardship of restaurant personnel," said a statement released by spokeswoman Lisa Derderian.

Associated Press writer Daisy Nguyen in Oakland contributed to this report.

TRAVEL PLANS

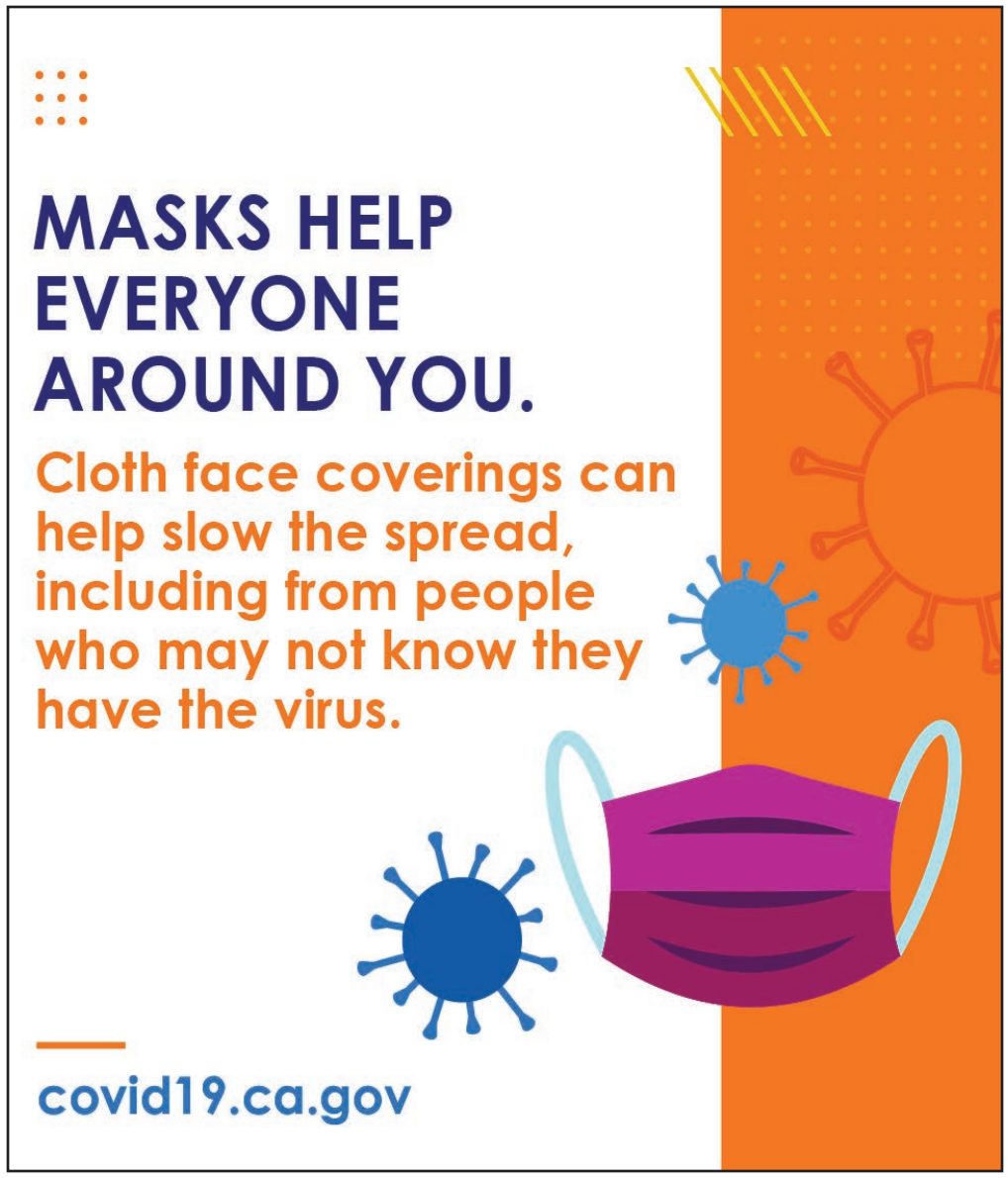
FROM PAGE 5

Canceling Thanksgiving trips is painful for many families.

Kelly Kleber usually flies from Seattle to her hometown of Tucson, Arizona, to spend the holiday with her parents. They have a picnic to celebrate the life of her sister, who died on Thanksgiving in 2015. This year, Kleber is sending her parents a portrait of her sister and plans a video call on Thanksgiving.

"It's going to be hard being away from family this year," she said.

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