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Lightning strike leaves Sunset Park without gas service

MADELEINE PAUKER
SMDP Staff Writer

About 300 households and businesses in Sunset Park were affected by a natural gas outage last week, according to SoCalGas.

A lightning strike during a storm Wednesday fused a water pipe and a gas line in the neighborhood, said city of Santa Monica spokesperson Constance Farrell. Water leaked into gas lines in the area of Ocean Park Boulevard and 17th Street and customers lost gas service by 3 p.m., said SoCalGas spokesperson Patrice Clayton.

Clayton said the city repaired its water pipe Thursday and SoCalGas crews began working Friday to remove more than 10,000 gallons of water from gas lines in Sunset Park. Residents were not at risk of natural gas poisoning while crews were working, Clayton added.

"SoCalGas employees have been working well into the night to safely restore gas to each affected home," she said.

Gas service has since been restored to 270 customers and it may take until Tuesday or Wednesday to restore service to the remaining 30 customers, Clayton said. It takes one to two hours to restore service in each home.

"Technicians are going door

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'The Nutcracker' returns to Santa Monica



Todd Lechtick

BALLET: Multiple boys from local Santa Monica schools will participate in the upcoming rendition of "The Nutcracker."

BRENNON DIXSON
SMDP Staff Writer

As it has every year for nearly five decades, "The Nutcracker" is set to return to Santa Monica this November, and thanks to the influence of various performers, this year's presentation will feature an element that wasn't too common during previous interpretations of the popular ballet.

Occurring at The Broad from Nov. 30 through Dec. 8, 2019, the 47th annual Nutcracker season is expected to captivate local residents once again thanks to the ballet's impressive array of dancers — some of whom attend local Santa Monica schools.

Show organizers said this year's performance will feature 42 Santa Monica residents and the most boys ever, according to Community Outreach Director Jewels Solheim-Roe, who said there are 11 boys performing in this year's ballet and 6 of them live or go to school in the local area.

This might not seem like a lot, but dancer Daisy Kohner said it

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Santa Monica gets new LAX shuttle for Thanksgiving

MADELEINE PAUKER
SMDP Staff Writer

Santa Monica gets new LAX shuttle for Thanksgiving

Los Angeles International Airport is offering new shuttles in Santa Monica and Century City through the week of Thanksgiving.

Residents can catch the LAX Holiday Shuttle every hour from 1925 Arizona Ave. in Santa Monica through Monday, Dec. 2, except for Thanksgiving day, LAX officials said. The shuttle runs from 5 a.m. to midnight and costs $10 each way.

At LAX, the shuttle will pick up passengers at the "Pink" stops on the inner lanes on the arrivals level.

Deborah Flint, the CEO of Los Angeles World Airports, said the airport is offering the service because an unprecedented number of Angelenos will be traveling this Thanksgiving. About half a million people are expected to fly throughout the week.

LAX's parking capacity is limited due to construction and holiday demand, officials said. Additionally, airline catering workers are planning a labor action Tuesday that will cause delays.

"This Thanksgiving holiday is projected to be the busiest on record, which means like last year, traffic will be bad during peak

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING TO BE HELD BY THE SANTA MONICA ZONING ADMINISTRATOR

DATE/TIME: **10:30 a.m., December 10, 2019**

LOCATION: Council Chambers, Room 213, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica

A Public Hearing will be held by the Zoning Administrator of the City of Santa Monica at the above noted time and place in regard to the following requests:

1610 Broadway, MINOR USE PERMIT 18ENT-0250. The applicant requests approval of a Minor Use Permit (MUP) to allow a new wireless telecommunications facility on the roof of an existing three-story residential building within the Mixed-Use Boulevard Low (MUBL) zoning district. The project consists of installing nine (9) panel antennas and twelve (12) remote radio units divided between three sectors. The proposed antennas and associated support equipment will be arranged behind new screen walls designed to match the appearance of the existing building. Based on when the subject MUP application was deemed complete, the request is subject to the zoning regulations in place prior to the adoption of the revised Wireless Communications Ordinance (Ordinance 2583 CCS) in August 2018. As proposed, the project does not comply with the requirements for non-parabolic commercial antennas contained in Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) Section 9.32.060(A). Pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code Section 9.32.060(B), the Zoning Administrator may approve modifications to the requirements for non-parabolic commercial antennas through the approval of an MUP. [Planner: Ross Fehrman] **Applicant: Jim Phit, Verizon Wireless. Property Owner: Asad Investment Group LLC**

1450 Ocean Avenue, MINOR USE PERMIT 19ENT-0375. The applicant requests approval of a Minor Use Permit (MUP) to install two (2) new radio units with built-in antennas and associated conduit on an existing light pole. Pursuant to Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) Section 9.32.040(A), review and approval of an MUP is required for all personal wireless facilities except for those that are exempt under SMMC Section 9.32.040(B) or that are governed by SMMC Section **9.32.040(C). [Planner: Scott Albright]** Applicant/ Property Owner: City of Santa Monica. [Continued from November 12, 2019]

HOW TO COMMENT

The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the Zoning Administrator public hearing, or by writing a letter. Written information will be given to the Zoning Administrator at the meeting.

Any person may comment at the Public Hearing, or by writing a letter to the City Planning Division, Room 212, P.O. Box 2220, Santa Monica, CA 90407-2220. Plans are available for public review at the City Planning Division. For more information, please contact the City Planning Division at (310) 458-8341. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 64009(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. The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. For disability-related accommodations, please contact (310) 458-8341 or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. Every attempt will made to provide the requested accommodation. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Santa Monica Big Blue Bus Lines #1, #2, #3, Rapid 3, #7, #8, #9, Rapid #10, and #18 service City Hall and the Civic Center area. The Expo Line terminus is at Colorado Avenue and Fourth Street, a short walk to City Hall. Public parking is available in front of City Hall and in the Civic Center Parking Structure (validation free).

*Esto es un aviso sobre una audiencia publica para revisar applicaciones proponiendo desarrollo en Santa Monica. Esto puede ser de interes para usted. Si desea mas informacion, favor de llamar a Carmen Gutierrez en la Division de Planificacion al numero (310) 458-8341.



What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Tuesday, Nov. 26

Toddler Time
Storytime, songs and rhymes for children ages 18- 36 months. Ocean Park Branch Library, 10 - 10:20 a.m.

College Application Drop-In Services
Get free one-on-one assistance with college applications and essays. To submit your application, bring your transcript(unofficial is fine) and Social Security, DACA or Green Card number. Computers provided, or bring your laptop. Presented in collaboration with the Santa Monica Boys & Girls Club's College Bound Program, Diana Hanson of Magellan Counseling. Grade 12. Main Library, 4:30 - 6:30 p.m.

Kids' Writers Group: National Novel Writing Month
Want to write a novel? Get it started now with fun prompts and exercises. Learn tips from special guest, young novelist Adele Ciocoila. Ages 8-12. Main Library, 3:45 - 4:45 p.m.

Write Away
Gain feedback and encouragement in your writing efforts from fellow writers in this supportive writer's meet-up. Fairview Branch Library, 12 - 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, Nov. 27

Santa Monica Farmers Market
Fresh seasonal produce sold direct from California farmers. The inaugural Santa Monica Farmers Market opened Wednesday July 11, 1981 in Santa Monica's downtown retail district with goals of providing reasonably priced, high quality produce to the city's population, and bringing more foot traffic into the downtown area. The Wednesday market met with instant success in its first year. Today, the Wednesday Farmers Market is widely recognized as one of the largest and most diverse grower-only CFM's in the nation. Some nine thousands food shoppers, and many of Los Angeles' best known chefs and restaurants, are keyed to the seasonal rhythms of the weekly Wednesday Market. Arizona Avenue and Third Street, 8:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.

Read & Play
Help your child cultivate key developmental skills through books and play activities. Ages 0-5. Main Library, 11:15 - 11:45 a.m.

Cuentos para Pequeños/ Spanish Story Time
Para niños de 2 - 5 años de edad. Fairview Branch Library, 10 - 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, Nov. 28

Thanksgiving
City services closed due to the holiday.

Friday, Nov. 29

Guest House
Visit anytime between 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. for a self-guided or docent tour. No reservations needed. Schedule subject to change, call Guest Services to confirm dates and hours. Annenberg Community Beach House

Saturday, Nov. 30

Small Business Saturday Sidewalk Sale
Shop small in celebration of our local businesses this holiday season. The first Saturday after Thanksgiving marks #SmallBusinessSaturday, a day dedicated to promoting small businesses across the USA. This annual event kicks off the Tis the Season to Buy Local Holiday festivities in Santa Monica. 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. Montana Ave.

CoderDojo Workshop
Practice computer science and coding skills with volunteer mentors. Use laptops provided by the library or bring your own. Ages 8-17. Registration starts November 18. Call 310-458-8621 or visit the Youth Services Department to register. Main Library, 3- 5 p.m.

For help submitting an event, contact us at **310-458-7737** or submit to events@smdp.com

Burglary suspects crash car during police chase in Brentwood

MADELEINE PAUKER
SMDP Staff Writer

Los Angeles police arrested a man Friday after he allegedly broke into a home in Brentwood near the Santa Monica border.

A Los Angeles Police Department spokesperson said two suspects allegedly burglarized a home on the 500 block of Avondale Avenue in Brentwood Friday around 4:30 p.m. They fled in a car and crashed in Santa Monica, the spokesperson said.

Officers established a perimeter around the area and conducted a K-9 search for the suspects. One was arrested and the other remains at large, the spokesperson said.

The two suspects may have hidden in a home near the intersection of Montana Avenue and Princeton Street, according to social media reports.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide

Newsweek announces top 5,000 STEM schools

Newsweek announced its ranking of the top 5,000 STEM high schools for 2020, honoring excellence in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics. Santa Monica High School is listed as 1,156 and Malibu High, 1,599. Samohi is ranked 16th for Los Angeles County public schools and Malibu High is ranked 19th.

Newsweek partnered with STEM.org to rank America's Best STEM High Schools. The list includes schools in every region of the country that offer skilled teachers who keep up with developments in these fields and who create dynamic learning environments to engage their students.

"Congratulations to Samohi and Malibu High School for making top 20 in LA County for STEM excellence," School Board President Dr. Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein said. "We appreciate the hard work and dedication by our district leadership team, school administration and teachers in bringing relevant STEM programming and project-based learning to our students to ensure college and career readiness upon graduation."

The top 5,000 schools were curated from STEM.org Educational Research™ (SER) using a proprietary scoring logic that took into consideration a broad set of quantitative and qualitative data inputs collected from Q2 2015-Q3 2019. The purpose was to determine which primary/secondary institutions in America best offer students experiences in science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) – as defined by the Congressional Research Service – while preparing them for post-secondary outcomes. Additional factors, including affluence and median household in-come, were taken into consideration in compiling the rankings.

The full list of 5,000 top STEM high schools are available on Newsweek.com. The announcement came on National STEM Day on November 8.

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What's the Point?

David Pisarra — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Lessons from the Los Angeles ICAN conference

Last week I made the trek out to the Sheraton Universal in Burbank to attend NEXUS XXIV. It's a training conference that is put on by my friends at the Los Angeles Inter-Agency Child Abuse Network (ICAN). The executive director is Deanne Tilton Durfee and over the years we've become friendly. She, in fact, appeared in a short film I did for the Children's Institute. I particularly enjoy this conference each year when I get to see my buddy Kenneth Rios who is one of the many diligent organizers on the Planning Committee.

The conference itself is a great learning experience because I meet the staff of multiple agencies and see how they interact. The speakers that are brought in are top-level individuals who teach on various aspects of domestic violence and childhood trauma — a topic that I, unfortunately, run into far too often as a divorce and child custody lawyer in Los Angeles.

The conference is a one-day event that is hosted by ICAN with support from the ICAN Associates, a private non-profit that makes the NEXUS training conference possible. The Associates is a celebrity-studded non-profit chaired by Lindsay Wagner. She is, of course, the perfect role model for those who stand up for children given that her career started as The Bionic Woman — Jamie Summers — who took on the forces of evil and won.

Each year I learn something that is valuable and enlightening to me, or I make connections with people who move my life forward. About seven years ago I met Alan-Michael Graves when he was representing the Children's Institute's Project Fatherhood and we forged a friendship. He hosted an annual Father's Day event where a couple of years back I heard Jerry Tello share his story of childhood experiences. This year at NEXUS I was blessed to hear Jerry again but with a different message, one that rang true to the room full of social workers and mental health professionals — "they are all our children."

The NEXUS Training Conference brings in speakers from far and wide, and also just down the block. The keynote was Dr. Randell Alexander who spoke on the topic of prevention of physical abuse. He came from Florida where he is a professor at the University of Florida. I had the pleasure of seeing my friend Dr. Michael Levittan speak on the long term effects of violence on children and how it impacts their brains and emotional development. I learned something crucial from him this year. Frequently we think that young children won't recall violence in the household, as if that somehow makes it okay, what Michael was teaching was that it actually is worse for pre-verbal children as they have no language to unpack their feelings or understand the real dynamics. The younger a child is, the more damaging domestic violence is to them, which made total sense as soon as he explained it. He works here in Brentwood and is a well-known expert on anger management.

Walking the hallway I came across the Victim's Compensation table that was being run by Shari Farmer from the Los Angeles District Attorney Bureau of Victim Services. I very jauntily said to her, "I know the Victim's Compensation Board (VCB), I made a lot of money with them in my early years as a lawyer." That triggered a conversation with Shari about what the board will cover and how it has expanded its mandate over the past few years. Fifteen years ago when I was doing work with the VCB, they only provided funds for those victims who had been criminally attacked and were cooperating with the police.

I understand from Shari that in the expansion of recognition of domestic violence, the VCB has had its mission expanded to cover those victims of domestic violence who need help with payment for their damages, treatment and related services. I did not know this. It means that those people who have a domestic violence restraining order and been granted protections are now eligible for additional funds to provide for their losses or mental health treatment. This is good news for those victims that have lost everything in an abusive relationship.

NEXUS is important to our community because it allows for the sharing of information and creation of connections that will aid those in need. Social workers and the men and women of the Department of Mental Health, Department of Children and Family Services, the Sheriff's Department, and the District Attorney's Victim Services and many other agencies benefit from the hard work of the Planning Committee and I want to thank them here, Sabina Alvarez, Edie Schulman, Susana Montanez, Tom Fraser, John Solano, Karla Latin, Jeremy Huang, Paul Click and Kenneth Rios, your hard work is appreciated and you deserved to be recognized for it. Thank you.

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Citywide

Give back this Thanksgiving and throughout the year

The Thanksgiving holiday brings feelings of warmth, time with loved ones, and opportunities to be thankful for everything the year has given us, but there are some members of our community who might have very different experiences during the holidays.

To show your love and support for some of our more vulnerable residents, we ask you to consider volunteering your time, food, or the below essential items. You'll give back to the community, work alongside neighbors, and learn more about the organizations and people who are a lifeline to thousands right here in your back yard.

While volunteering this holiday season, we ask you to consider ways that you can get involved in serving and supporting the community and direct service organizations all year long. Many times, local organizations and service providers see an influx of volunteers around the holidays, but volunteerism drops off after the New Year. We hope you'll consider making a commitment to give your time throughout the year.

One great way to start kick off getting more involved in 2020 is by signing up to volunteer for the annual Homeless Count on Wednesday, January 22. Registration is now open!

Below are some ways you can fight hunger and help our neighbors experiencing homelessness through the following volunteer opportunities in Santa Monica this Thanksgiving.

GIVE TIME

Saint Monica Catholic Community - 40th Annual Thanksgiving Dinner and Clothing Boutique (November 27, 3 - 6 p.m.)

Location: St. Monica Catholic Community Auditorium, 725 California Ave., Santa Monica, CA 90403

Description: Help plan and shop, set up, prepare, cook and serve, collect and distribute, and clean up. Need volunteers on the day of the event and on days and evenings prior to the event.

Westside Thanksgiving Community Dinner and Celebration (November 27, 9 a.m. - 6 p.m. (outside) and November 23, 6 a.m. - 6 p.m.)

Location: West Los Angeles Civic Center, 1645 Corinth Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90025

Call for more information: 310.394.3153

Description: Help with planning, setup, and event. Need volunteers on the day of the event and on days and evenings prior to the event.

Gobble Gobble Give Thanksgiving 2019 (November 28, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.)

Location: Santa Monica Airport Park, 3201 Airport Ave., Santa Monica, CA 90405

Description: On Thanksgiving morning, volunteers come together to gather dry goods, box warm food, and walk the streets of their community to hand out care packages to homeless individuals and families. Check their website for details.

MEALS ON WHEELS (MONDAY - FRIDAY, 10:30 A.M. - 1 P.M.)

Location: 1823-A Michigan Ave., Santa Monica, CA 90404

Call for more information: 310.394.7558

Description: Help deliver meals. Flexible schedule–you can deliver every day, once a week, or once a month.

26th Annual Homeless Feeding & Banner Creation (November 30, 6:15 a.m. - 7:30 p.m.)

Location: 7726 West Manchester Avenue, Playa Del Rey, CA 90293 West of Lincoln Blvd./ Just East of Saran Ave.

Description: Help open cans, stir, cut, chop, mash, slice, bake, ladle, draw, color, be artistic, package, deliver, serve and INSPIRE!

Preparation of meals & banner creation: 6:15 - 11:15 a.m. (Continental Breakfast Provided, Lunch not provided)

Assembly & packing: 12:30pm - 3:30pm

Delivery, serving & clean-up: 3:30pm - 7:30pm

Also need the following:

Turkeys–cooked at your home! (Well-cooked, 18-25 lbs.) and delivered to the center (minus drippings please!)

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Have a Van or Truck for Delivery? Please let them know.

Event Participation Fee: Minimum Donation = $ 5

These meals go to many of the Westside Coalition's agencies for their clients.

GIVE GOODS

Westside Food Bank's Turkey Drive Fundraiser

Location: 1710 22nd St., Santa Monica, CA 90404

Call for more information: 310.828.6016

Details: You can help with the Annual Turkey Drive. Every donation helps provide additional turkeys and other holiday food items to local families. Every dollar raised is enough to provide 4 meals to your neighbors in need. Check their website for details.

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Join OneWest Bank in donating one million meals to fight hunger

CIT and its Southern California retail branch division OneWest Bank today launched the second annual One Million Meals campaign to fight hunger this holiday season. In partnership with Feeding America®, OneWest will donate 250 meals1 for every qualifying checking account opened between now and Dec. 31, in addition to providing a $250 cash back bonus for each account.2

"The holiday season is about connecting with the community and we're thrilled to continue our partnership with Feeding America again this year," said Heather Ellison, head of Retail Banking for OneWest Bank. "Through the One Million Meals campaign, we are directly supporting those battling hunger across the neighborhoods we're so passionate about serving each day."

Individuals are invited to follow #GiveLikeYou on Facebook to help drive OneWest's donations sup-porting Feeding America's® Mobile Pantry and MealConnect programs. For every vote or engagement (like, comment or share) on social media, OneWest will donate 10 meals to one of the programs. Mobile Pantry is a farmers market-style food distribution service operating in underserved areas, while MealConnect reduces waste and battles hunger by connecting food donors to food banks.

"By engaging with our employees, customers and the general public, we can collectively make a meaningful impact in the fight against hunger in Southern California and beyond," continued Ellison.

Feeding America® is a nationwide network of 200 local food banks and 60,000 food pantries and meal programs that together serve more than 40 million people each year. Last year's inaugural One Million Meals campaign exceeded its goal by 50% and included 190,000 meals donated within the local Southern California community.

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St. Joseph Center receives Bezos Day 1 Families Fund grant to help solve homelessness

St. Joseph Center, a leading provider of services for families and indi-viduals experiencing homelessness in Los Angeles, announced Thursday that it has been selected to receive a $5 million grant from the Day 1 Families Fund.

"The trauma of homelessness is incredibly harmful to families," said Dr. Va Lecia Adams Kellum, president & CEO of St. Joseph Center. "Support from the Day 1 Families Fund will have a profound impact on our ability to protect families and help them regain stability."

This one-time grant, awarded to organizations moving the needle on family homelessness, will allow St. Joseph Center to establish a hub for families experiencing homelessness that will combine critically needed bridge housing (which families use before transitioning to perma-nent housing) with holistic, integrated programs designed to help families return to self-sufficiency as quickly as possible.

St. Joseph Center is one of 32 nonprofits across the U.S. to receive the second annual Day 1 Families Fund grants, as part of a broad investment by the Day 1 Families Fund to help solve family homelessness. The Day 1 Families Fund issued a total of $98.5 million in grants this year. The fund worked with an advisory board of homelessness advocates and experts who identified and invited organizations to submit grant proposals to support their efforts to ad-dress homelessness. This year, the grant recipients from around the country include: Bethany House Services, Catholic Charities Eastern Washington, Catholic Social Services Alaska, Coburn Place, Connecticut Coalition to End Homelessness, Covenant House, Family Gateway, Fami-lyAid Boston, ForKids, Goodwill Industries of Northern Michigan, Great Lakes Community Ac-tion Partnership, Homeless Services Network of Central Florida, HOPE Services Hawaii, Hope-Works, Interim Community Development Association, Lafayette Transitional Housing Center, Mary's Place Seattle, MIFA, Our Family Services, Pathways of Hope, St. Joseph Center, St. Jo-seph's Villa, St. Stephen's Human Services, St. Vincent de Paul, The Road Home, The Road Home Dane County, The Whole Child, UNITY Of Greater New Orleans, Upward Bound House, Welcome House of Northern Kentucky, West Virginia Coalition to End Homelessness, and YWCA Columbus.

Inga-Rochelle Jones knows firsthand the difference St. Joseph Center makes in people's lives. "I became homeless with three of my five children in April 2017. I had been homeless before, but never with my children," she recalled recently. "St. Joseph Center helped my children and me when we had no other help or human aid." With assistance from the Center's family programs, Inga-Rochelle regained stability and got on the path to self-sufficiency. "I have now been in housing for a year and have increased my income. I am tremendously grateful to St. Joseph Center."

The Bezos Day One Fund was launched in 2018 with a commitment of $2 billion and a focus on two areas: funding existing nonprofits that help homeless families, and creating a network of new, nonprofit tier-one preschools in low-income communities. The Day 1 Families Fund issues annual leadership awards to organizations and civic groups doing compassionate, needle-moving work to provide shelter and hunger support to address the immediate needs of young families. The vision statement comes from the inspiring Mary's Place in Seattle: no child sleeps outside. For more information, visit www.BezosDayOneFund.org/Day1FamiliesFund.

About St. Joseph Center

St. Joseph Center is an independent, community-based nonprofit 501 (c)(3) organization whose mission is to provide working poor families, as well as homeless men, women and children of all ages, with the inner resources and tools to become productive, stable and self-supporting members of the community. It reaches more than 10,000 individuals annually through a variety of integrated programs centered around Outreach & Engagement, Housing, Mental Health, and Education & Vocational programs. To learn more about St. Joseph Center's comprehensive services, please visit www.stjosephctr.org.





TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (NOVEMBER 26)

You'll let go of old myths to embrace an optimistic yet realistic view of what you'll do in the world before your next birthday. You'll come up with strategies that really work, and you'll find mentors and helpers to make the process a pleasure. A New Year's Eve kiss is a harbinger of romantic fireworks. Gemini and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 30, 1, 18 and 43.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's important to know the difference between a gift given and a deal brokered. The only kind of gift that is not a deal is one without strings or any expectation of being repaid.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Maybe manipulation is, at its core, dishonest. Even so, it's a part of the advanced human operating system. At least your aim is true -- to help people do what's good for them.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Investments are only good when they are affordable. If it leaves you feeling poor while you await a return, it's not an investment so much as an overinvestment, which leads to desperation. Who needs it?

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Whatever you would typically give others, give that and more to yourself today. Otherwise you'll be at an energetic deficit, which is a drain to everyone around. So in a sense, your selfishness is for them!

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Letting go of your expectations of who you are supposed to be is one of the most empowering shifts you will make. Also, when it comes to starting something new, you're never too old, and it's never too late.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Finding common ground is better than barraging others with a feeling. Even good feelings like faith and joy can scare people off, only because people are frightened of what they can't relate to or comprehend.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). People inspire you. The compliments you give are the truth and will reflect the talents, endowments and efforts you observe. People can't help but be drawn in by your genuine interest in them.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll stand up for yourself without putting another person down. You'll hold your own line without breaking someone else's. You'll be courteous as you're moving along to the next thing.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Productive conversations will reveal things about a person before you get in too deep with any kind of relationship. If there's a mismatch in personal values, it's better to find out sooner than have to deal with it later.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). In matters of business, your goal is not to attract every customer but to screen for the ones with a high potential of finding great value in what you most want to offer. The same goes for love.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Every action has a motive that speaks out. The trouble comes when what you really want is a secret, even to you. Knowing your own intentions creates an attractive and aligned flow of action.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You recognize the silly pointlessness of trying to control other people's reactions. Instead, you'll present yourself with boldness and clarity and then accept whatever reaction you get with an eye toward the opportunities there.

Sophistication Moon

The Sagittarius new moon speaks to worldly sophistication. While reading books grows the mind, ultimately, brainpower is proven not in the mind but in the world. The highest intelligence is action. It takes sharpness to offer up what is most needed in the moment. Without the thing that makes a moment work, what comes after is likely to fail.

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS

ASTROLOGICAL QUESTIONS: "I am a Leo (Aug. 20, 1981) and recently moved to Florida from New York. Was this a wise decision? My main motivation in moving here was to be able to better raise my future daughter with the help of my family. But I totally feel like this move has put a damper on many areas of my life, especially my job prospects. Do you have any advice? Also, I will be a single parent, and I know that remaining in New York without the help of relatives close by would be much harder on me, but I am wondering now if I really would have been able to handle all the responsibilities on my own."

You did the right thing. It's scary right now, but this move will make complete sense to you in retrospect. Something happens to Leo women when they are pregnant: Their sixth sense kicks into overdrive, and they make decisions even they don't completely understand. Your job is to fortify your faith in your higher knowing. Take care of yourself, and know that you are also being taken care of by the forces of the universe. The work thing won't be a problem. As the proverb goes, "Every baby brings their own bread to the table."

CELEBRITY PROFILES

Tough and tender pop icon Tina Turner is an exuberant Sagittarian. In myth, centaurs are creatures prone to temperamental warring, but when given the tools to actualize their potential, they rise to their higher nature. Turner says her spiritual practices, including Buddhism, delivered her from a tumultuous personal life to a place of peace. Spirituality empowers Sagittarian courage and valor. **Write Holiday Mathis at HolidayMathis.com.**

WORD UP!

Horologium

Noun [hawr-uh-loh-jee-uhm, hor-]

A timepiece, as a clock or sundial, or a building supporting or containing a timepiece.

Heathcliff

By PETER GALLAGHER



"I'LL BE GLAD WHEN THANKSGIVING IS OVER."

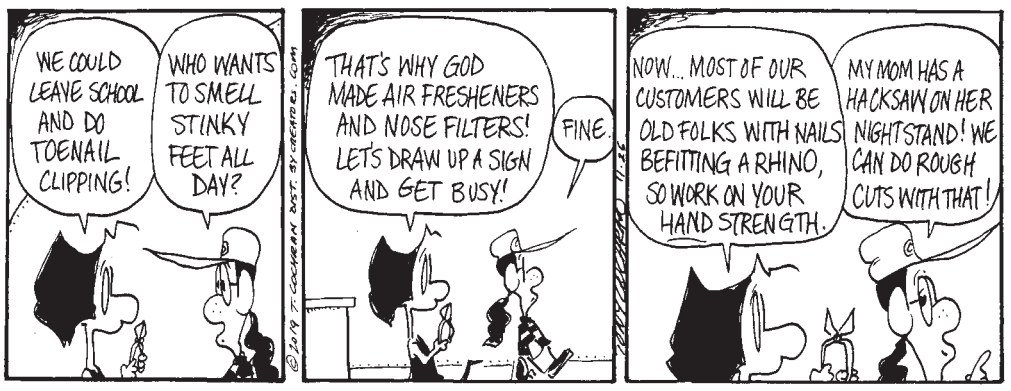
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Draw Date: 11/24
5 6 20 26 38

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 11/22
7 12 17 49 53
Mega#: 24
Jackpot: 226 M

Daily 3
Draw Date: 11/25
Midday: 7 3 8
Draw Date: 11/24
Evening: 1 0 3

SuperLotto PLUS
Draw Date: 11/23
9 15 27 41 43
Mega#: 17
Jackpot: 10 M

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 11/24
1st: 02 - LUCKY STAR
2nd: 09 - WINNING SPIRIT
3rd: 01 - GOLD RUSH
RACE TIME: 1:40.14

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SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 63.0°

TUESDAY- **FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft+ waist to stomach high
Steep NW swell-mix at exposures. Fading S swell. Deep high tide mid AM.

WEDNESDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft+ waist to stomach high
NW-WNW swell-mix possible. Winds/conditions an issue. Deep high tide mid AM.

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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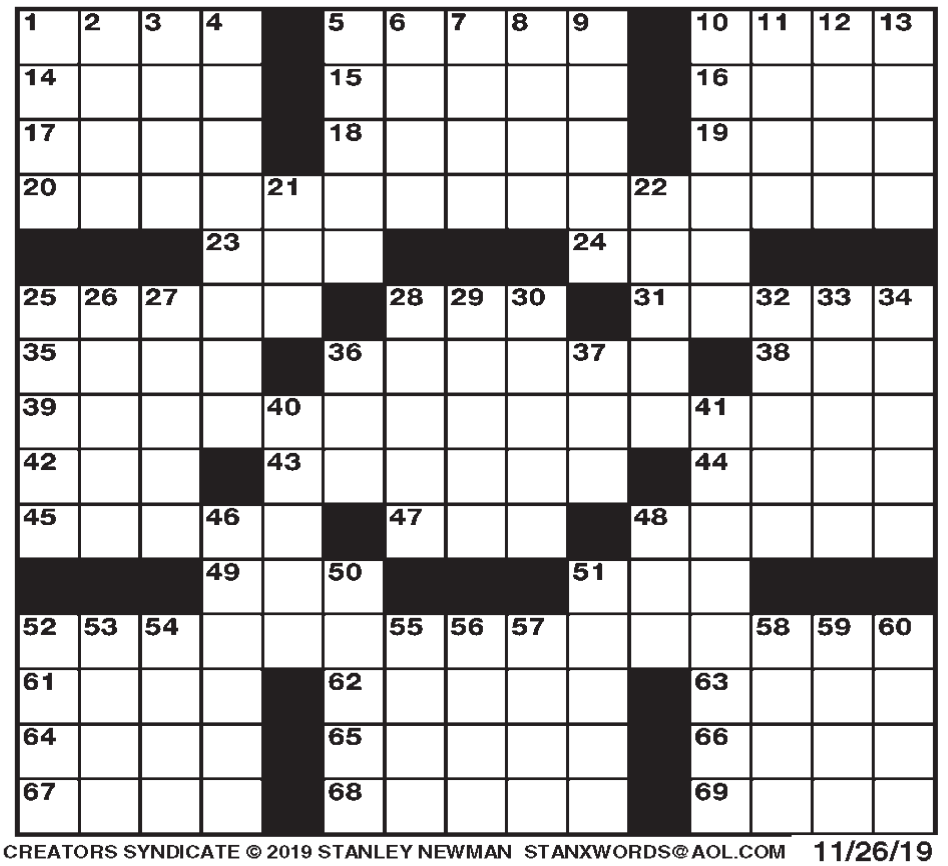
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Newsday Crossword

IN CONTENTION by Billie Truitt
Edited by Stanley Newman
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ACROSS
1 Per item
5 Hidden supply
10 Stinging remark
14 Mountain lion
15 Forbidden thing
16 Of the mouth
17 Remove creases in
18 Reversal on a road
19 List of options
20 Pre-election face-off
23 Messy place
24 Physicians' org.
25 Episodes of anger
28 WWII-era president
31 Ancient legends
35 State firmly
36 Very uncommon event
38 Fish eggs
39 Two-nation spat over territory
42 Enormous
43 On-stage hosts
44 Take, as advice
45 Best possible
47 Mess up
48 Before dawn
49 Pronoun for a ship
51 Holder of corn kernels
52 Lawyer's court summary
61 Poor, as an excuse
62 Benefactor
63 Votes from those in favor
64 Pizzeria appliance
65 Bert's Muppet pal
66 Any farm harvest
67 Breathe quickly
68 Gave out the cards
69 Cravings

DOWN
1 Monumental story
2 Mystical glow
3 "Let's get going!"
4 Manually stitched
5 Prepare for a test
6 "Toodle-oo!"
7 Be adjacent to
8 Feeling achy
9 Accord automaker
10 Former name of India's city Mumbai
11 Vicinity
12 Angry tirade
13 Feeling sad
21 "__ about time!"
22 TV awards
25 Synagogue teacher
26 Stay clear of
27 Overcharge greatly
28 Madcap comedy
29 Clothesline alternative
30 One on a horse
32 Closer to reality
33 Midtown lodging
34 Shabby looking
36 Lamb's dad
37 "My country, __ of thee . . ."
40 New __ (capital of India)
41 Drugstore
46 Give approval
48 __ de Cologne
50 Drew to a close
51 Type of heron
52 Hoofbeat sound
53 Volcanic flow
54 Prophetic sign
55 Clinton's vice president
56 Tennis pro Kournikova
57 Make turbulent
58 Brontë's *Jane* __
59 Gas that glows in signs
60 Recipe amts.



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NUTCRACKER

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really beneficial for all involved, including the audience.

"Having boys in the Nutcracker definitely helps with the strength and the overall look of the ballet, because you need boys for partnering or for lifts, Kohner said, "and it just really uplifts the ballet as a whole."

Some of ballet's male participants are as young as 11-years-old and attend Grant Elementary School, while others have been performing for more than a decade.

Reed Walker, who will play Party Boy in the upcoming presentation, is the youngest of this year's male participants.

Walker said he got involved in dance last year after his mom showed him a video of famous dancer and choreographer Mikhail Baryshnikov, "and I was like: I want to do that! End of story."

Thirteen-year-old Jesse Peterson said he's been dancing for as long as he could remember and has previous experience at the School of American Ballet in New York.

In his approximate decade of dance experience, Peterson said he's learned there's nothing better than getting an opportunity to perform in front of an audience, "but the community here (at Westside School of Ballet) is really cool too."

Like their peers, both Peterson and Walker said they've enjoyed being able to bond and learn from the other male performers who are more experienced.

"When I first got started dancing I was super scared, but now that I've finally grown friendships with almost all of (the boys), it's awesome," said Dylan Weinstein, who will share the entertaining and difficult role of Center Chinese Tea. "It's really cool to have an older mentor because if you're working on a step or you have a role that's harder, then you have them to rely on to help."

Fellow performer Sawyer Jordan agreed, stating his time in dance has given him the confidence to approach others outside of the studio.

"Somebody stopped because of some issues and I saw him at school to ask if he was coming back," Jordan said. "He wasn't going to, which I understand but I still always encourage new kids to try ballet because if you're like me or a bunch of my friends, you're fidgety and full of energy and this is one way to put it to use."

Peterson added, "I think there's a common misconception dancing is for girls but it's really not though, because without boys there is no partnering and takes away parts and devalues important parts of the play."

Peterson said the strength and agility that come from dancing are only a few of the many benefits.

Kohner said having boys in the program "definitely helps defeat those gender roles that are typically set in place, which is cool because it helps promote the idea that anyone can do what they want and that boys don't have to be limited to typically 'masculine' sports."

STRIKE

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to door in the affected area and restoring service if customers are home," she said. "If a customer is not home when the service technician arrives, the technician will leave a notice requesting the customer call our 800 number to schedule their service restoration."

For safety reasons, customers should never attempt to restore gas service themselves, Clayton added.

On Monday, SoCalGas public affairs employees were deployed to the neighborhood to assist with any customer inquiries, said SoCalGas spokesperson Mike Harriel. Informational fliers have been posted on doors and SoCalGas' Twitter account has provided information regarding service restoration in the area.

Resident April Burgomaster, who went for five days without gas, said her family bundled up in their house during the chilly weekend.

"We had no heating, no cooking, no hot water and no dryer — the things you rely upon in our modern world," she said.

Burgomaster added that she received no written notice from SoCalGas on when her service would be restored.

"There was a lack of information," she said. "We tried calling them, but they didn't give us much. I will say that the crews worked their butts off — they were here every day until 10 p.m."

Customers seeking information about their gas service can call SoCalGas at 1-877-238-0092.

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SHUTTLE

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times, so our guests should know that they have many choices to access and leave LAX," Flint said.

Officials said they can expand LAXit, the airport's new pickup area for Uber, Lyft and taxis, to accommodate Thanksgiving demand, but are urging travelers to use the shuttles to avoid long wait times and congestion.

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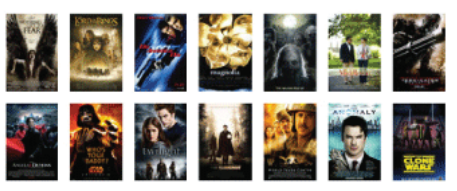
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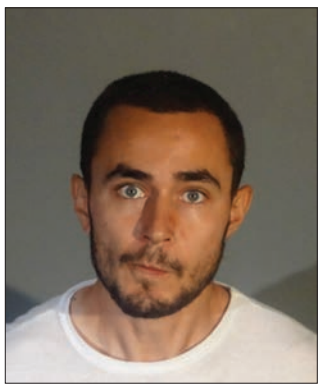
Traffic Collision with Injury Lincoln Blvd / Hill St 7:43 AM
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EMS 400Blk Santa Monica Blvd 6:56 AM
EMS Main St / Pico Blvd 12:14 PM
EMS 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 11:47 AM
EMS 1500Blk 5Th St 11:29 AM
EMS 1600Blk Stewart St 11:23 AM
EMS 600Blk Wilshire Blvd 11:11 AM
EMS 2900Blk 16Th St 11:09 AM
Automatic Alarm 300Blk Colorado Ave 1:35 AM
Traffic Collision with Injury 34Th St / Ocean Park Blvd 1:27 PM
Automatic Alarm 1000Blk Lincoln Blvd 1:22 PM
EMS 800Blk 19Th St 1:11 PM
EMS 2400Blk Wilshire Blvd 1:10 PM

CRIME WATCH BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

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

ON NOVEMBER 13, 2019 AT 7:30 AM

Officers were flagged down by a woman who informed them of a fight happening in the office of the Ocean Park Hotel located at 2680 Ocean Park Ave. One of the men involved in the fight was hotel security. Officer separated the two men and it was revealed that one came up to the other demanding money he believed to be stolen and took a fighting stance. The security officer, determined to be the victim, braced himself for an attack. The suspect lunged at him and the fight ensued. The security officer sustained a small abrasion to his hand. The fight was unprovoked and the security officer did not have any knowledge of the money the suspect was referring to. Trey Darin Gibson, 24, of Santa Monica, was booked for battery and vandalism. His bail was set at $20,000.



File photo

TREY DARIN GIBSON

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide

SMMUSD seeking new personnel commissioner

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD) is seeking applications for appointment to a seat on the district's Personnel Commission.

Applications are now being accepted for the Personnel Commissioner vacancy, which becomes available in December 2019. The appointment will expire after three years.

The Personnel Commission is comprised of three commissioners who represent the public's interest by providing a personnel system dedicated to hiring and retaining the best-qualified employees while also ensuring fair and equitable treatment throughout the process.

Commissioners meet monthly to review and approve job descriptions, hear appeals related to discipline and dismissal, and consider protests involving exam results and selection procedures.

In order to qualify, an applicant must be:

• A registered voter and a resident within the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District boundaries.

• Familiar with the "merit system" and support the concept of employment, continuance in employment, in-service promotional opportunities, and other related matters on the basis of merit and fitness.

Additionally, an applicant cannot be a member of the SMMUSD Board of Education, the County Board of Education, or an employee of the district. Applications are available now at: www.smmusd.org/jobs

The recruitment is scheduled to close on January 03, 2020, or until filled.

Further information may be obtained by contacting Jana Hatch at 310.450.8338, ext. 70279.

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Hit and Run Felony Investigation 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 12:08 AM
Family Disturbance 800Blk Lincoln Blvd 12:13 AM
Information Only Broadcast 300Blk Olympic Dr 12:16 AM
Family Disturbance 800Blk Lincoln Blvd 1:39 AM
Public Intoxication 500Blk Pico Blvd 1:48 AM
Disturbance of the Peace 300Blk 11Th St 2:11 AM
Burglary Now 200Blk 7Th St 2:17 AM
Disturbance of the Peace 1400Blk 6Th St 2:27 AM
Auto Burglary Report 200Blk 7Th St 2:40 AM
Auto Burglary Report 200Blk 7Th St 2:46 AM
Auto Burglary Report 200Blk 7Th St 2:50 AM
Auto Burglary Report 200Blk 7Th St 3:06 AM
Public Intoxication 1800Blk Ocean Ave 3:08 AM
Disturbance of the Peace 2700Blk 3Rd St 3:57 AM
Burglary Now 200Blk 7Th St 5:32 AM
Burglary Now 600Blk San Vicente Blvd 5:33 AM
Battery Now 17Th St / Santa Monica Blvd 5:43 AM
Burglary Now 2000Blk 20Th St 5:59 AM
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1400Blk 2Nd St 6:07 AM
Battery Just Occurred 1300Blk 3Rd Street Prom 8:10 AM
Red Zone Violation 2700Blk 11Th St 8:30 AM
Person with a Gun 1500Blk 15Th St 8:42 AM
Burglary Report 1500Blk 18Th St 8:54 AM
Burglary Report 900Blk Broadway 9:01 AM
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 400Blk The Beach 9:13 AM
Periodic Check 1600Blk Ocean Front Walk 9:37 AM
Periodic Check 400Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 9:43 AM
Traffic Collision with Injuries Main St / Pico Blvd 10:13 AM
Fight 1900Blk Lincoln Blvd 10:19 AM
Urinating/Defecating in Public 1800Blk 9Th St 10:26 AM
Petty Theft Report 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 10:26 AM
Keep The Peace 800Blk Lincoln Blvd 10:28 AM
Petty Theft Report 2300Blk Wilshire Blvd 10:53 AM
Burglary Report 200Blk 7Th St 11:30 AM
Identity Theft 2800Blk Exposition Blvd 11:36 AM
Periodic Check 2600Blk Barnard Way 11:37 AM
Periodic Check 2300Blk 4Th St 11:49 AM
Petty Theft Just Occurred 2700Blk Main St 11:59 AM
Burglary Report 1100Blk Olympic Blvd 12:03 PM
Petty Theft Report 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 12:33 PM
Keep The Peace Main St / Pacific St 12:41 PM
Petty Theft Just Occurred 700Blk Broadway 12:54 PM
Traffic Collision with Injuries 1200Blk 5Th St 1:09 PM
Traffic Collision with Injuries 5Th St / Arizona Ave 1:10 PM
Petty Theft Report 1200Blk 3Rd Street Prom 1:12 PM
Traffic Collision with Injuries 16Th St / Montana Ave 1:35 PM
Domestic Violence Now 1300Blk 14Th St 1:56 PM
Fight 1500Blk The Beach 2:08 PM
Battery Just Occurred 500Blk Pacific St 2:13 PM
Fight 1500Blk Ocean Front Walk 2:13 PM
Grand Theft Auto Report 200Blk 7Th St 2:34 PM
Red Zone Violation 2200Blk Arizona Ave 2:54 PM
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Information Received Report 2500Blk 2Nd St 3:57 PM
Defrauding Inkeeper In Progress 1500Blk Montana Ave 4:07 PM
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Traffic Collision with Injuries 26Th St / Wilshire Blvd 4:38 PM
72 Hour Psychiatric Hold 1600Blk Cloverfield Blvd 4:40 PM
Fight Lincoln Blvd / Santa Monica Blvd 4:52 PM
Disturbance at a Business 600Blk Wilshire Blvd 4:53 PM
Defrauding Innkeeper In Progress 1700Blk Ocean Ave 5:15 PM
Disturbance at a Business 800Blk Santa Monica Blvd 5:24 PM
Grand Theft Report 7Th St / Arizona Ave 5:45 PM
Petty Theft Now 2400Blk Wilshire Blvd 6:01 PM
Indecent Exposure Now 500Blk Arizona Ave 6:08 PM
Vandalism 2700Blk Barnard Way 6:14 PM
Grand Theft Report 100Blk Wilshire Blvd 6:17 PM
Rape Report 800Blk 5Th St 6:54 PM
Animal Related Incident 2600Blk 28Th St 7:01 PM
Citizen Flag Main St / Olympic Dr 7:17 PM
Disturbance at a Business 600Blk Wilshire Blvd 7:25 PM
Health & Safety Code Violation 1700Blk Delaware Ave 7:45 PM
Overdose 2700Blk Santa Monica Blvd 7:53 PM
Public Intoxication 1200Blk 2Nd St 8:00 PM
Defrauding Innkeeper In Progress 300Blk Santa Monica Pl 8:02 PM
Fight 6Th St / Santa Monica Blvd 8:04 PM
Battery Now 500Blk Santa Monica Blvd 8:05 PM
Disturbance at a Business 400Blk Wilshire Blvd 8:18 PM
Battery Just Occurred 1100Blk Pico Blvd 8:23 PM
Rape Report 800Blk 5Th St 8:45 PM
Person Down 900Blk 5Th St 9:03 PM
Vandalism 700Blk Pier Ave 9:06 PM
Vandalism 1900Blk 11Th St 9:09 PM
Burglary Report 2700Blk 4Th St 9:47 PM
Auto Burglary Report 1500Blk Pacific Coast Hwy 10:16 PM

Special Events at SANTA MONICA COLLEGE

SMC THEATRE ARTS

Rhinoceros

Preview: Nov 21, 8 p.m.
Nov 22, 23 & Dec 6, 7, 8 p.m.
Nov 24 & Dec 7, 2 p.m.

By Eugene Ionesco. Translated by Derek Prouse. In a square of a small provincial town around midday on a Sunday, the sound of church bells permeates the sterile air. Suddenly, thunderous trumpeting can be heard. No doubt, the 'rhinoceros' is coming... At the Main Stage, SMC Theatre Arts Complex.

SMC OPERA THEATRE

Great Opera Arias

Fri, Nov 22, 7:30 p.m.

Janelle DeStefano and Mercedes Juan Musotto, Directors. Come enjoy some of the "hit songs" of opera as SMC students perform arias by composers such as Mozart, Rossini, Gounod, Verdi, and Wagner. At The Broad Stage, SMC Performing Arts Center.

TCHAIKOVSKY'S *THE NUTCRACKER* BALLET

Preview: Fri, Nov 29, 7 p.m.
Sat, Nov 30, Dec 7, 1 p.m. & 5 p.m.
Sun, Dec 1, 8, 1 p.m. & 5 p.m.; **Fri, Dec 6,** 7 p.m.

The SMC Symphony and SMC student dancers partner with the Westside Ballet for its annual holiday *Nutcracker* extravaganza. Come see the Sugar Plum Fairy, the Prince, and all the other wonderful characters in Tchaikovsky's classic come to life – with falling snow and a Christmas tree that grows – in a theater where every seat provides visual and audio delights for all ages. At The Broad Stage, SMC Performing Arts Center. See *westsideballet.com* for tickets.



HOLIDAY STUDENT ART SALE

Fri & Sat, Dec 13 & 14,
10 a.m.–9 p.m.
Sun, Dec 15, 12 p.m.–6 p.m.

Here's your once-a-year chance to buy some truly unique works of art – prints, ceramics, jewelry, and more created by SMC art students – to keep for yourself or to give as gifts this holiday season. At Barrett Art Gallery, SMC Performing Arts Center.



SMC CONCERT CHORALE & SMC CHAMBER CHOIR

Home for the Holidays?

Fri & Sat, Dec 13 & 14, 7:30 p.m.

Jeremiah Selvey, Conductor. SMC Concert Chorale and SMC Chamber Choir join harpist Cristina Montes Mateo to explore the concept of home through the lens of European and Latinx perspectives of the Christmas story in Benjamin Britten's *Ceremony of Carols,* Conrad Susa's *Carols and Lullabies,* and the stories of DREAMers in Melissa Dunphy's American *DREAMers.* At The Broad Stage, SMC Performing Arts Center.

SMC PLANETARIUM

A Winter's Solstice

Fri, Dec 6 & 13, 8 p.m.
The Night Sky Show 7p.m.

As we head into the holiday season, we'll discuss the history of various ancient observances of the Winter Solstice, and how they have evolved and melded with our later Judeo-Christian holidays. At SMC's Drescher Planetarium. Tickets available at door.



THE ONGOING MOMENT

Literature and Art from Emeritus

Opening Reception
Thu, Nov 14, 5 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.
Exhibition runs Thu, Nov 14 – Wed, Jan 15

Come enjoy the results of collaborative original art and writing created by students in Monona Wali's memoir class and Catherine Tirr's watercolor studio class. At the SMC Emeritus Art Gallery, located on the first floor of the SMC Emeritus Campus, 1227 Second St., Santa Monica.

DAVID BROZA & FRIENDS

Sun, Dec 22, 7:30 p.m.

Back by popular demand! Experience one of the world's most dynamic and vibrant performers, from his whirlwind finger picking to Flamenco percussion and rhythms, for a thrilling first night of Hanukkah celebration. At The Broad Stage, SMC Performing Arts Center. See *thebroadstage.com* for tickets.

SMC SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA

Sun, Dec 15, 4 p.m.

Elizabeth Stoyanovich, Director. Join us as we embrace the new season with classics you love, pieces you will fall in love with, and the exhilaration of experiencing live music played by dedicated instrumentalists. December concert "Classical Classics" – presents Beethoven's celebrated Symphony #5. At The Broad Stage, SMC Performing Arts Center.

IMPRO THEATRE'S JANE AUSTEN UNSCRIPTED

Sat, Dec 21, 4 p.m. & 8 p.m.

Inspired by audience suggestions, Impro Theatre deftly creates a world of love-struck ladies, brooding noblemen and charming cads, and although hearts are sure to be broken, true love will win out in the end. At The Broad Stage, SMC Performing Arts Center. See *thebroadstage.com* for tickets.

Live Performances for the Holidays.
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Tickets at *smc.edu/eventsinfo* unless noted otherwise.

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