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THE DRYING OUT ISSUE

Rain falls for a second day on parched California



CHRISTOPHER WEBER
Associated Press

LOS ANGELES A second day of much-needed rain fell across drought-stricken California on Wednesday, but the storm so far had produced few of the problems such as flooding and mudslides that threatened areas left barren by wildfires.

Residents and authorities, however, kept a cautious watch on saturated slopes as scattered showers fell in Southern California, where the heaviest torrents fell a day earlier.

Inland areas east of Los Angeles were expected to see the strongest downpours. One location, Yucaipa Ridge in the San Bernardino Mountains, had received an exceptional 8.38 inches of rain by 4 a.m. Wednesday, the National Weather Service said.

Despite the storm's scale, experts said it would take many more similar storms to pull the state out of a three-year drought.

Across California, the storm likely opened a sinkhole in San Francisco,

SEE RAIN PAGE 6



Mayor will be selected next week

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL Bring popcorn to the next week's City Council meeting.

The newly elected council will seek common ground on who should lead the city for the next two years.

Santa Monica's mayor is always a council member selected, every two years, by his or her council colleagues. The position is largely, though not entirely, ceremonial.

Aside from the title, the mayor leads council meetings and, along with the mayor pro tempore (who will also be selected on Tuesday), sets the agendas for the meetings.

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Patel, Mechur, and Allen leave Ed Board

BY DAVID MARK SIMPSON
Daily Press Staff Writer

SMMUSD HDQRTS Three members of the Board of Education left office last month - each for different reasons - and were honored by their colleagues at the Board's last meeting.

Ben Allen, who was first elected in 2008, is leaving mid term after having been elected to the State Senate. Nimish Patel, who was elected in 2010, announced earlier this year that he would not seek reelection. Ralph Mechur, who was appointed to the board in 2008 and won election in 2010, failed at his reelection bid this year.

Two board members spoke about each colleague at last month's Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District Board of Education meeting.

ALLEN MOVES ON

Boardmember Oscar de la Torre honored

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December 4

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know what to keep or where to put
important documents? Esther
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Gingerbread Houses

Fairview Branch Library
2101 Ocean Park Blvd.
6:30 p.m.

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gingerbread house. Materials pro-
vided. Grades K - 5. Limited space;
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place them on our Tree of Life in the

Mausoleum Lobby. Free. Activities
include refreshments, photo with
Santa, holiday movie on the big
screen, music by the John Adams
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December 5

Montana Ave. Holiday Walk

Montana Avenue
5 - 9 p.m.

The annual night to celebrate
Montana's wonderful neighbors.
Come celebrate with friends and
family. Montana Avenue from 6th -
17th streets find wonderful gifts,
have your photos taken with Santa,
listen to live music, indulge in great
food and drinks. A fun night for all.

Snowsurf

Patagonia Santa Monica
1344 4th St. 7:30 p.m.

Join Gerry Lopez and Alex Yoder
for an evening chat about their
experiences in the 3D realm of
snow-surfing. They'll talk about their
paths and experience, sit for a Q&A
and screen The Northern Sky, a
short film by Farm League featuring
Taro Tamai, Gerry, Alex and others
snow-surfing in Japan. Sip some
brews from House Beer and learn
from the luminaries of snowboarding
and surfing. Taro's epic surf-inspired
snowboards will be on display.

Friday Family Movie: Elf

Fairview Branch Library
2101 Ocean Park Blvd.
3:30 p.m.

Watch this holiday classic starring
Will Ferrell about a man raised as an
elf at the North Pole who is sent to
the U.S. in search of his true identi-
ty.

Holiday Craft Time

Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd.
3:30 p.m.

Choose from a variety of holiday-
themed crafts Ages 4 & up.

Caroling around the world

Pico Branch Library

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

YMCA
Youth basketball registration

Registration is underway for the winter season of youth Basketball at the Santa Monica YMCA. Forms are available at the Y at 6th and Santa Monica, and registration runs through the end of new player tryouts on January 15, 2015.

The league is expected to have co-ed skill based teams, rather than divisions by age and grade. All players make a team which practices once or twice a week indoors at the Y for an hour, then plays games on either Saturday or Sunday afternoons. All players get a uniform to keep, a pizza feed awards-for-all party, trained coaches and refs, good fundamental training and lots of fun.

The fall league is almost over, and while champions have been crowned in three divisions (Major Tornados, Minor Trojans and Rookie Scorpions) the fourth division championship game in the Bantam League features the Vikings and Lions at 2:50 p.m. on Dec. 7 at the Y (admission is free).

The Y is always looking for volunteer coaches and paid game referees, and anyone interested in either position or looking for further information should contact league director Peter Arbogast at (310) 393-2721 x137 or at ysports@ymcasm.org.

- EDITED BY MATTHEW HALL

Marina Del Rey
MAC Junior Rowing team fundraiser

The MAC Junior Rowing team, based in Marina Del Rey, is raising money to fund ongoing operations of the club and hopefully send the team to the Youth Nationals. Rower Jenna Thompson said the program is funded through donations and the team is counting on community support to keep going.

"This is part of our annual equipment fundraiser," she said in her fundraising pitch. "Our club fees do not cover the cost of our boats, oars and other equipment, so we rely on gifted funds to build and maintain our fleet of racing shells. This year we are seeking to replace

two boats, our oldest four and our oldest eight, with new boats from Pocock Racing Shells."

The Marina Aquatic Center Junior Rowing team is a competitive club program for high school students in the Los Angeles area. Rowing out of the UCLA Marina Aquatic Center in Marina del Rey, the club has between 100-200 annual participants from upwards of 20 public and private high schools, primarily on the west side of L.A.

The club has separate teams for boys and girls. Visit <http://www.macrowing.org> for more information. To contribute to the team, visit www.piggybackr.com/jenna_thompson/mac-junior-rowing-keep-us-on-the-move-fundraiser or www.piggybackr.com/zohar_abramovitz/mac-junior-rowing-help-keep-us-on-the-move-fundraiser by Dec. 19.

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Sacramento
Bloom appointed to the Western Climate Initiative's Board of Directors

Assemblymember Richard Bloom has announced his appointment to the Board of Directors for the Western Climate Initiative (WCI), an international non-profit corporation that coordinates greenhouse gas reduction policies and programs in the Western United States and Canada.

"I look forward to working collaboratively with climate change programs in other parts of the world," Assemblymember Bloom stated. "Having an ongoing dialogue with our neighboring states and Canadian providences through the Western Climate Initiative provides an opportunity for us to learn from each other, coordinate efforts, and improve our local, state and regional programs."

WCI formed in 2007 to provide administrative and technical support for the implementation of state and provincial greenhouse gas emissions trading programs, also known as Cap-and-Trade programs. Assemblymember Bloom will join government officials representing British Columbia and Quebec on the board. The WCI also works collaboratively with Manitoba and Ontario.

- MH

LISTINGS
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2201 Pico Blvd.
5 p.m.
Join organizers for this musical event to see musicians perform music from around the world.

December 6

Book events
Bank of Books Malibu
29169 Heathercliff Road #109
Storytime with Miss Grace from Under the Oaks Preschool at 10:30 a.m., Kathryn Flynn Galan (author K. V. Flynn) reads and signs "On the Move" at 12 p.m., Mark Bailey discusses and signs "Of All the Gin Joints: Stumbling Through Hollywood History and Hemingway and Bailey's Bartending Guide to Great American Writers" at 2 p.m. Call (310) 457-5699 for more information.

Make a Pickle Assortment
1450 Ocean, 11 a.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Chef Rachael Narins will teach a tasty pickle master class - great for aspiring

Urban Homesteaders and anyone looking for that perfect holiday gift with a personal touch. Visit smgov.net/1450ocean for more information.

Kombucha 101
1450 Ocean, 2:30 - 4 p.m.
Love kombucha but balk at the price? Turns out you can make your own, and Chef Rachael Narins will show you how. Visit smgov.net/1450ocean for more information.

Cooking with Feisty Italian
1450 Ocean 12 - 2 p.m.
Learn knife technique, veggie prep secrets. Vegan meal includes: Dandelion with onion salad, Pinto bean with broccoli rabe soup, marinara with peas and mushrooms pasta. Call (310) 458-2339 for details or visit smgov.net/1450ocean for more information.

Holiday Hop along Pico
Pico Blvd.
12 - 6 p.m.
Spread some holiday cheer at Holiday Hop Along Pico. Join organizers for refreshments, entertainment, shopping specials, and much more. They

will also be accepting donations of canned goods for Westside Food Bank.

Liferide training ride
Helen's Cycles
2501 Broadway, 8 a.m.
The LifeRide is ThinkCure's inaugural long distance cycling ride next March 20-22 in Solvang and the Santa Ynez Valley. Proceeds support cancer research at City of Hope and Children's Hospital Los Angeles. Helen's Cycles, the LifeRide's exclusive bike and gear sponsor, is again hosting a training ride for LifeRiders.

Main Street Holiday Party
Main Street, 6 - 9 p.m.
Take part in the Main Street Holiday Party. Enjoy holiday parties at numerous Main Street businesses. There will be music and more. Santa will be there so bring a camera. Following the tree-lighting at the Museum, take part in a Candle Light Walk to the famous Shopping Cart Tree at Edgemar Courtyard.

Santa Monica - Venice Christmas run
2600 Barnard Way, 7 a.m. - 12 p.m.

The race is one of the most popular running events in Los Angeles, regardless the time of year. The Santa Monica-Venice Christmas Run has a 5k and a 10k run that winds through Santa Monica and Venice.

LA Opera Talk on "Figaro Unbound"
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd. 3 - 4:30 p.m.
LA Opera community educators provide an entertaining and informative presentation, giving you the background you need before you head out to see any of the operas in Beaumarchais' "Figaro Trilogy."

Toy Theater: Star in a Glass Jar
Main Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd. 12 - 1:15 p.m.
Puppeteer Yulya Dukhovny presents a miniature theater production, inspired by the tradition of Japanese paper theater, of the amazing journey of one child's letter with no address finding its way to the other side of the world. For adults and children ages 4 and up. A paper craft follows the performance.

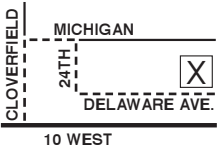


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Give up a gift

Editor:

This is by and large my favorite time of year to buy gifts for others and find incredible deals on gifts for ... well ... myself. I feel a little guilty admitting this but if something is a great deal it's worth it, right? Sure, but can I give up one item? Do I really need that pair of J.Crew boots for half-off or that \$20 shirt that they're practically giving away?

It's the end of the year which means Americans, like you and me, are shopping till we drop. The National Retail Foundation projects that Americans will spend \$616.9 billion in the next month. While the economy has been improving these past few years, a report found 80% of nonprofits reported an increase in demand for services though 50% of these nonprofits were unable to meet the demand.

I'm thinking this will be the year that I give up just one item that I've been coveting and commit to donating a gift of the same dollar amount to my favorite nonprofit. For the past 6 months, I've been meaning to get involved with the L.A. Kitchen but life has been non-stop. Instead of waiting, I decided to close that browser window with my online shopping cart and, instead, make a donation. As a graduate student, time is hard to come by and this was an easy opportunity to give up something I never needed for something filled with meaning for someone else.

As we celebrate 2014 and our many holidays, I challenge you to give up one purchase and give to your favorite nonprofit instead. Tell your friends what you did and challenge them to do the same. Join the #giftchange. You never know when a little change up will go a long way.

Rebecca Ruben
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Culture Watch

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IMAGES: There are several options to view locally sourced photography in the coming days

An Explosion of Sound and Vision

ALTHOUGH I'M A THREE-DECADE-PLUS

resident of Santa Monica, I hesitate to admit that I've never set foot inside the beautiful and beloved St. Monica's Catholic Church.

But that is about to change.

This Friday at 8 p.m., The Dream Orchestra, under the leadership of Music Director Daniel Suk, ushers in the holiday music season with Handel's "Messiah," featuring the newly formed Opera Chorus of Los Angeles, a group of 35 of LA's best professional opera and choral singers, along with the Dream Youth Choir, a small group of talented teen vocalists, among them soprano Golda Berkman.

At the tender age of 15, Berkman is on an early trajectory to future operatic renown. She's already sung Puccini in Irvine, was a soprano soloist in Mozart's Requiem, has performed with L.A. Opera and will appear onstage at Carnegie Hall.

Berkman opens this Messiah concert with three holiday songs. Alongside three other rising opera stars, she will help bring to life the Messiah's great arias, duets and more. By the way, sit back and let the professionals do it for you - this is not a singalong!

But it's not just the majesty of the music that's featured at this special event.

Golda Berkman is the daughter of Urth Caffé founder, Shallom Berkman. This proud papa is treating the audience to a lavish catered post-concert reception in the church's grand Banquet Hall, featuring many of Urth Caffé's signature artisanal dishes and desserts, and special organic blended teas and coffees.

For tickets to this one-night-only concert, Friday, December 5 at 8 p.m., visit www.dreamorchestra.org or call 800-838-3006; senior and student tickets are available and \$5 discounts are offered on tickets purchased at Urth Caffé locations. St. Monica's Catholic Church is located at 725 California Ave.

A portion of the ticket profits will be donated to Archdiocese Office of Restorative Justice Juvenile Ministry, an organization that helps to rehabilitate formerly incarcerated youth.

SPEAKING OF TALENTED YOUTH

youThink is a program of the Zimmer Children's Museum that empowers youth to find their voices, think critically and take action for social change. Through school, after school, weekend and community programs, youTHink provides underserved communities with arts and leadership training.

Tonight only, from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m., 36 students from South L.A., Compton, central city, downtown and the eastside will share their visions of "Where I'm From," in poems and photographs they created as part of youTHink's Ambassador program, a year-long arts and leadership program.

"Where I'm From" is the culmination of a photography workshop led by award winning photojournalist Sophia Nahli Allison, with students learning key composition concepts as well as techniques to visually explore their lives through the lens of a camera.

Before the workshop began, students crafted poems on the theme that served as their starting point for inspiration, encouraging them to capture moments, objects and surroundings that define "Where I'm From." The poems will accompany the photographs.

With Christmas and Chanukah just around the corner, the students' photographs will be for sale and make great gifts. All proceeds benefit the youTHink program and Zimmer Children's Museum. The exhibition is free, and takes place from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. tonight only at Blue Five Art Space, 2935 S. Sepulveda Blvd., L.A. 90064. Find out more at www.youthink.org.

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Play Time

Cynthia Citron

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Semyon and Katia Take the Z Train

IF YOU WANTED TO WRITE A PLAY TO honor your father, it might be a bit inappropriate to portray him as a scoundrel. But that's what Henry Jaglom has done in his new play "Train to Zakopane," now having its World Premiere at the Edgemar Center for the Arts in Santa Monica.

The play starts off as what seems to be a simple love story in a "strangers-on-a-train" sort of way. But, as my friend pointed out, because I didn't get it at first, it soon reveals a sinister subplot that deals with hate and revenge.

The year is 1928 and Poland, still traumatized by the First World War, is becoming trepidatious about the Bolsheviks, Stalin, and "that madman" Hitler. So quite naturally the four passengers sharing a sleeping compartment on their way to Warsaw fall into a conversation that soon underscores their political predilections.

For example, when the otherwise benign priest makes some disparaging comments about Stalin, someone else reminds him that Stalin had studied for the priesthood. "Yes," the priest responds scornfully, "but that was for the Russian Orthodox Church, not the Catholic!"

In addition to the priest (gracefully played by Stephen Howard), the four travelers include a lively actress (Cathy Arden), a rather sour nurse (Tanna Frederick), and a well-spoken gentleman from the Ukraine (Mike Falkow) who happens to be a Jew and Henry Jaglom's father.

Almost immediately in the conversation the nurse, Katia, begins making vile anti-Semitic remarks, running through all the stereotypical prejudices that many Europeans, and especially the Poles, held at that time. Her comments are delivered with deep sincerity and make her appear to be quite unpleasant. She warms up quickly, however, to the attentions of Semyon, the Ukrainian gentleman, and soon begins to flirt and become quite coquettish.

Semyon, for his part, responds with warm attention, even while berating her for her vociferous anti-Semitism. He doesn't reveal the fact that he is Jewish, he explains later, because he feels that he can make a more credible argument if she is under the impression that he is gentle.

After a while he has so beguiled her that he is able to persuade her to disembark from the train with him for a "getting-to-know-each-other" weekend at the next stop - a posh resort town named Zakopane. Both of them had had unhappy experiences in this town, but they don't let that dissuade them.

Eventually he seduces her and she becomes giddy with love. And he is hoist on his own petard, for he has fallen in love, too. Or is this just a tale of revenge and spite? For, as Semyon had remarked earlier, "Everyone lies to get what he wants."

Jaglom claims that this is a true story, and that he has written it just as his father told it



Ron Vignone

ACTORS: Train to Zakopane opened Nov. 21.

to him. But there are some inconsistencies. For example, even if Katia was a 32-year-old virgin, as she claimed, she had been a nurse for a long time. Moreover, she had grown up with three brothers. Wouldn't Semyon's circumcision have given her a clue to his identity as a Jew?

At any rate, this romantic encounter remained with both of them for the rest of their lives, Jaglom says.

Moreover, the acting alone makes this play worth seeing. Director Gary Imhoff has orchestrated a credible range of emotions in his cast, most notably in the case of Tanna Frederick, the uptight nurse, and Jeff Elam, a Jewish doctor who has a wonderful scene explaining to Semyon why he has been living as a gentile for the past 15 years.

The element in this play that doesn't work is Chris Stone's set design. A great deal of effort was put into the design of the train. It has wheels and a track, and makes you think that it's supposed to move, but it doesn't. Further, a train compartment, even in first class, is usually a tight fit for four persons, and it would have made the verbal confrontations a lot more intense if the principals were a little cramped and argued face to face instead of declaiming individually to the audience.

As for the rest of the set design, it's all gunmetal gray and gloomy. Not a spot of color except for some boring pastel scenery in the background. If this was supposed to depict a lush resort for the aristocracy, it missed by many kilometers.

"Train to Zakopane" was postponed twice because of technical difficulties with the set, but it opened on Nov. 21 and is scheduled to run through March 29. There will be a hiatus from Dec. 21 to Jan. 8, and the theater will also be dark on March 8.

The play will run Thursday through Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sundays at 5. The Edgemar Center for the Arts is located at 2437 Main Street in Santa Monica. For reservations, call (310) 392-7327 or visit www.edgemarcenter.org.

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CULTURE

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hands-on internships, and relationships with four-year colleges make this a unique community college program, with a comprehensive range of classes for the serious photographer and opportunities for continued study and employment.

In an interview with Photovideoedu.com, Department Chair Professor Ford Lowcock says that industry partners tell him, "We are no longer just photographers, but now we are content providers. Not only do we teach technique, we must teach our people how to communicate more effectively through imagery. They have to be able to tell a story. This issue of being effective storytellers has been incorporated into the curriculum."

A good example is work by photographer Michal Story, whose photos are featured in this show. She's taken images of local buildings (and Millennium Park in Chicago, above) and turned them into constructed fantasy scenes. She'll have several images on view, including a unique explosive vision of the fuchsia-colored Lorna Jane store and a masterful mash-up of images of the un-built apartment complex on Broadway that's been

boarded up on Santa Monica's eastside for nearly 20 years.

The curriculum is vast and once they complete the core, students can move on to portfolio classes. "What we have mostly are people who are really hungry to make life changes," says Lowcock, "people who want to get into photography and succeed. We have a little bit of an older group coming through, so many of them already have a career and have decided they want to change."

At the end of each fall and spring semester, portfolio students get their own gallery exhibit as a group show. This free exhibition showcases outstanding works by these well-trained mature students.

The Fall Student Portfolio Photo Show will be on view from December 6 - 19 at the SMC Photography Gallery, located opposite the elevators on the second floor of Drescher Hall on the main campus.

A gallery reception will be held this Saturday from 6 to 8 p.m. For additional information call (310) 434-4289.

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RAIN

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dropped snow in mountains key to the water supply and awakened signature waterfalls at Yosemite National Park, including the 2,425-foot Yosemite Falls that had dried to a trickle by mid-July.

"With the precipitation, they are looking good. They are flowing nicely," park spokeswoman Ashley Mayer said.

Flash flood watches were extended for wildfire burn areas, where worries about debris flows and flooding that did not immediately materialize.

About 50 miles northwest of Los Angeles, gushing water and muddy debris poured from hillsides Tuesday, forcing the evacuation of about 75 homes in Camarillo Springs for much of the day. When the order was lifted, authorities urged people to stay away voluntarily. No major damage was reported.

In Orange County, southeast of Los Angeles, about 60 homes in rural Silverado Canyon also were under a voluntary evacuation notice. The area burned over the sum-

mer and has been the site of previous mudslides.

In San Francisco, an overnight deluge likely caused a 10-foot-wide, 8-foot-long sinkhole, but no injuries were reported.

The rain, expected to last through Thursday, has brought most of the San Francisco Bay Area within or beyond normal rainfall totals to date for the first time in years.

Just before the storm arrived, the Sierra Nevada snowpack - which counts for most of the state's water supply - was at just 24 percent of normal for this time of year. But snow was building rapidly with reports of 10 inches of snowfall at elevations of 8,000 feet.

Meanwhile, Southern California coastal residents faced another problem: a thick tangle of trash that washed from city streets into storm drains and onto beaches. Crews in the city of Long Beach were busy clearing the garbage washing ashore, lifeguard captain Scott Dixon said.

Associated Press writers John Antczak in Los Angeles and Kristin Bender in San Francisco contributed to this report.

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Photos with Santa

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Santa Monica Place, Center Court

Let it Snow

Nov. 27, 2014 Thanksgiving Day | 6pm
Third Street Promenade @ Wilshire

"Paws & Claus" Pet Photos w Santa Claus

Dec. 1, 8 & 15, 2014 | 5pm - 8pm
Santa Monica Place

Story Time With Mrs. Claus

Dec. 3, 2014 | 11am
Santa Monica Place, SAMO's Kids Club

Christmas Karaoke & Kids Crafts

Dec. 4, 2014 | 6pm
Third Street Promenade @ Wilshire

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Dec. 6, 2014 | 9am
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Dec. 11, 2014 | 6pm
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MAYOR
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Currently, Mayor Pam O'Connor is completing her fourth stint as mayor, though it was her first two-year term. Council's often opt to split terms, allowing one member to serve the first year and other to serve the second. O'Connor has declined nominations for mayor on several occasions.

Mayor Pro Tempore Terry O'Day is also completing a two-year term.

Councilmember Kevin McKeown, who was elected in 1998, has never been mayor — the longest serving member of council who's never held the top seat. It took former Mayor Herb Katz until the end of his fourth term to win the mayoral election. William Jennings served 11 years without ever chairing the council.

McKeown was the top vote-getter in November's election. He has served as mayor pro tempore for three years.

The newly elected Sue Himmelrich will take retiring Councilmember Bob Holbrook's seat on the council. This will, in theory, shift the council to a "slow-growth" majority, with four members who vocally opposed, for instance, the controversial Hines development project, which was approved by the outgoing council and later struck down after a referendum process earlier this year. McKeown endorsed Himmelrich for council during the election.

Last time around, in late 2012, newly elected Councilmember Ted Winterer supported McKeown for mayor while O'Day supported Councilmember Gleam Davis and Councilmember Tony Vazquez support-

ed O'Connor.

They voted repeatedly, stuck in a comical deadlock, until O'Day jumped to the O'Connor camp, allowing her the mayor's seat.

The process often plays out awkwardly. Former Mayor Michael Feinstein has compiled the footage of the mayoral elections from 1996 through 2006 (which also showcase vastly different political alliances and historical hairstyles).

Members put forth nominations and substitute nominations, sometimes involving two different mayors and two different mayor pro tempores over a two-year period.

The process does not include public comment and, unlike the typical procedure followed by council when making motions, nominations don't always require another council member to second it.

Often the decision is made in less than 10 minutes.

The mayoral seat is seen by many as an advantage for those up for reelection or seeking higher office. It's been 30 years since an active Santa Monica mayor has failed a reelection attempt. In 1983, Mayor Ruth Yannatta Goldway was ousted from office after the All Santa Monica Coalition out-spent Goldway's backers — the young Santa Monicans for Renters' Rights, now the city's largest political party — \$223,000 to \$93,000 according to Los Angeles Times archives.

Davis, O'Day, Winterer, and Vazquez have terms expiring in 2016, with Winterer and Vazquez being members of what may be an emerging slow-growth majority.

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or
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Choice of:

Grilled Loch Duart Salmon
saffron scented couscous, sliced eastern squid, poached rock shrimp,
Grilled Loch Duart Salmon harissa orange lobster fume

or
Madeira Braised Jidori Chicken
Creamy polenta, haricot vert, almonds, natural braising sauce

or
Grilled N.Y. Steak
swiss chard, ragout of white beans, oven dried tomatoes, cipollini
onions, white wine rosemary sauce

or
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THURSDAY – FAIR – SURF: 3-4 ft waist to shoulder high occ. 5ft
BIGGEST EARLY; Mix of new/building WNW swell and old/easing
shorter period West-SW swell; light winds possible

FRIDAY – POOR TO FAIR – SURF: 2-3 ft Knee to chest high
Primarily WNW swell; light winds possible

SATURDAY – POOR TO FAIR – SURF: 1-2 ft knee to thigh high occ. 3ft
Small WNW swell; AM winds could be favorable

SUNDAY – POOR – SURF: 1-2 ft ankle to knee high occ. 3ft
Small WNW swell and light AM winds

BEACH REPORT CARD

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QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)
Number of sewage spills -- 0
Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
Number of wet days -- 5
Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 38 / 15
Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 4 / 8

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Heal the Bay reminds you not to swim or surf within 100 yards of any flowing storm drain or for at least 3 days after a rainstorm. After a rain, indicator bacteria counts at beaches throughout California usually far exceed health criteria in the state's Beach Closure and Health Warning Protocol.

LOCATION	DRY	WET	LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Canillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	A+	Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence.	A+	A+
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+	Will Rogers State Beach at Palga Canyon storm drain.	A	ss
(I) Pescadero State Beach, between Lachasa and Los Aliso creeks.			Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain.	A	A+
Escorial Canyon at (I) Matadero State Beach.	A	ss	Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chantreaga).	A	ss
Broad Beach at Torrance Creek mouth.	A+	A+	Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A+	A+
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	A+	Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	A	F
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildfire Rd. (private).	C	ss	Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	D	ss
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+	Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Venice storm drain.	B	ss
Escamille Creek, just east of Escamille State Beach.	A+	ss	Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restaurants).	A+	D
Laguna Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+	Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A	ss
Solstice Canyon at Dee Blecker County Beach.	A+	ss	Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A	ss
Puerto State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	A+	Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	A+
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerto Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd.	A	ss	Venice Beach at Winward Ave. drain.	F	ss
Sanfilippo Beach at Malibu Colony fence.	A+	A+	Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	F
Sanfilippo Beach (beach location)- daily.	A	ss	Venice Beach- projection of Topical St.	A+	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	A+	A+	Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- Vaguard tower.	F	F
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	ss	Dockweiler State Beach at Bolinas Creek mouth.	ss	ss
Los Flores State Beach at Los Flores Creek (point near).	A+	ss	Dockweiler State Beach at Calver Blvd. drain.	A	ss
Big Rock Beach at 19548 PCH stairs.	A+	A+	North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	A	ss
Pena Creek at Los Toros County Beach.	A+	ss	Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of GWR jetty).	A+	F
Tuna Canyon.	ss	ss	Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	A	ss
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	A	ss	Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	F
Carderock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	ss	ss	Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	D
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	B	ss			
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	A+			

LEGEND
DRY -- each location is graded on an A - F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone
WET -- grades for days of recorded rainfall and the following 3 days
ss -- no sample taken

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BOARD

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Allen through a roast-style speech that focused on Allen’s love for people.

“There’s a lot to say about Ben and his many accomplishment but many of you got how many mailers that the campaign put out,” de la Torre said.

He called Allen the “real deal” contrasting him against other politicians.

“They’re shaking a hand but they want to shake the next person’s hand because it’s about quantity,” he said. “Ben really is about quality; getting to know people’s stories. That’s something that’s important for someone who’s elected to office is that he has a genuine love for people.”

De la Torre also lauded Allen as a collaborator.

“I know myself, I sometimes like to shoot from the hip but Ben likes to calm down and ask some tough questions and get some reason before he throws himself on an issue,” he said.

Patel spoke about Allen’s influence on him, citing Allen as a reason that he decided to seek election to the board in the first place.

“I’m older than him but he’s been a mentor to me,” Patel said.

Allen thanked his colleagues and numerous members of the community. He promised to continue to listen to the school community as a member of the State Senate.

PATEL TO SPEND TIME WITH FAMILY

Colleagues called Patel a gentleman and voice of reason on the board.

“When we get bogged down in our discussions, it is often your insight that resolves the issue because it is always focused on how decisions we make will impact our students,” Mechur said.

Boardmember Laurie Lieberman noted that Patel’s business savvy will be missed.

“I feel, in my words, that he brought a freshness and an openness, a graciousness and a kindness and compassion that really, in the way it has played out, has really pulled the board together in a really terrific and positive way,” she said.

She called him a “detail person” and reiterated her appreciation for his warm per-

sonality.

“Nimish is the paradigmatic respectful colleague, who brings a healthy respect and a gentlemanly approach in the best of senses to the job and to everybody involved,” she said.

Patel thanked the board and the community for the opportunity to serve.

MECHUR UNSEATED, FOR NOW

After placing fifth in a race for four seats, Mechur noted that he’d be interested in reappointment to the board.

Boardmember Jose Escarce said that Mechur was one of the first people in the education community that he looked up to after moving to Santa Monica years ago.

“I think Ralph was a pillar of the sort of school community, if you will, in the entire Santa Monica and Malibu district,” he said. “I found that so admirable.”

He noted that Mechur’s professional experience as an architect served the board well during his six years in office.

“That has been tremendously valuable on our board ... The perspective of someone who is deeply involved in architecture and construction projects and contracting has also been quite helpful,” Escarce said.

Allen lauded Mechur’s work on the board and his work, prior to joining the board, as an advocate for the district.

“He was a member of the original school-yard bullies who pushed the city of Santa Monica to fundamentally change the nature of the relationship between the city and our school district and it was a precedent-setting relationship that I think has sent signals and actually inspired school systems all over the state,” Allen said.

Mechur thanked his colleagues and brought up the issue of equity, which many of his colleagues said was his most passionate goal.

“I’ve always believed that every child should be given access and opportunity to learn,” Mechur said.

Incoming board members Richard Tahvildaran-Jesswein and Craig Foster will join the board later this month. An appointment process is underway to fill Allen’s seat, which will remain vacant until at least February.

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HANG OUT AT A LOCAL HAUNT TONIGHT, SAG

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Read between the lines if someone seems overly concerned about something. You could sense some awkwardness, so make a point of finding out what is going on with this person. Tonight: Do some shopping on the way home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★★ Go after what you want with a greater sense of confidence. You also might want to indulge a family member, roommate or loved one. Make it OK to be spontaneous. Take some time to have an important chat with a loved one. Tonight: Share some munchies.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ Others might be trying to make your life easier, even though you could have a difficult time realizing it. It seems as if complication after complication continues to be tossed in your path. Tonight: Make a great escape.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★★ Your sense of timing seems to be right-on. You might be somewhat careless with some facet of your life, as you could be too absorbed in what you are doing. Be careful with your funds, and try to stay within your budget. Tonight: Spend some time with a close friend.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You will want to rethink a decision that involves someone you don't want to upset. Make sure the tie between you is strong enough to handle any problems you foresee; otherwise, the other party might not be able to control his or her temper. Tonight: Count on being out late.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Others will look to you to present a different point of view. You might need to help energize loved ones, as they could be dragging. You could have a lot to do, but you'll want to make this a priority. Tonight: Keep to a strict exercise plan.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You might have the urge to add a little spark to your day. You could discover that you seem to be triggered easily. Be careful, because what you dish out is likely to be returned. Tonight: Pretend that it's the weekend already.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Use caution when dealing with people on the homefront. Be careful with how you handle any domestic or personal issue right now. Something you shrug off today could ignite an argument in the next few weeks. Tonight: Go along with a loved one's plans.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You'll convey your good intentions. Step back and take an overview of a private matter that's close to your heart. Someone might find your words offensive, when that was not your intention. Tonight: Hang out at a local haunt.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ You might have some insight into a situation that you won't want to share with others just yet. Your finances could be flashing a yellow light. Although you typically have a lot of self-discipline, you easily could go overboard if you aren't careful. Tonight: Think "weekend."

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Today Mars, the planet of energy, moves into your sign. As a result, you are likely to express more vitality and draw many people toward you. If you feel frustrated, your temper could explode. Release any tension before you become angry. Tonight: Head home first.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Others might want to lure you into their way of thinking. Listen to their opinions, but know that you don't have to give immediate feedback. A friend or loved one could seem a bit touchy. Do yourself a favor and wait to discuss this matter. Tonight: Catch up on a friend's news.

Thursday, December 4, 2014

This year you often find that you are challenged by others; they don't hesitate to be bold and blunt. Fortunately, you won't personalize the less-friendly comments. You will be able to bottom-line problems. Recognize that you have a short fuse, and refuse to have a knee-jerk reaction when you're angry or going over a problem in your mind. If you are single, you might meet someone who intrigues you. Know that this relationship will be quite good. If you are attached, learn to respect your differences. TAURUS often is more even-tempered than you are.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS

The stars show the kind of day you'll have:

★★★★★ Dynamic	★★ So-So
★★★★ Positive	★ Difficult
★★★ Average	

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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. The difficulty level ranges from ★ (easiest) to ★★★★★ (hardest).

Difficulty Level ★★

	7		2		9	
5			1	6	4	3
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9		2	5	4		1
	6		3		2	

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GETTING STARTED

There are many strategies to solving Sudoku. One way to begin is to examine each 3x3 grid and figure out which numbers are missing. Then, based on the other numbers in the row and column of each blank cell, find which of the missing numbers will work. Eliminating numbers will eventually lead you to the answer.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

8	5	9	6	3	1	4	2	7
3	7	2	5	4	8	6	1	9
1	4	6	7	9	2	8	3	5
9	1	5	3	6	4	2	7	8
6	2	4	8	7	9	3	5	1
7	8	3	1	2	5	9	4	6
5	9	7	2	8	3	1	6	4
4	3	1	9	5	6	7	8	2
2	6	8	4	1	7	5	9	3

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 326 calls for service on Dec. 2.

BELOW IS A SAMPLING OF THOSE CALLS CHOSEN BY THE SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS STAFF.

- Petty Theft on the 300 block of Santa Monica Pier at 1:17 a.m.
- Traffic accident at 4th and Pico at 6:16 a.m.
- Trespassing on the 200 block of Bicknell Ave. at 6:38 a.m.
- Trespassing on the 2600 block of Lincoln Blvd. at 6:56 a.m.
- Burglary report on the 700 block of 21 St. at 7:16 a.m.
- Petty theft on the 700 block of Broadway at 7:51 a.m.
- Auto burglary at 23rd and Hill at 8:14 a.m.
- Burglary on the 700 block of 21st St. at 8:54 a.m.
- Trespassing on the 1400 block of 7th St. at 9:08 a.m.
- Burglary on the 1300 block of 14th St. at 9:14 a.m.
- Vandalism on the 2200 block of Virginia Ave. at 9:22 a.m.
- Burglary on the 2700 block of Ocean Park Blvd. at 9:36 a.m.
- Petty theft on the 500 block of Santa Monica Blvd. at 9:47 a.m.
- Trespassing on the 9000 block of Wilshire Blvd. at 10:14 a.m.
- Burglary on the 2000 block of Wilshire Blvd. at 10:24 a.m.
- Petty theft on the 1200 block of 3rd St. Promenade at 10:55 a.m.
- Petty theft on the 2600 block of Ocean Front Walk at 11:16 a.m.
- Trespassing on the 2800 block of Wilshire Blvd. at 11:33 a.m.
- Petty theft on the 500 block of Santa Monica Blvd. at 11:55 a.m.
- Identity theft on the 1300 block of Wilshire Blvd. at 11:59 a.m.
- Bike theft on the 2600 block of Ocean Front Walk at 12:33 p.m.
- Trash dumping on the 600 block of Pico Blvd. at 3:24 p.m.
- Trespassing on the 2500 block of Main St. at 3:27 p.m.
- Traffic accident at Main and Marine at 4:20 p.m.
- Trespassing on the 300 block of Santa Monica Blvd. at 4:44 p.m.
- Vandalism on the 1000 block of Stanford St. at 4:55 p.m.
- Prowler on the 1500 block of 16th St. at 6:57 p.m.
- Trespassing on the 100 block of Broadway at 7:21 p.m.
- Burglary on the 500 block of 9th St. at 7:51 p.m.
- Child endangerment on the 1600 block of Appian Way at 8:15 p.m.
- Burglary on the 800 block of 15th St. at 8:23 p.m.
- Burglary on the 2500 block of Pico Blvd. at 8:28 p.m.
- Indecent exposure on the 500 block of 18th St. at 8:41 p.m.
- Child endangerment on the 1900 block of Wilshire Blvd. at 10:06 p.m.
- Indecent exposure at 2nd and Santa Monica Blvd. at 10:31 p.m.



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CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

- 1 Pretzel topping
- 5 Tent cities
- 10 Cornered
- 12 Dizzying designs
- 13 Slugger Maris
- 14 Less strict
- 15 Thurman of "Kill Bill"
- 16 Greed
- 18 Ill will
- 20 Kitten cry
- 21 Sharpen
- 23 Good times
- 24 Downfall
- 26 Party giver
- 28 Heir, at times
- 29 District
- 31 Bind up
- 32 Exec's place
- 36 Building
- 39 Smoked salmon
- 40 Empire baddy
- 41 Herd cattle
- 43 Make blank
- 44 Cut off
- 45 High homes
- 46 Car scar

DOWN

- 1 Play, as a banjo

- 2 Kitchen come-on
- 3 Sanctioned
- 4 Course start
- 5 Fizzy drink
- 6 On — with (equivalent)

- 7 "Gladiator" hero
- 8 Rule of conduct
- 9 Scatters
- 11 Greek coin
- 17 Neckline shape
- 19 — Jima
- 22 Gangsters' foes

- 24 "Is it worth the chance?"
- 25 Mohawk Valley tribe
- 27 Clumsy fellow
- 28 Director Soderberg
- 30 Bird of myth

- 33 "— a Parade"
- 34 Witch group
- 35 Put to use
- 37 Celebration suffix
- 38 Ticks off
- 42 Warning color

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DAILY LOTTERY



Draw Date: 11/29
13 24 30 42 48
Power#: 27
Jackpot: \$40M



Draw Date: 12/2
13 18 22 49 62
Mega#: 11
Jackpot: \$80M



Draw Date: 11/29
5 30 37 45 47
Mega#: 21
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Draw Date: 12/2
9 10 13 19 38



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Draw Date: 12/2
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2nd: 02 Lucky Star
3rd: 09 Winning Spirit
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ "Santa Muerte" (Our Lady of the Holy Death) might be described as a cynic's unauthorized byproduct of Roman Catholicism currently festering in drug-cartel-roiled Mexico and Central America and is, according to Vice Media, "the world's fastest growing" religion. "Saint Death" first appeared only 12 years ago, in the Mexico City barrio of Tepito, and is now a first line of protection for worshippers in danger zones. (Almost 80,000 Mexicans have been killed in drug-related violence since 2006, Vice reported.) Said an author who has studied the religion, "People feel more comfortable asking (Santa Muerte) for favors they probably shouldn't ask a Catholic saint for."

■ Pope Francis ordered an investigation in October of the Italian Riviera diocese of Bishop Mario Oliveri, 70, who is known for giving "second chances" to wayward priests from across the country. Reports had surfaced that, among Mario's priests was one who openly published nude selfies on Facebook, another caught publicly flirting with the wife of a port captain, another dismissed from a cruise ship for molesting passengers, and another revealed to have a full-body "tribal" tattoo that he had exhibited while posing with the tattoo artist in the local newspaper. The manager of a church charity in the diocese estimated that about half of the bishop's 175 priests were delinquents.

TODAY IN HISTORY

1881 - The first edition of the Los Angeles Times is published.

1909 - In Canadian football, the First Grey Cup game is played. The University of Toronto Varsity Blues defeat the Toronto Parkdale Canoe Club, 26-6.

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