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Disabled longtime resident on precipice of homelessness as eviction trial approaches



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EVICTION CASE: The tenancy of longtime Santa Monica resident Scott Brutzman at 3301 Ocean Park Blvd. is in jeopardy pending a Dec. 11 court date.

MATTHEW HALL & THOMAS LEFFLER
SMDP Staff Writers

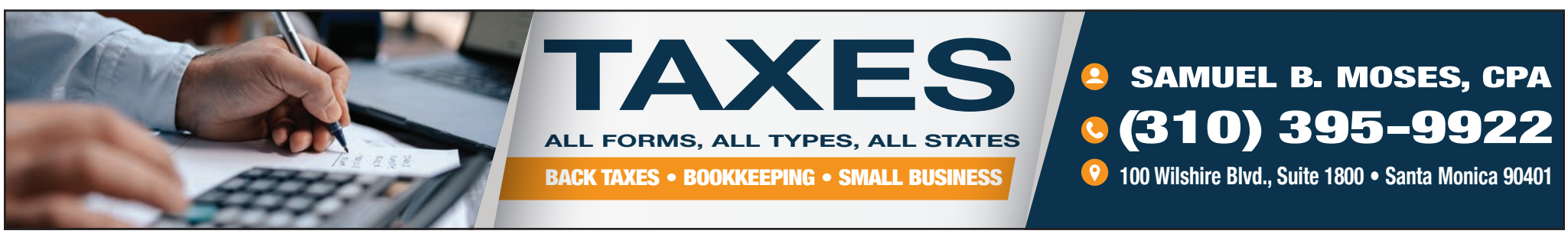
A longtime Santa Monica resident is facing what he calls a "death sentence" if he is evicted from his current housing accommodations on Dec. 11.

Scott Brutzman is fighting to stay at 3301 Ocean Park Blvd but his situation is complicated by the nature of the building (its commercial not residential), his own health challenges (Brutzman is severely disabled) and a lack of available resources (both financial and legal).

Brutzman never expected to find himself living in a commercial office, much less entirely dependent on daily medical care to survive.

A city resident for 46 years, he once had everything you could want out of life: a thriving insurance business, a loving family and a single family home in the NOMA neighborhood. He was a Rotarian and strong supporter of various local charities.

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Seven Vikings selected for Bay League honors

THOMAS LEFFLER
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A resounding run through the CIF Southern Section playoffs for the Samohi Vikings caught the attention of Bay League all-league team voters, with seven of the team's football standouts selected to either first or second-team offensive and defensive squads.

Though the Vikings finished 9-5 overall after a strong playoff push, one that resulted in a CIF Southern Section Division 9 title game appearance, the squad was 1-4 in tough Bay League play. The league boasted serious heavyweights in 2023, including league champion Palos Verdes and Culver City. Despite an undefeated regular season, Palos Verdes dropped its first Southern Section Division 2 playoff contest to eventual champion Mission Viejo. The Vikings also made it farther in the playoffs than Culver City, which lost a Southern Section Division 4 semifinal matchup to La Serna.

Three Vikings made first-team offensive honors, those being senior running back Caden McCallum, senior wide receiver Griffin Seals and senior offensive lineman Jayden Montanez.

McCallum was a force in the backfield all season long, galloping behind a strong line anchored by standouts like Montanez and second-team offensive selection Mason Oliva. McCallum carried the ball 288 times, an astounding mark that netted the senior a Bay League-best 1,604 yards and 24 touchdowns on the ground. According to MaxPreps, McCallum's rushing yardage was the 64th-best mark in all of California, and 24th-best in the CIF Southern Section. The senior also added 26 receptions for 187 yards and two scores in the passing game, all while remaining a terror at linebacker with 108 total tackles.



Seals was the Vikings' top passing target in 2023, accruing 86 receptions for 1,289 yards and 11 touchdowns. The senior's receiving yards were the 20th-best mark in all of California, per MaxPreps, and Seals' yardage cracked the top 10 in the CIF Southern Section. On top of being a primary protector for the team's offense, Montanez also recorded 72 total sacks on defense, along with team-highs in tackles for loss (15.5) and sacks (4.5).

The lone first-team defensive selection for the Vikings was junior defensive back Charles Cravings, an absolute ball hawk for the bunch with seven interceptions and three pass deflections on the season. The junior also forced two fumbles and accounted for 69 tackles, the third-best mark on the team.

Cracking the second-team offense along with Oliva was sophomore quarterback Wyatt Brown, who broke the team's all-time passing record with a 2,955-yard campaign in 2023. Per MaxPreps, the yardage is the 37th-highest total in California and the 19th-highest in the Southern Section. Brown's efficiency was key to his success, completing 67.4% of passes for an average of 13.7 yards per completion. The sophomore threw for 21 touchdowns and 11 interceptions on the campaign, and also served as the team's primary punter throughout the season.

Second-team defensive honors were bestowed on senior defensive lineman Paco Vandenbrook, who used his 6'5", 235-pound frame to man the Vikings' defensive front. Though his 32 total tackles in 2023 are not typically associated with an all-league selection, the play-by-play impact setting up teammates for easy defensive plays was priceless. Vandenbrook still ranked second on the team in tackles for loss (6.5) and sacks (2.5), making each of his tackles count.

Palos Verdes freshman quarterback Ryan Rakowski was selected Bay League MVP, buoyed by extreme efficiency with a 70.2% completion rate and a 23-3 touchdown-to-interception ratio. Rakowski's top target, wide receiver Luke Gayton, received co-offensive player of the year honors alongside Mira Costa receiver Reese Leonard. Palos Verdes completed the near-awards sweep on the defensive end, as linebacker Jason Reis earned defensive player of the year honors.

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VIKINGS HONORED: Samohi senior offensive lineman Jayden Montanez (#71) was selected to the Bay League's offensive first-team.

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Actors vote to approve deal that ended strike, bringing relief to union leaders and Hollywood

ANDREW DALTON
AP Entertainment Writer

Hollywood's actors have voted to ratify the deal with studios that ended their strike after nearly four months, bringing an official finish to the labor strife that shook the entertainment industry for most of 2023.

The approval of the three-year contract from the members of the Screen Actors Guild-American Federation of Television and Radio Artists announced Tuesday night by union leaders was no certainty, with some prominent members voicing dissent on the deal their negotiators bargained for.

The 78% yes result in voting that began Nov. 13 and ended Tuesday was a far cry from the near-unanimous approval and widespread enthusiasm members of the writers guild gave to the deal that ended their strike in September.

But the outcome is a major relief for SAG-AFTRA leaders and an entertainment industry that is attempting to return to normal after months of labor strife. And it brings a final, official end to Hollywood labor's most tumultuous year in half a century, with two historic strikes that shook the industry.

Just over 38% of members cast votes, SAG-AFTRA said. All 145,000 members could vote on the deal, not just the approximately 60,000 TV and movie actors who went on strike and work under the contract.

"I'm very happy with the result," Duncan Crabtree-Ireland, SAG-AFTRA's executive director and chief negotiator, told The Associated Press Tuesday night. "I think having almost an 80% 'yes' vote with almost a 40% turnout for our members, that's really unprecedented for any kind of contract where it's not just a unanimous chorus of yeses."

Some members agreed.

"More yes votes than I expected and very happy to see because despite loud voices of complaint on social media, it shows the membership is still strong and united," actor "Can't Hardly Wait" actor Ethan Embry posted on X, formerly known as Twitter. "Back to work."

A rejection of the agreement would have meant a return to the bargaining table and, with that, the possibility of the actors going back on strike if leaders called for it.

The union had freed actors to return to work, declaring the strike over as soon as the tentative deal was struck Nov. 8 with the Alliance of Motion Picture and Television Producers, which represents studios, streaming services and production companies in union negotiations. Two days later, it was approved by the guild's board with an 86% vote.

"The AMPTP member companies congratulate SAG-AFTRA on the ratification of its new contract, which represents historic gains and protections for performers," the AMPTP said in a statement Tuesday night. "With this vote, the industry and the jobs it supports will be able to return in full force."

Control over the use of artificial intelligence was the most hard-fought issue in the long, methodical negotiations, and became the main driver of dissent during the voting.

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> - Duncan Crabtree-Ireland

"The reality is there are members who've spoken out a lot over the last three weeks about their concerns, primarily about artificial intelligence. I'm very, very mindful of them, and I consider their concerns legitimate," Crabtree-Ireland said. "I also firmly believe that the approach we took to it and what we achieved in this negotiation were the best possible way to address AI at this time with these companies and in this industry."

SAG-AFTRA President Fran Drescher told The Associated Press shortly after the resolution was reached that making sure AI reproductions of actors could only be used with their informed consent and compensation was a "deal breaker" in the talks.

But they did not fight hard enough for some prominent members, including actors Justine Bateman and Matthew Modine, who cited the issue as a reason to vote "no," and stoked fears many voters would follow their lead.

"I cannot endorse a contract that compromises the independence and financial futures of the performers," Modine, who ran

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Surf report

WATER TEMP: **62.1**

THURSDAY
POOR TO FAIR
SURF: 1-2ft
Knee to thigh

Small to fun size - likely the biggest day of the work week for most spots. NW swell fills in further and peaks - not tons of size getting into North LA, but rideable. SSW swell also continues. Wind looks ok at this point, especially in AM.

FRIDAY
POOR TO FAIR
SURF: 2-3ft
Thigh to waist

Easing NW swell mix — strongest surf is selective but there will be fun size for the regions winter exposures as the somewhat more westerly energy from the swell continues. Top breaks are 3-4'.

Weather

Thursday: Patchy fog before 10am. Otherwise, cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 66.
Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 49. Breezy, with a north wind 15 to 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.
Friday: Sunny, with a high near 67. Breezy, with a north wind around 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.
Friday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 50.

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Holiday and Art Events

SMDP's Weekly Guide to Food & Entertainment Goings-On In & Around Town includes Main St. Holiday Festival, Fairmont's Meet Me Under the Fig Tree Event, and much more!

Hanukkah Menorah Lighting: From Thursday, Dec. 7 through Dec. 14, guests are welcome to celebrate the Festival of Lights during the Hanukkah season at the Third Street Promenade with nightly Menorah Lightings beginning at sundown @ 1400 block of Third Street Promenade (located between Santa Monica Blvd and Broadway). More details here.

Venice Art Crawl: This special holiday Venice Art Crawl focused on Abbot Kinney and a group of artists at Podshare. The event showcases local talent, from street artists to established galleries. Thursday, Dec. 7, 6 - 10p.m. VeniceArtCrawl.com

"Ha, Ha, Hanukkah" at Birdie G's x The Crow Comedy Club: This charitable fundraiser for Jewish Family Service LA's SOVA helps locals experiencing food insecurity. Thursday, Dec. 7 @ 8:30 p.m. More details here.

SaMo Public Library Holiday Card Making Workshop: During the month of December, the community is invited to upcycle old holiday cards into festive bookmarks and new greeting cards at the Main Library Multipurpose Room. Bring your gently used cards to make a new one in a cozy atmosphere amidst the hectic season. Thursday, Dec. 7 & Saturday, Dec. 9, 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. @ 601 Santa Monica Blvd.

Free "Die Hard" Movie Night on the Promenade: "Grab your picnic baskets and bring the whole family - including pups - and get ready for a night at the movies." Friday, Dec. 8, Seating starts @ 6:30p.m. & movie starts @ 7:30p.m. on 1200 Block of 3rd St Promenade (between Arizona & Wilshire) https://www.downtownsm.com/events-calendar/8655/movie-fridays

SaMo Ice Skate for FREE on Netflix Family Nights: "Guests can visit Ice at Santa Monica for Netflix Family Nights and enjoy complimentary skate sessions featuring family favorite films and shows." Free sessions over the next week are Friday, Dec. 8 & Tuesday, Dec. 12 @ 5:30p.m. https://iceatsantamonica.com/

Gaywatch: Holiday Spectacular The next Gaywatch party will feature a queer holiday marketplace. Friday, Dec 8. https://gaywatch.party/

Retail Pop-Up: Decades Presents 100 Years of Style at The Georgian: The retail collaboration will see The Georgian showcase 100 years of style, with a curated collection of vintage, pre-loved, and contemporary pieces from labels such as Chanel, Dior, Gucci, Valentino, and YSL along with pieces from female-founded sustainable contemporary brands such as ReWeave and Angel Chang. Friday, Dec. 8 - Sunday, Dec. 10, 11a.m. - 10p.m. daily.

Bergamot Station Arts Center Winter Open House: "This day-long experience will feature a diverse array of exhibitions, performances, and interactive experiences across multiple galleries, making it a must-attend event for art enthusiasts!" Saturday, Dec. 9. https://bergamotstation.com/

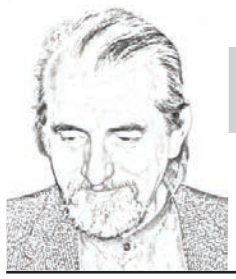
Montana Ave. Winter Shopping Festival: "Montana Ave. will be transformed into a winter wonderland, closed to cars so you can immerse yourself in a vibrant holiday atmosphere, with an outdoor market comprised of local businesses and a treasure trove of unique gifts, handcrafted goods, and delicious treats." Saturday, Dec. 9, 10a.m. - 6p.m. on Montana Ave. from 9th to 17th Streets.

Miracle on Main St. Tree Lighting & Holiday Festival: Embrace the spirit of the holidays as Miracle on Main Street returns with two tree lightings, photos with Santa & more. Celebrate the holidays on Main Street with a festive afternoon of holiday cheer, starting at 3:30 PM at the California Heritage Museum. Enjoy activities for kids, live music, and Santa's grand entrance at 4:00 PM. Saturday, Dec. 9, 3:30 - 7:00p.m. www.mainstreetsm.com

Marina Boat Parade: "This free event showcases beautifully decorated boats in the Marina channel, adorned in holiday lights, inflatables, other festive decorations. Most viewers go to Burton Chace Park or Fisherman's Village to watch the parade. Music and live announcements will play during the parade at both locations. There will also be food trucks, carolers, face painting and a fun photo booth at the park." Saturday, Dec. 9, 4 - 8p.m. https://mdrboatparade.org/

Meet Me Under the Fig Tree Event @ the Fairmont: The annual community holiday event features live entertainment, seasonal crafts, photos with Santa, and more. Please bring non-perishable food items or gently worn business attire for donation to support

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OPINION **NOTEWORTHY**

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Spread Love (&$$) for the Holidays

MUSIC GIFT SUGGESTIONS

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Music? Local? Where better than MCCABE'S? Strings and capos and sheet music for the players, lessons for those who long to. An amazing selection of instruments.

THE CHURCH IN OCEAN PARK qualifies on my music list because I have heard so much good music there, from Tom Brosseau to The Bonedaddys to Ry Cooder. They finally reopened recently after a disastrous ceiling collapse, but there is still a lot of work to be done, so a holiday donation there would be much appreciated. They do a lot of good work and have for decades.



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MUSIC: COMING TO THE WHISKY!

88.5 FM, SOCAL SOUND – is the little station that could, stringing together a network of small college stations in SoCal, all at 88.5, to create a station broadcasting from Cal State Northridge but reaching all of the greater LA area. I have listened from the beginning and they have turned me on to many artists I love, who I can't hear anywhere else. They rely almost entirely on listener subscribers. No commercials, nonstop music. Become a subscriber and you will be eligible for concert tickets throughout the year. KCRW former head Nic Harcourt runs the show, Mookie does some fine programming, mixing in the new and old and obscure, and Andy Chanley is an outstanding DJ.

YES, I KNOW

Bruce did not play here a couple days ago. Springsteen's concerts here got pushed back to April a long time ago, because of illness. But now, not till 2024, the whole tour. Ulcer. Boss, did you have to get a geriatric affliction, reminding us of your age and mortality (and ours)? It is serious, obviously, and we all wish him the best. He always seemed the picture of health, a gym rat with solid muscles, pounding out three-hour concerts night after night, for decades. But "ulcers don't care." I was pushing my deadline and checking my most comprehensive, reliable (?) source of live music listings, and there it was, wrong, and I forgot. Sorry.

Interesting, in my tribute to Jerry Rubin 11/26, on his approaching 80th birthday party this Monday at The Gaslite ("everyone is invited!"), I mentioned a number of famous folks up in years, and that seems to have been too much for some of them. Henry Kissinger died the next day, and now Norman Lear. But don't worry, Jerry, you are just a kid and as healthy as a unicorn (An error in that piece meant to list comedian/peace activist Dick Gregory's age at passing, not a current age. He and Jerry were good friends.)

HIGHLY RECOMMENDED:

Tonight - MEHTA, MAHLER, SEONG-JIN CHO – We're so fortunate, with maestro Gustavo Dudamel loving and mastering the works of the great Gustav Mahler, that we also have a renowned former music director who occasionally graces us with his interpretations. Win, win. Korean pianist Seong-Jin Cho has become an LA Phil favorite, for all the right reasons, and all his romantic tendencies are perfectly matched to Schumamn's emotional Piano concerto, the only one he wrote. After intermission fasten your seat belts for the first symphony Mahler unleashed on the world, such a sonically powerful examination of no less than life and death, that you might think he thought he had only one shot, but thankfully it was only the beginning. As I write this, you can still see this performance for 20 bucks. That's insane. Downtown parking costs more than that. (But only $9 for event parking at Disney.) If you are a donor (and why aren't you? - holiday gift suggestion!), this is one of six rehearsals you are given privy to, no extra charge, and with Zubin Mehta holding forth on his beloved Mahler, that's a rare treat. Thurs 7:30 p.m., donor rehearsal 10 a.m., Walt Disney Concert Hall, LA, $20-268.

"FRIDA & DIEGO," LA Opera – Fresh on the heels of excellent stagings of chestnuts "The Barber of Seville'' and "Don Giovanni," LA Opera gives us a new production devoted to our favorite fun couple. Perhaps because of their

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December NOMA meeting to focus on speakers from local non-profit organizations

SCOTT SNOWDEN
SMDP Staff Writer

The December meeting of the North of Montana Avenue Neighborhood Association (NOMA) will be dominated this month by talks from four local non-profit organizations: Rev. Ron Hooks from West Coast Care, Josh Hertz from The People Concern, Mallory Loring from Chrysalis and Nancy Coleman from We Are Santa Monica Fund.

NOMA is a volunteer group of residents working to improve life in the neighborhood of Santa Monica defined by Adalaide Drive, San Vicente Blvd and City limits to the north, 26th Street to the East, Ocean Ave to the west and Montana Ave to the south — an area comprising of approximately 5,200 homes. It was created in May 1998 and just seven months later it was formally incorporated as a California non-profit, public benefit corporation. It was inactive from 2008 to 2011, whereupon a group of neighbors came together to revive it.

"We don't normally have a theme, per se, we might have three different speakers talking about three different things," said Bruce Leddy, Chair, NOMA, adding, "But I thought it would be interesting to have a theme that was a little bit seasonal, in that it's the season of giving, and that we'd invite speakers from some of the local nonprofits and charities that are doing the hard work of supporting the most vulnerable people in Santa Monica."

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"There's a sense, a climate, right now in our town about homelessness, where people are feeling very desperate and very frustrated and there's really no progress being made," Leddy said. "It's important to hear from the people who are actually out there doing the work and hear what their approaches are, what their successes are and hopefully inspire some charitable giving to these organizations that are doing the work we want to have done."

Meetings are normally held on the first Thursday of each month and this will be on December 7 at 7pm. It will be held over Zoom, so anyone can participate. Details on how to join the meeting can be found at the NOMA website at smnoma.org.

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However, everything fell apart for Brutzman in short order.

He said his once solid business was tied to companies who had their offices in the World Trade Center and their destruction on Sept. 11, 2001 undermined his ability to earn an income. His brother and one of his daughters committed suicide. He found himself without family support, unable to stay in his home and deeply depressed. He sought help from some of the same charities that he previously donated to and he did eventually rebuild much of his previous life.

Then he was diagnosed with cancer, twice (prostate and Leukemia). Brutzman beat the disease both times but that joy was short lived after he contracted Graft vs. Host Disease (GvHD) as a result of bone marrow donations necessary to suppress his last bout with cancer.

GvHD ravages the host body and has left him with vastly reduced vision and severely compromised mobility. He again found himself without a home, but he did have his office space and enough savings to consistently pay the rent.

"(It) was just one thing after another and I've just never been able to recover, so instead of using my office for an office, (it) began to be my home, because I couldn't afford to keep supporting myself with all the ailments that I developed, that I'm still dealing with," Brutzman told the Daily Press.

While the unit isn't designed to be a home, it allows Brutzman to receive the daily care he needs from nurses, keeps him sheltered and offers enough amenities to help him survive.

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"My eyes are bad but tolerable so long as I have my gear on (i.e. two pairs of sunglasses and a baseball cap)," he said. "My legs on the other hand are terrible. From my knees to the tips of my toes, I have blisters outbreaks that occur in varying cycles. My legs are always wet, exposing red raw second layer of skin. I'm very susceptible to infections on both legs which from time to time need drugs (I can take ampicillin, penicillin 'and amoxicillin). I can't do the care necessary to help me guard against infection. I need help. The nurses come in and keep my legs clean and wrapped each with three layers of dressing treatment, put up my pills (I can't do that because my hands shake and pills end up all over the floor), take my blood pressure and check my blood oxygen level and pulse. If I didn't have at home nurses, I very likely would be dead. I can't live without them."

He said the landlord was aware that he was living on the premises, and continued to accept monthly rent payments until the notice of termination on his tenancy this year, something he said is due to the property being able to receive in the range of $1,500 to $2,000 per month instead of his $710 monthly payment.

Brutzman beat a prior eviction case with help from nonprofit lawyers but he now faces a Dec. 11 court date and while he is mounting a defense on his own, living in a commercial building limits his legal options.

Brutzman said he is using all available services to find new housing. He submitted an application to the Santa Monica City Housing Authority, and was told his application has been "bumped up the list" for senior housing due to his circumstances. A few promising options failed to materialize as Brutzman didn't qualify for units due to income requirements or they were unable to accommodate his disabilities.

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>
> - Scott Brutzman

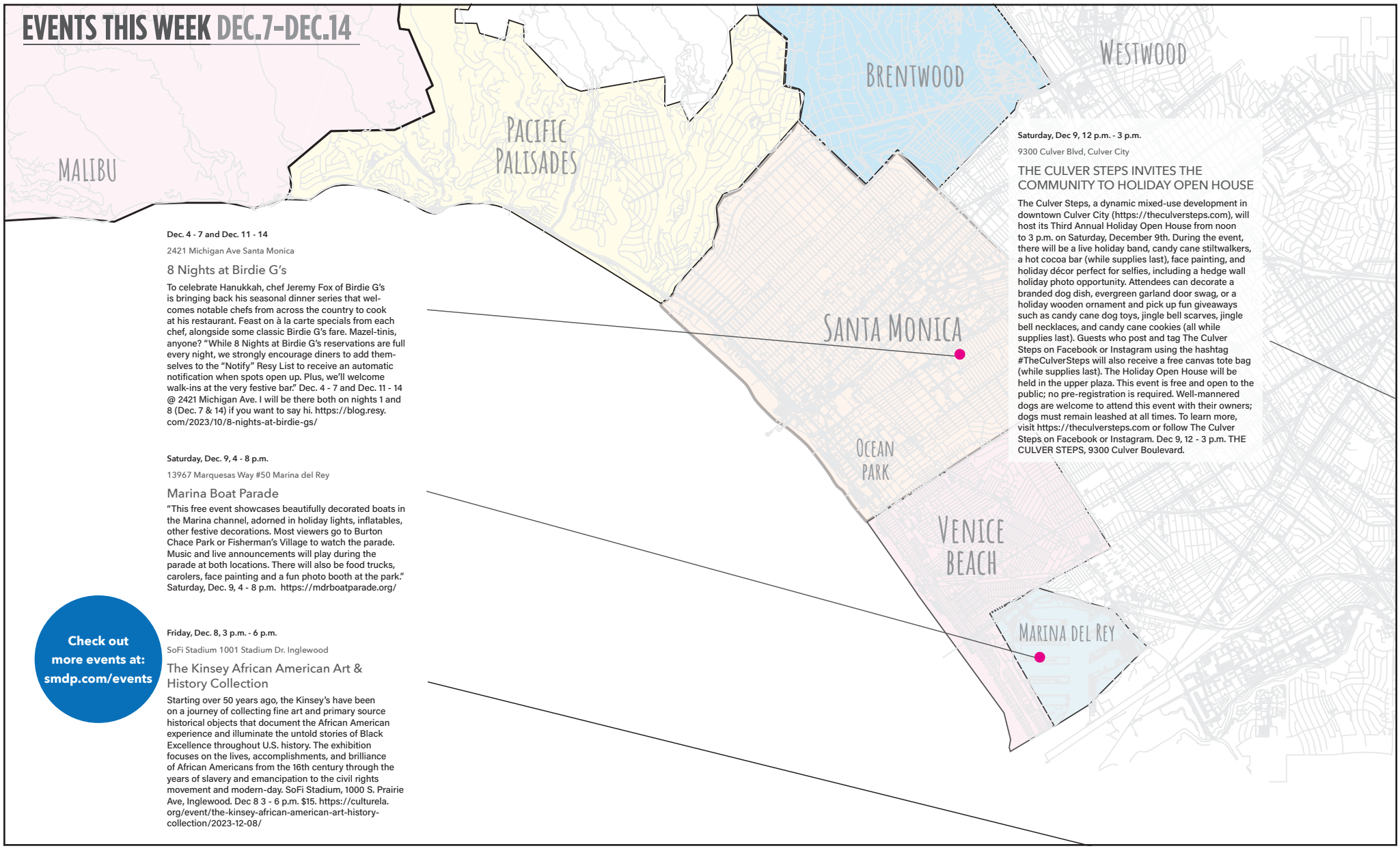
He is still working with local charity groups but remains without a housing option for the moment with his Dec. 11 court date rapidly approaching.

"That's the day I expect them to say well, get (him) out of there," Brutzman told the Daily Press. "One, two or three days later, the (Sheriff's Office) will show up and make an effort to remove me. Once that happens, I'm dead ... if I'm put out on the street, I lose my ability to talk to people because I won't be able to charge my phone, there's no electricity, (and) it's very cold out there. My future does not look very bright."

An attorney representing the landlord said they were unable to comment on pending litigation.

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EVENTS THIS WEEK DEC.7-DEC.14



Dec. 4 - 7 and Dec. 11 - 14

2421 Michigan Ave Santa Monica

8 Nights at Birdie G's

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Saturday, Dec. 9, 4 - 8 p.m.

13967 Marquesas Way #50 Marina del Rey

Marina Boat Parade

"This free event showcases beautifully decorated boats in the Marina channel, adorned in holiday lights, inflatables, other festive decorations. Most viewers go to Burton Chace Park or Fisherman's Village to watch the parade. Music and live announcements will play during the parade at both locations. There will also be food trucks, carolers, face painting and a fun photo booth at the park." Saturday, Dec. 9, 4 - 8 p.m. https://mdrboatparade.org/

Check out more events at: smdp.com/events

Friday, Dec. 8, 3 p.m. - 6 p.m.

SoFi Stadium 1001 Stadium Dr. Inglewood

The Kinsey African American Art & History Collection

Starting over 50 years ago, the Kinsey's have been on a journey of collecting fine art and primary source historical objects that document the African American experience and illuminate the untold stories of Black Excellence throughout U.S. history. The exhibition focuses on the lives, accomplishments, and brilliance of African Americans from the 16th century through the years of slavery and emancipation to the civil rights movement and modern-day. SoFi Stadium, 1000 S. Prairie Ave, Inglewood. Dec 8 3 - 6 p.m. $15. https://culturela.org/event/the-kinsey-african-american-art-history-collection/2023-12-08/

Saturday, Dec 9, 12 p.m. - 3 p.m.

9300 Culver Blvd, Culver City

THE CULVER STEPS INVITES THE COMMUNITY TO HOLIDAY OPEN HOUSE

The Culver Steps, a dynamic mixed-use development in downtown Culver City (https://theculversteps.com), will host its Third Annual Holiday Open House from noon to 3 p.m. on Saturday, December 9th. During the event, there will be a live holiday band, candy cane stiltwalkers, a hot cocoa bar (while supplies last), face painting, and holiday décor perfect for selfies, including a hedge wall holiday photo opportunity. Attendees can decorate a branded dog dish, evergreen garland door swag, or a holiday wooden ornament and pick up fun giveaways such as candy cane dog toys, jingle bell scarves, jingle bell necklaces, and candy cane cookies (all while supplies last). Guests who post and tag The Culver Steps on Facebook or Instagram using the hashtag #TheCulverSteps will also receive a free canvas tote bag (while supplies last). The Holiday Open House will be held in the upper plaza. This event is free and open to the public; no pre-registration is required. Well-mannered dogs are welcome to attend this event with their owners; dogs must remain leashed at all times. To learn more, visit https://theculversteps.com or follow The Culver Steps on Facebook or Instagram. Dec 9, 12 - 3 p.m. THE CULVER STEPS, 9300 Culver Boulevard.

AROUND TOWN

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the Westside Food Bank and Chrysalis. Sunday, Dec. 10, 2 to 5 p.m. https://www.fairmont-miramar.com/meet-me-under-the-fig-tree/

Hanukkah Party @ Mishkon Temple on Main St.: "You're invited to celebrate with Mishkon's welcoming community as we light our menorah, enjoy brisket, make and share latkes, all the while singing and dancing the night away at our beautiful temple located a few blocks from the ocean. Dec. 10, 4:30 - 8p.m." More details here.

PET PHOTOS WITH SANTA: Bring your four-legged friend to a special pet night and "sit" for a photo with Santa. Cats and dogs only. Please be sure to have your pet on a leash or in a pet carrier. Dec. 13 & 14: 4-7 p.m. @ Santa Monica Place

Taylor Swift's Birthday @ SaMo Ice: "'Tis the season to celebrate Taylor Swift's birthday at Ice at Santa Monica! Show up in your favorite era's style (or cardigan.)" Wednesday, Dec. 13, 7 - 10p.m. https://iceatsantamonica.com/santa-monica-events/

WHAT TO EAT & DRINK?

Savida on Montana Ave. Makes Michelin Guide's "10 Best Tacos In California" List: The report states "dishes are infused with Global flavors (think Peruvian ceviche and yellowtail seasoned with ponzu sauce and yuzu pepper dressing)." 1303 Montana Ave. More details here.

'East Comes West,' Dinner Series @ SaMo Proper Hotel: Starting Dec. 9, the hotel's Siete restaurant space will host specialty dinners offering "a playful nod to the Angeleno's reluctance to brave traffic...and bring some of the city's most critically and popularly acclaimed, established restaurants to the Westside community. Part I of the dining series will launch on Dec. 9th with Camphor (Downtown L.A.) followed by Tsubaki (Echo Park), Otoño (Highland Park), and Alimento (Silver Lake)." https://www.opentable.com/r/siete-santa-monica https://www.properhotel.com/santa-monica/happenings/

Duck Donuts Rolls Out Jelly Donuts in Time for Hanukkah: The limited-time raspberry jelly topping can be added to any donut combination or enjoyed in the seasonal featured Holiday Assortment through Dec. 31. 1315 3rd Street Promenade

8 Nights at Birdie G's: To celebrate Hanukkah, chef Jeremy Fox of Birdie G's is bringing back his seasonal dinner series that welcomes notable chefs from across the country to cook at his restaurant. Feast on à la carte specials from each chef, alongside some classic Birdie G's fare. Mazel-tinis, anyone? "While 8 Nights at Birdie G's reservations are full every night, we strongly encourage diners to add themselves to the "Notify" Resy List to receive an automatic notification when spots open up. Plus, we'll welcome walk-ins at the very festive bar." Dec. 4 - 7 and Dec. 11 - 14 @ 2421 Michigan Ave. I will be there both on nights 1 and 8 (Dec. 7 & 14) if you want to say hi. More details here (https://blog.resy.com/2023/10/8-nights-at-birdie-gs/).



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MAIN STREET: Santa Monica's second tree lighting will be held this weekend.

Genghis Cohen + McConnell's Ice Cream Hanukkah Collaboration: "This year's limited-edition flavor, named Babka Streisand features Brazilian coffee ice cream, decadent fudge swirls, and chunks of chocolate hazelnut babka from Cake Monkey Bakery. Indulge in a scoop for $7 when dining at Genghis Cohen or a pint for $14. The flavor will also be sold at McConnell's shops." 1456 3rd Street Promenade

Wine Dinner with Stag's Leap Wine Cellars: Wind down 2023 with some nibbles and bubbles, featuring Chateau Ste. Michelle winery and Stag's Leap Winery. Thursday, Dec. 14, 7pm @ SALT Restaurant, 13534 Bali Way https://www.eventbrite.com/e/wine-dinner-with-stags-leap-wine-cellars-tickets-532691954977

Further Afield: Debbie Allen Dance Academy (DADA) presents its award-winning production of "Hot Chocolate Nutcracker." Dec. 7 - 9 @ Redondo Beach Performing Arts Center. More info here.

Looking Ahead Around Town: SANTA Monica Pub Crawl (12/16); Marina Glow Party & Fireworks (12/31)

If there's something you think is worth highlighting, you can reach out directly to me at sean@smdp.com. Here are my past columns and let me know if you have any feedback on Around Town: Holiday and Art Events.

ACTORS

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against Drescher for union president in 2021 and was also among the board members to reject the deal, said in a statement. "It is purposefully vague and demands union members to release their autonomy.... Consent is surrender."

But many other prominent actors voiced strong support for the agreement, including Academy Award winner Jessica Chastain and Colman Domingo, who is getting major Oscars buzz this year for his performance in " Rustin."

"I believe that we have an incredible deal, I believe it's thoughtful and it's about moving the needle forward," Domingo told the AP last week. "I'm very happy with it. I voted yes."

Crabtree-Ireland emphasized that members were happy with the deal's financial gains.

"If we set aside the AI issue, it would have been ratified by 99% of members probably," he said.

The contract calls for a 7% general pay increase with further hikes coming in the second and third years of the deal.

The deal also includes a hard-won provision that temporarily derailed talks: the creation of a fund to pay performers for future viewings of their work on streaming services, in addition to traditional residuals paid for the showing of movies or series.

The provision is an attempt to bring payment systems in line with an industry now dominated by streaming, a reality that is almost certain to fuel more labor fights — and possibly more strikes — in the coming years.

Associated Press journalist John Carucci contributed from New York.

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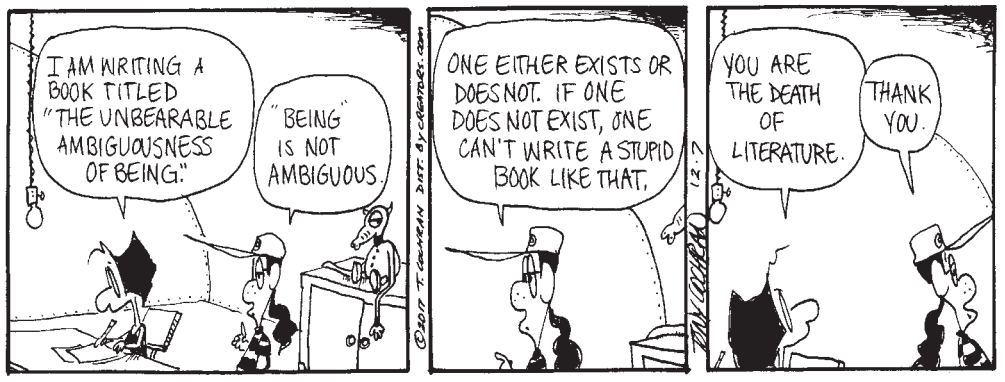
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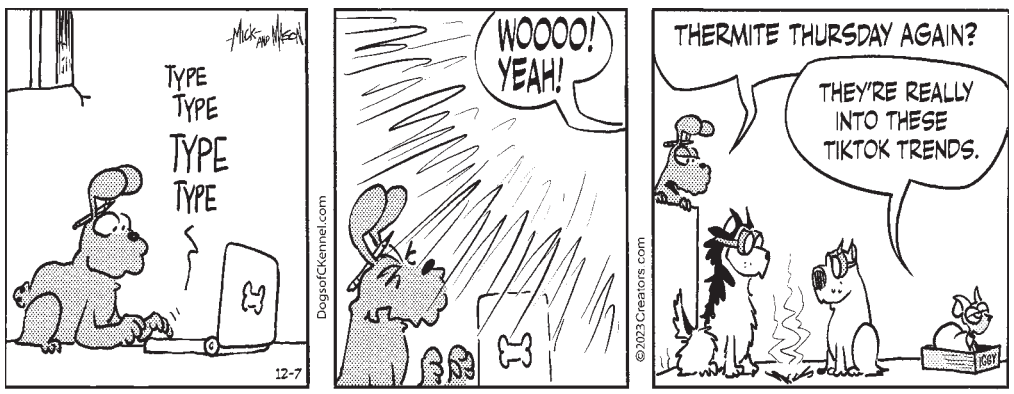
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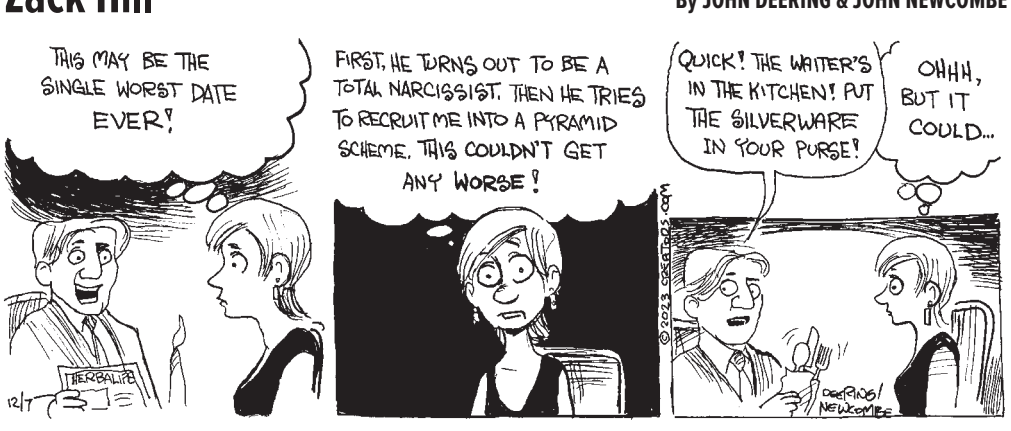
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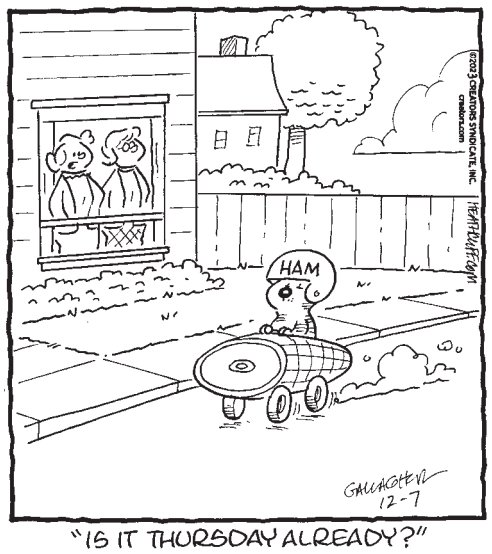
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"IS IT THURSDAY ALREADY?"

Strange Brew

By JOHN DEERING



FIND THE WORDS

This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 15 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Dec. 7)

You have the big courage to see ideas through to the tippy top. Because many join in, it will take less work than you expect to make the dream happen. More highlights: You'll sharpen skills. You'll be a beloved employer. The sweetness of love will be abundant and romantic notions will turn into romantic adventures. Libra and Cancer adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 32, 28, 5 and 16.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Your creativity will shine in constructive company. All it takes is one small, smart idea to set a major change in motion. For best results, brainstorm with a fellow fire sign, which is: Aries, Leo or Sagittarius.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). People trying to sell you something will lead you to believe that there is not very much of it left in the world — untrue. Be savvier than marketers and you'll get to keep your money and simplify your life at the same time.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Wondering what people expect from you can be exciting — thrilling even. You won't take their conclusions personally; people are driven by their own needs and perceptions. You'll find out what they want and assess your next move.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). People don't always manage their time and circumstances as you would, which is what makes things interesting. There will be missed, late or messy appointments. Roll with it and the new outcome could be better than the original plan.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). To notice and seize opportunities is a function of being generally aware. No matter where you go, you continue your training there, challenging yourself to be present, pay attention and be others-focused. Much good will come of this!

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Like any intelligent being, you'll avoid pain. But don't extend your avoidance to discomfort because your most cherished moments will be born in situations that will feel, at first, uncomfortable to you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Though you're forward-thinking, not everything requires a thought process. Things go off, not because of the plan, but because certain factors beyond your control line up for the launch.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). As intuitive as you are, it's like the muses are whispering something you can't quite hear. Try to feel it instead. Your body is receiving a stronger signal than your mind today.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The things that seem wrong are just a function of your mood. Spoil yourself with self-care. Your energy will lift, the circumstance will change, and your stress will fade. Side note: The role of sleep cannot be overstated!

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). At any given moment you are feeling some way, though unless the emotion is acute you don't often stop to note it. Today the nuances will call to your attention and discernment between similar but distinct feelings will affect your decisions.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). One who is distant to you is close to something else, as it would be impossible to be distant from everything. You'll increase your understanding of people by noting the proximity of things and observing what seems to attract or repel.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You're so modest that you needn't worry about hiding your assets. If you step over a line, it will be better to err on the side of self-celebration. It's not necessary to boast or talk yourself up. When people praise you, let them.

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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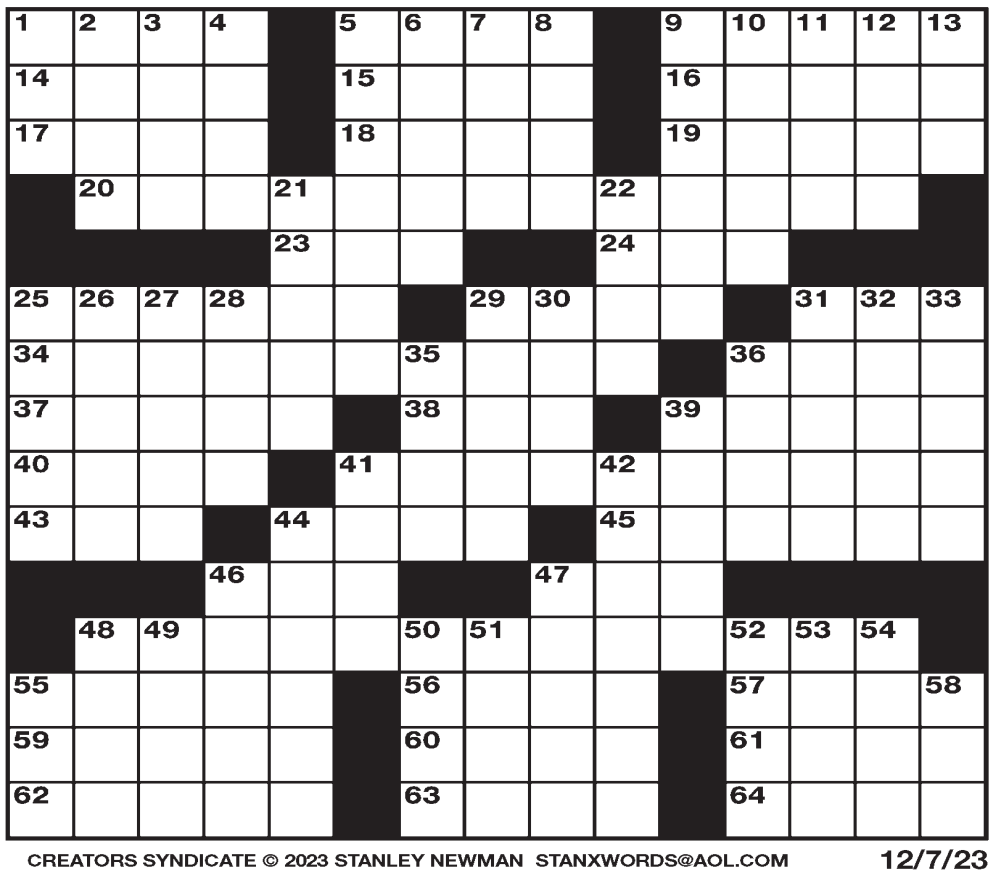
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ACROSS

1 Cop's quarry
5 Lost ground
9 Piped up
14 October birthstone
15 Galileo's hometown
16 China plate stand
17 Erudite
18 Be a lookout, perhaps
19 Plant tissue
20 Domino effect
23 Southeast FL hub
24 Blokes
25 Stir up
29 Horn sound
31 In favor of
34 Second man on the moon
36 Resell quickly
37 "It's __!" (speakeasy cry)
38 Winning streak
39 Bring about
40 Seafarers
41 No Hemingway
43 Antlered animal
44 Big party
45 City near Denver
46 Timeline slice
47 Exploitation
48 Threatening talk
55 Missile housings
56 Prefix for distant
57 Ultimate origin
59 Used as a dining table
60 Seethe
61 Was up on
62 Little lizard
63 Vocalized
64 Not very good

DOWN

1 Sound of a smack
2 Majestic
3 Too quick
4 Arraignment statement
5 "Water" dog
6 First sign of fall
7 "Got it"
8 Researcher's collection
9 Jazz group
10 Ante up
11 Ibsen hangout
12 Enthusiastic
13 North Dakota state tree
21 Moper's musing
22 Encouraging word
25 Tone down
26 From the country
27 Mountainous Missouri county
28 Commando weapons
29 Cease-fire
30 Sty cry
31 Dwarf planet since 2006
32 Stage platform
33 Wagner work
35 "Phooey!"
36 Not very good
39 Not very nice
41 Learn (of)
42 Frittering away
44 Western raisin center
46 Tablet reading
47 Full reversal
48 Location
49 Jack on *30 Rock*
50 Insurrectionists
51 Tint like turquoise
52 Nettles
53 Off-limits thing
54 Gets lost
55 Sink under pressure
58 Seesaw quorum



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NOTEWORTHY

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proximity to LA, and our large Hispanic population, they have held a special place in our art hearts. Also, Hollywood loves a chaotic tale of love and hate, from a pair of mismatched geniuses. A Day of the Dead ghost story from Grammy Award-winning composer Gabriela Lena Frank and Pulitzer Prize-winning playwright Nilo Cruz, and resident conductor Lina González-Granados commands a cast packed with international talent. Final performance. Sat 7:30 p.m., Dorothy Chandler Pavilion, LA, $149-324.

THE HOT CLUB OF LOS ANGELES – Looking for something different? But really good? And on a Monday? EVERY Monday? They'll even be there Christmas night – "Hot Club's brand of virtuoso, Django-style 1930s gypsy swing jazz is found nowhere else and even if it were, it couldn't possibly be this good. These guys are masters, individually and collectively. You will find it hard to stop smiling all night." Mon 9 p.m., Cinema Bar, Culver City, no cover.

RECOMMENDED:

Tonight - SAMARA JOY, A Joyful Holiday – I've yet to catch this marvelous jazz vocalist live and I hope to, like Amy Winehouse she's a stylistic throwback totally informed by her predecessors, but concerts of holiday songs are not my thing, especially for a trek all the way out to Northridge. But like Patti LaBelle singing the alphabet on "Sesame Street," I'm sure she will be quite a present. Thurs, 8 p.m., The Soraya, Northridge, $39-119.

TOLEDO DIAMOND – Unique, riveting, first class act. There's nothing like it, it is high performance art and great decadent fun. Degeneracy is rarely so well disciplined. Toledo may have his trademark ciggy, but it's the band that really smokes! Sun 9:30 p.m., Harvelle's, Santa Monica, $12.

COMING ATTRACTIONS: MEHTA, MAHLER, SEONG-JIN CHO, Disney Hall, 12/7, 8, 9, 10; LED ZEPAGAIN, Roxy Theater, 12/9; TOLEDO DIAMOND, Harvelle's, 12/10, 17, 24, 31, 1/7, 14, 21, 28; HOT CLUB OF LOS ANGELES, Cinema Bar, 12/11, 18, 25. 1/1, 8, 15, 22, 29; CHRIS ISAAK, Orpheum, 12/12; MEHTA, BEETHOVEN Symphonies, Disney Hall, 12/14, 15, 16, 17; MANHATTAN TRANSFER, Final Farewell Concert, Disney Hall, 12/15; QUEENS OF THE STONE AGE, Kia Forum, 12/16; RACHEL & VILRAY, Troubadour, 12/18; X, Roxy Theater, 12/19, 20; BILLY GIBBONS & FRIENDS, Troubadour, 12/19. 20, 21; CELSO & DARRYL, Harvelle's, 12/21; RICK SHEA, TONY GILKYSON, Cinema Bar, 12/28; Whisky a Go Go 60th Anniversary Celebration presents LOVE performing "FOREVER CHANGES," W. Hollywood, 1/14/24; BOOKER T. JONES, The Soraya, 2/2/24; HOT TUNA acoustic, McCabe's, 2/10/24; ROBERT FRIPP, David Singleton, An Evening of Conversation,Questions, Insights, McCabe's, 3/3/24; ACADEMY OF ST. MARTIN IN THE FIELDS, The Soraya, 4/21/24.

Charles Andrews has listened to a lot of music of all kinds, including more than 3,000 live shows. He has lived in Santa Monica for 37 years and wouldn't live anywhere else in the world. Really. Send love and/or rebuke to him at therealmrmusic@gmail.com





THURSDAY | DECEMBER 7

JOB HUNTING WITH CHRYSALIS

Representatives from local nonprofit Chrysalis provide drop-in resume assistance, job search tips, and on-the-spot orientations for their employment programs. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. 1:30 - 3:30 p.m.

NOMA MEETING

The spirit of the holiday season will be front and center at the North of Montana Avenue Neighborhood Association's meeting this Thursday, December 7 at 7pm, as local non-profits helping those most in need in our community are scheduled to discuss their good works and how residents can participate. The meeting is via Zoom at smnoma.org and the public is invited.

LINCOLN MIDDLE SCHOOL CHOIR WINTER CONCERT

Lincoln Middle School at 1501 California Ave. presents the Lincoln Middle School Choir Concert in the Lincoln auditorium at 7 p.m. The concert will feature performances by the Lincoln Middle School Chorus, Chorale, Concert Choir, and Camber Choir. Tickets are free, but a $5 donation per ticket is suggested.

CARD AND BOOKMARK MAKING WORKSHOPS

Up-cycle old cards into bookmarks or turn them into new holiday cards. Drop-in for fun crafting and a cozy atmosphere. The Library provides additional craft materials to all. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. 3 - 5 p.m.

FRIDAY | DECEMBER 8

WILL ROGERS GROUNDBREAKING

Join Will Rogers Learning Community, 2401 14th St., for a school-wide assembly and groundbreaking ceremony at 9:45 a.m. on the big yard. Parents and community members invited. In preparation for Phase 1 of construction, which is set to begin during winter break, more temporary fencing was installed around the trailers to indicate the area is off limits. Students will be directed to play away from this area.

MOVIE FRIDAYS

Join the Third Street Promenade for a showing of the movie "Die Hard" starting at 7:30 p.m. on the 1200 block of the Promenade between Arizona Ave. and Wilshire Blvd. Doors open at 6:30 p.m. No advanced registration is required and all ages are welcome. Picnicking is allowed, but alcoholic beverages are prohibited. Dogs are welcome, tall chairs are not allowed. Public restrooms are available in the nearby Parking Structure 4.

SATURDAY | DECEMBER 9

COMPOST GIVEAWAY AT CITY YARDS

Join Resource Recovery and Recycling's quarterly compost giveaway on December, 9th, 2023 from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. at City Yards, 2500 Michigan Avenue. Please bring gloves and containers if you're picking up compost - a limited supply of bags are available. This is a self-service event so please be prepared to load your own compost. Also giving away FREE food scrap pails. One per household while supplies last. This event is open to all Santa Monica residents with proof of residency.

RECIPES IN THE GARDENS - MAIN STREET OPEN HOUSE

Main Street Community Garden is celebrating the Holidays with an Open House and Recipe Swap. Bring your favorite recipe (Holiday or not) to share and pick up some new ideas from our gardeners. Complete with a cooking demonstration by one of our own! Grab a cup of coffee, enjoy a stroll through the winter gardens, revel in the cool weather crops and get ready to make that Chard Shuffle, Rhubarb Pie or Fava Bean Salad. Hope to see y'all at Main Street Community Garden., 9 - 11 am, Main Street Community Garden, 2318 Main Street, https://santamonica.gov/

SOUNDWAVES NEW MUSIC CONCERT

Soundwaves celebrates LA's diverse history of innovative underground music with free performances by world-class artists. Started in 2016 by librarian, author, and musician Jeff Schwartz with composer Daniel Rothman, and funded by the Santa Monica Public Library, Friends of the Santa Monica Public Library, and the Amphion Foundation. Cathy Milliken with Daniel Rothman and Jeff Schwartz. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

HOLIDAY CONCERT: 'TIS THE SEASON FOR 'UKULELE!

The friendly 'ukulele invites all to engage in traditional winter holiday songs from around the world. Bring the family and sing along with Heidi Swedberg and Daniel Ward, who love to share their irrepressible energy and mad musical skills. After the concert, decorate a festive musical ornament. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

SUNDAY | DECEMBER 10

SNOWY PLOVER BEACH WALK

Connect with your inner naturalist! Revel in this guided walk exploring the restored dune habitat and life cycle of the small, white snowy plovers that make this stretch of Santa Monica beach their winter home. Binoculars will be provided, or bring your own! The Snowy Plover Beach Walk with Santa Monica Audubon and Nature Nexus Institute is a free event. Recommended for adults, though all are welcome. Reservations online are requested via Eventbrite (https://www.eventbrite.com/e/snowy-plover-beach-walk-2023-tickets-749465149437). In-person registration will also be available. Comfortable clothing and sun protection are recommended. Gather at Guest Services. The Annenberg Community Beach House is wheelchair accessible and ADA compliant. Two beach wheelchairs will be available for this activity. To reserve a wheelchair or inquire regarding disability related accommodations please call Guest Services at (310) 458-4904 or email beach.house@santamonica.gov. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 Pacific Coast Hwy 9 - 10:30 a.m.

MONDAY | DECEMBER 11

LANDMARKS COMMISSION

City Hall, 1685 Main St. 7 p.m. Agendas are available online at https://www.smgov.net/Departments/PCD/Boards-Commissions/Landmarks-Commission/

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