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The Giving Spirit

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Daily Press Staff Writer

This weekend, from Dec. 8 through Dec.11, The Giving Spirit will host their Winter Outreach program.

The Giving Spirit has been an effective space and teaching tool for young volunteers to realize the reality of the unseen homelessness in local communities. TGS founder, Tom Bagamane and his Board have recently put together a new education and community program to launch on Saturday Dec. 10th during the 17th Annual Winter Outreach event.

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development named Los Angeles for the second year in a row, the number one city for chronic homelessness, with growth in youth homelessness being the largest contributors.

"TGS works with the Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority and several shelters as distribution points for the survival kits," said TGS spokesperson. "The LAHSA picks up some of the homeless in the Santa Monica and Venice area to offer them winter aid in shelters."

This year TGS will be working with Mike Bonin, representative of

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Hospital moves forward with massive development

KATE CAGLE
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Providence Saint John's Health Center is now moving forward with plans for a massive new 799,000 square foot development on both sides of Santa Monica Boulevard between 20th and 23rd streets.

On Tuesday, the city extended the expiration dates for eight Development Review Permits to give the hospital up to twenty years to finish the project. Current facilities will remain open during construction.

Over the next two decades, Providence Saint John's plans to build above and below ground parking garages, expand ambulatory and acute care, build a child and family development center, and research buildings as well as housing for families and visitors and a cafe. The Master Plan includes a pedestrian bridge across Santa Monica Boulevard and two underground tunnels connecting the campus.

But while the city extended the deadlines for the project, councilmembers also created a lengthy wish list for the hospital's new campus.

Councilmembers would like to see the hospital build at least 10 units of affordable housing on the grounds to compensate for 10 rent-controlled units that will be demolished during construction. They also asked for the hospital to include infant and family support programs, community parking for neighbors, a shuttle to the nearby Expo Line and 35 percent open space. Another

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BIG WIN FOR SAMOHI

Photos taken by Morgan Genser

The Santa Monica High School girls varsity soccer team hosted Winward High School in a non-league soccer match on Dec. 6 and won 6-0. Pictured are Samohi's Maggie Lena preparing to dribble the soccer ball around Kardashian from Winward. Samohi's Maknouni challenging Isabelle Brown for possession. Windward's Sophia Stone has Lauren Auerbach from Samohi dribble the soccer ball past her and Samohi's goalkeeper Kresin leaping into the air.


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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Friday, December 9

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Celebrate the holidays by singing along to your favorite tunes. Presented by Santa Monica Youth Choir. Limited space; free tickets available 30 minutes before program. Ages 4 & up. Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Blvd., 4 – 4:30 p.m.

December Drive-In Series for Kids

Bring your cardboard box car to our drive-in and watch some holiday favorites and discover new favorites. Ages 3 and Up. (See Flyer for movie title details). Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3:45 – 5 p.m.

Guest House Open

Free tours begin at 11 a.m., 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. No reservations needed. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 Pacific Coast Highway.

Free screening of "3 Godfathers"

Explore a different side of Christmas with a free screening of holiday Western "3 Godfathers," another classic collaboration between John Ford and Wayne Wayne. Screening followed by a discussion and Q&A. The Christian Institute, 1308 Second Street. 6:30 p.m. For more information, visit facebook.com/MindOverMoviesLA.

Sympathetic Resonance: An Evening of Improvised Alchemy

Experience art and technology like never before as artists, filmmakers and programmers come together. The evening is set to include the sparkling debut of Renée T. Coulombe's Sympathetic Resonance, a concert-length transmedia suite that celebrates the piano in a digital setting. There'll also be a bellydance remix duet, "Heartbreak Hoedown," and an interactive hologram from Ilknur and Vuslat Demirkoparan (aka the IronBreaker Sisters). Also featuring Codrut Stancu and Peter Terner. Highways Performance Space and Gallery, 1651 18th St., show runs from 8:30 – 10 p.m. Interactive hologram on display starting at 7 p.m. For tickets, visit http://highwaysperformance.org/highways/December. $20 general admission / $15 members, students, seniors.

Saturday, December 10

Folk Song Fun for Families: The Hollow Trees

The Hollow Trees perform a concert of upbeat Americana music that will have you singing along to such favorites as Polly Wolly Doodle, She'll Be Coming Around the Mountain, and other toe-tapping tunes! Co-presented by the Topanga Banjo Fiddle Contest. Main Library, 601 Santa Moncia Blvd., 2 – 3 p.m.

Unraveling, a sweater repurposing workshop

We'll cover what to look for in thrifted sweaters (sweater provided, or bring your own handknit/unserged and forego the material fee), unraveling technique, creating a niddy noddy and making skeins (materials provided), as well as treatment and winding options. If there's time, we'll start our projects. Experienced knitters, please bring some of your favorite needles to work with; newbies will get a basic lesson. You'll come away with a skein of wool or a started project and your own niddy noddy made in class. 1450 Ocean, 1 – 4 p.m., $5 cash fee to the instructor. Register at https://apm.activecommunities.com/santamonicarecreation/Activity_Search/55065 or call (310) 458-2239.

Holiday concert

The talented and versatile musician, Dean Ratzma, will perform a Holiday Concert suitable for all ages in the Community Room of the Kaufman Brentwood Branch Library, 11820 San Vicente Boulevard. Dean plays the keyboard, trumpet, trombone and sings as well. Join them for a rousing, spirited show, featuring holiday classics and popular hits of great American artists. Admission is free. For more information, call (310) 575-8273.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Venice

Orson Bean stars in a rolicking production of 'A Christmas Carol' in Venice. The production is free to all.

Three performances will be held December 16th-18th. Beloved Venice canals resident and renowned TV and stage actor Orson Bean has thrilled local children and adults for many years with his own rolicking adaptation of Charles Dickens "A Christmas Carol'. For the 15th year, Bean, wife Alley Mills (The Wonder Years, The Bold and the Beautiful) and play director Jimbo Barnett are reprising the free community staging of "A Christmas Carol" with three performances at the First Lutheran Church of Venice.

There will be three performances: Friday, December 16th at 7:30pm, Saturday, December 17th at 5:30pm and Sunday, December 18th at 5:30pm. The performances are free to all on a first-come, first-served basis, with no reservations needed. It is strongly suggested that attendees arrive early to get a seat.

The late director Karen Landry directed the Orson Bean version of the play for years. This year Barnett wishes to honor her work in this final year for this hilarious and heart-warming musical production. As in other years, the entire production is donated to the community by Orson Bean and a first rate team of professional actors.

Bean, Mills and Barnett have created a version of this timeless story that is designed to entertain and amuse the children in the audience. Although the story was written in 1843, it still resonates with special meaning with its theme of generosity in the holiday season. Although the play has its scary moments, Bean peppers the script with jokes and physical humor, harkening back to the actor's early beginnings in vaudeville.

"Scrooge is a character who genuinely changes, and that is something we all can do," says Orson Bean. "It's important to both laugh and be touched by this important tale of personal transformation."

Bean has a long history with the play. "I first played Scrooge in New York City at the Perry Street Theater in 1982." The New York Times called the performance "a lovely show. Recommended". Bean reprised the role at Pacific Resident Theater in Venice in 1995 for two years. A few years later he began the Venice tradition of staging the play at Venice Lutheran Church, now in its 15th delightful year.

– SUBMITTED BY VIRGINIA AMY SCRIPPS, PRESS KITCHEN

City Wide

Board Declares Emergency and Places Homeless Initiative on Ballot

With a unanimous vote, the Board of Supervisors declared homelessness an emergency in Los Angeles County, and asked voters to approve a March 7 ballot measure aimed at financing desperately needed solutions.

It was one of the first acts of the newly reconstituted Board. It came in response to motions by Supervisor Mark Ridley-Thomas, and after impassioned testimony from a capacity crowd in attendance at the Hall of Administration.

Voters will be asked to approve a ?-cent sales tax that would raise about $355 million annually over a decade. "To put this funding in perspective, a ? cent sales tax would translate into an additional tax of 10 cents on the purchase of a $40 sweater, or $1 on the purchase of a $400 television," explained Phil Ansell, director of the County's Homeless Initiative.

If approved by 2/3 of voters, the ballot measure would fund rental assistance, subsidized healthcare, mental health and substance abuse treatments, and other services to help people get off – and stay off – the streets.

"The emergency declaration, which I co-authored with Supervisor Ridley Thomas, reinforces the County's strong commitment to addressing – and solving – the homeless crisis in a compassionate way that will emphasize rehabilitation, mental health, alcohol/drug treatment and housing opportunities," Supervisor Kathryn Barger said.

"This is the time to act to provide a dedicated revenue stream to begin to address the incredible crisis that we have with 47,000 people sleeping on our streets," added Supervisor Janice Hahn, who co-authored Supervisor Ridley-Thomas' motion for a March 7 ballot measure.

Both motions drew support from elected officials, as well as a coalition of 75 organizations representing advocates for the homeless; leaders of business, philanthropic, academic and faith-based communities; labor unions, environmentalists, and many others.

Senator Dianne Feinstein sent a video and letter to the Board, saying, "The ballot measure you plan to put before County voters in March will fund the supportive services that – combined with housing – will help get people off the streets permanently." LA City Councilmen Jose Huizar, Marqueece Harris-Dawson and Gil Cedillo also expressed support.

Entrepreneur and philanthropist Eli Broad added, "It's very important that we provide the services that the homeless need, especially the 6,000 homeless children we have in Los Angeles County."

"The cost of not providing services is too high," added Marsha Temple of Integrated Recovery Network. "The people experiencing homelessness who are severely disabled by mental incapacity are costing the county well over $1 billion a year."

Gary Toebben of the LA Area Chamber of Commerce said, "This is not just a social issue, this is also an economic issue. To provide proper care and housing to the homeless is to dramatically reduce the cost of other social services that we need in our community."

LA County Firefighters Union Local 1014 President Dave Gilotte pledged solidarity with the Board, saying, "LA County finally made a decision today with these five great leaders to say we're not going to walk past another homeless person and pretend like they don't exist."

In an emotional testimony, Reba Stevens, a formerly homeless person, urged the Board to move forward with the March 7 ballot measure. "I'm begging you, it's what we must do," she said.

– SUBMITTED BY KERJON LEE

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High tech problem, low tech solution

I ADMIT TO BEING EXCESSIVELY DEPENDENT on my computer. I say "excessively" because, after more than two decades of relying on a computer, without it I can barely write a grocery list. For example, I recently sent a friend a birthday card and my handwriting was so bad it looked like I was recovering from a stroke. I mention all of this because Sunday night my computer went haywire. And so did I.

After dinner (and a delicious dessert as it happens) I was working on a deadline for a "Snide World of Sports" column that ultimately ran in Tuesday's paper. Suddenly, the cursor went from the sentence I was working on to the bottom of the page. I returned to my original spot, started to type again, and bingo I was back at the bottom.

Like a rational adult (or a reasonable facsimile) I tried to calmly analyze the problem. I held down the "shift" key and discovered that I could return to my original spot. It seemed an odd solution but it worked... temporarily. After ten frustrating minutes, I was in full-fledged panic.

I re-booted the computer over and over but the problem always returned. I even tried to work in other applications than "Word" hoping that I could eventually cut and paste and send my column in that way. No such luck. I was stuck. I have an old computer in the living room that I consider my "backup" for emergencies. This now qualified. Yikes!

Before I did anything more, however, I sent a quick email to my friend Danno, the computer whiz who has rescued me from many a tech issue. For his convenience (and mine) he set up a system where our computers are hooked into each other and, from his apartment, he can diagnose problems remotely. But this was 2 A.M., meaning the issue wouldn't get resolved until morning, if then. Meanwhile, I was convinced my computer had been hacked!

Anxiety began to build as I turned on my old computer, which seemingly took forever. Then it dawned on me I don't even have Word on this computer so I had to download that. And wouldn't you know, I forgot my password to my email to get online. (On my main computer I have my password stored.)

Finally, a half-hour later, I began to work on my column. It was incredibly slow but I was making progress. Half-way through, however, I checked my email to see if Danno maybe gotten up early. He hadn't so I sent another email describing the symptoms in greater detail hoping that would help in his diagnosis. (It's a wonder I got the column done at all.)

After finishing Snide World, I sent it in to the Daily Press but, instead of going to bed, I returned to my main computer to see if there was any mail from Danno. Naturally, at that hour, there wasn't, unless he sends emails in his sleep. So, I sent a 3rd and what I thought would be my final missive on the subject to Danno with even more details. (As crazy as I sound, Danno is, at least, used to me.) And yet I couldn't go to sleep with my computer so dysfunctional.

With my high-powered flashlight, I got on the floor and inspected all the connections. I was desperate because the problem couldn't have been that. I returned to my chair and turned the flashlight on the keyboard. I saw something that didn't look right. It was a certain key that looked as though it was stuck. Actually, not just a certain key but the "PageDown" key. Uh oh!

So, if you're as dependent on your computer as I am, there's a morale to the story. Don't eat cake near your keyboard. With a magnifying glass, I inspected the stuck key. I also got a very thin knife and scraped out some shmutz. (also spelled "schmutz," Yiddish for "an unidentifiable substance, dirt or garbage.") Actually, it soon became identifiable, as in cake crumbs from dessert! With a few scrapes the key was set free.

Looking back, that my computer kept sending the cursor downward might have indicated to a more mechanically adept or logical person the source of the problem. But, my anxiety of a deadline and no computer had sent logic out the window. (Which, at one point, I was thinking of jumping out of.)

In my final "apology" email to Danno, I quoted the late Gilda Radner from Saturday Night Live. Among her many and varied characters, Gilda played Emily Litella. Poor Emily was extremely hard of hearing and would misinterpret a key word or two and thus be very offended by Chevy Chase's editorials. When an exasperated Chevy finally explained the correct wording, Emily would say rather meekly... "Never mind."

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Nobody wants your advice

I HAD AN EPIPHANY LAST WEEK. SINCE then, my relationships have been improving, I'm generally less anxious, and people don't annoy me anymore (okay, people still annoy me, but it's a smaller percentage, I swear). It's taken me my entire adult life to have this realization, but here it is finally: People don't want your advice.

They really don't. But my friend is complaining about work, I can help her. She doesn't want your advice. But my boyfriend is going through depression and I read this awesome article that could make a difference. He doesn't want your advice. But my dad just called me to— HE DOESN'T WANT YOUR ADVICE. You may (think you) have all the solutions they need, but all your friend and boyfriend and dad really want is for you to listen.

Listening isn't as easy as it sounds though, is it? I personally can't stand it. When my friend starts a sentence, and I already know how it's going to end, why in the world would I wait for her to finish? Time is valuable, let's get this show on the road! You're depressed? Got it, let me stop you right there, here are five things you can do to feel better, gotta run to yoga, bye.

Or maybe I do let her finish her thought— maybe I'm even generous enough to let her take a breath after— but then I have to swoop in to solve her problems and fix her up in time for dinner. I've sensed for a while that somehow this approach didn't make my friends feel better. In fact, sometimes trying to give them advice made things worse. But I chalked it up to immaturity or lack of wisdom on their end.

And I noticed something else. Because I thought it was my responsibility to solve my friends' problems, I started avoiding the more "complain-y" friends. The friends with problems too persistent or complex for me to fix became burdensome to me. So if they reached out to me, I started to feel anxious. I felt like a robot short-circuiting, must... solve... Melissa's... childhood... trauma... must... solve...

But a miracle happened when Melissa called me last week. She was crying after having a predictable fight with her dad. Everything in me wanted to start rambling off numbers of good therapists, inner healing programs, books... But something about how sad she sounded woke up the love in my heart, and suddenly I didn't have anything to say at all. I felt so bad — I was sure she would think I was a terrible person for not contributing any ideas to solve her problem. All I could do was be empathetic and listen. She called me back later to thank me for being a good friend.

That was my epiphany. It's important to give people a safe space to share — more important than telling them what to do. I used to think that if I gave a lot of advice, it showed how much I cared about people. But weirdly enough, when you're trying to solve their problems unsolicited, you're probably making the situation more about you than them anyway.

You can imagine how much more present I've been in my conversations with friends and family since my call with Melissa. I'm no longer waiting for people to finish talking so I can start fixing. I'm just listening. And it's actually really nice. Nowhere to go, nothing to solve. Just doing my best to hear out a friend, offering my listening as a testament to my love and commitment. I'm sure when somebody wants my advice, he or she will ask for it. And then it's ON, man. But look, even therapists— the people we pay to give us advice— mostly just listen.

I have to stop here, because the irony of me advising you not to give people advice just hit me hard. I'll just have to pretend you asked.

Cheers

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DEVELOPMENT

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major priority for the council and for Mid City Neighbors: a psychiatric unit.

"I do think the mental health component of the community's request is really what we need in this city," Councilmember Sue Himmelrich said. "It's my understanding that we don't have a single facility for emergency psychiatric care and this is a great opportunity for us to have one."

In 1998, the city and the hospital worked together to form a plan for reconstruction of the hospital, which had significant damage from the 1994 Northridge Earthquake. The 55-year term of the Development Agreement ends in 2053.

The City Council will have ability to review and make recommendations to the master plan over the next two decades.

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GIVING

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the 11th District on the Los Angeles City Council. Bonin is one of many who were pleased that Measure HHH passed last month. A $1.2 billion bond funded by 29 years of increased property taxes that would be spent on building 10,000 units of housing for the homeless over the course of ten years.

Ultimately the measure is intended to provide the final piece of funding. Now it will be up to local developers to work with various neighborhoods on the types of housing that best fits for the communities.

At the TGS event, there will be three headlining sessions, first "Kids Teaching Kids", which will allow children to educate the audience on homelessness as seen through their eyes. Also a session called "Back from the Brink", were a panel of several formerly homeless citizens will share their stories.

After will be "The State of the Unsheltered in LA", a town hall session with Councilman Bonin. He will talk about his experience with his unique perspective along with providing everyone with the most recent updates on how Los Angeles is dealing with the homelessness issue.

TGS was founded 17 years ago, and last year they put together 4,700 kits together. The winter kit is tailored to the season and will contain over 65 life saving items in one single duffel bag.

"TGS was built to serve not only the homeless, but also serve society as well. Therefore, creating an educational platform grounded in understanding, acknowledgment and grace – all to eliminate as much judgment as possible out of the process of confronting the community crisis that is homelessness in America," said TGS spokesperson.

According to TGS, nearly three out of four people are homeless in Los Angeles and living in an unsheltered environment. People are becoming homeless faster than they can be housed, and lack of affordable housing is the single most important factor driving homelessness.

"TGS volunteers are not only caretakers of today but also caretakers of the future," said TGS spokesperson. "If our children want to end homelessness they must remove societal filters and rely on the firsthand knowledge of the root causes of homelessness."

At the event there will be volunteers assembling kits as they continue to aid to vulnerable and fragile lives. This is a three-day event, at the Brentwood Presbyterian Church, 12000 San Vicente Blvd. Sunday will be on the streets and visiting various homeless shelters to distribute kits.

- Friday, Dec. 9th 3 p.m. – 10 p.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 10th 8 a.m. – 2 p.m.
- Sunday, Dec. 11th 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

For any further information or questions you can contact Kenneth Wei at (323) 868-2887 and to volunteer you can visit http://www.thegivingspirit.org/volunteer.

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WATER TEMP: **59.9°**

FRIDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** knee to thigh high
Small bump of new short to mid period WNW-NW swell. Minimal SSW swell. Favorable AM wind conditions.

SATURDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **1-2 ft** knee to thigh high occ. 3ft
Small short to mid period WNW-NW swell peaks. Minimal SSW swell. Favorable AM wind conditions.



CRIME WATCH

BY DAILY PRESS STAFF

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

ON DECEMBER 1 AT APPROXIMATELY 10:30 A.M.

Officers were dispatched to The Children's Place Pre-School, 235 Hill St, regarding a trespasser who followed a parent onto the school grounds without permission. Officers located the suspect, who was nude from the waist down and exposing herself to school staff and children that were in the area. The officer could see and smell fresh urine on the cloth chair that the suspect was sitting on top of. The suspect said she was just stopping by and that someone let her in. The school director asked her to leave several times which the suspect refused to do. A private person's arrest was accepted for vandalism and trespassing. Julia Kathryn Andrews, 68, homeless was arrested for indecent exposure, refusing to leave school grounds and vandalism. Bail was set at $5,000.

DAILY POLICE LOG

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 356 calls for service on Dec. 7.

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

Person down 900 block of 6th 12:58 a.m.
Grand theft 1100 block of 2nd 1:09 a.m.
Trespassing 1300 block of 2nd 2:36 a.m.
Trespassing 1400 block of 2nd 4:02 a.m.
Audible burglar alarm 1500 block of Santa Monica 5:08 a.m.
Person down 7th/ Raymond 5:45 a.m.
Audible burglar alarm 2300 block of Lincoln 6:53 a.m.
Trespassing 800 block of Wilshire 7:09 a.m.
Trespassing 1400 block of 7th 7:20 a.m.
Hit and run 4th/ Broadway 7:21 a.m.
Elder abuse 1700 block of Cloverfield 7:31 a.m.
Trespassing 600 block of Marine 7:57 a.m.
Mark and tag abandoned vehicle 1400 block of Oak 8:31 a.m.
Petty theft 2400 block of Ocean Park 8:31 a.m.
Auto burglary 1100 block of 2nd 9:01 a.m.
Mark and tag abandoned vehicle 700 block of Ashland 9:29 a.m.
Petty theft 2400 block of 11th 9:36 a.m.
Drunk driving 6th/ Colorado 9:48 a.m.
Trespassing 1600 block of Broadway 9:56 a.m.
Urinating in public 1500 block of Palisades Park 10:50 a.m.
Traffic collision 4th/ Santa Monica 11:09 a.m.
Audible burglar alarm 1000 block of Yale 11:33 a.m.
Trespassing 600 block of Broadway 11:37 a.m.
Petty theft 1000 block of Hill 11:51 a.m.
Trespassing 1500 block of Broadway 11:54 a.m.
Mark and tag abandoned vehicle 1700 block of 16th 12:13 p.m.
Mark and tag abandoned vehicle 1000 block of 6th 12:33 p.m.
Elder abuse 1200 block of 15th 1:01 p.m.
Trespassing 1400 block of Broadway 1:03 p.m.
Grand theft auto 700 block of Idaho 1:43 p.m.
Burglary 1500 block of Princeton 2:07 p.m.
Identity theft 1600 block of Appian 2:14 p.m.
SCAR investigation 2400 block of Hill 2:17 p.m.
Death investigation 900 block of 5th 2:32 p.m.
Auto burglary 1500 block of PCH 2:57 p.m.
Mark and tag abandoned vehicle 1000 block of Arizona 3:25 p.m.
Public intoxication 2200 block of Pico 3:30 p.m.
Trespassing 600 block of Arizona 3:38 p.m.
Drinking in public 1900 block of Main 3:38 p.m.
Mark and tag abandoned vehicle 1500 block of 18th 3:41 p.m.
Auto burglary 1500 block of PCH3: 51 p.m.
Elder abuse 1400 block of Princeton 4:09 p.m.
Mark and tag abandoned vehicle 1400 block of 18th 4:17 p.m.
Encampment 1200 block of 14th 4:18 p.m.
Sexual assault 1600 block of Centinela 4:26 p.m.
Traffic collision 17th/ Wilshire 4:27 p.m.
Public intoxication 800 block of Broadway 4:44 p.m.
Person down 900 block of Montana 4:45 p.m.
Sexual assault 1600 block of Franklin 4:55 p.m.
Traffic collision 23rd/ Pico 11:15 p.m.
Fight 800 block of Broadway 11:47 p.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 45 calls for service on Dec. 7.

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EMS 900 block of 6th 12:59 a.m.
EMS 7th/ Raymond 5:41 a.m.
EMS 24th/ Pico 7:28 a.m.
EMS 1200 block of 6th 7:45 a.m.
EMS Ocean/ Bay 8:39 a.m.
Automatic alarm 1700 block of Broadway 9:14 a.m.
EMS 1100 block of Wilshire 9:32 a.m.
EMS 1900 block of 11th 9:45 a.m.
EMS 400 block of Colorado 10:18 a.m.
EMS 1300 block of 20th 10:47 a.m.
EMS 2000 block of Santa Monica 12:03 p.m.
EMS 700 block of Copeland 12:20 p.m.
EMS 1300 block of 15th 1:11 p.m.
EMS 1300 block of Franklin 1:12 p.m.
EMS 2400 block of Wilshire 2:00 p.m.
Fire investigation 900 block of 11th 2:05 p.m.
Elevator rescue 1600 block of 26th 2:14 p.m.
EMS 2700 block of Barnard 2:14 p.m.
EMS 900 block of 5th 2:32 p.m.
EMS 2600 block of 28th 2:38 p.m.
EMS 1500 block of Lincoln 3:10 p.m.
EMS 500 block of Colorado 3:34 p.m.
EMS 1500 block of Euclid 3:53 p.m.
EMS 1400 block of 15th 3:59 p.m.
EMS 17th/ Wilshire 4:28 p.m.
EMS 900 block of Montana 4:45 p.m.
EMS 2400 block of 16th 5:20 p.m.
EMS 1200 block of 9th 6:04 p.m.
Broken water main 1400 block of Cloverfield 6:32 p.m.
EMS 9th/ Cloverfield 6:32 p.m.
EMS 2200 block of Wilshire 7:17 p.m.
EMS 600 block of Wilshire 7:24 p.m.
EMS Lincoln/ Ocean Park 7:59 p.m.
EMS 500 block of Colorado 7:59 p.m.
EMS 1300 block of 15th 8:43 p.m.
EMS 2400 block of Lincoln 8:09 p.m.
EMS 1500 block of Ocean 8:19 p.m.
EMS 1500 block of 9th 8:36 p.m.
EMS 2nd/ Santa Monica 8:53 p.m.
EMS 1000 block of 12th 8:54 p.m.
EMS 2600 block of Main 9:19 p.m.

DAILY LOTTERY

Powerball
Draw Date: 12/7
41 48 49 53 64
Power#: 20
Jackpot: 85M

Mega Millions
Draw Date: 12/6
13 34 48 53 63
Mega#: 12
Jackpot: 43M

Super Lotto
Draw Date: 12/7
2 10 11 15 38
Mega#: 19
Jackpot: 59M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 12/7
3 8 29 33 34

Daily 3
Draw Date: 12/7
MIDDAY: 9 9 0
Draw Date: 12/7
EVENING: 8 4 0

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 12/7
1st: 11 Money Bags
2nd: 10 Solid Gold
3rd: 03 Hot Shot
RACE TIME: 1:41.70

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WORD UP!

stickybeak

1. Australian Slang. a busybody; meddler.

WELL NEWS BY SCOTT LAFEE

Best Medicine

■ A patient came to a clinic for an MRI. He was put inside the machine by a young, attractive female technician. Sometime later, after the procedure, a much older woman helped him out of the machine. The patient looked at the gray-haired woman and asked, "How long was I in there for?"

Observation

■ "The devil has put a penalty on all things we enjoy in life. Either we suffer in health or we suffer in soul or we get fat." --Albert Einstein, 5-foot-9, 198 pounds (1879-1955)

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Brian Frates correctly identified the image as part of the John Wayne Cancer Institute. He wins a prize from the Santa Monica Daily Press.

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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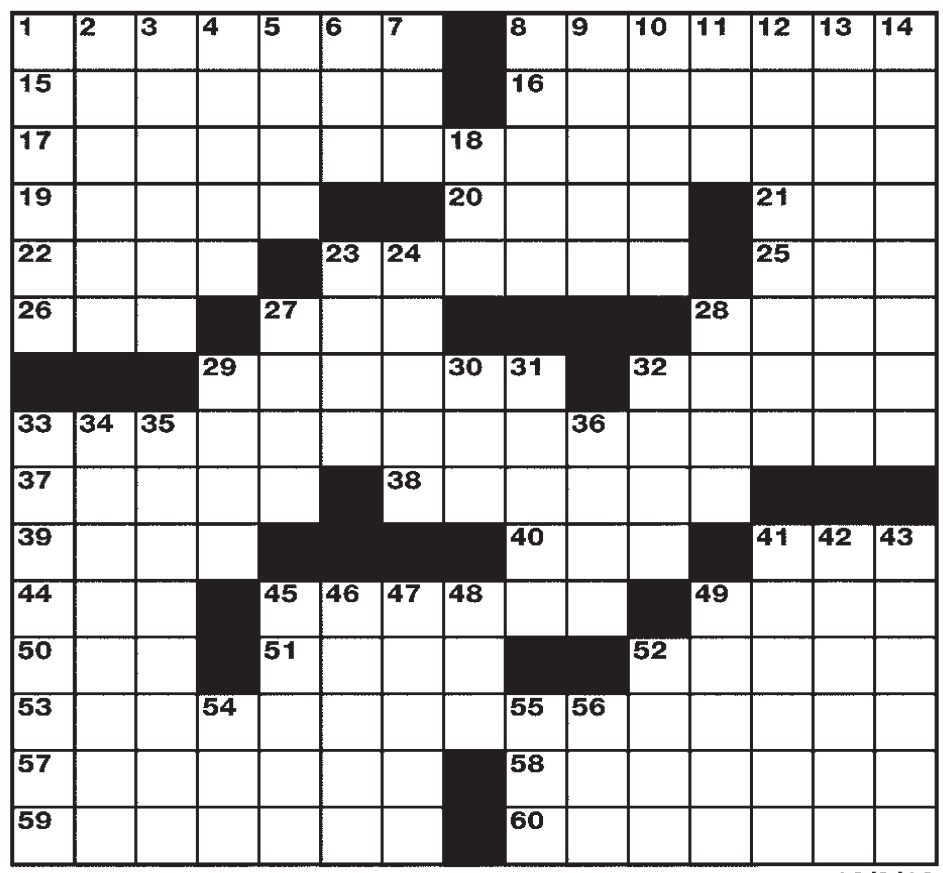
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ACROSS

1 A cost of leaving
8 Really bad
15 Where Samoa is
16 Certain drum set
17 *Bob and Ray* and *Car Talk*
19 Spruce up
20 Bailiwick
21 Not budging
22 Emphatic denial
23 Spots for yachts
25 Trusted one
26 Carrier to Copenhagen
27 Collins of cocktails
28 Call attention to
29 High anxiety
32 Curator's bane
33 Professors' career paths
37 Miller protagonist
38 Wyoming range
39 Wistful word
40 "Whichever you like"
41 Lunar region
44 Dickens alias
45 Fascination
49 Obsessed skipper
50 Occur
51 Sphinx, in part
52 With 46 Down, fine towel fabric
53 Encroached upon
57 Made fit
58 Candidate, at times
59 Foolish ideas
60 High-tech detectors

DOWN

1 Beach shop souvenirs
2 National park near Bar Harbor
3 Takes another crack at
4 Expos
5 Poetic adverb
6 Corduroy feature
7 Barber's obstacle
8 Video game pioneer
9 58 Across of Ryan in 2012
10 Community centers, for short
11 Place for a "day"-cation
12 Easternmost I-90, to natives
13 Termite predator
14 Apathetic
18 DC-based alliance
23 Prosperous period
24 Sphere of influence
27 "What happened next?"
28 Men behaving badly
29 Android ancestors
30 Curling surface
31 Priest's post
32 Big Apple's "bravest," for short
33 Harper Lee, e.g.
34 State since 1876
35 Awed by
36 Stellar
41 Pacific Rim religion
42 Time for egg rolls
43 Won't go near
45 2006 Court appointee
46 See 52 Across
47 Some Parliamentarians
48 *Medio de dos*
49 *Pagliacci* pieces
52 Copyright page ID
54 Center starter
55 What the longest answers each have two of
56 Capital of Delaware



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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Dec. 9)

You'll do your best work when the pressure is on; in fact, you could even earn a prestigious award for it. Your dealings with a foreigner could inspire you to travel. March, April and October are your prime months for financial opportunity. Love is your weakness in February, your strength in May. Leo and Capricorn adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 26, 45, 31, 28 and 15.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
You'll be presented with the possibility of a different kind of working arrangement. Keep an open mind, because at first this may not sound like what you had in mind. This one is (so) worth a try!

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
Now they say, "I can't believe you went there." The truth is that you've always been "there"; it's just that now you're no longer willing to keep it to yourself. It will feel good to express your true thoughts.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)
Opposing forces can provide interesting tension, or they can pull so hard they tear things asunder. Why risk it? Avoid getting caught in the middle of a contest of strong wills.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)
Don't assume the people around you are on the same page. Future hassle can be avoided by explaining things better than you think you should have to. While you're at it, ask questions to make sure they're really catching on.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Be careful not to get so caught up in the minutiae of practical concerns that you ignore the feelings that are really driving this scene. There's more to gain by tuning into the emotional world of others.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Even those who love you very much may not understand you as well as you like. Relationships can be like fun-house mirrors that reflect back a warped and distorted version of you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
There will be a reward for impressing that certain so-and-so. No need to posture, perform or stretch the truth in the least. Nothing is more interesting than the real deal.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)
Laziness can lead to inventing an easier way. Anger can motivate change. Fear can promote safety; sadness can inspire bonding; restlessness is the precursor to adventure. Whatever you're feeling, there's a benefit to it.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
Sometimes the kindest thing isn't the nicest thing. Besides, maybe you're better suited to do the thing that challenges people, makes them think or makes them laugh.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
How do you get to the root of a problem? You dig. Expect resistance, but don't let it deter you. The hard ground can be cracked with more substantial tools.

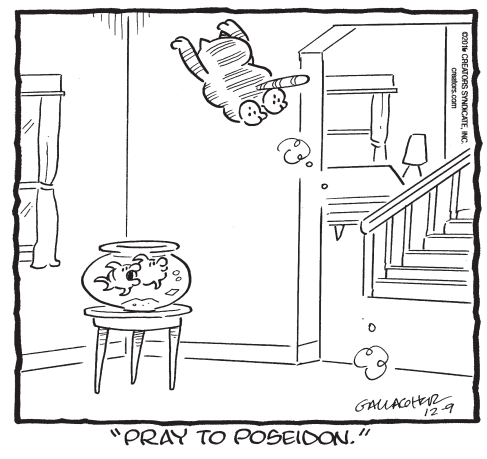
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
The right thing to do might not be readily apparent, but that's what the wise one is for. Use this person. If you can't find this person, use the internet. You should be able to come up with a solution by sundown.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
The fair price for goods or services isn't always the price being offered. There are long-reaching benefits to paying what's fair, even if it means giving more than is being asked of your wallet.

Cosmic Roof on Fire
The fire-sign energy rules now. Under the Sagittarian sun and the Aries moon, the party is jumpin' and the roof is on fire (even in the instance of non-celebratory and outdoor situations). It's the start to a high-energy weekend of social buzz. Venus is newly exploring Aquarius, too, so expect the conversations to get zany and progressive.

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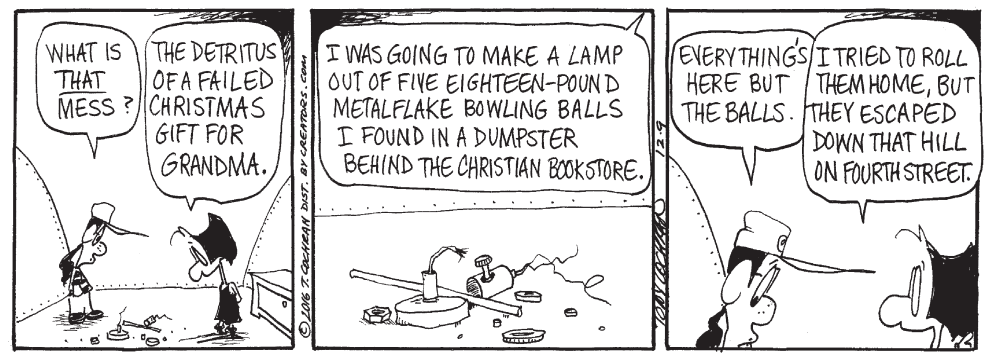
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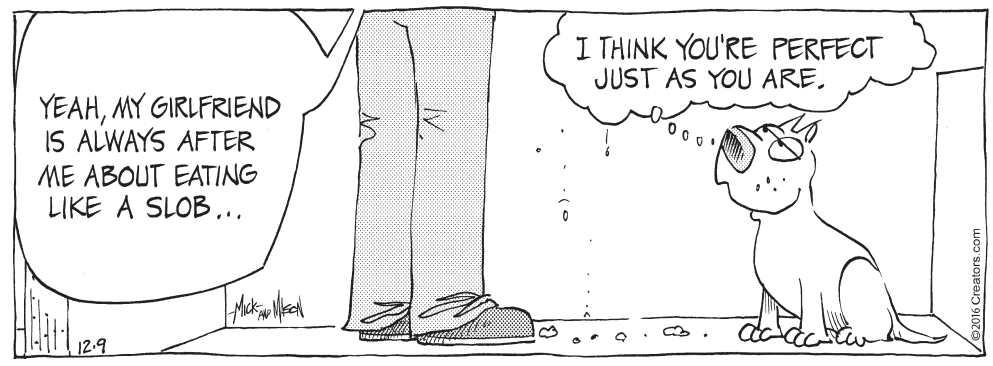
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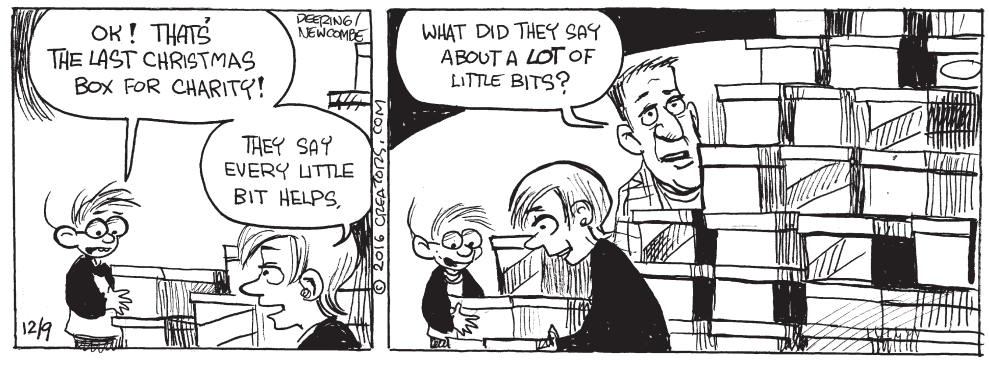
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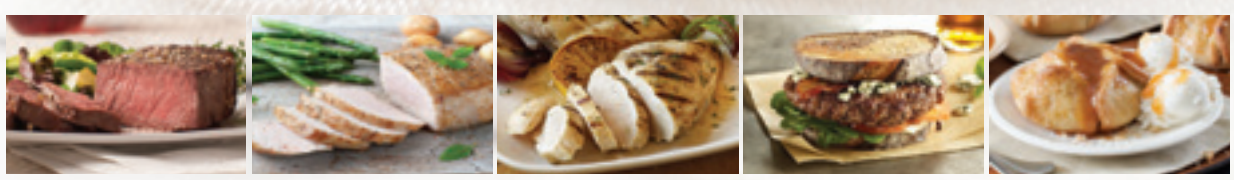
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2016 MERCEDES-BENZ
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$299 Per Mo Plus Tax

36 Month Lease
$3643 total due at signing



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2016 MERCEDES-BENZ
C 300 Sedan

$369 Per Mo Plus Tax

36 Month Lease
$4523 total due at signing



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$459 Per Mo Plus Tax

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$4653 total due at signing



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C250 ..... **$24,481**
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CLA250 ..... **$24,994**
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C250 ..... **$24,481**
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