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Outgoing Mayor sees fiscal challenges on the horizon

MADELEINE PAUKER
Daily Press Staff Writer

When now-former Mayor Ted Winterer started his term two years ago, he told the Daily Press his biggest obstacle would be to get a divided community to find common ground and have a dialogue instead of a shouting match.

It was December 2016, and the community was still reeling from the battle that played out over Measure LV, which would have required a city-wide vote on all development projects above two stories. The City was also poised to start discussing the Downtown Community Plan, a source of controversy among neighborhood groups reluctant to see big buildings spring up in their communities.

The topics that spark heated debate in Santa Monica evolved in the two years that Winterer served as Mayor, he said, but the angry rhetoric that characterized disputes over development has not abated.

"It is sadly a sign of the times in which we live that some refuse to let facts get in the way of their opinions and vilify those with whom they disagree," Winterer said.

He saw that people who speak vehemently on social media or in large groups often intimidate others, so he spent more time speaking with constituents in

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Council could require permits for large adult groups using Santa Monica beaches

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Council will debate a set of changes to rules for local beaches and the regulation of some community events Tuesday night.

Some of the updates are administrative in nature and cover small bookkeeping issues. For example, existing beach codes were established before the City took control of the Annenberg Beach House and the facility is currently excluded from relevant sections of the city code. Staff are asking for the property to be brought under the control of the relevant codes governing beaches and park property.

A second revision will explicitly allow staff to ban individuals from the city's aquatic facilities. Current rules allow for issuing an administrative citation and staff can suspend an organization's use permit but suspending use for an individual is not

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File Photos

BEACH: Santa Monica already requires permits for groups of children on the beach and large groups of adults will also need permits for ocean activities.

Allen bill tries to streamline affordable housing construction

MADELEINE PAUKER
Daily Press Staff Writer

The California state senator representing Santa Monica is looking to put a referendum on the ballot in 2020 that will make it easier for cities to build affordable housing.

Sen. Ben Allen is proposing repealing an amendment to the California state constitution voters approved in 1950 that requires cities to hold a citywide vote before funding any affordable housing project. Many cities work around Article 34 by asking residents to approve certain numbers of

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SMMUSD considers forgoing Head Start in favor of district preschool model

ANGEL CARRERAS
Daily Press Staff Writer

Santa Monica education is changing not only in curriculum, but programs to be offered as well.

Santa Monica Malibu Unified School District staff recommended that the Board forgo an impending 5-year Head Start grant in favor of creating SMMUSD's own model of early education at a Thursday, December 13 board meeting.

Due to continuous low head start enrollment, Los Angeles County Department of Education -- the district's Head Start grantee -- changed expectations for the district this school year. LACOE asked the district to cap current enrollment (118 students) and bring on 8 Early Head start (0-2.11 years old) students, a program which would have teachers visit a students home once weekly and have parents come to a socialization event at the school.

If the district didn't abide by this, SMMUSD would lose funding, a teacher and assistance in a classroom. The district accepted for the upcoming year.

"But this is an expectation that will increase," Dr. Susan Samarge-Powell, director of Child Development Services at SMMUSD said.

For 2019-2020, LACOE wanted

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What's Up Westside

OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA

Monday, Dec. 17

Swim Center Annual December Closure 2018

The Santa Monica Swim Center will be closed beginning Monday, December 17, 2018 and will re-open Monday, January 7, 2019. Maintenance and repair items will be worked on during this closure. Santa Monica College 5:30 am.

Gallery open

Annenberg Community Beach House 9:00am-4:00 pm.

Yoga

All levels. Drop in for $15/class or sign up for series. Annenberg Community Beach House 9:00am-10:00 am.

Guest House open

Visit anytime between 11am-2pm for a self-guided or docent tour. No reservations needed. Annenberg Community Beach House 11:00am-2:00 pm.

The Arts Commission Regular Meeting

The Arts Commission of the City of Santa Monica exists to ensure a regular and ongoing assessment of arts programs in the City, develop arts programs of innovative form, recognize and encourage the arts as a service of local government and enrich the lives of all citizens by exposure to art in its various forms. Meets on the third Monday of every month at 6:30pm at the Ken Edwards Center, 1527 Fourth Street. Ken Edwards Center 6:30 pm.

Architectural Review Board Meeting

The Santa Monica Architectural Review Board normally meets on the first and third Monday of every month in the City Council Chamber. City Hall Council Chamber 7:00pm.

Task Force on the Environment Meeting

To advise City staff and leadership (decision makers) on determining and setting environmental policy and decisions, in accordance with the guiding principles, goals and objectives of the Sustainable City Program. To be a limited advocate, in a manner consistent with City policy, for Task Force recommendations to the community. The Task Force role is both pro-active and reactive." Location: 2200 Virginia Ave. Park, Patio Room 7:00 pm.

The Social Services Commission Special Meeting

The mission of the Social Services Commission is to preserve and enhance the quality of life for all residents of the City of Santa Monica. Through ongoing dialogue, outreach, education and advocacy, the Social Services Commission will advise and assist the City Council and staff with needs assessment, priorities, planning, and budgetary implications for social service programs. Ken Edwards Center 7:00pm.

Pablo appearing live at TRiP

Los Angeles multi-instrumentalist Pablo (Spellbound, Life After Death) performing a solo show, featuring his distinct brand of psychedelic music. TRiP 2101 Lincoln Blvd., Santa Monica, CA 90405

Tuesday, Dec. 18

Beach Volleyball-Youth

Ages 7-15; all levels; in a semi-private setting. Annenberg Community Beach House 3:30pm-5:00 pm.

DIY Club: Candles

Create a scented handmade candle to give to someone this holiday season or keep it for yourself! Limited space. Registration starts November 27. For Grades 7-12, in the Annex Room. Pico Branch Library 4:30pm-6:00 pm.

Ocean Park Mystery Book Group

Join us as we discuss the latest authors in the mystery genre. Meets the 3rd Tuesday of the month. Emphasis on international authors and locations. All are welcome. No registration required. Ocean Park Branch Library 7:00pm-8:30 pm.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Los Angeles

Federal Law Enforcement Officer and Ex-Wife Convicted in Large-Scale Drug Trafficking Scheme

A U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) officer who once worked at Los Angeles International Airport and his ex-wife have been found guilty by a federal jury of multiple felonies for participating in a narcotics distribution ring that moved hundreds of kilograms of cocaine, heroin and marijuana from the Los Angeles area to Chicago.

Manuel Porras Salas, 52, of Fontana, a 25-year veteran of CBP who is on indefinite suspension from the agency, and Sayda Powery Orellana, 50, also of Fontana, were found guilty Thursday afternoon following a five-day trial in United States District Court. Following the verdicts, the defendants were remanded into federal custody.

The jury found Salas and Orellana guilty of one count of conspiracy to distribute controlled substances, one count of conspiracy to commit money laundering, and one count of making false statements to law enforcement. The jury also found Orellana guilty of four additional money laundering counts.

According to court documents and the evidence presented to the jury, Salas, who also worked as a CBP officer at John Wayne and Ontario International airports, and Orellana used a commercial truck driver to move hundreds of kilograms of illegal drugs from California to Illinois. For their participation, the defendants received hundreds of thousands of dollars in compensation that they then laundered through bank accounts held in the name of Orellana and others. Orellana also gambled hundreds of thousands of dollars in the narcotics proceeds at a Southern California casino.

The investigation began when a commercial truck driver was stopped in Gallup, New Mexico on March 11, 2012, with about 260 kilograms of narcotics – including cocaine, heroin and marijuana – valued at approximately $1.5 million dollars. In addition to the narcotics, investigators found bank account numbers belonging to Orellana a co-conspirator. The commercial truck driver, who later pleaded guilty to possession with intent to distribute controlled substances, told law enforcement that he worked with Salas and Orellana transporting narcotics to Chicago and had done so on multiple occasions. When he drove a truck to Chicago, he would receive cash proceeds for the narcotics, and then Salas and Orellana would direct him to deposit the money into various bank accounts – including an account in Orellana's name.

When interviewed by federal agents, Salas and Orellana made false statements about their relationship with the truck driver and the source of the money in the bank accounts.

Salas and Orellana are scheduled to be sentenced by United States District Judge Cormac J. Carney on April 15, at which time each will face a mandatory minimum sentence of 10 years' imprisonment and a statutory maximum sentence of life in federal prison.

The case against Salas and Orellana is the product of an investigation by U.S. Customs and Border Patrol, Office of Professional Responsibility; the Drug Enforcement Administration; and IRS Criminal Investigation.

This case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorneys Joseph T. McNally and Aron Ketchel of the Violent and Organized Crime Section.

The U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of New Mexico provided assistance in this matter.

SUBMITTED BY CIARAN MCEVOY, USDOJ PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER

Marina Del Rey

Free Yachting Presentation

"Sailing to the Edge of Time: The Promise, the Challenge and the Freedom of Ocean Voyaging"

Join organizers on Wednesday, October 19 at 7:30 p.m. at the California Yacht Club in Marina del Rey for a fascinating lecture presentation by Deep Ocean Sailor and celebrated author John Kretschmer. His presentation is based on his newest book, published in November, "Sailing To the Edge Of Time."

According to Kretschmer, "It's one of my memoir/quasi useful books, but this one looks at the core reasons of why we go to sea. It's philosophical and funny, and filled with stories, some terrifying and others just descriptions of those magical days under sail. The talk mirrors the book, and my stories are well honed. I have given talks all over the world, from the Royal Cork YC in Ireland, to the Explorer's Club in NYC. The overriding premise of the book and the talk is simple, "time is what really matters, it's the currency of our lives, and how we spend it is what defines our life. My premise is that time spent sailing, especially deep ocean sailing, is time well spent. "

Free presentation 7:30 p.m. Reservations requested: reservations@calyachtclub.net. California Yacht Club 4469 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey, CA 90292

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Citywide

Enrolling Next Year's Kindergarteners in SMMUSD

Elementary schools throughout the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District will be welcoming resident parents of incoming Kindergarteners to tour the schools and find out more about enrolling their children for the 2019-20 school year. The events are planned for January and February 2019 with dates for each school posted online.

Transitional Kindergarten (TK) and Kindergarten Round-Up, as the yearly event is called, is an opportunity for Santa Monica and Malibu parents of children entering TK or Kindergarten for the upcoming year to meet the principal of their neighborhood school, visit classrooms, and begin the registration process for the 2019-20 school year.

Please plan to attend the school assigned for your residence. Kindergarten is offered at every school, however, TK is not. Your neighborhood school will provide you information at the Round-Up regarding availability of TK at that school, or the school serving the neighborhood.

SMMUSD offers TK or Bridges TK classrooms at Cabrillo and Webster in Malibu. McKinley, Rogers, Grant, Edison and Roosevelt hold the Santa Monica TK classes. All TK programs offer an excellent opportunity for students who have birthdays in a certain range to begin a program that prepares them for kindergarten for the following year. Bridges TK is a neighborhood program that is SMMUSD-aligned, STEAM-enhanced and Reggio-inspired.

For both TK and K enrollment, resident parents will need to bring with them: their child's birth certificate, health records, and verification of residence in Santa Monica or Malibu. For more details and examples of verification documents, please visit the registration page online.

All parents need to be aware that SMMUSD strictly adheres to birthdate ranges for admission to preschool, TK and kindergarten. This is based on California Education Code. To learn where your child will be placed regardless of years of preschool, please see the enrollment guidelines.

Please contact your neighborhood school with any questions. Visit the school locator online to determine your neighborhood school. Edison and SMASH are schools of choice, by application. Please inquire at each school.

Preschool and Seaside Preschool tours are handled by Child Development Services and the school sites. Please check the district website for tour and information meeting dates.

SUBMITTED BY GAIL PINSKER, SMMUSD COMMUNITY & PUBLIC RELATIONS OFFICER

Malibu

Malibu City Council Swears In New Mayor, Mayor Pro Tem and Councilmember

Malibu Mayor Pro Tem Jefferson "Zuma Jay" Wagner was sworn in as Mayor during the City Council meeting on Monday, December 10 at City Hall. Mayor Wagner had his oath of office administered by his friend and Malibu resident Rob Reiner. He takes over the role from former Mayor Rick Mullen.

"I had a list of goals and things I would have wanted to achieve as Mayor," Wagner said. "But all that has changed. We have experienced the biggest natural disaster in the City's history, and my singular focus now is helping residents rebuild as quickly and smoothly as possible."

Wagner, owner of long-time Malibu surf shop Zuma Jay's Surfboards and concessionaire of the Malibu Pier, was first elected to the City Council in April 2008, and served through April 2012. He was elected for a second term in November 2016.

Karen Farrer, elected to the Council in the November 6, 2018 General Election, was sworn in as Mayor Pro Tem. Farrer's oath of office was administered by her husband Cameron. She has lived in Malibu for 40 years and for years has been part of the effort to establish a Malibu school district independent from Santa Monica Malibu School District (SMMUSD).

"I am honored. I am humbled, especially in this very sobering time of great need and devastation," Farrer said. "I feel for everyone who has suffered losses and I want to help them get as whole as possible as quickly as possible. I consider the process of rebuilding a moral responsibility, so my goal is to do anything I can to help streamline and expedite that."

Mikke Pierson was sworn in as Councilmember. Pierson, a business coach, whose family has lived in Malibu since the 1950s, was sworn in by his son Emmet. Pierson served for six years on the Malibu Planning Commission and a year on the Public Works Commission.

"My focus will be on helping the people and the community of Malibu rebuild and recover, and improving the way we approach disaster preparedness and response," Councilmember Pierson said. "I am also very concerned about local businesses and want to help them find ways to survive this disaster as important members of our community."

Councilmembers Laura Rosenthal and Lou La Monte were elected in 2010 and both ended their two terms on the Council during the December 10 meeting. They were honored for their years of leadership and achievements by numerous community members, the City Councilmembers, elected officials from neighboring cities and representatives from partner agencies.

SUBMITTED BY MATT MYERHOFF, MALIBU MEDIA INFORMATION OFFICER

Lincoln Blvd.

Fireside Eclectic Performances Bring Warmth to the Historic Miles Memorial Playhouse

Now in its 10th year, the annual Fireside at the Miles has become a wintery Santa Monica tradition. This year's season kicks off Friday, Jan. 11 and patrons are invited to come enjoy a variety of performing artists from classical and world music, dance and jazz, to theater and storytelling. This unique experience transforms the Spanish Revival-Style playhouse into a large living room. Risers and seating will be oriented around the fireplace while couches, candles, intimate lighting and a coffee and tea bar add to the seasonal ambiance.

January performances feature Taiko fusion group On Ensemble, the acoustic stylings of Petty Chavez, the Los Angeles Flute Orchestra, an all vocal A Capella Night, Orchestra Santa Monica Woodwind Quintet, and true stories told in SHINE, an evening of storytelling.

February performances will feature 'Jazz Fridays' with a line-up of the Gregory Poree Band, Natalie Jacob, Nick Mancini's new nine-piece combo and Southern California favorite jazz singer Angie Wells. Saturdays will feature the eclectic musical stylings of Julie Pusch & Friends, local choreographer Suchi Branfman & guests, dancer/choreographer Angela Todaro curates an evening of contemporary dance and Amy Raasch wraps up the series with her hyper creative one woman show "Animal Monologues".

Performances are scheduled on Friday and Saturday nights at 8 p.m. between January 11, 2019 and February 23, 2019.

Tickets are $10 for general admission, $5 for youth age 18 and under, adults age 55 and over and students of any age. Doors open at 7:30 p.m., and the shows will run from 8 to 10 p.m. For a complete line-up and tickets, please visit the FIRESIDE web page.

FIRESIDE AT THE MILES PERFORMANCE SCHEDULE

Friday, Jan. 11, 2019 - On Ensemble | Japanese Taiko Fusion
Saturday, Jan. 12, 2019 – Voices Only: An A Capella Night
Friday, Jan. 18, 2019 – Petty / Chavez – One Last Look at the Stars
Saturday, Jan. 19, 2019 – Los Angeles Flute Orchestra
Friday, Jan. 25, 2019 – Orchestra Santa Monica Woodwind Quintet
Saturday, Jan. 26, 2019 – SHINE Storytelling
Friday, Feb. 1, 2019 – The Gregory Poree Band | World Jazz
Saturday, Feb. 2, 2019 – A Groundhog Day Musical Extravaganza w Julie Pusch
Friday, Feb. 8, 2019 – Natalie Jacob Jazz Band
Saturday, Feb. 9, 2019 – Suchi Branfman & Special Guests | Dance / Movement
Friday, Feb. 15, 2019 – Nick Mancini Collective - Jazz combo featuring Vibraphone.
Saturday, Feb. 16, 2019 – Angela Todaro \ An Evening of Contemporary Dance.
Friday, Feb. 22, 2019 – Angela Wells Quartet | Jazz Quartet
Saturday, Feb. 23, 2019 – Amy Raasch | The Animal Monologues

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How to lower your surgery costs

Imagine going to the grocery store, picking up the items you need for the week, but not knowing how much anything costs until the store sends you a bill two weeks later.

Sadly, that's how our healthcare system works every day.

Healthcare costs now represent one in every five dollars spent in our country. Patients' deductibles and copays are rising. Prescription drugs are often unaffordable for many Americans.

We must do something about rising costs, and one key is to empower patients with the information they need to drive costs down and quality up by making the healthcare system compete for their business.

That's why Medicare recently launched a new online tool that allows consumers to compare Medicare payments and patient copayments for certain surgical procedures that are performed in both hospital outpatient departments and ambulatory surgical centers.

The Procedure Price Lookup tool displays national averages for the amount Medicare pays the hospital or ambulatory surgical center. It also shows the national average copayment amount a beneficiary with no Medicare supplemental insurance would pay the provider.

Working with their doctors, people with Medicare can use the Procedure Price Lookup to consider potential cost differences when choosing among safe and clinically appropriate settings to get the care that best meets their needs. And cost differences can be substantial.

The lookup tool is needed because the law requires Medicare to maintain separate payment systems for different types of healthcare providers. That means Medicare pays sharply different amounts for the same service, depending on the locale of the care. It also means that people with Medicare pay different co-pays for the same service, depending on where it's delivered.

Unfortunately, this is a prime example of Medicare's misaligned financial incentives, under which providers can make more money if they treat patients at one location as opposed to another. Here's an example: a Medicare beneficiary needs knee surgery, and her surgeon offers her the choice to have the surgery in the local hospital's outpatient department or at an independent surgery center.

With the Procedure Price Lookup tool, the beneficiary can type in the type of surgery and see an estimate of the difference in out-of-pocket costs between the two settings.

It would take an act of Congress to change Medicare's payment systems. In the meantime, patients have the right to at least know what they will be charged. The Procedure Price Lookup makes that information easy to access.

Procedure Price Lookup is part of our eMedicare initiative and joins other patient-oriented transparency tools, including an overhauled version of our drug pricing and spending dashboards. These new tools provide patients with Medicare and Medicaid spending information for thousands more drugs than ever before and, for the first time, list the prescription drug manufacturers that were responsible for price increases.

We launched the eMedicare initiative to empower beneficiaries with cost and quality information. eMedicare also offers a mobile-optimized out-of-pocket cost calculator to provide beneficiaries with information on overall health plan costs and prescription drug costs.

The case for price transparency throughout the healthcare system is clear. The need for consumers to comparison-shop is growing as high-deductible plans become the norm. We also need to integrate quality information with price transparency, so consumers are empowered to seek out high-value care among providers competing on both cost and quality.

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Earth Talk

By the editors of E Magazine

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Asteroid problems

Dear EarthTalk: It seems to me the single biggest potential "environmental" problem we could face—even bigger than global warming or a nuclear war—is a comet or asteroid striking the Earth. Do we currently track these space rocks and if so, how? And do we have any hope of deflecting them if they are headed right for us? — James McClintock, Austin, TX

Environmental advocates don't normally consider interstellar rocks to be their discipline, per se, but it is true that such an event could cause considerable environmental damage and even threaten the very existence of life on Earth. Indeed, when a 10-kilometer-wide asteroid struck the Earth some 66 million years ago, it wiped out three-quarters of the planet's plant and animal species (including the dinosaurs) and caused damage to the environment that lasted centuries.

Humans weren't around to witness the effects of that cataclysm, of course, but we do know that a large impact today could trigger massive firestorms, mudflows, earthquakes and tsunamis as well as acid rain, ozone depletion and rapid greenhouse warming—not to mention an "impact winter" whereby pulverized rock dust and other debris would blanket the skies and block the transmission of sunlight, effectively stopping photosynthesis around the globe. A big enough strike could effectively wipe out life on Earth.

NASA's Planetary Defense Coordination Office (PDCO) is charged with providing timely and accurate communications on these threatening space rocks—including issuing warnings about potential impacts—and leading the coordination of federal response planning. Currently PDCO uses a combination of existing satellite and telescope technologies to track comets and asteroids but is currently developing a new space-based infrared telescope dubbed "NEOCam" (short for Near-Earth Object Camera) specifically for the purpose of surveying the solar system for large space rocks (larger than 140 meters across). But the project is far from a front-burner concern for NASA right now, and proponents are hoping Congress will earmark funds specifically to complete its development in the short term.

Meanwhile, the California-based B612 Foundation is focusing on detection of smaller asteroids. "The real gap is the 100 times as many asteroids smaller than 140 meters but still large enough to destroy things on the ground," reports Ed Lu, the co-founder of B612. His team is currently working on a network of five to 10 telescope-equipped satellites to track these smaller space rocks and provide early warning services.

But just because we're able to detect and track asteroids doesn't mean we can deflect them. According to expert witness testimony at a 2013 Congressional hearing on the topic, NASA would need five years' lead time—and a commitment of hundreds of millions of dollars—to be able to intercept an asteroid.

Despite this warning, we've made no progress in the intervening years. A June 2018 report from the Cabinet-level National Science and Technology Council warns that America remains unprepared for an asteroid impact event and urges the federal government to fund efforts to get ready for what astronomers say is inevitable at some point in the future. That said, unlike other environmental problems besetting us, there isn't anything individuals can do to protect the planet from asteroid or comet strikes—except to urge their representatives in Congress to support legislation that funds programs and technologies designed to detect and deflect those incoming civilization busters.

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person or over email.

"(I) found this led to a courteous mutual understanding with constituents even when our positions differed," he said.

Winterer and the council were able to reach an understanding with residents on some issues, although the process wasn't always courteous. Winterer said one of the council's most significant achievements during his mayorship was deciding in January 2017 to close the Santa Monica Airport by 2028 to build a park in its place and immediately shorten its runway to reduce jet traffic.

But that process was marked by tense conflict between residents concerned about the airport's impact on property values and pilots who said the airport should remain open indefinitely. Even when the council decided to eventually close the airport, groups that supported the idea criticized the lack of public input into the process and said another 12 years would be too long.

However, Winterer's council was able to make progress on sustainability and passed several ordinances that proved less controversial with residents, such as switching to 100 percent renewable energy as the default electricity option, banning disposable food containers and requiring that new development projects maintain the city's current demand for water.

While Winterer accomplished many of the sustainability goals he had in mind, some challenges arose or worsened during his tenure that were difficult to address, he said.

Rising crime and homelessness were chief among them, which Winterer said has been the case across California. Santa Monica was hit particularly hard, however: violent crime jumped almost 50 percent in 2018 and about 30 percent more homeless individuals resided in the city in 2017 compared to 2015.

"Various changes in state law and policies decriminalized certain crimes and released inmates into the population," he said. "The City Manager made the shrewd decision to hire the best in hiring Chief Cynthia Renaud and I believe we'll make a dent in that going forward. We hired a lot of officers in the past six months, which should be consequential."

As Winterer returns to his role as a councilmember, he plans to look into problems that could arise in the not-so-distant future and start tackling them now. The threat of a recession in the next few years means the city needs to deal with its pension liabilities and bargain with its labor unions to keep costs down, he said.

"It's beginning to smell like a recession. We're long overdue and we have to do some belt-tightening to prepare for that," he said. "We're going to be focusing on making city government more efficient and cost-effective."

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SMMUSD

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to begin a 5 year grant commitment with the district in which the district would have both Head Start and Early Head Start, doubling the students for Early Head Start and getting Head Start enrollment to 112 students. This would award the district with $1,621,328 in grant money.

Samarge-Powell lauded the Head Start programming, listing many of its own benefits, but said ultimately, the program is restrictive with its regulations, arguing Head Start inhibits growth.

A SMMUSD program, she argued, would be better aligned with the district's educational goals with program support bolstered by preexisting district frameworks, staff working on early education already and community partnerships. She said this would create a "self-reflective, shared system of accountability."

Samarge-Powell says the SMMUSD model would have "a little more latitude" in providing help to the roughly 70 students that would qualify under Federal Head Start fiscal requirements and more. While Head Start has fiscal requirements, Samarge-Powell says families "just making it" get left behind. The SMMUSD model would benefit these families with the district's better support system, she said.

The program would cost $800,000 per year per student, an upfront cost Samarge Powell says would pay itself off later by reducing costs, supporting students throughout their educational careers as opposed to just Head Start.

Board reaction was mostly positive.

Oscar De La Torre commented that he wouldn't feel comfortable with Head Start being eliminated, saying he feels the program holds the district accountable.

"Head Start provides our district with diversity in programming," he said. "The issue I have is I have to think of the future. Knowing demographics are shifting to a more affluent parent base, Head Start holds us accountable. Head start helps us reach the most vulnerable."

Board Vice President Jon Kean said he understands the fear of eschewing Head Start, lauding what it's done for education, but said the new program will be for the better.

"With a $23,000 ceiling for income, the working poor of Santa Monica aren't eligible for support. With this new program, we're giving up money upfront, but that money is being spent on 118 children, 70 from Santa Monica … What we're saying is we'll still have some same processes, but it will be a universal Santa Monica program."

Board member Craig Foster agreed, echoing Kean's sentiments.

"This is an important step," he said. "We can't have silos with walls around them that we can't make changes to ... If we're not prepared to change, we won't change anything. I don't know a better place to change than right here and now."

Staff will make a decision on this at a future board meeting, almost assuredly foregoing Head Start.

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BILL

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affordable units, creating a pool of approved units developers can then pull from to build new projects.

That process adds between $10,000 and $80,000 to the cost of building low-income housing, according to the California Department of Housing and Community Development. Allen said it's not only expensive, but antiquated.

"It's part of an old-school mentality we've moved past," he said. "To single out a particular type of development based on the income status of the residents is pretty classist and not in accordance with California values."

Voters may have voted against repealing Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act, which would have paved the way to expand rent control across the state, but Allen said he's optimistic that Californians will support the measure.

"Over the past few years, California voters have made their priorities really clear and supported ballot measures dedicating money to the housing and homelessness crisis," he said. "They want more affordable housing built sooner rather than later and there's something in the state constitution standing in the way."

The real estate industry donated millions to the campaign against Prop. 10, which would have repealed Costa-Hawkins. Allen said he thinks the industry was able to convince voters that the proposition would have exacerbated the housing crisis and it would be difficult to use that argument against his proposal.

Allen said his proposal is respectful of local control over housing, which he thinks voters will appreciate. Other pro-housing proposals state legislators are working on, such as Sen. Scott Wiener's plan to require cities to approve apartments in transit- and job-rich areas, take a certain degree of zoning power away from city governments, Allen said.

If his proposal became law, elected representatives would still decide whether or not to support affordable housing projects.

"On the one hand, it's clearly a pro-housing measure," Allen said. "The difference is that it … doesn't take away any powers from local elected representatives to make decisions as they see fit."

Affordable housing advocates, including Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti, have expressed support for the proposal, and urban planning experts agree that Article 34's time is up.

"Article 34 is a grossly exclusionary law and its repeal is long overdue," said Michael Lens, a UCLA urban planning professor. "I do not see the least bit of downside with getting rid of it."

Allen's bill requires the approval of two-thirds of both houses of the Legislature for it to be placed on the March or November 2020 ballot.

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CROWDS: Without a permit process, large groups can overwhelm lifeguards.

BEACHES

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explicitly part of the code. The suspension would mirror those applied to the library allowing the individual to appeal the suspension and limiting the time-frame to one year maximum.

Under existing rules, group activities (defined as less than 20 people) for individuals under the age of 18 require a permit on local beaches. Staff are asking the permit process be expanded to cover groups of adults.

"Over the past several years, the City has seen an increase in organized adult groups of more than 20 entering the water for ocean swims and training," said the report. "These groups include swim clubs, school teams and other swim training organizations. The unregulated organized group swim activity has caused use conflicts, overcrowding, and potentially unsafe conditions."

Staff said requiring a permit will allow lifeguards to better plan for everyone's safety.

"With the increase in adult organized groups of 20 or more persons entering the water, staff is proposing expanding Code 4.55.210 to cover all organized groups, regardless of age," said the staff report. "Such groups that visit the beach and enter the water would be required to acquire a City permit. Issuing permits for all groups when more than 20 persons enter the water will assist Los Angeles County Lifeguards in managing the water and ensuring adequate lifeguard coverage."

The final revision will allow vending during community events in residential neighborhoods. The change would allow activities like hosting a food truck during a block party.

"Currently no vending is allowed on a closed street at a neighborhood street event or residential block party," said the staff report. "Changing this policy to allow for vending or commercial activity on closed street events may offer benefits such as promoting and encouraging cultural enrichment, economic sustainability and vitality, and the enhancement of community identity. Additionally, neighborhood serving businesses will have a better opportunity to engage with area residents. Neighborhood groups may be more apt to take part in a neighborhood block party as revenue from vendors (i.e. food trucks) may help cover the costs of producing the event."

Council will meet on Tuesday, Dec. 18 in City Hall, 1685 Main Street. Closed session begins at 5:30 p.m. and open session will not begin before 6:30 p.m.

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For the week of December 17th, construction will take place in Parking Structure #5 at 1440 4th street and anticipates affecting the sidewalk in front of the building with the sidewalk pedestrian tunnel, lasting until 12/31/18 During this time, there may be intermittent closures of a single lane of south-bound traffic between 8:00 am and 3:00 pm Monday thru Friday. Should you have any questions, please contact Tim Purcell, Project Manager (310) 458-2205 ext. 5027

Parking Structure Repair Project
No work planned for the week of December 17. Please contact Robert Zak, Project Manager at (310) 458-2283 with any questions/concerns regarding this project.

LA Metro Public Art Project – "Tears Of Santa Monica"
For the week of December 17, construction may take place at the westerly wall of the Expo light rail station at 4th and Colorado. The project will run from Summer until the early part of Fall. Intermittent easterly sidewalk and northbound 4th Street lane closures will take place. For any questions or further information, please contact Henry Servín, at (310) 458-8291 or Leticia Ivins at LA Metro at IvinsL@metro.net and at (213) 922-6000, x2721 with any questions/concerns regarding this project.

Bike Network Linkages Project
For the week of December 17, work is scheduled to take place at various locations within the city. The project consists of applying new green paint to bicycle lanes, bike rack installation, and intersection work that requires lane closures. Please contact Jason Hoang, Project Manager at (310) 458-8721 with any questions/concerns regarding this project.

Annual Water Main Replacement Project
For the week of December 17, the contractor will begin with identification of existing utilities and layout of the new water main on Lincoln Ct between Olympic Blvd and Colorado Ave, and on Hart Ave, Fraser Ave, and Wadsworth Ave between Neilson Way and Ocean Front. Traffic will be closed to thru traffic. Please use alternate routes whenever possible. . Should you have any questions, please contact Carlos Rosales, Project Manager (310) 458-8721 ext. 2620

Advanced Traffic Management System, Phase 5 Project
For the week of December 17, construction begins on the Advanced Traffic Management System, Phase 5 Project. This project will upgrade the traffic signal equipment at four locations and install fiber optic cables along Montana Ave and 26th St. The project will provide transit priority along the corridor, allow for real-time remote monitoring and management of the traffic signals, provide public Wi-Fi along the corridor, and connect the San Vicente Reservoir and the Montana Avenue Branch Library to the City's network. We appreciate your patience during the project, to provide this safety improvement and public enhancements. Please contact Andrew Maximous, Project Manager at (310) 458-8291 with any questions/concerns regarding this project.

EPA Grant Funded Water Infrastructure Reliability Improvement Project
For the week of December 17, the contractor will be continue installation of new water main on Ashland Ave between 3rd Street and 4th Street. On December 20, the water will be shut off on Grant Street between Lincoln Blvd and 6th Street and the contractor will be connecting the new water main to the existing water main. Traffic will be closed to thru traffic on Grant Street and on Ashland Ave. Please use alternate routes whenever possible. Should you have any questions, please contact Carlos Rosales, Project Manager (310) 458-8721 ext. 2620

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Dec. 17)

It's not too late to do the thing you really wanted to do, if you want it badly enough. You'll get your mind and efforts all aligned because this year is about confluence. Your team gains numbers. In fact, it triples by February. Scorpio and Pisces adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 20, 2, 22, 7 and 13.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
Are you the influencer, or is the other person? Bigger question: Does it matter? You're both influential, so don't even worry about it. Do you and see what happens.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
The rules of acceptable conduct are constantly changing, and you are fantastic at keeping abreast of the situation, testing, observing and tracking what works and what doesn't.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)
What once caused you stress is no longer a problem. You've grown, the situation has shrunk -- something like that! A smooth transaction will be the first sign of progress.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)
You read people. That's your thing. Except don't get too assumptive in this regard today, because people will surprise you with their idiosyncrasies and pivots.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
Questing can be more of an activity than the solution to a problem. It's pretty fun to go looking for things, more fun than, say, taking care of the stuff you already have. Before you embark, make sure you don't already have what you seek.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Take out the emotional part and matters of finance are, at their root, just math. So why is it nearly impossible to take out the emotional part? Because maybe this isn't about money after all. So what's it really about?

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
You're not interested in surrounding yourself with yes people, yet to be an effective leader, the team must follow you at least some of the time. Pick your times, and make your requests.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)
You're here, and your mind is over there. That's fine for momentary flights of fancy, but it's no way to live -- because your senses, though they may be partly engaged in fantasy and future, are only fully alive where you are.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
As the sign of the archer, it's always better when you have a clear aim. Make some goals just for the fun of it. If you don't have a target, you rob yourself of the satisfaction you get from hitting it.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
You'll be involved with a task that's a lot like a boomerang. It will keep coming back with more to do. Ready to stop? There's never one last throw without one last catch. When you have it in your hand, set it; don't throw it.

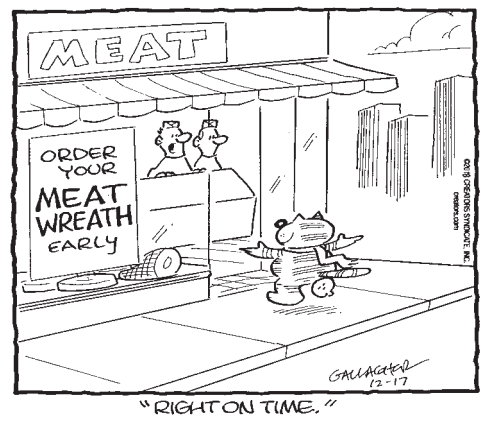
AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
When people are ready to learn, it happens easily and quickly. Ideally, your student will be ready. But if not, there's a little more work to do. Getting people ready to learn is part of the learning process.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
If you had to, you could get by on your charms. But that's not you. You want to do something useful, make a concrete contribution, feel the tensile strength of your connections. Charm -- that's your cherry on top.

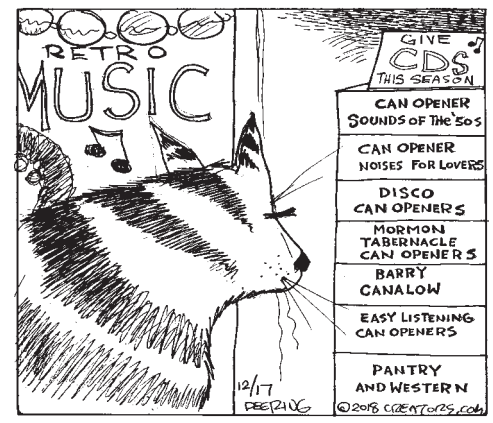
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It's a fire sign sun and a fire sign moon. Passion is catching on and spreading on the wind. So should you even try to keep your head? Yes. Passion needs to be balanced with logic; this is how we avoid catastrophe. Pause and breathe, and make sure you have an earth sign on your team to bounce ideas off.

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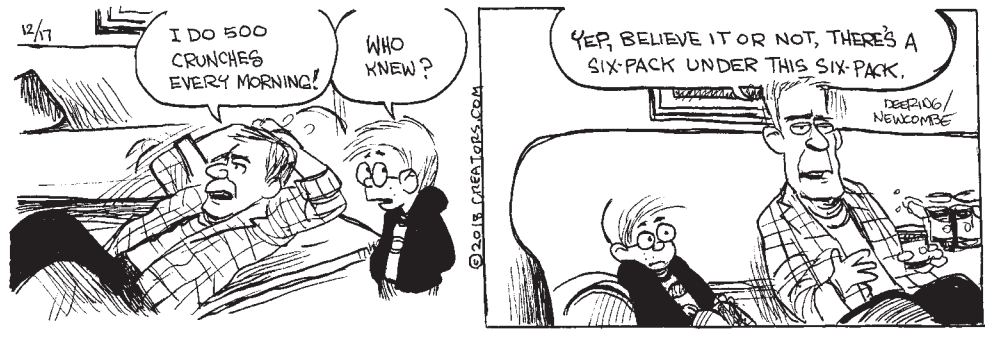
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Sudoku

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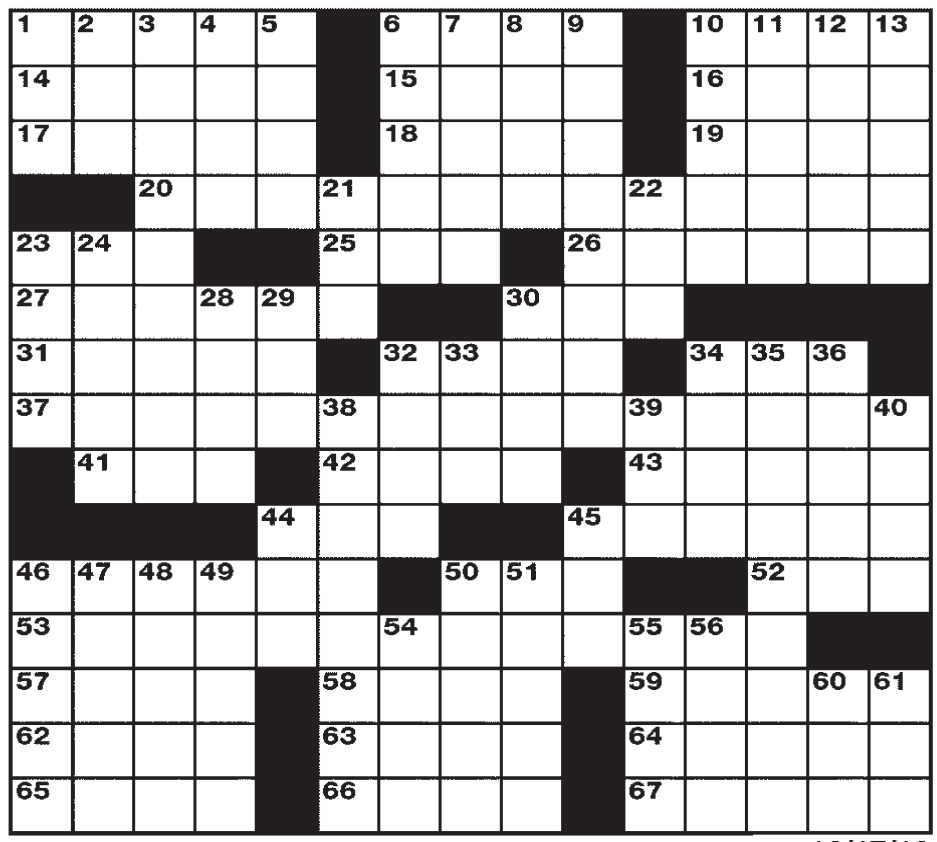
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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Leans slightly
6 Keep in the overhead bin
10 Sugar amounts: Abbr.
14 Like very much
15 Prefix for chute or medic
16 "Yikes!"
17 Widespread craze
18 Assist in a crime
19 "Star Wars" princess
20 With 53 Across, fairy tale about a young, blonde trespasser
23 __ out a living (just get by)
25 Hour after noon
26 Vigorous and robust
27 Hate greatly
30 Vanderbilt of etiquette
31 "Super" video-game brother
32 Retain
34 Bar bill
37 "Someone's been __" (repeated line in 20/53 Across)
41 TV commercials, for example
42 Small rugs
43 Seed from a fern
44 Rock-music sound booster
45 Taken without permission
46 "Relax, soldier!"
50 Numbered hwy.
52 Part of TGIF
53 See 20 Across
57 Tiresome person
58 Japanese wrestling
59 Little laugh
62 China's continent
63 Ireland nickname
64 For hours __ (nonstop)
65 Be abundant (with)
66 Shower affection (on)
67 Sits for a photo

DOWN
1 Scottish cap
2 Boise's state: Abbr.
3 Like rabbits and basset hounds
4 Group of three singers
5 Close securely, as an envelope
6 Madrid's country
7 Surface for playing Ping-Pong
8 Black-and-white cookie
9 Nighttime security-guard guys
10 City in Oklahoma
11 Shave, as sheep
12 Tip of a pencil
13 Sun-shielded, as by trees
21 Female deer
22 Lock opener
23 Stately trees
24 Australian bearlike beast
28 Makes a knot in
29 Move like a kangaroo
30 Hertz competitor
32 Break sharply
33 Actor's representative: Abbr.
34 Keyboarding mistake
35 Makes illegal
36 French cap
38 Plunged into water
39 Rockies winter clock setting zone: Abbr.
40 Family rooms
44 Campfire residue
45 Catch a glimpse of
46 Facing the pitcher
47 The things over there
48 Spooky
49 Main sports squad
50 Send payment
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 18SMCP00069
Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
Petition of Matthew Wolf and Lauren Wolf for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner or Attorney: Matthew Wolf and Lauren Wolf filed a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Kara Grace Wolf to Kara Grace Kristine Wolf. The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: January 11, 2019 Time: 8:30 am, Dept: R, Room: 215
The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA - COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 1725 MAIN STREET, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.
Date: November 13, 2018
Lawrence Cho (Judge of the Superior Court)

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 18SMCP00089
Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
Petition of Sahba Ebrahimi for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner or Attorney: Sahba Ebrahimi filed a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Sahba Ebrahimi to Rocky Sahba Ebrahimi. The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: January 18, 2019 Time: 8:30 am, Dept: R, Room: 215
The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA - COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 1725 MAIN STREET, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.
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ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. SS029315
Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
Petition of Ashlen Shelia Mezrahi for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner or Attorney Ashlen Shelia Mezrahi filed a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Ashlen Shelia Mezrahi to Ashlen Shelia Shibolet Mezrahi. The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: 01-11-2019, Time: 8:30am, Dept: WEK, Room: A-203
The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA - COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 1725 MAIN STREET, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.
Date: November 9, 2018
Judge Gerald Rosenburg

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. 18SMPC00099
Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
Petition of Bartholomew Joseph Garcia Jr. for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner or Attorney: Bartholomew Joseph Garcia Jr. filed a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Bartholomew Joseph Garcia Jr. to Bartholomew Joseph Petrakos . The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: Jan 25, 2019, Time: 8:30am, Dept: R, Room: 215
The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA - COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 1725 MAIN STREET, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2018302136 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 12/04/2018 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Baby Rage , Baby Rage Games , 20/20 Entertainment , 20/20 Entertainment Group , 20/20 XR, Baby Rage AR, Baby Rage Entertainment , Baby Rage Interactive , Baby Rage Studios, Baby Rage VR, Baby Rage XR. 1024 Pearl Street , Santa Monica, CA 90405. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: 20/20 Entertainment Group, Inc. 1024 Pearl Street Santa Monica, CA 90405. This Business is being conducted by: an Unincorporated Association other than a Partnership. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)07/2018. /s/: 20/20 Entertainment Group, Inc. . 20/20 Entertainment Group, Inc. . This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 12/04/2018. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 12/10/2018, 12/17/2018, 12/24/2018, 12/31/2018.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2018295202 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 11/27/2018 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Colourmax. 1028 Hill Street Apt A , Santa Monica, CA 90405. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: Norn Kittiaksorn 1028 Hill Street Apt A Santa Monica, CA 90405. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)11/2018. /s/: Norn Kittiaksorn . Norn Kittiaksorn . This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 11/27/2018. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 12/17/2018, 12/24/2018, 12/31/2018, 01/07/2019.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2018304965 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 12/07/2018 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PETER & FORD, PETER & FORD IMAGING, PETER & FORD COLOR MANAGEMENT, PETER & FORD HYPERSPECTRAL IMAGING, PETER & FORD HYPERSPECTRAL PROFILING, PETER & FORD PROFILING. 1259 PALISADES BEACH ROAD , SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: PETER & OTHERS, LLC 1259 PALISADES BEACH ROAD SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. This Business is being conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. The registrant has not yet commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /s/:PETER WEINER, PRESIDENT . PETER & OTHERS, LLC. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 12/07/2018. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 12/17/2018, 12/24/2018, 12/31/2018, 01/07/2019.

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Cedars-Sinai Marina del Rey Hospital Names New VP of Operations

Joanne Laguna-Kennedy, MSN, RN, CENP, has been appointed vice president of Hospital Operations and Chief Nursing Officer at Cedars-Sinai Marina del Rey Hospital. Prior to the new position, Laguna-Kennedy served as an executive director of Nursing at Cedars-Sinai with a broad portfolio of responsibilities.

"Joanne is a seasoned and highly respected executive leader who has served in multiple nursing roles inside Cedars-Sinai and in other healthcare organizations for nearly two decades," said Jeff Smith, MD, JD, MMM, chief operating officer at Cedars-Sinai Medical Center and chief executive officer at Cedars-Sinai Marina del Rey Hospital. "Those who have worked with Joanne know her as an effective communicator and collaborative partner, someone who takes pride in assembling teams to improve the delivery of care and the satisfaction of our patients.

Laguna-Kennedy brings a breadth of knowledge and experience in clinical care, operations, licensing, accreditation and regulatory requirements. She will build on an already strong foundation at Cedars-Sinai Marina del Rey Hospital, where leadership and staff have shown consistent and measurable progress in care quality and financial performance.

"After eight years with Cedars-Sinai, I am overjoyed to take on this expanded responsibility and further advance the incredible mission and vision of Cedars-Sinai Marina del Rey Hospital," said Laguna-Kennedy.

Prior to Cedars-Sinai, Laguna-Kennedy served as Director of the Neurosurgery/Stroke/Medical Unit for North Florida Regional Medical Center in Gainesville, Florida. She also worked as a public health nurse for the Iron County Health Department in Hurley, Wisconsin, and as a sexual assault nurse examiner for the Domestic Violence Escape Program in Ironwood, Michigan.

SUBMITTED BY SALLY STEWART

SACRAMENTO

Consumer Interest Surges as First Key Deadline Approaches for Covered California and the Individual Market

Covered California has announced that 150,191 new consumers signed up for coverage through Dec. 12. Consumer interest is once again surging ahead of a key deadline, with more than 10,000 people signing up on Wednesday, and more than 28,000 selecting a plan within the past three days.

"Deadlines matter, and once again Covered California is seeing tens of thousands of people signing up for coverage now so that they can be covered at the start of the year," said Covered California Executive Director Peter V. Lee. "Californians who sign up by Dec. 15 can rest easy knowing that they will be covered on Jan. 1 with a quality plan that will protect them and their families."

Unlike the federal open-enrollment period, which ends on Dec. 15, consumers can continue to sign up with Covered California through Jan. 15, 2019. Consumers who select a plan after Dec. 15 will have their coverage start on Feb. 1.

California is one of six states across the nation, representing a quarter of the U.S. population, which have an open enrollment period that extends beyond Dec. 15.

In addition to the 150,000 new consumers who have signed up for coverage during the current open-enrollment period, 1.2 million people have renewed their Covered California plan for 2019.

"Covered California continues to see strong interest, but we are seeing new enrollment that's about 10 percent lower than last year, which we largely attribute to the removal of the individual mandate penalty," Lee said.

Roughly 1.1 million uninsured Californians are currently eligible for coverage in Covered California or Medi-Cal. Covered California's research shows that four out of five uninsured consumers who are eligible for financial help either do not know or do not think they qualify. Consumers can find out if they are eligible for financial help and see which plans are available in their area by using the Shop and Compare Tool.

"Consumers can find out in just a few minutes if they are eligible for financial assistance that can help bring quality coverage within reach," Lee said. "Nine out of 10 Covered California customers receive financial help, which saves them an average of 80 percent off the price of their coverage."

Covered California data shows that more than 50,000 of its members were either diagnosed with or treated for cancer in 2017. Another 22,000 members fractured, dislocated or sprained their arm or shoulder.

"Being covered means you are protected from medical bills that can range from tens of thousands of dollars into the millions," Lee said. "Take a moment to check your situation and options; you may find out that coverage is more affordable than you think."

The average Covered California enrollee pays about $5 per day for coverage, but many pay far less. One out of every three Covered California consumers who receives financial help can purchase a Silver plan – which provides the best overall value – for $50 or less per month. Nearly three out of five of these consumers can get a Silver plan for $100 or less per month.

Those interested in learning more about their coverage options should go to www.CoveredCA.com, where they can get help to enroll. They can explore their options and find out if they qualify for financial help by using the Shop and Compare Tool. They can also get free and confidential enrollment assistance by visitingwww.coveredca.com/find-help/ and searching among 700 storefronts statewide or 16,000 certified enrollers who can assist consumers in understanding their choices and enrolling, including individuals who can assist in other languages. In addition, consumers can reach the Covered California service center by calling (800) 300-1506.

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