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The Year in Review Part 2

Santa Monica's stories from May - August









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FLEETING IMAGES: **The spring months included installation of temporary artwork downtown, viewing the solar eclipse, the last voyage of the SS Viking at Samohi's Grad Night and the closing of the Tinder Box.**

Editor's Note: The following is the second part of our annual Year in Review. We have summarized the major news items of the year and this story covers the second four months of the year, May - August. Parts 3 will run this Wednesday.

MAY

The Lincoln Neighborhood Corridor Plan (LiNC) added a bus lane to the street from I-10 to the city limits on Ozone Avenue during rush hour. The plan called for adding a bus lane during the rush hour commute by eliminating parking between 4 p.m. and 7 p.m. for westbound traffic.

A driver hit a pedestrian walking across Montana Avenue at 15th. Police said the driver was making a left turn onto Montana when his car hit a woman walking northbound in the crosswalk. The driver was traveling under 15 miles an hour when the crash happened and the pedestrian was alert when she was taken to the hospital.

A former landlord paid the City $30,000 to settle a tenant harassment lawsuit involving a rent-controlled apartment on Ocean Avenue. The harassment was alleged to have begun after the new landlord purchased the building in 2015.

Santa Monica parents, educators and concerned residents were invited to educational events about the current realities of underage drinking and drug use at teen parties. The events followed a pair of local youth deaths tied to drugs.

The City passed a new ordinance to maintain water neutrality – meaning thousands of new showers and toilets would not increase Santa Monica's overall demand on water resources. The rule require all new developments to be water neutral and new structures must stay within the same water usage as previous use of the property or pay a fee.

Major cell phone providers approached the City to install so-called "small cells"

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AP Poll: Sexual misconduct allegations voted top news story

DAVID CRARY
AP National Writer

The wave of sexual misconduct allegations that toppled Hollywood power brokers, politicians, media icons and many others was the top news story of 2017, according to The Associated Press' annual poll of U.S. editors and news directors.

The No. 2 story was Donald Trump's tumultuous first year as president. A year ago, Trump's unexpected victory over Hillary Clinton in the presidential election was a near-unanimous pick for the top news story of 2016.

The first AP top-stories poll was conducted in 1936, when editors chose the abdication of Britain's King Edward VIII as the top story.

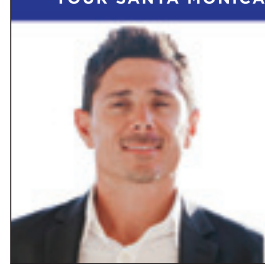
Here are 2017's top 10 stories, in order:

1. Sexual misconduct: Scandals involving sexual misdeeds by prominent men are nothing new in America, but there's never been anything remotely like the deluge of allegations unleashed this year by women who were emboldened to speak out by the accusers who preceded them. Luminaries toppled from their perches included movie magnate Harvey Weinstein, media stars Bill O'Reilly, Matt Lauer and Charlie Rose, and several celebrity chefs and members of Congress.

2. Trump-First Year: The controversies started on Inauguration Day, with the new president challenged over his claims on the size of the crowd, and persisted throughout the year. Trump's approval ratings hovered around record-low territory, his base remained fiercely loyal, and his

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FOR SALE: The new owners of the old Post Office building outgrew the space before ever moving in and the building was put up for sale again.

MAY

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throughout the City. The Public Works department processed 136 applications, anticipating as many as 300 over the next two years and 600 over the next five years. The small cells convert slow radio waves to fast light waves improving phone reception in the city.

For the first time in nearly 70 years, western snowy plovers nested on Los Angeles County beaches. The first nest was found on Santa Monica State Beach, followed by discovery of a nest on Dockweiler State Beach on and two nests on Malibu Lagoon State Beach. Following their discovery, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service biologists installed small wire cages around each nest to protect the eggs from predators and human disturbance.

The Bay Foundation and the City completed the Wild Beach Restoration Pilot Program along a section of local beach. The two organizations held an opening ceremony for the project and worked to ensure the pilot project would highlight the coastal ecosystem.

The Tinder Box closed. The store lasted nearly 90-years and its neon sign was moved to Las Vegas where it will be repaired, restored and placed in the museum.

Santa Monica's tourism industry continued to grow and officials framed the hospitality industry as a reproach to national/international fears of discrimination. Total visitor spending increased by 1.6 percent in 2016 to $1.87 billion according to the annual report. Of the visitors coming to the city, 47 percent are international and 53 percent domestic. The top five markets visiting Santa Monica are Australia/New Zealand (12.9 percent), England (10.2 percent), Canada (9.4 percent), Mexico (7.5 percent) and Scandinavia (7.5 percent).

Santa Monica High School canceled a series of planned assemblies presented by The Foundation for a Drug-Free World after concerned parents learned of the nonprofit's affiliation with the Church of Scientology. The foundation had already conducted two assemblies for 9th and 10th grade students when the controversy reached a breaking point, causing the principal to cancel the next three assemblies in the series.

Los Angeles resident Sherwin M Espinosa was arrested for the murder of Juan Sebastian Castillo, an 18-year-old Santa Monica High School graduate who was shot and killed in the Pico Neighborhood. Investigators said Espinosa, a convicted felon, had an Uzi pistol in his possession that matched the weapon used the night of the shooting.

Bourget Bros celebrated its anniversary. After a $300 investment to start the business in 1947 the company remains a family operation.

A homeless man was sentenced to 20 years in state prison for the 2016 stabbing of an employee at Pier Burger. Calvin Earl Gullett, 34, entered no contest pleas for two counts of assault with a deadly weapon and one count of second degree robbery. Gullett entered Pier Burger in 2016, demanded free food and when he was denied, he walked into the restaurant's kitchen and assaulted an employee.

Community Corp of Santa Monica announced plans to retrofit some ocean view apartments it purchased from the City to be zero-net energy. Along with plans to open up some walls, seismically retrofit and make 1616 Ocean Avenue ADA compliant, plans for the refurbishment included installing solar panels on the roof that will power the residences and common areas. Council voted to contribute $50,000 toward the $200,000 cost.

Santa Monica's population grew by just 309 residents according to numbers released by the U.S. Census Bureau. According to the estimates, Santa Monica's population increased from 92,169 to 92,478 as of July 1, 2016. The City had a population of 89,736 at the time of the 2010 Census. Santa Monica's small numbers are in contrast to the 27,173 individuals that moved into the city of Los Angeles growing their population to 3,976,322.

A Federal District Court judge dismissed an elderly woman's lawsuit against Santa Monica's restrictive AirBnb ordinance Wednesday, further delaying the case that objects to the law under the California Coastal Act. The plaintiffs retained the right to refile the case.

JUNE

Brian Morgan was charged with the attempted murder of two Santa Monica residents related to home invasion robberies in the NOMA neighborhood. Morgan was charged with three counts of first-degree residential robbery, assault with a deadly weapon – a hammer – and first-degree burglary among others. The incidents prompted neighbors to increase private security patrols in the city's richest area.

The Santa Monica Police Department concluded the pilot program for body worn cameras and entered a research phase to

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Tuesday, December 26

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Wednesday, December 27

Wacky Winter Adventure Puppet Show
Luce Puppet Co. presents the story of Pepe the dog and Freezey the snow girl, who travel to the North Pole to find the Gingerbread Princess. Limited space; free tickets available at 2 p.m. For Families. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. 2:30 – 3:15 p.m.

Downtown Farmer's Market
Fresh seasonal produce sold direct from California farmers. The inaugural Santa Monica Farmers Market opened with goals of providing reasonably priced, high quality produce to the city's population, and bringing more foot traffic into the area. 2nd @ Arizona Avenue, 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

Guest House open
Free tours of the Marion Davies Guest House begin at 11 a.m., 12 p.m. and 1 p.m. No reservations needed. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 PCH.

Thursday, December 28

Movie & Author Discussion: The Graduate (1967)
Author Beverly Gray (Seduced by Mrs. Robinson: How the Graduate Became the Touchstone of a Generation) screens and discusses this sexy 1960s classic about a disillusioned college graduate (Dustin Hoffman) who finds himself torn between his older lover (Anne Bancroft) and her daughter. A book sale and signing follows. (Film runtime: 106 min.) Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 6:15 – 8:30 p.m.

New Year's Craft Countdown
Ring in the New Year with wearables and noisemakers. Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St, 2:30 – 3:30 p.m.

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Friday, December 29

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Saturday, December 30

Design in 3D: Open Lab
Explore 3D printing possibilities at the Library. Prepare your own three-dimensional plastic objects for 3D printing. Staff will be available to help with basic troubleshooting. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd. 11 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Pico Farmer's Market
Fresh seasonal produce sold direct by California's farmers. Parking for the market is available in the lot along Pico Blvd., at meters along Pico Blvd. or adjacent to Virginia Park in the parking lot on north/east corner of Pico and Cloverfield. 8 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Downtown Farmers Market
The Saturday Downtown Farmers Market, also known as the Organic Market, opened in May 1991. With the passage of the California Organic Foods Act of 1990, consumers were eager for more organic produce and another market for weekend shopping. The Organic Market boasts the largest percentage of Certified Organic growers of the City's four markets. 2nd @ Arizona Avenue, 8:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m.

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Hollywood accusers named AP Entertainers of the Year

MARK KENNEDY
AP Entertainment Writer

Arguably the biggest thing that came from Hollywood this year wasn't a movie or a TV show. It had heroines and villains, but no script. And it went viral despite having no big publicity machinery behind it.

The women who initially spoke out against sexual misconduct in Hollywood this fall — inspiring millions to tell their own stories of harassment and illegality on social media — have been named The Associated Press Entertainers of the Year, voted by members of the news cooperative and AP entertainment reporters.

The wave of sexual misconduct allegations that have stretched across the country to fell prominent TV figures, chefs, journalists, entertainers, politicians and publishers was also named the top news story of 2017 in an AP poll .

The reckoning began in early October when a bombshell New York Times article revealed decades of sexual harassment against women — employees and actresses, including actress Ashley Judd — by movie mogul Harvey Weinstein. The New Yorker also revealed other allegations against Weinstein.

Within days, a #MeToo movement was born and the allegations have been felt at the venerable "Today" show with the ouster of Matt Lauer to the film "All the Money in the World" from which Kevin Spacey was erased. Louis C.K. was abandoned by Netflix, FX, HBO and his new movie was abandoned just days before its premiere.

The accusations have reverberated into the kitchens of chef Mario Batali, at PBS, where Tavis Smiley and Charlie Rose were dropped. It reached into the venerable New York's Metropolitan Opera, where longtime conductor James Levine was suspended, and the Def Jam empire, where Russell Simmons stepped down. The allegations also knocked a senator from Congress, with Al Franken resigning.

Others who received votes this year for Entertainer of the Year were Jimmy Kimmel, Gal Gadot, Kendrick Lamar and Luis Fonsi and Daddy Yankee, among others.

Previous AP Entertainer of the Year winners have included Lin-Manuel Miranda, Adele, Taylor Swift, Jennifer Lawrence, Lady Gaga, Tina Fey and Betty White.

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relentless tweeting — often in the early morning hours — provoked a striking mix of outrage, mockery and grateful enthusiasm.

3. Las Vegas mass shooting: A 64-year-old high-stakes video poker player, after amassing an arsenal of weapons, unleashed a barrage of gunfire from a high-rise casino-hotel that killed 58 people and injured hundreds among a crowd attending an open-air concert along the Las Vegas Strip. Weeks after the massacre, questions about the gunman's motives remained unanswered.

4. Hurricane onslaught: In a four-week span, hurricanes Harvey, Irma and Maria ravaged Texas, Florida, Puerto Rico and other Caribbean islands. Harvey killed more than 80 people in Texas and caused an estimated $150 billion in damage. Irma killed scores of people in the Caribbean and U.S., including 12 residents of a Florida nursing home that lost its air conditioning. Maria damaged more than 200,000 homes in Puerto Rico, caused lengthy power outages, and prompted an investigation into whether the official death toll of 64 was vastly undercounted.

5. North Korea: At times the taunts had a schoolyard flavor to them — a "dotard" versus "Little Rocket Man." But they came from two world leaders with nuclear arms at their disposal — Trump and North Korean leader Kim Jong Un. Fueling the tensions were North Korea's latest tests of a hydrogen bomb and of ballistic missiles that potentially could reach the U.S. mainland.

6. Trump-Russia probe: Trump fired FBI director James Comey, but a former FBI chief, Robert Mueller, was soon appointed to investigate potential coordination between Russia and Trump's election campaign. By mid-December, Mueller's team had brought federal charges against four people, including former Trump campaign chairman Paul Manafort and former national security adviser Michael Flynn. Flynn pleaded guilty to lying to the FBI.

7. Obamacare: Despite repeated efforts, majority Republicans in Congress failed to repeal Barack Obama's health care law and replace it with new plan. At one point, a deciding vote against a GOP replacement bill was cast by Republican Sen. John McCain. But questions remained as to how Obama's plan would fare going forward without substantive help from the Trump administration.

8. Tax overhaul: Without a single Democratic vote, Republicans in Congress pushed through a sweeping $1.5 trillion tax overhaul that would cut corporate taxes while producing mixed results for individuals. GOP lawmakers, backed by Trump, said the bill would have broad benefits by accelerating economic growth. Critics said consequences would include higher budget deficits and the potential loss of health care coverage for millions of Americans.

9. Worldwide terror attacks: The first big terror attack of 2017 came on New Year's Day — a gunman killing 39 at a nightclub in Istanbul. Subsequent targets of global terror included an Ariana Grande concert in England, a bike path in New York City and the historic La Rambla promenade in Barcelona. In October, a truck bombing in Somalia killed more than 500 people; in November, an attack on a crowded mosque in Egypt killed more than 300.

10. Islamic State: After lengthy assaults, an array of forces drove the Islamic State from its two main strongholds — the city of Mosul in Iraq, and its self-styled capital, Raqqa, in Syria. The defeats left the Islamic State without significant territory in either country, but affiliates elsewhere in the region, particularly in Egypt and Afghanistan, continued to operate.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Main Library

Soundwaves concert: Nathan Hubbard

On January 17, at 7:30 p.m., the Soundwaves new music series at the Santa Monica Public Library welcomes composer and percussionist Nathan Hubbard and his quartet, performing a set of original music in the Martin Luther King Jr. Auditorium.

Hubbard is an in-demand performer and has toured and recorded extensively. He won Best Jazz Album at the 2014 and 2017 San Diego Music Awards.

Hubbard has assembled an all-star band for this concert. Violinist Jeff Gauthier was a member of Quartet Music, led his own group the Goatette, and has made profound contributions to the Los Angeles music scene running the Cryptogramophone record label, co-founding the Angel City Jazz Festival, and helping manage the Jazz Bakery. Guitarist Max Kutner is a member of Evil Genius and Izela and has toured internationally with both The Grandmothers of Invention and The Magic Band, playing the music of Frank Zappa and Captain Beefheart with their former sidemen. Steuart Liebig is the leading electric bassist in the L.A. avant-garde, making his third Soundwaves appearance after a duet with Emily Hay and a trio with G.E. Stinson and Kris Tiner.

This event is free and open to the public. Seating is limited and on a first-arrival basis. The Santa Monica Public Library is wheelchair accessible. For more information, visit smpl.org or contact the Santa Monica Public Library at (310) 458-8600.

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City supports Community Choice Aggregation

The City of Santa Monica has joined other cities and Community Choice Aggregation (CCA) programs across the state, in submitting a protest letter to the California Public Utilities Commission (CPUC) to preserve its authority to launch service in 2018.

At its December 5, meeting, the Santa Monica City Council voted to join the Los Angeles Community Choice Energy (LACCE) program. Joining LACCE would allow the City to offer up to 100% renewable energy to customers as an alternative to Southern California Edison, which offers up to 30% renewable energy.

On December 8, the CPUC issued a draft resolution that would stifle the growth of renewable energy service delivery run by local governments. The comment period closes on December 29, short of the CPUC's own protocol for public comment and review, and the Commission is prepared to vote on the resolution on January 11.

"The CPUC's draft resolution, released for public comment over the holidays, appears to be a stealth attempt by investor-owned utilities to freeze new local Community Choice programs, including ours, for at least a year," says Councilmember and LACCE Board Director Kevin McKeown. "Santa Monica will oppose this, fighting for cleaner and cheaper electricity for our residents and businesses by all means possible. We call on our state legislators in Sacramento to join us in demanding the CPUC pull this regressive item off its January agenda."

CCAs are locally managed agencies that provide electricity service to residential and business customers by procuring power on their behalf. CCAs are able to achieve higher contents of renewable energy, which can significantly reduce greenhouse gas emissions. CCAs are locally controlled with limited oversight from the CPUC.

The draft resolution would establish a fixed timeline for CCA programs to file implementation plans and initiate electricity service. This right would normally be reserved to local decision makers on when best to launch their programs based on market conditions and cash flow needs. The proposed decision could delay new and nascent CCAs and their members from being able to launch service for up to two years.

The draft resolution comes at a time when up to 80% of the State's energy load is potentially opting to leave their traditional utilities (such as Southern California Edison) in favor of CCAs. When a customer transitions from utility to CCA service, the utility imposes an 'exit fee,' which helps to cover the cost of power that was originally procured by the utility for that customer. Delaying a CCA's ability to start service would incur more exit fees associated with customers who are forced to wait for the transition .

The draft resolution was seemingly prepared in response to documents provided by Pacific Gas and Electric (PG&E), the utility for northern California, which alludes to the short-term costs that may not be covered by the current exit fee structure. To date, these documents have not been made public.

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determine if cameras should become standard equipment for all officers. During the trial period, officers participating in the program were encouraged to activate their cameras anytime they felt it was appropriate including any major incident, searches of people or property, during adversarial encounters or during large crowd control operations.

The iconic Santa Monica High School SS Viking, a symbol of graduation for years, sailed into the sunset. Every year a group of men worked to construct the 28 feet tall and 34-foot long blue / gold ship but after two decades of work and no kids of their own left to graduate, the tradition retired this year.

A renter received help from a security company after installing a security device on her apartment door. The woman installed a Ring security camera and the company CEO stepped in to help fund her defense after her landlord threatened legal action over the device. The landlord ultimately backed down and the camera remained in place.

Plans for redeveloping Bergamot Station returned to Council. Council discussed the conceptual plan for the site, extended the negotiation agreement with the developer while an arts center management plan is developed and entered into an interim agreement for the master ground lease. However, all three decisions were described as part of preliminary steps that would take several years to complete.

Some students on the Westside, including students at Palisades High School, Marymount, and Santa Monica High School had to retake the ACT test. The students took the test in Los Angeles but test organizers lost at least some of the answers from one day of test.

The Rent Control Board voted unanimously to pass a $40 amount cap on rent increases for the year. The Board set the 2017 General Adjustment at two percent. The adjustment is calculated to be 75 percent of the annual change in the Consumer Price Index for the greater Los Angeles area which the Bureau of Labor Statistics reported was 2.7 percent.

A Santa Monica man was found with a gunshot wound to his face outside a local bar. The strange call reached police when a friend of the victim living in New York called NYPD to report his friend had been shot. Investigators concluded the man shot himself in a nearby apartment and walked out onto the street to receive aid.

Two people were taken to the hospital after a bizarre series of events in downtown Santa Monica that started with road rage and ended with a carjacking and then an arrest. A driver exited his vehicle to argue with a bicyclist but left the car running. The suspect then jumped into the car and hit the car's owner and an unrelated pedestrian while trying to escape.

A federal judge allowed a RICO (Racketeer Influenced and Corrupt Organizations Act) case to move forward against NMS Properties, its CEO Neil Shekhter and his wife. The RICO case is currently on hold while a dueling lawsuit makes its way through local courts but could resume when it's over. The judge denied NMS's three motions to dismiss and stayed the corruption case until a separate lawsuit involving NMS and a hedge fund works through an appeal in Los Angeles Superior Court.

As has become an unfortunate habit, a pair of local beaches continued to score poorly for their environmental health. Heal the Bay's annual Beach Report Card rated the Santa Monica Pier and a beach in Marina Del Rey poorly due to perpetual concerns. Beaches were ranked according to levels of harmful bacteria found in the water.

Santa Monica's historic Post Office building was put up for sale again. SkyDance Productions purchased the property in 2014 for about $27 million and has received entitlements to modify the building. However, the company said it had already outgrown the space and won't occupy the site. The company had received permits to expand the site but put the building back on the market before significant construction work began.

Two men were arrested following a violent altercation at a downtown parking lot that left the victim hospitalized with several stab wounds. The victim was identified as someone affiliated with the Alt-Right movement and social media reports suggested he was stabbed for his race or political views but SMPD said the attack was a result of a traffic accident.

A lawsuit challenging the way voters choose their Councilmembers in Santa Monica continued, despite a City effort to have the suit thrown out of court. A Superior Court judge overruled the City Attorney's objections that the suit based on the California Voting Rights Act (CVRA) is invalid. The Pico Neighborhood Association brought the lawsuit against the City in 2016 in an effort to force Santa Monica to change

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Officers responded to a radio call for service at Main Street and Olympic Blvd of an assault with a deadly weapon occurring now. Officers arrived and immediately detained the parties involved. Officers determined the suspect chased the victim with a stick and pushed the victim to the ground. While on the ground, the suspect struck the victim in the head and body several times. The victim stated he was attacked by the suspect for no reason. The victim was treated at the scene by paramedics. The suspect was taken into custody. Wayman Elliot Bright, 28, homeless, was arrested for assault with a deadly weapon. Bail was set at $30,000.

WELL NEWS BY SCOTT LAFEE

The Joy of Soy

■ In 1999, the Food and Drug Administration approved the health claim that consumption of soy protein (as opposed to animal products) helped protect against heart disease. The agency doesn't do that very often -- only 12 times in fact -- and it has never rescinded an approved claim.

■ But it's thinking about it now. In recent years, the link between soy consumption and heart health has been challenged and the benefits are no longer so clear-cut. The FDA is launching public hearings on the topic, eventually to decide whether to knock the soy claim status to "qualified," which requires less evidence.

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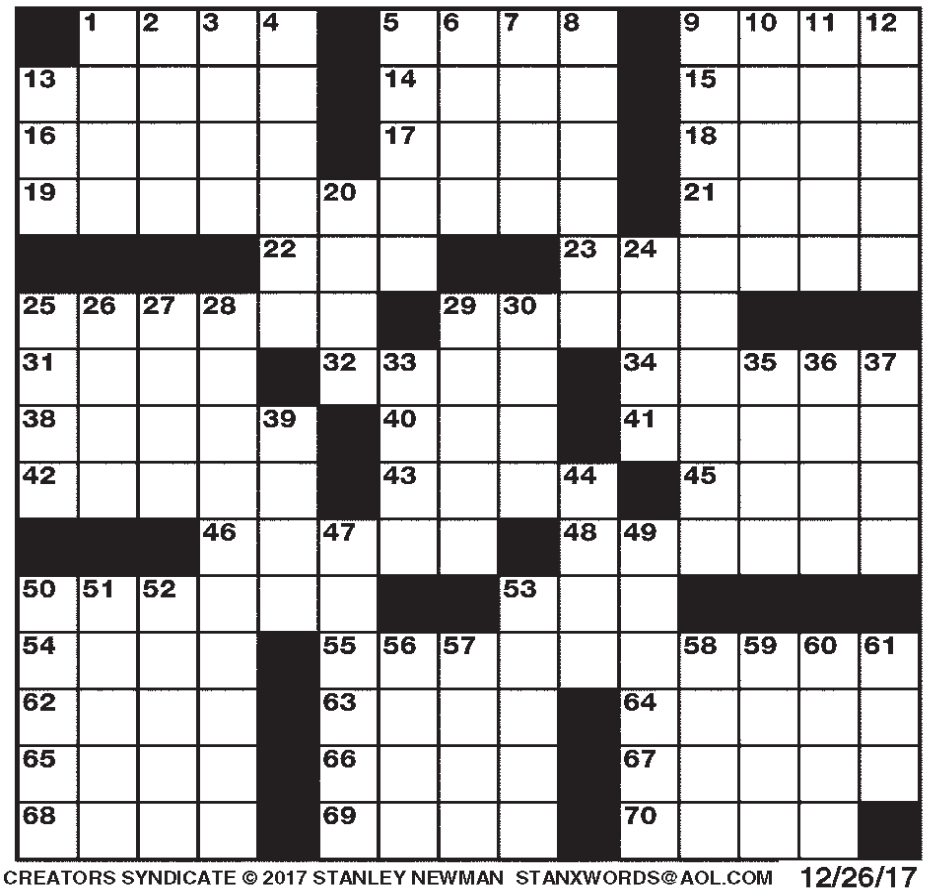
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ACROSS
1 Front of the hand
5 Annoys
9 Pickle herb
13 Cavalry sword
14 Scenic sight
15 "Understood"
16 Islam's Almighty
17 Notion
18 Wise person
19 Very, very small
21 Barber's expertise
22 Prosecutors: Abbr.
23 Makes into law
25 100-yard races
29 Autumn apple drink
31 Convertible or coupe
32 Make preparations
34 Accumulate
38 Three-person singing groups
40 Raggedy doll
41 Bottom-line amount
42 Agricultural soil
43 Toward sunset
45 __ of the above (questionnaire category)
46 Is worthy of
48 Wrote a limerick, for example
50 Alter
53 Take to court
54 Luau dance
55 Hodgepodge
62 Metal in barbells
63 *Garfield* dog
64 Mischievous sprite
65 Person, place or thing
66 Unable to decide
67 Gives off
68 Raggedy doll
69 Otherwise
70 Quantity of medicine

DOWN
1 Become drained of color
2 Competent
3 Low in fat
4 Dr. Jekyll's alter ego
5 Climbing vines
6 Take a bus or train
7 Sharp, as vision
8 Convinced
9 Friction within a group
10 Sir __ Newton
11 Authentic, informally
12 Impolite looks
13 Occupied a sofa
20 Stinging insect
24 Tidy
25 Go out with
26 Subtle glow
27 Mix together
28 Folk-singing gathering
29 Walking sticks
30 Rural hotels
33 Grass in front of a home
35 Molecule part
36 Sensible
37 Snow glider
39 Thick carpet
44 Factual
47 TV device with a mute button
49 Lent a hand
50 Set of fine dinnerware
51 One of the Great Lakes
52 So all can hear
53 Part of a play
56 Fan favorite
57 Titles for knights
58 VIP's vehicle, for short
59 Line of rotation
60 Evening, on marquees
61 "You bet!"



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to district-based elections.

Santa Monica Police Chief Jacqueline Seabrooks said the popular Twilight Concerts had become a safety hazard. The Chief said the events have grown beyond the capabilities of local agencies and she requested a security analysis from the Department of Homeland Security to help guide security plans at future shows. Concert organizers disputed crowd size estimates and said the shows are a safe, responsible public event.

The Santa Monica Police Department moved forward with plans to purchase body cameras for the force. The overwhelming majority of officers in a pilot program saw a significant benefit to the technology and officers thought the presence of the cameras improved both citizen's behavior and their own.

Council chose to move forward with a temporary field at the Civic Center Auditorium with plans to explore additional field space at Memorial Park. A unanimous council picked the temporary field from among six options at an estimated cost of $8.6 million with about a 10-year lifespan. The proposal's largest problem, removal of hundreds of parking spots, continues to be a point of discussion.

Police investigated a reported stabbing near the intersection of 5th and Santa Monica. Officers found a victim at the intersection, conscious and breathing, who was transported to a local hospital.

The Santa Monica – Malibu Unified School District Board of Education appointed Dr. Ashley Benjamin the new McKinley Elementary School Principle.

Santa Monica hired Lane Dilg as the new City Attorney following the retirement of former City Attorney Marsha. She formerly served as Senior Counsel to UCLA, spent four years as an Assistant United States Attorney in the United States Attorney's Central District Office in California and served as Counsel to the United States Senate Committee on the Judiciary. Her experience also includes time as a civil litigator at the American Civil Liberties Union Foundation and Susman Godfrey, LLP.

City Council unanimously approved a $774.9 million budget for fiscal year 2017/18 and $802.8 million for the next. Council funneled money toward specific priorities including parks, homeless services and pedestrian safety. Pensions and worker's compensation were the most significant pressures on the budget.

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Six acres of airport land were reopened to the public following the removal of aircraft parking from the site. City Hall has approved plans for a 12-acre redevelopment at the airport and one six-acre lot was opened while the larger plans work through the regulatory system.

The Big Blue Bus moved forward with new rates aimed at incentivizing cashless payment across the system. The changes include reducing the regular one-way trip from $1.25 to $1.10 for customers who use a TAP card instead of cash, a new Annual Pass for $500, introduction of Blue to Business - BBB's Employer Annual Pass Program, discontinuation of single-use tokens and introduction of a new 1-Ride Pass that is TAP enabled. The changes come as ridership continued to decline on bus systems and staff said incentivizing the TAP card over cash improved service overall.

A pair of local memorials to veterans of World War I and World War II were restored thanks to efforts by Squadron 283 of the Sons of the American Legion. The Pacific Palisades based organization held a rededication ceremony for the WWI memorial and the refurbishment is part of a national effort

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Dec. 26)

Good decisions get easier and easier for you. You'll be tuned in to the small things that matter -- which is to say every small thing, as the miraculous essence of life shimmers under every surface. Friends and loved ones gravitate toward your positivity and joy. There's healing in February. Finances free up in March. Cancer and Aries adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 9, 28, 4, 44 and 18.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

You've seen it time and again: The seemingly mundane becomes quite miraculous when you know a little more about it. That's why you look into what makes things work and why.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

Of course you want to choose joy. Who wouldn't? But it's not always so easy to see where the joy is in the situation. A lot of times, the joy is elsewhere, and you have to take yourself out of the situation to find it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)

There are communication barriers that will come down once you learn the other person's language. If the rewards look promising enough, you'll do just that today.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)

You're the king or queen of compromise. You'll quite easily strike upon an arrangement that will make life easier for all. Your motivation may be something you promised your people, but truly everyone involved will benefit.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

You think about what the other person's experience is in dealing with you. Is it pleasant? Is it easy? Do they like the person they are in your eyes? Nail this, and your dealings will be stellar.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

There's a lot that's competing for your attention today, but if you follow the ancient wisdom of putting first things first, all problems will fall into a manageable form. You can do this!

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

Expert performances will not arise out of genetic predisposition or super-intelligence but out of thousands of hours of deliberate practice. Put in your time now and later you'll be glad you did.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

Knowing the difference between what's important and what's urgent will allow you to focus yourself well today. Many of the so-called "urgent" matters vanish if you simply ignore them.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

There are many ways to work through your feelings. You can talk them out, dance them out, exercise them out; you can write, paint, cry, shout them out. Do get them out, though, so you know what you're dealing with.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

The pursuit will take motivation, time and discipline. With the right motivation, the other two will be easier to obtain. If you don't have them, you'll make them.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

No matter how far you get with what you know, there will always be new knowledge, adaptations and complex mental models to spur you to ever higher levels. It's a good thing you love to learn, because it's a continuous path.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

The issue that appears weighty and diffused in the soft morning light will look very different to you as the sun steps higher in the sky. You'll correctly assess the big picture and get sharper details in the direct light of day.

Happy Kwanzaa

A lucky trine of the moon in Taurus and Mercury in global-minded Sagittarius sprinkles some practical magic over the first day of Kwanzaa, a week-long celebration of African heritage, in particular seven principles: unity, self-determination, collective work and responsibility, cooperative economics, purpose, creativity and faith.

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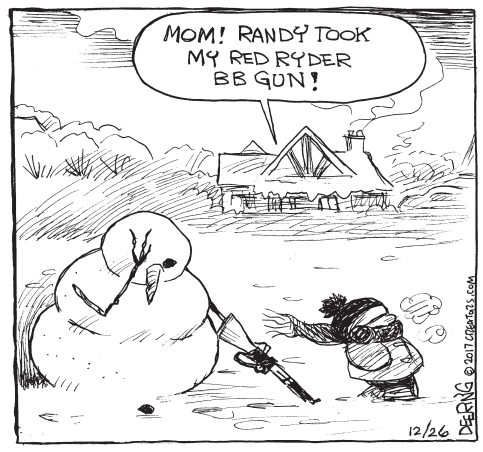
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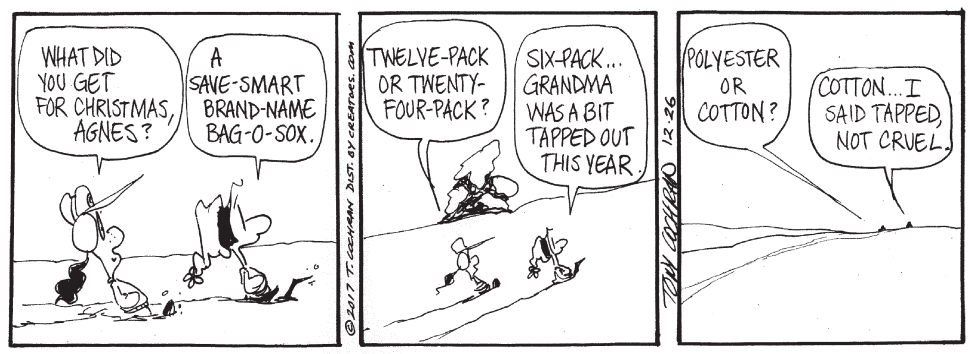
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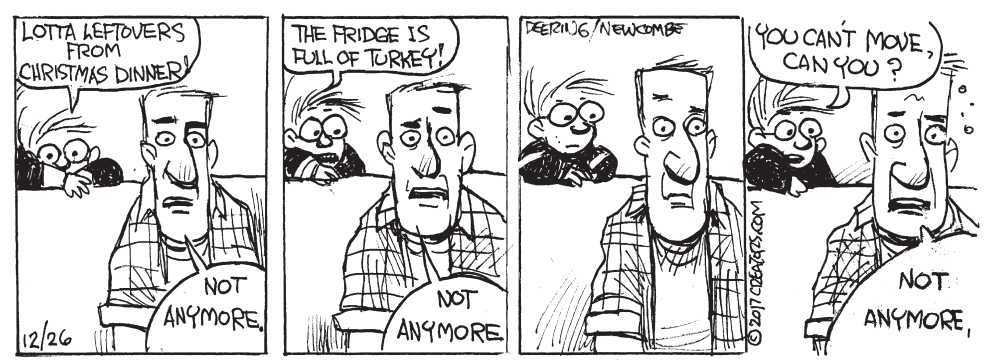
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by veterans' organizations to maintain the memory of soldiers who fought more than a century ago.

The City Council accepted a $10 million payment to conclude a longstanding settlement between the city and the former owners of the Paper Mate factory. Proctor & Gamble had been making annual payments and had up to 22 years to pay off the entire sum but chose to make a single payment to conclude the case.

Los Angeles and Paris agreed to a plan for hosting the 2024 and 2028 Summer Olympic Games. Paris will host the first games and Los Angeles will host in 2028. Local Olympic organizers plan to use a variety of existing venues for the various events and Santa Monica is envisioned as a host for beach volleyball with construction of a temporary stadium next to the pier.

City Council approved the Downtown Community Plan. Council kept a trio of opportunity sites earmarked for larger development, maintained ground level commercial use in the downtown area and streamlined housing development up to 75,000 feet. The new rules specify individual projects in the Downtown must set aside up to 35 percent of their total units as affordable housing depending on the size and location of the project. Under the new rules, projects of less than 50 feet will have a 20 percent requirement for onsite housing and 25 percent for offsite. The percentages increase by one percent per two foot in height and any project between 70 – 84 feet will have to provide 30 percent onsite or 35 percent offsite.

A former Santa Monica resident brought his air travel company back to the city. Blackbird offers three services at several California airports available to users who download an app for a smartphone. The first service offers a single seat on a specific route. The second service crowdsources customers for a custom charter. The third is a standard charter rental.

Artist Bumblebee's was chosen for the first temporary art installation on Colorado near the former Sears building. The installation is the first part of a two phase revitalization of the area begun by Council when they approved two pilot programs in partnership with Downtown Santa Monica Inc. In addition to rotating art by Sears, public art is installed along the Promenade.

The nation's toxic racial politics came to Santa Monica. The problem started small with about five individuals making racist and anti-Semitic comments at a meeting hosted by The Committee for Racial Justice. CRJ reexamined how they conducted their events with an eye towards greater security but their next event drew significantly larger protests from individuals seeking to disrupt the meeting. However, the Santa Monica community rallied and the third consecutive event was overwhelmed by locals rejecting racism. The event drew a large, preemptive police response but a rumored crowd of far right, anti-Semitic and racist protesters did not materialize leaving the park almost entirely to a boisterous group of locals and some bewildered spectators.

Beautify Earth was honored with the Cultural Tourism Champion Award from California Travel Association. The award highlights the impact on tourism through either performance art or visual arts. Previous Cultural Tourism Champion winners include San Francisco Museum of Modern Art and Laura Zucker of the Los Angeles County Arts Commission. The award recognizes an entertainer, musician, event, festival or individual artists in ceramics, painting, printmaking, design, photography, video, filmmaking, architecture or a related institution.

City Hall approved a new program to help some of the city's most at need renters stay in their homes. The Preserving Our Diversity program will provide financial aid to low-income, long-term residents, aged 62 and older, who live in rent controlled apartments.

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The city's electrical vehicle community rallied in opposition to the proposed construction of several charging stations in the city's beach adjacent lots. To qualify for a pilot program with Southern California Edison the city has to install chargers in the Civic Center parking lot and in the beach lots but local drivers want more chargers in neighborhoods.

Whole Foods Market opened their new store at Pico/Cloverfield. The Pico store replaced the location at 5th/Wilshire that closed around the same time. The new Pico store is part of Whole Foods' 365 concept and differs from the established Whole Foods model offering a mix of grab-and-go prepared foods and grocery items. The location also includes a Groundwork coffee bar and Asian Box, which offers 100 percent gluten-free, Asian-inspired street food.

A local man was assaulted at the beachfront chess park as the location became a hotbed of crime. Drug sales became a common feature of the park as did lewd activity and threats of violence. Problems at the park have persisted despite attempts by officials to clean up the area.

The Huntley Hotel received one of the largest fines in state history for violating election law. The hotel had to pay $310,000 for 62 violations pertaining to political fundraising in the 2012 and 2014 elections. According to the FPPC, the Huntley engaged in a pattern of behavior to support candidates and causes that it hoped would oppose development at the neighboring Fairmont Hotel. The Huntley illegally channeled donations through employees and affiliated businesses over several years totaling more than $97,000. The issue prompted Council to ask for a review of the way donations are handled in the city.

A 47-year-old homeless man, Christopher Charles Davis, was shot by police after shooting and killing a second man near the intersection of Main Street and Strand Street. Davis survived and was arrested for murder, attempted murder and being a felon in possession of a firearm.

Big Dean's Ocean Front Café received approval for an expansion. The work includes an expansion to its bar, additional restaurant seating and an upgrade to its kitchen facilities. The restaurant's expansion followed an application by Starbucks to occupy the opposite side of its retail block.

The Santa Monica Malibu Unified School District worked through the summer on multiple renovations to improve various facilities. The district did major construction at eight school sites, all funded by Measure BB and ES. Overall the Maintenance Department completed over $600,000 in maintenance projects.

Officials approved establishing a new bus-only lane on Lincoln Blvd. with the hope of sparking regional interest in the project. The dedicated lane will operate on weekdays only. The right lane on Lincoln will be cleared of traffic/ parked cars from 7 a.m. – 9 a.m. northbound and 4 – 7 p.m. southbound from Ozone to Bay Street. Staff said the restrictions could decrease travel times by up to eight minutes.

St. Monica High School kicked off the new school year with new principal James Spellman. Former principal Michele Rice worked at SMCHS in a variety of administrative and student support roles for two decades, including the past two years as principal.

Locals gathered at Virginia Ave Park to witness the solar eclipse. The Pico Branch library provided spectators with special eclipse glasses but many showed up with a variety of home-made viewers for what became and impromptu astronomy lesson.

Carlo's Bakery, a Hoboken business run by Buddy Velsastro and his family who star on the TLC show, "Cake Boss" announced plans to open on the Promenade. The bakery's arrival aligns with city efforts to encourage restaurants to open locations with outdoor seating in downtown Santa Monica. Later in the year, the bakery was joined by another celebrity shop when Taylor Swift opened a pop-up store on the same street.

Santa Monica's public safety employees had a tragic and busy week including a deadly crash on the Pacific Coast Highway, a train vs. car accident on Colorado and the arrest of an individual connected to a year-old fatality also on the PCH. In the first incident, a pedestrian was killed when he walked onto the busy freeway, in the second a car made an illegal left turn in front of a train but no-one was hurt. In the third incident, officers arrested a man for vehicular manslaughter in connection with a 2016 crash.

City Hall obtained an injunction against a local property manager accused of harassing a disabled tenant. The lawsuit alleged the landlords tried to disrupt the already-challenging daily routine of a mother taking care of her severely developmentally disabled daughter.

Gilead Sciences paid $11.9 billion in cash to buy Kite Pharma and plant a stake in an emerging area of cancer treatments that train a patient's immune cells to attack tumors. Kite's portfolio of potential treatments includes one for the blood cancer lymphoma. The local company specializes in developing treatments that are custom-made to target a patient's cancer.

The City Attorney's Office secured a $3.6 million settlement with a local company accused deceptive sales practices. According to the settlement, $1,289,500 will be paid to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office and another $1,289,500 will go the Santa Monica District Attorney's Office for penalties and investigative costs.

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