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Airport landmark appealed



Courtesy photo

COMPASS ROSE: The Compass Rose at SMO has been landmarked but is the subject of an appeal.

MATTHEW HALL
SMDP Editor

A newly designated landmark at the Santa Monica Airport has been appealed to City Council and the Airport Commission has joined the opposition citing a lack of jurisdiction by the Landmarks Commission and problems with the application itself.

The Compass Rose, a navigation aid painted on the SMO runway, was designated a landmark earlier this year. The Ninety-Nines, a women's pilots association, filed the application citing their long history as an organization and the significance of their activities at the airport.

Santa Monica resident Ben Wang filed the appeal in

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SMC student targeted for Hong Kong support

JACK HUGHES
Corsair/SMDP Staff Writer

An SMC student voicing support for the recent Hong Kong protests was subjected to censorship and verbal attacks last month.

The 20-year-old was attending a "Hip Hop For Democracy" event with graffiti art on display in Santa Monica College's (SMC) main quad.

The event organized by the SMC Public Policy Institute sought to display the connection between popular culture and political evolution in a series of artistic showcases. Students were given paint pens to write messages across colorful boards made by local graffiti artists. Many addressed modern polarizing issues in America, including Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals (DACA), the ongoing impeachment proceedings, and female equality issues.

Hong Kong, previously a British colony for more than 150 years, is currently the stage for a series of protests and boycotts. Citizens of the region say they are in rebellion over several social issues and the Chinese government's attempts to assert more dominant control over Hong Kong. Throughout recent years, Hong Kongers are increasingly less likely to identify themselves as Chinese.

This issue is becoming increasingly tenuous in China, and the different lifestyles and cultures of Hong Kong and China have caused disagreements between people of the nation.

The student, who is a Beijing native, felt that this platform was appropriate to demonstrate support for Hong Kong in this time of conflict in the region.

"I wrote 'Hong Kong Stay Strong' in both English and Cantonese," he said. He believed the message to be innocent and supportive. However, when he saw the boards later on, he was taken aback when he noticed his message had been covered over with black paint at an open mic night for the same program.

He walked up on stage and explained his support for Hong Kong's citizens. "It was just 90 seconds, so I couldn't totally

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West Coast fishery rebounds in rare conservation 'home run'

GILLIAN FLACCUS
Associated Press

A rare environmental success story is unfolding in waters off the U.S. West Coast.

After years of fear and uncertainty, bottom trawler fishermen — those who use nets to scoop up rockfish, bocaccio, sole, Pacific Ocean perch and other deep-dwelling fish — are making a comeback here, reinventing themselves as a sustainable industry less than two decades after authorities closed huge stretches of the Pacific Ocean because of the species' depletion.

The ban devastated fishermen, but on Jan. 1, regulators will reopen an area roughly three times the size of Rhode Island off Oregon and California to groundfish bottom trawling — all with the approval of environmental groups that were once the industry's biggest foes. The two sides collaborated on a long-term plan that will continue to resuscitate the groundfish industry while permanently protecting thousands of square miles of reefs and coral beds that benefit the overfished species.

Now, the fishermen who see their livelihood returning must solve another piece of the puzzle: drumming up consumer demand for fish that haven't been in grocery stores or on menus for a generation.

"It's really a conservation home run," said Shems Jud, regional director for the Environmental Defense Fund's ocean program. "The recovery is decades ahead of schedule. It's the biggest environmental story that no one knows about."

The process also netted a win for conservationists concerned about

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American Stories Group
Pico Branch Library, 1:30 - 2:30 p.m.
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Sunday, Dec. 29

Gallery open
Gallery hours 9 a.m. - 4 p.m. Exhibit 'Memories of Diaspora: Immigration Narratives of Los Angeles." Paying homage to the memories and narratives of those individuals who have made Los Angeles their new home, the exhibition features work by students and faculty from the Rampart District-based art organization Art Division. Memories ... is curated by Art Division's Executive Director Dan McCleary and Luis Serrano, its Director of Painting and Drawing. art-division.org. Annenberg Community Beach House.

Monday, Dec. 30

Winter Break Puzzles & Games
Take a break from the holiday rush and spend an afternoon building puzzles and Legos. Challenge a friend to board and video games. For Families. 2 - 4 p.m. Pico Branch Library.

Get Started with 3D Printing
Learn the basics of 3D printing and design by completing a guided project. To register, email ideashappen@smgov.net at least one week prior to event. For ages 7-10. Fairview Branch Library, 2 - 3:30 p.m.

Artful Toddler
Make a snow painting. Limited space; tickets will be handed out 15 minutes before the pro-gram. Babies to Preschool. Montana Avenue Branch Library. 11:15 - 11:45 a.m.

Tuesday, Dec. 31

Noon Year's Eve Celebration
Listen to stories and make crafts before we ring in the New Year at noon! For families. Main Library, 11:15 a.m. - 12 p.m.

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For the week of December 30, the contractor will continue installing new water main on 7th Court between Broadway and Santa Monica Blvd. Traffic will be closed to through traffic on 7th Court, Cedar St. and reduce traffic to one lane on Airport Ave. Please use alternate routes whenever possible.

Advanced Traffic Management System, Phase 5 Project
For the week of December 30, 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.

Fire Station #1 Construction Project
For the week of December 30, construction will continue throughout the project area located at 1377 7th Street which will affect the sidewalk and parking lane on the east side of 7th Street just north of Santa Monica Boulevard. Sidewalk and parking lane will continue to be closed all day/night through the month. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Senior Construction Manager Sebastian Felbeck at (310) 434-2675.

Downtown /Expo Vehicle Barriers Project
For the week of December 30, there will be no planned closures on Colorado Ave between 4th St and 5th St. Work to install bollards will resume and be completed at a later time. Please contact Saad Malim at (310) 458-8293 with any questions/concerns regarding this project.

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Letter To The Editor

Hank Rosenfeld — Send comments to editor@smdp.com

COMING SOON: ANOTHER ROARING '20S?

Editor:

…at the end of a low, dishonest decade. W.H. Auden

Are you excited about this new decade? Because I am convinced the 2020s will be the best decade of the century!

Remember the 1920s? Nobody does. Not even Jimmy Carter. (My grandmother used to call them, "those dear dead days beyond recall.") But not only was that the first decade to get nicknames – "The Roaring '20s!", "The Jazz Age!" – our country was transformed by an incredible cultural leap back in the day back then. The air was filled with radio waves, and newspapers were king! Both media publicized an explosion of mind-bending art and body-bending music. Ladies had evolved into "flappers": taboo-breaking, freewheeling spirits who hung out with a variety of fedora-wearing gentlemen, drinking till dawn in "speakeasy" establishments – bars invented because alcohol was outlawed from 1920 to 1932. Introducing, the independent American woman: Emancipated, living in her own apartment, sexually free. In shorter skirts, dancing alongside something called a "jukebox." She smoked, contemplating jazz and Joyce's Ulysses.

Consumers could purchase the latest in appliances: a refrigerator, a washing machine, an electric razors, a dazzling instant camera! The new "Dada" movement grew wildly out of antiwar outrage:in World War One (1914-18), death had come from the sky for the first time in history. So 1920s artists in seeking something outrageous as that madness, came up with mad, absurdist, shockingly creative works. Dadaists were original thinkers, nonconformists evolving into dreamy Surrealists, Abstract Expressionists and the avant-garde. They dreamed big. Artist André Breton wrote a 1924 antifascist manifesto, asking: "Can't the dream be used in solving the fundamental problems of life?"

(The nightmare of the Depression loomed, but don't consider 1929 part of the '20s, because the Depression lasted the full-blown '30s. Similarly, 1969 gets attached to the second-rate '70s, rather than being any extension of the '60s radical counterculture.)

So what can we absorb from a hundred-years-old modern era? One producing groundbreaking changes that still influence how we live? Conceivably, a '20s 2.0, where hard, creative work brings on a better '30s this time around the wheel. You may say I'm a dreamer. You're not the only one. But think of the alternative. This has to be the best of all possible decades!

"Hello!" you sigh, eyes rolling. "Couldn't be worse than the previous two decades."

Yeah. I'm kidding myself; forget about it. Who hasn't been beaten down by the first two decades of this dishonest century? My deep dive into the rabbit hole began with, "Bush v Gore." And everything since 2001 have been one, long mindlessness workshop. How about a "Boring '20s"? A tedious time period. Unexcited. Mellow. Where things get really quiet. Shhh. Maybe they'll go away. Who can spend another ten years of a century in full-frontal-lobe-panic-attack mode?

In 1920 F. Scott Fitzgerald published an article in The Saturday Evening Post, called "Gatsby's Girls." "It's all life is," he wrote. "Just going 'round kissing people."

Okay! Ten years of that please! If we let go of those other decades (deep breaths, yoga, anger management, aging responsibly), and maintain our freedom, imagine the technological advances humans will accomplish '20 to '29. Cures for diseases, antidotes to pollution, better transportation and ways to end poverty and homelessness. Cow-free everything. Why, introducing ourselves to ETs alone will open billions of minds to a new consciousness. This is a decade to lean into. I'd like to submit one change, something we can all do: say, "Twenty-twenty," instead of, "Two-thousand-and-twenty"? Who's got time for extra syllables? This modern decade will pass faster than any we've lived before.

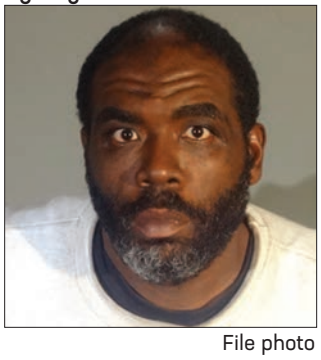
Hank Rosenfeld is a Santa Monica resident.

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ON DECEMBER 11, 2019 AT 3 A.M.

Officers responded to the 1400 block of 3rd Street Promenade for a Burglary Now call at the store, It's Sugar. When officers arrived they noticed a male subject inside the store walking around eating candy. As the subject exited the store, he placed a handful of candy in his rear right pocket. He was taken into custody and provided a fake name to arresting officers. Walter Dewayne McNeil, 41, homeless, was arrested for burglary and obstructing an arrest. Bail was set at $20,000.



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the future of extreme deepwater habitats where bottom trawlers currently don't go. A tract of ocean the size of New Mexico with waters up to 2.1 miles (3.4 kilometers) deep will be off-limits to bottom-trawling to protect deep-sea corals and sponges just now being discovered.

"Not all fishermen are rapers of the environment. When you hear the word 'trawler,' very often that's associated with destruction of the sea and pillaging," said Kevin Dunn, whose trawler Iron Lady was featured in a Whole Foods television commercial about sustainable fishing.

Groundfish is a catch-all term that refers to dozens of species that live on, or near, the bottom of the Pacific off the West Coast. Trawling vessels drag weighted nets to collect as many fish as possible, but that can damage critical rocky underwater habitat.

The groundfish fishery hasn't always struggled. Starting in 1976, the federal government subsidized the construction of domestic fishing vessels to lock down U.S. interests in West Coast waters, and by the 1980s, that investment paid off. Bottom trawling was booming, with 500 vessels in California, Oregon and Washington hauling in 200 million pounds (91 million kilograms) of non-whiting groundfish a year. Unlike Dungeness crab and salmon, groundfish could be harvested year-round, providing an economic backbone for ports.

But in the late 1990s, scientists began to sound the alarm about dwindling fish stocks.

Just nine of the more than 90 groundfish species were in trouble, but because of the way bottom trawlers fished — indiscriminately hauling up millions of pounds of whatever their nets encountered — regulators focused on all bottom trawling. Multiple species of rockfish, slow-growing creatures with spiny fins and colorful names like canary, darkblotched and yellow eye, were the hardest hit.

By 2005, trawlers brought in just one-quarter of the haul of the 1980s. The fleet is now down to 75 boats, said Brad Pettinger, former director of the Oregon Trawl Commission who was key in developing the plan to reopen fishing grounds.

"We really wiped out the industry for a number of years," Pettinger said. "To get those things up and going again is not easy."

In 2011, trawlers were assigned quotas for how many of each species they could catch. If they went over, they had to buy quota from other fishermen in a system reminiscent of a carbon cap-and-trade model. Mandatory independent observers, paid by the trawlers, accompanied the vessels and hand-counted their haul.

Fishermen quickly learned to avoid areas heavy in off-limits species and began innovating to net fewer banned fish.

Surveys soon showed groundfish rebounding — in some cases, 50 years faster than predicted — and accidental trawling of overfished species fell by 80%. The Marine Stewardship Council certified 13 species in the fishery as sustainable in 2014, and five more followed last year.

As the quota system's success became apparent, environmentalists and trawlers began to talk. Regulators would soon revisit the trawling rules, and the two sides wanted a voice.

They met more than 30 times, slowly building trust as they crafted a proposal. Trawlers brought maps developed over generations, alerted environmentalists to reefs they didn't know about, and even shared proprietary tow paths.

"All we could do on our end is make a good-faith offer, and I really credit the guys in the industry for taking that up," said Seth Atkinson, an attorney with the nonprofit Natural Resources Defense Council. "These were tough compromises."

Last year, regulators approved a plan to reopen the 17-year-old Rockfish Conservation Area off Oregon and California, while banning future trawling in extreme-depth waters and making off-limits some habitat dubbed essential to fish reproduction, including a large area off Southern California.

"A fair number of fishermen thought it was a good deal and if it was going to happen, it was better for them to participate than not," said Tom Libby, a fish processor who was instrumental in crafting the agreement. "It's right up there with the best and most rewarding things in my career — and I've been at it 50 years."

Some groups, like Oceana, wanted even more protections from bottom trawling, which it calls the "most damaging fishing method to seafloor habitats off the West Coast." In a news release, the group emphasized that the agreement it did get safeguards 90 percent of the seafloor in U.S. waters off the West Coast.

Even so, with fragile species rebounding, trawlers could harvest as much as 120 million pounds (54 million kilograms) a year, but there's only demand for about half that much. That's because groundfish have been replaced in stores by farmed, foreign species like tilapia.

A trade association called Positively Groundfish is trying to change that by touring food festivals and culinary trade shows, evangelizing to chefs and seafood buyers about the industry's rebound and newfound sustainability. They give out samples, too.

"We are treating this almost like a new product for which you have to build awareness — but we do have a great story," said Jana Hennig, the association's executive director. "People are so surprised to hear that not everything is lost, that not everything is doom and gloom, but that it's possible that you can manage a fishery so well that it actually bounces back to abundance."

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APPEAL

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September saying the landmark designation was inappropriate given the confines of voter approved Measure LC, the Landmark Commission failed to document the impacts of the landmark and the Compass Rose itself lacks merit.

According to his appeal, Measure LC requires all decisions about airport land to come from the City Council and by landmarking a piece of the property, the Landmarks Commission would be overriding Council's ability to make future decisions about the property.

"A decision made final by the Landmark's Commission enables Aviation interests to sidestep the authority of City Council setting a bad precedence," he said. "City Council must decide this matter."

He said the Commission failed to document how the decision would impact ongoing and potential litigation over the airport causing problems for future legal cases.

"It is a near-certainty that Aviation interests will continue to mount aggressive and expensive litigation against the City as it proceeds to close SMO on December 31, 2029 per the 2017 Consent Decree," he said.

Wang said the justification for landmarking the art is also questionable as the Landmark's commission found it only met one of six criteria. He said the art has changed locations overtime and the current Compass Rose differs from the trademarked Ninety-Nines symbol.

"Discussion about protecting and maintaining the Compass Rose paint with a physical barrier in its current location is completely unwarranted, would create a financial and operational maintenance burden for the City as the owner, and is a potential obstacle to future park uses," he said.

The Airport Commission has also filed a letter with the Council opposing the landmark designation. Airport Commission Chair Andrew Wilder said his Commission supports the aim of the Landmark Commission to memorialize the distinct accomplishments of female pilots and the remarkable achievements of Amelia Earhart but the landmark designation is not appropriate at this time.

At their December meeting the commission said decisions about airport property should involve the Airport Commission and in regards to this specific decision, they also felt it would run afoul of Measure LC.

In their letter, the Commission said the Compass Rose was under no immediate threat, isn't accessible to the public, would overwrite Council authority for the site and the current art does not match the current Ninety-Nine's logo.

"The thing that really bothers me is that we are charged to advise the City Council about matters at the airport and the Landmarks Commission is not so charged," said Commissioner Dr. Joseph Schmitz. "They have designated, or they seek to designate, this piece of ground right now as a protected landmark and I think we're remiss if we don't weigh in and tell City Council there are problems with this."

Commissioner Lael R. Rubin was the only "no" vote. She said she shared concerns over jurisdiction but she didn't support the appeal as the Compass Rose deserved landmark status.

"It's not the way to do business to make decisions about the airport and the airport property without involving the Airport Commission," she said. "I think that is an issue that needs to be directed loudly and clearly to the City Council."

However, she said the application had justified landmarking the site.

"But I think there are so many historical and cultural reasons to move forward with this considering the history that it represents," she said.

Staff said the Compass Rose appeal is likely to be at City Council sometime in February.

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explain what I [was] thinking" he said. "Some [Chinese] people think these are bad people" referring to the Hong Kong resistance "and [they] stand with their government, but this is a problem, if you let them do this, lots of people will be killed."

The Chinese native said he felt "privileged" to have a platform to say these things, and his brief speech was met with applause, but some were not so fond of his comments.

As he left the event, two students confronted him."I knew them ... they were from mainland China ... I knew people were filming with their phones, I didn't do anything."

SMC Political Science Professor and co-director of the Santa Monica College Public Policy Institute Richard Tahvildaran Jesswein oversaw the event as one of the organizers. He attended the open mic night and later saw a video of the confrontation that took place.

He said that the video showed, "Two male appearingly Chinese students... bumping chests with [the pro Hong Kong student]."

"They wanted to start a fight with me," said the student, recounting the event, "[but] they wanted me to start it." Cornered and uncertain of what was going to happen, the student noticed they had become a spectacle in the quad. As the aggressors dispersed, the young international student was left shocked and confused.

Professor Tahvildaran Jesswein said, "We wanted to call the campus police ... but he didn't want us to."

SMC police said they had no record of any assaults on campus Thursday evening.

The student explained his thoughts on why this incident occurred.

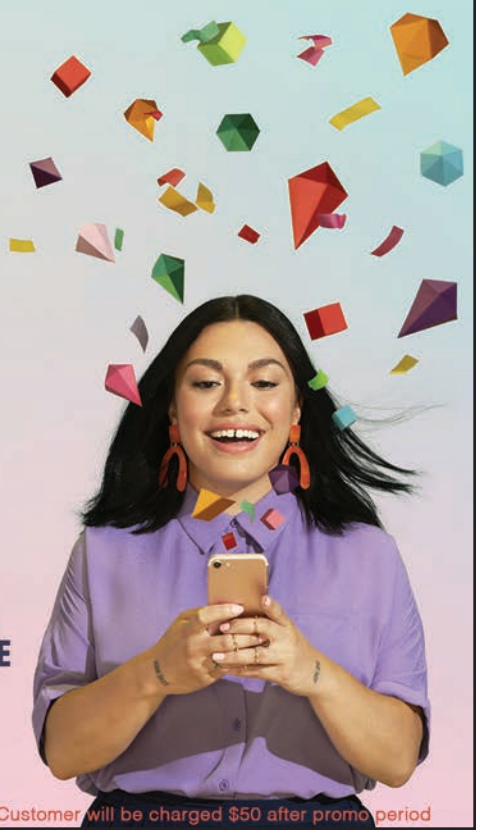
"This is because of the education in the mainland," he said. "People don't understand that the party and the country need to be separate."

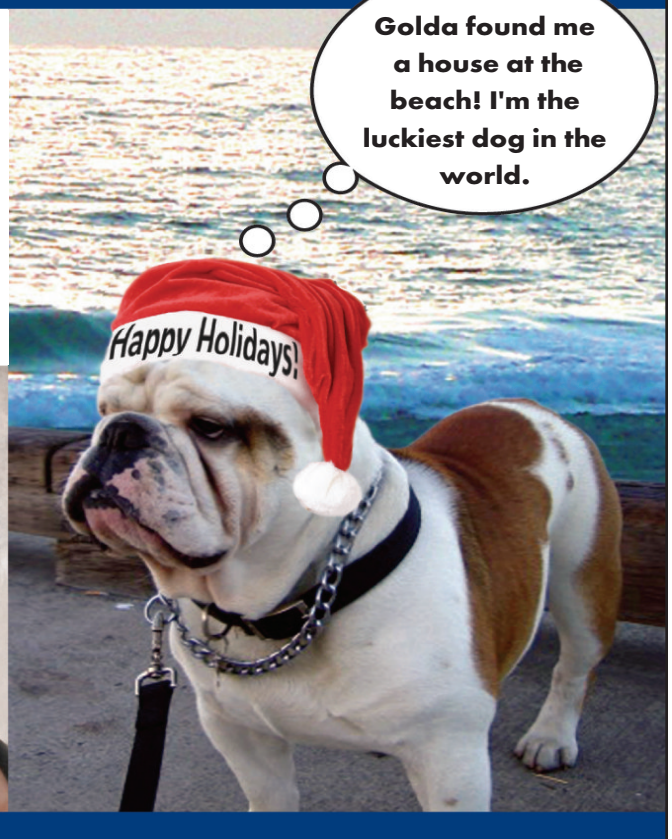
Retrospectively, the student says he "doesn't want to change the world. I don't have that much power, but I said what I am thinking ... I want more people to know what I [said] that night." He believes it is important to speak up for those who can't. "I think of a 15-year-old girl who joined the boycott, and her body was found in the sea of Hong Kong."

The 20-year-old political science major clarified that the protests were against the government of China, not its people. "I love my country. I love the people there. I just think China should belong to the people, not to one political party."

He concluded, "The bad people don't want us to unite, but we must."

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (DECEMBER 28)

This solar return inclines you toward the deeper recesses of the soul. Where you were clueless, you will gain clues that lead to treasures both personal and professional. A victory in March will be a highlight, as will the work you do with someone younger and the learning you obtain in a formal environment. Taurus and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 38, 7, 20, 22 and 16.

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You can think of a challenge as an unfair obstacle thrown into your path or you can think of it as a test to reveal just how far you've come, how capable you are and where to focus your efforts toward mastery.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). On the one hand, creative people can get easily bored by circumstances that don't inspire them. On the other hand, remarkably creative ideas are born by pushing through that boredom into new possibilities.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). The social media influencer lost followers by superimposing herself onto Paris instead of actually going there. There is no substitute for showing up in real life, and everyone knows the difference.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Symptoms are never the problem. Symptoms are the SOS message in a bottle sent from the island of the problem. Avoid picking up the bottle and trying to comfort it. Go find the island. That's where help is needed.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). We're always changing, just not always in the direction we want to change. That's why everyone needs a witness. Trusted friends and loved ones, competent professions and objective strangers provide an outside perspective.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Some shrink from danger. Others seek it. And you do neither. You meet life as it comes, assess your risk and act. This is the cool-headed approach of confident living.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). It will be pretty easy to get your way today. It only involves a couple steps. 1. Establish a line of communication. 2. Ask. The heavens are arranged to favor your diplomatic skill.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Write about your daily life including the small details of food, self-care, thoughts and routines. You'll gain objectivity, insight and appreciation that extends both inward and outward.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You respect a careful decision-making process when you see it and will take into consideration other people's experiences before you make your own choice. This is the smart way, and it will pay off, too.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You will give people what they want, only if you're sure you can do so for all the right reasons. To avoid future resentment, figure out what's in it for you. If the answer is only "charity," and you feel good about it, that's enough.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). A glance has meaning. Minute gestures convey deep and complicated emotions. Attention flows to certain things and doesn't flow to others and the trail of that attention is a journey and a story.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You know the difference between small gifts and great ones. It has nothing to do with size or monetary value and everything to do with the intention, affection and care that goes into the package.

Mercury Leads the Way

Lao Tzu said, "A leader is best when people barely know he exists, when his work is done, his aim fulfilled, they will say, 'we did it ourselves.'" This change of Mercury into powerful Capricorn, the sign of authority figures, is a chance to choose who you will follow, reassess past decisions and align with those whose agendas serve the whole.

COUNT DOWN TO 2020

With the Mercury change, we're thinking about the improvements we'll make in 2020. It is easier to improve when you're dealing in the realm of that which can be described and executed with clear and factual information. But most of the things you want to improve upon (relationships, fitness, body image, performance mindset) touch into the field of emotion, which automatically requires solutions that are as nuanced, complex and subjective as the issue at hand. All you can do is your best. The practical earth sign energy that's prevalent in these skies suggests that one approach that could help is to stick to a scientific method as closely as possible. What about the problem is measurable? Start there. And be as honest as possible with your assessments. Maybe the picture you're looking at is so far off from the ideal that it brings up intense feelings and a tendency toward overwhelm. That's when to focus smaller. Tone down the ambition. Opt for explanations instead of excuses. Explanations are relatively unbiased accountings of what happened, akin to pure data. Excuses are emotional buffers thrown into the gap of what happened and what was expected. They are less helpful than explanations because their emotional charge makes them messy and malleable. Venus traveling in Aquarius will be an ally in attaining the kind of perspective that helps exciting breakthroughs happen.



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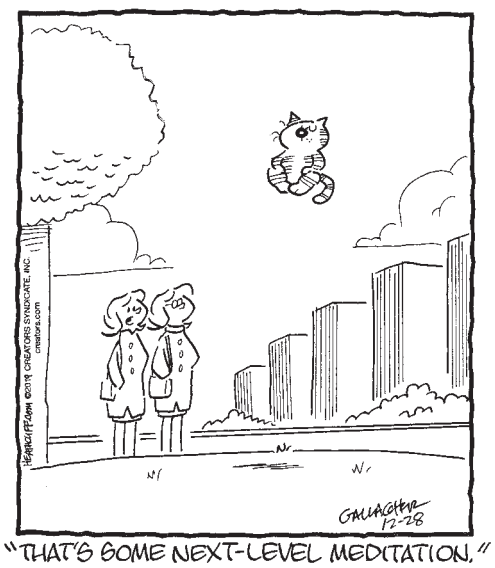
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Easing NW swell. Another steep pulse of NW swell to show. Winds may remain light in the PM.

SUNDAY - **FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft knee to waist high
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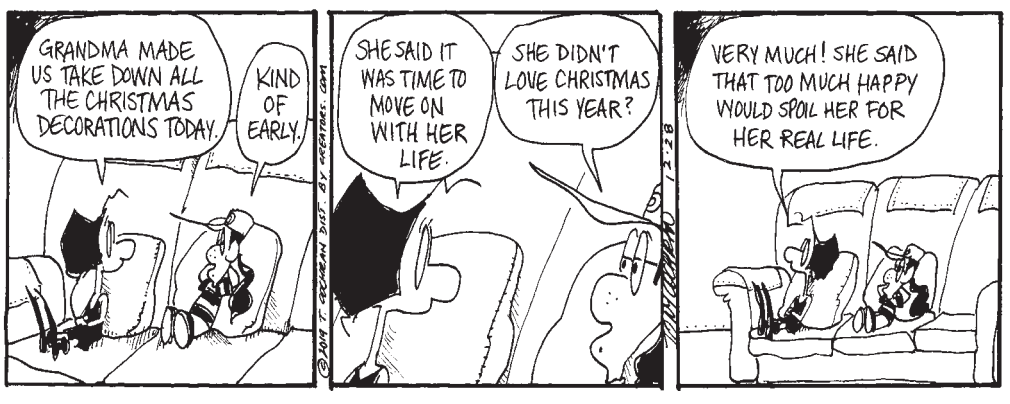
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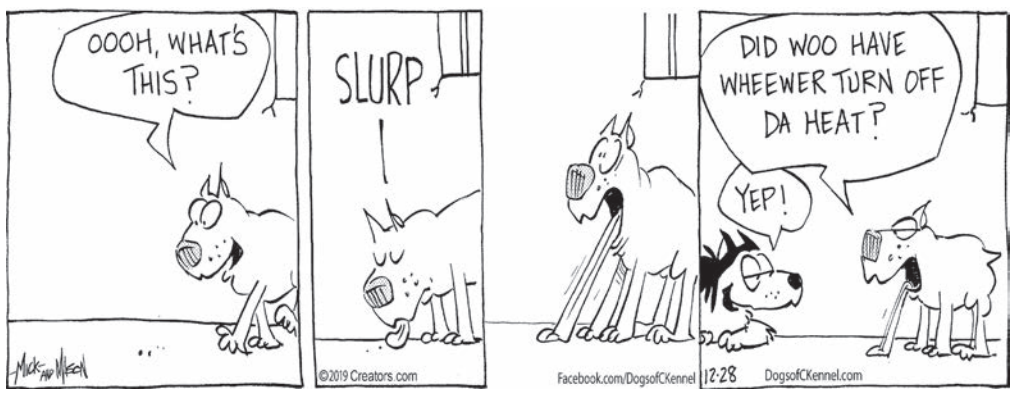
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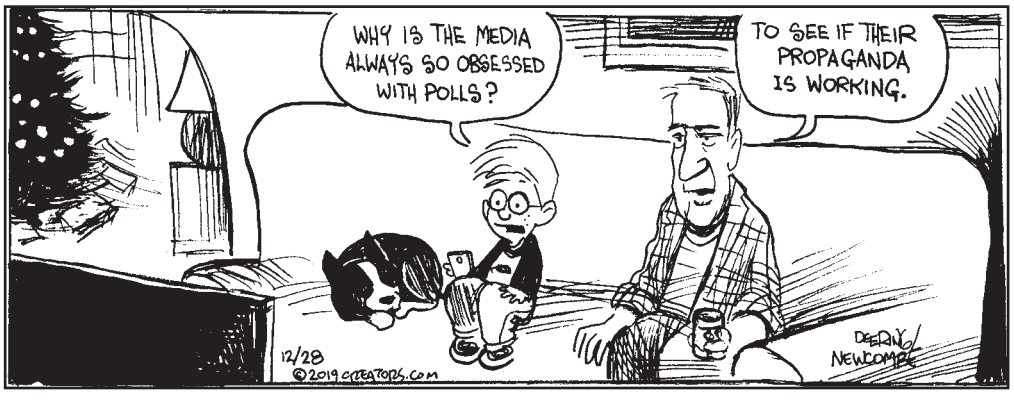
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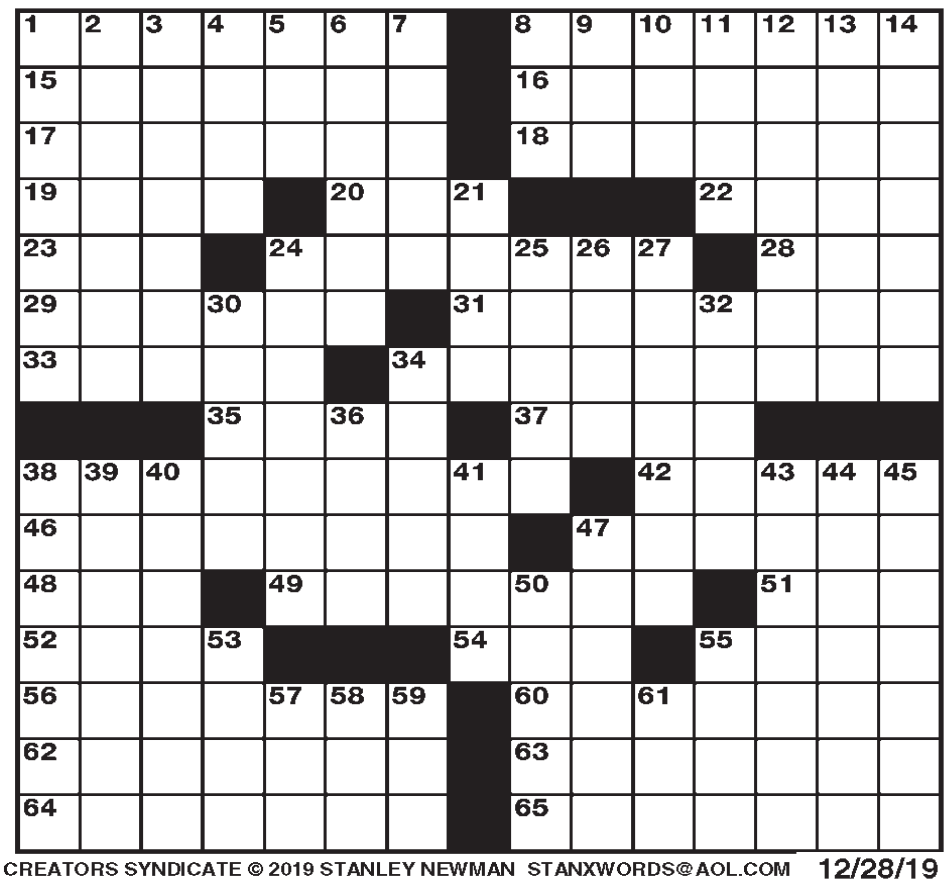
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8 Military maneuvers
15 Annoyed
16 Apple-pie order
17 Flintstone's boss
18 Pesto tidbit
19 *The Firebird* movement
20 Something owed
22 Faction
23 Aachen article
24 Big brewer
28 Line-dance participant
29 Good sense
31 Exile
33 Toon teen in an '89 film
34 By oneself
35 Gossip about
37 Hold off
38 Makeup
42 Realizes
46 Open, as an opera
47 Seafood serving
48 1.5-volt item
49 Horsefeathers
51 Inventory-tracking device
52 *Ivanhoe* contest
54 Brazil's __ Manuel River
55 Have value
56 Wild
60 Changed cyclically
62 ". . . the Flying Trapeze" guy
63 Fancy
64 Set up
65 Points of view

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1 Type of paint
2 Before
3 Exod. locale
4 IOC's Athlete of the Century
5 Acapulco article
6 Indonesian export
7 Top players
8 Huckleberry's father
9 SI's Athlete of the Century
10 Unraveled
11 It's west of Cedar Rapids
12 Ulster town
13 Develop
14 No longer an issue
21 Delivered
24 Ask for
25 Work with a meter
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27 Impractical idea
30 Five-petal flower
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40 Land lady
41 Ports, for instance
43 Like muskrats
44 Quarters with buttons
45 Breaks away
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58 Kilowatt-hour fraction
59 Presidential monogram
61 Begin to use



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Annual Wastewater Main Project

For the week of December 30, there is no sewer main repair work taking place. Work will proceed after on January 6, 2020. Please contact Saad Malim at (310) 458-8721 with any questions/concerns regarding this project.

City Yards Modernization Project

For the week of December 30, construction will impact the project area located at 2500 Michigan Avenue, which will affect the sidewalk and parking lane on the north side of Delaware Avenue just east of 24th Street. Please contact Project Manager Sebastian Felbeck at (310) 434-2675with any questions/concerns regarding this project.

Storm Drain & Drainage Improvements Project

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Annual Paving, Snap Parking, & Beach Parking Project

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