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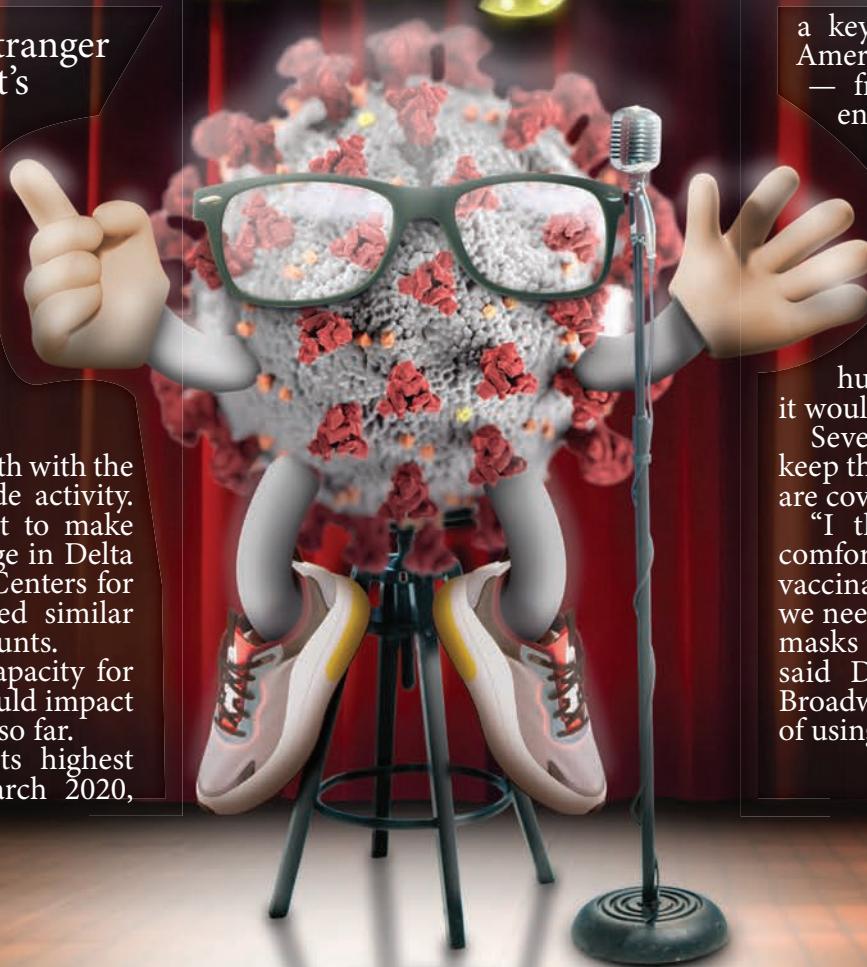
# Covid takes center stage

Southern California is no stranger to the rollercoaster, in fact, it's the foundation of our tourism economy, but while a physical thrill ride with its whiplash-inducing turns and stomach-churning drops can be fun, local businesses would like to disembark from the economic carnival that has been the Covid-19 pandemic.

The latest sharp turn occurred this month with the reimposition of mask mandates for inside activity. While Los Angeles County was the first to make the move, other areas experiencing a surge in Delta variant cases have followed suit and the Centers for Disease Control eventually recommended similar rules country-wide based on local case counts.

While the new rules do not restrict capacity for businesses, there are fears the mandate could impact what has been a solid economic recovery so far.

Consumer confidence has reached its highest level since the pandemic struck in March 2020,



a key reason why retail sales remain solid as Americans shift their spending back to services — from restaurant meals and airline trips to entertainment events and shopping sprees.

Yet overhanging the rosy economic forecasts is the possibility of a resurgent coronavirus in the form of the highly contagious delta variant. The U.S. is now averaging more than 60,000 confirmed new cases a day, up from only about 12,000 a month ago. Should a surge in viral infections cause many consumers to hunker down again and pull back on spending, it would weaken the recovery.

Several local event venues said they are trying to keep their heads above water, even while their faces are covered.

"I think in the short term, we need to be comfortable with either asking people for proof of vaccination status, and then denying them entry, or we need to be able to mandate that people do wear masks in live event venues that are not outdoors," said Daniel Tamayo of the soon-to-open new Broadway Comedy Club. "I think everyone is fond of using the phrase, 'follow the science.' I literally am

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 Living In A Vehicle 1900blk Lincoln Blvd 12:58 a.m.  
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 Indecent Exposure 1200blk 4th St 5:17 a.m.  
 Petty Theft 1600blk Ocean Front Walk 5:37 a.m.  
 Battery 2100blk Santa Monica Blvd 5:43 a.m.  
 Encampment 1600blk The Beach 5:43 a.m.  
 Encampment 1900blk The Beach 5:55 a.m.  
 Burglary 2600blk Main St 6:01 a.m.  
 Encampment 1200blk The Beach 6:44 a.m.  
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 Silent Robbery Alarm 1100blk 26th St 7:09 a.m.  
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 Silent Robbery Alarm 2400blk Wilshire Blvd 7:22 a.m.  
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 Encampment 3100blk 2nd St 8:44 a.m.  
 Grand Theft Report 1500blk Euclid St 9:17 a.m.  
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 Grand Theft Auto 1600blk Lincoln Blvd 9:52 a.m.  
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 Encampment 1200blk Olympic Blvd 10:16 a.m.  
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 Petty Theft Report 200blk Santa Monica Pier 11:08 a.m.  
 Death Investigation 2300blk Montana Ave 11:25 a.m.  
 Lewd Activity 2200blk Main St 11:39 a.m.  
 Burglary 1300blk California Ave 11:42 a.m.  
 Assault W/Deadly Weapon Report 26th St / Pico Blvd 11:45 a.m.  
 Oversize Vehicle Violation 1500blk Pacific Coast Hwy 11:59 a.m.  
 Grand Theft Report 700blk 10th St 12:00 p.m.  
 Battery 1400blk Block Of Ocean Ave 12:42 p.m.  
 Indecent Exposure 1600blk 5th St 12:47 p.m.  
 Indecent Exposure 2300blk Ocean Park Blvd 12:58 p.m.  
 Lewd Activity 1500blk Palisades Park 1:07 p.m.  
 Encampment 500blk 22nd St 1:13 p.m.  
 Bike Theft Report 500blk Colorado Ave 1:15 p.m.  
 Fight 1200blk Santa Monica Blvd 1:16 p.m.  
 Encampment 1200blk Olympic Blvd 1:31 p.m.  
 Burglary Report 800blk 3rd St 1:45 p.m.  
 Encampment 2700blk Barnard Way 2:03 p.m.

Bike Theft Report 400blk Broadway 2:12 p.m.  
 Found Property 500blk California Ave 2:33 p.m.  
 Speeding 17th St / Ocean Park Blvd 2:47 p.m.  
 Lost Property 3200blk Airport Ave 2:57 p.m.  
 Attempt Auto Theft 1400blk 4th St 3:54 p.m.  
 Oversize Vehicle Violation 1500blk Pacific Coast Hwy 3:57 p.m.  
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 Traffic Collision - No Injuries Main St / Pico Blvd 6:38 p.m.  
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 EMS 1300blk 15th St 11:59 a.m.  
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 EMS 2600blk 29th St 1:07 p.m.

EMS 1700blk Hill St 1:39 p.m.  
 EMS 3000blk Delaware Ave 1:49 p.m.  
 Traffic Collision With Injury Main St / Olympic Dr 2:24 p.m.  
 EMS 1300blk Euclid St 3:52 p.m.  
 Broken Gas Main 1200blk Pine St 4:12 p.m.  
 EMS 1400blk 21st St 4:51 p.m.  
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 Automatic Alarm 1300blk 26th St 7:44 p.m.  
 EMS 1400blk 14th St 8:01 p.m.  
 EMS 100blk Wilshire Blvd 11:56 p.m.



## A Shore Thing

Matthew King

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**FAMILY:** The author's father was also a surfer who loved the ocean.

A great surfer, the late Andy Irons, once shared a mantra that resonates with me: “No matter what, when I’m in the water, even if I don’t catch a wave and just swim in the ocean, I always come out a better person.”

That holy, healing water surely helped my father, who suffered from PTSD after serving as a medic in World War II. He served in Patton’s Army and watched comrades’ bodies being torn apart at the Battle of the Bulge and other horrific firefights. He never talked once about the trauma with me, but clearly the ocean became a balm for his troubled soul.

A career lifeguard, my father would even spend his days off from work at the beach. I have a photograph of him surfing a small wave in Malibu in the early 1950s, his hands dangling at his side, knees slightly bent in a totally cool, relaxed pose. You get the sense that he’d finally found some peace after all he’d been through.

I used to find similar solace in the surf, but today’s increasingly crowded lineups are bumming me out. Paddle-battling for mediocre waves and overhearing Type-A private-school admission woes ain’t my idea of relaxing. Instead, you might find me clearing my head by swimming at a nearby public pool (not SMC -- but that’s a subject of another column.) Or pretzling myself into the lotus position on the sand (oh, those tight hamstrings and aging hips!).

In these strange and unsettling times, I visit the beach several times a week to meditate. But quiet reflection on the sand isn’t all rainbows and unicorns. It’s a lot harder than it looks. Sitting ramrod straight, I face the ocean and try to clear my mind. I focus on my breath and “being where I am.” I close my eyes and visualize a giant ice cube melting in an all-white room. (I know that sounds goofy, but it works.)

Meditation provides a natural high that long-distance runners might experience. On a good day, I still my hummingbird brain for a half-hour or so. I imagine the stiff ocean breeze blowing out negative forces in my life while the warming sun bakes in positive energy. (Again, I know how New Age-y that sounds, but it’s true.)

But meditating can be maddening. My mind wanders. I ponder what to make for

dinner. I open my eyes and find myself distracted by surfers catching a good wave. Other times the smell of skunky marijuana tugs at me. I find myself grumbling about a pair of toddlers shrieking gleefully as they dash madly up the sand to avoid an incoming wave. Can’t these yapping rugrats shut up? I check myself, realizing that I’m verging on old-man-standing-on-his-lawn-and-yelling-at-the-clouds territory.

These competing activities remind me why our shoreline matters so much. It provides enormous environmental, economic, recreational and therapeutic value to millions. More than half the world’s oxygen comes from the ocean. The beach economy generates nearly \$2 billion in annual tax revenue in L.A. County. But I often fail to account for how much the Bay improves our spiritual health.

The beach is my church, temple, mosque and synagogue – as it is for many non-religious people. I can find comfort in solitude, or fellowship with my fellow believers. I gain a sense of serenity, clarity and humility. I like to believe I’m my best self at the beach.

I will never know the horrors my father went through. But I do feel bound to him – and some greater force – when I meditate on the sand. I feel love and gratitude. I’m thankful for the beach. My father courted my mother on the sand while lifeguarding at Castle Rock. As a boy, I gained strength and confidence learning to navigate pounding surf with him. As a father, I hold close the memories of lazy summer days at Tower 26 with my sons and other young families from Santa Monica Alternative School House. As a communications professional, the ocean has given me purpose in my advocacy work.

So next time you come to the shore, try sitting down, closing your eyes and emptying your mind. Be grateful for the sea. You might be surprised about what you think when you think about nothing.

Matthew King grew up on the beaches of Santa Monica, where his father served as a County lifeguard for 30 years. He sneaks away from his communications and marketing consultancy as often as he can to surf Bay Street and other local breaks.

## COMMUNITY BRIEFS

### Citywide

### August Programs at the Library

**Summer Reading 2021: READING COLORS YOUR WORLD.** Through Sunday, August 15. Get ready to read with this all-ages summer reading program. Register at the Main Library, Pico Curbside, Montana Avenue Curbside, or online at [smdl.beanstack.org](http://smdl.beanstack.org). Track your reading over the summer to reach the goal of 10 hours/600 minutes read. Kids and teens earn special Activity Kits, and adults are entered into a prize drawing. Learn more at [smdl.org/srp](http://smdl.org/srp).

### KIDS & TEENS

**Free Comic Book Week: Comic Book Giveaways.** Monday, August 9 - Friday, August 13. During Library Open Hours. Stop by the Main Library, Montana Avenue Branch Curbside or Pico Branch Curbside for a free comic book. One comic book per person. Comic books are available while supplies last. For all ages.

**Free Comic Book Week: Photo Fun.** Tuesday, August 10, 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. and Thursday, August 12, 4:30 to 6:30 p.m. In the Main Library Lobby. Celebrate Free Comic Book week with a superhero selfie. We'll have a costumed superhero on hand for selfies in our photo booth.

**Summer Reading Finale Show: Virtual Insect Discovery Lab.** Friday, August 13 / 2:30 to 3:15 p.m. Explore the fantastic lives of beetles, millipedes, tarantulas, walking sticks, whip scorpions, and more with the staff of SaveNature.org. For ages 5 and up. Register here: [bit.ly/DiscoveryLabSMPL](http://bit.ly/DiscoveryLabSMPL).

**Dial-A-Story.** Access 24/7 via telephone at (424) 610-8600. New stories are recorded each week in English, Spanish and Mandarin, and can be listened to by phone at any time of day.

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### ADULTS

**Santa Monica Reads featuring The Pull of the Stars** by Emma Donoghue. Monday, June 28 through Sunday, August 22. Join organizers for the Library's annual reading program, where community members read and discuss the same book. Set in Dublin during the 1918 flu pandemic, *The Pull of the Stars* focuses on three women - a nurse midwife, a doctor, and a volunteer helper - and their experiences in a small maternity quarantine ward over the course of three

days. A free book giveaway begins on Monday, June 21. Copies of the book are available at the Main Library Information Desk, and at Montana Avenue and Pico Curbside, while supplies last. For more information, visit [smdl.org/smr](http://smdl.org/smr).

**Santa Monica Reads Special Event. Author Talk: Emma Donoghue on The Pull of the Stars.** Saturday, August 21 / 2 p.m. / Live via BlueJeans. Award-winning writer Emma Donoghue's timely story about the Great Flu of 1918 takes place in a maternity ward when Ireland is doubly ravaged by war and disease. Over three brutal days, three women come together to support patients and one another in unexpected ways. Join us for this conversation and discussion about living through unprecedented times with the author of *The Pull of the Stars*. Access the event: [bit.ly/32FOHUz](http://bit.ly/32FOHUz)

**Santa Monica Reads Book Discussions.** Book discussions are hosted by trained discussion facilitators. Participants can share their thoughts about *The Pull of the Stars* and its themes, or are welcome to simply listen and learn more about the book. Thursday, August 5 at 11 a.m. Live via Zoom. Register here: [bit.ly/3nj6HxA](http://bit.ly/3nj6HxA). Tuesday, August 10 at 7 p.m. Live via Zoom. Register here: [bit.ly/3euYKRA](http://bit.ly/3euYKRA)

**Ocean Park Branch Book Group Discussion: Clementine: The Life of Mrs. Winston Churchill** by Sonia Purnell. Saturday, August 7 / 11 a.m. to 12 p.m. This fascinating portrait of Clementine Churchill reveals her lesser-known role in World War II, how she safeguarded Churchill's health, and the controversy around her family priorities. To register, email [karen.reitz@santamonica.gov](mailto:karen.reitz@santamonica.gov).

**Main Library Book Group Discussion: Calypso** by David Sedaris. Monday, August 16 / 7 to 8:30 p.m. Join a community-led discussion of the beloved humorist's 2018 collection of witty and personal essays, hailed as his darkest and warmest book yet. To register, email [jeff.schwartz@santamonica.gov](mailto:jeff.schwartz@santamonica.gov).

**Mystery Book Group Discussion: The Thursday Murder Club** by Richard Osman. Tuesday, August 17 / 7 to 8 p.m. Meeting weekly in their retirement village to exchange theories about unsolved crimes, four savvy septuagenarians propose a plan to help a rookie cop solve her first big murder case. To register, email [karen.reitz@santamonica.gov](mailto:karen.reitz@santamonica.gov).

**Sarah Schulman on Let the Record Show: A Political History of ACT UP New York, 1987-1993.** Wednesday, August 18 / 7 to 8 p.m. Schulman discusses her acclaimed new book on AIDS activism with USC professor Chris Freeman. Based on over 200 interviews and currently being adapted for television, *Let the Record Show* is essential reading on LGBTQ history, public health, and social change. Register here: [bit.ly/3halpnL](http://bit.ly/3halpnL)

**Montana Avenue Branch Book Group Discussion: Americanah** by Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie. Wednesday, August 18 / 7 to 8:30 p.m. Read and discuss the National Book Critics Circle Award-winning novel in which a young woman from Nigeria leaves behind her home and her first love

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# Families paying off rent, food, debts with child tax credit

**MICHAEL CASEY**

Associated Press

Christina Darling finally replaced her 2006 Chevrolet Equinox after it broke down several times while picking her children up from day care. But the 31-year-old mother of two was struggling to keep up with the car payments.

Brianne Walker desperately wanted to take her three children and two siblings camping for the first time but wasn't sure how she could pay for it. After all, she was behind on her rent, and day care and grocery costs were adding up.

Then, the two women from New Hampshire got a surprise in their bank accounts this month. They qualified for the expanded child tax credit, part of President Joe Biden's \$1.9 trillion coronavirus relief package. Families on average are getting \$423 this month; the Treasury Department estimates that 35.2 million families received payments in July.

"The additional money does help alleviate the pressure," said Walker, 29, who took custody of her two siblings last year after her mother overdosed. The \$800 credit will help make up for losses she incurred after quitting a kitchen design job to care for the five youngsters, ages 3 to 19.

Biden increased the amounts going to families and expanded it to include those whose income is so little they don't owe taxes. The benefits begin to phase out at incomes of \$75,000 for individuals, \$112,500 for heads of household and \$150,000 for married couples. Families with incomes up to \$200,000 for individuals and \$400,000 for married couples can still receive the previous \$2,000 credit.

In the past, eligible families got a credit after filing their taxes — either as a lump sum payment or a credit against taxes owed. But now six months of payments are being advanced monthly through the end of the year. A recipient receives the second half when they file their taxes. The credit is \$3,600 annually for children under age 6 and \$3,000 for children ages 6 to 17. Eligible families will receive \$300 monthly for each child under 6 and \$250 per older child.

Advocates argue the monthly payments make more sense for low-income families.

"One of the problems with the big check in a year, if your car broke six months before, that is a long time to wait," said Michael Reinke, executive director of the Nashua Soup Kitchen & Shelter, which serves many families making less than \$26,000 a year.

"When people have money over a consistent period of time, it's easier to make sure it's going to the expenses you really need," he said. "Sometimes, if you get it all at once, it's hard to budget."

Robin McKinney, co-founder and CEO of the CASH Campaign of Maryland, a Baltimore nonprofit organization that helps low-income residents file taxes, said the credit is providing people money in their pockets now, when they need it most.

"We know right now that peoples' hours are down or they're still struggling to get back to the same level of income that they had before, and this will create some stability for

those families to know that over the next six months that they're going to be getting this payment," McKinney said.

If all the money goes out, the expectation is that could significantly reduce poverty — with one study estimating it could cut child poverty by 45%. And it comes at a time when unemployment benefits are being phased out and the federal eviction moratorium is set to expire Saturday.

The payments are also a test case of sorts. Biden ultimately would like to make them permanent — and the impact they have could go a long way to shaping that debate later this year.

"It infuses money into the family home," said Suzanne Torregano, director of Family Services at Kingsley House in New Orleans, who estimated that 85%-90% of the parents the group serves are getting the monthly payments.

Still, some advocates argue the money may never reach the neediest because their incomes are so low they aren't required to file a tax return, they don't have a fixed address or bank account, or don't have the internet savvy to apply.

"What we are finding is that homeless families ... while many of them are eligible for the tax credit, they have significant barriers to obtaining it," said Larry Seamans, president of FamilyAid Boston, which serves 900 families daily.

"We have some counter-intuitive struggles of families who may be unfamiliar with tax forms, tax laws and the fact that by filing a tax return, you can actually get money to support your family," Seamans said.

"Many families ... are not on the tax rolls. They now have to find sufficient documentation to prove that they are eligible."

Families who do receive the credit are mostly spending it on rent, child care and groceries, as well as catching up on cellphone and other bills. For Darling, the \$550 she gets will go to car payments, more fresh produce and a babysitter so she can attend Nashua Board of Education meetings. She is running for a seat on the board. Eventually, she hopes to put money aside to save for a home with a yard.

"Every step closer we get to a livable wage is beneficial. That is money that gets turned around and spent on the betterment of my kids and myself," said Darling, a housing resource coordinator who had been supplementing her \$35,000-a-year salary with monthly visits to the Nashua Soup Kitchen and Shelter's food pantry.

McKinney, who is married with a 5-year-old son and qualifies for the tax credit, is getting \$167 a month. She said it's all going to help pay for child care, which costs \$288 a week.

"Right now, it's out-of-school time because it's the summer, so people have to pay for camps and babysitting support so that the parents can go to work," said McKinney, of Columbia, Maryland. "I know a lot of people who are like: 'This money is coming at just

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**Introduction to Mindful Meditation.** Monday, August 23 / 7 to 8 p.m. Instructor Heather White-Laird discusses mindfulness, a secular form of meditation, benefiting health and well-being. In this final session of a three-month series, simple tools will be provided to allow you to continue practicing at home. To register, email [karen.reitz@santamonica.gov](mailto:karen.reitz@santamonica.gov).

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**Drescher Planetarium Presents Free, Live Virtual Shows**

Santa Monica College's John Drescher Planetarium continues its Friday evening events in August 2021 with free, live virtual shows presented online at [smc.edu/planetarium](http://smc.edu/planetarium). The friendly presentations will highlight the Perseid meteor shower and the best ways to view the "falling stars," and offer an update on the James Webb Space Telescope as launch time approaches.

The planetarium will also present a free special Sunday Afternoon Matinee on August 8 at 2 p.m. The Sunday Afternoon Matinee combines an abbreviated version of "The Night Sky Show" and the week's featured evening show, "The Meteors of Summer - The 2021 Perseids."

The Friday evening shows are at 8 p.m. and are preceded by a streamlined, virtual digest of the popular Night Sky Show at 7 p.m., offering the latest news in astronomy and space exploration. The shows include the chance to chat with the planetarium lecturers and ask questions related to astronomy and space exploration.

Currently, the planetarium is using the Zoom platform. To attend the shows, the Zoom software version 5.0 or higher must be installed on the viewer's computer. A free download is available at [zoom.com](http://zoom.com).

The August 2021 shows are:

- Friday, August 6, at 8 p.m. (following The Night Sky Show at 7 p.m.): "The Meteors of Summer - The 2021 Perseids" - Senior Lecturer Jim Mahon. On August 12, the annual Perseid meteor shower will peak at a time when moonlight is relatively absent and the sky fairly dark, prime conditions for viewing meteors. Show will discuss the spectacular sights in the sky and explore their amazing journey through space and time, touching upon their regularity and the reasons for it. Also covered will be the best ways to enjoy this summer sky show - no telescopes required, though a lounge chair is a plus. Free. Zoom at [smc.edu/planetarium](http://smc.edu/planetarium).

- Sunday, August 8, at 2 p.m.: Sunday Afternoon Matinee - "The Meteors of Summer - The 2021 Perseids" - Senior Lecturer Jim Mahon. A shorter version of "The Night Sky Show" and the week's feature show, "The Meteors of Summer - The 2021 Perseids," which discusses the spectacular sights in the sky and explores their amazing journey through space and time, touching upon their regularity and the reasons for it. Free. Zoom at [smc.edu/planetarium](http://smc.edu/planetarium).

- Friday, August 13 & 20, at 8 p.m. (following The Night Sky Show at 7 p.m.): "James Webb Space Telescope Preview" - Senior Lecturer Jim Mahon. After years of delays and cost growth, NASA's James Webb Space Telescope (JWST) is targeting an October launch from Kourou, French Guiana, aboard an Ariane 5 booster contributed by the European Space Agency. The multibillion dollar Webb is often touted as the successor to the iconic Hubble Space Telescope, but there are significant differences between them, including mirror size. Show provides an update on progress toward launch day, and reviews the elaborate deployment steps that must happen to get useful results from the massive infrared instrument. Free. Zoom at [smc.edu/planetarium](http://smc.edu/planetarium).

More information is available online at [smc.edu/planetarium](http://smc.edu/planetarium) or by calling (310) 434-3005. All shows subject to change or cancellation without notice.

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**Citywide**  
**Conversation about SMPD Response to OIR Group Report on Monday, August 2**

On Monday, August 2, 2021, Interim Police Chief Jacqueline Seabrooks and Santa Monica Police Department (SMPD) leadership invite the Santa Monica community to a facilitated conversation about the department's response to the OIR Group's after-action report for the events of May 31, 2020. Community members are invited to participate in a Q&A following an overview of SMPD's response to OIR Group's 44 recommendations by Chief Seabrooks. The teleconference meeting is from 6:30 to 8 p.m. and community members can register through Eventbrite. Spanish translation will be available.

SMPD's response to the OIR Group's report was published as an information item to the City's website at <https://www.smgov.net/departments/council/infoitems.aspx>.

Council also directed that the newly formed Public Safety Reform and Oversight Commission review SMPD's response. The Commission will take this up at a future meeting. For agenda and participation information, visit <https://www.santamonica.gov/public-safety-reform-and-oversight-commission>.

For more information on the City's response to the events of May 31, 2020, visit <https://www.santamonica.gov/MAY31AFTERACTION>.

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## The Re-View

By Merv Hecht

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# The Lobster



Merv Hecht

**STAFF:** The Wonderful Hostess Caith at the Lobster restaurant in Downtown Santa Monica.

### THE LOBSTER

The Lobster restaurant above the pier in Santa Monica generates mixed reports.

Everyone agrees that it's one of the great settings of any restaurant - anywhere in California. Not only does it have a great view of the Pacific Ocean, but it also sits over the Santa Monica Pier, where you can watch a crush of humanity walking up and down to and from the pier. And it's been there for almost 100 years!

We were last there on July 4th, in the hopes that we might see some fireworks, but the main show was canceled. Yet there were some bootleggers and we did see a bit of fireworks. But the view can't be beat. And the bar drinks are very good. On the other hand, there's the service.

There isn't too much criticism of the food on the internet, and we found it very satisfactory. The lobster, probably the most served dish, was very fresh, well served, and very delicious. Lobster itself is very healthy - and then people like me dip it in butter! As in every lobster restaurant I know the butter is artificial and lacks flavor, so I usually spoon in some of the butter served with the bread, to enhance the flavor. The charred octopus is also excellent. Those are the only two dishes I know. I see a lot of agreement that the food is good, and while expensive, not overpriced for the neighborhood - although the Albright on the pier is a better venue for the price conscious. Of course when you are thinking about the price (the Lobster is about \$40) remember to add about \$25 for the tax, tip, and parking.

The clam chowder is too thick for my taste, with too many potatoes and not much clam. But the Caesar salad is good and there is a good selection of appetizers on the menu. Did you know that the original Caesar salad, by Caesar Cardini in Tijuana, used lime instead of lemon?

The criticisms on the web seem to center on the problems of seating and reservations. I can understand that - the restaurant is not very large, the bar is small, and there's not much room even to wait to be seated. But

there is no question that it's hard to get seated on time, even with a reservation. Maybe that's because those lobsters are tough to eat and it takes more time than expected to extricate the meat from the shell.

When a lobster is not so fresh, the shell is crispy and easier to crack. The shell in a fresh lobster is more pliant and so more difficult to crack. Sometimes it has to be cut with a knife, or you can do it with a fork. A fresh lobster will have delicious green fat under the tail meat - one of my favorite parts. Sometimes, if you are lucky, there might also be some coral, which is the red eggs of the lobster.

I was disappointed in our waiter. He had apparently never heard of a seafood fork (a necessity to get all the meat out of a lobster) but finally found two for us. Then he disappeared for a long time. On the other hand, when I complained that 20 minutes had passed from the time of our reservation, a charming, pleasant hostess said she was going to get us seated within a couple of minutes, and she did. She even arranged the seating so we got a table in the South-West corner as we had requested (for the view).

Finally a note on the wine list. The list of wine by the glass is very small and not very interesting. On the other hand, the bottle list is quite varied. But like so many restaurants now, there are very few bottles for under \$100, and almost none under \$80.

I miss the wonderful New Zealand whites and the great French Rhone wines in the \$40-60 range and wish restaurants would go back to putting them on the wine lists.

Later that week we had lobster at Connie and Ted's in Hollywood. The lobster was twice as big and twice as expensive. It too is a wonderful restaurant, but there's no view!

Merv Hecht, like many Harvard Law School graduates, went into the wine business after law. In 1988, he began writing restaurant reviews and books. His latest book "The Instant Wine Connoisseur, 3rd Edition" is available on Amazon. He currently works for several companies that source and distribute food and wine products internationally. Please send your comments to: [mervynhecht@yahoo.com](mailto:mervynhecht@yahoo.com)

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**COVID**

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happy to follow the mandates of LA County and the State of California, because those are what are going to keep my audiences safe.”

Damian Anastasio of Harvelle’s music club said reopening has been an uphill battle, but one that has been met with huge support from eager patrons.

“We were very excited to get back to work after so much time off,” he said. “It was kind of brutal to go through that and not have any income, so that was really rough. So it was really nice to get back to work and we opened with a bang and every night was like New Year’s Eve.”

He said staffing the venue has been a challenge with the two business partners covering almost every aspect of the club for the first few weeks and while the new mask mandates are less than ideal, he doesn’t see them reducing the desire for live shows.

“You know, we’re doing everything we can to comply in making staff wear masks. When entertainment comes off the stage, they have to put on a mask, when people come inside, they have to wear a mask, but as a club we feel it’s not a smart move on the city’s behalf,” he said. “I understand what the city’s trying to do but to us it doesn’t really make a whole lot of sense.”

Despite his initial hesitation to the use of masks in the club, Damian said that business is going well.

“Has the mandate affected our business? Minimal at best,” said Damian. “When they lifted the restrictions, it was like flipping a light switch, we went from zero to ninety in a heartbeat.”

The new mask rules are driven by the spreadability of the latest virus strain. The delta variant was first detected in India but now has been identified around the world. Last week, U.S. health officials said the variant accounts for an estimated 83 percent of U.S. COVID-19 cases, and noted a 32 percent increase in COVID hospitalizations from the previous week.

The growing case counts have restricted the ability of entertainment venues to attract all of their customers back and continue their economic recovery. Some businesses had chosen to retain more strict Covid protocols even before the Delta surge.

Prior to the July 17 mandate, Evelyn Rudie, the Co-Artistic Director of the Santa Monica Playhouse, already required masks indoors. “So between June 15 and July 17, nothing

changed for us”, she said. “We also have everybody sanitize their hands before they go in. Even though they don’t have to be six feet apart or even three feet apart, we don’t have any mingling, we’re not serving any food or any drinks, and none of our shows have intermission.”

She said the theater hopes the ongoing protocols won’t be necessary long term, but they’re prepared to keep them in place to stay open.

“We’re hoping that by the end of November, beginning of December, things will have calmed down again but it’s so impossible to tell with the variants and with numbers and other countries,” she said. “So we’re trying to stay on the safe side and so we have plans for both. If we can go back to normal, fine. If not, it won’t be any big deal for us and none of our customers have complained.”

While the Federal Government said this week that it will keep existing COVID-19 restrictions on international travel in place for now due to concerns about the surging infection rate, Tamayo said he’s holding out hope for a more robust vaccine policy that will allow the return of tourism in the near future.

“I really hope that we’re able to reach a vaccination point for tourists coming in to the LA County area that basically means we don’t have to have a mask mandate anymore and that we don’t have to have COVID protocols in place,” said Tamayo.

He said he’s hopeful the virus can be tamed to the point of being little more than an inconvenience like the common cold.

“We are looking forward to being a part of the city of Santa Monica’s entertainment and nightlife”, said Tamayo. “We’re really looking forward to being open and welcoming audiences to an indoor venue because if you look around at night, there are people wandering around with nothing to do, who are all asking themselves, is there nothing to do in downtown Santa Monica but eat and drink? Yes, we’re opening a comedy club for that reason.”

Anastasio is also excited to move past the current surge and provide some much-needed levity to the city.

“I hope, you know, personally, I can’t speak for my business partners, but I just wish everyone would get vaccinated and get past this COVID and move on,” said Anastasio. “I think we as a society need to rally together. As a club, we’re going to continue to book bands and pour drinks, and try to bring some joy to everyone’s life. That’s what we do.”

Jackson, Mississippi, is using the money to pay bills but also to finance her dream of opening a soul food catering business. “It will help me, for one, to promote my catering business — to get that off the ground,” she said.

Molly Vigeant, of East Hartford, Connecticut, a 25-year-old single mother who works as a special needs paraprofessional in a high school, hopes to spend the money to repair or replace her car. But she’s had trouble accessing a portal aimed at helping applicants and hasn’t yet received anything.

“It doesn’t hurt yet,” she said of the delayed payment. “But, it’s a 20-year-old car with over 200,000 miles on it and I make 20 grand a year. A new one is not going to fall from the sky, when your debt-to-income ratio is garbage and you know you can’t finance a car.”

**CREDIT**

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the right time, because this summer is more expensive for me for child care.”

Many families in higher-income brackets who receive less money are socking it away for things like a family trip, school supplies or Christmas gifts.

Carleigh Steele, who received several hundred dollars, said the money is giving her peace of mind a month after she moved into a house in Baltimore with the help of Habitat for Humanity.

“It’s sitting in my bank account for all the home-buying things that I need, and for the rainy day fund for my house — just to make sure that I can keep myself economically stable,” said Steele, who has a 6-year-old daughter.

Brianne Epps, a mother of four from

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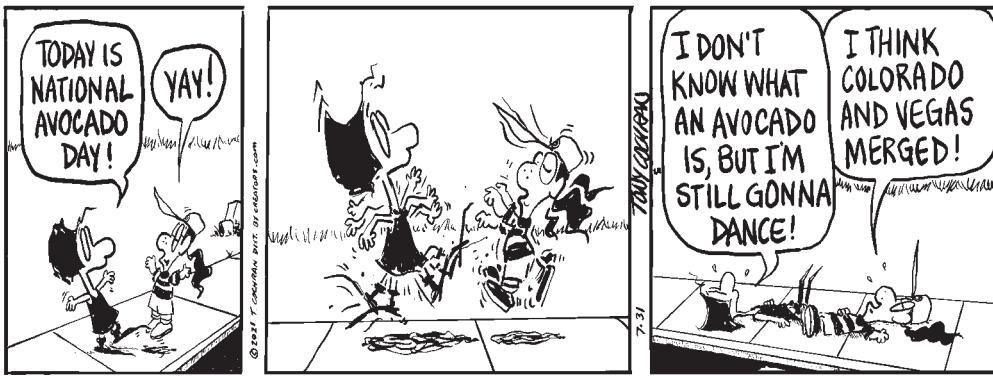
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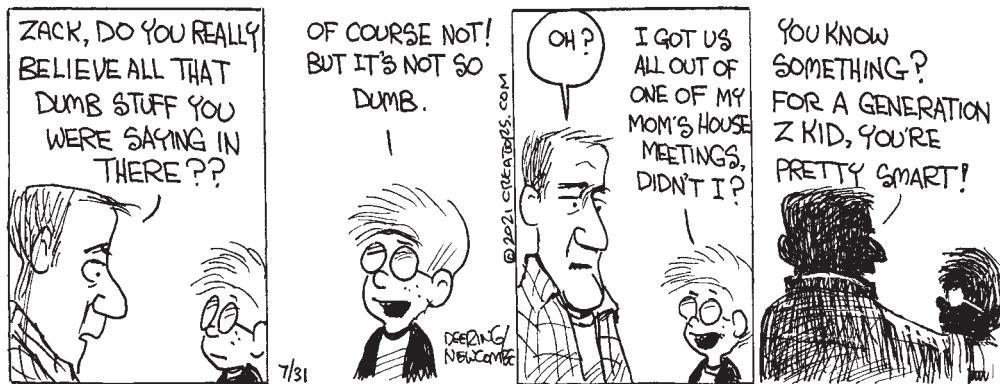
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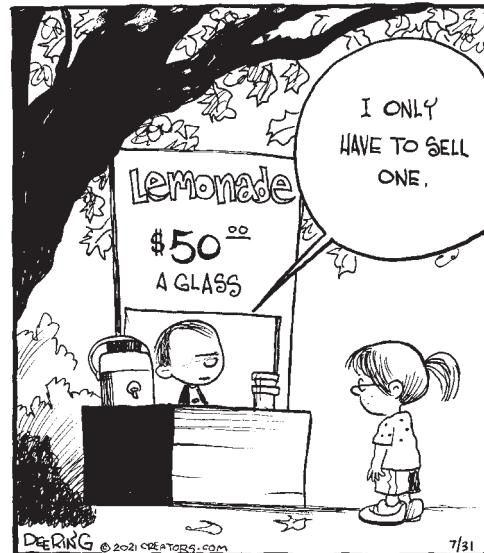
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SURF REPORT

SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: 69.3°

**SATURDAY - POOR** - SURF: 1-2ft Knee to thigh high occ. 3 ft  
Small but clean early. Not much NW windswell, small blend of Southern Hemi swells best for the summer magnets with some structure.

**SUNDAY - POOR TO FAIR** - SURF: 2-3ft+ Waist to stomach high occ. 4 ft  
Gradual uptick in size/energy through the day -- clean but still best for the small wave gear in the morning. NW windswell continues, new SSW swell builds in.

WEATHER

**Saturday:** Mostly sunny, with a high near 74.  
**Saturday Night:** Mostly clear, with a low around 64. West southwest wind 10 to 15 mph.  
**Sunday:** Mostly clear, with a low around 64. West southwest wind 10 to 15 mph.

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**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Social problems require creative and thoughtful approaches. Brainstorm about it. The more conscientious you are, the more opportunities you find to connect, help and raise the group.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). Consider that interest you pursue when you're supposed to be working. For happiness over the long haul, your go-to procrastination is a winning contender. Is there a way to make it your main deal?

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). The places you go with people will be very important to the flavor of your connection. Regional influences will color a love connection the way the soil in different places changes the taste of grape varieties.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Like your brain, your heart gets too comfortable in your everyday surroundings. Make it uncomfortable by spending time in another land. Travel makes you love anew.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). The best gifts are those that don't obligate you to the giver. Even a gift card comes with a responsibility to shop for yourself. You'll receive loveliness today, and it comes without strings or requirements of any sort.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Though you believe your struggles happen in silence and privacy, there are some who can sense what you're feeling. They may not know the particulars, but they resonate with them anyway and want to be part of your solution.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Since you're on a mission to make the world a little better, going about your business doesn't feel like a grind at all. In fact, the lines between work and play are blurred. You're in your zone.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). In chess and in relationships, the opening move is of utmost importance. The endgame has everything to do with it. Knowing that a story will play out like bookends, you'll be careful with your open.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). A lifelong learner, you're never quite satisfied with your current knowledge. The benefits to developing your mind will be made more obvious when you spend time with those who have developed theirs.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). After a week of feeling as though your schedule owned you, it will be a liberation of sorts to own your time today. Next up, owning all the events that happen inside of it.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Everyone is inclined to do what comes naturally; nature is a most persuasive force. But the organic unfolding will clash with a higher calling, and you are better off doing the difficult, uncomfortable thing.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). Shortcuts may get you to a point within a certain timeframe, but life's lessons have a way of demanding to be learned. They can be skipped in one moment, but sooner or later, they will have their day.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Newsday Crossword

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- 14 Tahiti sweetie
- 15 Dealership paperwork
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- 21 Pollen source
- 22 Order manager
- 23 Spartan or Corinthian
- 24 Metropolis near Memphis
- 25 Sousa's "Hands Across the \_\_\_"
- 27 Multi-Emmy author of *The Grouchy Historian* (2017)
- 28 What's seen with many a St. Bernard depiction
- 29 Late December debris
- 32 Saints' achievements: Abbr.
- 33 What moves you (from within or without)
- 34 Certain CDs
- 37 Quarters for sailors
- 39 "Vindication!"
- 42 One who might cry "Uncle!"
- 44 What Yellen got in economics
- 45 One heard at choir practice
- 47 "Stay-put" contract stipulation
- 49 Add gratis
- 50 Performing far and wide
- 51 How stalactites form
- 53 Card category

55 It's in garlic's genus

- 56 Wind hazard
- 57 Smidgen
- 58 Takes eight tiles in Scrabble, e.g.
- 59 How some quips are delivered
- 60 How some like their donuts

DOWN

- 1 Lifting impediment
- 2 Simple life
- 3 Takes home a bundle
- 4 Word after cover or capital
- 5 What some collars keep off
- 6 Giant of general aviation history
- 7 Unhurried
- 8 Abbr. on a home-game schedule
- 9 Clipped
- 10 Shortcuts that take years to complete
- 11 Enhance or enlarge
- 12 Admired oneself
- 13 W-2 addressees
- 18 Beast on Wyoming's flag
- 19 For whom Hercules did heavy lifting (Labor #11)
- 23 Prepared, as breakfast grapefruits
- 25 Chihuahua coverup
- 26 Best Actress Oscar role after Elizabeth II
- 30 Setting for *Shogun*
- 31 Escape artist of similes

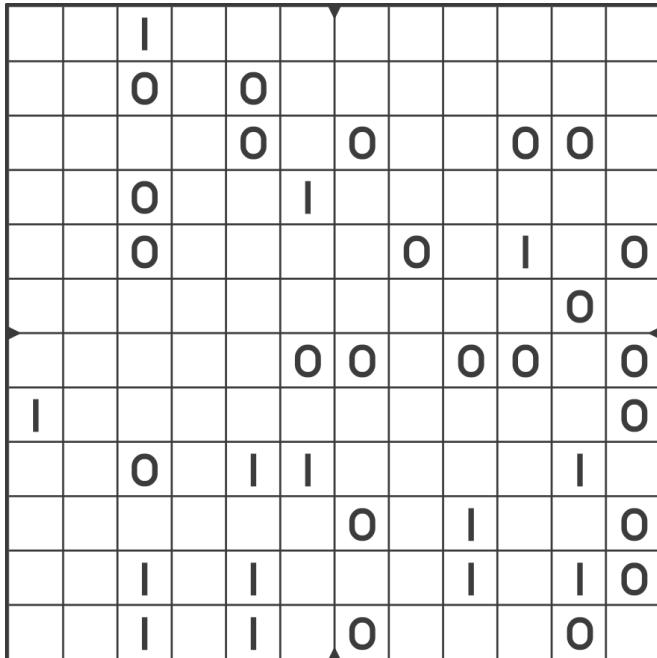
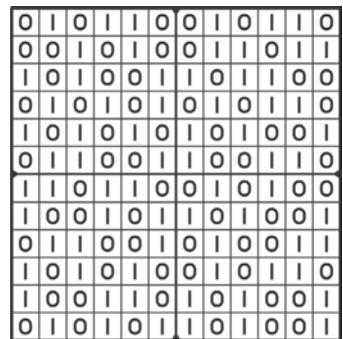
- 34 Ascribe altruistic motives to
- 35 Stock character of Westerns
- 36 Stock character of Westerns
- 37 Elevated-sounding accomplishment
- 38 Wear with flair
- 39 Pious, from the Hebrew for "piety"
- 40 Cheer up
- 41 Dulcet
- 43 Marsh chorus
- 46 Candidates for 10 Down
- 48 Put a bandage on
- 49 Creator of Angela's "Groove Back" Stella
- 51 Antonym of "insurrect"
- 52 Atomizer attachment
- 54 FedEx rival

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Each cell should contain a zero or a one. No more than two similar numbers below or next to each other are allowed. Each row and each column is unique and contains as many zeros as ones.

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| Apparel      | Credit        | Junk     | Skis    |
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| Bike         | Donate        | Pans     | Teapot  |
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