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Daily Press Staff Writer

Local businessman Kaming Joa Martinez is known to literally wear his Puerto Rican pride on his sleeve. For the past sixteen years, Martinez and his partner both grew up in Puerto Rico and lived all over the world before setting in Santa Monica eight years ago. “For us, the whole family is back there. We go back constantly. We also have a business that’s directly linked to Puerto Rico.”

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The situation in his homeland is dire - while supermarkets are well, you know how proud us Puerto Ricans are,” Martinez said in an interview Monday while taking a break from organizing fundraisers and watching the news for updates on the island. Martinez and his partner both grew up in Puerto Rico and lived all over the world before setting in Santa Monica eight years ago. “For us, the whole family is back there. We go back constantly. We also have a business that’s directly linked to Puerto Rico.”

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A holistic medicine practitioner attends a wealthy client’s dinner party after her car breaks down. Starring Salma Hayek and John Lithgow.

**Wednesday, September 27**

**Fairview Teen Advisory Group**

Are you looking for opportunities to serve your community? Join our Teen Advisory Group and help improve teen services at the library! You can earn community service credit for participating.

**Thursday, September 28**

**Santa Monica Democratic Club Meeting**

In honor of Back to School month, they’re hosting a meeting devoted to the future of Pre-K through 12 education in California. The panel will include SMMUSD Superintendent Dr. Ben Drati, State senator and former SMMUSD boardmember Ben Allen and 2018 Candidate for State Superintendent of Public Instruction and Former CEO of Partnership for LA Schools Marshall Tuck. McKinely Elementary School cafeteria, 2401 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 – 9 p.m. Free

**Current Events Discussion**

Join us for a lively discussion of the current events. Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Blvd, 1 – 2:30 p.m.

**Journaling**

Journaling offers a tremendous benefit for the mind, body, and spirit. Join us as we write from prompts. No writing experience necessary. Bring your favorite pen or pencil and willingness to experiment on the page! Journals will be provided. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd, 2 – 3 p.m.

**What to Expect When Adopting a Dog**

Author Diane Rose-Solomon shares her story about how she accidentally adopted a dog and the life-changing results. She provides insight on choosing the right dog for your family, as well as how to care for and integrate the newcomer into your home. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave, 6 – 7 p.m.

**Free Yachting Presentation**

Join fellow boaters and Yachting enthusiasts for an informative discussion and presentation by Tom Ehman, Founder, Publisher and Editor of SAILING ILLUSTRATED at 7 p.m. in The Fireside Room of The California Yacht Club, Marina del Rey. Tom will provide insight into what’s happening with Yacht racing and what’s going on down under for the America’s Cup 136. Reservations appreciated at reservations@calyacht-club.net. California Yacht Club, 4469 Admiralty Way – Marina del Rey (310) 823-4567 for more information.

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Ocean Park Blvd.

Meeting on aiding the homeless

The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority is holding a community information session to discuss the current state of homelessness in Los Angeles County, LAHSA’s role, and how to get involved in your area. The session, which begins at 7 p.m., will take place Thursday, September 28, at Mt. Olive Lutheran Church, 1343 Ocean Park Blvd., Santa Monica.

For more information, please contact Sam Appel, sappel@lahsa.org.

The Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority is a joint powers authority of the City and County of Los Angeles, created in 1993 to address the problems of homelessness in Los Angeles County. LAHSA is the lead agency in the HUD-funded Los Angeles Continuum of Care, and coordinates and manages more than $243 million annually in federal, state, county and city funds for programs providing shelter, housing and services to homeless persons. For more information visit www.lahsa.org.

— SUBMITTED BY TOM WAGEMAN DIRECTOR COMMUNICATIONS LOS ANGELES HOMELESS SERVICES AUTHORITY (LAHSA)

LOS ANGELES

2 baby mandrill monkeys make debut at Los Angeles Zoo

Two baby mandrills, a type of monkey, have made their debut at the Los Angeles Zoo. The mandrills, a male and a female by different mothers, were introduced to the public Tuesday.

Mandrills are the largest monkey species. The adult males are known for their colorful red-and-blue muzzles. The animals also have red-and-blue rumps.

The babies don’t have names yet, but the zoo says they’ve been playing and exploring their environment.

They were born in August to mothers Clementine and Juliette, who came to LA from a zoo in France.

The babies were born to a first-time father, Jabari, under a survival program that’s designed to strengthen the gene pool of vulnerable species.

Mandrills are affected by the loss of their African habitat. They’re also hunted for their meat.

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LOS ANGELES

Deal for new city fuels Los Angeles County development boom

A new city of 58,000 residents could rise in Southern California now that a deal has been reached to end a decades-long development battle.

Environmental groups on Monday agreed to the pact, clearing the way for the Newhall Ranch project involving the construction of thousands of new homes in the Santa Clarita Valley, the Los Angeles Times reported.

It will join other large developments in the works along the Interstate 5 corridor that together are likely to transform one of the last undeveloped sections of Los Angeles County.

To the north, developers built a massive outlet mall and are planning a housing and resort project at Tejon Ranch.

The project about 35 miles (56 kilometers) north of downtown Los Angeles was proposed during the development boom of the 1980s but was stalled repeatedly by protests and legal challenges.

Under the deal, developer FivePoint Holdings agreed to provide $25 million for conservation efforts aimed at protecting an array of endangered species from plans to build the new city along a six-mile (10-mile) stretch of the Santa Clara River.

“We are glad to have the important benefits in place for the climate and for the community,” Aruna Prabhala, staff attorney for the Center of Biological Diversity, told The Signal newspaper in Santa Clarita.

The developer also signed a separate proprietary agreement with the Wishtoyo Foundation, a nonprofit Native American organization, to provide a parcel of land and undisclosed funding for construction of a multimillion-dollar cultural center on ancestral lands within the development.

In exchange, a coalition led by the Center for Biological Diversity, the Wishtoyo Foundation/Ventura Coastkeeper, the California Native Plant Society and the Santa Ynez Band of Chumash Indians will drop its lawsuit against the company and will not oppose development of new homes, golf courses, schools, recreation centers and 13 million square feet (1.2 million square meters) of commercial space.

The Newhall Ranch project comes amid a severe housing crunch across California that has caused rents to rise dramatically and pushed cities such as Los Angeles to approve denser developments.

Los Angeles County Supervisor Kathryn Barger, who represents the district where Newhall Ranch is located, said in a statement that “this settlement balances the need for housing with unprecedented protection of our natural resources.”

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Los Angeles Homeless Services Authority

CONSOLIDATED ANNUAL PERFORMANCE AND EVALUATION REPORT FOR 2016 PROGRAM YEAR

Notice is hereby given that the City of Santa Monica has developed the Consolidated Annual Performance and Evaluation Report (CAPER) for the 2016 Program Year. The CAPER is submitted annually to the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and provides a status report on how the City’s Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) and HOME grant funded projects and activities are meeting the City’s overall housing and community development needs as specified in the Consolidated Plan (2015-19) and Action Plan (2016-17), adopted by City Council in May 2016 and submitted to HUD. The City is seeking community comments on this report.

Copies of the CAPER are now available to the public for a 15-day community review period ending September 27, 2017. Copies are available at City Hall (Room 212) and on the web at www.smgov.net/hsd, or you may contact the Human Services Division, 1685 Main Street, Room 212, Santa Monica, CA 90401, telephone (310) 458-8701; TDD (310) 458-8696. Please send your written comments to Marc Amaral at the above address or via email at humanservices@smgov.net by September 27, 2017.
Condemning racism
Editor:
Santa Monicans for Renters’ Rights condemns the overt bigotry that burst into view with several disturbing events this summer in Santa Monica and the appalling weekend of white-supremacist mayhem in Charlottesville. Such atavistic, primitive hatred has no place in our community nor in our country, built on the ideals — still imperfectly achieved — of equality and dignity for all people. We are heartened by the united spirit that saw the most recent anti-racist meeting in one of our public parks proceed undisturbed, as huge numbers of community members converged in a peaceful show of unity. The white supremacists stayed away in the face of this powerful demonstration of our community values of inclusion and solidarity.

We as a community stand vigilant and unbowed in our determination to ensure that such bigotry is unconditionally rejected and will be resisted with the full force of our collective resolve.

Patricia Hoffman and Dennis Zane
Co-chairs
Santa Monicans for Renters’ Rights

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

SACRAMENTO
Judge rewrites ballot description for gas tax measure
A California judge has rewritten the official ballot description for a proposed initiative repealing gas tax increases after finding one written by Attorney General Xavier Becerra was flawed and misleading.
Sacramento County Superior Court Judge Timothy Frawley finalized his ballot title and summary on Monday following a lawsuit filed by Assemblyman Travis Allen of Huntington Beach, a Republican candidate for governor who wants to repeal the gas tax.
Becerra’s title said the ballot measure would eliminate transportation funding by repealing revenues.
Frawley ruled that’s confusing to voters and changed the title to say explicitly that it would repeal gas and diesel taxes in addition to transportation funding.
“‘This is not a situation where reasonable minds may differ,’” Frawley wrote. “‘The attorney general’s title is fundamentally flawed and must be changed to avoid misleading the voters and creating prejudice against the measure.'"
Becerra spokeswoman Bethany Lesser did not answer questions in a phone call and sent Tuesday by email about whether the office plans to appeal the decision.

Lawmakers voted in April to boost gas taxes and vehicle fees to raise $5 billion a year for road repairs. Starting Nov. 1, gas taxes will increase by 12 cents a gallon and diesel taxes by 20 cents.
Next year, a new fee tied to vehicle registrations will cost motorists between $25 and $175 depending on the value of the vehicle.
And in 2020, zero-emission vehicle owners will be charged a $100 fee with their vehicle registration since they do not contribute to road maintenance through gas taxes.
Allen said he was pleased with the judge’s final language, which he said would make clear to voters what they’re deciding.
“By rewriting it himself, he has entirely taken partisanship out of the ballot initiative process just as the California constitution intended,” Allen said.

NEW YORK
Need more room? Twitter testing 280-character limit
Need more room to type those deep thoughts? Twitter is testing a 280-character limit, doubling the current length restriction that’s been in place since the company’s founding 11 years ago.

The test is being made available to a small subset of users and applies to languages with fewer characters, according to Twitter.

“Need more room to type? Twitter is testing a 280-character limit,” the company said in a blog post.

“In the past, a 140-character limit was a technical constraint, but for some languages, such as Japanese, Korean and Chinese, there isn’t the same technical constraint. That’s when Twitter that way. But most people now use Twitter through its mobile app, where there isn’t the same technical constraint.

Twitter has already eased the restrictions, and doesn’t count photos, videos and other things toward the character limit.

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This Is Not What You Think

HOW TO WRITE A COLUMN
In less than three hours. Instead of six hours.
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But don't want to break your string of more than 250 columns over six years turned in every week, never missed one, not even after open heart surgery. It was a bigger thing because all the others were wired for something other than typing that column.

FOR STARTERS
You use more subheads. (**FOR STARTERS**—that's a subhead.) See! You learned something.

And make each sentence a new paragraph. And like those term papers you wrote in high school where you were also clueless but had to turn something in, you pad and fake like crazy.

But you never had a teacher so dumb they fell for it, did you?

How am I doing? Do you like it so far?

— you didn't really think I had run out of things to say, did you?

HISTORIC OCEAN PARK
It was literally a turn-away crowd last week for local historian Richard Orton's presentation of Ocean Park history, at the Ocean Park Library — one of the few remaining Carnegie-funded structures still functioning as a library. Built in 1917-18, it was featured in an historic landmark in Santa Monica in 1977. Seven years later local OP architect Bob Taylor was hired to design the addition, a children's area with handicap access.

And that the 1098 piece of stuff Orton reeled off, with slides of historic photos, for nearly an hour to a rapt audience. "When I moved into Ocean Park in January 1970, it was not the popular and beautiful place in Santa Monica. It was the local hangout, and it has changed drastically over the years," said Orton. He'll be doing it again a couple of times in the near future so look for it. Even if you were there for it, you were there doing it again a couple of times in the near future so look for it. Even if you were there for it, you were there.

NEW SUBHEAD
How 'bout them Golden State Warriors? Turning down their invitation as NBA champions to the Trump White House — those are my boys! When it comes to politics and right and wrong, some athletes have more balls than politicians. I switched my loyalty to the Warriors three years ago when it became clear my Lakers were going to allow co-owner Jim Buss to continue to ruin the once-great franchise. Just too painful to watch, game after game. This wasn't just a slump, this was dynasty destruction that would last years.

I may have to switch back to the Lakers now that they have some Magic going for them (he's made some remarkable trades) but it sure was fun watching the Golden Boys and their amazingly athletic and entertaining style of play.

And now rebellion is spreading at least beyond the NFL. I agree and have complained for many years that the "Star Spangled Banner" is not only a terror to try to sing (it was meant to be a vocal exercise, not a national anthem) but the words, about a forgotten battle in a forgotten war (however, the British did burn the White House), are war-like and racist, at least in the third verse. And Francis Scott Key went on to become a fierce fighter for slavery and against abolition.

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QUESTION OF THE WEEK:
Can I get away with this one you probably didn't catch everything, but it sure was fun watching the Golden Boys and their amazingly athletic and entertaining style of play.

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DON'T MISS THIS SHOW
This Tuesday, Oct. 3, downtown LA at the beautiful Mayan Theater, a benefit all-star concert by and for the Playing for Change group. The idea of Playing for Change became a foundation, which recently moved its headquarters to Santa Monica. The touring group has played on the Pier and they were mesmerizing. This show should top that by oodles. See you there.

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students walking around.” She loves her new teachers and said they have been great so far. She has been learning a lot but it seems like a pretty competitive environment, which makes her nervous. The $110,055,056 project started about ten years ago, and was founded by the Bond-Measure AA during the 2008 elections and the KCRW Foundation. The design is by Clive Wilkinson Architects and the infrastructure is 116,000 square feet, including the parking and the new facility for KCRW. The CMD building is a “green building” with low-emitting materials, indoor air quality, certified wood, low mercury lamps, optimize energy performance, etc.

KCRW, the public radio station currently located on the Main campus, helped raise $48 million dollars and will be moving into the new building.

The renovation will give KCRW and various media classes a new home to work and grow. KCRW’s new home is scheduled to finish construction in December. According to Emil Zordilla, Assistant Director for Facilities Planning Department at SMC, the new facility includes the renovation of an existing 25,000 square foot building on the northeast corner of campus - where the previous classroom building for Santa Monica College’s Academy of Entertainment Technology took place - and the construction of a new wing, parking structure and facilities for KCRW.

Drew Davis, the Production coordinator for the film program, explained that the facility has full state of the art equipment. The location of the CMD is strategic as it is surrounded by major media firms and technological start-ups. In the near future, the school will be able to welcome and work with professionals on and off campus. KCRW radio will not be the only one to bring new partnerships. This will lead to great opportunities for the students. Salvador Carrasco, Faculty Lead for Film Production says, “Our students will now learn and train in a facility from which they can make a seamless transition to a professional production studio. They will learn how to work with a grid, LED lights, professional editing bays, high-tech broadcast cameras, and a truly amazing green screen.”

Not all of the Media classes were able to move in this semester. The Broadcasting students still have to wait another semester to discover the new facilities. Bradley Lemonds, the Broadcast Lab technician explains, “We had to have a schedule set early in the Spring semester for the on-campus classes.”

Film and TV were competing at the same time. We were offering classes at the same time so we couldn’t use the same space at the same time. So, in the Spring, we will switch our modules and classes.

Film classes were not alone in relocating. The Design and Journalism classes are designated there too. The Corsair Newsroom also moved the relocator. They are located on the ground floor with a much bigger newsroom and touchscreen monitors, similar to that of a professional newsroom.

This new building seems to be an inspiration for students. Film Production Major, Nico Lozano seems to agree. Coming out of the green screen room, after his Film class 33 class, a class focused on directing short films, Lozano says, “all the equipment looks very nice, it’s inspiring and makes you want to work very hard because you have all this very nice equipment in it. So, you want to show... that the school didn’t waste their money on getting all this great equipment.”

Three months remain before the grand opening of the Center for Media and Design campus along with the completed KCRW building. As construction and SMC classes continue, the Grand Opening is scheduled for December 2.
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WEDNESDAY – POOR – SURF: 1-2 ft knee to thigh high
Modest SSE/S swell

THURSDAY – POOR TO FAIR – SURF: 1-2 ft ankle to knee high
Modest SSE/S swell.

The Santa Monica Police Department responded to 384 calls for service on Sept. 25.

Here is a sampling of those calls chosen by the Santa Monica Daily Press Staff:

Living in a vehicle 800 block Pacific 12:53 a.m.
Encampment 1000 block Colorado 1:14 a.m.
Traffic collision 800 block Olympic 2:05 a.m.
Drunk driving 17th / Olympic 3:02 a.m.
Strongarm robbery 600 block Ocean 3:36 a.m.
Party complaint 1200 block 1st 3:19 a.m.
Traffic collision 1100 block Wilshire 3:34 a.m.
Battery 2500 block Santa Monica 3:59 a.m.
Domestic violence 300 block Pico 6:18 a.m.
Indecent exposure 700 block Broadway 6:27 a.m.
Encampment 1500 block Arizona 7:23 a.m.
Vandalism 200 block Pico 7:43 a.m.
Grand theft 1700 block Santa Monica 7:59 a.m.
Petty theft 1400 block 6th 8:23 a.m.
Burglary 1200 block Wilson pl 8:27 a.m.
Trash dumping 0 block Seaview Ter 9:39 a.m.
Burglary 1500 block Berkeley 9:50 a.m.
Vandalism 300 block bay 10:06 a.m.
Vehicle with excessive tickets 2900 block 2nd 10:11 a.m.
Auto burglary 1400 block 26th 10:25 a.m.
Battery 2400 block Main 10:43 a.m.
Petty theft 300 block Colorado 10:46 a.m.
Auto burglary 2300 block 6th 10:56 a.m.
Traffic collision 1100 block Wilshire 11:01 a.m.
Burglary 1500 block 5th 11:13 a.m.
Fraud 1600 block Main 11:33 a.m.

DAILY FIRE LOG

The Santa Monica Fire Department responded to 31 calls for service on Sept. 25.

Here is a sampling of those calls chosen by the Santa Monica Daily Press Staff:

Elevating rescue 2800 block Nelson 1:32 p.m.
EMS 800 block 10th 2:14 p.m.
Broken gas main 1300 block 3rd Street 3:15 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1300 block 3rd Street 3:21 p.m.
EMS 700 block Broadway 3:52 p.m.
EMS 2000 block Santa Monica 4:29 p.m.
EMS 1900 block Ocean 4:58 p.m.
EMS 2000 block Santa Monica 5:53 p.m.
Flooding condition 1000 block Bay 6:08 p.m.
EMS 1500 block 12th 6:24 p.m.
EMS Ocean / Santa Monica 7:36 p.m.
Automatic alarm 300 block Civic Center 8 p.m.
Automatic alarm 1500 block 6th 8:09 p.m.
EMS 1500 block 2nd 8:46 p.m.
Miscellaneous outside fire 1300 block Pacific 8:55 p.m.
EMS 1100 block 3rd 9:23 p.m.
EMS 2000 block 20th 9:54 p.m.
Odor of natural gas 2900 block Ocean Park 11:38 p.m.
Bodily fluids you can’t live without:

- **Bile**: Produced by liver, stored in gallbladder, released into intestines to break down dietary fats. Its dark green to brown hue is partly responsible for the color of vomitus and stool.

- **Blood**: The average adult contains roughly six liters.

- **Menstrual fluid**: Half blood, with the rest being cervical mucus, vaginal secretions and endometrial tissue.

- **Mucus**: A slippery, clear liquid produced by mucous glands to provide moisture, lubrication and protection against pathogens. It lines the lungs, stomach, intestines, urinary and reproductive tracts, eyes and ears.

- **Pus**: A viscous fluid generated as an immune response, accumulating at infection sites. It usually consists of bacteria, white blood cells, proteins and cellular debris. It's the immune system at work.

- **Semen**: A teaspoon of semen contains approximately 300 million spermatozoa.

- **Saliva**: Like mucus, saliva in the mouth contains antibacterial enzymes and antibodies. It moistens food to aid chewing and swallowing, and enhances taste. The average adult produces a liter of saliva daily.

- **Sweat**: Like saliva, sweat is almost entirely water, plus some minerals that give it a salty taste. The body possesses 3 million sweat glands, which can generate two or more liters of sweat per hour during intense exercise.

- **Tears**: They serve three functions: lubricate the eye, rinse away irritants like smoke or dust and indicate emotional state, such as sorrow or joy.

- **Urine**: Produced by the kidneys and stored by the bladder, urine is mostly water but importantly contains substances that must be removed from the body, such as protein metabolism byproducts that become toxic when allowed to accumulate and excessive salt.

- **Vomitus**: Unlike the other fluids, vomitus is not produced regularly. It is a purging of toxins or poisons. It’s often acidic due to stomach secretions. May be triggered by inner ear disturbances or infections.

**SPUD NEWS CAFES
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**NEWSDAY CROSSWORD**

ACROSS
1 Sammy __ Jr. 6 Goad
10 204, to Caesar 14 In flames
15 Swim-meet assignment 16 “Vikes!”
17 Major tad 18 Food safety acy.
19 Veal or pork 20 In the CHIPs
22 Thorn in one’s side 23 “In what way?”
24 Broke loose 26 School support
29 Look through a book 32 Devour
33 Blow one’s top 35 Forgive, informally
39 Spanish bull 40 Payday extra
41 Designer Wang 43 Savor an experience
45 Spiral 46 Omelet ingredient
47 Toddler’s word 49 Glacier, essentially
50 Microwave’s “thaw” setting 54 Doctors’ org.
56 Not a copy: Abbr.
57 CHIP in
63 ___ Lisa
64 LAX postings
65 Adjusted, as a piano

DOWN
1 Slightly wet 2 Miles away
3 Ristorante bottle 4 From Dublin
5 Harbor city 6 Speak unclearly
7 EL TV 8 Excessive
9 Size up again 10 With a CHIP on one’s shoulder
11 Low-priced 12 Silly
13 Went to the polls 21 Lamb’s morn
25 Baseball great Ripken 26 Puppy or parrot
27 Relaxed running pace 28 Mystical glow
29 Frequent 31 Jeans fabric
32 Where CHIPs are thrown on a table 36 Salad sandwich
37 Supermarket section with slicers 38 Viking explorer

**CHIPPING AWAY**

08 Embarrassing commotion
09 Logging tool
10 Freudian concept
11 Overact
12 Scratch or dent
50 With a spherical roof
51 Wear away
52 Semester-ending exam
53 Add up to
55 Mistreatment
58 Countrywide: Abbr.
59 General __
60 Group of troops
61 Temporary shelter
62 Feeling tense
Drinking water is nowhere to be found. The shops that are have long lines out-
have generators or enough diesel to power
power is out for most of the island and few
gradually re-opening in hurricane-ravaged
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Comics & Stuff

Aries (March 21-April 19)
They’re fallin in love with your smile. If only
they knew how difficult it can be to take the
sunny route. It’s often automatic, but just as
often not. Something good usually happens
when levity wins, though.

Taurus (April 20-May 20)
How much caring is too much? You’ll wonder
this as your love expands along with your
involvement in, and expectations of, a relation-
ship. Take your time. This part requires thoughtfulness and space.

Gemini (May 21-June 21)
There are people from your past whose paths
you may never cross again who think of you in
a certain way. You can’t control or change that,
but you can definitely make a fresh impression
on the people you meet today.

Cancer (June 22-July 22)
To wish for an easy route — well, it wouldn’t be you,
but it wouldn’t be you, either. You’ll take
what comes naturally and know what it feels
like to get stronger and smarter for the work.

Leo (July 23-Aug. 22)
Some will find the way; others will find the
excuse. You’re at a point where you need to
decide how much it means to you. Much will be
riding on how important the mission is and how
depth you are committed to it.

Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
Reality and your dream of it do not seem very
far apart from one another today. But there are
depth you are committed to it.

Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)
Conflict comes from facing life head-on. So
does peace. Avoidance keeps the tension going
unnecessarily. Today, everything is better han-
dled very quickly if not immediately. Speak to
each other.

Scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)
The people in charge may place roadblocks to
deter the faint-hearted or those who are only
mildly interested. You’ve every reason to keep
trying. You’ll quickly prove you’re not in that
category, and doors will open to you.

Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
The leadership position will come with stress-
ful responsibilities and expectations, and yet
somehow that won’t bother you the way it
would others. Things will be better when you’re
in charge.

Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
Relax and let things unfold naturally. Even with
today’s lengthy to-do list, you’ll approach with
the right attitude, handle it all and even have
some fun along the way.

Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
You see funny things today — or maybe you
just notice what’s always been there but you
suddenly see the humor in it. Stress levels go
down with every laugh.

Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20)
Opportunities will present themselves in coy,
understated ways. The best one will sit quietly,
not drawing much Rossetto and other Puerto
foolish. You know a good thing when you see it.

Seize the moment.

Heathcliff
Strange Brew

Agnes
Dogs of C-Kennel

Zack Hill

This time the opposing planets to blame for the drama are Jupiter, the mack daddy of the zodiac, and
Uranus, the planet of change and rock & roll. The impact is akin to an epic, rock & roll tour of a country that
suddenly seems perfectly normal for people to be singing their story at full volume and expressing them-
selves on the grand scale.

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