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Just one e-cigarette might raise adrenaline in the heart | Reuters Health

Smoking traditional cigarettes has long been known to increase adrenaline levels in the heart, and the current findings suggest that nicotine in e-cigarette emissions does this too, said senior study author Dr. Holly Middlekauff, of the David Geffen School of Medicine at the University of California, Los Angeles. "Inhaled nicotine delivered by e-cigarettes, traditional cigarettes and other tobacco products (e.g. hookah) rapidly enters the bloodstream and the brain and stimulates nerves that carry adrenaline and the adrenal gland to release adrenaline," Middlekauff said by email. (Also: HealthDay News, Medical Xpress and Daily Mail [U.K.])

UCLA's Guerrero knows where he came from, where he's headed | ESPN

Neither of his parents ever graduated from high school. Now his school has won more NCAA titles during his tenure than any other athletic director in Division I history. UCLA athletic director Dan Guerrero, a native son of Los Angeles, excelled from his humble beginnings, going to UCLA on a baseball scholarship, then eventually becoming a sports administrator and one of only four Latino athletic directors (out of 128) of a Division I Football Bowl Subdivision (FBS) school. UCLA also leads with the most NCAA championships overall with 113. It doesn't stop fans from clamoring for more success, keeping the pressure on. "Athletic director jobs, at any level, aren't for the faint of heart," said Guerrero, who has served in his post since 2002.

A head-spinning, hope-inspiring showcase of art | New York Times

"Home," one of the stronger shows in "LA/LA," was co-organized by Chon A. Noriega, director of the Chicano Studies Research Center at the University of California, Los Angeles, which has made significant loans to other exhibitions on the roster. One, at the Autry Museum of the American West, is a vivid, tip-of-the-iceberg survey of photographs from the Mexican-American newspaper-turned-magazine La Raza, which, from 1967 to 1977, served as a mouthpiece for the Chicano Civil Rights Movement, documenting the local Latino community's antiwar protests in the 1960s, its effort to secure work and education, and its persecution at the hands of police.

Latin American cinema culture celebrated in series | Los Angeles Times

Los Angeles has been many things cinematic, but one of the most important is one of the least known: the 30-year period when a multitude of downtown theaters functioned as "the undisputed capital of Latin American cinema culture in the United States." That description comes courtesy of the UCLA Film & Television Archive, which in collaboration with the Getty Foundation's wide-ranging Pacific Standard Time: LA/LA initiative, is bringing the best of the past back to town in a program called "Recuerdos De Un Cine En Español: Latin American Cinema in Los Angeles, 1930-1960."

California steps up to Trump to stop border wall | Los Angeles Times

UCLA law professor Sean B. Hecht, co-executive director of the university's Emmett Institute on Climate Change and the Environment, said the lawsuit makes some strong points. "The legal arguments look plausible to me," he said. "I think that they've identified some ways in which the federal government might not have followed the law in doing these waivers."

Too much water recycling could dry up L.A. River | KPCC-FM's "Take Two"

"Is it just about putting parks and having bike paths along the river," said [UCLA's Mark] Gold, "or are we really going to do something to transform the river itself and the water said that feeds into it? And that's really what this study is all about, is it provides an incredible amount of information for those people who are doing the planning and decision-making to decide the future of the river." (Also: KABC-TV)

New kind of HIV antibody | San Diego Union-Tribune

Study results are strong, said Jeffrey Klausner, M.D, a professor of medicine in the division of infectious diseases at UCLA's David Geffen School of Medicine. "This is the first data I've seen in an animal model that using these three targets provides 100 percent protection," Klausner said. However, Klausner said much work remains to be done to make an effective human treatment. The duration of the protection, for example, needs to be determined.

Why Brown should junk presidential election bills | Los Angeles Times

Adam Winkler, a UCLA constitutional law professor, says the 1995 court ruling "would likely mean that California cannot add additional qualifications" for a presidential candidacy.

Risk-taking profitable but perilous in interdependent world | Zocalo

[Commentary by UCLA's Bhagwan Chowdhry] Risks are inherent in life and so, over the

centuries, people have devised many mechanisms to pool and reduce risks. These institutions range from families to religious tithing to formal insurance contracts and diversification strategies for market investing. But, whether formal or informal, social or financial, all serve to ensure that those of us who are unfortunate enough to face adversity at any one time are taken care of by those who are not.

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