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# Santa Monica Council unanimously approves sweeping zoning overhaul to boost business



Matthew Hall

**ZONING:** The council hopes new rules will spur additional economic investment in the city by streamlining permitting for businesses.

**MAAZ ALIN**  
SMDP Staff Writer

The City Council has approved a comprehensive package of zoning amendments designed to streamline permitting for businesses and try to encourage new investment.

The ordinance downgrades permit requirements for many business types, streamlines alcohol regulations and permanently adopts temporary economic recovery rules that officials say have successfully attracted new enterprises to the downtown area. “Santa Monica is open for business, period,”

Mayor Caroline Torosis said. “We are trying to remove every single artificial barrier that we can.”

The legislation represents the latest phase in what city planners described as an ongoing effort to revitalize commercial districts. It pairs with separate fee-reduction measures the council considered the same evening.

Under the new rules, many businesses that previously required a Conditional Use Permit — a process costing around \$10,000 and taking three to five months — will now need only a Minor Use Permit, which costs about \$8,000 and takes roughly two months.

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# California's new governor must hold down clean energy costs, drive innovation

The California governorship is a peculiar prize. This November's winner will inherit a powerful office that's one-part bully pulpit and two-parts hot seat. Suddenly, every decision they make will ripple through the fifth-largest economy on Earth and the daily lives of 39 million people.

The winner will pay a price for that power, saddled immediately with a spiraling affordability crisis hammering the state's middle class. A good place to start? The price of power.

If California's multi-decade housing failure drives the cost crisis, our ideology-driven energy policy is riding shotgun.

Energy costs feed into everything, devouring household budgets directly and through higher prices. Voters are feeling it. Employers are fleeing it.

We at the New California Coalition — a nonpartisan alliance of business, labor and civic leaders — have conducted extensive polling and focus groups with Californians. Our findings align

with Stanford University's Deliberative Democracy Lab and the Public Policy Institute of California: Voters want a cleaner energy future — but not if it wrecks jobs, doubles bills or drives out the middle class.

It's a dual mandate with co-equal goals: climate leadership — including sustainability and resilience — and shared economic prosperity — meaning affordability, reliability and economic opportunity.

We found 85% of Californians prioritize affordability over emissions, not because they doubt climate action, but because they doubt the state can deliver it without harming jobs, energy reliability and a shot at the middle class.

The next governor needs to level with Californians: The state accounts for less than 1% of global emissions. We could shut down every factory, park every car and kill every gas plant tomorrow, and global temperatures wouldn't budge. The other 99% of the world just keeps

emitting.

## ENERGY COSTS AND THE CALIFORNIA DREAM

High energy costs strangle the California Dream. When electricity and fuel get expensive, everything gets expensive — housing, food and freight.

Businesses feeling the pinch head for lower-cost locales, taking jobs with them. And the industries we claim to want — artificial intelligence, chip fabrication, clean tech, advanced manufacturing — need a stable, affordable grid. California is effectively telling them to enjoy Arizona.

So, what do voters want? Stanford found they support major energy technology — including modern nuclear — provided it keeps power and fuel affordable and reliable.

What they reject is magical thinking: killing off existing energy sources before new ones are viable. This isn't ideology or climate denialism. It's common sense.

The next governor must treat energy as a top-of-the-chart priority. Whether through direct oversight, an energy czar, or a cabinet-level leader — direction must come from the Governor's office, with streamlined permitting and measurable targets tracked publicly.

It means building a counterweight to the regulatory state: an economic growth agency backed by job creators, and a formal workforce development role to train Californians for the jobs this transition will create.

It also means redirecting cap-and-invest funds toward innovation that advances the co-equal goals of climate leadership and shared economic prosperity.

The next governor needs to get serious, fast. He or she should first unwind the bureaucratic snarl blocking transmission lines and unleash distributed energy generation, which involves small, localized energy generators such as rooftop solar, small modular reactors and local microgrids.

We can't electrify everything while strangling the grid.

Next, the new governor should extend Diablo Canyon's operation. It's California's largest source of carbon-free electricity, and it works. End the outdated ban on small modular reactors. Nuclear is clean, stable and here.

California's leader also should ensure the state continues investing in existing oil and natural gas infrastructure while developing new infrastructure for future diversified energy sources.

And the state should launch an aggressive biomass-to-bioenergy push — turning organic waste into energy — so that it clears wildfire fuel, generates power and helps revitalize rural economies. That's three benefits in one policy.

Lastly, the new governor should increase research and development support to commercialize breakthrough technologies like fusion and space-based solar, which places solar panels on satellites.

These aren't pipe dreams; they're policy decisions waiting for leaders with the gumption to make them happen.

Tracy Hernandez is cofounder and CEO of the New California Coalition

## SUZANN STURTRIDGE JONES

November 29, 1941 - February 13, 2026

**S**uzann Sturtridge Jones, 84, a devoted advocate for animals and a woman of deep spiritual conviction, passed peacefully on a February morning in Santa Monica, California. She died in her husband's arms, with their faithful Australian Shepherd, Shaman, by her side.

Suzann as a young woman, already devoted to the care and protection of animals — a calling that would define her life.

Born November 29, 1941, in Gary, Indiana, to Richard and Joan Sturtridge, Suzann grew up in Whittier, California. She began dancing at the age of six and pursued ballet with discipline and grace, eventually performing at the Hollywood Bowl and appearing in films and television throughout the 1950s and 1960s. Her credits included *The Twilight Zone*, *The Man from U.N.C.L.E.*, *Bye Bye Birdie*, *Girls! Girls! Girls!*, and *Roustabout*. While working in the industry, she continued her studies at UCLA, immersing herself in philosophy, art history, literature, music, and psychology.

She drove her pride and joy — a 1957 yellow convertible Thunderbird — between studio sets and campus, the California sun catching the chrome as she moved between worlds. Though talented and successful in entertainment, she quietly recognized that applause was not the same as meaning. Her spiritual search led her toward a life rooted in compassion rather than performance.

For five years she lived on the North Shore of Oahu with her beloved rescue Afghan Pharoah, embracing



a simpler life close to the ocean. She later returned to California to care for her aging parents. While seeking veterinary care for her dog, she met Dr. Kenneth D. Jones. Their meeting was serendipitous and life-changing. They married on October 7, 1980, beginning a forty-six-year partnership grounded in shared purpose.

In 1986, together they founded the Kenneth Jones Animal Hospital in Santa Monica. The hospital became known for its unwavering commitment to humane

treatment, accessibility, and long-term relationships with animals and their guardians. Extended hours, the absence of emergency fees, affordable surgeries, and unlimited recheck care reflected their belief that compassion should never be rationed.

The hospital was widely known for its care of injured and orphaned wildlife, especially opossums. Members of the community knew that if they found a sick or abandoned opossum, they had a place to turn. Suzann believed no creature was insignificant. Each life —

domestic or wild, cherished or overlooked — carried the same spark of consciousness.

Those who entered the hospital rarely forgot her presence. She was often seen wearing her signature sequined tops, and artificial flower headpieces. She wore no jewelry and no lipstick, yet her long red fingernails were unmistakable — a simple, bold expression of self. Her warmth was never weakness; she was direct and unwavering in her principles. She did not tolerate cruelty, neglect, or disrespect toward animals, nor did she accept abusive behavior from clients. Compassion, in her view, required both tenderness and protection.

Suzann believed all beings arise from the same source and share one universal consciousness. She carried this reverence into daily life, practicing her spirituality through service rather than doctrine.

Suzann at the Kenneth Jones Animal Hospital, wearing her signature flower crown, alongside her husband Kenneth and their devoted companion Shaman.

She was preceded in death by her parents, her brother Richard Nelson Sturtridge Jr., and many cherished animal companions. She is survived by her husband of forty-six years, Kenneth Jones, and their devoted dog Shaman — along with countless human and animal lives transformed by her care.

A private ceremony will be held on Oahu later this year. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Santa Monica Animal Shelter would be deeply appreciated. "We are here to speak for the animals." A promise she honored until her final breath.

GUEST COMMENTARY

Send comments to editor@smdp.com

# California businesses and left-leaning groups clash on the ballot and in court

The state Capitol's longest running political conflict — going at least a half-century and still counting — pits business interests against a quartet of left-leaning groups.

Specifics vary, but the four group types — unions, environmentalists, personal injury attorneys and consumer activists — propose legislative measures, regulations or ballot measures that would impose new costs, mandates or regulations on business.

In response, affected corporate interests devise strategies they hope will kill or neutralize the proposals.

For more than 25 years, the scorecard for such legislative clashes was a list of "job killer" bills issued annually by the California Chamber of Commerce, roughly encompassing their opponents' highest priority proposals.

Now the chamber pursues an "affordability agenda" of bills it opposes or favors. That list reflects the voting public's obsession with living costs, confirmed in a recent poll by the Public Policy Institute of California.

The perpetual game between business and leftist groups is being played vigorously this year in all arenas — the Legislature, regulatory agencies and the courts — with a prime example being the effort to compel major California businesses to file reports on their direct and indirect emissions of greenhouse gases.

Three years ago, the Legislature passed two measures, Senate Bill 253 and Senate Bill 261, authorizing the California Air Resources Board to require such emissions reports. Business groups strenuously opposed them and after enactment sued, a legal clash currently sitting in the federal Court of Appeals.

Nevertheless, the air resources board recently issued an initial set of regulations for implementing the two bills.

"The world needs climate leadership right now, and California is doubling down," state Sen. Scott Wiener, a San Francisco Democrat and author of SB 253, said in a statement. "We have no choice but to keep making progress to prevent climate-driven wildfires and other disasters ravaging our state."

California Business Roundtable President Rob Lapsley responded: "If you

drive to work, order groceries, receive a package, take your kids to school, go to a ballgame, or visit a hospital — congratulations. In the eyes of California regulators, you're part of an 'indirect source' of emissions."

He added the designation is "quickly becoming one of the most sweeping ways for California to expand government control over the economy — while quietly driving up the cost of living for everyone."

Another clash is over taxation in several forms, arising from the state's chronic budget deficits, financial squeezes in local governments and reductions in federal aid.

Unions and their allies want the Legislature to close what they term "loopholes" in corporate income taxes, particularly one dealing with taxing international corporations. They are also behind two proposed ballot measures, one that would impose a one-time tax on the assets of billionaires and another that would extend an income tax surcharge on high-income taxpayers that is due to expire in 2020.

Meanwhile, Lapsley's organization and anti-tax increase groups are sponsoring their own ballot measure to overturn a state Supreme Court decision that local taxes proposed via initiative need only simple majority voter approval. That decision has led to a flurry of local sales and parcel tax measures.

"We are organized, united, and ready to take this directly to voters in November," Lapsley said. "Californians want affordability, transparency, and respect for their vote. We look forward to a robust campaign that makes the case for protecting taxpayers and keeping the cost of living in check."

The coalition had proposed a similar measure for the 2024 ballot, but the Supreme Court blocked it from the ballot due to one provision requiring voter approval of taxes enacted by the Legislature. The court said it violated the state constitution.

Eight months from now, after the Legislature has adjourned and voters have spoken, we'll know who won this year's version of the game. Then it will begin all over again.

Dan Walters, CalMatters Opinion Columnist



## Surf report WATER TEMP: 61.2

**THURSDAY POOR** | **SURF:** 1-2ft Knee to thigh

Small but kinda fun (for the small-wave gear) SSW swell. Early tide push w/light wind probably best NW swell mix looks like it will settle a bit as small, long period SSW swell fills in a bit more. Something to ride, but you'll want the small-wave gear (big board or maybe a groveler). Light wind through much of the morning before light to moderate westerly onshore wind picks up for the afternoon.

**FRIDAY POOR** | **SURF:** 1-2ft Knee to thigh

Clean up day with a few rideable peaks to track down. Get the morning tide push. Jumbled NW swell mix from Thursday backs down through the day. It's not big but should be rideable on the early morning tide push. Shape is on the peaky/broken up side and there's a touch of SPAC swell in the mix. Wind looks to improve for the morning after Thursday's onshores.

## Weather

**Thursday:** Sunny, with a high near 74. Breezy, with a northwest wind 15 to 20 mph, with gusts as high as 25 mph.

**Thursday Night:** Clear, with a low around 54. North wind around 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.

**Friday:** Sunny, with a high near 72. North wind around 10 mph, with gusts as high as 15 mph.

**Friday Night:** Clear, with a low around 57.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2026/03/05	Thu	04:09 AM	0.41	L
2026/03/05	Thu	10:06 AM	4.63	H
2026/03/05	Thu	4:10 PM	0.36	L
2026/03/05	Thu	10:28 PM	5.02	H
2026/03/06	Fri	04:50 AM	0.45	L
2026/03/06	Fri	10:46 AM	3.98	H
2026/03/06	Fri	4:31 PM	0.91	L
2026/03/06	Fri	10:53 PM	4.92	H
2026/03/07	Sat	05:34 AM	0.58	L
2026/03/07	Sat	11:30 AM	3.33	H
2026/03/07	Sat	4:47 PM	1.45	L
2026/03/07	Sat	11:20 PM	4.75	H
2026/03/08	Sun	07:25 AM	0.79	L
2026/03/08	Sun	1:26 PM	2.73	H
2026/03/08	Sun	5:54 PM	1.91	L

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**POWERBALL**  
 Draw Date: 3/2  
 2 17 18 38 62  
 Power#: 20  
 Jackpot: 20 M

**Fantasy5**  
 Draw Date: 3/3  
 12 13 16 25 38

**MEGA MILLIONS**  
 Draw Date: 3/3  
 7 21 53 54 62  
 Mega#: 16  
 Jackpot: 496 M

**Daily 3**  
 Draw Date: 3/3  
 EVENING: 9 5 8  
 Draw Date: 3/3  
 MIDDAY: 7 9 6

**SuperLotto PLUS**  
 Draw Date: 2/28  
 8 11 22 37 46  
 Mega#: 24  
 Jackpot: 7 M

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 Draw Date: 3/3  
 1st: 04 - Big Ben  
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 3rd: 10 - Solid Gold  
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica invites Proposals for:

**Parks and Recreation Development Impact Fee Nexus Study  
Project No. SP2784**

The City of Santa Monica is inviting proposals from firms interested in conducting a Nexus Study to determine updates to the Parks and Recreation Impact Fee (SP2784).

The purpose of the RFP is to select the most qualified consultant to provide professional services for comprehensive review, analysis, and recommended adjustments to the Parks and Recreation Development Impact Fee to provide a direct funding source from new residential and commercial development to be used solely for the acquisition and development of open space, parkland, and recreation facilities to meet demand generated by occupants and users of the new development.

RFP questions to be submitted to via OpenGov, no later than 5:00pm. on March, 10, 2026.

Proposers shall upload RFP via OpenGov, no later than 5:00pm. on March 27, 2026.

RFP Documents may be obtained by logging onto the City's bidding website at: <https://procurement.opengov.com/portal/santa-monica-ca>.

**AROUND TOWN**

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**Spring Flinging Forward with Padel, Pottery & Persian Flavors**

SMDP's Weekly Guide to Food & Entertainment Goings-On In & Around Town includes a Montana Ave. shopping event, the Intelligentsia drive-thru opening, International Women's Month honors, Padel courts grand opening, a Persian culinary transformation on Wilshire, and much more!

**Padel Courts Grand Opening:** Fernando Belasteguín — widely considered the greatest padel player of all time, with 16 consecutive years at world No. 1 — is traveling from Spain for the grand opening. If you haven't heard of padel, think tennis meets squash in a glass-walled box. Thursday, March 5, 1318 4th St. [instagram.com/smpicklenpadel](https://instagram.com/smpicklenpadel)

**Pottery with BeSound & Perkies - For a Cause:** Join an intimate evening of pottery and connection and gather in honor of International Women's Month to support women's health. Enjoy talks from the founders of multiple women-led health companies and raise money for the Breast Cancer Research Foundation. Thursday, March 5 6p.m., ARTIME BARRO, 302 Pico Blvd. [partiful.com/e/K097zi9x8TqbkvulUg36](https://partiful.com/e/K097zi9x8TqbkvulUg36)

**L.A. County Dragon Boat Festival:** Just a quick hop south to Marina del Rey on Saturday, March 7, for this annual high-energy race. It's a great visual event for families and fitness enthusiasts. [visitmdr.com/annual-events/dragon-boat-festival](https://visitmdr.com/annual-events/dragon-boat-festival)

**Son Jarocho Concert:** Experience Son Jarocho, an Afro-Indigenous musical tradition from Veracruz, Mexico, performed by the El Sereno-based collective, Son del Sereno. Enjoy the musicians' live performance, followed by a 20-minute Q&A with the artists on the roots and history of this vibrant cultural expression. Saturday, March 7, 2 - 3p.m., Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd. <https://www.santamonica.gov/events/4x5ck3s2pe2wpspn3zda4zgh47/202603071400>



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**MONTANA AVE:** Spring is in the air.

**World Premiere of 'The Best Boarding House in Delaware' Opens March 5 at Electric Lodge Theater in Venice:** Emmy Award-winning actress Leigh Taylor-Young returns to the stage in the world premiere of a new play by writer/director Marja-Lewis Ryan. Inspired by the true crimes of Dorothea Puente — who operated a Social Security scam out of her boarding house for seniors — the play explores themes of trust, vulnerability and survival. The production runs through March 29, with previews Thursday, March 5, and an official opening night Friday, March 6, both at 8 p.m. Beginning March 7, performances are scheduled Thursdays and Fridays at 8 p.m. and Saturdays and Sundays at 3 p.m. and 7 p.m., 1416 Electric Ave., Venice. [thebestboardinghouseindelaware.eventbrite.com](https://thebestboardinghouseindelaware.eventbrite.com)

**A Dip at Dusk:** Swim & Social invites you to spring forward into Daylight Saving Time with A Dip At Dusk, including bevvy's by Kombucha Culture. Reminder that the early morning of Sunday, March 8, is when we officially "spring forward," making this event a literal way to welcome the longer days. Sunday, March 8, 6p.m., Lifeguard Tower 28 [instagram.com/p/DVKXJNhD26n](https://instagram.com/p/DVKXJNhD26n)

**Montana Ave. Spring Fling Streetwide Sale:** Come celebrate the season at the Montana Avenue Spring Fling! This is your chance to shop locally while exploring new arrivals and scoring some great deals. Stroll through the neighborhood, explore unique boutiques, and indulge in some of the West Side's finest dining. Saturday, March 7, 11a.m. - 6p.m. [instagram.com/montanaavesm](https://instagram.com/montanaavesm)

**Venice Street Fair:** The fair will close 3rd Ave between Rose Ave and Sunset Ave for artists and small businesses. Sunday, March 8, 9:30a.m. - 4:30p.m. [instagram.com/theartistfair](https://instagram.com/theartistfair)

**Santa Monica College Planetarium Offers Spring Sky Shows in March:** Enjoy live-hosted shows on Friday evenings and Sunday afternoons throughout March, featuring programs on spring skies, the spring equinox, and the life cycle of stars. Each show runs approximately 40 minutes and is followed by a Q&A with Planetarium Lecturer Sarah

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should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: 04/10/2026, Time: 8:30 am, Dept: F43. The address of the court is same as noted above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS. Date: 02/06/2026. Michael J. O'Gara, Judge of the Superior Court. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 02/19/2026, 02/26/2026, 03/05/2026, 03/12/2026

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Pico

Performance Duo Returns After 18 Years for Limited Engagement at 18th Street Arts Center

Rochelle Fabb and Joan Spitler, performance artists once described by the Los Angeles Times as a duo who should be “brought to the attention of David Lynch,” will reunite for “And This,” a limited performance at Crazy Space at 18th Street Arts Center on Sunday, March 8.

The show marks the first collaboration between Fabb and Spitler in 18 years. The production, presented by Spitfabbler and organized by MKNstudio.org as part of Crazy Space Returns, will feature three showings at 1 p.m., 3 p.m. and 5 p.m. Admission is free. Jarred Cairns joins the cast.

Fabb, a nomadic artist, recently appeared at the Venice Off Off Biennale in “ArtHags” and at the Venice Floating Film Festival in “Poseidon’s Heels.” She has performed with Asher Hartman, Rachel Rosenthal, Marilyn Arsem and the performance ensemble Empire of Teeth.

Spitler has worked in film and television and designed prop cakes for the entertainment industry. A longtime apprentice of Rachel Rosenthal, she was a member of the Tohubohu improvisation collective.

Cairns studied and performed with Rachel Rosenthal as a member of Tohubohu and with Rudy Perez, and performed in Deborah Oliver’s “Irrational Exhibits.”

The production features wall art by Curt LeMieux and Marley Van Peebles and support from Rachel Rosenthal’s Espace DbD. 18th Street Arts Center is located at 1629 18th St. #2, Santa Monica.



Courtesy photo  
**REUNITE:** Lynch-linked performance duo Fabb and Spitler reunite for “And This” at 18th Street Arts Center March 8.

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SMC to Host Talk by Artist Rafa Esparza

Santa Monica College will host “Brown the Experiment,” a free talk by Mexican-American multidisciplinary performance artist rafa esparza, on Wednesday, March 11, at 11:10 a.m. in Art 214 on the SMC Main Campus, 1900 Pico Blvd.

The internationally renowned artist will discuss themes of heritage, identity and other influences driving his work in installation art, sculpture, drawing, painting and performance.

His work has been presented at private and public locations ranging from parks and nightclubs to galleries and museums, including solo and group exhibitions at Americas Society in New York, Commonwealth and Council in Mexico City and Los Angeles, Whitney Museum of American Art in New York, and Hammer Museum in Los Angeles.

Awards include the Pérez Prize, Latinx Arts Fellowship from the Mellon Foundation, Lucas Artist Fellowship and California Community Foundation Fellowship for Visual Artists.

The event is sponsored by SMC Associates and co-sponsored by the Latino Center’s Adelante Program and the Art Club.

For more information, call the SMC Office of Public Programs at 310-434-4100. Event is subject to change or cancellation without notice.



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Thursday, March 05, 7:00 p.m.

The Surfing Fox 120 Colorado Ave Santa Monica.

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Friday, March 06, 6:00 p.m. - 9:00 p.m.

120 Colorado Ave CA Contact Info (424) 214-1830 matt.sedgwick@candrpr.com

### Live Music Fridays at The Surfing Fox

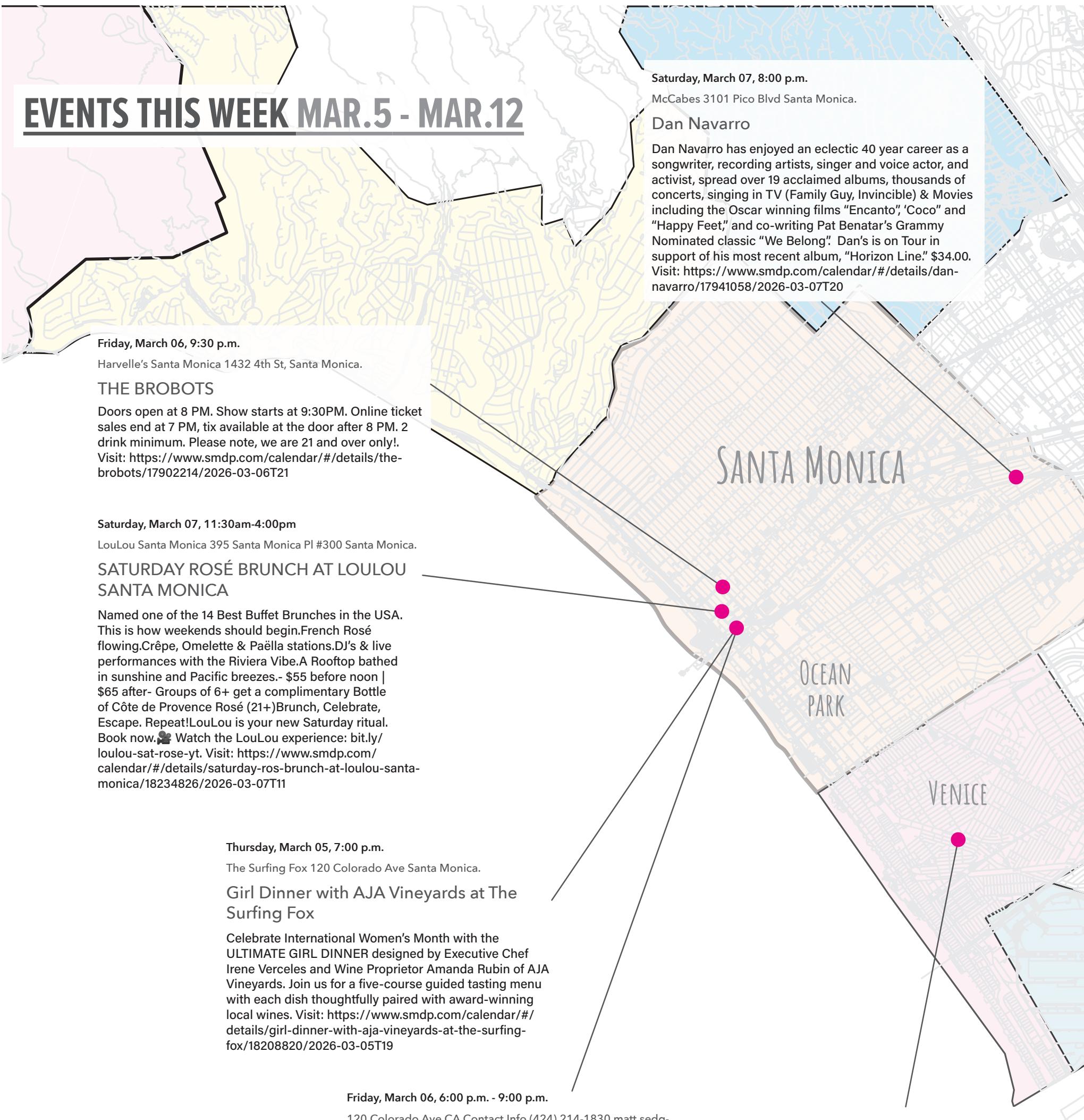
Erinn Alissa performs acoustic folk pop with her guitar Friday nights at The Surfing Fox. Enjoy a night of live music, tasty bites, and Foxtail. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/live-music-fridays-at-the-surfing-fox/14385252/2026-03-06T18>

Saturday, March 07, 8:00 p.m.

McCabes 3101 Pico Blvd Santa Monica.

### Dan Navarro

Dan Navarro has enjoyed an eclectic 40 year career as a songwriter, recording artists, singer and voice actor, and activist, spread over 19 acclaimed albums, thousands of concerts, singing in TV (Family Guy, Invincible) & Movies including the Oscar winning films "Encanto", "Coco" and "Happy Feet," and co-writing Pat Benatar's Grammy Nominated classic "We Belong". Dan's is on Tour in support of his most recent album, "Horizon Line." \$34.00. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/dan-navarro/17941058/2026-03-07T20>



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more events at:  
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Sunday, March 08, 2:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.

Circular Library 1221 Abbot Kinney Boulevard Venice.

### Craft Café & Supply Swap with Peo Vee

Join Peo Vee for our monthly Craft Café & Supply Swap! Every second Sunday at Circular Library, we invite upcyclers and sustainable crafting enthusiasts to gather, swap supplies, and create together. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/craft-caf-supply-swap-with-peo-vee/17776352/2026-03-08T14>

**COUNCIL**

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Some uses will be permitted outright without any discretionary review.

The changes affect restaurants, retail stores, fitness studios, offices and entertainment venues across the city's commercial zones.

Alcohol regulations saw particularly significant changes. The council voted to allow pub crawl events, which had been restricted, and created a new "tap room" category for establishments serving only beer and wine. Bars will now require only a Minor Use Permit rather than a full Conditional Use Permit in districts where they are allowed.

The city also expanded its alcohol exemption program, which allows qualifying businesses to obtain approval for alcohol service in days rather than months. Officials said more than 100 permits have been issued through the streamlined program since it launched downtown.

"We've seen businesses come through the permitting process that have benefited from these changes, and the feedback and results are telling us that our streamlined strategies in the downtown are working," said Steve Mizokami, principal planner for the city.

The council also approved a provision allowing existing bars on Main Street that have been closed more than 12 months to reopen, preventing the permanent loss of those establishments under nonconforming use rules.

The threshold for opening a grocery store without a Conditional Use Permit increased from 15,000 to 30,000 square feet, addressing what staff called a barrier to filling large vacant retail spaces.

The ordinance also corrected an error affecting Santa Monica Jewelry and Loan, the city's only remaining pawn shop. A 2017

clerical error in the Downtown Community Plan inadvertently stripped the business of its right to relocate within downtown.

Michael Klass, who owns the shop with his brother, told the council the family business serves thousands of residents who rely on regulated, non-recourse loans.

"Approving this amendment does not create risk. It prevents unintended harm," Klass said. "It restores the city's long-standing policy."

Planning Commission Chair Joshua Hamilton wrote to the council supporting the fix, noting the commission voted unanimously in favor.

The Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce endorsed the overall package, praising the council and staff for "commonsense solutions to removing barriers to business activity."

Councilmember Dan Hall acknowledged he had opposed the pawn shop provision previously but changed his position after learning more about the circumstances.

"I'm willing to admit when I'm wrong," Hall said.

Councilmember Ellis Raskin successfully pushed to downgrade bar permits from Conditional Use Permits to Minor Use Permits, going further than the Planning Commission had recommended.

The ordinance requires a second reading before taking effect. Staff indicated additional streamlining measures would return to the council in coming months, including a review of restrictions in the office campus district.

Councilmember Jesse Zwick praised the Community Development Department for leading what he called a culture change in city government.

"We are really leading the way and becoming a city that's open for business," Zwick said.

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**COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Downtown Santa Monica**

**Japanese Arcade Pop-Up 'Gacha & Catch' Reopens on Third Street Promenade**

The Japanese arcade pop-up store Gacha & Catch will reopen March 14 at 1451 Third Street Promenade with new merchandise, including an exclusive Sonic & Friends collection.

The store, a joint project between Japan Entertainment One Inc., TOMY Company Ltd. and SEGA Corporation, features UFO Catcher claw machines and Gacha capsule toy vending machines.

During its initial run from November 2025 to February 2026, the store drew praise as an immersive experience showcasing Japanese arcade culture.

The reopening will feature a North American-exclusive Sonic & Friends merchandise collection available in limited quantities, including plush toys, face cushions, wearable mascot plushies, pouches and accessories. Additional items include the Acrylic Nuigurumi series, Acrylic Doll moving acrylic stands and Showy-Gacha backpacks shaped like Gacha machines.

The store will also offer officially licensed Japanese character figures, plush toys and blind box items.

Grand reopening incentives include a free limited-edition Sonic & Friends poster for customers spending \$60 or more. Three exclusive poster designs are available while supplies last. Customers will also receive one token for every \$30 spent, with a limit of two per person daily.

Hours are 11 a.m. to 9 p.m. Monday through Thursday and Sunday, and 11 a.m. to 10 p.m. Friday and Saturday.

For more information, visit <https://gachan-dcatch.com/>.



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**ARCADE:** Gacha & Catch reopens March 14 on Third Street Promenade with exclusive Sonic & Friends collection.

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## AROUND TOWN

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Vincent. Friday evening shows begin at 6 p.m. with "The Night Sky Show," followed by a Feature Program at 7 p.m. Sunday Family Matinée shows begin at 1 p.m. with "The Night Sky Show," followed by a Feature Program at 2 p.m. Here is the schedule: [smdp.com/santa-monica-college-planetarium-offers-spring-sky-shows-in-march/](https://www.smdp.com/santa-monica-college-planetarium-offers-spring-sky-shows-in-march/)

**ONGOING:** "Two Bit Circus" Pop-Up; Museum of Illusions; The CUBE VR; Splatter Studio; Arts, Culture & Creativity Month (April); "Most Loved" Businesses Voting Open through March 13

### WHAT TO EAT & DRINK?

**Abbot Kinney First Friday Food Truck Fest:** About two dozen food trucks are expected to line the street for the monthly event. Friday, March 6, starting at 5p.m. <https://www.abbotkinneyblvd.com/>

**Montauk General's Cookie Milk Matcha at Levain Bakery:** Levain Bakery teams up with Montauk General for a three-day Cookie Milk Matcha pop-up running March 6 through 8. The limited collab drink blends Montauk General's signature matcha with "cookie milk" steeped from Levain's white chocolate macadamia cookies, then tops it with salted sweet cream and cookie crumble. It's nostalgic in spirit but decidedly extra in execution. The pop-up lands at Levain Bakery Venice (1661 Abbot Kinney), Saturday, March 7. The drink drops at 10 a.m. each day and pours until sold out. Expect limited-edition merch in the mix too.

**Sushi & Sake Night at Divine Vintage:** Embark on a journey with sake expert Kerry-San as she delves into the history, production process, and the diverse styles of sake. Enjoy this experience alongside a curated selection of sushi and sashimi. Tuesday, March 10, 6p.m., 1025 Montana Ave. <https://www.divinevintage.com/products/sushi-sake-wine-class>

**Intelligentsia Drive Thru Opens:** Intelligentsia is switching things up by opening a drive-through/walk-up window and patio at 3010 Pico Blvd. [instagram.com/p/DVMj1\\_Wk1oQ/](https://www.instagram.com/p/DVMj1_Wk1oQ/)

**Chattanooga Restaurant Bringing "Pure Persian Flavor" To former Izzy's Deli Space:** Signage is up at 1433 Wilshire Blvd. and this article has an artist rendering of the interior for a new spot promising "Pure Persian Flavor." This is believed to be owned by the nearby Tehran Market on Wilshire Blvd., which could represent a significant "culinary anchor" shift for that block of Wilshire, moving from a traditional deli to "Pure Persian Flavor." [toddrickallen.com/2026/02/26/chattanooga-restaurant-bringing-pure-persian-flavor-to-santa-monica/](https://www.toddrickallen.com/2026/02/26/chattanooga-restaurant-bringing-pure-persian-flavor-to-santa-monica/)

**Chez Luna Bringing Pet Adoptions And Lattes To SaMo:** An exciting new concept is heading to 2929 Main St. Window paper is up announcing the arrival of Chez Luna. Chez Luna is billing itself as a pet "adoption cafe" and describes itself as: "A first-of-its-kind space where premium lattes meet live puppy love." Coffee and pooches? Sign me up. They are aiming for a summer opening. [toddrickallen.com/2026/02/11/chez-luna-bringing-pet-adoptions-and-lattes-to-santa-monica/](https://www.toddrickallen.com/2026/02/11/chez-luna-bringing-pet-adoptions-and-lattes-to-santa-monica/)

**The Win-Dow Opening on Montana Ave.:** With 6 locations around SoCal, The Win-Dow specializes in "classic smash burgers, fried chicken sandwiches, and \$8 grain bowls", but also offers a shaved kale salad, a vegetarian burger, hand-spun shakes, and dipped cones. 930 Montana Ave. [toddrickallen.com/2026/02/18/the-win-dow-opening-in-santa-monica/](https://www.toddrickallen.com/2026/02/18/the-win-dow-opening-in-santa-monica/)

**Further Afield:** Holi & The Beach Celebration: Fitoor Santa Monica will be the premier food vendor at one of the Largest Holi Festivals in the country, Holi and the Beach, in Redondo Beach, CA. ABOUT: A Holi experience like no other in Los Angeles. Holi & The Beach 2026 returns March 7, with an all-new bigger music stage, amazing experiences and an epic day of non-stop color play. We invite you to embark on an electrifying outdoor Holi day party featuring celebrity DJ's, 5000+ people, food vendors, and an afternoon of messy, color fun on the BEACH. Expect super fun activations, photo-booths and more-making LA's favorite Holi not to be missed. Holi & The Beach is produced by LA's #1 Bollywood event company, Radio5 Events. TICKETS: Start at \$15 and can be purchased at [holiandthebeach.com](https://www.holiandthebeach.com)

**Looking Ahead:** Venice Art Crawl (3/19); Bergamot Comedy Festival (3/24-28); Downtown Easter Celebration (3/29); U.S. Women's Open Golf Championship (4/2-5); Santa Monica Film Festival (4/11-13)

If there's something you think is worth highlighting, you can reach out directly to me at [sean@smdp.com](mailto:sean@smdp.com). Let me know if you have any feedback on Around Town: Spring Flinging Forward with Padel, Pottery & Persian Flavors

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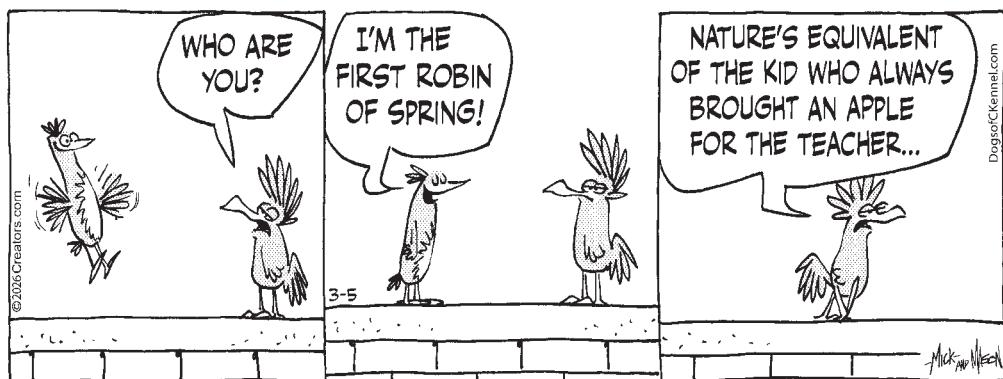
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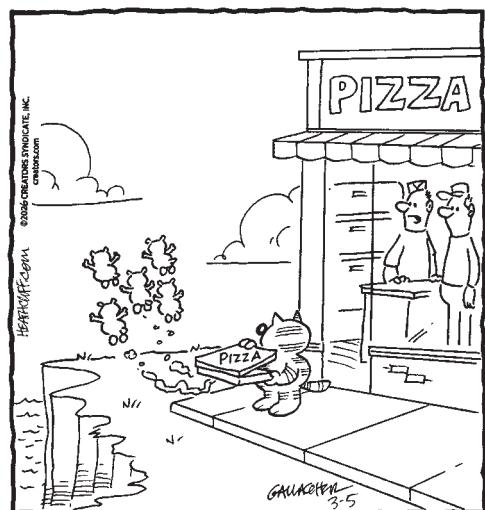
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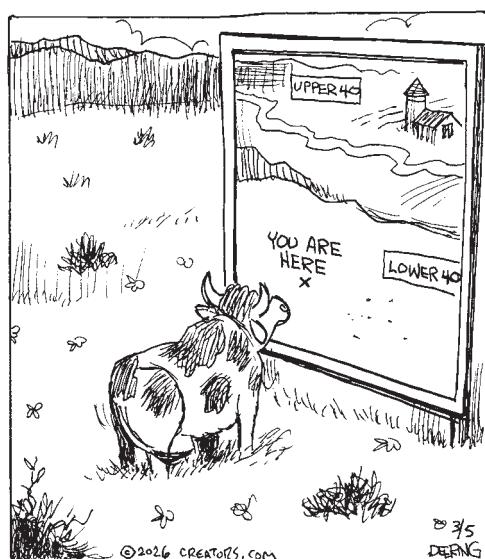
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This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 14 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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**HOROSCOPES**

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19). Review your financial strategy. One timely adjustment this solar season can make a considerable difference. The work and research you do in the next few days will inform the move.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20). You're not trying to do too much, really. Sure, you have long term goals and maybe even a dream for the future. But for the next 24 hours, there's a lot of good that comes from your simple desire to make other people smile.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21). If you only feel like you're doing a good job when you're meeting a certain person's needs, and said person isn't you, this isn't the job for you. Get out of it. Because inside of it, you can't step back to look at the big picture.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 22). Today sees you absorbing beauty. You may learn from a book in order to act, study an art form to make your own, or listen deeply to another person. You receive first, and later you'll act and create with what you've taken in.

**LEO** (July 23-Aug. 22). Name what you want out loud. It will feel risky. As soon as the words leave your lips, the world changes. You'll start to know what was in your head and what is actually possible as imagined outcomes are replaced with real ones.

**VIRGO** (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). It's pretty much how those you admire did it - more the norm than the exception - so take heart. Most people don't feel completely ready for what's coming. Trust that you'll acquire what you need along the way.

**LIBRA** (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You'll get a do-over pass - then another, then another. With the constant supply of do-over passes, you may as well go ahead and try your hand at a game you're bad at. Then try again and again until you're good at it, or bored of it.

**SCORPIO** (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll pull together interesting work. You haven't figured everything out yet, but you don't need to; leaving some things to be resolved in the moment brings freshness, even genius, to your work.

**SAGITTARIUS** (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You're so good at your role, mostly because you pay attention. Others may go through the motions without noticing what's changed and needed - without imagining what could be. Not you. You notice what needs doing before it's asked for.

**CAPRICORN** (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Last season you made a choice that simplified your life. It didn't look dramatic at the time, but it removed some of the obstacles to the ideal you keep imagining. You're moving into a new state of ease, closer every day, habits constantly improving.

**AQUARIUS** (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). People appreciate your work because it considers them. You think about how something will be received, how it will be used and what it might make easier. The extra thought makes your contributions fit better.

**PISCES** (Feb. 19-March 20). You're so creative and prolific today, turning your inner impulses into a shared reality. As you make things, your skills get sharper, confidence swells and you get to enjoy the products of your self-expression - empowering all around.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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**Newsday Crossword**

**OLD-TIME ELEMENTS** by Mark McClain  
Edited by Stanley Newman  
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**ACROSS**

- 1 Retirement plan choice
- 6 Unnamed others
- 10 Very short pencil
- 14 Accustom
- 15 Radiant ring
- 16 Uni- cousin
- 17 Summer picnic debris
- 20 Henri's here
- 21 Worn away
- 22 Deceived
- 23 Assembly instructions part
- 25 Hot tar, e.g.
- 27 In-flight device setting
- 33 Soft rock
- 35 JD holder
- 36 Still competitive
- 37 Humorist Bombeck
- 38 Board game piece
- 39 Church ladies
- 40 Ill-gotten gains
- 41 Solder fodder
- 42 Diamond-cutting debris
- 43 FDR-era broadcast
- 47 Detrimental
- 48 MSG, for the NY Rangers
- 52 The head guy
- 56 Expend
- 58 Type of time-out
- 59 Archaeologist's find
- 62 Management level
- 63 Vocal improvisation
- 64 Handled properly

- 65 Whirl of current
- 66 \_\_\_ ed. (HS class)
- 67 Poetic preposition

**DOWN**

- 1 New Zealanders, informally
- 2 Perform on a stage
- 3 Navel designation
- 4 Common MBA prerequisite
- 5 Religious dissenter
- 6 Lonely level, supposedly
- 7 Robust
- 8 Stretch out
- 9 Poetic "way out there"

- 10 Peter Pan adversary
- 11 Web-\_\_\_ (what others are)
- 12 Negate
- 13 Title for 10-Down
- 18 Bryn \_\_\_ College
- 19 Purple fruit
- 24 Aesthetic taste
- 26 It's north of Mich.
- 28 Jazz singer Cleo
- 29 Very hard to see
- 30 Difficult task
- 31 By \_\_\_ of (owing to)
- 32 Sci-fi visitors
- 33 *Star Trek: TNG* officer
- 34 *Día de San Valentín* sentiment
- 37 Sort of sprite

- 38 Had a midday meal
- 41 Up to
- 42 Maximally moist
- 44 Way to express regret
- 45 Ignores the rules
- 46 Kilowatt-\_\_\_
- 49 Wonderstruck
- 50 Course listing
- 51 HP printer alternative
- 52 Hand (out)
- 53 Commando operation
- 54 Spawned
- 55 Modest reply to praise
- 57 Win over
- 60 Precognition
- 61 Vise part

**Sudoku**

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2026038448. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SKINCARE BY PERRY, 453 E TUJUNGA AVE UNIT A, BURBANK, CA 91501, County of Los Angeles. Registered Owner(s): PARVANEH SABETI, 1021 RAYMOND AVE #B, GLENDALE, CA 91201. This business is conducted by: an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 10/2016. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). /s/ PARVANEH SABETI, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 2/19/2026. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 02/26/2026, 03/05/2026, 03/12/2026, 03/19/2026

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2026019786. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: SANTA MONICA SURF TOURS, 1654 OCEAN AVE, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401, County of Los Angeles. Registered Owner(s): WOLFLOW HOLDINGS LLC, 1654 OCEAN AVE, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). /s/ ADAM DUFORD, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 01/27/2026. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 02/19/2026, 02/26/2026, 03/05/2026, 03/12/2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2026038684. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: DUNN PELLIER MEDIA, 101 S TOPANGA CANYON BLVD UNIT 1440, TOPANGA, CA 90290, County of Los Angeles. Registered Owner(s): DUNN PELLIER MEDIA, INC., 101 S TOPANGA CANYON BLVD UNIT 1440, TOPANGA, CA 90290. This business is conducted by: a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on N/A. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). /s/ NICOLE J DUNN, CEO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 2/19/2026. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 2/26/2026, 3/5/2026, 3/12/2026, 3/19/2026

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2026029143. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: MAJOR LEAGUE PUPPIES, 1401 WILL ROGERS STATE PARK ROAD, PACIFIC PALISADES, CA 90272, County of Los Angeles. Registered Owner(s): LUCINDA G. HOWZE, 1401 WILL ROGERS STATE PARK ROAD, PACIFIC PALISADES, CA 90272. This business is conducted by: an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 08/2025. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). /s/ LUCINDA G. HOWZE, OWNER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 2/9/2026. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 2/19/2026, 2/26/2026, 3/5/2026, 3/12/2026

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT File No. 2026029120. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as: 6TH OFFICIAL, 306 N TROTWOOD AVE, SAN PEDRO, CA 90732-2734, County of Los Angeles. Registered Owner(s): ISHIKAWA PRESS LLC, 306 N TROTWOOD AVE, SAN PEDRO, CA 90732-2734. This business is conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above on 02/2026. I declare that all information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares as true any material matter pursuant to Section 17913 of the Business and Professions Code that the registrant knows to be false is guilty of a misdemeanor punishable by a fine not to exceed one thousand dollars (\$1,000)). /s/ SO TANAKA, MEMBER. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 2/9/2026. NOTICE: This Fictitious Name Statement expires five years from the date it was filed in the office of the County Clerk. A new Fictitious Business Name Statement must be filed before that time. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a Fictitious Business Name in violation of the rights of another under Federal, State, or Common Law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 03/05/2026, 03/12/2026, 03/19/2026, 03/26/2026

**HOURS MONDAY - FRIDAY 9:00am - 5:00pm**  
**LOCATION 1640 5th Street, Suite 218, Santa Monica, CA 90401**



**THURSDAY | MARCH 5**

**CLUB LATINO PARA ADULTOS MAYORES**

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Virginia Avenue Park 2200 Virginia Ave. Santa Monica. Venga, aprenda, y diviértase cada jueves de 11 AM a 1 PM el el salón 3 del parque Virginia. Cada semana será algo nuevo: Ejercicio, Hablando con amigos, Aprendizaje, Presentadores Invitados, Salud y Bienestar. Hay comida para los adultos mayores que participan durante las dos horas. Para más información llame al (310) 458-8688. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/club-latino-para-adultos-mayores/13943928/2026-03-05T11>

**OAKWOOD ROOTS FARMERS AND WELLNESS MARKET**

11:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m. 685 Westminster Ave Venice. Oakwood Roots Venice Farmers' and Wellness Market is a hub for local foods, wellness classes, and holistic healing. We are dedicated to fostering a strong community, supporting local businesses, and advocating for sustainable practices. Join us in creating a healthier and more connected neighborhood. This is part of a larger effort to revitalize the abandoned parking lots across the street from the park into a community hub, in partnership with Community Corporation of Santa Monica and Hoopbus. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/oakwood-roots-farmers-and-wellness-market/14548473/2026-03-05T11>

**TULUM THURSDAYS AT LOULOU SANTA MONICA**

6:00 p.m. - 11:30 p.m. LouLou Santa Monica 395 Santa Monica Pl #300 Santa Monica. Tulum Thursdays at LouLou Santa Monica Every Thursday from 6:00 PM . Step into LouLou's signature Bohemian Chic haven where the elegance of Tulum meets the coastal glamour of Santa Monica.Sunset rooftop vibesAfro-Tribal House beats by DJ YanicrashLive percussion performancesCocktails, cuisine & curated moments . Inspired by the spirit of Ibiza, Mykonos, and the Riviera Maya, Tulum Thursdays are a ritual of rhythm, flavor, and barefoot luxury. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/tulum-thursdays-at-loulou-santa-monica/18215748/2026-03-05T18>

**FRIDAY | MARCH 6**

**BEACH WALK MEDITATION**

8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Santa Monica Lifeguard Tower 24 2400 Ocean Front Walk Los Angeles. Walking meditation is and has always been a significant alternative to sitting meditation, especially for those starting a new practice. The goal of meditation is to be able to practice in all positions, conditions and activities whether sitting, standing, walking, lying down, or whenever awake. Developing mindfulness doesn't have to happen in a quiet room without any distracting sights or sounds. In fact we can develop our mindfulness while out in nature; feeling the warmth of the sun on our backs and the cool ocean splashing around our feet.. Let's practice meditation in motion while creating a potent wellness experience that enhances mental clarity, alertness, and overall well-being. We'll meet Wednesdays and Fridays at 8 am at lifeguard tower 24 -see a red, yellow, blue, orange, white FLAG. After some basic instructions we'll walk silently together for approximately 45 minutes on the shoreline at a natural pace from tower 24 towards

the Santa Monica Pier and back. Free—Donations are accepted. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/beach-walk-meditation/16206460/2026-03-06T08>

**BRUNCH FRIDAYS WITH LIVE MUSIC IN OUR GARDEN PATIO!**

11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Tiato Kitchen & Venue 2700 Colorado Ave Santa Monica. Our newly launched Brunch Fridays just got vibey-er! Every week enjoy great eats, summer libations, and a featured music artist on our beautiful garden patio! So come toast to summer with our uniquely crafted brunch menu including our Turmeric Spiced Cloud Egg dish, Smoked Gouda Scramble with Smashed Ube, Vietnamese French Toast, along with Mama An classics such as Famous Garlic Noodles, Shaken Beef, and Seafood Egg Fried Rice! And of course, it wouldn't be brunch without bottomless mimosas & summer punch bowls, so grab your brunch crew and enjoy the fair along the beautiful backdrop of AI fresco dining. RESERVE NOW. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/brunch-fridays-with-live-music-in-our-garden-patio/14639006/2026-03-06T11>

**SATURDAY | MARCH 7**

**LA PARKS & REC PARENT & ME SKATEBOARDING CLASS**

8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Venice Beach Boardwalk under The V Sculpture) 1800 Ocean Front Walk Los Angeles. Join LA Rec & Parks for a fun and beginner-friendly Parent & Me Skateboarding Class led by skateboarding Hall of Fame icon Lonny Hiramoto. Designed for kids under 12 and their parents, this program builds confidence, skills, and connection — all in the heart of Venice Beach. \$80.00. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/la-parks-rec-parent-me-skateboarding-class/18271465/2026-03-07T08>

**SANTA MONICA FARMERS MARKET - VIRGINIA AVENUE PARK/PICO BOULEVARD**

8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Virginia Avenue Park 2200 Virginia Ave Santa Monica. The family market in the heart of the Pico neighborhood's Virginia Avenue Park! Enjoy one of Santa Monica's farmers markets, widely considered to be among the best on the west coast and featuring field-fresh produce, hundreds of kinds of vegetables, brilliant cut flowers, breads, cheeses, delicious foods, live music and more. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/santa-monica-farmers-market-virginia-avenue-park-pico-boulevard/12382447/2026-03-07T08>

**DOWNTOWN WALKING TOUR**

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Hosteling Intl. 1436 2nd Street Santa Monica. Join the Santa Monica Conservancy's Downtown Walking Tour. Discover downtown Santa Monica's architectural gems, history, and culture. From Art Deco to Victorian and Romanesque Revival, you'll explore the various styles that fill the streets of Santa Monica. Explore downtown's diverse architectural heritage, including Bay Cities Guaranty Building, El Miro Theater, Georgian Hotel, Gussie Moran House, Keller Block and more! The Downtown Walking Tour is FREE for Conservancy members, FREE for guests staying at Hostelling International, and \$10 for the general public. Learn More. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/downtown-walking-tour/15830816/2026-03-07T10>



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