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Women Empowerment Event at Samohi







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EVENT: Samohi students held a Women Empowerment Event last week. Dr. Guadalupe Mireles-Toumayan and students Mia Flores and Celeste Espinoza invited guest speakers to the assembly including Dr. Silvia Olmedo (PhD Psychologist), Ms. Monica Salazar Jimenez (Samohi graduate and media-graphic specialist) Johanna De la Rosa (Samohi Bilingual Community Liaison), Norma Guerrero-Lewis (Samohi parent and therapist), Mrs. Juana Meyer (Samohi parent and business manager), Dr. Guadalupe Mireles-Toumayan (World Language teacher at Samohi and teacher supervisor at CSUN). The presentation, organized by Brown Minds Matter a sub-club of "Legado Latino," focused on the concerns of Latino women, including gender discrimination and the potential of education to help elevate women. The event included a tribute for Mireles-Toumayan to recognize her work on and off the Samohi campus.

COVID 19 emergency declaration comes to an end in Los Angeles county

GRACE INEZ ADAMS
SMDP Staff Writer

The emergency declaration over COVID-19 officially came to an end in Los Angeles County last week, just over three years after it first went into effect in March 2020.

The announcement comes nearly a month after the City of Santa Monica's local COVID-19 emergency order and California's statewide emergency declaration expired on Feb. 28 of this year.

While the termination of the state of emergency will have few noticeable implications for many people for whom masks and regular testing already seem like things of the past, it marks a milestone for the LA county as COVID cases and deaths continue to decline.

According to data from the Los Angeles County Department of Public Health (LACDPH), the seven-day average number of reported cases decreased by 19% the last week of March to 501, compared to 615 the week prior. Average daily deaths decreased by 32.5% during the same time period.

The county has remained in the low community spread category according to Center for Disease Control (CDC) criteria for 11 consecutive weeks and officials have expressed hope that the situation will only continue to improve.

"With no new strains proliferating, I am optimistic we will remain in the Low Community Level this spring and my hope is that our hospitalization and death rates continue to decline," Director of LACDPH Barbara Ferrer said.

However, she cautioned that this will require "common sense measures" and precautions including staying up to date with vaccinations, testing when sick and isolating for at least five days if infected with the virus.

The Public Health Department stated it will continue providing free access to vaccinations, boosters,

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Proposal would expand rent control to new construction and single-family-homes

SCOTT SNOWDEN
SMDP Staff Writer

A new piece of legislation introduced in Sacramento could significantly expand rent control to single family homes and new construction.

SB 466 was introduced by Sen. Aisha Wahab in February of this year and would alter the Costa-Hawkins Rental Housing Act that stipulates how rent control rules are applied in local jurisdictions. While elements of the bill have momentum, experts said a wholesale revision to the rules will be difficult given entrenched interests.

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Scott Snowden

APARTMENT: Santa Monica's current rent control rules apply to pre-1979 construction.



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K-12 enrollment: Does the increase in homeless students statewide indicate a worsening trend?

JOE HONG AND ERICA YEE
Special to the Daily Press

As the number of unhoused students in California's public schools continues to rise to pre-pandemic levels, experts and educators fear that today's economy paired with the state's unrelenting housing crisis will lead to unprecedented rates of homeless youth.

According to updated data released today by the California Department of Education, there are about 5.9 million students enrolled in public schools this school year, close to 40,000 fewer students than last year or a .7% drop. But the number of students experiencing homelessness increased by 9%, about 16,000, to a total of approximately 187,000 kids.

The overarching cause of homelessness among all Californians is the perennial shortage of affordable housing in the state, according to Angela James, a researcher at UCLA's Center for the Transformation of Schools.

"It's alarming to me, quite frankly," James said. "Housing instability may be deepening in California as a result of the pandemic."

The new data signals a return to pre-pandemic numbers. Last school year, about 2.9% of students qualified as homeless. The percentage is up to 3.2% this year, about the same as it was in 2019-20.

"As a state we have not made the housing and well-being of our population a priority," James said. "Sadly, social policies have not been responsive to the needs of young people and their families."

In Santa Monica, the rate of homeless youth varies by year and campus. At Samohi, the percentage of homeless youth enrolled has actually declined from 1 percent in the 2019/20 school year (about 28 students) to 0.3 percent this year (about nine students).

> "In some cases, districts could be getting better at identifying students"
> - Dion Burns, a senior researcher at the Learning Policy Institute

Experts struggle to explain why homeless numbers dropped during the pandemic. They said students and their families may have been moving around during the early months of quarantine, so they may not have been counted. Or unhoused students may have just been falling through the cracks.

"In some cases, districts could be getting better at identifying students," said Dion Burns, a senior researcher at the Learning Policy Institute.

Student homelessness rose this year for the first time since 2020. The count includes students living in motels, trailer parks, campgrounds or public spaces.

While statewide numbers indicate a return to pre-pandemic levels, 13 of the 20 largest districts in the state have more students experiencing homelessness now than they did in the 2019-20 school year. At one district, Kern High, the number more than doubled.

Since 2015, rates of homelessness were rising gradually up until 2020, when they started dropping steadily. Student homelessness rose this year for the first time since 2020.

The California Department of Education uses a federal definition of homelessness that includes students living in motels, trailer parks, campgrounds or public spaces.

School districts and county offices of education employ liaisons who keep tabs on students and families experiencing homelessness. James said they're often shorthanded, so collecting data may have been a challenge, especially during the chaos of 2020 and 2021.

At the Monarch School, a school for unhoused students operated by the San Diego County Office of Education, administrators have seen an increased need. Jesus Nunez, the communications director at the school, said students are experiencing more housing insecurity in recent years, along with more of the mental health challenges and traumas stemming from a lack of stable housing.

"If students' basic needs aren't being met, it doesn't matter what teaching strategies are being used," Nunez said.

The Monarch School serves about 300 students. The school day is longer, starting at 8 a.m. and ending at 6 p.m. Nunez said the school offers more counseling and services like art therapy.

"I think everybody at the school wishes we could do more," he said. "We don't turn away a lot of students, but unfortunately some students do need to go back to their school of residence because there isn't space available here."

Many unhoused students and their families have been evicted from their homes, James said. She recalled her own personal trauma of having her family's furniture moved out to their front lawn when they were evicted. With no home, students and their families might go from one temporary shelter to another with no sense of how long they can stay in one place.

"The degree to which that impacts a child cannot be underestimated," James said.

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Trump charged with 34 felony counts in hush money scheme

MICHAEL R. SISAK, ERIC TUCKER, JENNIFER PELTZ AND WILL WEISSERT
Associated Press

Donald Trump conspired to illegally influence the 2016 election through a series of hush money payments designed to silence claims that he feared would be harmful to his candidacy, New York prosecutors said Tuesday in unsealing a historic 34-count felony indictment.

The charges arose from a series of checks that Trump or his company wrote during the presidential campaign to his lawyer and fixer for his role in making a payment to a porn actor who alleged an extramarital sexual encounter with Trump years earlier.

The payments were part of "an unlawful plan to identify and suppress negative information that could have undermined his campaign for president," Assistant District Attorney Christopher Conroy said in court. They were made to "protect his candidacy," Conroy added.

The arraignment in Manhattan, though largely procedural in nature, was nonetheless the first time in U.S. history that a former president has faced a judge in his own criminal prosecution. The indictment amounts to a remarkable reckoning for Trump after years of investigations into his personal, business and political dealings, unfolding against the backdrop not only of his third campaign for the White House but also against other investigations in Washington and Atlanta that might yet produce even more charges.

Trump, stone-faced and silent as he entered and exited the Manhattan courtroom, said "not guilty" in a firm voice while facing a judge who warned him to refrain from rhetoric that could inflame or cause civil unrest. All told, the ever-verbose Trump, who for weeks before Tuesday's arraignment had assailed the case against him as political persecution, uttered only about 10 words — though he did appear to glare for a period at Manhattan District Attorney Alvin Bragg.

The next court date is December 4, though it is not clear if Trump will be required to appear.

The broad contours of the case have long been known, but the indictment contains new details about a scheme that prosecutors say began months into his presidential candidacy in 2015, as his celebrity past collided with his presidential ambitions. It centers on payoffs to two women, including porn star Stormy Daniels, who said they had extramarital sexual encounters with him years earlier, as well as to a Trump Tower doorman who claimed to have a story about a child he alleged the former president had out of wedlock.

"It's not just about one payment. It is 34 false statements and business records that were concealing criminal conduct," Bragg told reporters, when asked how the three separate alleged payments were connected.

All 34 counts against Trump are linked to a series of checks that were written to Trump's personal lawyer and problem-solver, Michael Cohen, to reimburse him for his role in paying off Daniels. Those payments, made over 12 months, were recorded in various internal company documents as being for a legal retainer that prosecutors say didn't exist. Cohen testified before the grand jury and is expected to be a star prosecution witness. Nine of those monthly checks were paid out of Trump's personal accounts, but records related to them were maintained in the Trump Organization's data system.

Prosecutors allege that the first instance of Trump directing hush money payments came in the fall of 2015, when a former Trump Tower doorman was trying to sell information about an alleged out-of-wedlock child fathered by Trump.

David Pecker, a Trump friend and the publisher of the National Enquirer, made a $30,000 payment to the doorman to acquire the exclusive rights to the story, pursuant to an agreement to protect Trump during his presidential campaign, according to the indictment. Pecker's company later determined the doorman's story was false, but at Cohen's urging is alleged to have enforced the doorman's confidentiality until after Election Day.

The investigation also concerns six-figure payments made to Daniels and former Playboy model Karen McDougal. Both say they had sexual encounters with the married Trump years before he got into politics. Trump denies having sexual liaisons with either woman and has denied any wrongdoing involving payments.

> "You don't expect this to happen to somebody who was president of the United States"
>
> - Todd Blanche lawyer

After his arraignment, Trump was returning to his Florida home, Mar-a-Lago, for a primetime address to campaign supporters. At least 500 prominent supporters have been invited, with some of the most pro-Trump congressional Republicans expected to attend. A conviction would not prevent Trump from running for or winning the presidency in 2024.

The day's schedule, with its striking blend of legal and political calendar items, represents the new split-screen reality for

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica invites sealed proposals for

RFP: # 352 Eternal Meadow Maintenance and Consulting

Submission Deadline is May 3, 2023 at 5:00 PM Pacific Time.

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RFP: # 354 Provide Mortuary Services to Woodlawn Cemetery, Mausoleum & Mortuary

Submission Deadline is May 3, 2023 at 5:00 PM Pacific Time.

Proposals must include forms furnished by the City of Santa Monica. Request for Proposals may be obtained on the **CITY'S ONLINE VENDOR PORTAL.** The website for this Request for Proposals and related documents is OpenGov (https://secure.procurenow.com/portal/santa-monica-ca) There is no charge for the RFP package.

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NOTICE

PUBLIC OUTREACH MEETING
Update to the PUBLIC RIGHT-OF-WAY ORDINANCE Municipal Code § 7.04.800
Dedication, Easement, and Improvements of Public Rights-of-Way

City of Santa Monica Public Works Department, Engineering and Street Services Division, will be presenting to stakeholders proposed updates to the Santa Monica Municipal Code (SMMC) § 7.04.800 "Dedication, Easements and Improvements of Public Right Of Way." The presentation is scheduled to take place on:

DATE/TIME: April 12th, 2023 from 10 a.m. to 11 a.m

LOCATION: City Council Chamber, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall
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City of Santa Monica
Ordinance Number 2740 (CCS)
(City Council Series)

AN EMERGENCY INTERIM ZONING ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF SANTA MONICA TO EXTEND INTERIM ZONING REGULATIONS ESTABLISHED BY EMERGENCY INTERIM ZONING ORDINANCE 2633 (CCS) AND AMENDED AND EXTENDED BY EMERGENCY INTERIM ZONING ORDINANCES 2645 2692 AND 2699 (CCS) AMENDING SANTA MONICA MUNICIPAL CODE CHAPTER 9.39 AND SECTION 9.40.020 TO INCREASE THRESHOLDS FOR REVIEW OF ONE HUNDRED PERCENT AFFORDABLE HOUSING PROJECTS AND HOUSING PROJECTS SUBJECT TO THE HOUSING ACCOUNTABILITY ACT BY ADMINISTRATIVE APPROVA

The following is a summary of Ordinance Number 2740 (CCS) prepared by the Office of the City Attorney:

Ordinance Number 2740 (CCS) ("the Ordinance") is an Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance to extend interim zoning regulations established by prior Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinance 2633 (CCS) and amended and extended by Emergency Interim Zoning Ordinances 2645, 2692 and 2699 (CCS). The interim zoning regulations amend Chapter 9.39 and Section 9.40.020 of the Santa Monica Municipal Code to increase the thresholds for ministerial review of certain housing projects through the City's Administrative Approval review process. Housing projects eligible for review by Administrative Approval include: 1) one hundred percent affordable housing projects; and 2) housing projects subject to the Housing Accountability Act, Government Code Section 65589.5, that do not exceed Tier 2 maximums.

Under the Ordinance, Housing projects eligible for review by Administrative Approval include: 1) one hundred percent affordable housing projects; and 2) housing projects subject to the Housing Accountability Act, Government Code Section 65589.5, that do not exceed Tier 2 maximums and are located on a parcel that does not exceed 43,560 square feet, or one acre.

Applicants must conduct a community meeting to receive community input prior to submitting an application.

The Ordinance extends the interim zoning regulations to June 30, 2023 to allow the City to implement the City's 6th Cycle (2021-2029) Housing Element, which includes making the Ordinance's interim zoning regulations permanent.

The Ordinance was adopted on March 31, 2023 and became effective immediately upon its adoption. The Ordinance will expire on June 30, 2023 unless otherwise extended by the City Council in accordance with Section 9.46.090(C) of the Santa Monica Municipal Code.

The full text of the above Ordinance is available upon request from the office of the City Clerk, located at 1685 Main Street, Room 102, Santa Monica. Phone: (310) 458-8211.

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NOTICE INVITING BIDS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that bids will be received by the City of Santa Monica until 3:00 p.m. on the date indicated at which time they will be opened and posted for:

BID #4451 BATTERIES FOR HEAVY-DUTY TRANSIT BUSES AND FIRE APPARATUS

Submission Deadline is April 19, 2023 at 3:00 PM Pacific Time.

Bids must be submitted on forms supplied by the City of Santa Monica. Bid packages containing all forms, specifications, terms and conditions may be obtained on the **CITY'S ONLINE VENDOR PORTAL.** The website for this Notice of Inviting Bids and related documents is: OpenGov (https://secure.procurenow.com/portal/santa-monica-ca). There is no charge for bid package and specifications.

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GUEST COMMENTARY

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Newsom denounces 'authoritarians,' but what about his record?

BY DAN WALTERS

California Gov. Gavin Newsom has anointed himself as the avenging angel who will rain down righteous – or self-righteous – punishment on ideological heretics in red states such as Florida, Texas, Arkansas and Mississippi.

> "All across the country rights are being rolled back in real-time by Republicans"
> - Gov. Gavin Newsom

"All across the country rights are being rolled back in real-time by Republicans," Newsom warned in a fundraising text message last week, just hours after it was revealed that former President Donald Trump was being indicted in New York. "They cry 'freedom' but work overtime to dismantle our democracy to protect their power to dictate the choices people are allowed to make.

"I am going to flip that narrative on its head," Newsom promised.

Two days later, having created a new political organization to finance assaults on prominent Republicans, he embarked on a tour of four red states to rally Democratic opposition to their GOP governors.

Newsom's message is that those governors and other prominent Republicans, such as House Speaker Kevin McCarthy, are "authoritarian threats," citing such actions as banning books and subverting abortion access, gay rights and gender-affirming care for transgender youths.

The website of Newsom's new organization, the Campaign for Democracy, singles out McCarthy, Florida Gov. Ron DeSantis and Texas Gov. Gregg Abbott as "threats" to democracy. In a video, Newsom declares, "What's happening in those red states, that's not who we are. It's un-American, it's undemocratic. All it takes to fight back is a willingness to stand toe-to-toe and say 'enough.'"

There are three potential explanations for Newsom's self-declared crusade: that he's genuinely worried about an "existential struggle" for democracy; that he's just expanding his years-long drive to raise his national political profile in hopes of someday campaigning for the presidency; or that he craves attention.

Whatever his motives – and it could be a combination of the idealistic, the crassly political and the personal – the most intriguing aspect of Newsom's campaign is his denunciations of DeSantis, Abbott, et al, as "authoritarian," meaning that they are acting unilaterally, outside the democratic process, to impose their will on the residents of their states.

That's patently untrue. Those two governors and those of other red states were duly elected and often re-elected by their voters, and wield the powers that accrue to elected governors. One can certainly take issue, on the merits, with the policies they espouse and enact. But one must also assume that they are doing what majorities of their constituents want them to do, which is the essence of democracy.

Besides, Newsom has been just as adamant in pursuing his own ideological goals.

Was Newsom being an authoritarian when he declared an emergency during the COVID-19 pandemic, suspended dozens of laws, closed public schools and ordered much of the state's economy to be shut down, erasing nearly 3 million jobs overnight and pushing the state into a severe recession?

Newsom would say that he was just exercising his executive powers for the greater good.

Was Newsom an authoritarian when he unilaterally stopped executions in 2019, even though the death penalty was and still is state law, and won voter support the last time the issue was placed on the ballot?

Meanwhile, he has signed a number of new laws aimed at restricting or eliminating behavior he and his fellow Democrats consider to be wrong, such as owning guns or resisting construction of new housing. And how about those decrees banning the sale of gasoline-powered cars after 2035?

Newsom's actions were no less arbitrary the governors he criticizes. When it comes to authoritarianism, he is, to use an old saw, a pot calling the kettle black.

This article was originally published by CalMatters.

Eyedrops maker couldn't ensure factory was sterile, FDA says

MATTHEW PERRONE
AP Health Writer

The manufacturer of eyedrops recently linked to deaths and injuries lacked measures to assure sterility at its factory in India, according to U.S. health inspectors.

Food and Drug Administration officials uncovered about a dozen problems with how Global Pharma Healthcare made and tested its eyedrops during an inspection from late February through early March. The FDA released its preliminary inspection report Monday.

The company uses procedures that can't actually ensure its products are sterile, FDA staff wrote. In particular, the inspectors found that the plant had used "a deficient manufacturing process" between December 2020 and April 2022 for products that were later shipped to the U.S.

The plant in India's southern Tamil Nadu state produced eyedrops that have been linked to 68 bacterial infections in the U.S., including three deaths and eight cases of vision loss. Four people have had their eyeballs surgically removed due to infection. The drops were recalled in February by two U.S. distributors, EzriCare and Delsam Phama.

The outbreak is considered particularly worrisome because the bacteria driving it is resistant to standard antibiotics.

Inspectors arrived at the plant Feb. 20, more than two weeks after the announcement of the first eyedrop recall on Feb. 3. The inspection appears to be the FDA's first visit to the plant, according to agency records.

The report has the agency's preliminary findings and is likely to be followed by a formal report and a warning letter to the company. An FDA spokesman said the inspection indicates that the company's products "may be in violation of FDA's requirements."

"We urge consumers to stop using these products which may be harmful to their health," FDA's Jeremy Khan wrote in an emailed statement.

The FDA is responsible for assuring the safety of foreign products shipped to the U.S., though it has long struggled to keep pace with international pharmaceutical supply chains that increasingly begin in India and China.

FDA inspectors cited worrisome sanitary conditions at the Global Pharma plant, noting that its floors, walls and ceilings were not "easily cleanable." At one point during the visit, an FDA inspector noted "none of the equipment on the filling machine was wrapped or covered." The inspector also noted the company didn't have rigorous procedures for ensuring bottles were fully sealed. Instead, a "manual visual inspection is the only test to detect any leak," according to the report.

> "We urge consumers to stop using these products which may be harmful to their health
> - Jeremy Khan FDA

Global Pharma has said little publicly about its recent recalls, instead referring questions to the U.S. companies that sold the products.

The FDA has been investigating the U.S. bacterial infections alongside the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. CDC officials have detected the bacterial strain in opened bottles of EzriCare drops collected from infected patients. FDA officials are also testing unopened bottles of the drops.

CDC officials are worried the bacteria will spread and cases may be reported for weeks and months to come. The agency has been urging health care facilities treating patients to follow strict infection-control recommendations because the germ can spread rapidly.

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CRIME WATCH

Crime Watch is culled from reports provided by the Santa Monica Police Department. These are arrests only. All parties are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

ON MARCH 26, AT APPROXIMATELY 3:35 AM

Officers were dispatched to the intersection of 23rd and Santa Monica Blvd for a traffic collision. Upon arrival, officers located a white SUV that was involved in the collision along with a grey Honda. The driver of the SUV explained that the individual in the Honda rear-ended them as they sat at a light causing damage to the rear bumper of the vehicle along with physical pain to one of the occupants. Officers met with the Honda driver and documented that she had red eyes, slurred speech and noticed the smell of alcohol. The driver was unable to answer simple questions and failed field sobriety tests. Twenty-eight year-old Inez Alvarez from Los Angeles was arrested for driving under the influence and transported to the Santa Monica Jail.

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Bids will only be accepted through the CITY'S ONLINE VENDOR PORTAL, OpenGov Procurement or https://secure.opengov.com/portal/santa-monica-ca. They must be received by the specified date and time. Late bids will not be accepted. Please allow sufficient time for uploading of documents. The bid opening will be electronic, all submitted bids will be viewable by the public via OpenGov Procurement immediately after bid close time.

MANDATORY PRE-BID JOB WALK:
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California AG: 54 ghost guns seized in unique state program

STEFANIE DAZIO
Associated Press

California law enforcement took away 54 so-called ghost guns last year from people who can't legally own firearms, a 38% jump in the number of the hard-to-trace weapons seized since 2021 under a unique state program, officials said Monday.

The ghost guns, which are privately made firearms without a serial number, were part of nearly 1,500 guns taken statewide last year through an only-in-California program called the Armed and Prohibited Persons System, known as APPS.

The California registry cross-matches databases to find people who legally purchased weapons but are now banned from ownership because they have been convicted of felonies or a violent misdemeanor, or have a history of domestic violence or mental illness. State and local authorities then can move to seize the weapons under the program, which began in 2006.

Generally, firearms manufactured by licensed companies are required to have serial numbers that allow officials to trace the gun back to the manufacturer, the firearms dealer and original purchaser. That's how the registry can find the people who are prohibited from having guns, as well as the weapons linked to them.

Ghost guns, however, are made of parts and are then assembled together — without the serial numbers that can be used to follow the gun's path. Law enforcement working to find the legal firearms listed on the state registry coincidentally found the ghost guns and seized those as well.

The number of ghost guns discovered by law enforcement through their APPS work has jumped dramatically in recent years. In 2018, officials seized just eight ghost guns through their work on the registry, Attorney General Rob Bonta's office said.

Bonta has ordered the state's Department of Justice to focus more on ghost gun investigations in general after years of increased illegal activity.

Guns without serial numbers have been used in deadly violence over the past year, including in New York, where a teenage girl was killed outside a high school in the Bronx, and in Sacramento, when a man fatally shot his three daughters inside a church.

The APPS registry included 23,869 people as of Jan. 1, including nearly 9,300 active cases. The remaining cases — almost 15,000 — include people who are incarcerated, have moved out of state or cannot be located after multiple attempts, Bonta's office said.

In one case, an attempt to contact a man in Costa Mesa led to an eight-hour armed standoff in Southern California after he fired at the officers. The suspect was on the state's list because he had a misdemeanor conviction for domestic violence, as well as an active misdemeanor arrest warrant. He eventually surrendered and authorities recovered a rifle, a shotgun and multiple handguns, the attorney general's office said.

Last year, the total seizure included 712 handguns, 360 rifles, 194 shotguns, 80 assault weapons, three short-barreled shotguns and a machine gun, as well as more than 281,000 rounds of ammunition, according to a report released Monday.

That's roughly comparable to seizures in 2021, when 1,428 firearms — including 39 ghost guns — were taken by law enforcement under the APPS program.

STUDENTS

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She added that teachers are fortunately better prepared to work with these students than they were in past decades. When a student acts out or even gets violent, a teacher might try to calm the student instead of resorting to disciplinary actions like detentions or suspensions.

According to the state's new data, the numbers of foster youth, students with disabilities and students from low-income households have all increased by between 2% and 3%.

The rate of decline for overall enrollment shows signs of stabilizing after plummeting in the first years of the pandemic. Kindergarten enrollment took the biggest hit, but is starting to climb back up. Enrollment went from about 71,000 in 2020-21 to about 130,000 this year, but state officials said it's partly due to the state's expansion of transitional kindergarten.

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COVID

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testing and treatment to Los Angeles County residents. Additionally, healthcare workers will still be required to wear protective face coverings in patient areas and when providing care as well as have completed their primary vaccine series and received one booster dose (unless exempted).

"I would love to see our lowest-ever numbers since the pandemic started," Ferrer said. "That has not happened yet and in order for it to happen, we will have to take advantage of all the tools and resources that helped us get to where we are today and to be aware of how our actions affect those in our community who are most vulnerable to severe illness."

Local officials are striking a similar tone. Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD) Interim Superintendent Mark Kelly sent an update on COVID 19 guidance to staff, students, parents and guardians last month, encouraging students to stay home when sick, mask-up in public for at least ten days after testing positive and notify close contacts.

He also asked that students take a free at-home, district-provided COVID 19 test before returning from their two-week long spring break on April 17.

"This is extremely important to minimize risk of transmission and spread as families are traveling and gathering over break and for spring holidays," Kelly wrote.

"The ongoing health and wellness of our students and staff are our top priorities," he added. "Together, we continue to move forward in a positive manner, in-person, with our full array of academic, extracurricular, social emotional and wellness programs, to ensure the success of our students."

> "With no new strains proliferating, I am optimistic we will remain in the Low Community Level this spring and my hope is that our hospitalization and death rates continue to decline
> - Barbara Ferrer Director of LACDPH

For more information on local COVID 19 guidelines and data visit: http://publichealth.lacounty.gov/media/coronavirus/data/

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TRUMP

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Trump as he submits to the dour demands of the American criminal justice system while projecting an aura of defiance and victimhood at celebratory campaign events.

Wearing his signature dark suit and red tie, Trump turned and waved to crowds outside the building before heading inside to be fingerprinted and processed. He arrived at court in an eight-car motorcade from Trump Tower, communicating in real time his anger at the process.

"Heading to Lower Manhattan, the Courthouse," he posted on his Truth Social platform. "Seems so SURREAL — WOW, they are going to ARREST ME. Can't believe this is happening in America. MAGA!"

Afterward, Trump lawyer Todd Blanche told reporters that it was a "sad day for the country."

"You don't expect this to happen to somebody who was president of the United States," he said.

Trump, who was impeached twice by the U.S. House but was never convicted in the U.S. Senate, is the first former president to face criminal charges. The nation's 45th commander in chief was escorted from Trump Tower to the courthouse by the Secret Service.

"He is strong and ready to go," Trump lawyer Joe Tacopina told The Associated Press. Earlier, Tacopina said in a TV interview that the former president wouldn't plead guilty to lesser charges, even if it might resolve the case. He also said he didn't think the case would make it to a jury.

New York police said they were ready for large protests by Trump supporters, who share the Republican former president's belief that the New York grand jury indictment and three additional pending investigations are politically motivated and intended to weaken his bid to retake the White House in 2024. Journalists often outnumbered protesters, though.

Trump, a former reality TV star, has been hyping that narrative to his political advantage, saying he raised more than $8 million in the days since the indictment on claims of a "witch hunt." His campaign released a fundraising request titled "My last email before arrest" and he has repeatedly assailed Bragg, egged on supporters to protest and claimed without evidence that the judge presiding over the case "hates me" — something his own lawyer has said is not true.

The arraignment unfolded against the backdrop of heavy security in New York, coming more than two years after Trump supporters stormed the U.S. Capitol in a failed bid to halt the congressional certification of Democrat Joe Biden's win.

The scenes around Trump Tower and the courthouse did not feature any major unrest. Police tried to keep apart protesters supporting the former president and those opposing him by confining them to separate sides of a park near the courthouse using metal barricades.

Tucker and Weissert reported from Washington. Associated Press journalists Jill Colvin, Bobby Caina Calvan, Larry Neumeister, Karen Matthews, Larry Fleisher, Deepti Hajela, Julie Walker, Ted Shaffrey, David R. Martin, Joe Frederick and Robert Bumsted in New York and Colleen Long and Michael Balsamo in Washington contributed to this report.

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Lord's Supper with Footwashing and
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GOOD FRIDAY, APRIL 7
Stations of the Cross, Noon
St. John's Passion and
Adoration of the Cross, 7 p.m.

EASTER SUNDAY, APRIL 9
Service and Festival Holy Communion, 10:30 a.m.
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Data Scientist sought by Snap Inc. (Santa Monica, CA) *Hybrid work permitted - Snap practices a "default together"approach and expects team members to work in Santa Monica ofc at least 80% of time (avg 4 days/wk). Quantitativeanalysis, data mining and statistical modeling. Base salary: $145,000-$210,000/yr. Eligible for discretionary performance-based bonus award. Eligible for equity in form of RSUs. Our Benefits: https://careers.snap.com/benefits. Email Resume:apply2snap@snap.com. Ref. Job Code #DS-0323-DI. EOE.

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City of Santa Monica

SUBJECT: NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY OF PROPOSED 2023-24 ANNUAL ACTION PLAN ALLOCATING FEDERAL COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (CDBG) & HOME INVESTMENT PARTNERSHIP ACT PROGRAM (HOME) FUNDS

The U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) provides annual CDBG and HOME entitlement funds to the City of Santa Monica. As a recipient of these federal funds, HUD requires the City to develop a five-year Consolidated Plan along with Annual Action Plans for housing and community development which identify high priority needs and the associated goals, strategies, and resources anticipated over a five-year period.

Notice is hereby given that the City of Santa Monica has developed the Proposed 2023-24 Annual Action Plan, which identifies the City's specific projects and activities for one-year use of CDBG and HOME funds to address the high-priority needs specified in the 2020-24 Consolidated Plan.

The Proposed 2023-24 Annual Action Plan is now available to the public for a 30-day review period beginning April 5, 2023. Both the Proposed 2023-24 Annual Action Plan and the HUD-approved 2020-24 Consolidated Plan can be viewed at www.santamonica.gov/community-development-block-grant-and-home-investment-partnership-programs . Hard copies are available upon request through the Housing and Human Services Division by telephone at (310) 458-8701 or by email at humanservices@santamonica.gov. Written comments may be submitted by May 5, 2023 to humanservices@santamonica.gov or by mail to: Housing and Human Services Division, 1685 Main Street, MS22, Santa Monica, CA 90401. All comments received will be incorporated into the final draft of the 2023-24 Annual Action Plan, currently due to HUD by May 15, 2023. The City Council is scheduled to consider approval of the proposed plan on May 9, 2023.

ESPAÑOL Esto es un aviso público para invitar a cualquier parte interesada a participar en el repaso del Plan Preliminar de Acción Anual del Año Fiscal 2023-24. Si necesita más información, por favor llame a Ivy Chang en la División de Vivienda y Servicios Humanos al número (310) 458-8701.

RENT CONTROL

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As it stands today, Santa Monica's rent control rules apply only to multi-unit housing and to units built prior to the adoption of rent control in 1979. The revisions proposed by SB 466 would extend rent control to single-family-homes and condos while changing the threshold from a fixed point in time (locally, pre-1979) to a rolling date that brings all construction into rent control after 15 years.

"Reforms to Costa-Hawkins in the state legislature are going to be a very difficult conversation. Everyone involved in that bill is realistic about its prospects given the expected opposition from landlord groups and the Realtors, but that part of the conversation [the rolling date] seems to be one that has the most sort of currency," said Brian Agusta the Rent Control Board's Legislative Advocate during a briefing on what to expect in 2023.

He said the idea of a rolling date didn't amount to the sky falling as the 15-year timeline already exists in other kinds of rent rules.

"Because we've been living with, in every rent control jurisdiction, a sort of frozen-in-time picture of when units are or aren't on the new construction line, so this would create a rolling date, which was a feature of prior attempts at the statewide ballot as well to amend Costa-Hawkins," he said.

Those past attempts to revise or outright repeal Costa-Hawkins failed.

"Obviously, that's an enormously important proposal. We'll see how far we get, most proposals that have looked at touching Costa-Hawkins have not gotten past the first committee. So, I don't know what we can expect or if we can expect something different this year, we'll see," he said.

A past iteration of the Rent Control Board backed a state ballot measure in 2018 that would have repealed most of Costa Hawkins' restrictions on rent control and current boardmembers said the new proposal had merit.

"I know you said it's always going to be a difficult change and I've always thought that the rolling construction exemption has always made sense. That seems like such an easy fix to do and makes sense. And I know if that would happen for us it would involve thousands of units in the city of Santa Monica that would become under rent control jurisdiction," said Boardmember Lonnie Guinn.

The bills author, Senator Aisha Wahab has a history of advocating for stronger tenant protections dating back to her time as a councilwoman in Hayward.

"As a renter, former Hayward City Councilmember, and current State Senator, I understand the scope of how the restrictions of a nearly 30-year-old law inhibit local jurisdictions' ability to meet the demands of their communities amidst an ongoing housing and homelessness crisis," she said. "With the reforms to Costa Hawkins, as proposed in SB 466, we are simply opening up the toolbox for cities and counties who are doing their best to keep their residents housed and tackle the affordability crisis."

If the law were to pass, Santa Monica voters would need to approve a change to the city charter to incorporate any changes.

The Costa-Hawkins debate is not the only legislative issue coming down the pike.

"Many bills have been introduced, not all of them are in a permanent form and hearings have just started … The message on spending with respect to housing and housing affordability is we're going to need to do more with less," Agusta said.

He indicated that the state's budget picture would have an impact on any housing proposals. In January, Governor Gavin Newsom gave his projection of the year's budget and that will be updated in May, based on April tax receipts.

"Last year, we had a record surplus, the result was a lot of new ideas and investments … and now this year we are having a $24-25 billion projected deficit. But it may mean a number of things that funding was provided for in last year's budget … may get clawed back or be reprogrammed," Agusta said. "So, that does have an impact on housing," he added.

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RENT: The proposed changes would significantly increase the number of units covered by rent control rules.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (April 5)

It's your year of being on the inside, in the know, first on the invite list and other exclusive perks. You come by these signals of validation honestly, as they spring from trusted relationships and earned status. More highlights: A family win brings pride and opportunity. There's a chance to learn an entirely new language, code or cultural system. Fortuitous and smooth travel is also in store. Taurus and Gemini adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 10, 13, 16, 1 and 8.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Competitors show up — a gift that motivates you to up your game. There's no reason to doubt yourself. You'll be whatever you decide to be, so decide to be confident. Your sportsmanship will set the tone.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). People who want to change and believe they can change will do so. This will occur regardless of background, finances, education or any other factor. Improvement is not only possible, it's highly probable. Refuse to listen to any unhelpful beliefs.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). There's a good chance you'll get what you want for free or cheap. People trying to make a sale will tell you to act fast, but if this is really for you, you'll be able to get it tomorrow, next week or next year. If it has to be sold via hard-sell, it's probably not that great a product.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The lumberjack felling a tree does not fret over where the wood chips land because the focus is on the bigger issue of the trunk. Similarly, you're handling the essential issues now and can safely let the chips fall where they may.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Don't wait until you feel focused to act. It's the action that brings you focus and not the other way around. You won't know which ideas are good until you follow through and test them out.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). First impressions are the beginning of a relationship and set a tone for everything that follows. The most important thing to take note of is how you feel around a person. There are many energizing people around, so keep moving until you find them.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You care a great deal about doing a job right. The nervousness you feel makes you human. Eventually, your body and mind will get used to this and it won't affect you so strongly. Until then, do it scared.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). A paradox: You'll have to guard a thing to keep it free. You'll make sure that no one and nothing can get to the things you hold sacred. You'll protect your time, your joy and your inner being.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). People want to tell you about their lives because you listen with your heart and they feel heard and seen by you. You don't offer up advice, opinions or fixes. Listening well is powerful and more than enough.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). As an actor or writer does, you'll learn through people-watching. You'll guess how closely — or loosely — different people are bound to one another. You'll listen to what's said and unsaid to gather insight about the feelings of others.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Your energy is high and you'll speed through tasks. It's frustrating when lines or traffic slow you down, but a pleasure to be slowed down by the needs of a loved one. Love and patience go hand in hand.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). However massive the project is, it's accomplished the same way any floor is swept — one sweep at a time. You'll make incredible things happen today by simply repeating the easy action. And if the action doesn't seem easy, chunk it down until it is.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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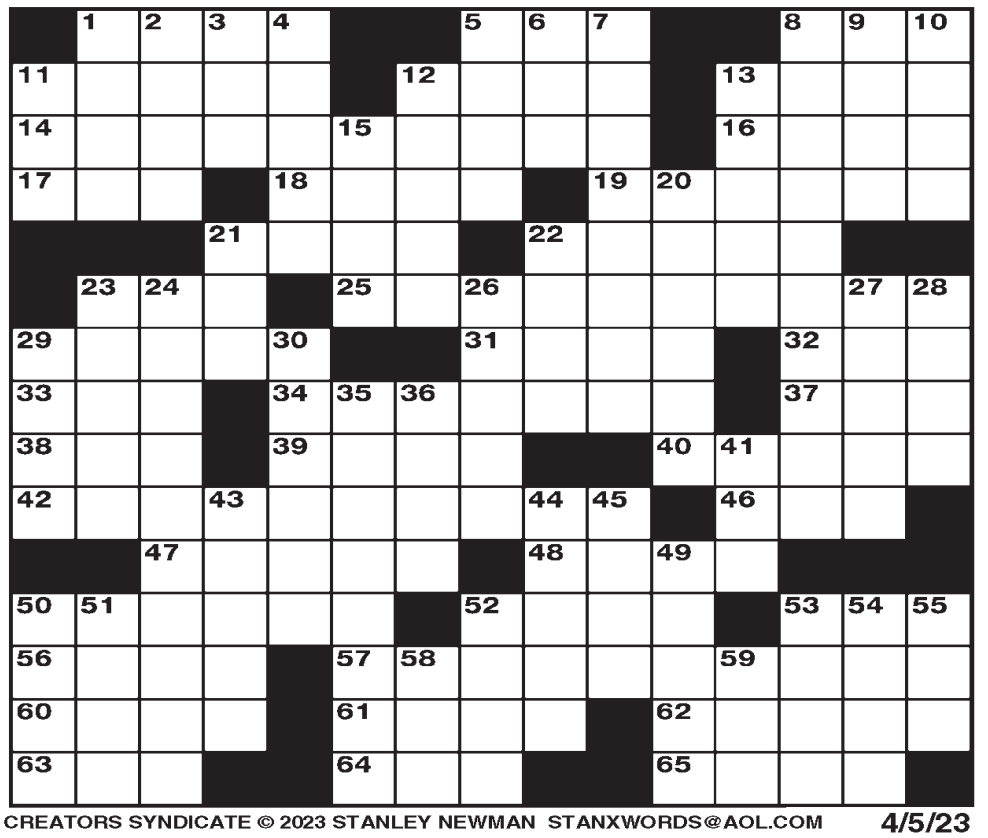
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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Narrow board
5 Org. for expert putters
8 Shout of discovery
11 Sharp part of a knife
12 Take quickly
13 Cereal advertised "for kids"
14 Front section of airplane seats
16 Hitchhiker's goal
17 1-800-FLOWERS rival
18 Wander around
19 Makes happen
21 Come ashore
22 River's end
23 "Be Prepared" grp.
25 Analog watch feature
29 Disorderly stacks
31 Grocery chain based in Germany
32 __ for the course (customary)
33 Eyebrow shape
34 Sincere
37 "Now __ seen everything!"
38 Printer tray size: Abbr.
39 Fencing sword
40 Fathered, as a foal
42 Person incidentally involved
46 "You've got mail!" company
47 Place to plant crops
48 Overcook
50 Bee's home
52 Very worrisome
53 Fasten, as shoelaces
56 Verifiable statement
57 Time to punt, in football
60 Square footage
61 Had bills to pay
62 German autos
63 Ketchup color
64 MDs' associates
65 Timely benefit

DOWN
1 Narrow cut
2 Frying medium
3 Words from the sponsor
4 Aquarium fish
5 British baby buggy
6 Neon or nitrogen
7 Makes a getaway
8 *All Things Considered* host
9 Keep out of sight
10 Log choppers
11 Texter's pal
12 Forest clearing
13 Actuality
15 Decision maker's list
20 Accountant's inspections
21 Once around a track
22 Burrowing mammal
23 Docking spot
24 Sold at a bargain price
26 Rattan worker
27 Feature of some oranges
28 __ Scott decision
29 Sentry's order
30 Sowing machine
35 Request in writing
36 Enjoy a novel
41 Scottish John
43 Gaucho's lasso
44 Erstwhile sporty Ford
45 Domed tent
49 Get-well program, for short
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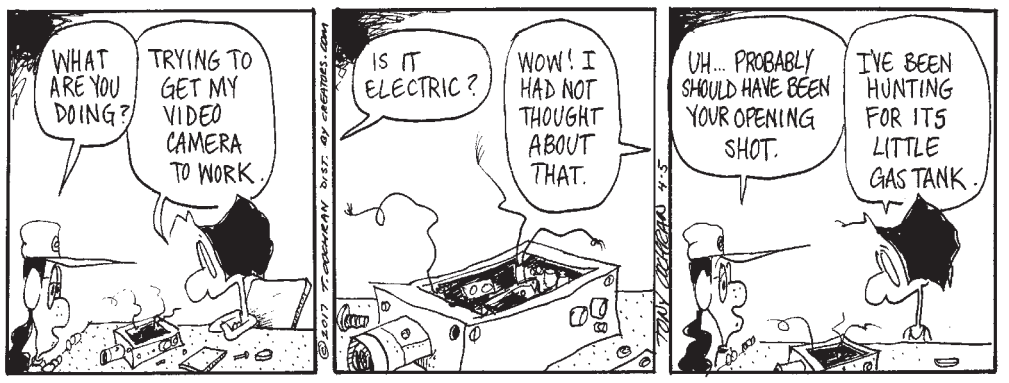


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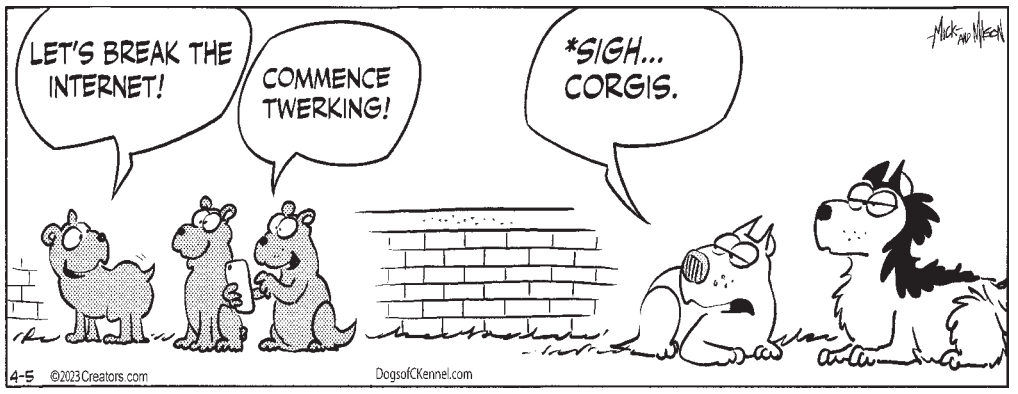
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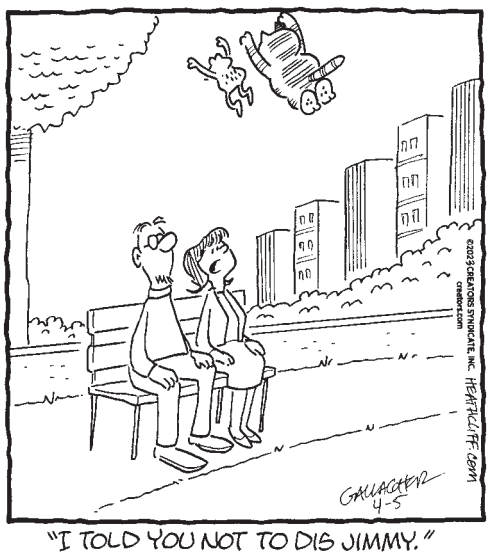
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FIND THE WORDS

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 17 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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Barbecue	Competitive	Expo	Outing	Walk
Bask	Crowds	Farm	Party	Wash
Beer	Cycle	Flee	Paths	Wine
Benefits	Dates	Game	Plan	Yacht
Birds	Dogs	Idle	Pool	
Bistro	Draw	Knit	Sketch	
Book	Drink	Lake	Song	
Brasserie	Ducks	Laps	Surf	
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THURSDAY | APRIL 6

GOVERNMENT AFFAIRS COMMITTEE

The Government Affairs Committee meets monthly to discuss legislative and public policy issues of importance to Chamber members, and recommend any positions on those issues to be taken by the Board of Directors. https://members.smchamber.com/events/details/government-affairs-committee-04-06-2023-18627

FRIDAY | APRIL 7

LET THE CROWS COME

Evoking mythography and ancestry, Ashwini Ramaswamy's Let the Crows Come uses the metaphor of crows as messengers for the living and guides for the departed. In a series of solos/trios, the Indian dance form Bharatanatyam is deconstructed and recontextualized with collaborators Alanna Morris and Berit Ahlgren. The Broad Stage 1310 11th St. Santa Monica, California 90401

SATURDAY | APRIL 8

SEA STAR FEEDING

Come learn about the diet of our local sea stars and help serve them their favorite lunch. Visitors to Heal the Bay Aquarium can help assist aquarium staff as they feed the sea stars in our Tide Pool Touch Tanks, every Saturday at 1pm and 3pm. Heal the Bay Aquarium 1600 Ocean Front Walk, Santa Monica, CA https://healthebay.org/event/sea-star-feeding-saturday-2023-04-08/

SUNDAY | APRIL 9

LADERA HEARTS PRESENTS : CULT CLASSICS

Ladera Hearts Presents: Cult Classics - A monthly celebration of the most groundbreaking R&B and Hip Hop albums of all time. Experience them played top to bottom in the club April album of the month: @mariah Carey - The emancipation of Mimi Sounds by @rosegawd hosted by @creat1ve & @kylethevirgo Doors at 6 pm $5 presale, $10 at-the-door. Townhouse Venice 52 Windward Ave Venice, CA

AL FRESCO EASTER BRUNCH

Brunch al fresco alongside sweeping views at Calabra's breezy rooftop oasis this Easter. From festive specials to brunch favorites, indulge in seasonally-inspired fare and garden-fresh cocktails. Calabra 700 Wilshire Blvd, Santa Monica, CA 90401. For Reservations visit https://www.opentable.com/

MONDAY | APRIL 10

DROP-IN PLAYTIME

Come enjoy a weekly drop-in playtime at the library for creative play with LEGO-style bricks, traditional building blocks, and board books. Venice - Abbot Kinney Memorial Branch Library 501 S. Venice Boulevard, Venice, CA

TUESDAY | APRIL 11

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The City Council is made up of seven members elected at-large for staggered four-year terms. Every two years, after each election, the City Council selects one of its members to serve as Mayor and another to serve as Mayor Pro Tempore. The City Council also sits as the following bodies for the City of Santa Monica: Housing Authority ,Parking Authority, Public, Financing, Redevelopment Successor Agency and Audit Subcommittee. The City Council meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month starting at 5:30 P.M., in the Council Chambers, City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California.

WEDNESDAY | APRIL 12

MEN'S VOLLEYBALL - MOORPARK COLLEGE

Games held at SMC Pavilion. Admission: Free for SMC students (with current ID); $5 for adults & teens age 13 & up; $3 for seniors age 55 & up & youth ages 3 to 12; free for kids under 3.

WEDNESDAY NIGHT FOOD TRUCKS

Located one block from the beach, in beautiful Santa Monica, in the driveway/parking lot of the California Heritage Museum at 2612 Main Street (on the corner of Main Street and Ocean Park Boulevard). Available are a variety of 4 or more Food Trucks, each hosting a different type of cuisine. Each week sample fish tacos, lobster rolls, sliders, sushi, Korean BBQ, and more.... trucks representing every possible nationality and cuisine are chosen each week. For additional information, please contact the California Heritage Museum's staff directly by emailing the museum at: mail@californiaheritagemuseum.org or calling (310) 392-8537.

THURSDAY | APRIL 13

ROCK 'N COMEDY

Meet at Rock N Pies Pizza Co. for a carefully curated comedy show on the second Thursday of the every month and watch comedians from NBC, Netflix, Amazon Prime, BET and more! Doors open at 8:30 p.m. Tickets are $10 online and $15 at the door. https://www.eventbrite.com/e/rock-n-comedy-tickets-253756000027

For help submitting an event, contact us at
310-458-7737 or submit to events@smdp.com



SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **53.4**

WEDNESDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:**	2-3ft Thigh to waist	Smaller leftovers from the NW stay rideable on a bigger board. Northerly wind continues.
THURSDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:**	1-2ft Knee to thigh	Trending small scale but conditions look clean for the morning.

WEATHER

Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 64. North northeast wind 5 to 15 mph.
Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 51. West wind 5 to 15 mph.
Thursday: Sunny, with a high near 70. North wind 5 to 10 mph.
Thursday Night: Partly cloudy, with a low around 51.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2023/04/05	Wed	03:37 AM	0.38	L
2023/04/05	Wed	09:37 AM	4.66	H
2023/04/05	Wed	3:40 PM	0.31	L
2023/04/05	Wed	9:52 PM	5.09	H
2023/04/06	Thu	04:12 AM	0.06	L
2023/04/06	Thu	10:13 AM	4.40	H
2023/04/06	Thu	4:01 PM	0.63	L
2023/04/06	Thu	10:14 PM	5.30	H
2023/04/07	Fri	04:49 AM	-0.17	L
2023/04/07	Fri	10:52 AM	4.04	H
2023/04/07	Fri	4:23 PM	1.00	L
2023/04/07	Fri	10:38 PM	5.44	H
2023/04/08	Sat	05:30 AM	-0.30	L
2023/04/08	Sat	11:38 AM	3.60	H
2023/04/08	Sat	4:45 PM	1.40	L
2023/04/08	Sat	11:07 PM	5.48	H
2023/04/09	Sun	06:18 AM	-0.30	L
2023/04/09	Sun	12:34 PM	3.14	H

DAILY LOTTERY

Although every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the winning number information, mistakes can occur. In the event of any discrepancies, California State laws and California Lottery regulations will prevail. Complete game information and prize claiming instructions are available at California Lottery retailers. Visit the California State Lottery web site at http://www.calottery.com

POWERBALL
Draw Date: 4/3
16 30 31 54 68
Power#: 1
Jackpot: 170 M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 3/31
16 26 27 42 61
Mega#: 23
Jackpot: 385 M

SuperLotto PLUS
Draw Date: 4/1
2 9 11 13 46
Mega#: 9
Jackpot: 47 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 4/3
1 4 14 23 27

Daily 3
Draw Date: 4/3
EVENING: 1 5 2
Draw Date: 4/3
MIDDAY: 8 5 7

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 4/3
1st: 02 - Lucky Star
2nd: 05 - California Classic
3rd: 04 - Big Ben
Race Time: 1:46.85

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