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Delayed, but not deterred, no frills gym Anytime Fitness on 4th Street is now open

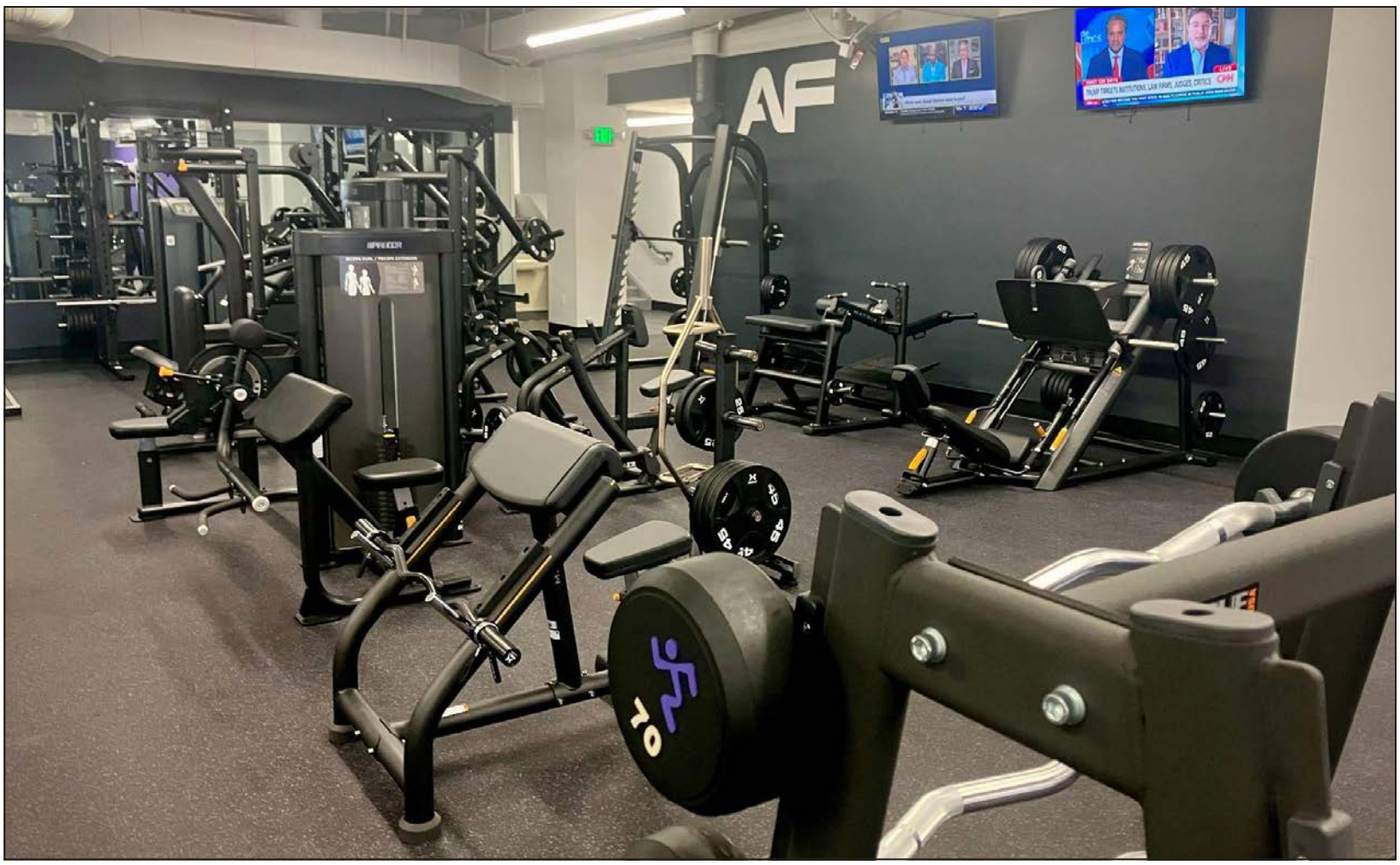
SCOTT SNOWDEN
SMDP Staff Writer

If fancy fitness centers and gyms-with-gimmicks are not your thing, then rest assured that a return to the conventional little-bit-of-everything is also on offer as Anytime Fitness has finally opened its doors.

This adds to the slowly growing array of athletic-related outlets already there, including the Fred Fitness, Road Runner Sports, SportsFest and possibly even the promised pickleball courts that are expected to open soon. Situated between Santa Monica Boulevard and Broadway at 435 4th Street, the historic site once housed a West Elm furniture store before it relocated to the renovated building next door in 2018.

The last time the Daily Press visited the 5,000 sq ft space was back in January and the interior resembled a construction site, with incomplete walls, hanging wires and pipes. However, now the inside is completely finished and even has that "new gym" smell. On the cardio side, there are four treadmills, three ellipticals, two stairs and two bikes and on the strength side, three are squat racks, free weights that go

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Scott Snowden

FLEX APPEAL: The new Anytime Fitness gym at 435 4th St offers a no-frills work out experience and the center is available 24 hours a day for members.

Roger the Dog joins the fire department to help with mental health

The Santa Monica Fire Department launched a new K-9 Peer Support Program this week designed to support the mental health and wellbeing of firefighters, city employees and community members.

Roger, an English Labrador and

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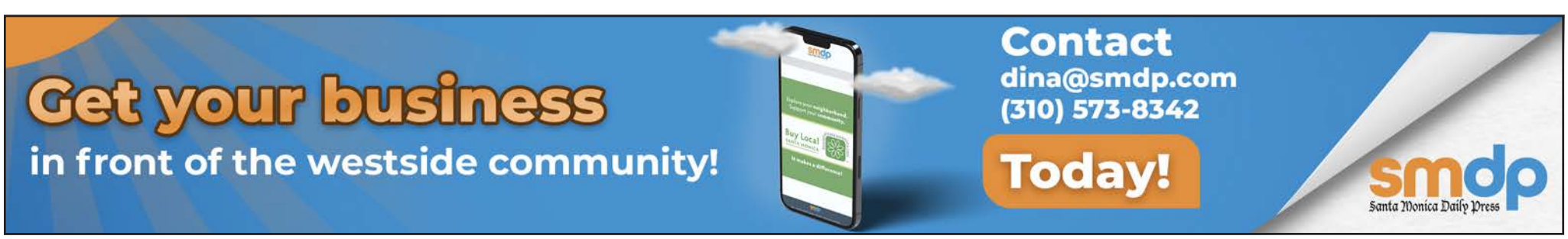
Delinquent property owners could face new fines under expanded nuisance law after Tuesday's Council meeting

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

The City Council will consider a pair of construction related measures at its Tuesday meeting with the first looking to penalize nuisance property owners and the second adopting a new five-year housing plan

The council will review a proposal to update the city's public nuisance abatement and

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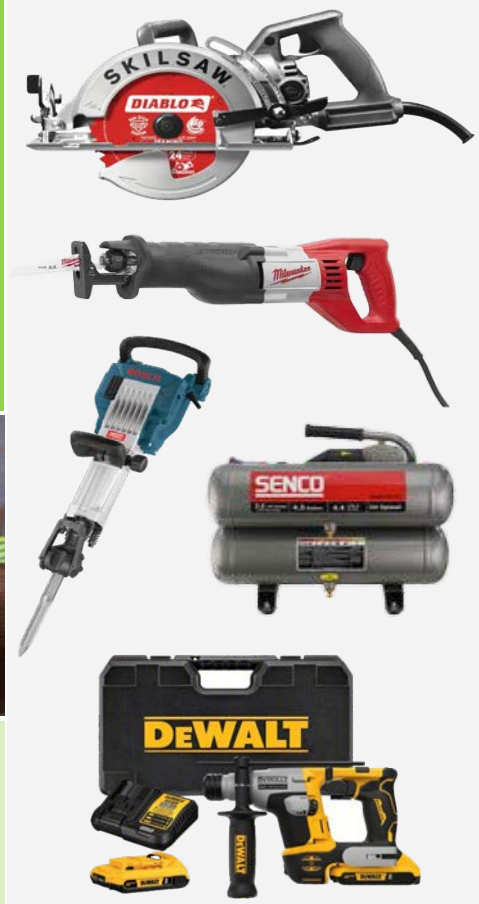


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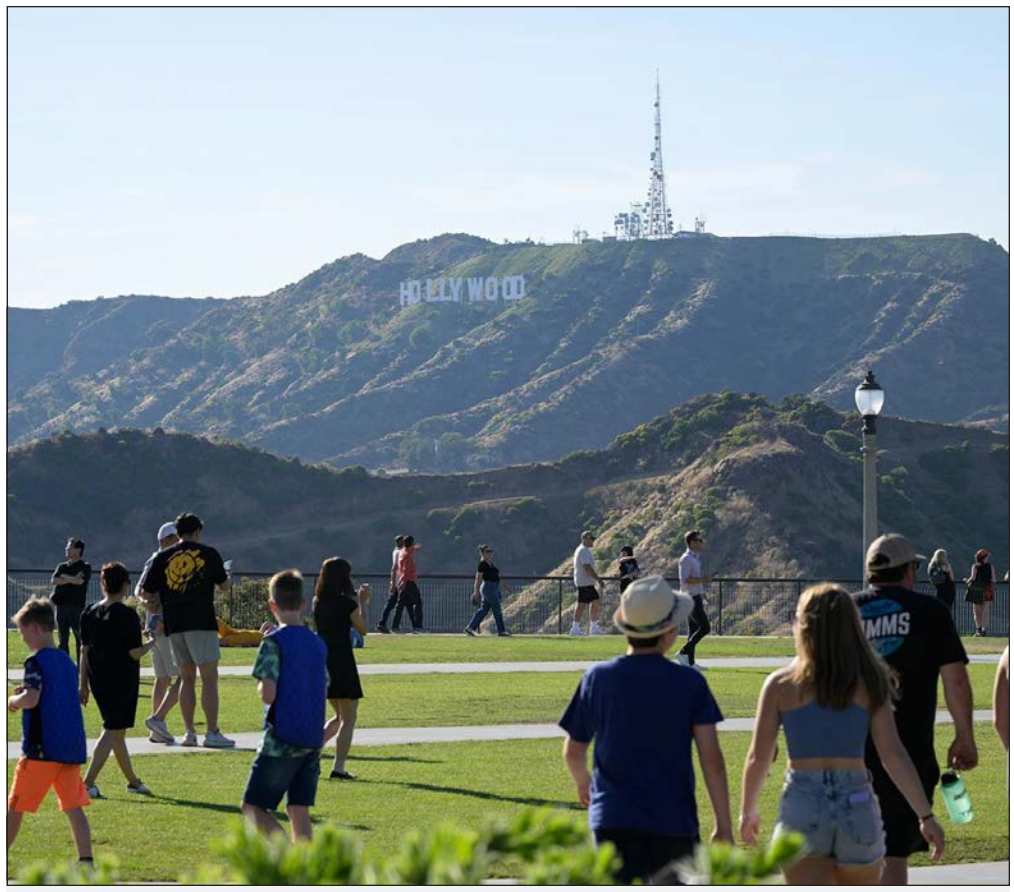


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Canadians pull back on travel to California because of Trump: 'I will miss the desert'



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TOURISTS: People visit the Griffiths Observatory with the Hollywood sign in the background, Thursday, July 13, 2023, in Los Angeles.

California tourism could lose billions of dollars because of President Donald Trump's policies on tariffs, immigration and gender identity, as well as his talk of annexing Canada.

Visit California, a nonprofit organization that promotes tourism in the Golden State, recently revised its overall visitor spending forecast for this year from $166 billion to $160 billion, saying international travel into California is already beginning to slow. Canada, the second-largest source of international tourism dollars for the state after Mexico, accounted for $3.7 billion of the $26.5 billion foreign travel brought into the state last year, Visit California said.

So it could be a big problem for California that many Canadians are angry about tariffs and Trump's insistence that their country should become the 51st U.S. state. Many are refusing to buy U.S.-made products and don't want to cross the border. Canada and other countries have also issued advisories for travel to the United States, warning travelers that they risk being detained, or that because of the Trump's administration's policies on transgender people there could be complications for them depending on what gender is shown on their passports.

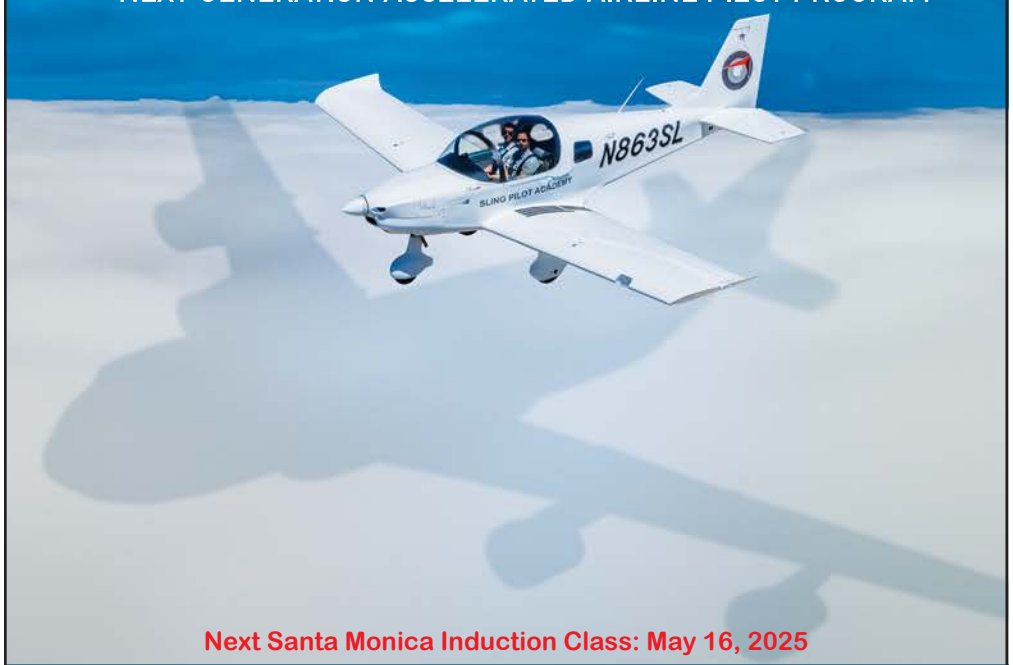
Carol Harris, who spoke with CalMatters from Nova Scotia, said she and her husband have visited family in San Diego every year for a long time, but not anymore.

"Never again, until Trump's gone," said Harris, a retired university professor who said it will be a big loss. "I will miss the desert," she added. "I love the topography of California. I like the politics of California." Still, she said that as an "adamantly progressive" person, not visiting the United States is "just something we have to do."

Charlie Angus, a member of Canada's Parliament, recently called Trump's rhetoric "an act of war" and urged Canadians not to

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GUEST COMMENTARY

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Achieving the 'abundance agenda' in California will require more than just efficiency



Photo by Camille Cohen for CalMatters

CONSTRUCTION: Framers work to build the Ruby Street apartments in Castro Valley on Feb. 6, 2024. The construction project is funded by the No Place Like Home bond, which was passed in 2018 to create affordable housing for homeless residents experiencing mental health issues.

California has a scarcity problem.

In recent decades, the cost of consumer goods like cars and cell phones has fallen, while the cost of healthy food and childcare has climbed. We're rich in natural resources, land and people, but when it comes to producing more of the things we need like housing, energy and transportation infrastructure, we're drastically falling short.

In a 2024 University of California survey, the Possibility Lab found that more than half of the state's voters agree that it is difficult to access at least some essential goods and services.

Across the country, a growing conversation is taking shape around how we can build more of what people need to live full, thriving lives. It's called the "abundance agenda," and it argues that the administrative burdens placed on constructing and producing the things we need more of are simply too high.

California's leaders should embrace the abundance framework to solve our scarcity problem. But achieving this vision requires more than just focusing on efficiency — it requires investing in people.

We can't achieve abundance without the architects, developers, planners and construction workers building our infrastructure. Beyond building, we can't bring about abundance without the home care workers, pre-K teachers and primary care physicians who sustain our eldercare, childcare and health care systems. If we truly want to realize abundance, we need policies that make these jobs attractive and achievable: offering better wages, improving working conditions and building career pathways that recognize their vital contributions to a thriving society.

The abundance movement often implicitly — or explicitly — calls out people as part of the problem. Proponents criticize the participation of environmental and labor groups as slowing down progress. If we want to navigate the difficult trade-offs between what's fast and what's fair, though, we need new models for engaging. The current systems, where public input often takes the form of prolonged review processes that empower NIMBY, or not-in-my-backyard obstructionism, is not productive.

At the same time, simply overriding community concerns in the name of speed is neither equitable nor politically viable.

Instead, we need mechanisms for inclusive decision-making that foster consensus rather than gridlock. This could mean designing participatory planning processes that bring diverse stakeholders to the table earlier and at the level of city-wide or regional planning, setting clear timelines for input, and using deliberative and digital tools to enhance transparency and engagement.

It could also mean developing targeted policies to ensure that new development balances benefits to both future and existing residents, such as affordable housing requirements paired with labor or community benefits agreements that link growth to local priorities.

For all of its promise, the abundance movement risks remaining an intellectual

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Surf report

WATER TEMP: **64.4**

TUESDAY
FAIR

SURF: Thigh to waist
2-3FT

SPAC swell bumps up from Monday and there's still enough NW for some peaks. Looking like a pretty fun day on paper as NW swell mix from Monday backs off and some new SSW swell picks up further through the day. Should be pretty peaky/playful and the current wind outlook is favorable, cleanest in the morning.

WEDNESDAY
FAIR

SURF: Waist to chest
3-4FT

Down in size but there's still some combo surf on offer. Clean AM likely. NW swell mix from the start of the week drops to leftovers but there's a lift in NW windswell energy and the SSW swell from Tuesday hangs tough. Plan around the deep high tide keep the beachbreaks west of Dume in mind with for crossed up peaks on the blend of swells. They'll likely get the nod for size/quality. Smaller, rideable points. Wind looks best in the morning but the afternoon onshore flow shows potential to stay manageable, especially at the points.

Weather

Tuesday: Sunny, with a high near 66. Light and variable wind becoming southwest 5 to 10 mph in the afternoon.
Tuesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 55. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming light and variable in the evening.
Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 69. Light and variable wind becoming southwest 5 to 10 mph in the afternoon.
Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 56.

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The US has three measles-related deaths and hundreds of cases. Here's what to know

Three people have died from measles-related illnesses in the U.S. since the highly contagious virus started ripping through West Texas in late January.

The U.S. has more than double the number of measles cases it saw in all of 2024, with Texas reporting the majority of them: nearly 500. The cases include two young elementary school-aged children who were not vaccinated and died from measles-related illnesses near the epicenter of the outbreak in rural Texas, which led Health Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. to visit the community.

Other states with active outbreaks — defined as three or more cases — include New Mexico, Kansas, Ohio and Oklahoma. The virus has been spreading in undervaccinated communities. The third person who died was an adult in New Mexico who was not vaccinated.

The multi-state outbreak confirms health experts' fears that the virus will take hold in other U.S. communities with low vaccination rates and that the spread could stretch on for a year. The World Health Organization said last week that cases in Mexico are linked to the Texas outbreak.

Measles is caused by a highly contagious virus that's airborne and spreads easily when an infected person breathes, sneezes or coughs. It is preventable through vaccines, and has been considered eliminated from the U.S. since 2000.

Here's what else you need to know about measles in the U.S.

HOW MANY MEASLES CASES ARE THERE IN TEXAS AND NEW MEXICO?

Texas' outbreak began more than two months ago. State health officials said Friday there were 59 new cases of measles since Tuesday, bringing the total to 481 across 19 counties — most of them in West Texas. The state also logged 14 new hospitalizations, for a total of 56 throughout the outbreak.

More than 65% of Texas' cases are in Gaines County, population 22,892, where the virus stated spreading in a close-knit, undervaccinated Mennonite community. The county now has logged 315 cases since late January — just over 1% of the county's residents.

New Mexico announced six new cases Friday, bringing the state's total to 54. New Mexico health officials say the cases are linked to Texas' outbreak based on genetic testing. Most are in Lea County, where two people have been hospitalized, and two are in Eddy County.

Thursday's death in Texas was an 8-year-old child, according to Kennedy. Health officials in Texas said the child did not have underlying health conditions and died of "what the child's doctor described as measles pulmonary failure." A child died of measles in Texas in late February — Kennedy said age 6 — and New Mexico reported its first measles-related death in an adult on March 6.

HOW MANY CASES ARE THERE IN KANSAS?

Kansas has 24 cases in six counties in the southwest part of the state as of Wednesday. Kiowa and Stevens counties have six cases each, while Grant, Morton, Haskell and Gray counties have five or fewer.

The state's first reported case, identified in Stevens County on March 13, is linked to the Texas and New Mexico outbreaks based on genetic testing, a state health department spokesperson said. But health officials have not determined how the person was exposed.

HOW MANY CASES ARE THERE IN OKLAHOMA?

Cases in Oklahoma remained steady Friday: eight confirmed and two probable cases. The first two probable cases were "associated" with the West Texas and New Mexico outbreaks, the state health department said.

A state health department spokesperson said measles exposures were confirmed in Tulsa and Rogers counties, but wouldn't say which counties had cases.

HOW MANY CASES ARE THERE IN OHIO?

Ohio reported one new measles case Thursday in west-central Allen County. Last week, there were 10 in Ashtabula County in the northeast corner of the state. The first case was in an unvaccinated adult who had interacted with someone who had traveled internationally.

In central Ohio, Knox County officials reported two new measles cases in international visitors, for three cases in international visitors total. Those cases are not included in the state's official count because they are not in Ohio residents. A measles outbreak in central Ohio sickened 85 in 2022.

WHERE ELSE IS MEASLES SHOWING UP IN THE U.S.?

Measles cases also have been reported in Alaska, California, Colorado, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Maryland, Michigan, Minnesota, New Jersey, New York, Pennsylvania, Rhode Island, Tennessee, Vermont, and Washington.

The U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention defines an outbreak as three or more related cases. The agency counted six clusters that qualified as outbreaks in 2025 as of Friday.

In the U.S., cases and outbreaks are generally traced to someone who caught the disease abroad. It can then spread, especially in communities with low vaccination rates. In 2019, the U.S. saw 1,274 cases and almost lost its status of having eliminated measles. So far in 2025, the CDC's count is 607.

DO YOU NEED AN MMR BOOSTER?

The best way to avoid measles is to get the measles, mumps and rubella (MMR) vaccine. The first shot is recommended for children between 12 and 15 months old and the second between 4 and 6 years old.

People at high risk for infection who got the shots many years ago may want to consider getting a booster if they live in an area with an outbreak, said Scott Weaver with the Global Virus Network, an international coalition. Those may include family members living with someone who has measles or those especially vulnerable to respiratory diseases because of underlying medical conditions.

Adults with "presumptive evidence of immunity" generally don't need measles shots now, the CDC said. Criteria include written documentation of adequate vaccination earlier in life, lab confirmation of past infection or being born before 1957, when most people were likely to be infected naturally.

A doctor can order a lab test called an MMR titer to check your levels of measles antibodies, but health experts don't always recommend this route and insurance coverage can vary.

Getting another MMR shot is harmless if there are concerns about waning immunity, the CDC says.

People who have documentation of receiving a live measles vaccine in the 1960s don't need to be revaccinated, but people who were immunized before 1968 with an ineffective measles vaccine made from "killed" virus should be revaccinated with at least one dose, the agency said. That also includes people who don't know which type they got.

WHAT ARE THE SYMPTOMS OF MEASLES?

Measles first infects the respiratory tract, then spreads throughout the body, causing a high fever, runny nose, cough, red, watery eyes and a rash.

The rash generally appears three to five days after the first symptoms, beginning as flat red spots on the face and then spreading downward to the neck, trunk, arms, legs and feet. When the rash appears, the fever may spike over 104 degrees Fahrenheit, according to the CDC.

Most kids will recover from measles, but infection can lead to dangerous complications such as pneumonia, blindness, brain swelling and death.

HOW CAN YOU TREAT MEASLES?

There's no specific treatment for measles, so doctors generally try to alleviate symptoms, prevent complications and keep patients comfortable.

WHY DO VACCINATION RATES MATTER?

In communities with high vaccination rates — above 95% — diseases like measles have a harder time spreading through communities. This is called "herd immunity."

But childhood vaccination rates have declined nationwide since the pandemic and more parents are claiming religious or personal conscience waivers to exempt their kids from required shots.

The U.S. saw a rise in measles cases in 2024, including an outbreak in Chicago that sickened more than 60.

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Early Frank Gehry apartment building hits the market







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FOR SALE: The apartment building has been updated since its initial construction.

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

One of architect Frank Gehry's earliest works, a six-unit apartment building in Santa Monica's Ocean Park neighborhood, has hit the market for $3.5 million in its first-ever public sale.

The Hillcrest Apartments, completed in 1962 at 2807 Highland Avenue, showcase Gehry's early architectural vision before he gained international fame for his deconstructivist style seen in buildings like the Walt Disney Concert Hall and Guggenheim Museum Bilbao.

"What stands out is how Gehry designed the apartment to welcome natural light without making it overwhelming," said Frances Anderton, host of DnA: Design and Architecture, in a 2019 interview. "There's a window on every side, so it doesn't have that typical apartment feel."

Architectural highlights include a sharply sloped, semi-detached asymmetrical roof and dramatic second-floor extensions. The property features two one-bedroom units

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DOG

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the program's first certified support K-9, will work alongside a designated peer support team handler. The dog will visit fire stations, attend debriefings after critical incidents, participate in community events and provide emotional support to firefighters and city employees.

"We are thrilled to introduce this program as a proactive step in supporting the mental wellness of our firefighters and city employees," Fire Chief Matthew Hallock said. "The presence of a therapy dog has been proven to lower stress levels, improve morale and encourage open conversations about mental health."

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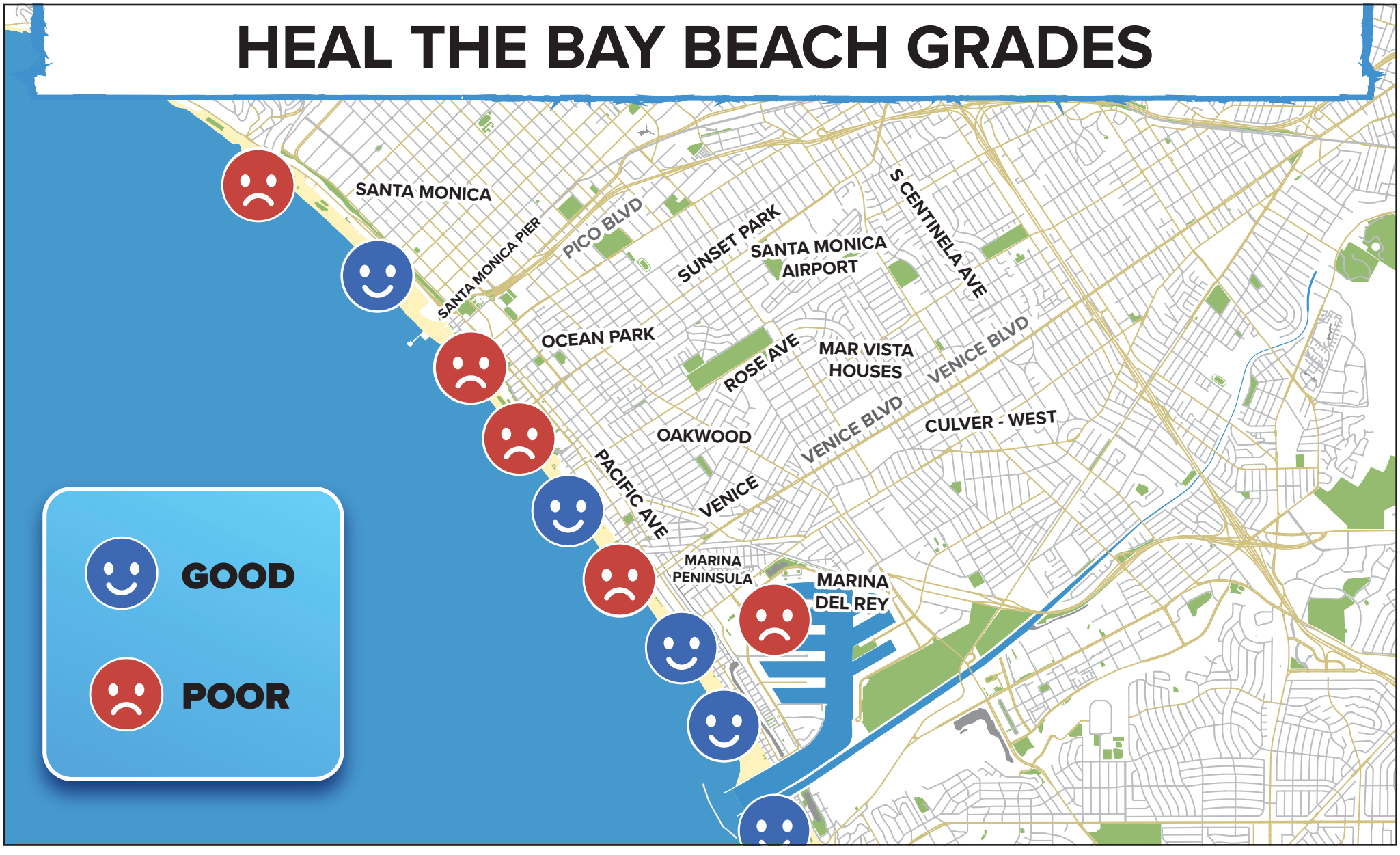
ON DUTY: Roger the dog will help firefighters deal with the stress of the job.

The program aims to provide comfort, reduce stress and promote emotional resilience among department personnel and the broader community. Officials cited the high levels of stress firefighters face due to the intense and often traumatic nature of their work as motivation for the initiative.

Santa Monica joins several Southern California agencies with similar programs, including fire departments in Redondo Beach, Huntington Beach, Newport Beach and Torrance, as well as the Orange County Fire Authority and Westminster Police Department.

The department acknowledged city staff, community partners and mental health professionals who helped develop the program, which aligns with national best practices for firefighter mental health and wellness.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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EDITOR:

It is still too recent, so we remember starkly how it was for us (in our 80s now) to get through months with no access to "our" library. We were true fans of the Fairview branch of Santa Monica Public Library (now shifting over to a different branch - we moved) and it was painful to do without. And we were so grateful when it started serving the public again. Welcome back, SMPL, and don't ever leave us again . . . okay?

Sincerely,

Charles Fox, Santa Monica

EDITOR:

Where to start! I, like many others, grew up going to their local library, that continued in their school library and as an adult, it continued by going to my local library. I did try going to the Main Library a few times but have always preferred my local Fairview Library, a place I could walk to.

All that changed with Covid. I really expected that the Fairview branch library would open soon after the other branches started opening. I tried doing the order my books online and pick up at Fairview branch but the experience and feel was not the same.

I hope you will consider the people who live in Sunset Park and Ocean Park and give us our libraries back. I am not sure why the City decided to open three library branches north of Pico Blvd but none south of Pico Blvd. Libraries support education, the community and are a wonderful place for our families to go. I spent many hours there with my dog as the dog listened to children read to them (when the children had a hard time speaking out loud). I understand some schools are starting up the programs again.

The City Council should be finding ways to fund the two libraries not turn them into mixed use complexes. PLEASE at the very least preserve the branches to be available in the FUTURE at some point in time for the people who live here and want a library. There are many of us.

Once they are gone – they are gone for good.

Jane Dempsey, Santa Monica

FITNESS

FROM PAGE 1

up to 200 lbs and approximately 12 muscle-specific multigym-style machines. There are also showers, changing rooms, lockers and six television screens spread throughout the space.

The gym was originally slated to open on February 21, but unexpected issues caused the opening to be delayed until the following Monday and owner Fraz Ahmed only just made that date.

"One thing I would say with the city, though, is their lead time on getting inspectors out here was relatively good," Ahmed says, before adding, "But the other thing that happened, now that I'm thinking it through, was very frustrating.

"We got approval, we got the final sign-off last Thursday, and I'm trying to open up on Monday. The inspector who comes in, he's like, 'Yep, you're past everything.' I'm like, 'OK, great. So can I start having occupants here? Can I start the business?' He says, 'Oh, I can't answer that. You have to check with somebody else.' He says, 'I'm just an inspector. I don't give clearance.'

"So we call the city, but we can't get through, so then I go over there to try to find out what's going on. I speak to a permit specialist at the desk and she says, 'Oh, that's not something I could answer. Is there a head of building safety or a head of that inspection department that can answer?' I'm like, 'OK, let's go ahead and ask him.' But he's away on training.

"So I say, 'OK, then what about whoever backfills for him when he's on training?' Because the city obviously can't shut down because he's on training, or if he decides to suddenly leave, or just doesn't show up. She says that his backfill is on vacation. So neither of them are available because one is away on training, one is out of office," Ahmed says, adding, "And this is a recurring theme I've noticed with the city."

Anytime Fitness is an international chain of franchised gyms operating in 31 countries, from Australia to Austria and the UK to the UAE. The new Santa Monica location is one of just four on the Westside, alongside outlets in Culver City, El Segundo and Redondo Beach.

The concept began in 2002 with the first Anytime Fitness opening in Cambridge, Minnesota. Since then, the brand has expanded steadily. Four years later, its first international outlet launched in Halifax, Nova Scotia. Another four years after that, the 1,000th location opened in Wake Village, Texas. In 2019, an Anytime Fitness gym was even installed on the cruise ship Magellan Explorer, which spends months moored around the Antarctic coast, technically giving the brand a presence on every continent.

"The model they use is based around communities, so, this isn't trying to be a flagship store or anything, but the community here in Santa Monica is ideal, I think. Even the membership prices reflect that, so right now we're running a promotion at $50 a month. Tell me another gym here that is at the level of quality that we have at $50 a month…" Ahmed said.

Anytime Fitness is at 435 4th Street and open 24 hours a day to members. Check the social media pages at Facebook (https://facebook.com/AnytimeFitnessSantaMonicaCA) and Instagram (https://www.instagram.com/anytimefitness_santamonica) for all the latest membership deals.

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Name Change

Order Show to show cause for Name Change Case No.25SMCP00115 Superior Court of California, County of Los AngelesPetition of Afreen Win by and through Pho Pwint Wai for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner or Attorney: Afreen Win by and through Pho Pwint Wai with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: Afreen Win to Isabella Afrin Win . The court orders that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. Notice of Hearing: Date 04/25/2025 Time: 8:30 a.m, Dept: K Room: - The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA – COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES Courthouse 1725 Main St Santa Monica, CA 90401 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

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administrative citation codes, expanding the definition of what constitutes a public nuisance and enhancing enforcement mechanisms.

The ordinance would add new classes of violations that may be deemed public nuisances, including property owners who commit five or more housing code violations within a 12-month period, businesses that employ harassing tactics, and property owners who fail to comply with mandatory seismic retrofit programs.

"These changes are designed to provide staff more tools to better address public nuisances that are created and maintained in the city," according to the staff report. The amendments would also create a "correctable citation" program allowing certain first-time violations to receive a 50% fine reduction if corrected promptly.

Later in the night, the council will consider adopting the Santa Monica Housing Authority's five-year plan for 2025-2030, the annual plan for 2025-2026, and the administrative plan governing the city's housing voucher programs.

The Housing Authority administers approximately 1,750 rental assistance vouchers across six federal housing programs for extremely low-, very low-, and low-income Santa Monica households.

Key goals in the five-year plan include expanding supportive housing solutions, enhancing access to voucher programs for vulnerable populations, and promoting excellence in service delivery.

Other items on the council's agenda include:

A proclamation recognizing Earth Day.

Approval of a grant resolution for the Santa Monica Neighborhood Greenways Quick-build project.

Authorization of a $11.2 million agreement with Genuine Parts Company for parts room inventory management.

Several councilmember discussion items, including a request to establish a nighttime curfew for Santa Monica State Beach.

The meeting will begin at 5:30 p.m. at City Hall Council Chambers, 1685 Main Street. The public portion of the meeting will start no earlier than 7 p.m.

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GUEST COMMENTARY

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exercise unless it embraces a clear, testable set of strategies. UC Berkeley's Possibility Lab launched an "Abundance Accelerator" over a year ago to explore 12 key issue areas where abundance policy can make a real impact. The lab is also working with state and local agencies and community organizations to design and test new models for community engagement to help reach shared policy goals.

The transition from conversation to action starts with the people who will implement abundance. Policymakers and practitioners need to prioritize not only regulatory reform but also educational opportunities and workforce pipelines that ensure we have the trained population necessary to deliver abundance.

Philanthropy and impact investors need to focus on funding models that support not just innovation but the human infrastructure required to scale it. And state and local governments must work with communities to establish decision-making processes that move past obstructionist politics and toward meaningful solutions.

Abundance is ultimately about human flourishing. That requires reimagining not just how we build, but who builds and who benefits, ensuring that those individuals are supported, trained and empowered.

If we want a future of true abundance, we must start by investing in the people who will make it possible.

AMY LERMAN

Amy E. Lerman is a political science and public policy professor at UC Berkeley and executive director of the UC Berkeley Possibility Lab.

LINDSAY MAPLE

Lindsay Maple is the director of projects and planning and leads the "Abundance Accelerator" at UC Berkeley's Possibility Lab.

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APARTMENT

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and four two-bedroom units, all with wood-burning fireplaces.

The building has been modernized with new copper plumbing, updated electrical systems and EV chargers while maintaining its vintage charm. Second-floor units feature atrium entrances and ocean views.

Gehry himself reportedly occupied the building for approximately 15 years.

According to listing agent Tim Byrne of Compass, "This isn't just a property—it's a living piece of Frank Gehry's legacy. An architectural milestone that shaped his journey."

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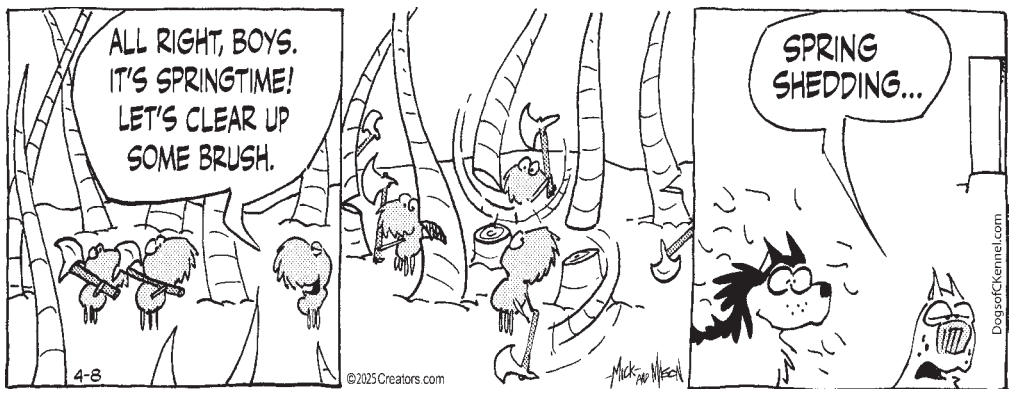
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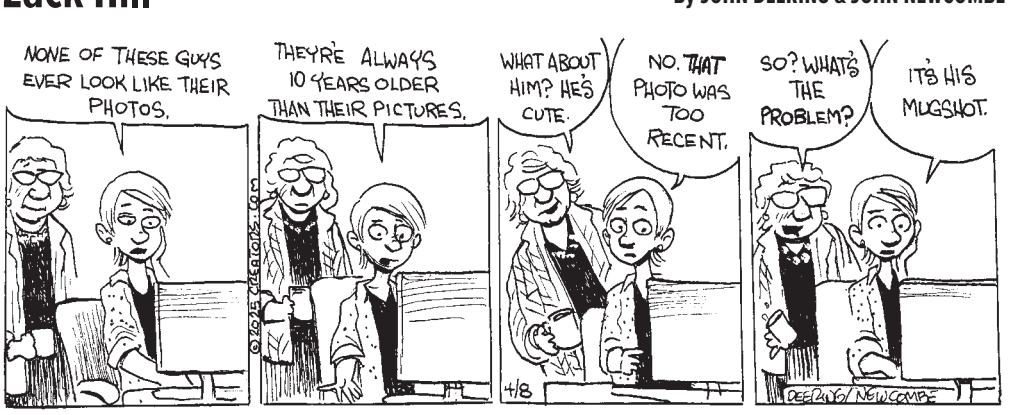
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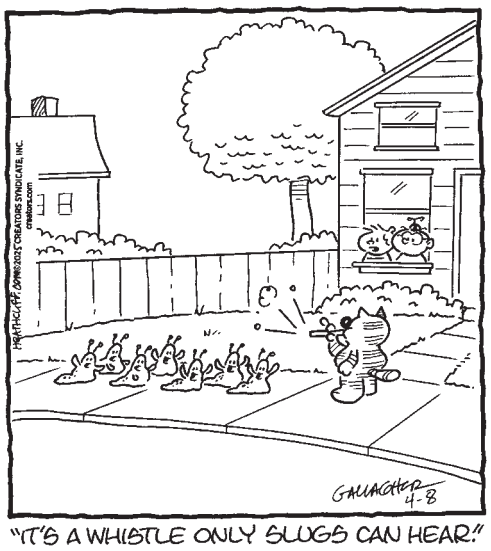
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This is a theme puzzle with the subject stated below. Find the listed words in the grid. (They may run in any direction but always in a straight line. Some letters are used more than once.) Ring each word as you find it and when you have completed the puzzle, there will be 18 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle.

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Acres	Disease	Lismore	Samples
Bins	Export	Musa	Species
Boxes	Fibre	Nambucca	Spray
Bract	Fruit	Outlet	Stool
Brunswick	Glut	Pack	Stuart's
Bugs	Growth	Pests	Point
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It's one triumph after another in this year of "can't lose." Even when you make mistakes, you "fail up." You'll take on a fascinating and risky venture and see profits. More highlights: New roles bring a sense of purpose. An encounter with greatness puts you on a path of education and development so you can create something that lasts - perhaps an artistic work, a bond or a major career achievement. Sagittarius and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 20, 14, 5 and 11.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Would you believe that some people are happy just knowing you are happy? For this reason and more, prioritizing your own happiness today will serve many. And, because of joy's ripple effect, this includes the uplift of people you may never see.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Intense emotions rise, seemingly out of proportion to the win or loss that triggered them. That mismatch is a clue - this isn't just about now. An old, buried feeling is surfacing, asking to be seen, understood and finally released.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You're not one of those people who needs or wants attention all the time. Today you may even long to be left alone so you can have the freedom to make moves without an audience. Set a boundary. Carve out the time and space you need.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Think about the level of support, understanding and compassion you would extend to your beloved. Are you offering this to yourself? Self-love is just as important as love for others. Give yourself what you so freely offer to those you care about.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You'll handle a lot today - practical things, creative work, emotional labor, social connections - and keep it moving with grace. Tricky situations come up, but just remember, you've dealt with harder challenges and aced them.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Don't underestimate a subtle but dangerous temptation or indulgence. It may seem harmless at first, but over time, it could have a detrimental impact. The lesson here is to be cautious about seemingly innocuous distractions that could eat away at what you value most.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Even when the action is delayed, it still unfolds in perfect timing. The extra minutes are part of the design, perhaps what's needed to clear the path, let in the light of understanding or resolve conflict.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You'll be both learning and teaching in this cycle, and you won't always be sure which you're doing. The best mentor-pupil relationships help both parties grow. The breakthrough won't come in a grand gesture but through attention to detail and refinements.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Events will speak to the authenticity and magnetism of wisdom - people are drawn to it naturally when they are in need of guidance. The sage attracts those who are genuinely ready to learn. Those with ulterior motives will fall away naturally, leaving only the sincere.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You know there are consequences to defensiveness. People don't feel open or safe around those who are always putting up barriers. It's why you drop your armor, show your feelings, and brave vulnerability to cultivate relationships of harmony and intimacy.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Not everyone wants what you're after, but the ones who do won't make it easy. Good. You thrive under pressure. Your edge isn't just talent - it's grit. The win will be all the sweeter because you earned every inch of it.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The person with the best idea doesn't always come out on top. It's the one who can spark emotions in others - whether it's excitement, fear, optimism or affection - who will gain the support needed to make things happen.

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.

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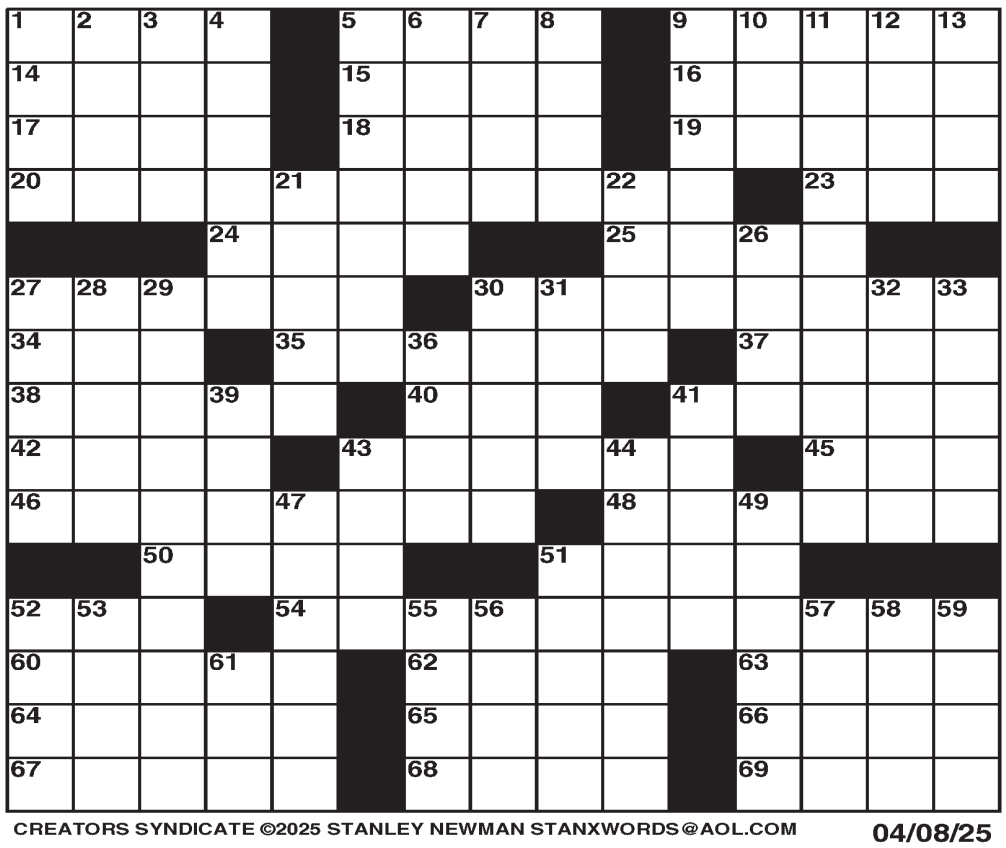
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ACROSS

1 Dog's shrill bark
5 Trade-__ (compromises)
9 Arrived at
14 Shaped like a zero
15 Untidy heap
16 Rosebush pest
17 Bit of DNA
18 Student's test
19 High-spirited horse
20 Over __ (all finished)
23 Aves. or blvds.
24 Courage, informally
25 Civil rights icon Parks
27 Is __ (can)
30 Rather bumpy
34 "The Raven" writer
35 Make into a fillet
37 "__ honor" ("I promise")
38 State-run numbers game
40 ID scanned by cashiers
41 Style of jazz
42 West Point sch.
43 Where Athens is capital
45 Metal-bearing rock
46 Boys in blended families
48 Reply
50 Gets a look at
51 Curved part of a foot
52 Take a chair
54 __ over (consider a decision carefully)
60 Look forward to
62 Bull, in Spain
63 With no clutter
64 Compel
65 "Hurry up!"
66 Trade show, for short
67 Go into a room
68 Barnyard birds
69 Slow cooker dinner

DOWN

1 Meditative exercise
2 __ so (nevertheless)
3 Touch down on a runway
4 Formal promise
5 Feature of a flip-flop sandal's tip
6 Makes repairs to
7 Imperfection
8 "Half" prefix for circle
9 Not a fuel-efficient car
10 Don't participate, with "out"
11 "Over __ " (*Wizard of Oz* song)
12 Made a knot in
13 __ and ends (miscellany)
21 Perform better than
22 Factually correct
26 Loafer or sneaker
27 Outstanding school grade
28 Helpful upward push
29 "__ over" ("I'll begin again")
30 Lassos
31 A single time
32 Gooey campfire treat
33 Overactive, informally
36 Overcook, as a steak
39 Sticky roll of cellophane
41 Seat in a park
43 "Golly!"
44 Cardboard milk containers
47 "Irish" family dog
49 Glistens brightly
51 Ohio tire city
52 Out of danger
53 "You didn't defeat me"
55 Urge to scratch
56 Alaskan port
57 Adjacent (to)
58 Stare in amazement
59 Pack away, as cargo
61 Winter skating surface



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TRAVEL

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travel to the United States. He cited the case of a Canadian citizen with a U.S. work visa who said she was detained by U.S. officials for two weeks.

"It's become clear that Donald Trump is willing to drive his nation's economy into chaos; to rip up the biggest and best trading partnership in the world; to drive the U.S. travel industry to the ground," Angus said during a March 20 news conference.

Anna Kelly, a White House spokesperson, doubled down on Trump's annexation remarks in an email response to CalMatters' questions about the decline in international travel, especially from Canada: "The United States is a great destination for international travelers, and Canadians will be unburdened by the inconveniences of international travel when they become American citizens as residents of our cherished 51st state."

EFFECT ON CALIFORNIA ECONOMY

California saw an 8.8% year-over-year decline in international arrivals in February, Visit California said. If that continues, a broad travel slowdown could hurt different industries that fall under the tourism umbrella, including hospitality and restaurants — and the roughly 3 million Californians who work in them.

Lynn Mohrfeld, chief executive of the California Hotel and Lodging Association, said he is concerned about the possible effects on his industry, though he said it could take some time for those to show up. He said international travelers usually plan their trips way in advance, so they may not cancel their plans even if they might have concerns about visiting the U.S. Because of that, he said he expects summer travel to be strong.

He is clinging to optimism about the near term, but Mohrfeld said "we've all heard the nationalistic stuff coming out of Canada, and we're getting whipsawed on these tariffs. We don't know whether we're coming and going… so we would definitely love some consistency and stability on that rhetoric."

The wide-ranging tariffs imposed by the president last week on nearly every nation have alarmed economists, who are warning about a recession, and roiled the stock markets.

The tariffs could lead to higher prices everywhere, which could cause a continued drop in travel. California restaurants could take a greater hit than hotels. Tourists spent $34.8 billion at the state's restaurants in 2023, more than the $32.8 billion they spent on lodging, Visit California said.

"Visitors consistently spend the most on food service so restaurants will bear the brunt of any drop in tourism, especially in major metropolitan destinations like San Francisco and Los Angeles when compared to those in the suburbs," said Jot Condie, chief executive of the California Restaurant Association. He said it could take a greater toll on Los Angeles, which is trying to recover from the deadly fires earlier this year.

Condie said the association is trying to make sure city leaders know about the restaurant industry's struggles, and that it is also working on campaigns to boost local traffic.

As for the airline industry, Visit California CEO Caroline Beteta said among the possible effects of a drop in travel from certain places is a reduction in airline routes.

"Anytime there are significant declines in visitation, airlines can pull routes from California airports, and that can have long-term impacts," she said. "We saw that in China after the pandemic. Airlift between China and California is still far below where it was in 2019."

THE CANADA CONNECTION

In February, Visit California published a report forecasting a 15% annual increase in Canadian tourism to the state, but it now plans to release a revised forecast in May that will likely be more in line with an estimate from Tourism Economics that travel from Canada into the United States will decline 15% this year. Already, Canadian air arrivals to the U.S. declined 12.3% in February compared with the same month last year, Visit California said.

Beteta said her group intends to maintain its marketing and advertising efforts in Canada, and that it has a team in Toronto that's "keeping the California message alive in the market."

That message, she said: "California can continue to attract Canadian travelers thanks to our diverse culture and open-minded attitude."

Whether that message will resonate is a big question. Flight Centre, a leading Canadian travel agency, said that as of February, it saw a 20% cancellation rate on trips to the U.S. over the past three months.

Amra Durakovic, head of communications for Flight Centre Travel Group Canada, said "Canadians are choosing to spend their tourism dollars with more intention than ever," adding that the agency is seeing more domestic travel bookings as well as an uptick in international travel to destinations in Europe and elsewhere.

Nancy, who asked that her last name not be published because she fears the Trump administration will target dual citizens like her, is a "snowbird." She and tens of thousands of Canadians, many of them retired, stay in California and other warm U.S. states during the winter months.

Canadians have been able to stay in this country for up to six months at a time without a visa, but starting April 11 they will have to register with U.S. immigration authorities if they intend to stay for more than 30 days.

Now, Nancy said she has heard other snowbirds in Coachella Valley are carrying around I-94 visas in their cars, in case they have to prove they are legally allowed to stay in the United States for an extended period of time.

Nancy is American-born but has mostly lived in Canada since the early 1970s. She and her husband are selling their condo in Rancho Mirage, a decision they made because of what she calls the headache involved in owning property in two countries, even before all this "bullying and nonsense." Now she has heard others like her talk about selling their properties in California, too.

"You get together with other Canadians, within the first two minutes that's what everyone's talking about," she said. "The instability is not what you want to deal with when you're retired."

She has strong ties to California, including a disabled brother in Los Angeles who has no other living family but her. So she has to return here. But she knows Canadians are serious about boycotting American products and travel. "The economy is just going to be really shaken up on both sides of the border if this continues," Nancy said.

By Levi Sumagaysay. This article was originally published by CalMatters.



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10:00 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. Santa Monica College 1900 Pico Blvd. Westside Family Health Center is proud to be back in the SMC Student Health Center offering students free reproductive care including the following: Birth control pills (oral contraceptive), Depot shot, Nuva Ring, Condoms, Emergency contraceptive (Plan B) STI testing, Pregnancy testing. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/westside-family-health-center/14419416/2025-04-08T10

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10:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Virginia Avenue Park 2200 Virginia Ave. Come, learn, and have fun every Tuesday from 10:30 AM to 1:00 PM in The Patio room. Each week will be something new: Exercise, Talking with Friends, Learning, Guest Presenters, Health & Wellness. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/memories-movement-senior-club/14853634/2025-04-08T10

AUTHOR TALK WITH MATTHEW FLEMING

11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Santa Monica College 1900 Pico Blvd. The Stories, Science, and History of Trees with Smithsonian Gardens Greenhouse Horticulturalist Matthew Fleming. Join us as Smithsonian Horticulturalist Matthew Fleming, guides us through the secret world of trees as is revealed in the beautiful and absorbing guide to the giants of the plant world—The Tree Book: The Stories, Science, and History of Trees. Trees occur naturally throughout the world and have been a part of human history for almost as long as humans have existed. Used for shelter, tools, fuel, and food, they also help supply the atmosphere with oxygen and form astonishingly diverse ecosystems, as well as some of the world's most beautiful landscapes. Now the intricate world of leafy woodlands and abundant rainforests is revealed in this extensive visual guide to trees, exploring their key scientific traits and their ecological importance, as well as their enduring significance in human history and culture. From ancient oaks and great redwoods to lush banyans and imposing kapoks, The Tree Book reveals the anatomy, behaviors, and beauty of these incredible plants and habitats in detail. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/author-talk-with-matthew-fleming/15307089/2025-04-08T11

CITY COUNCIL MEETING

5:30 p.m. Santa Monica City Hall 1685 Main Street. 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. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/city-council-meeting/13799967/2025-04-08T17

SPEED DATING (AGES 30-45) | SANTA MONICA

7:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. Weary Livers 2819 Pico Boulevard. Los Angeles Speed Dating for Busy Singles Ages 30-45 : More Dates, Less Wait. (Hetero). Time: 7:00 PM - 09:30 PM. Venue: Weary Livers. Are you a busy single ages 30-45? Do you value your time and want to make the most of your dating experience? Welcome to the most efficient speed dating event in Los Angeles—where you get more dates in less time, with no wasted moments. IMPORTANT: You MUST arrive no later than 7:20PM. Our algorithm is specially designed to configure the dating lineup for those who have checked in. We will not be able to add any latecomers into the rotation once the rounds & dates have been determined. If you arrive late, we will gladly transfer your ticket to a future speed dating event. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/speed-dating-ages-30-45-santa-monica/15396374/2025-04-08T19

WEDNESDAY | APRIL 9

FRIENDS OF VENICE LIBRARY: YOGA FOR EVERYONE!

12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Venice Branch Library 501 S Venice Blvd. Through body awareness, movement, and breath, you will be guided on how to bring your body, mind, and spirit back into balance for overall well-being. All levels are welcome. Generously funded by the Friends of Venice Library. For ADA accommodations, call (213) 228-7430 at least 72 hours prior to the event. Para ajustes razonables según la ley de ADA, llama al (213) 228-7430 al menos 72 horas antes del evento. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/friends-of-venice-library-yoga-for-everyone-/14548476/2025-04-09T12

CONAN O'BRIEN MUST GO

7:30 p.m. Aero Theatre 1328 Montana Ave. Free (members-only). Aero Theatre | Q&A with host Conan O'Brien. World Premiere of CONAN O'BRIEN MUST GO Season 2 Popcorn, soda and candy courtesy of MAX Opening Night! 'This Is Not a Fiction 2025' Silver Screen-level members and above are guaranteed entry for themselves and one guest for this event. Priority entry starts at 6:30pm. To guarantee your seats, please plan to arrive at the theatre no later than 7:00pm. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/conan-o-brien-must-go/15396042/2025-04-09T19

COME SING WITH THE BAND - LIVE BAND KARAOKE!

9:00 p.m. Harvelle's Santa Monica 1432 4th St. Doors open at 8 PM. Show starts at 9:30PM. Online ticket sales end at 7 PM, tics available at the door after 8 PM. 2 drink minimum. Please note, we are 21 and over only! Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/come-sing-with-the-band-live-band-karaoke-/15099082/2025-04-09T21

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