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Judge bars certain evidence from the Palisades Fire suspect's trial

Attorneys for the man accused of sparking last year's deadly Palisades Fire in and around Los Angeles can't introduce evidence or arguments at his arson trial about alleged negligence by the fire department in responding to an earlier blaze, a federal judge ruled Wednesday.

Jonathan Rinderknecht, 29, pleaded not guilty to starting what became one of the most destructive wildfires in California history. Prosecutors say Rinderknecht started a fire on Jan. 1 that burned undetected deep in root systems before flaring back up a week later. The Palisades Fire began Jan. 7, 2025, and burned through the hillside neighborhoods of Pacific Palisades and Malibu, eventually killing 12 people.

Rinderknecht's trial is set to begin June 8. His lead attorney, Steve Haney, has said that Rinderknecht is being used as a scapegoat for the Los Angeles Fire Department's failure to fully extinguish the earlier blaze.

During Wednesday's hearing, Judge Anne Hwang ruled that depositions by members of the fire department and a state park ranger cannot be introduced at trial because she thinks the information is irrelevant to the charges against

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Santa Monica Elks Lodge to host 84th Memorial Day ceremony at Woodlawn

MAAZ ALIN
SMDP Staff Writer

For 84 years running, the columbarium at Woodlawn Cemetery has anchored a Memorial Day tradition that has weathered changing crowds, shifting venues and the slow filling-in of the grounds around it.

The Santa Monica Elks Lodge No. 906 will continue that tradition Monday, May 25, with its annual Memorial Day Ceremony beginning at 11:30 a.m. at Woodlawn Cemetery, 1847 14th St. The public is welcome, and the program will include patriotic music, speakers and a wreath procession.

This year's ceremony marks the 84th year the lodge has organized the observance at Woodlawn. Ilene Knebel, a 10-year Elks member and current Exalted Ruler of Lodge No. 906, said the event has evolved considerably over the decades.

"The Santa Monica Elks Lodge has planned the event for many years, and it used to be quite



Courtesy Image

CEREMONY: Santa Monica Elks Lodge hosts 84th annual Memorial Day ceremony May 25 at Woodlawn Cemetery.

grand with big crowds, bands and speakers and such," Knebel said. "Over time the cemetery got 'filled up' and there was less space to do the ceremony, so it has moved to different locations, but always with the columbarium (the large domed structure) as the centerpiece."

Rather than a single keynote speaker, this year's program will feature three voices from within the lodge and the local community. Elks member and event co-chair Jenny Zepp will read General Logan's Orders. Lodge Trustee Xiomara Jovell, an Air Force veteran, will read a poem. Local student Daniela Kadish will read her first-place entry from the lodge's Americanism Contest.

Knebel said the ceremony carries a broader purpose.

"I think the main takeaway is the reminder that freedom and everyday comforts often come at a real human cost," she said. "These ceremonies honor service members

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JAMS students fight the civics education crisis at regional expo

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

At a time when national proficiency in civics has fallen to historic lows, a group of John Adams

Middle School students were among more than 200 Los Angeles-area students Thursday presenting civic action projects on some of the most pressing issues of the day — from immigration policy to juvenile

vaping to eating disorders.

The students are participating in a Civic Action Project Expo hosted by Teach Democracy, a downtown Los Angeles-based nonprofit

The timing is pointed. According

to a University of California, Riverside report, only 18% of young people in California attend a school district where civic learning

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Circle Bar returns after reopening under new ownership

MAAZ ALIN
SMDP Staff Writer

One of Santa Monica's most storied nightlife spots will switch its lights back on Friday, May 22, when Circle Bar reopens to the public under new ownership.

The dimly lit, oval-bar nightclub at 2926 Main Street has been taken over by local restaurateurs Mark and Addie Van Gessel, the duo behind the Venice mainstay Hinano Cafe and Santa Monica's Tavern on Main. The owners said they intend to preserve the bar's identity as one of Los Angeles' best dive bars while updating its sound, lighting and production.

"Circle Bar isn't just a bar," Mark Van Gessel said. "It's part of Santa Monica's cultural DNA. Everyone has a Circle Bar story. We want to honor what made it special while bringing fresh life into the space, keeping the focus on great music and drinks, and a fun atmosphere so a new generation can create their own Circle Bar stories."

Established in 1949, Circle Bar began as a country-western neighborhood watering hole and evolved over the decades into a fixture of Santa Monica's nightlife and music scene. By the 1970s, it had become a regular gathering place for artists, musicians and locals, eventually known for late-night DJ sets, live music and a packed dance floor that drew everyone from industry professionals to neighborhood regulars.

The venue's low-key, windowless interior also attracted a notable list of late-night drop-ins over the years, including Jim Morrison, Truman Capote, Anthony Kiedis, Sean Penn, Robert Downey Jr. and cast members of "Mad Men."



NIGHTLIFE: Circle Bar reopens May 22 under new ownership, reviving the legendary Main Street watering hole.

Courtesy image

The Van Gessels said preserving that character drove nearly every decision in the reopening. The original 1949 floor plan remains untouched.

"We believed that if you changed the floor plan drastically it would change the identity," Mark Van Gessel said. "The bar is a key signature feature of the space. I had such great memories of the bar that to change it would change the character and core of Circle Bar."

The exterior, including the historic signage and dark facade, has also been kept intact.

"This is a historic sign and with the dark exterior always provided the classic feel of the intimate space that exists inside," Van Gessel said. "On the inside we made sure to keep the look and feel were authentic with its history so people returning will still recognize the space and it will bring back great memories."

Among the upgrades is an expanded dance floor and a new elevated DJ booth, called "The Halo," placed at the center of the room. The venue has also installed a QSC sound system, a digitally controlled Chauvet lighting rig that highlights its signature disco

ball, and a 100-inch-plus screen paired with an 8K laser projector for visual programming and private events.

Van Gessel said the music program is designed to evolve with its audience, much as the bar itself has. "When the bar first opened in 1949 it was a country western place because that was what the people wanted," he said. "As times changed so did the people and what they wanted to listen too. We plan on catering to what the people want and excited to try different music to make sure we can give people what they want."

He added that the space was built to be flexible. "We have designed the space to accommodate prerecorded music, DJ's and live bands," he said. "Since the venue has no windows it will always have a warm intimate feel that allows one to feel like they have entered a unique space once they pass through the doors."

Addie Van Gessel said the goal is to keep the bar grounded in what longtime patrons remember. "We're not looking to change what people loved about Circle Bar," she said. "We're focused on bringing it back in a way that feels authentic — an unpretentious, music-driven space where the focus is on the dance floor, not the guest list."

A refreshed cocktail menu balances the bar's dive roots with new offerings, including the Pacific Cooler, the Roadhouse Mule and the Kiss Kiss Bang Bang. A daily "Power Hour" from 6 to 7 p.m. will feature \$5 bubbles and wine, along with discounted margaritas, Old Fashioneds and Aperol Spritzes.

Asked what he hopes guests take away on opening night, Mark Van Gessel said the

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GUEST COMMENTARY

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Newsom's last budget still would leave finances wobbly

Last week Gov. Gavin Newsom proposed a revised version of his eighth and final state budget, which he said would not only be balanced for the 2026-27 fiscal year but also for his successor's first year.

"I'm not trying to get out of Dodge," Newsom said. "This is a balanced budget structurally for the next 18 months after I'm gone."

On Monday, the Legislature's budget analyst, Gabe Petek, said Newsom accomplished that with the use of one-time resources, such as reserves, and other budgetary maneuvers that will continue the "structural deficit" that has plagued the state for the last four years.

"A budget is structurally balanced when revenues collected in a given fiscal year are sufficient to cover expenditures planned for that same year," Petek's analysis says. "On this basis, the administration's estimates show operating deficits of roughly \$10 billion annually from 2026-27 through 2029-30 (and) beginning in 2027-28 these deficits represent the ongoing gap that would need to be addressed in future budgets."

In other words, if Newsom's final budget is enacted, he could walk out the door next January — and presumably begin his 2028 campaign for president — while claiming to have solved the problem that he caused in 2022.

However, in reality California's fiscal dilemma will continue.

For those who don't recall, Newsom loudly proclaimed in 2022 that the state had a \$97.5 billion surplus based on an expansive, multi-year revenue projection that turned out to be a mirage. The administration later acknowledged it had overestimated revenues by \$165 billion, but by then Newsom and the Legislature had ramped up spending that could not be covered by real revenues.

The structural deficit — an ongoing gap between income and outgo — has existed ever since, totaling \$125 billion, according to Petek. While the newly revised budget would be balanced on paper, Petek is saying, the maneuvers to achieve that are temporary rather than permanent, so the underlying imbalance continues, albeit

somewhat smaller than previous estimates.

Petek also notes that one way Newsom achieves short-term balance is by tapping into the state's emergency reserves, both through transfers from the current reserve funds and deferrals of mandatory deposits into those funds — thus contributing to what Petek terms "a wall of debt" that has been amassed during the years of deficit spending.

Reserves, under Newsom's revised budget, would shrink from \$47.2 billion a year ago to \$19.5 billion by June 2027.

The term "wall of debt" harkens back to Newsom's predecessor, Jerry Brown, who used it to describe what he confronted as he began his second stint as governor in 2011. Brown cleaned up that debt and left Newsom a healthy balance sheet eight years later. Newsom wants to end his governorship on the same fiscal high note, but Petek is saying, in essence, that's an illusion.

Petek suggests a series of amendments that would truly put the state's finances in order but says they would cost \$24 billion in either reduced spending or increased revenues and concludes, "The state's current fiscal situation is genuinely unprecedented. Despite booming revenues, the budget position is overextended, reflecting: a structurally higher spending base, diminished reserves, an already accumulated wall of debt, and an operating deficit."

He also warns that "a revenue shock could be coming, as the state's revenue outlook rests disproportionately on AI-driven equity valuations that are trading at highs last seen at the peak of the dot-com bubble."

There's still another aspect to the analyst's somewhat gloomy scenario — legislators are being besieged by demands from advocacy groups that they reject the spending reductions in Newsom's budget, especially in healthcare, and increase outlays, even if that requires increasing taxes.

It is, to use another phrase from the inimitable Jerry Brown, a "yeasty situation."

Dan Walters, CalMatters Opinion Columnist

Other fire department actions can be discussed, including its initial response to and investigation of the Jan. 1 fire that burned some brush. Haney said he plans to argue that the government does not have solid evidence linking Rinderknecht to that fire, and that first responders had heard fireworks in the vicinity of where the blaze started.

An outline of prosecutors' strategy — with details about the defendant's alleged state of mind on the night before the first fire began — appeared in an April 29 pretrial memo filed by the U.S. attorney's office. Prosecutors will claim he was upset that he didn't have plans for New Year's Eve and ranted about being angry at the world before the initial blaze was sparked.

By JAIMIE DING Associated Press



Surf report WATER TEMP: 65.3

FRIDAY
FAIR

SURF: 3-4ft
Waist to chest

Continued modest mix of southerly energy with minimal NW swell. Selective southerly energy continues but slightly down some from mid-week. Still a few fun waves at summer exposures but nothing much over chest high. Minimal NW swell expected so summer exposures will be best bet.

SATURDAY
FAIR

SURF: 2-3ft
Thigh to waist

Surf stays on the smaller side. Early window looks best, kinda fun for the bigger boards. A mix of old and new SSW swells, plus some minor NW energy makes for knee-high high surf. Better spots waist-chest high - mostly west of Pt. Dume. Early to mid-AM window looks best, before the tide gets too low and onshore W wind adds some crumble. Lumpier afternoon conditions expected as those onshores pick up. Sheltered points likely the call if you're surfing after lunchtime.

Weather

Friday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, cloudy through mid morning, then gradual clearing, with a high near 66.
Friday Night: Patchy fog. Otherwise, cloudy, with a low around 55. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph.
Saturday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly sunny, with a high near 65.
Saturday Night: Patchy fog after 11pm. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a low around 54.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2026/05/22	Fri	01:52 AM	4.98	H
2026/05/22	Fri	09:27 AM	-0.38	L
2026/05/22	Fri	4:38 PM	3.99	H
2026/05/22	Fri	9:45 PM	2.56	L
2026/05/23	Sat	03:14 AM	4.36	H
2026/05/23	Sat	10:28 AM	0.03	L
2026/05/23	Sat	5:28 PM	4.38	H
2026/05/23	Sat	11:22 PM	2.05	L
2026/05/24	Sun	04:42 AM	3.91	H
2026/05/24	Sun	11:20 AM	0.43	L
2026/05/24	Sun	6:09 PM	4.76	H
2026/05/25	Mon	12:33 AM	1.41	L
2026/05/25	Mon	06:03 AM	3.63	H
2026/05/25	Mon	12:04 PM	0.83	L

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<p>Draw Date: 5/19 10 26 34 56 64 Mega#: 6 Jackpot: 296 M</p>	<p>Draw Date: 5/20 EVENING: 9 7 4 Draw Date: 5/20 MIDDAY: 5 4 1</p>
<p>Draw Date: 5/20 1 9 17 34 38 Mega#: 20 Jackpot: 22 M</p>	<p>Draw Date: 5/20 1st: 06 - Whirl Win 2nd: 07 - Eureka 3rd: 08 - Gorgeous George Race Time: 1:44.88</p>

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TRIAL

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Rinderknecht and could confuse the jury.

The evidence that defense attorneys intended to use included testimony from a firefighter, fire captain and a state park ranger that the New Year's Day 2025 blaze was visibly smoldering when first responders left the scene. That testimony was gathered as part of a lawsuit filed by fire victims against the city.

Hwang also barred prosecutors from introducing AI-generated images of a city burning that prosecutors said Rinderknecht created a few months before the fire.

Haney said the exclusion of the ChatGPT images was important to his client because they are "very, very prejudicial" and taken out of context.

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Made pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code Section 3381

Pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code (R&TC) Sections 3381 through 3385, the Notice of Power to Sell Tax-Defaulted Property Subject to the Tax Collector's Power to Sell in and for the County of Los Angeles, State of California, has been divided and distributed to various newspapers of general circulation published in the County. A portion of the list appears in each of such newspapers.

NOTICE OF IMPENDING POWER TO SELL TAX- DEFAULTED PROPERTY

Made pursuant to Revenue and Taxation Code Section 3361

Notice is hereby given that the following parcels listed will become subject to the tax collector's power to sell on Wednesday, July 1, 2026, at 12:01 a.m. Pacific Time, by operation of law. The real property taxes and assessments on the parcels listed will have been defaulted five or more years, except for:

1. Nonresidential commercial parcels, as defined in R&TC Section 3691, which will have been defaulted for three or more years,
2. Parcels on which a nuisance abatement lien has been recorded, which will have been defaulted for three or more years.

The Tax Collector will record a Notice of Power to Sell unless the property taxes are paid in full or the property owner initiates an installment plan of redemption, as provided by law, prior to 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, Tuesday, June 30, 2026, when the right to initiate an installment plan terminates. Thereafter, the only option to prevent the sale of the property at public auction is to pay the taxes in full.

The right of redemption survives the property becoming subject to the tax collector's power to sell, but it terminates at 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time, on the last business day before the scheduled auction of the property by the Tax Collector.

The Treasurer and Tax Collector (TTC) will furnish, upon request, information concerning making a payment in full or initiating an installment plan of redemption. Requests must be made at 225 North Hill Street, First Floor Lobby, Los Angeles, California 90012. For more information, please visit our website at ttc.lacounty.gov or contact TTC at (213) 974-2111.

The amount to redeem the property, in United States dollars and cents, is set forth in the listing opposite each parcel number. This amount includes all defaulted taxes, penalties, and fees that have accrued from the date of tax-default to the date of Tuesday, June 30, 2026.

I certify, under penalty of perjury, that the foregoing is true and correct. Dated this 14th day of April, 2026.

Elizabeth B. Ginsberg

ELIZABETH BUENROSTRO
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TREASURER AND TAX COLLECTOR
COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES
STATE OF CALIFORNIA

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PROPERTY TAX DEFAULTED IN YEAR 2023 FOR TAXES, ASSESSMENT, AND OTHER CHARGES FOR FISCAL

YEAR 2022-2023
1801 \$102,745.35
STUDEBAKER BROTHERS LLC C/O
C/O PHILIP J KAMINS SITUS:3317
PICO BLVD SANTA MONICA CA
90405-2115 AIN: 4274-036-027
1808 \$18,965.41
ZEIDER,SHIRLEY M TR ZEIDER
FAMILY DECD TRUST SITUS:1547
15TH ST SANTA MONICA CA
90404-3304 AIN: 4282-035-013

PROPERTY TAX DEFAULTED IN YEAR
2021 FOR TAXES, ASSESSMENT,
AND OTHER CHARGES FOR FISCAL
YEAR 2020-2021
1800 \$2,283.47
FRENTROP,SCOTT SITUS:2428
OAK ST NO 5 SANTA MONICA CA
90405-5118 AIN: 4272-020-040
1802 \$32,995.93

BASSETT,JAMES TR JAMES
BASSETT TRUST SITUS:1108 18TH
ST NO 4 SANTA MONICA CA 90403-
5660 AIN: 4276-010-058
1803 \$22,387.59
SEYFERT,GERALD C SITUS:2462
ARIZONA AVE NO 2 SANTA MONICA
CA 90404-1448 AIN: 4276-022-054
1804 \$471.77

SM 19TH STREET LLC SITUS:1328
19TH ST SANTA MONICA CA 90404-
1931 AIN: 4276-029-006
1805 \$13,277.00
LITTELL,PETER AND
BARTLETT,BRIDGET SITUS:858
25TH ST SANTA MONICA CA
90403-2108 AIN: 4277-002-010
1807 \$62,160.93

MCNEAL,VERONICA TR MCNEAL
FAMILY DECD TRUST SITUS:1547
EUCLID ST SANTA MONICA CA
90404-3333 AIN: 4282-033-014
1809 \$327,061.07
DRUM,CELESTE A TR CATHERINE M
ANDREWS DECD TRUST SITUS:3110
HIGHLAND AVE SANTA MONICA CA
90405-5655 AIN: 4287-037-029
1810 \$89,459.25

SPAHI,JOHN TR SPAHI FAMILY
TRUST SITUS:201 OCEAN AVE NO
904P SANTA MONICA CA 90402-
1446 AIN: 4293-019-061
1811 \$126,150.32
MAYES,ANTHONY TR MIRAMAR
TRUST SITUS:201 OCEAN AVE NO
1409B SANTA MONICA CA 90402-
1472 AIN: 4293-020-109
1812 \$26,870.01

SPAHI,JOHN TR SPAHI FAMILY
TRUST SITUS:201 OCEAN AVE NO
1505B SANTA MONICA CA 90402-
1473 AIN: 4293-020-115
PROPERTY TAX DEFAULTED IN YEAR
2020 FOR TAXES, ASSESSMENT,
AND OTHER CHARGES FOR FISCAL
YEAR 2019-2020
1806 \$398.71
GOTTSTEIN,DORENE M TR DORENE

M GOTTSTEIN TRUST SITUS:922
14TH ST NO 202 SANTA MONICA
CA 90403-3124 AIN: 4281-014-066

PROPERTY TAX DEFAULTED IN YEAR
2022 FOR TAXES, ASSESSMENT,
AND OTHER CHARGES FOR FISCAL
YEAR 2021-2022
1714 \$24,823.97
PS 2425 WILSHIRE LAND MANAGER
LLC SITUS:2421 WILSHIRE BLVD
SANTA MONICA CA 90403-5805
AIN: 4276-003-004
1721 \$110,693.65
700 COLORADO OWNER LLC C/O
C/O ALLIED URBAN INC SITUS:700
COLORADO AVE SANTA MONICA
CA 90401-2610 AIN: 4290-001-016

PROPERTY TAX DEFAULTED IN YEAR
2020 FOR TAXES, ASSESSMENT,
AND OTHER CHARGES FOR FISCAL
YEAR 2019-2020
1713 \$11,404.25

MARQUEZ,SAMUEL AND EUGENIA
S TRS MARQUEZ FAMILY TRUST
SITUS:2336 HILL ST SANTA MONICA
CA 90405-6002 AIN: 4272-018-007
1716 \$1,275.40
CHOWDHURY,MASHUK SITUS:1127
15TH ST A SANTA MONICA CA
90403-5520 AIN: 4281-005-035
1717 \$365.51

GOTTSTEIN,DORENE M TR DORENE
M GOTTSTEIN TRUST SITUS:922
14TH ST NO 202 SANTA MONICA
CA 90403-3124 AIN: 4281-014-066
1718 \$32,419.79
EUCLID BROADWAY PARTNERS
LLC SITUS:1512 EUCLID ST SANTA
MONICA CA 90404-3307 AIN:
4282-032-003
1719 \$320,307.85

BILIACK,DAVID TR ET AL BILIACK
TRUST AND FRIED,BERNARD
SITUS:2627 3RD ST SANTA MONICA
CA 90405-4178 AIN: 4287-011-010
1720 \$1,892.14
LANGLOIS,LISA TR LISA LANGLOIS
TRUST SITUS:2721 2ND ST NO 215
SANTA MONICA CA 90405-4140
AIN: 4287-023-069
1722 \$18,870.72

AMBROSE,PATRICK SITUS:201
OCEAN AVE NO 1608P SANTA
MONICA CA 90402-5134 AIN:
4293-019-125

PROPERTY TAX DEFAULTED IN YEAR
2019 FOR TAXES, ASSESSMENT,
AND OTHER CHARGES FOR FISCAL
YEAR 2018-2019
1715 \$133,202.66

BROWN,RENE SITUS:837 18TH ST
3 SANTA MONICA CA 90403-6710
AIN: 4277-008-162
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John Erickson makes his case for State Senate centered on housing, safety and California's rebuilding effort

MICHELLE EDGAR

Special to the Daily Press

As California continues grappling with affordability pressures, housing shortages and the long road toward recovery following recent disasters, candidates seeking higher office are increasingly being asked not simply what they stand for, but whether they can effectively deliver results.

For John Erickson, candidate for California Senate District 24, former Mayor and current Councilmember in West Hollywood, that answer begins with experience. Erickson said his campaign is built around a record of advancing legislation on issues affecting working Californians, including housing protections, workers' rights, climate policy and economic equity. "I have a proven track record of passing bold, courageous legislation," Erickson said. "As a Councilmember, I co-authored the highest minimum wage in the county. As VP of Planned Parenthood Los Angeles and at Alliance for a Better Community, I've successfully taken on the



Michelle Edgar

JOHN ERICKSON: West Hollywood Councilmember John Erickson runs for State Senate District 24 on housing, workers' rights, and government experience.

Trump Administration to protect reproductive freedom, access to affordable healthcare and immigrant rights. It is easy to make promises, ascertain, but I know how government works, and I know how to deliver results."

As families throughout Los Angeles County continue facing rising costs for groceries, gas, rent and healthcare, Erickson said the affordability crisis has become increasingly personal for residents, and himself. "The cost of living is affecting people every single day. People are feeling it everywhere. It is easy to blame the affordability crisis on Trump, but the truth is the state has been putting special interests over families for decades. I am

running to bring the kind of systemic change the state has needed for a long time," he said.

As the only renter in the Senate race, Erickson said his own experience navigating Southern California's housing market has shaped his approach. He pointed to tenant protections enacted during his time in West Hollywood, including a cap on annual rent increases at 3 percent, a model later adopted by Santa Monica. "Housing is personal for me. I understand what people are going through because I live it, my friends live it, my constituents live it," said Erickson.

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Name Change

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City of Santa Monica

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA PLANNING COMMISSION

SUBJECT: Planning Commission Recommendation to the City Council regarding Amendments to the Downtown Community Plan and Amendments to the Text of the City's Zoning Ordinance in Chapter 9.22, Chapter 9.64, and Chapter 9.01 of the Santa Monica Municipal Code to implement the City's Realignment Plan

A public hearing will be held by the Planning Commission to consider a resolution recommending to the City Council that the Council adopt amendments to the City's Downtown Community Plan and amendments to the Zoning Ordinance to amend Chapter 9.64 Affordable Housing Production Program, Chapter 9.22 Density Bonus, and Chapter 9.01 Title, Purpose, and Authority. Consistent with the City's Realignment Plan, the amendments would create new incentives for Downtown housing projects, establish a flexible regulatory framework for City-owned sites in the Downtown, and facilitate economic opportunity on key gateway sites in the Downtown.

DATE/TIME: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2026 AT 6:00 PM

LOCATION: City Council Chamber, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

HOW TO COMMENT

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Address your comments to:

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Memorial Day: Higher fuel prices have some Americans scaling back their travel plans

BY RIO YAMAT

AP Airlines and Travel Writer

As someone who is “not the best person with bugs and stuff,” Stephanie Bernaba never imagined herself becoming an outdoorsy mom.

But the mother of three is getting more daring as gas prices and other travel costs make vacations more expensive. Her family has traded pricier trips, such as long summer stays in Florida and an annual Disney World visit around her birthday, for local beaches, bike rides and hiking trails near their home in coastal Rhode Island.

“I’ve been trying to do more of that because one, it’s quality time. Two, it’s fresh air. And three, we’re not spending an arm and a leg,” Bernaba, 47, said.

That kind of calibration is shaping the summer travel season, which gets its traditional start in the U.S. with the long Memorial Day holiday weekend. Higher fuel prices resulting from the Iran war and other inflationary pressures are making most forms of travel costlier as people in many parts of the world form their plans.

The U.S. Travel Association expects annual travel spending to grow by a modest 1% this year, powered largely by domestic leisure travel despite the FIFA World Cup giving soccer fans from other countries a reason to visit the U.S. Airfares have climbed around the world along with the price of jet fuel as the war constrains global oil supplies.

Sticking closer to home may not cushion the sticker shock. The nonprofit Institute on Taxation and Economic Policy estimated Americans would collectively spend an extra \$3.5 billion on gasoline over the holiday weekend. The average price for a gallon of regular gas in the U.S. was \$4.56 on Thursday compared to \$3.18 a year ago, according to motor club AAA.

Other travel expenses have gone up too. The latest consumer price index showed airfares were 20.7% higher in April from a year earlier, the cost of intracity transit such as buses and subways rose 5.6%, lodging cost 4.3% more, and eating out got 3.6% pricier.

CHANGING TRAVEL PATTERNS

Despite elevated prices, industry forecasts suggest Americans still want to get away, even if it means replacing long trips with long weekends, choosing destinations closer to home and finding ways to cut costs by cooking meals or using buses and trains instead of driving.

AAA predicted that 45 million U.S. residents would travel at least 50 miles (80.47 kilometers) from home between Thursday and Monday for the holiday. The Transportation Security Administration said it expects to screen 18.3 million passengers from Thursday to next Wednesday.

Many households are planning summer vacations but making tradeoffs such as shorter trips or cheaper lodging, according to Bank of America analysts. Mastercard said in a recent report that consumers appeared increasingly focused on value and were adjusting their destinations and timing instead of not going away at all.

“Generally, it’s certainly more of a demand reshuffling than a demand softening,” David Tinsley, a senior economist at Bank of America Institute, said.

For the Bernaba family, that has meant trading a big vacation for a shorter trip nearby this summer. Their scaled-back itinerary still is pricey: more than \$400 for a ferry to Martha’s Vineyard for their car and passengers, and about \$800 a night for each of the two hotel rooms the family of five needs.

Another family that had planned to join them backed out after seeing the price tag.

“The pinch is being felt all the way around,” Bernaba said.

Analysts have increasingly described travel spending as “K-shaped,” with higher-income households continuing to spend while lower-income families pull back or opt out entirely. Bank of America said lower-income households were significantly more likely to report having no summer travel plans this year.

New polling of registered U.S. voters by Quinnipiac University found that 48% have cut back on vacation spending, 54% have reduced what they spend on dining out, and 36% have curbed their driving.

Travelers are confronting other stressors besides cost.

Airlines around the world have canceled flights and trimmed routes to save on fuel and operating costs, leaving passengers with fewer options. The conflict in the Middle East has complicated getting there and rerouted flights to and from Asia, adding another layer of concern on top of broader geopolitical tensions and the declining value of the dollar for people considering trips abroad.

Recent U.S. government shutdowns, which caused major flight disruptions and long security lines, also are likely still fresh in travelers’ minds.

The various factors impacting travel right now has made planning trips more mentally taxing and may be pushing people toward simpler and more accessible vacations that feel easier to manage, said Marta Soligo, a tourism sociologist at the University of Nevada, Las Vegas.

“The key word here is unpredictability,” Soligo said. “Tourists don’t like unpredictability.”

QUALITY OVER QUANTITY

Nancy McGehee, a Virginia Tech hospitality professor who studies consumer behavior, said travelers are increasingly focusing more on the “why than the where” when it comes to vacations.

“What we’re seeing is people are saying, ‘Alright, we can’t do that big splashy trip we wanted to do, but what else can we do?’” McGehee said. “It’s more quality over quantity that we’re seeing people go for.”

Back in Rhode Island, Bernaba has accepted that travel may look different for her family for a while.

“I think that’s probably why my mind has gone to doing more nature-y things,” she said. “Let’s learn how to use the earth to enjoy ourselves because that’s not going to cost as much money.”

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING

BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA PLANNING COMMISSION

SUBJECT: Planning Commission Recommendation to the City Council regarding Amendments to the Text of the City's Zoning Ordinance to Exclude Eligible Sites from Senate Bill (SB) 79 Implementation Until One year Following the Adoption of the 7th Cycle Housing Element, pursuant to Government Code Section 65912.161(b)(1)

A public hearing will be held by the Planning Commission to consider a resolution recommending to the City Council that the Council adopt amendments to the City's Zoning Ordinance to temporarily exclude sites meeting the criteria established in Government Code Section 65912.161(b)(1) from SB 79 standards until one year following the adoption of the 7th Cycle Housing Element.

DATE/TIME: WEDNESDAY, JUNE 17, 2026 AT 6:00 PM

LOCATION: City Council Chamber, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

HOW TO COMMENT

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Address your comments to:

Rachel Kwok:	Environmental Planner
Re:	SB 79 Updates
VIA E-MAIL:	planningcomment@santamonica.gov
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MEMORIAL DAY

FROM PAGE 1

who gave their lives, while also encouraging gratitude, reflection, unity, and support for veterans and military families."

Ahead of the program, the lodge coordinates with local community volunteers who place wreaths during the ceremony itself. The lodge also relies on financial support from the City of Santa Monica to stage the event each year.

"Without this, we would not be able to hold the event, so we are grateful for their partnership," Knebel said.

Volunteers are also needed for flag placement and removal surrounding the holiday. Flags will be placed at Woodlawn Cemetery at 10:30 a.m. Saturday, May 23, and retrieved at 3 p.m. Monday, May 25. Participation patches are available for those who help.

Founded April 12, 1904, the Santa Monica Elks Lodge has spent 120 years supporting local programs that serve youth, veterans, and unhoused and food-insecure individuals and families. It is one of more than 2,000 Elks lodges nationwide that operate under the order's stated mission to "promote and practice the four cardinal virtues of charity, justice, brotherly love and fidelity; to promote

the welfare and enhance the happiness of its members; to quicken the spirit of American patriotism and cultivate good fellowship."

Nationally, the Order of Elks spends more than \$80 million each year on benevolent, educational and patriotic community programs. Those efforts include scholarships through the Elks National Foundation, support for special needs children, scouting and athletic teams, veterans' services, physical and occupational therapy programs, and the national "Hoop Shoot" free-throw contest, which involves more than 3 million children.

Youth programming has long been central to the order's work. The Elks Drug Awareness Education Program was developed to alert primary-grade students and their parents to the dangers of drug use. The Elks also originated the observance of Flag Day on June 14, a tradition the order began in 1907 and that Congress later adopted as an official observance.

The Santa Monica Memorial Day Ceremony is open to the public. Additional information about the lodge and its programs is available at www.santamonicaelkslodge906.org or by emailing santamonicaelkslodge906@gmail.com.

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JOHN ERICKSON

FROM PAGE 5

If elected, Erickson said his immediate priorities would focus on education funding, healthcare affordability and housing production. He pointed to education funding challenges and said California must explore sustainable revenue solutions to protect schools and institutions facing budget pressures.

On healthcare, Erickson emphasized protecting community clinics and organizations such as Planned Parenthood, where he previously served as Vice President, while addressing growing healthcare costs that continue affecting families across the state.

Housing, however, remains one of the district's most visible challenges because, he says, "Nobody should have to choose between food, medicine and paying the rent. Having a safe and affordable place is essential. "We need more infill housing, mixed use housing and affordable housing at every level. It should not cost more to build an affordable housing unit than a parking space," said Erickson.

Beyond affordability, Erickson said safety and rebuilding efforts will likely define California's next chapter, particularly following wildfire disasters that exposed vulnerabilities in the state's emergency response and insurance systems.

He pointed specifically to growing concerns around insurance companies canceling policies or significantly increasing rates, as well as broader concerns over infrastructure and utility accountability. "This will be a long term challenge. Rebuilding communities does not happen overnight," said Erickson.

He argued that California must take a larger role in supporting local communities during disasters, ensuring emergency resources are available and helping create greater stability for residents facing displacement and uncertainty. "We need government to step up and support implementation at the local level," Erickson said. "Communities need certainty, they need resources and they need leaders willing to stay engaged for the long haul."

Erickson also spoke about public safety through a broader lens, emphasizing not only emergency preparedness but community stability, economic security and protecting essential services. He said creating safer communities requires addressing root issues including housing instability, healthcare access and economic opportunity alongside traditional public safety measures.

As his campaign continues, Erickson pointed to support from teachers, nurses, firefighters and labor organizations throughout the district, as well as a coalition of local elected officials and community leaders. "The labor movement has been a major supporter because they know I fight for working people," Erickson said.

He also emphasized that his campaign is rooted in visibility and local engagement, pledging to hold town halls across every city within the district and meet with major stakeholder groups during his first 100 days if elected. "I want to be more present in the district than in Sacramento," Erickson said. "People want someone who shows up and knows how to do what he says he'll do."

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CIRCLE BAR

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aim is continuity. "For opening night we are hoping people realize they are stepping into the next chapter of such a legendary space," he said. "For past patrons we hope it brings back great memories and for first timers they realize what an amazing space it is and come

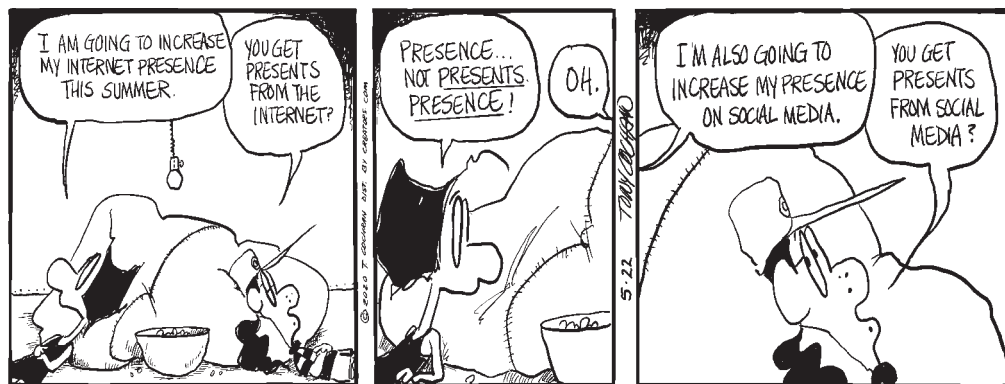
back to create memories."

Circle Bar will operate Thursday through Saturday from 6 p.m. to 2 a.m., with private events available Sunday through Wednesday.

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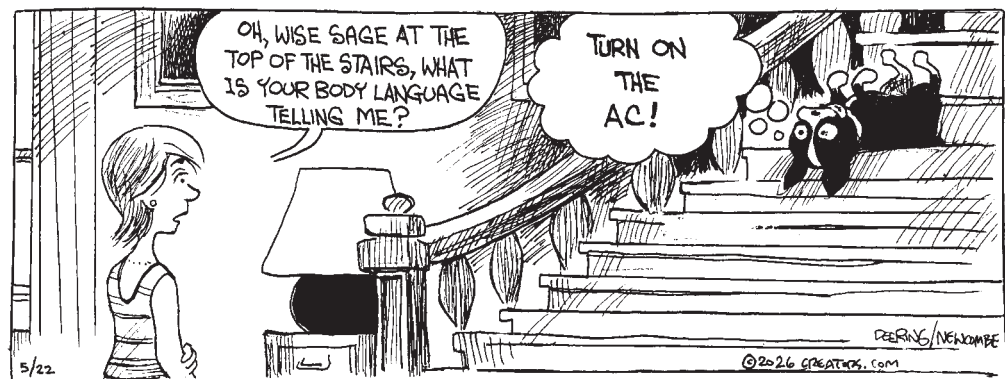
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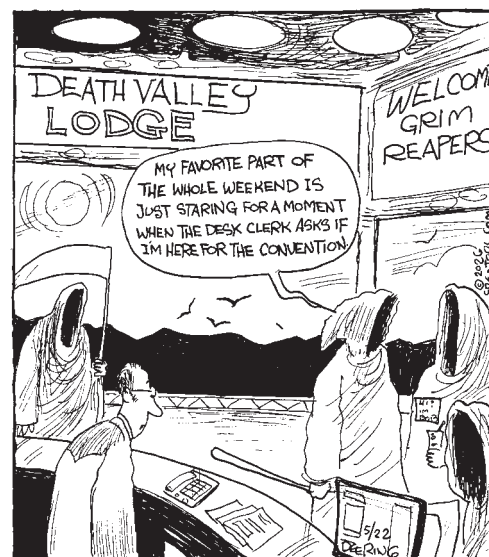
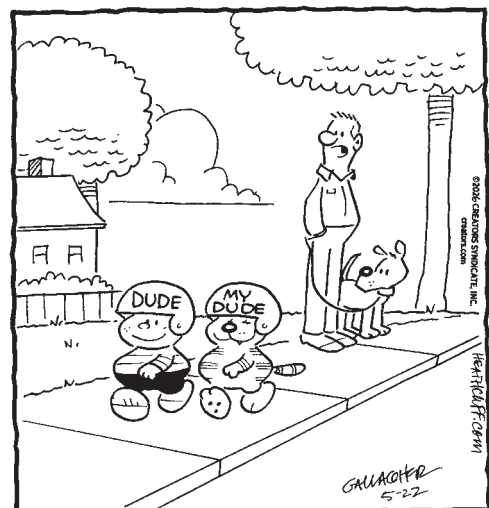


Heathcliff

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

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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (May 22)

It's your turn for Cosmic Synchronicity in which destiny's watch is set to your own easy rhythms. It's exciting when events unfold quickly and it's relaxing to hit the loving lulls that give you time to ponder and dream. Many will delight in your depth and intellect. More highlights: Your projects are money in the bank. You'll work and love in a different part of the world. Physical strength grows. Leo and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 19, 23, 11, 6 and 17.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). It's one thing to make a mistake, but quite another to participate in a tough and complicated system that you did not invent. The former warrants correction or maybe amends. The latter needs grace.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Today's mission requires the self-discipline. Luckily, your inner drive is set to "ferce." Later, these same moves won't require discipline at all. They will be so engrained in you, they will be almost effortless. But today, you'll muscle through.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Shimmering potential is the theme. You'll have the opportunity to start from scratch with all the right ingredients and instructions that work perfectly if you follow them closely. Beginner's luck is on your side, so go for it!

CANCER (June 22-July 22). No one builds a reputation on what they hope to do. You're working to realize your dreams. In the meantime, you're careful not to discuss your plans too widely. You'd rather wait and see their reaction to the real-world proof.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). The ego isn't some villain. It's the part of you with personality, preferences, boundaries and conviction. Even so, things go better today when you don't let the ego be in charge of everything. Backing off often moves you forward.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'll act before you feel ready, and that's normal. Preparation has limits. There is a threshold where action teaches faster than planning. Step across it, collect feedback, adjust and continue until the impossible looks like something you simply did.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Counteract the effects of stress by taking frequent breaks, eating right and most importantly, getting good rest. The care you take now will affect how you'll do on the test that's coming up.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). An idea might be good in conversation, but you can't build a reputation on it. Reputation grows from what you finish. Completed work travels and gets used, judged and remembered. Each finish line is proof that brings the next starting line.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). You'll run small experiments. Take one new thing at a time and use it on a real piece of work. Apply, observe, keep or discard. Assess what worked, what didn't, what you'd change -- that's where learning sticks.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). Though there's nothing wrong with being wrapped up in your work, if loved ones feel neglected, it could cause problems for you. These troubles can be completely prevented by spending quality time with them before it becomes an issue.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Focus gets results, but tunnel vision can make those results quite boring. You're more than one track. Let your curiosity wander. Give other interests some airtime. They cross-pollinate, spark ideas and make your work richer and more alive.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). If everything good or everything bad is accounted for by the votes gained, then morality is at the whim of public opinion. That can't be right. You're sorting out what makes sense to you, which doesn't always match mainstream beliefs.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Newsday Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 Bowl overseer
- 5 Selects, so to speak
- 9 Was posing
- 14 Saucy
- 15 Start to lock
- 16 Any glockenspiel sound
- 17 LARGE CENT
- 19 Hash up
- 20 Swallow cousin
- 21 Insubstantial
- 23 City near Cooperstown
- 25 It means "sight"
- 27 See 6-Down

DOWN

- 1 1000+-station network
- 2 Ironic conclusion
- 3 IMAX theater need
- 4 Attribute (to)
- 5 Type of top
- 6 With 27-Across, auteur from Taiwan
- 7 Erstwhile TV ministry
- 8 Minor break
- 9 Utmost height
- 10 Knee neighbor
- 11 Ignite

ACROSS

- 12 Show runner
- 13 Big name in excavators
- 18 Smell ___
- 22 Query to the weary
- 23 Big brewer
- 24 Tante, across the Pyrenees
- 25 Top of an oceanic food chain
- 26 Less loquacious
- 29 Very bad weather
- 30 Sound of frustration
- 31 Early cameo in most 007 films
- 36 Bar designation
- 37 Sorority letter
- 38 April shower in ballparks

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- 39 Buffoon
- 43 Be prone
- 44 Mayo and many others
- 45 Colonize
- 46 Sort of
- 47 Nurture
- 48 "Nothing small" order
- 49 Change your mind
- 50 High esteem
- 54 Evening hora
- 55 Dependable consultants
- 56 Flow into
- 59 Very tall retired hoopster Ming
- 60 Unpaid TV ad
- 61 Chinese dumpling
- 62 Ruination

Sudoku

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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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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- 32 "I'll pass"
- 33 National Caramel Mo.
- 34 University administration, often
- 35 RODENT HATER
- 40 *Persona canonizada*
- 41 Repeated Stein line part
- 42 Where Einstein was born
- 45 RIPE ARMY SQUAD
- 49 What cutters are called
- 51 Close, as a hole
- 52 Someone ___ problem
- 53 Trendy nightclub
- 56 Columbo player
- 57 Extra- opposite
- 58 CHEERY PUB
- 63 Publisher's page number
- 64 "Freedom from" feeling

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SCHOOL

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is considered a priority. An American Bar Association report puts student proficiency in civics at between 20% and 25% nationally.

Teach Democracy — formerly the Constitutional Rights Foundation, established in 1963 — runs the Civic Action Project program in partnership with more than 6,000 teachers and 200,000 students nationwide. The program asks students to identify an issue affecting their community, research related public policies, and develop presentations aimed at influencing local policymakers.

It has produced measurable results. Students in a previous cohort successfully lobbied for a traffic light to be installed near a busy school crosswalk after presenting their findings through the program.

The expo brought together students from schools across the county. Teach Democracy CEO Stephanie Doute and Senior Program Director Gregorio Medina were also there.

For Jorge Cierra, the Spanish immersion social studies teacher who brought the program to John Adams roughly five years ago, the expo represents the payoff of months of classroom work.

“Civics is important — it provides them an awareness of their role in society,” Cierra said. “It gives them a position in this community, and it just really makes them a citizen — not in the legal term, but more of a member of a community or a society.”

What began as a project limited to Cierra's immersion students has grown significantly. This year, all 250 eighth graders at John Adams will present civic action projects at an on-site school symposium next week. Cierra selected four groups to represent the school at Thursday's larger, multi-school event — chosen based on how far along their projects were, not the subject matter.

“I want to see my kids present, both in English and in Spanish,” Cierra said ahead of the event. “I'd like them to show off all their work. They've been working on this for many, many weeks.”

The student groups began their research in January and February, ramping up through March and continuing after spring break. Lessons covered research methods, survey design, policy analysis, and interview techniques.

The four John Adams projects reflect a range of issues that have touched students personally or caught their attention in the news.

Felix Carpenter, Leif Reyna, Oliver Frost and Angel Cortes Ortiz chose juvenile vaping, proposing that schools install vape detectors in bathrooms and examining the psychology behind why teenagers start using e-cigarettes. Frost said the issue was something he and his classmates noticed at school.

“I felt like it was a good issue that we could try and help and solve,” Frost said. The group built a 25-slide presentation, dividing sections among group members, each responsible for roughly five slides.

Dulce Atehortia-Osorio took on eating disorders and body dysmorphia, motivated by personal connections to the issue.

“We know a lot of people that struggle with it,” said Atehortia-Osorio. “We want to bring awareness to it.”

The students said they hoped the event would help them grow as public speakers and give them a chance to hear feedback on their work. The group began the digital portion of their presentation two weeks before the expo, putting together the poster board in just the final days.

A third group focused on what they called “Celebrate America” — a project examining how Americans view their country and how constitutional amendments like freedom of speech shape differing political opinions as the country approaches its 250th anniversary.

“People have different opinions of America, and the amendments can affect other people's beliefs,” said Diego Martinez, who is working on the project with Allison Medrano-Rivera. “Freedom of speech allows both positivity and negative views on who's in office.”

The students produced their presentations in both English and Spanish — a deliberate choice reflecting the demographics of their community.

“A lot of parents don't speak English, and we wanted them to also feel connected to our presentation,” said Medrano-Rivera.

The fourth project, led by student Juliet Diaz and partner Frida Sernas, focused on educating elementary school students about immigration — a

topic Diaz said she felt was rarely discussed in classrooms despite dominating news coverage in recent months.

“I've never heard of people talking about immigration in classrooms — it's very rare,” Diaz said. In researching the project, she looked into both Santa Monica Unified School District policy and city of Santa Monica policy on federal officer access to campuses, finding that federal officers can access school grounds without advance notice under current rules — a detail she said she found significant.

Sernas said her motivation to participate came from the broader impact the project could have.

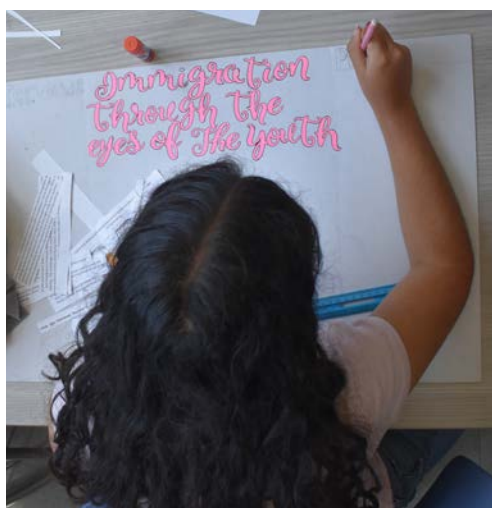
“I feel like a lot of younger kids don't really know what's going on right now, and this would really kind of help them understand this topic a little better,” Sernas said. “Knowing that I could help other people learn more — that's what's really motivating me.”

Both students produced a bilingual digital presentation and a traditional trifold poster board as part of their project.

Cierra said the multi-school environment offers something a classroom cannot replicate.

“They're going to be exposed to schools that are not necessarily neighboring schools, but schools from all over LA County,” he said. “They'll see a variety of projects — some that they probably would not have thought of, or topics they probably would not have worked on.”

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CIVICS: Students chose their own topics for the civics project.

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FRIDAY | MAY 22

MOBILE COMMUNITY MEDITATION CENTER - GUIDED MEDITATION

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Santa Monica Beach lot 5 South 2600 Bernard Way Santa Monica. Please join Mobile Community Meditation Center aka Buddhist Boondockers Wednesdays*, Fridays* and Saturdays** at 10 am for a 45 minute fully guided mindfulness meditation, in the park, on the grass, under the shade of the palm trees, with a stunning view of the sparkling blue ocean. Whether you're new to meditation or a seasoned practitioner, everyone is welcomed. Bring your own chair or cushion and try to arrive 5 minutes early. Be ready to enjoy a truly peaceful moment as we relax, be aware and make new friends. Give yourself the love and attention you deserve by developing your mind, finding peace and creating community. Check schedule on FB or IG for any changes or cancellations. We will meet: *WEDNESDAYS and FRIDAYS at the Santa Monica Beach lot 5 South (across the street from the Ocean View Park basketball court). **SATURDAYS meets at South Beach Park at 3400 Barnard Way, Santa Monica. Look for the red, orange, blue and yellow banner or flag attached to the tree. Free— Donations are accepted. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/mobile-community-meditation-center-guided-meditation/16994548/2026-05-22T10>

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8:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m. Santa Monica Pier 200 Santa Monica Pier, Ste A Santa Monica. The Santa Monica Pier Corporation invites the community to move, stretch, and recharge by the ocean as Wellness & Waves returns for its 2026 season. Taking place every Saturday from April 4 through October 17, 2026, from 8 to 10 a.m., this free, all-ages wellness series

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SUNDAY | MAY 24

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1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Our Place + Cafe 1344 Abbot Kinney Boulevard Los Angeles. An intimate Sunday gathering of food, jazz, culture and meaningful connection. Soulful Sunday is a curated event meant to evoke interests around community, nourishment and joy. Coupled with the onset of Spring, this warm experience invites you to slow down, connect with others, and enjoy a soulful afternoon together inspired by notions of Black Expression, Jazz History, and Art/Culture Performance Season. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/soulful-sunday/18832338/2026-05-24T13>

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