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Pico Neighborhood steps out on New Walk Loop



Fran Lyness

STRIDE: Residents gathered at Virginia Avenue Park on Saturday, Oct. 24, for the ribbon-cutting of the Pico Walk Loop, a 1-mile marked walking route through the Pico Neighborhood created by the City of Santa Monica and nonprofit Adopt-A-Walk. Free group walks start from the park every Saturday at 10 a.m.

Nancy Silverton, Pink's Hot Dogs and culinary stars unite at UCLA to fight childhood cancer

MICHELLE EDGAR
Special to the Daily Press

From Nancy Silverton personally handing out Bangkok-inspired fruit popsicles to Pink's Hot Dogs serving its original 1939 recipe, some of the nation's most

celebrated culinary names gathered at UCLA on Saturday, Oct. 17, for the 14th annual L.A. Loves Alex's Lemonade fundraiser supporting childhood cancer research.

The sold-out event transformed UCLA's Royce Quad into an outdoor culinary celebration

featuring more than 60 culinary participants, bringing together chefs, restaurateurs and supporters to raise funds for Alex's Lemonade Stand Foundation. "How can you say no? What a cause," Silverton said. "It really brings our people together with the spirit of

generosity, and that's what it means to me. Good food and generous people."

Silverton served five flavors of fruit popsicles from passion fruit, coconut, strawberry, black currant

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Santa Monica College student's dance benefit raises \$8,500 for breast cancer patients

MAAZ ALIN
SMDP Staff Writer

A Santa Monica College student who founded a breast cancer nonprofit at 14 raised \$8,500 for patients struggling to pay their bills during treatment at a dance benefit in Beverly Hills earlier this month, during Breast Cancer Awareness Month.

Audriana Levian, founder and creative director of A Dream Love, said 40 guests between the ages of 5 and 80 attended Breast Dancer, a pink-themed dance fitness class held the morning of Oct. 11. Annie, an instructor with Exit 33 Dance, taught the class. It was the organization's debut event.

"I wanted it to feel joyful rather than sad, a morning where people could move, celebrate, and give at the same time," Levian said in written responses to questions.

Levian put the morning's total at \$8,500. The event's online fundraising page drew \$7,852 from 35 donors, including a single \$5,000 contribution, with additional cash donated at the door.

Guests received custom hats, and Levian displayed dresses from her own designs. The office of Dr. Kristi Funk at Pink Lotus Breast Center recorded a video message for the event, she said.

Proceeds go to The Pink Fund, which covers rent, mortgage and car payments, utilities and other non-medical living costs for people in active breast cancer treatment. Levian also serves as a Pink Fund ambassador.

"A diagnosis brings medical bills, but it also brings the everyday bills that keep coming when someone is

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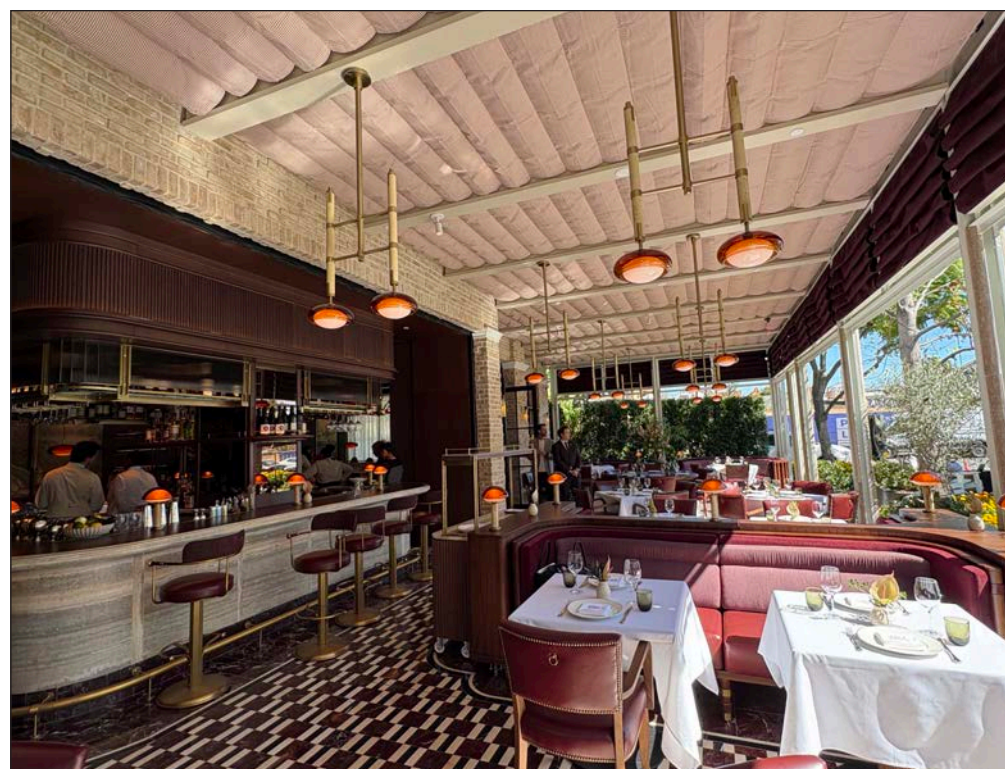
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Inside Nancy Silverton's Spacca Tutto: A new Italian steakhouse brings destination dining to the Westside



Michelle Edgar

FOOD: Nancy Silverton has opened Spacca Tutto, her first Westside restaurant, at Palisades Village.

MICHELLE EDGAR

Special to the Daily Press

Acclaimed Los Angeles chef Nancy Silverton has brought her celebrated Italian cooking to the Westside with Spacca Tutto, a 108-seat Italian-American steakhouse that opened Thursday at Palisades Village, offering premium cuts of beef, seafood, Italian specialties and a more casual approach to traditional steakhouse dining.

The restaurant marks Silverton's first Los Angeles venture west of the 405 Freeway, expanding a culinary portfolio long concentrated around Melrose and Highland avenues, home to Osteria Mozza, Pizzeria Mozza and chi SPACCA.

A five-time James Beard Award winner and recipient of the foundation's 2026 Lifetime Achievement Award, Silverton draws inspiration from chi SPACCA's Italian butchery and wood-fire cooking traditions while introducing a broader menu designed for lunch, dinner and everything in between.

The menu includes Australian Wagyu, Creekstone porterhouse, lobster Newberg, whole branzino and Nancy's Burger, alongside her signature Focaccia di Recco, a thin, crisp Italian flatbread filled with cheese.

At a preview dinner, the kitchen presented a 50-ounce Creekstone porterhouse, picanha Dal Rae prepared with bacon, scallions, black pepper and lemon, and grilled prawns. Other selections included a Spacca Caesar salad, beefsteak tomatoes with olive pesto, creamed spinach with black kale and melted leeks, and chocolate mousse.

The combination reflects Silverton's approach to familiar dishes, emphasizing ingredient quality, technique and thoughtful

preparation rather than reinventing the traditional steakhouse entirely.

For Paul Pruitt, co-founder of New School Hospitality, which partnered with Mozza Restaurant Group and Caruso Restaurant Group on the project, Silverton's meticulous standards have been evident throughout the restaurant's development. "She's incredibly nuanced, detail-oriented," Pruitt said. "To see her so present and obsessing over the cut of the greens in the salad, it's just remarkable."

"Building a restaurant for a chef of Nancy Silverton's caliber is always something special, but being part of the rebuilding of Pacific Palisades makes this project even more meaningful. We're proud to have played a role in bringing Spacca Tutto to life and hope it becomes another gathering place that helps restore the energy and sense of community that makes the Palisades so special," said Greg Skalaski, Shawmut Design and Construction's, Executive Vice President.

The restaurant's design, by hospitality firm AvroKO, draws on the atmosphere of an Italian conservatory while incorporating the richness of a contemporary steakhouse. Travertine, dark wood, burgundy banquettes, botanical artwork and custom lighting define the dining rooms. A central bar connects the spaces, while a covered outdoor patio overlooks Palisades Village's communal green. The beverage program features Italian and California wines, with cocktails built around steakhouse favorites such as martinis and negronis.

The goal is to create a restaurant that can accommodate a range of dining occasions, from a full steak dinner to a leisurely lunch

15 charged in \$2 billion Southern California health care fraud crackdown

Federal prosecutors have charged 15 people, including six medical professionals, in health care fraud schemes that allegedly produced about \$2 billion in false claims, among them what the Justice Department called the largest substance abuse treatment fraud it has ever prosecuted.

The charges, announced Oct. 22, involve sham addiction treatment, unnecessary artery procedures that allegedly injured patients and hospice care billed for people who were not terminally ill. Eight defendants were arrested that day and were expected to appear in federal courts in Los Angeles, Texas and Illinois.

"Our message is simple: if you steal health care dollars from the American taxpayer or abuse your position to harm patients, we are coming for you — and the data will lead us to you," said Assistant Attorney General Colin M. McDonald of the department's National Fraud Enforcement Division.

The largest case accuses David Young, 71, and his son, Nathan Young, 39, both of Los Angeles, of controlling dozens of purported treatment companies that billed private insurers more than \$1.6 billion. Honey Phipps, 42, and Cody Phipps, 36, both of Greenville, Texas, are accused of working as "body brokers" who recruited patients for the Youngs.

According to the indictment, the defendants targeted people who were homeless or poor and those attending addiction support groups. They allegedly lured patients to Southern California with free flights, cash, housing, cars and drugs, and sought out people with the most generous insurance, often enrolling them in policies they were not eligible for.

Some patients with high-paying coverage allegedly stayed in hotels and private apartments, while others were packed into crowded, unsanitary homes described as "trap houses." Prosecutors say the Youngs directed that patients who tried to leave be drugged — "to knock the client out" — and cut them off from their families.

Employees allegedly coached patients to fake symptoms to qualify for detox, and some were encouraged to use drugs or alcohol to become eligible. The therapy billed to insurers allegedly consisted of Zoom sessions with more than 100 people, who had to do little more than turn on their cameras and were told they could lie on the beach.

The four face charges including conspiracy to commit health care fraud and wire fraud, and violating the Eliminating Kickbacks in Recovery Act. A fifth man, Nicholas Moore, 33, of North Myrtle Beach, North Carolina, has pleaded guilty to conspiracy, admitting he helped submit \$199 million in fraudulent claims as an area manager for several Young families.

"By diverting critical funding from a vulnerable community, the accused stripped away a vital lifeline for those seeking addiction

recovery support," said David Olesky, special agent in charge of the Drug Enforcement Administration's Los Angeles Field Division.

In another case, Dr. Harold Tabaie, 78, an Anaheim cardiothoracic surgeon, and his business partner, Hany Malek, 61, a Tarzana chiropractor, are accused of billing Medicare about \$135 million for unnecessary atherectomies, in which a bladed catheter is used to clear plaque from arteries.

Prosecutors allege Malek posed as a medical doctor and diagnosed arterial disease, and Tabaie then operated on patients whose arteries were not diseased, some of whom suffered extreme pain. The case surfaced after data analytics flagged Tabaie as an extreme outlier nationwide for the procedure. Malek also faces bank fraud charges tied to a Paycheck Protection Program loan.

"It is especially egregious when doctors and other health care professionals, who pledged to do no harm, resort to petty greed and criminality," said Bilal "Bill" Essayli, first assistant U.S. attorney for the Central District of California.

Three hospice cases allege more than \$138 million in Medicare billing for patients who were not terminally ill. Geoffrey Jimenez, 60, of Los Angeles, is accused of running Transitions Hospice, where roughly 85% of patients were discharged alive — more than four times the national average. Prosecutors say he also controlled more than a dozen other hospices that billed over \$107 million.

Dr. Richard Keech, 83, of Torrance, is accused of falsely certifying patients as terminally ill, causing more than \$10 million in claims. Armani Raffi, 59, of Van Nuys, is accused of running four Sherman Oaks hospices that submitted about \$21 million in false claims.

Christina Mareik, 61, of Whittier, was indicted in a nearly \$270 million scheme to bill Medi-Cal, California's Medicaid program, for unnecessary prescriptions after being charged by complaint in June. Two doctors, Hassan Badday, 48, of Los Angeles, and Robby Ayoub, 52, of Huntington Beach, are accused of taking kickbacks to sign genetic testing orders.

Thomas Steven Mladinich, 38, of Newport Beach, is charged with taking kickbacks for referring patients to a rehab facility. Dejun Wang, 62, a Walnut physician, is accused of selling prescription drug samples, including Ozempic and Mounjaro, to San Gabriel Valley pharmacy owners who repackaged and dispensed them to customers.

The Justice Department's Health Care Fraud Strike Force Program has charged more than 6,200 defendants accused of billing more than \$45 billion since 2007.

The charges are allegations, and all defendants are presumed innocent until proven guilty.

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Surf report WATER TEMP: 71.8

TUESDAY
POOR TO FAIR

SURF: 1-2tt
Knee to thigh

Smaller SPAC energy, little boost in NW windswell. Summer points on the small wave gear. The primary SSW swell from the last few days is down to smaller leftovers as NW windswell pulses slightly. Not enough NW for fully crossed up beachbreak surf west of Dume but there should be some rideable corners out there. The summer points are an option on the small wave gear, will be soft in the morning on the higher tide. Light wind and clean in the morning, onshore flow staying light in the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY
POOR TO FAIR

SURF: 1-2tt
Knee to thigh

Another smaller morning of waves, a little more push late as new SSW swell creeps in. Small surf continues through the morning, enough NW windswell in the mix to break up the southerly swell in the water but the deep morning high tide is going to be an issue for most of the beachbreaks west of Dume. Points stay rideable on the small wave gear, get a touch more push on the PM low tide. Light E wind and clean early, a little ruffle as wind trends SE/S through the morning. Similar to Tuesday, onshore flow looks manageable in the afternoon/evening.

Weather

Tuesday: Increasing clouds, with a high near 74. East wind 5 to 10 mph becoming southwest in the afternoon.

Tuesday Night: Patchy fog. Otherwise, cloudy, with a low around 56. Southwest wind 5 to 10 mph becoming east after midnight.

Wednesday: Patchy fog before 11am. Otherwise, mostly cloudy, with a high near 72.

Wednesday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 58.

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Trump's crackdown on immigrant voting in California is a ploy to influence election

The federal crackdown on voting by non-citizens in California is obviously aimed more at having a political impact than combating serious crime.

It bolsters President Donald Trump's repetitive, but unproven, claims that Democrats have stacked the political deck by allowing non-citizens to vote. It singles out California, a deeply blue state and a whipping boy in elections across the nation.

Finally, it occurs as Californians are marking mail-in ballots for the Nov. 3 midterm election and deciding the fate of Proposition 39, which would require voters to show eligibility credentials.

Last week, Trump's Justice Department sued California and Los Angeles County, after demanding that state officials set aside ballots from 20,000 registered voters it says may not be eligible to vote.

The demand was rejected, and on Monday the Justice Department filed charges against 28 immigrants who are lawful permanent residents, alleging they were either illegally registered to vote or had voted in an election.

"Today's charges demonstrate why that lawsuit is so important," Acting U.S. Deputy Attorney General Trent McCotter told reporters. "It's about preventing voter fraud that cancels out the votes of U.S. citizens. Enforcing federal law increases the integrity of elections."

California's attorney general, Rob Bonta, said those who vote illegally should be prosecuted but added, "28 out of 23 million registered voters in California is just ... a drop in the bucket numerically. It's 0.0001% of all the registered voters, and it makes the point that there is no widespread voter fraud."

Meanwhile, in a courtroom in Oakland, opponents of the federal demands were arguing that the Trump administration's actions violate the federal Voting Rights Act by discouraging legitimate voters from casting ballots.

It has been obvious for months that the White House was planning some sort of intervention as voting began in California. The state's size, its blue politics, its large immigrant population — both legal and undocumented — and its ultra-convenient voting procedures make it a target.

First Assistant U.S. Attorney Bill Essayli, who manages the Justice Department's Los Angeles office, said it's possible state officials will face federal charges.

"They are being complicit in non-citizens voting in our elections," Essayli said. "And as they were warned last week, not only is it a civil violation, but they could also face criminal consequences for that conduct if they knowingly process ballots from non-citizens once we've informed them who the non-citizens are."

The roots of this conflict were planted in 1978, when then-Gov. Jerry Brown and a Legislature controlled by Democrats removed restrictions on absentee ballots. For decades, voters had to persuade election officials they needed such ballots because they were unable to vote in person.

Democrats believed making absentee voting much easier would increase turnout and help them win elections. However Democrats failed to exploit the change in the 1982 elections, while Republicans used it to elect George Deukmejian governor and Pete Wilson as a U.S. senator.

Nevertheless, Democrats continued to incrementally loosen voting laws, including automatic registration through the Department of Motor Vehicles, same-day voter registration and mailing ballots to all registered voters.

Election officials say they take pains to ensure that only eligible voters cast ballots. It's a system that could be manipulated, but there's absolutely no evidence of any organized effort to do so.

That may be why Prop. 39, which would require voters to show proof of eligibility — and probably end the state's all-mail system — is not doing well. Drafted by Assemblymember Carl DeMaio, a political gadfly, Prop. 39 has been failing in all major pre-election polls, most recently drawing just 42% in a Citrin-POLITICO survey.

DeMaio and other Republicans may hope that the Trump administration crackdown will help Prop. 39 prevail, but it's unlikely.

By Dan Walters. Dan Walters is one of most decorated and widely syndicated columnists in California history, authoring a column four times a week that offers his view and analysis of the state's political, economic, social and demographic trends. This article was originally published on CalMatters and was republished under the Creative Commons Attribution-NonCommercial-NoDerivatives license.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Airport

Great Park Coalition backs draft master plan for Santa Monica Airport site

The Santa Monica Great Park Coalition says it supports the Draft Illustrative Master Plan for the future Great Park, which was unveiled Oct. 17 at the Santa Monica Airport Conversion Project's Phase 4 Community Event at Memorial Park Gym.

Hundreds of people attended to explore the plan, walk across a giant floor map, view illustrations of the park's eight districts and share feedback, according to the coalition.

"This was a great day for Santa Monica," said Ann Bowman, a coalition board member. "After years of community advocacy and public engagement, it was thrilling to see this spectacular vision revealed and to witness the excitement of hundreds of residents as they experienced it for the first time."

The coalition's board said the work of Sasaki and the SMAC team reflects what residents repeatedly expressed throughout the city's public engagement process. The board described the plan as a thoughtful, balanced approach that brings together nature, biodiversity, sports, recreation, health, arts, culture and community gathering spaces in eight districts.

"The planning team listened to the community, and it shows," said board member Cris Gutierrez.

Board member Zina Josephs said the park would transform public land now devoted to aviation, which she said is used by relatively few people while burdening surrounding neighborhoods with noise and air pollution. "The Great Park will be an extraordinary public asset for Santa Monica and the entire region," she said.

Board member Patti Braun said the park would be "a place that changes people's lives."

"The tremendous turnout and enthusiasm on Saturday demonstrated how strongly the community values the opportunity to create a truly transformative park," said coalition President John Fairweather.

Fairweather added, "We are proud to support this visionary plan and will continue advocating for every acre to become a world-class Great Park."

Neil Carrey, president of the Santa Monica Airport2Park Foundation, also voiced support. "Support for the Plan and the airport conversion park planning process is an investment in our collective well-being and an investment in the future for generations to come," he said.

The coalition encourages residents to view the plan and give feedback through the Phase 4 Survey at smacproject.com.

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Los Angeles

LA28 launches licensing program for small local businesses, starting with Homeboy Industries

LA28 announced Tuesday a new licensing program, Made for Two-Eight, that will let small Los Angeles County businesses become official licensees and put the LA28 emblem on products they make locally.

The announcement came at Homeboy Industries, which has become an official licensee to produce apparel and accessories.

Licensees will be able to use LA28 intellectual property on their merchandise and sell approved products through various platforms, including their own. License terms will begin around one year before the Olympic Games and run through the end of the Paralympic Games in August 2028. Each license is category-specific, time-bound and subject to other customary terms and conditions.

"Our goal from day one has been to ensure the economic benefits of the Games reach our local neighborhoods," said Reynold Hoover, LA28 chief executive officer.

Los Angeles Mayor Karen Bass said the Games are projected to generate up to \$40 billion in economic activity, "and we're making sure our businesses, right here in the city, are the first to benefit from that opportunity."

The Rev. Gregory Boyle, founder of Homeboy Industries, said the agreement "will give our folks a global stage to showcase their talents."

Licenses will be awarded through a competitive process. Products must be made at a physical facility in Los Angeles County, materials should be sourced from the county, and businesses must qualify as small businesses under U.S. Small Business Administration size standards. Selection will give priority to facilities and materials within the city of Los Angeles.

During the first month, only applications from businesses with facilities in the city of Los Angeles will be reviewed. Applications will then open to other eligible businesses across the county.

"Fans will find products at our retail locations that were designed, sourced and made in Los Angeles, and local makers will gain a new channel to reach customers from around the world," said Peter Zeytoonjian, LA28 senior vice president of consumer products.

Applications open Oct. 30 at RAMPLA.org and close in February 2027, with awardees announced in July 2027.

LA28 encourages interested businesses to register now at RAMPLA.org and subscribe to its Sports and Entertainment Announcements and Opportunities notification. Businesses can also contact their local chamber of commerce for program updates.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Sunset Park

Santa Monica Police Activities League raises more than \$50,000 at charity poker tournament

The Santa Monica Police Activities League raised more than \$50,000 for local youth programs at its annual Charity Poker Tournament on Oct. 17 at the Santa Monica Moose Lodge.

The fundraiser drew 90 participants for an evening of poker, dinner and fundraising activities supporting PAL's educational, recreational, fitness and leadership programs for youth ages 6 to 17. Moe Ansari won the tournament title.

The event was emceed by Clipper Darrell, the well-known Los Angeles Clippers superfan and community personality.

"We are incredibly grateful to everyone who came out to support our annual Charity Poker Tournament and helped us raise more than \$50,000 for Santa Monica youth," said Eula Fritz, director of the Santa Monica Police Activities League. "The generosity of our participants, sponsors and community supporters makes it possible for PAL to continue providing meaningful programs and opportunities that enrich the lives of young people. Everyone who participated helped make this year's tournament a winning hand for our youth."

PAL's mission is to build positive relationships between Santa Monica youth and law enforcement through educational, recreational and enrichment activities.

Proceeds from the tournament will support PAL's free after-school programs and activities, which give Santa Monica youth opportunities to learn, grow, develop leadership skills and build lasting relationships in a safe and supportive environment.

“We are incredibly grateful to everyone who came out to support our annual Charity Poker Tournament and helped us raise more than \$50,000 for Santa Monica youth

- Eula Fritz, director of the Santa

For more information about PAL, its youth programs or ways to support the organization, call 310-458-8988 or visit smpal.org.

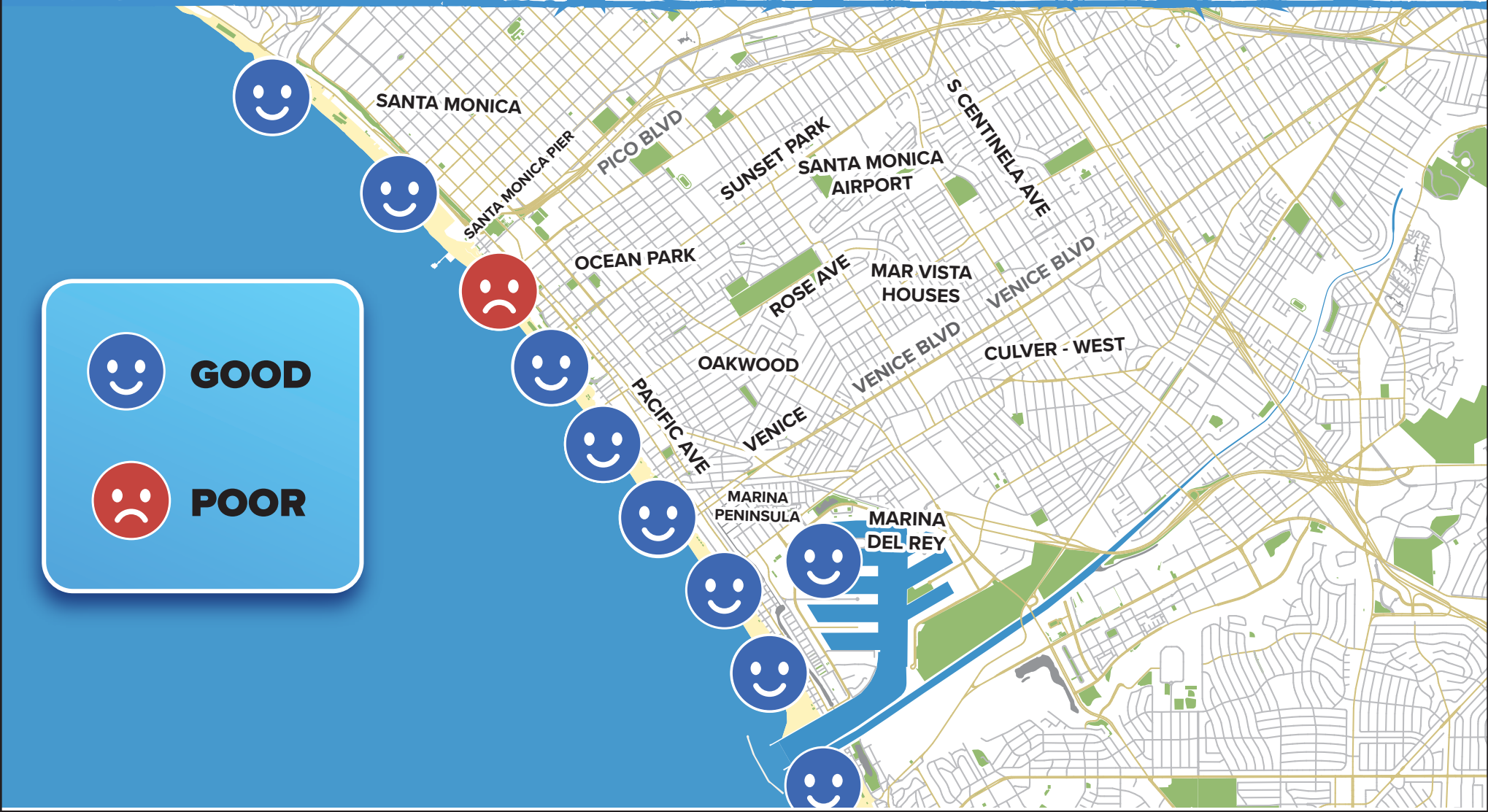
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PAL: Finalists gather at the Santa Monica Police Activities League's annual Charity Poker Tournament on October 17, 2026, at the Santa Monica Moose Lodge. Pictured seated from left: Anthony Delatorre, Dennis DeSantis, Poker People dealer, Jessica England and Eric Delabarre. Standing from left: Lizet Hernandez, Lee Norris, Jennifer Irizarry, Moe Ansari, Hamid Irani and Lenna Martyak.

HEAL THE BAY BEACH GRADES



UCLA

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and mango, inspired by traditional freezing equipment she discovered on the streets of Bangkok roughly 25 years ago.

She recalled bringing two of the devices home in her luggage and recently purchasing replacements specifically for the fundraiser. "I thought they would be a great thing to do for this event, 'cause there's so many kids here," she said. Silverton, who began participating in the fundraiser when it was held in Philadelphia, said the cause continues to bring the culinary community together.

For Richard and Gloria Pink, whose family's legendary Hollywood hot dog stand dates to 1939, participation has become an enduring tradition. "We have been doing this again for probably 15 years, and I can't ever imagine stopping," Richard Pink said, emphasizing the importance of raising money for pediatric cancer research.

The family served its original hot dog recipe, bringing a taste of Los Angeles culinary history to the gathering. "We're feeding people and raising money and giving people a reason to come here and donate to Alex's Lemonade," Pink said.

Italian-inspired dishes were also on the menu, with Sorella by Giada of Las Vegas presenting chicken piccata meatballs. A representative of the restaurant described feeding people and helping children as two favorite reasons for participating in the fundraiser, noting that the meatball dish is popular at the Las Vegas restaurant.

Premium cookware company HexClad also participated in the culinary celebration, with chefs including Suzanne Goin of

A.O.C., Jon Shook and Vinny Dotolo of Jon & Vinny's, New Orleans chef Donald Link of Herbsaint and Pêche Seafood Grill, and Seattle chef Jonathan Sundstrom of Lark preparing dishes using HexClad cookware.

The company's involvement highlighted the collaboration between culinary brands and chefs in support of a shared philanthropic mission. "HexClad was proud to play a part in an unforgettable day, celebrating extraordinary food while raising vital funds for childhood cancer research," said Rosie Herzog, Hexclad's Director of Communications.

Santa Monica-area culinary participants included representatives of Sweet Rose Creamery, Huckleberry and Cosetta, underscoring the Westside restaurant community's involvement in the annual fundraiser. Guests sampled dishes from participating chefs and took part in live and silent auctions benefiting childhood cancer research.

Since its inception, L.A. Loves Alex's Lemonade has raised more than \$12 million, including over \$1.3 million in 2025. The foundation honors Alexandra "Alex" Scott, who began selling lemonade as a child to raise money for cancer research. Her efforts inspired a national nonprofit dedicated to funding pediatric cancer research and supporting families affected by the disease.

For the chefs and restaurateurs who return year after year, the gathering represents more than a showcase of culinary talent. As Silverton put it, the event is about "good food and generous people."

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STEAKHOUSE

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or an evening drink at the bar. Pruitt said the hospitality experience will be just as important as the menu in encouraging repeat visits. "We knew from the beginning that Nancy was going to create an incredible bar with her food," he said. "So our job is to try to match that and have people come back for the service."

Developer Rick Caruso, whose company partnered on the restaurant, said Silverton's cooking will give diners throughout Los Angeles another reason to visit the Westside. "I know for a fact people from across the city are going to come here because of Nancy's food," Caruso said.

The opening also expands the dining options available to residents and visitors as Pacific Palisades continues rebuilding following the wildfires. Maryam Zar, CEO of the Malibu Pacific Palisades Chamber of Commerce, said the growing selection of restaurants and gathering places is helping bring activity back to the community. "As more residents return, they're finding an exciting and growing array of places to gather,

dine and enjoy their community again," Zar said. "And for those who love the Palisades but haven't had a reason to visit lately, there are now plenty of reasons to make the drive."

Zar said each new opening contributes to the neighborhood's momentum. "Every new opening brings fresh energy and vitality to our recovery, and the PaliBu Chamber is thrilled to welcome this exquisite culinary addition," she said. "We can't wait to experience Nancy's celebrated cuisine!"

For Pruitt, the ambition is to make Spacca Tutto accessible beyond special occasions, offering the quality associated with Silverton's restaurants in an environment that encourages guests to return regularly. "I want this to be the living room for the neighborhood," he said. "Come as you are, forget the reservation, the formality, just come in, have some great food."

Spacca Tutto is located at 15255 Palisades Village Lane, Pacific Palisades. Lunch is served daily from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m., with dinner from 5 to 9 p.m. Reservations are available at spaccatutto.com.

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Michelle Edgar

CHARITY: Nancy Silverton and Pink's Hot Dogs joined 60+ chefs at UCLA fundraiser for childhood cancer research.

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BREAST CANCER

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too sick to work," she said.

That help lets patients "focus on getting well instead of on losing their home or their car," Levian said.

According to A Dream Love's website, The Pink Fund has awarded 5,270 grants since 2008 and distributed \$1.5 million in financial aid in 2024-25. A Dream Love says it directs 100% of its event proceeds to patient support.

"I am raising money for people I have never met because, as a woman, I feel it is my responsibility," Levian said. "The survivors I have met along the way are what keep me going."

The cause is also personal. According to the organization's website, a frightening breast health experience showed Levian how much access to medical care can depend on whether a person can afford another opinion. Her family was able to pay for additional care when they needed reassurance. The experience left her thinking about women who cannot afford the same.

Levian has been in fashion since age 10, when she staged her first show for an audience of 400, according to the website. She went on to produce 12 private shows by age 16, two a year.

In her freshman year of high school, she represented her school at the Golden Globes, walking the red carpet in a custom resin corset with gold flakes and a 24-inch bow of her own design. The Beverly Hills Courier covered the appearance in January 2025.

"It meant a great deal to me because I started A Dream Love after this at 14 with the belief that fashion could do more than look beautiful," Levian said. "Seeing my work on that red carpet showed me that the same attention fashion receives could be turned toward a cause, and that is the idea A Dream Love is built on: wear a dream, and share the love."

Levian graduated from high school early and is now a pre-health student at Santa Monica College. She said school "comes first, and my chemistry lab is the one thing that never moves."

A self-described morning person, Levian said she does her most important work from 5 a.m. to noon and chooses one major focus each day, whether coursework, an event or a collection. Design work gets its own time on her calendar.

"The three areas also feed each other: medicine is why I care about patients, and fashion is how I bring people together to help them," she said.

A Dream Love, a registered 501(c)(3) nonprofit based in Beverly Hills, is scheduled to present at New York Fashion Week in February 2027, with ticket proceeds going to breast cancer patients. According to its website, the organization shares its runway with emerging designers it selects from California to Australia.

More information is available at adreamlove.org. The Breast Dancer fundraising page is at givebutter.com/breast-dancer.

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Courtesy Image

CHARITY: Audria Levian raised \$8,500 for breast cancer patients at dance benefit she founded at 14.

Agnes

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Zack Hill

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

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SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S WORDS PUZZLE.
Money grows on trees!

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Oct. 27)

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Whatever the awkward or seemingly inauspicious thing that happened, the sooner you brush it off, the better. You'll laugh about it in a week, and in four you'll hardly remember it. That you showed up at all - that's what matters.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Move under the radar, operate within the group, and support others and help them to shine. Not attracting attention gives you an advantage. For starters, attention is something to manage. You have more energy when you don't have to deal with it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your curiosity is on 10. You ask the extra question. You stop to read the plaque. You want to know how the machine works or why the building looks like that. Today, people will have more fun because you bothered to look.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Life is material for your collage on this day of eclecticism. You'll trim, swap or rearrange until everything clicks into place. Then you'll stop. Knowing when enough is enough is part of the art.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Groups of people can look intimidating from afar, but today, that's just an illusion you'll dispel soon enough. Today, you'll have the opportunity to mingle in a group, and the hardest part will be breaking the ice. After that, people will be warm.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There's something about yourself that you decided, for whatever reason, to edit. And now the reason has been debunked or is no longer applicable, but the habit of hiding the real you will remain until you willfully break it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Wait - have you been accommodating a preference that nobody actually asked you to accommodate? Check your assumptions. You may discover that everyone is flexible, including you. Make the plan you'd enjoy and see who joins.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You know how a certain conversation usually goes, which gives you the perfect opportunity to change it. Skip your customary line. Ask the question you've avoided. Old dynamics will be altered by new material.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Don't borrow trouble. For starters, it's hard to return, and the late fees are brutal. It will be lucky to borrow other things today, though, and to lend them. Say what you need and what you have to give.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You'll still accomplish what needs doing, plus you'll have a story from an otherwise forgettable afternoon. An ordinary errand turns into an outing. The right company helps. Stop somewhere you've passed a hundred times.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You know the shortcut, but do you know the long way? Take something apart, trace the steps or learn what happens behind the button you push. You'll gain more than trivia. When the usual route closes, you'll know another way through.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). You can change the atmosphere by changing one small detail. Wear the good thing on an ordinary day. Call the person instead of texting. You'll turn a routine moment into one that earns a place in memory.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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Newsday Crossword

HAVE A GOOD DAY by Billie Truitt
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ACROSS

- 1 Minor argument
- 5 Need to scratch
- 9 G sharp equivalent
- 14 Rainbow shapes
- 15 Sports squad
- 16 Nary a soul
- 17 Good ___ (magical trinket)
- 19 Mark on an exam
- 20 Hill-building insect
- 21 Employ
- 22 Burger King rival

- 23 Fate
- 25 All by oneself
- 26 Pen fluid
- 27 Last Supper attendees
- 31 Letter after rho
- 34 Snow glider
- 35 Conceal
- 36 Toledo's lake
- 37 Store events
- 38 "...or ___ just me?"
- 39 Opposite of fem.
- 40 Matured
- 41 Pesky little fliers
- 42 Blocking progress
- 44 Droop
- 45 Log splitters' tools
- 46 Person used as a dupe
- 50 Capital of Spain
- 53 Circle of light
- 54 Male friend from France
- 55 In any way

- 56 Good ___ (helpful stranger)
- 58 "That's the truth!"
- 59 Place to dock
- 60 Odds and ends: Abbr.
- 61 Was a secret agent
- 62 Wartime partner
- 63 Model's stance

DOWN

- 1 Bowl of greens
- 2 Dried plum
- 3 Bank records: Abbr.
- 4 Disapproving sound
- 5 "It seems to me..."
- 6 Weepy-eyed
- 7 Show concern

- 8 "Let me see..."
- 9 Heavenly beings
- 10 Good-___ (useless ones)
- 11 Washerful of laundry
- 12 Raggedy doll
- 13 Golfer's pegs
- 18 Great Wall country
- 22 Carpenter's materials
- 24 Good-___ (fun-loving guy)
- 25 Drive too fast
- 27 Place to bowl
- 28 *Mona* ___
- 29 Fix, as a manuscript
- 30 Solidifies
- 31 Prefix for final
- 32 Tehran's land

- 33 Main point
- 34 Epic tales
- 37 Made logs into boards
- 41 Croc cousin
- 43 Banished
- 44 Weekly pay
- 46 Caravan beast
- 47 Backyard cookout area
- 48 Gather together
- 49 Flinch
- 50 ___ best friend (a dog)
- 51 On the peak of
- 52 Painter Salvador
- 53 Flag down, as a cab
- 56 Hot-spring resort
- 57 Little troublemaker

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TUESDAY | OCTOBER 27

VCC COFFEE CONNECTION HOSTED BY THE SALON VENICE

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. The Salon Venice 701B Venice Blvd Venice, CA. A morning networking meetup over coffee, organized for local business professionals to build relationships and collaborations. Start your day with intention and expand your local network! Join fellow business professionals for coffee, conversation, and high-value networking presented by the Venice Chamber of Commerce. Whether you are looking to build lasting relationships, explore new business collaborations. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/vcc-coffee-connection-hosted-by-the-salon-venice/20083351/2026-10-27T08>

ACRYLIC/OIL PAINTING WORKSHOP TUESDAY

Tuesday, October 27, 2026, 1:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m. Paint Lab 1453 14th St Santa Monica, CA. A workshop for painters of any level to work on their own acrylic or oil projects with individual guidance from an instructor. In this workshop each student will work on their own project with guidance from an instructor. \$61.60. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/acrylic-oil-painting-workshop-tuesday/19429773/2026-10-27T13>

ELEMENTARY ART STUDIO 3:30-4:20PM

3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Palisades Community Renewal Center 3212 Nebraska Ave Santa Monica, CA +1 310-744-1310. A weekly art studio for elementary students at Palisades Community Renewal Center exploring drawing, color, collage, and mixed media. 3:30 - 4:20pm. Open to all skill levels, sparking creativity through drawing, color work, collage, and mixed-media techniques. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/saint-monica-preparatory-open-house/20082056/2026-10-27T18>

WALTER MOSLEY IN CONVERSATION WITH ANDRE HARDY

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Miles Memorial Playhouse, 1130 Lincoln Blvd. Santa Monica Public Library, in partnership with the city of Santa Monica's Cultural Affairs division and Diesel Bookstore, welcome acclaimed crime and mystery writer Walter Mosley for an evening of discussion with Andre Hardy. Mosley discusses Hanging & Burning, the fourth novel in his King Oliver mystery series, with Hardy, a former NFL player whose debut crime novel, Tear the City Down, was just released. A book sale and signing follow.

CASTANEA SICILIAN CAFE - EARLY BIRD SPECIAL

9:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. 352 Westminster Ave Venice, CA Scoop up a deal on coffee at a Sicilian cafe: 50% off all coffee drinks, Monday through Thursday from 9 to 10 a.m. Enjoy 50% OFF all coffees at Castanea Venice Beach ?? Early Bird

special every Mon–Thu from 9–10am. Start your morning with premium coffee at a special price – limited time offer! Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/castanea-sicilian-cafe-early-bird-special/18847307/2026-10-27T21>

WEDNESDAY | OCTOBER 28

MOBILE COMMUNITY MEDITATION CENTER - GUIDED MEDITATION

10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m. Santa Monica Beach lot 5 South 2701 Bernard Way Santa Monica, CA. A guided 45-minute mindfulness meditation on the beach, open to all levels. Bring your own chair or cushion and arrive a few minutes early. Suggested donation \$10-\$20. Please join Mobile Community Meditation Center aka Buddhist Boondockers Wednesdays and Fridays at 10 am for a 45 minute fully guided mindfulness meditation - on the grass, under the shade of the trees, with a view of the sparkling ocean. (Tuesday and Thursday offered via zoom). 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 prepared to enjoy a truly peaceful moment as we relax, be present and make new friends; giving ourselves the love and attention we deserve by quieting our minds, finding peace and creating community. \$10.00 to \$20.00— Suggested donation. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/mobile-community-meditation-center-guided-meditation/19479748/2026-10-28T10>

SUNSHINE SOCIAL SERIES

10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Third Street Promenade 1212 Santa Monica Santa Monica, CA. A twice-weekly outdoor picnic with farmers market shopping, fresh ceviche, and a pop-up spritz bar for 21+. A relaxed way to stretch the summer season. Summer may be winding down, but in Santa Monica, sunshine, ocean breezes, and long afternoons are always in season. Every Wednesday and Saturday, join Downtown Santa Monica, Inc. for Summer Social, a twice-weekly pop-up picnic on Third Street Promenade. Browse the iconic Farmers Market and fill your bag with fresh fruit, artisan breads, pastries, cheese, flowers, and everything you need for a picnic. Then, head to the Promenade, grab a seat at one of our outdoor community tables, and stay awhile. Hermanito will be serving up fresh ceviche. Adults 21 and older can also enjoy refreshing cocktails from Hermanito's pop-up spritz bar as part of the Entertainment Zone. Gather your friends and family, find a table on the Promenade, take a sip and a bite, and make the season last a little longer. Summer never really ends in Santa Monica. The first 100 guests each Wednesday and Saturday will receive a complimentary Third Street Promenade French market tote and custom picnic tablecloth. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/sunshine-social-series/19902349/2026-10-28T10>

MIDDAY YOGA ON WEDNESDAYS

1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Palisades Community Renewal Center 3212 Nebraska Ave Santa Monica, CA +1 310-744-1310. A free community yoga session created with care for those affected by the Palisades Fire. A welcoming midday practice to support healing, relaxation, and connection. Free Community Yoga created with care for those impacted by the Palisades Fire. In case this event has been updated, please visit <https://www.pcrsm.org/event/midday-yoga-on-wednesdays-5aba1> for full details before arriving. Thank you! Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/midday-yoga-on-wednesdays/19633922/2026-10-28T13>

5TH ANNUAL VOLLEY-WEEN BEACH BBQ MIXER

3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Perry's Cafe and Beach Rentals 2427 Main Street Santa Monica, CA. A beach volleyball fundraiser for local nonprofits, open to all ages and skill levels, with food, a drink ticket, and a costume contest. Volley-Ween is an annual fundraising event that raises money for local nonprofits that support human services during the holidays. Past recipients include Westside Food Bank, Meals on Wheels, West Coast Care and The People Concern to name a few. The tournament is open to all ages and all skill levels are welcome. Spectators and non-players may also attend. This is a family-friendly event. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/5th-annual-volley-ween-beach-bbq-mixer/20197888/2026-10-28T15>

WESTERN WEDNESDAY: HALLOWEEN EDITION

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Santa Monica Place 395 Santa Monica Pl Santa Monica, CA. A spooky twist on a weekly country line-dancing night, with costume contest, pro-led lessons, and happy hour specials. October 28th, 6pm-8pm | Center Plaza, Level 1 Western Wednesday is getting a spooky twist this October, so dust off your costume! Show up in your spookiest look on 10/28 for a chance to win a \$50 Tenshoppe gift card. Grab your boots, round up your ghoulish friends, and learn to line dance at our free weekly dose of country on the coast. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/western-wednesday-halloween-edition/20179746/2026-10-28T18>

LITTLE SHOP OF HORRORS FILM SCREENING & DISCUSSION

6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Ocean Park Branch Celebrate Halloween with a screening of this 1960 horror comedy classic and discussion with Beverly Gray, author of Roger Corman: Blood-Sucking Vampires, Flesh-Eating Cockroaches, and Driller Killers.

THURSDAY | OCTOBER 29

HALLOWEEN MOVIE SHOWING

11:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. Room 192 SMC Library, SMC Main Campus, 1900 Pico Blvd Santa Monica, CA. A Halloween-themed movie screening, perfect for

getting into the spooky spirit. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/halloween-movie-showing/19761730/2026-10-29T11>

CARMELINA PICKLEBALL

12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. 1231 3rd street/Promenade 1231 3rd street/Promenade Santa Monica, CA 585-448-2005. Group pickleball lessons with a USTPA coach covering grip, serving, volleys, and game control, for live-level players. Vessy Jivkova — USTAP association coach, 76, leads group pickleball lessons for lived level players. \$20.00 to \$45.00. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/carmelina-pickleball/20146726/2026-10-29T12>

COMPUTER PRACTICE: OPEN LAB

2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. Main Library, Computer Classroom. Build computer skills at your own pace through guided online lessons. Support is available if needed.

GHOST STORIES TOLD BY THE CAST AND CREW OF MAD TV

8:00 p.m. - 12:00 a.m. The Crow 2525 Michigan Ave #Unit F4 Santa Monica, CA. Cast members from Mad TV share personal ghost stories in this intimate Halloween storytelling event, blending humor with the paranormal. On a recent podcast of Mad Rewind (season 2 Eps. 3), several cast members of Mad TV mentioned they had ghost stories. \$23.11. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/ghost-stories-told-by-the-cast-and-crew-of-mad-tv/19895973/2026-10-29T20>

FRIDAY | OCTOBER 30

HALLOWEEN PARADE

8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m. Canyon Elementary School 421 Entrada Dr Santa Monica, CA +1 310-454-7510. An elementary school Halloween parade, with kids in costume winding through a festive morning celebration. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/halloween-parade/19699903/2026-10-30T08>

PALISADIAN COFFEE AND CHAT

9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. Palisades Garden Cafe 15231 La Cruz Dr Pacific Palisades, CA. An informal coffee gathering for Palisadians returning or considering a return, with no agenda beyond saying hello and connecting. An informal hello run by Palisadian resident Rebecca Martin. No Agenda, no powerpoint, just a chance to say hello for those who have moved back to the Palisades, or are working on it. Visit: <https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/palisadian-coffee-and-chat/19242128/2026-10-30T09>

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A SAFER SANTA MONICA

Effective public safety, well-resourced first responders, and practical solutions that keep our community safe.



A CITY THAT EVOLVES THOUGHTFULLY

Toughtful, practical decisions that protect our quality of life while preparing Santa Monica for the future.



RESPONSIBLE, EFFECTIVE CITY GOVERNMENT

Disciplined budgeting, transparency, accountability and a City Hall that is responsive to the people it serves.



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