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Santa Monica considers digital billboard district for Third Street Promenade

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Santa Monica planning commissioners on Wednesday reviewed a controversial proposal to allow up to 16 large digital billboards on the Third Street Promenade and Santa Monica Place, generating significant debate over historic preservation, public safety and economic recovery efforts.

The proposed Digital Display District Ordinance would permit 1,000-square-foot digital displays on corner buildings along the pedestrian mall and four locations at the adjacent shopping center. The city has already received four development agreement applications from operators seeking to install the signs under 30-year contracts.

"The ordinance is guided by four policy objectives," said Rachel Kwok, the city's environmental planner, including advancing downtown's

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Courtesy image

SIGN: The proposed digital display district runs along the Promenade and includes the mall.

Malibu Council approves $1.6M for additional PCH safety improvements

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SMDP Staff Writer

The Malibu City Council approved an additional $1.6 million in funding for enhanced safety measures along Pacific Coast Highway, including innovative speed detection technology and infrastructure for enforcement cameras.

The unanimous approval increases the Public Works Director's authority to approve change orders for the ongoing PCH Signal Synchronization System Improvements Project, bringing the total construction contract to $14.6

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Los Angeles tops national 'Rattiest City' list

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

For the first time in more than a decade, Los Angeles has claimed the top spot on Orkin's annual Rattiest Cities List, ending Chicago's reign that began when the rankings debuted.

The pest control company announced that the City of Angels had moved up one spot to No. 1, displacing Chicago to second place. New York ranked third, followed by San Francisco at fourth.

Orkin determined the rankings by tracking new rodent services in owner-occupied residences from Aug. 20, 2024, to Aug. 21, 2025. The company attributed Los Angeles' rise to year-round warm weather, a booming culinary scene and dense neighborhoods that provide ample food and shelter for rodents.

California dominated the list with four cities in the top 50: Los Angeles, San Francisco, Sacramento at No. 19 and San Diego at No. 24.

The shift in rankings reflects changing rodent activity patterns influenced by weather, urban infrastructure and human behavior, according to Orkin officials. Moderate climates improve rodent survival rates while urban sprawl creates new pathways for infestations.

Rodents pose serious risks

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Trump administration says SNAP will be partially funded in November

President Donald Trump's administration said Monday that it will partially fund SNAP for November, after two judges issued rulings requiring the government to keep the nation's largest food aid program running.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture, which oversees the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program, had planned to freeze payments starting Nov. 1 because it said it could no longer keep funding it during the federal government shutdown. The program serves about 1 in 8 Americans and is a major piece of the nation's social safety net. It costs more than $8 billion per month nationally. The government says an emergency fund it will use has $4.65 billion — enough to cover about half the normal benefits.

Exhausting the fund potentially sets the stage for a similar situation in December if the shutdown isn't resolved by then.

It's not clear exactly how much beneficiaries will receive, nor how quickly they will see value show up on the debit cards they use to buy groceries. November payments have already been delayed for millions of people.

"The Trump Administration has the means to fund this program in full, and their decision not to will leave millions of Americans hungry and waiting even longer for relief as government takes the additional steps needed to partially fund this program," Massachusetts Attorney General Andrea Joy Campbell, who led a coalition of Democratic state officials in one of the lawsuits that forced the funding, said in a statement.

HOW WILL SNAP BENEFICIARIES MANAGE?

People who receive the benefits are trying to figure out how to stretch their grocery money further.

Corina Betancourt, who's 40 and lives in Glendale, Arizona, already uses a food bank sometimes to get groceries for herself and her three kids, ages 8 through 11. With her SNAP benefits reduced and delayed, she's expecting to use the food bank more and find ways to stretch what she has further.

But she is worried that there won't be enough for her children to eat with about $400 this month instead of around $800. "We always make things work somehow, some way," she said.

In Camden, New Jersey, 41-year-old Jamal Brown, who is paralyzed after a series of strokes and on a fixed income, said family members asked him for a list of groceries he needs so they can stock him up.

But not everyone has that help.

"How did you expect to live a healthy life if you're not eating the right stuff?" he asked. "If you don't have the access to the food stamps, you're going to go to the cheapest thing that you can afford."

DETAILS ON HOW PAYMENTS WILL ROLL OUT ARE STILL TO COME

The administration said it would provide details to states on Monday on calculating the per-household partial benefit. The process of loading the SNAP cards, which involves steps by state and federal government agencies and vendors, can take up to two weeks in some states. But the USDA warned in a court filing that it could take weeks or even months for states to make all the system changes to send out reduced benefits. The average monthly benefit is usually about $190 per person.

California Attorney General Rob Bonta said at a news conference that it would take his state about a week to load benefit cards once the funding is made available.

"These are folks who are hungry, and every day matters," Bonta said.

The USDA said last month that benefits for November wouldn't be paid due to the federal government shutdown. That set off a scramble by food banks, state governments and the nearly 42 million Americans who receive the aid to find ways to ensure access to groceries.

The liberal group Democracy Forward, which represented plaintiffs in one of the lawsuits, said it was considering legal options to force full SNAP funding.

Other high-profile Democrats are calling for the government to do that on its own.

"USDA has the authority to fully fund SNAP and needs to do so immediately. Anything else is unacceptable," Senate Democratic leader Chuck Schumer said on social media.

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STATE GOVERNMENTS STEP IN

Most states have boosted aid to food banks, and some are setting up systems to reload benefit cards with state taxpayer dollars. The threat of a delay also spurred lawsuits.

Federal judges in Massachusetts and Rhode Island ruled separately but similarly Friday, telling the government in response to lawsuits filed by Democratic state officials, cities and non-profits that it was required to use one emergency fund to pay for the program, at least in part. They gave the government the option to use additional money to fully fund

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Tylenol, Kleenex, Band-Aid and more put under one roof in $48.7 billion consumer brands deal

Kimberly-Clark is buying Tylenol maker Kenvue in a cash and stock deal worth about $48.7 billion, creating a massive consumer health goods company.

Shareholders of Kimberly-Clark will own about 54% of the combined company. Kenvue shareholders will own about 46% in what is one of the largest corporate takeovers this year. The deal must still be approved by the shareholders of both companies.

The combined company will have a huge stable of household brands under one roof, putting Kenvue's Listerine mouthwash and Band-Aid side-by-side with Kimberly-Clark's Cottonelle toilet paper, Huggies and Kleenex tissues. It will also generate about $32 billion in annual revenue.

Kenvue has spent a relatively brief period as an independent company, having been spun off by Johnson & Johnson two years ago. J&J first announced in late 2021 that it was splitting its slow-growth consumer health division from the pharmaceutical and medical device divisions.

Kenvue has since been targeted by activist investors unhappy about the trajectory of the company and Wall Street appeared to anticipate some heavy lifting ahead for Kimberly-Clark.

Kenvue's stock jumped 12% Monday afternoon, while shares of Kimberly-Clark, based outside of Dallas, slumped by nearly 15%.

Kenvue shares have shed nearly 50% of their value since approaching $28 in the spring of 2023. Morningstar analyst Keonhee Kim said Kenvue's volatile journey as a public company may have been driven in part by poor execution and a lack of experience operating as a stand-alone business.

He said the leadership of a more-established consumer products company like Kimberly-Clark could help unlock some of Kenvue's value.

He also noted that Kenvue brands include Neutrogena, Benadryl and other names that have been in store consumer health aisles for decades. Kim said he thinks Kimberly-Clark may have seen upside in adding those products.

"I think that may have made the deal a lot more attractive ... especially after the past couple of months of Kenvue's stock price decline," he said.

Kenvue and Tylenol have been thrust into the national spotlight this year as President Donald Trump and Health Secretary Robert F. Kennedy Jr. promoted unproven and in some cases discredited ties between Tylenol, vaccines and the complex brain disorder autism.

Trump then urged pregnant women against using the medicine. That went beyond Food and Drug Administration advice that doctors "should consider minimizing" the painkiller acetaminophen's use in pregnancy — amid inconclusive evidence about whether too much could be linked to autism.

Kennedy reiterated the FDA guidance during a press conference last week. He said that there isn't sufficient evidence to link the drug to autism.

"We have asked physicians to minimize the use to when it's absolutely necessary," he said.

Kenvue has continued to push back on the Trump administration's public statements about Tylenol and acetaminophen, the active ingredient it contains.

"We strongly disagree with allegations that it does and are deeply concerned about the health risks and confusion this poses for expecting mothers and parents," Kenvue said in a statement on its website.

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The merger could face other hurdles. Citi Investment Research analyst Filippo Falorni said he is concerned about the deal's size given the recent history in the sector, particularly given the challenges faced by Kenvue.

In July, Kenvue announced that CEO Thibaut Mongon was leaving in the midst of a strategic review, with the company under mounting pressure from activist investors unhappy about growth. Critics say Kenvue has relied too much on its legacy brands and failed to innovate.

Industry analysts also point out the poor track record for mergers involving consumer packaged goods companies. In September, Kraft Heinz said it would break up its decade-old merger. Its net revenue has fallen every year since 2020.

Kimberly-Clark and Kenvue, like Kraft Heinz, are facing increasing competition from cheaper store brands. In 2024, 51% of toilet paper and other household paper products sold in the U.S were store brands, according

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Weather

Wednesday: Patchy drizzle before 10am. Cloudy, then gradually becoming mostly sunny, with a high near 67.
Wednesday Night: Increasing clouds, with a low around 58. Northwest wind 5 to 10 mph.
Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 67. Light and variable wind becoming west southwest 5 to 10 mph in the afternoon.
Thursday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 57.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted	(ft)High/Low
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2025/11/05	Wed	3:07 PM	-1.21	L
2025/11/05	Wed	9:26 PM	4.29	H
2025/11/06	Thu	02:23 AM	1.70	L
2025/11/06	Thu	08:42 AM	7.11	H
2025/11/06	Thu	3:57 PM	-1.36	L
2025/11/06	Thu	10:25 PM	3.99	H
2025/11/07	Fri	03:01 AM	2.08	L
2025/11/07	Fri	09:24 AM	7.00	H
2025/11/07	Fri	4:52 PM	-1.26	L
2025/11/07	Fri	11:32 PM	3.71	H
2025/11/08	Sat	03:44 AM	2.46	L
2025/11/08	Sat	10:11 AM	6.65	H
2025/11/08	Sat	5:51 PM	-0.96	L
2025/11/09	Sun	12:49 AM	3.55	H
2025/11/09	Sun	04:36 AM	2.82	L
2025/11/09	Sun	11:05 AM	6.12	H
2025/11/09	Sun	6:56 PM	-0.58	L
2025/11/10	Mon	02:20 AM	3.60	H
2025/11/10	Mon	05:50 AM	3.13	L
2025/11/10	Mon	12:12 PM	5.49	H
2025/11/10	Mon	8:09 PM	-0.21	L
2025/11/11	Tue	03:41 AM	3.87	H
2025/11/11	Tue	07:45 AM	3.22	L
2025/11/11	Tue	1:35 PM	4.90	H
2025/11/11	Tue	9:21 PM	0.07	L
2025/11/12	Wed	04:36 AM	4.24	H
2025/11/12	Wed	09:49 AM	2.86	L
2025/11/12	Wed	3:08 PM	4.49	H
2025/11/12	Wed	10:20 PM	0.31	L
2025/11/13	Thu	05:16 AM	4.62	H
2025/11/13	Thu	11:06 AM	2.24	L
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Powerball
Draw Date: 11/3
3 32 40 43 57
Power#: 18
Jackpot: 438 M

Mega Millions
Draw Date: 10/31
2 24 52 66 68
Mega#: 9
Jackpot: 800 M

SuperLotto Plus
Draw Date: 11/1
10 13 21 30 42
Mega#: 15
Jackpot: 13 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 11/3
7 8 21 24 31

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Draw Date: 11/3
EVENING: 9 0 4
Draw Date: 11/3
MIDDAY: 5 8 0

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2nd: 04 - Big Ben
3rd: 12 - Lucky Charms
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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Giving up gas

When I first saw an induction stove, I was seven years old. My mom and I had just moved from California to Switzerland, and the kitchen there looked like something straight out of Star Trek, our favorite show, which we had to start watching dubbed in German. "Raumschiff" was one of the first words we learned. There were no flames, just a sleek black surface with glowing red circles.

Years later, when I moved into my first apartment back in the U.S., I was shocked to find that my stove ran on gas. I remember turning the knob and hearing the gas hissing! You've gotta be kidding me. If someone turns one of these knobs and walks away, I could be in serious danger? It seemed so outdated and unsafe.

And after the fire this past January, when my Palisades apartment (one that had an induction cooktop!) burned and the complex offered to relocate me, my heart sank when I saw the gas stove. I couldn't do it. Not after everything.

That's when I realized, on a very personal level, that electrification isn't a technical choice. It's about safety, health, and peace of mind for myself and my family.

I've been a member of our beloved local environmental organization, Resilient Palisades, since 2019. Almost all of our members are rebuilding too. Physically, emotionally, financially. We've felt the harsh post-fire air in our lungs and the uncertainty of not knowing where "home" is right now. That's why our vision isn't abstract. It's deeply personal. We're not just talking about rebuilding homes. We're rebuilding trust in technology and in one another. We believe that our neighborhood can become a replicable national model for post-fire recovery.

We've heard the skepticism: "Activists tried this in the '70s." "Remember those all-electric Medallion Homes in the '60s?" "Gas heats faster."

And it's true. Those early systems weren't great. Electricity back then came mostly from fossil fuels, heat pumps were clunky, and induction stoves were rare outside Europe. But today, the technology has evolved beyond recognition.

We want people to know that modern induction cooktops are faster and more precise than gas. Heat-pump water heaters work even in cold weather, using a fraction of the energy. Solar panels paired with battery storage keep the lights, fridges, and medical devices running when the grid goes down. And now, emerging technology allows electric vehicles to power homes in an emergency.

It's not about giving up comfort. It's about upgrading to a future that's cleaner, quieter, and safer for everyone.

And we also want you to know that you don't have to be perfect.

At Resilient Palisades, all-electric rebuilds excite us, but we know everyone and every home is different. You can start small and pick what works for you. Maybe it's swapping in a heat-pump water heater or an induction cooktop. Both have great rebates available through LADWP. Every bit counts. Just keep in mind: you won't be able to stack or "layer" certain rebates. For example, you can't combine LADWP's incentives with CalEAP if you still keep a gas line but there are plenty of great rebates for single upgrades.

Our vision at Resilient Palisades is to create the Pali Microgrid, a model of local energy resilience where homes and businesses generate, store, and share clean electricity.

During the next outage, your solar-plus-battery home will stay powered and so will your neighbors'. That's what we mean by a resilient community. Not just independence, but interdependence.

We've been working with LADWP, Rewiring America, the Building Decarbonization Coalition, Passive House Network, and USGBC-CA to make this a reality for everyone: renters, seniors, working families, everyone. Not just those with time and resources to spare.

Together, we're developing educational events, connecting residents to rebates and trusted installers, and helping displaced families rebuild smarter, with electric heat, solar roofs, and clean air inside their homes. We don't want to just replace what we lost.

We know that resilience starts block by block, yard by yard, piece by piece.

And when the next wind event hits or the power flickers, we'll be ready. Not just individually, but together.

That's what we're building. Homes that protect us, energy that connects us, and a community that powers its own recovery.

Sara G. Marti, Pacific Palisades

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COMMUNITY NEWS

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SMC Chamber Choir Presents "Home" Concert November 7

The Santa Monica College Chamber Choir will perform "Home," a live concert Friday, Nov. 7, at 7:30 p.m. in The Edye at the SMC Performing Arts Center.

Under the direction of SMC music instructor Jeremiah Selvey Convento, the ensemble will showcase Melissa Dunphy's "American DREAMers," featuring texts written by people with undocumented status who enrolled in President Barack Obama's Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program.

The performance takes place at the SMC Performing Arts Center, 1310 11th Street at Santa Monica Boulevard.

Tickets are $10 general admission with a modest service charge. Students with any student ID receive free admission.

Advance tickets can be purchased online at smc.edu/tickets or by calling 310-434-3005 Monday through Friday during limited hours. Tickets may also be purchased starting 45 minutes before the performance begins at The Broad Stage Box Office at the SMC Performing Arts Center.

Free parking is available on premises. Seating is strictly on a first-arrival basis.

More information is available at smc.edu/events or by calling 310-434-4323. All performances are subject to change or cancellation without notice.

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CHOIR: The Santa Monica College Music Department presents the SMC Chamber Choir performing "Home" — featuring Melissa Dunphy's American DREAMers.

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Southeast Community Foundation to Host Frank Sinatra Tribute Concert

The Southeast Community Foundation will present "Fly Me to the Moon - An Evening with Sinatra," a benefit concert featuring Richard Shelton on Nov. 8, 2025, at the Santa Monica Bay Woman's Club.

The event, scheduled from 6 p.m. to 9 p.m. at 1210 4th Street, will feature Shelton, described as the world's leading dramatic interpreter of Frank Sinatra. The concert aims to raise funds for the foundation's educational programs.

The Southeast Community Foundation focuses on providing academic equity through high-dose tutoring and social-emotional support for local K-12 students. Proceeds from the concert will directly support personalized tutoring and social-emotional learning programs.

"Our students deserve to be empowered with equal opportunities to realize their full potential and achieve their goals," said Cassandra Petersen Harris, the foundation's executive director. "This concert is not only a night of timeless music - it's a celebration of community action to open doors for our kids."

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The foundation describes the event as combining music, fundraising and community spirit to support students who need educational assistance most.

Ticket options range from $135.23 for general admission to $268.61 for VIP packages, with a "Treat a Tutor" option also available.

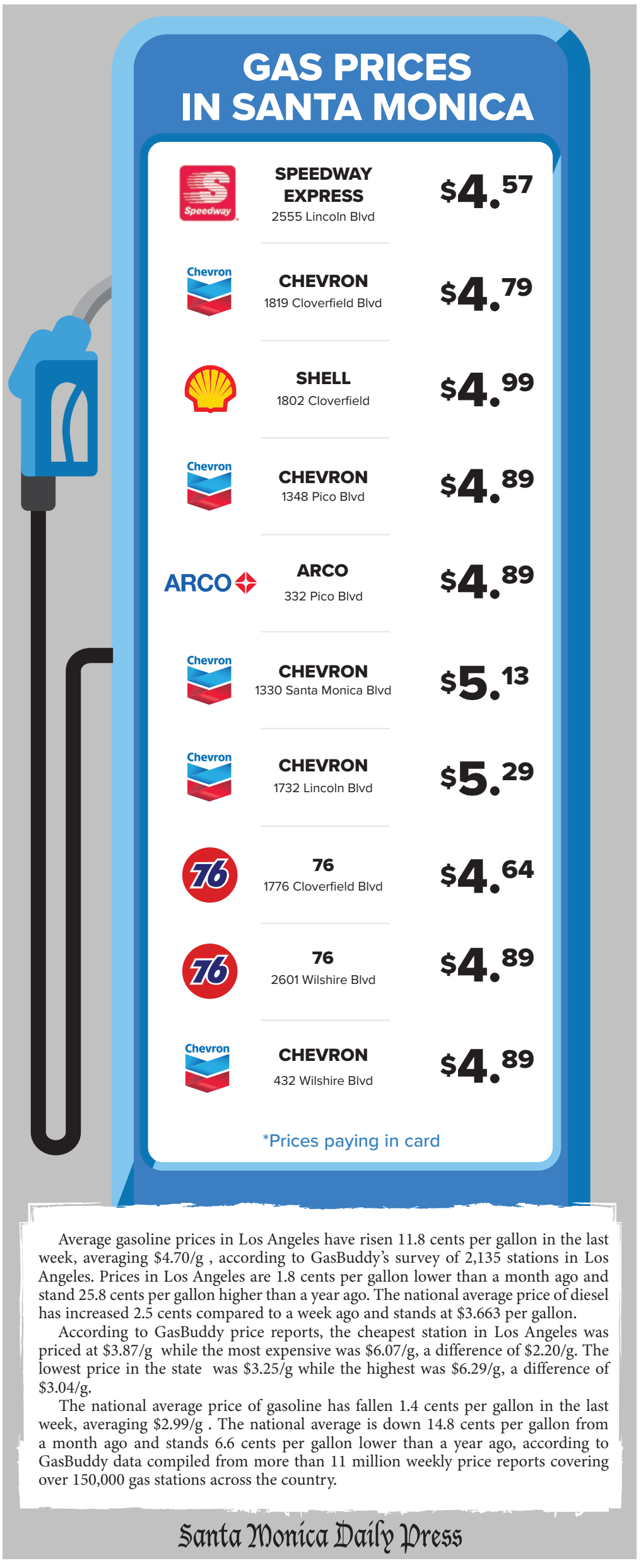
The Santa Monica Bay Woman's Club will serve as the venue for the evening of classic Sinatra music performed in support of local educational initiatives.

Registration and additional information are available at https://sinatra-benefit-concert.eventbrite.com/

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Average gasoline prices in Los Angeles have risen 11.8 cents per gallon in the last week, averaging $4.70/g , according to GasBuddy's survey of 2,135 stations in Los Angeles. Prices in Los Angeles are 1.8 cents per gallon lower than a month ago and stand 25.8 cents per gallon higher than a year ago. The national average price of diesel has increased 2.5 cents compared to a week ago and stands at $3.663 per gallon.

According to GasBuddy price reports, the cheapest station in Los Angeles was priced at $3.87/g while the most expensive was $6.07/g, a difference of $2.20/g. The lowest price in the state was $3.25/g while the highest was $6.29/g, a difference of $3.04/g.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Los Angeles

LA28 Announces Production Team for 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Ceremonies

LA28 announced the production team for the 2028 Olympic and Paralympic Games Opening and Closing Ceremonies, led by Emmy Award-winning producer Ben Winston as Executive Producer and Creative Director.

Winston, who produced the show-stopping Paris-to-LA Olympic Handover in 2024, will work alongside veteran Olympic producer Scott Givens as Executive Producer - Production. FulFive, a new entity combining Fulwell Entertainment and FiveCurrents, will produce the ceremonies with Givens and Ryann Lauckner as Co-CEOs.

"We searched the world for partners who could blend artistic vision and flawless execution at the highest level," said Peter Rice, LA28 Head of Ceremonies and Content. "Ben Winston and Scott Givens are two of the most accomplished producers in live entertainment today."

Winston, a 14-time Emmy winner, will build on his Paris-to-LA celebration featuring Tom Cruise, Snoop Dogg, Dr. Dre, Billie Eilish, H.E.R. and Red Hot Chili Peppers. His credits include "The Grammys," "The Late Late Show with James Corden," "Friends: The Reunion," and specials featuring Adele and Elton John.

"The Olympic Games represent the pinnacle of human achievement, and Los Angeles offers a once-in-a-generation opportunity to reimagine what these ceremonies can be," Winston said.

Givens has produced more than 400 major live events across 15 Olympic Games and 63 global ceremonies. He is a recipient of the prestigious Olympic Order from the International Olympic Committee.

The 2028 Olympic Opening Ceremony takes place July 14, 2028, at the LA Memorial Coliseum and 2028 Stadium. The Olympic Closing Ceremony follows July 30, 2028, at the LA Memorial Coliseum. Paralympic ceremonies occur August 15 and August 27, 2028.

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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

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Mayoral meltdown

Even those of us long aware of Mayor Lana Negrete's shortcomings were aghast at her willful attempt Tuesday night to send us back into the previous Council's vulnerability to "builder's' remedy" projects, giving developers free rein to threaten our neighborhoods with over-sized high-rises.

It's one thing to disagree with state law; I've been there. It's quite another to disregard state law, whether deliberately or through ignorance. Mayor Negrete pitched an embarrassingly public hissy fit when her more knowledgeable Council colleagues pointed out, in a non-adversarial way, that her proposal would once again have threatened the state's acceptance of Santa Monica's required Housing Element.

Retreating into her habitual petulant resentment, Negrete claimed to be a populist, pouting about the elite college backgrounds of her new millennial colleagues on the Council. One can only conclude that college taught the other Councilmembers how to learn, and particularly how to learn from their mistakes.

Fortunately for Santa Monica, Negrete has only one Council meeting left as Mayor. Voters a year from now can send her packing, as we did her similarly reckless allies... by margins of over 2000 votes, a mandate if ever we saw one.

Negrete's whining about inadequate staff support, and the challenges Councilmembers face holding family-supportive employment (as they always have!), only illustrates that she's just not up to the job.

Kevin McKeown, Retired former Mayor

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PCH SAFETY

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million.

The additional funding will support two key safety initiatives designed to address what officials describe as increasingly hazardous conditions on the coastal highway.

The first system represents what Public Works Director Rob DuBoux called "a very innovative product" developed in collaboration with Caltrans.

"It's a system that's going to detect when speeding is on PCH and will adapt signal timing to have more red lights and slow traffic down," DuBoux explained during the council meeting. The system will include additional cameras, detection loops, updated signal timing equipment and specialized programming.

The second component addresses infrastructure needs for a five-location speed enforcement camera system. The funding will cover new signal poles and power connections required for the enforcement cameras, work that DuBoux said can be efficiently integrated with the existing project.

"Getting the poles is a very long and drawn-out process," DuBoux noted, explaining that using the current contractor allows the city to meet project deadlines scheduled for early next year.

The safety enhancements are part of a larger $19.3 million signal synchronization project that spans PCH from Topanga Canyon Road to John Tyler Drive. The broader project, identified in a 2015 PCH Safety Study, aims to reduce traffic congestion and improve safety by connecting existing traffic signals and enabling remote operation by Caltrans.

The synchronization system captures real-time traffic data and automatically adjusts signal timing to match actual traffic conditions, potentially reducing response times for manual adjustments and supporting emergency evacuations.

Construction of the primary synchronization components has been completed, but city officials determined additional safety measures were necessary given ongoing concerns about PCH conditions.

The project receives funding from Los Angeles County Metropolitan Transportation Authority's Measure R ($17.6 million) and Measure M ($1.5 million) allocations, with an additional $246,000 in potential federal reimbursement for damages from the Palisades Fire.

Council member Bruce Silverstein, while voting to approve the funding, raised broader concerns about the change order process in municipal contracting. He noted that significant change orders can be approved through staff negotiations with contractors, while initial contracts require public bidding.

"Change orders can sometimes run up as much as the initial contract," Silverstein said, describing the system as "problematic" because it could allow contractors to deliberately underbid initially, knowing profitable change orders may follow.

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> - Rob DuBoux, Public Works Director

DuBoux responded that the city typically allocates 15-20% of original contract costs for contingencies and "very rarely" requests council approval to exceed those limits. He emphasized that staff strictly negotiates all change orders to ensure favorable terms for the city.

"We take this very seriously, we look at it and we make sure that the city is getting a very good bargain for these change conditions that come up," DuBoux said.

This marks only the second time DuBoux has requested council approval to increase change order authority beyond standard contingency levels, with the previous instance involving a Broad Beach grant project.

The council had previously approved $1.3 million in change orders in September 2024 for modifications including a protected left turn at John Tyler Drive, pedestrian signal upgrades at Las Flores Canyon Road, and utility realignment at Big Rock Drive.

The enhanced safety systems represent Malibu's latest effort to address traffic safety concerns on the accident-prone coastal highway, which serves as both a major commuter route and popular destination for beachgoers and tourists.

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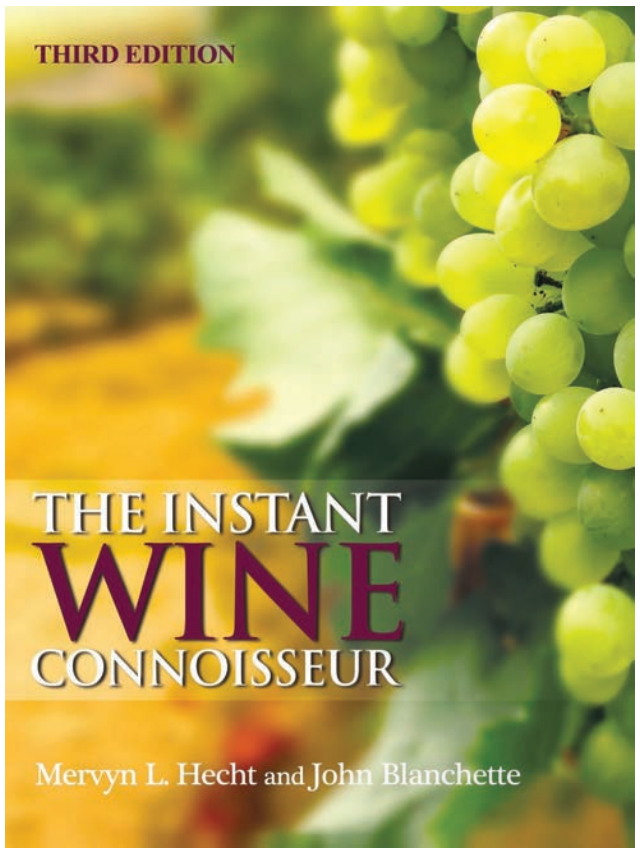
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BILLBOARD DISTRICT

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vision, driving economic recovery, balancing innovation with responsibility, and providing community benefits.

The proposal promises substantial revenue for the city through advertising revenue sharing and minimum annual guarantees, though exact figures are still being determined by an economic study expected before the City Council's November 18 review.

However, commissioners expressed serious concerns about the plan's impact on the area's historic character. Six of the 16 potential sign locations sit on designated landmark buildings, yet the ordinance bypasses traditional Landmarks Commission review in favor of streamlined staff approval.

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> - Ruthann Lehrer, Santa Monica Conservancy

"Six landmarks affected by a single project is a lot, really unprecedented," said Ruthann Lehrer of the Santa Monica Conservancy during public comment. She argued the Landmarks Commission has "expertise and experience to look at this interface" between new digital signage and historic buildings.

Commissioner Nina Fresco called the lack of landmarks review troubling. "I'm somewhat beside myself about the lack of Landmarks Commission review," she said, noting that landmark buildings would receive digital signage without expert historic preservation input.

Public safety emerged as another major concern. Commissioner Shawn Landres pushed for "no right turn on red" traffic restrictions to be implemented before any signs are activated, citing worries about distracted drivers at complex intersections with heavy pedestrian and bicycle traffic.

Several residents opposed the plan entirely. Gerard Healy mentioned in public comments, arguing the signs would "cheapen the neighborhood."

The ordinance includes strict operational standards to address concerns. Signs would operate only from sunrise to 1 a.m., use 100% renewable energy where available, and follow detailed brightness limits designed to minimize impacts on nearby residential areas. A lighting study analyzed all 16 potential locations to ensure compliance.

Each digital display must dedicate 20% of operating time—roughly 12 minutes per hour—to city content and public art through a city-administered program. This provision aims to transform the promenade into "an evolving outdoor public art museum," according to the staff report.

The proposal requires building owners to maintain specific occupancy thresholds, with penalties including increased payments to the city or potential sign removal for persistently vacant properties. This mechanism seeks to ensure the signs support broader downtown revitalization rather than simply generating advertising revenue.

Downtown Santa Monica Inc. recommended the city develop a comprehensive digital signage plan with revenue reinvestment directly into downtown, emphasizing the need for "a cohesive strategy to ensure that any future digital signage is implemented thoughtfully and responsibly" and remains "consistent with Santa Monica's distinctive character."

Development agreements would run 30 years with possible extensions—a timeline Commissioner Jacob Wasserman questioned as too long for what was pitched as a pilot program. The lengthy terms reflect operators' need to recoup substantial infrastructure investments, staff explained.

The Third Street Promenade has struggled with vacancy and reduced foot traffic following the lingering economic effects of the COVID-19 pandemic and shifting retail patterns. City officials view the digital displays as part of broader economic recovery efforts, including the recent establishment of a Third Street Promenade Entertainment Zone.

Planning commissioners will forward their comments to the City Council, which will make the final decision on November 18. The commission's input is advisory since the ordinance falls outside traditional zoning regulations, requiring the more flexible development agreement approach.

If approved, Santa Monica would join cities like West Hollywood and Los Angeles in allowing large-format digital advertising displays.

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SNAP

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the program and a deadline of Monday to decide.

Patrick Penn, Deputy Under Secretary Food Nutrition and Consumer Services for USDA, said in a court filing Monday that the department chose not to tap other emergency funds to ensure there's not a gap in child nutrition programs for the rest of this fiscal year, which runs through September 2026.

Advocates and beneficiaries say halting the food aid would force people to choose between buying groceries and paying other bills. The majority of states have announced more or expedited funding for food banks or novel ways to load at least some benefits onto the SNAP debit cards.

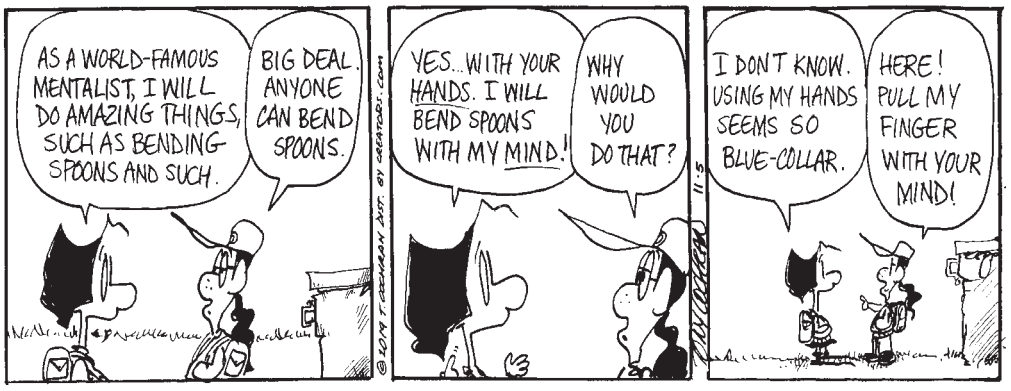
New Mexico and Rhode Island officials said Monday that some SNAP beneficiaries received funds over the weekend from their emergency programs. Officials in Delaware are telling recipients that their benefits won't be available until at least Nov. 7.

To qualify for SNAP in 2025, a household's net income after certain expenses can't exceed the federal poverty line. For a family of four, that's about $32,000 per year.

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Welcome to your Year of Steady Gains. Small victories add up to a massive turnaround. You'll get favorable publicity and leverage it into building something remarkable. Even in work, you'll refuse drudgery and insist on pleasure - an attitude that leads to self-fulfilling prophecies. More highlights: Love deepens through rituals. Collaboration brings unexpected projects, adventures and income. Sagittarius and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 10, 27, 4, 36 and 20.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Real connection isn't built from good manners or social maneuvers; it's built from attention. You're genuinely curious, and others feel it. Let silence do some of the work. People will reveal themselves when you don't rush to fill space.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). For now, relationships feel unusually clear and predictable. Actions directly lead to the expected reactions. There's no emotional fog. There's also no nuance. If you're kind, you get kindness back; if you withdraw, people pull away. The simplicity is refreshing.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Give up on trying to make everything perfect. You're good at the task, and you get even better as you go, because you keep making the efforts. But if you constantly criticize and judge yourself, you won't have the energy to continue and improve.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). The fickle forces of external motivation can be helpful sometimes, but they're unreliable. Instead of chasing bursts of inspiration, build structures that will make it easier to do the things you know will help you.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Don't be afraid to goof off. Silliness is what puts you at your attractive best. Others are drawn to your carefree spirit. Someone you pull into your orbit will be delighted to stay there.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). There's something you're trying to express, heal or understand. It's quieter than the demands of the day, but don't let the world distract you from this true purpose, which is so worthy of your focus. Remember your personal "why."

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Strength will show up in your life as integrity. It won't look like someone lifting improbable weight; it will look like consistent, grounded, predictable effort. Dominance and force are kinds of strength, but they're not the kind you're interested in.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your instincts are golden. You'll simply act as though moved by providence, and the successful outcome will say it all. The outcome may not come immediately, though. In time a bright logic will emerge.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Feelings are like clouds, constantly changing shape. Even as you identify with a feeling deeply, it's not who you are. The moment of discomfort isn't you. The moment of elation isn't either. Today, you'll ride these feelings to your next destination.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The power of reciprocal energy will be a theme. You'll take part in that which replenishes you instead of depleting you. For instance, exercise takes energy, but the return is an even greater vitality than you had before.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Everything you've lived is yours to interpret. You'll claim your own narrative by talking about or writing about your life and framing it all in the way that pleases, empowers and even heals you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The people who trigger us are mirrors. Instead of asking, "Why are they doing this to me?" try "What happens in me when I'm with them?" That shift moves you from blame to awareness, which is power.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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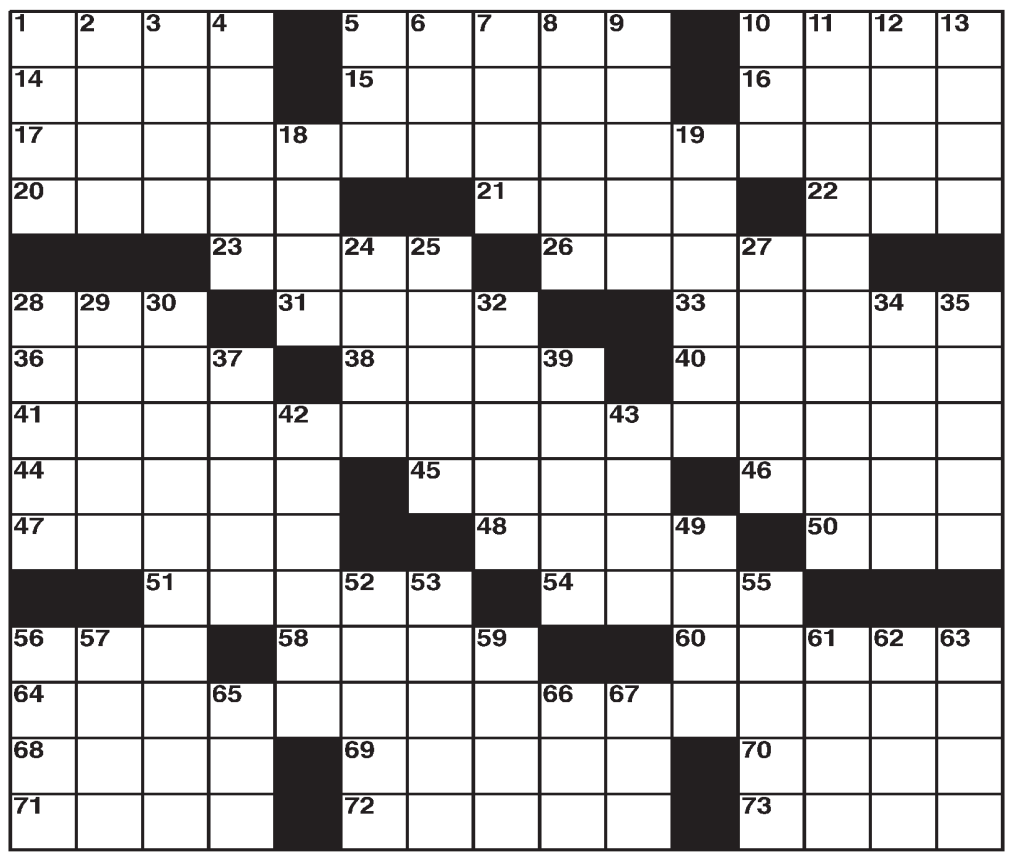
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22 Displays on hotel rm. doors
23 Per item
26 Backless sofa
28 Dollar fractions: Abbr.
31 Sit down heavily
33 Marry secretly
36 Bachelor of __ degree
38 "Magnum" masterwork
40 Speed contests
41 Car dealer's spark-plugs shop
44 "Old MacDonald" ender
45 Female opera star
46 A while ago
47 Shorthand expert
48 Reduced by
50 Golfer's platform
51 Feeling nervous
54 "Beat it!"
56 Texter's ha-ha
58 Coin in Italy
60 Licorice flavoring
64 Whom a boxer practices with
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70 Taiwanese computer maker
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72 Take care of
73 Pair in the three longest answers

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19 Fall back (to)
24 Clumsy person
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27 San Antonio attraction
28 Superhero's garments
29 Genetic characteristic
30 Urban night light
32 Classroom student
34 Fractions of a British pound
35 Lauder of lipstick
37 *Goosebumps* author
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RAT

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beyond being a nuisance, experts warn. They can cause significant structural damage by gnawing through walls, wiring and pipes — a rat's teeth rank 5.5 on the Mohs hardness scale, strong enough to chew through steel garbage cans. The pests are known carriers of illnesses including leptospirosis, salmonellosis, plague and typhus.

"Rats and mice are more than a nuisance — they're opportunists," said Ian Williams, an Orkin entomologist. "If there's food, warmth and a way in, they'll find it. And once inside, their constant chewing and rapid reproduction can quickly turn a small issue into a large, expensive one."

Santa Monica has experienced its share of rodent problems in recent years, with high-profile incidents affecting both public spaces and private businesses.

In 2020, longtime Third Street Promenade property owner John Alle complained that rats and mice were nesting inside the pedestrian mall's signature dinosaur-shaped topiary planters. He observed "swarms of rodents" routinely scurrying in and out of the ivy-covered metal sculptures after dark, particularly concerning given the proximity to outdoor dining areas during the COVID-19 pandemic.

The city's rodent issues have extended to restaurants and food establishments. Several local restaurants have been cited by the health department in the past few years over vermin problems. While most were able to clean up and reopen, at least one cited rats as part of the reason for their closure.

Tacos Punta Cabras opened at Broadway and 10th Street in 2018 but shut down barely a year later due to severe roof leaks and a rodent infestation so extensive the owners could hear rats scrambling in the walls. The restaurant's proprietors sued their landlord, and a jury awarded them approximately $3 million in 2023, finding the landlords' failure to address the infestation amounted to wrongful eviction.

The health consequences of rodent infestations became particularly alarming in summer 2025 when public health officials investigated a cluster of five flea-borne typhus cases in Santa Monica. All five patients required hospitalization. Disease investigators conducted environmental assessments near 25th Street and Kansas Avenue, where fleas collected from animals tested positive for typhus bacteria. The outbreak highlighted how rats serve as vectors for disease, carrying infected fleas that can transmit illness to humans.

To combat rodent problems, Orkin recommends following "GNAW" prevention tips: Guard entry points by sealing cracks and gaps; Never leave food unattended outside; Avoid clutter that creates nesting spots; and Watch for signs like droppings, gnaw marks or burrows. Rats need only an opening the size of a quarter to access a building, while mice require even less space.

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TYLENOL

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to Circana, a market research company, while store brands held a 24% share of sales of health products, including medications and vitamins.

On Monday, a bottle of 100 extra-strength Tylenol caplets cost $10.97 on Walmart's website. A bottle of 100 extra-strength acetaminophen caplets from Walmart's Equate brand cost $1.98.

Inflation drove some of that buyer behavior, Circana said. Shoppers are also shifting their purchases to stores with more private-label brands, like Aldi and Costco. And stores are improving their offerings and adding more of them; last year, Walmart and Target both launched new store brands to complement their existing ones.

Still, both Kimberly-Clark and Kenvue make name-brand products in segments where consumers are less likely to shift to store brands, including hair care, skin care, feminine products and mouth care, according to Circana. Kenvue owns brands like Aveeno and Neutrogena, for example, while Kimberly-Clark makes Kotex and Depend.

Kimberly-Clark Chairman and CEO Mike Hsu will be chairman and CEO of the combined company. Three members of the Kenvue's board will join Kimberly-Clark's board at closing. The combined company will keep Kimberly-Clark's headquarters in Irving, Texas, but there will be significant operations around Kenvue facilities and locations as well.

The deal is expected to close in the second half of next year. It still needs approval from shareholders of both companies.

Kenvue shareholders will receive $3.50 per share in cash and 0.14625 Kimberly-Clark shares for each Kenvue share held at closing. That amounts to $21.01 per share, based on the closing price of Kimberly-Clark shares on Friday.

Kimberly-Clark and Kenvue said that they identified about $1.9 billion in cost savings that are expected in the first three years after the transaction's closing.

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WEDNESDAY | NOVEMBER 5

FRIENDS OF VENICE LIBRARY: YOGA FOR EVERYONE!
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Venice Branch Library 501 S Venice Blvd. Venice. Through body awareness, movement, and breath, you will be guided on how to bring your body, mind, and spirit back into balance for overall well-being. All levels are welcome. Generously funded by the Friends of Venice Library. For ADA accommodations, call (213) 228-7430 at least 72 hours prior to the event. Para ajustes razonables según la ley de ADA, llama al (213) 228-7430 al menos 72 horas antes del evento. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/friends-of-venice-library-yoga-for-everyone-/14548476/2025-11-05T12

COME SING WITH THE BAND - LIVE BAND KARAOKE
9:00 p.m. Harvelle's Santa Monica 1432 4th St, Santa Monica. EVERY WEDNESDAY COME SING WITH THE BAND - LIVE BAND KARAOKE. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/come-sing-with-the-band-live-band-karaoke/15962233/2025-11-05T21

THURSDAY | NOVEMBER 6

CLUB LATINO PARA ADULTOS MAYORES
11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Virginia Avenue Park 2200 Virginia Ave. Santa Monica. Venga, aprenda, y diviertase cada jueves de 11 AM a 1 PM el el salón 3 del parque Virginia. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/club-latino-para-adultos-mayores/13943928/2025-11-06T11

REBUILD COMMITTEE - SANTA MONICA & PALIBU CHAMBER
3:00 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. Rebuild Committee - Santa Monica & PaliBu Chamber Must be a Member to attend - either a member of Santa Monica Chamber or PaliBu Chamber. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/rebuild-committee-santa-monica-palibu-chamber/15499169/2025-11-06T15

FRIDAY | NOVEMBER 7

DRUNK THEATRE: THE WILDEST IMPROV COMEDY SHOW!
8:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Santa Monica Playhouse 1211 4th St, Santa Monica. A comedian takes five shots of whiskey in a row and tries to perform an improvised play with five sober comedians. What could go wrong?! Drunk Theatre is the entirely improvised, unpredictable, and crazy comedy show that'll kick your weekend into overdrive. Reserve your spot now as limited seating and space is available. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/drunk-theatre-the-wildest-improv-comedy-show-/15793351/2025-11-07T08

BRUNCH FRIDAYS WITH LIVE MUSIC IN OUR GARDEN PATIO!
11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. Our newly launched Brunch Fridays just got vibey-er! Every week enjoy great eats, summer libations, and a featured music artist on our beautiful garden patio! So come toast to summer with our uniquely crafted brunch menu including our Turmeric Spiced Cloud Egg dish, Smoked Gouda Scramble with Smashed Ube, Vietnamese French Toast, along with Mama An classics such as Famous Garlic Noodles, Shaken Beef, and Seafood Egg Fried Rice! And of course, it wouldn't be brunch without bottomless mimosas & summer punch bowls, so grab your brunch crew and enjoy the fair along the beautiful backdrop of Al fresco dining. RESERVE NOW. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/brunch-fridays-with-live-music-in-our-garden-patio-/14639006/2025-11-07T11

TRIVIAL COMEDY
8:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m. The Crow 2525 Michigan Avenue #Unit F4 Santa Monica. Come flex your knowledge AND enjoy a fun showcase of some hilarious comics who also have some favorite trivia fun facts too. In between sets, our host will be asking the audience trivia questions which you can answer for your chance at winning a cool prize! Recommended for 18 + (material is mature and can be compared to content seen in rated R films). $18.00 to $23.11. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/trivial-comedy/16607353/2025-11-07T20

SATURDAY | NOVEMBER 8

ARTISTS & FLEAS: VENICE MARKETPLACE
11:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Westminster Elementary School 1010 Abbot Kinney Los Angeles. Artists & Fleas in Venice is located in the vibrant, artistic heart of Venice at the corner of Abbot Kinney and Westminster Avenue in the outdoor lot of Westminister Avenue Elementary School. Join 50+ merchants every Saturday (rain or shine!) for a fabulous lineup of art, design, food trucks and vintage. Date: Every Saturday Time: 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM Location: Westminster Elementary School - 1010 Abbot Kinney Check our website here for a list of vendors. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/artists-fleas-venice-marketplace/14548485/2025-11-08T11

SUNDAY | NOVEMBER 9

THE WATERFRONT - SUNDAY REAL FUNDAY BRUNCH BUFFET
11:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. The Waterfront 205 Ocean Front Walk Venice. Enjoy a bottomless brunch buffet Sundays at The Waterfront! The Waterfront Venice is a full-service restaurant celebrating Californian cuisine with views of the Pacific Ocean. Situated between Rose and Navy on the famous Venice Beach Boardwalk, our food & beverage menus celebrate California with carefully selected seasonal produce from local farms. Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/the-waterfront-sunday-real-funday-brunch-buffet/14894114/2025-10-26T11

VENICE ELECTRIC LIGHT PARADE - SUNDAYS AT SUNSET
Windward Plaza 1501 Ocean Front Walk Venice. Join the Magic of the Venice Electric Light Parade Every Sunday Night! Looking for a unique and vibrant way to end your weekend? The Venice Electric Light Parade (VELP) is here to light up your Sunday evenings! Founded by Marcus Gladney, this family-friendly weekly event celebrates community, creativity, and safe cycling. Bring your LED-lit bicycle and join us for an unforgettable ride along the iconic Venice Beach. Details: When: Every Sunday evening. Meet 45 minutes before sunset. Where: Windward Plaza, Venice Beach. Who: Open to everyone! Bring your bike, lights, and good vibes. Cost: FREE to join! Experience the magic of glowing bikes, amazing sound bikes playing great music, and the welcoming energy of the Venice community. The parade follows a strict no-smoking or drinking policy, ensuring a safe and enjoyable experience for all. Why Join? Connect with old and new friends. Celebrate the artistic and cultural spirit of Venice. Enjoy a safe and fun environment for all ages. So, light up your ride, bring your friends, and join us this Sunday at Windward Plaza. Don't forget to turn on your lights and practice safe cycling at night! Let's ride into the sunset together! Visit: https://smdp.com/events/#/details/venice-electric-light-parade-sundays-at-sunset/14970341/2025-10-26T00

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Better is helping our community breathe easier after a disaster.

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