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St. Monica's Prep wins CIF title in first girls flag football season

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St. Monica's Preparatory's girls flag football team needed just one season to become a champion.

The Mariners won the CIF Division 6 championship in their inaugural season, beating Heritage 39-20 on Nov. 7 at Huntington Beach High School.

Sophomore Maliana Gutierrez led the way with four interceptions, a touchdown and an extra point. Senior Malia Bateman scored two touchdowns, and Anija Monjet added another.

"Honestly, it was just crazy," Gutierrez said. "We were all so excited and happy. I don't think we even realized what we had just done."

"We worked so hard all season and to finish it like that was just a feeling that I'll never forget," she added.

The Mariners are led by an all-female coaching staff: head coach Miriah Lopez, a professional and international football athlete, and assistant coach Mav Torres.

"The championship game was an incredible showing of all the hard work and dedication this team has put into becoming champions," Lopez said.

Lopez said the defense set the tone. Abby Ghobrial added two interceptions and Monjet had one, while the pass rush recorded sacks and kept steady pressure on the Heritage quarterback.

On offense, quarterbacks Sophia Cook and Lamya Gaston moved the ball down the field and threw touchdown passes to Bateman, Gutierrez and Monjet. Lopez credited the blockers with giving the quarterbacks time to make the

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Fix it, don't toss it



Fran Lyness

REPAIR CAFE: Volunteers helped residents repair broken lamps, torn clothing, bikes and other household items at the Westside Repair Cafe pop-up event Sunday, Nov. 15, at Santa Monica Elks Lodge No. 906 on Pico Boulevard. The free event, organized by Our Time Bank and community volunteers, is part of a world-wide movement that teaches people to fix everyday items instead of throwing them away. Visitors whose items were successfully fixed got to ring the "Repair Bell." The group's next event is a sewing workshop from 9 a.m. to noon Saturday, Dec. 5, at the ReDiscover Center in Venice.

Strongest storm of the season expected to soak LA Wednesday night

MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

A storm the National Weather Service says could be "the first storm of the season with truly widespread moderate to heavy rain" is expected to hit the Los Angeles area Wednesday night, following a weak system bringing light showers Monday.

Forecasters said the heaviest rain should fall Wednesday night into Thursday morning, with 1 to 3 inches expected along the coast and in the valleys and up to 5 inches on south-facing mountain slopes. The foothills are expected to see the highest totals outside the mountains.

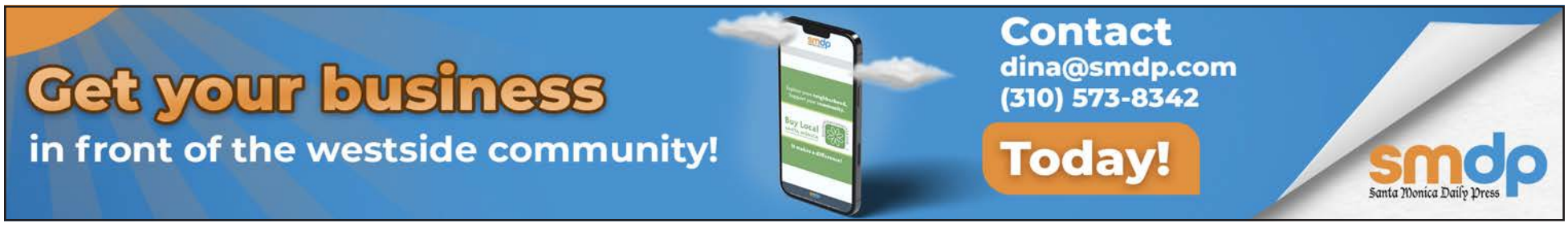
The weather service said it had 70% to 80% confidence that at least a moderate storm would arrive, and that the most serious flooding threat could be concentrated in a 4- to 8-hour window.

"There is a risk for significant impacts with the low pressure system arriving mid-week, including flooding and thunderstorms," the weather service's Los Angeles/Oxnard office said in a Monday afternoon forecast discussion.

Forecasters said recent models show the front moving through somewhat faster, which could limit overall rain totals. Rain rates, however, are still expected to be high, particularly in the mountains, where they could approach 1 inch per hour. The Weather Prediction Center put the figure higher, saying rates of 1.25 inches per hour are possible where storm cells line up or merge.

The prediction center placed Los Angeles and its suburbs under a Slight Risk, Level 2 of 4, of excessive rainfall for Thursday.

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GUEST COMMENTARY

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Post-Measure ES: Stop playing games, how about Sound and transparent financial management and reporting?

City Council member Dan Hall said that, now that Measure ES failed, the City has some difficult choices. Why? Because they counted their chickens before they hatched. Why would the City plan on a new tax passing that its own polling showed didn't have enough support, except to pressure residents to vote for the new tax?

Why is $12 million such an issue when spending $60 million and creating new ongoing expenses of $23 million for the Realignment Plan was done in the blink of an eye? That decision was made in one City Council meeting, with no details on how the $60 million would be spent, and no details as to what the ongoing $23 million was.

Most people think that $60 million is going to address public safety, clean streets, housing, and economic growth. In reality, much of the cost is going to new staff, executive and staff equity increases (before the compensation survey is completed), and additional staff benefits, including 7 extra vacation days for the winter closure, 2% of personnel costs to provide non-sworn staff with increased medical coverage, and a $100 per year wellness reimbursement benefit. Despite a Public Records Act Request, the City won't release what the estimate was for the cost of the winter closure.

What business school teaches that after declaring fiscal distress, you should go and hire 143 staff and give equity increases and additional benefits? Most other cities, including Santa Monica in 2002, cut staff after declaring fiscal distress.

For the new revenues identified, the vast majority of that revenue isn't related to what the $60 million was being spent on. It was increasing parking, user, and credit card fees for a total of $13.5 million. Plus $1 million in increased interest, $6 million in staff vacancy management, and $1.4 million in increased traffic citations and fire inspections. They specifically chose not to include any improved economic growth revenues, including any bumps from FIFA, the Super Bowl, or the 2028 Olympics.

The City initially "contemplated" a parcel tax to replace the $12 million of Joint Use Agreement (JUA) funding. The City included not paying the $12 million JUA payment in the Realignment Plan using obscure language of "projections also reflect the options that exist with regard to the Joint Use Agreement with SMMUSD (~$12M/yr set to expire in 2027)".

By not including the new economic growth in last year's budget, the City ended up $8 million better than they had predicted. If the Realignment Plan is as successful as the Mayor says, there should be even more this year and more in 2027-28. That should easily cover the $12 million if the City decides to renew the Joint Use Agreement at the current rate for the 2027-28 budget.

The City started giving the School District money when the City was rich, and the District was poor. Now that the tables are turned, the School District should help the City out and do something like split the difference at least temporarily. $6 million more than covers the fair market value of the use of the elementary and middle school after-school access.

But won't a decrease of $6 million to schools mean that 36 teachers would need to be let go? Only if classroom teachers are the last priority instead of being what they should be: the highest priority and last to be identified for layoffs. IF layoffs were required, it should be of non-classroom staff who have increased by 9%, including multiple new executive positions, while enrollment has decreased by 23%. Layoffs should not be required at all, as the District has averaged a $13 million surplus over the last 6 years while predicting an average of a $5 million deficit, and reserves are at record levels.

The predicted deficits for the future years are gamesmanship, strategically underestimating revenues to paint a bleak picture to help get taxes passed and to negotiate lower increases for teachers and staff under the guise of being conservative. If a private sector CFO told their CEO in May that they would end the year in June with a $9 million deficit but then end up the year with an $8 million surplus, they'd be fired for being so far off. The explanation by the District as to the difference included most things that should have been known in May, making the May 2026 budget presentation suspect. I give the District credit for having timely budget updates and final financial reports, unlike the City.

In order to get philanthropic funding for the Great Park, the City needs to provide timely, reliable, and transparent financial information. Not getting the details for the 2025-26 fiscal year until March 2027 and June 2027 does not cut it. Not getting detailed budget updates during the year doesn't cut it. Not having a financial data portal for the City's past financial data doesn't cut it. Not having details yet on the 2027-28 fiscal year budget and additional future years doesn't cut it.

The City's financial processes and transparency need to be significantly improved to provide information to the City's residents, businesses, and potential philanthropic donors. Best practices include quarterly budget updates and a rolling 5-year financial forecast that models best-case, expected, and downturn scenarios. Stop playing games and provide sound and transparent financial management and reporting.

Karen Melick

LIONS ROAR

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Lions Roar into the holidays

At our recent Santa Monica-Pacific Palisades Lions November dinner meeting, our speaker was Matthew Takahashi, the SM YMCA Active Older Adults Coordinator. Matthew discussed the many diverse programs & activities they offer, such as coffee & board games, ping pong, sing-alongs, book clubs, etc. all of them providing a healthy opportunity for adults to come together & socialize.

Aligned with the SM YMCA's commitment to older adults, our Club participated in the Santa Monica YMCA's Annual Healthy Aging Fair on November 16. At our booth, we passed out free reader-eyeglasses and important information on eye health. This event is held every November at the YMCA, so mark your calendar if you miss the event this year.

The SMPP Lions activity calendar is very full these final two months of 2026. At our next meeting, December 2, we will hand out shopping bags for members to fill with non-perishable food. We will bring the filled bags items to our January meeting to be distributed to the Westside Food Bank, at which time we will receive a tour of their facility. The timing is to coincide with the sharp drop in food donations after the holidays.

At our December meeting, the Salvation Army will join us for our annual holiday festivities. The SM Corps chief, Lt. David Aviles, will talk to us and present a video of their current activities. The Salvation Army band will play holiday songs and we will have a fun time singing Christmas carols. During the festivities, we conduct a lively fundraiser to fund services they provide on the Westside. Lt. Aviles plans on becoming a member of our club in 2027.

These three programs are examples of strong bonds and long relationships that our club has had with many integral service providers in Santa Monica, the Pacific Palisades and throughout the Westside.

We're all looking forward to our holiday party at the Solidarity Restaurant in Santa Monica, on December 6, featuring a great feast and a lively gift exchange game. On December 11, we will be ringing the bell on the Salvation Army's Red Kettle Day at Bristol Farms. And finally, finishing out the month is our traditional decorating the Lions Pasadena Rose Parade Float in Irwindale. It's always a festive experience that we really enjoy.

The SMPP Lions continue to enjoy our new location for our dinner meetings held at 6:00 pm, in the beautiful Hyatt Centric Delfina Hotel. We meet there the first Wednesday of each month for a delicious dinner, coordinating club projects, fundraising efforts and occasionally having a featured speaker. Our board meetings are on the fourth Wednesday of each month when we conduct club business.

In addition to business meetings, SMPP Lions members also gather for our Lions Lunch Social on the second Wednesday of each month at a specially selected Westside restaurant from 11:30 am– 1:30 pm. It is a casual get-together and discuss the latest topics of interest – but no Lions business.

Are you interested in adding some zest to your life, doing good and broadening your social circle? Be our guest at one of our dinner meetings, contact Dr. Kingsley Fife at jkfife88@yahoo.com.

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Surf report

WATER TEMP: **72.1**

TUESDAY
POOR TO FAIR
SURF: 3-4ft
Waist to chest

Still pumping in the AM and conditions will be pretty clean. Going to need some PM shelter. NW swell holds the most size early, gradually backs down through the day. Plenty of staying power, size spreading around the region nicely as the period comes down and the more westerly WNW component of the swell works in. Still have some SSW in the mix for the beachbreaks and summer points. Mid to higher tide all day but there's enough swell to push through it at many breaks. Offshore N/NE wind and clean in the early morning, wind trending WNW for the afternoon.

WEDNESDAY
POOR TO FAIR
SURF: 1-2ft
Knee to thigh

Trending down but a clean morning window before the next coastal low moves in Thursday. Surf trends down considerably from the last handful of days but there should be some clean waves to track down in the morning on the small wave gear. Leftover NW swell mixing with smaller SPAC energy. If there's been too much size for your liking, this is a day to watch. Wind looks decent through the morning then breaks down through the end of the day as the next coastal low approaches the region.

Weather

Tuesday: Sunny, with a high near 67. West northwest wind 10 to 15 mph, with gusts as high as 20 mph.
Tuesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 51. North northwest wind 10 to 15 mph decreasing to 5 to 10 mph after midnight.
Wednesday: A 30 percent chance of rain after 4pm. Mostly sunny, with a high near 65.
Wednesday Night: Rain, mainly after 10pm. Low around 57. Chance of precipitation is 80%.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2026/11/17	Tue	04:44 AM	3.93	H
2026/11/17	Tue	09:53 AM	3.11	L
2026/11/17	Tue	02:43 PM	3.87	H
2026/11/17	Tue	10:00 PM	0.88	L
2026/11/18	Wed	05:04 AM	4.30	H
2026/11/18	Wed	10:58 AM	2.48	L
2026/11/18	Wed	04:08 PM	3.77	H
2026/11/18	Wed	10:39 PM	0.99	L
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9 44 49 51 68
Power#: 4
Jackpot: 76 M

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Draw Date: 11/13
10 22 33 49 57
Mega#: 18
Jackpot: 600 M

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Draw Date: 11/14
1 17 27 42 46
Mega#: 26
Jackpot: 15 M

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Pico

Santa Monica DAR chapter celebrates Route 66 centennial at Pico Boulevard boutique

The Santa Monica Chapter of the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution marked the 100th birthday of U.S. Route 66 with a Veterans Day celebration on Nov. 11.

Chapter members Linda Martinek and Susan Rosenthal co-hosted the pop-up event at Paperlove Boutique, Susanna Young's 5-month-old shop at 2922 Pico Blvd. The event highlighted the legacy of the 2,448-mile highway from Chicago to Santa Monica.

More than 20 attendees explored six history display boards detailing the "Mother Road's" mythos and evolution since it was commissioned in 1926.

Guests enjoyed light snacks, desserts and drinks along with a Route 66 trivia game covering little-known facts about the highway. Each attendee received a commemorative centennial pin.

The gathering brought together friends, neighbors, DAR members and veterans to honor the famous highway.

The Santa Monica Chapter, organized May 17, 1906, follows the guidelines of the national DAR. It is a non-profit, nonpolitical volunteer women's service organization dedicated to promoting patriotism, preserving American history and securing America's future through better education for children.

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HISTORY: Santa Monica DAR chapter celebrates Route 66 centennial with Veterans Day pop-up on Pico Boulevard.

Sunset Park

Livestream to preview Santa Monica Airport history trail Nov. 22

Santa Monica Mosaic will premiere "Steps to Remember: Charting a Course through Santa Monica Airport's Dynamic History" live on Zoom at 5 p.m. Nov. 22.

The free livestream offers a first look at the Clover Field Trail, an end-to-end commemorative walking and biking tour that traces Santa Monica's role in advancing global aviation.

Despite numerous attempts, Santa Monica Airport has never had an official tribute to its history. The Santa Monica Conservancy plans to change that.

Community journalist Libby Motika will host the program with four guests. Historian Nina Fresco, author of "First Around the World," will return to reflect on earlier efforts to establish an on-site tribute. Mario Fonda-Bonardi, president of the Santa Monica Conservancy board, will share how the trail came together and how its stops were chosen. Ben Marcus, chairman of the Museum of Flying's board of directors, and Santa Monica Airport history buff Jack Abrams will bring selected stops to life.

"I was born and raised a block from Santa Monica Airport, and my passion for flight was ignited as a child by hours upon hours at the perimeter fence and observation deck, watching takeoffs and landings," Marcus said. "I'm thrilled that the Santa Monica Conservancy is including the Museum of Flying and paying tribute to the legacy of this historic airport, the site of iconic takeoffs from the first flight around the world to the maiden flight of the Douglas DC-3, the airplane that launched the commercial airline industry."

The trail traces the city's aviation legacy, from Clover Field to Douglas Aircraft and the groundbreaking Ninety-Nines women pilots' organization.

"Steps to Remember" is the final installment of "Final Approach: The Past and Future of Santa Monica Airport," this fall's Santa Monica Mosaic series.

Registration is free at smconservancy.org/clovertrail.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

SMC

Santa Monica College student journalists win 44 national and regional awards

Santa Monica College's student news outlet, The Corsair, and its staff won 44 awards this fall, including the Associated Collegiate Press' Pacemaker. According to the ACP, the Pacemaker is often regarded as the most competitive award in collegiate journalism.

The staff earned 24 regional awards from the Journalism Association of Community Colleges, 16 national awards from the College Media Association and four national awards from the ACP. Winners were announced Oct. 10 at the JACC SoCal Conference at Cal State Northridge and at the CMA/ACP Fall National College Media Convention, held Nov. 5-7 in Kansas City, Missouri.

The Corsair was one of 21 student newsrooms nationwide, a group that includes Harvard and Northwestern University, to win the Multiplatform Pacemaker, which recognizes overall excellence. Seven other California newsrooms also won, including UCLA, Cal State Long Beach and El Camino College.

Editor in chief Sofia Kieser, 22, of Malibu, won first place in JACC SoCal's on-the-spot copy editing competition for the second straight year.

"I'm proud that we're continuing the legacy of all the student journalists who have come before us," said Kieser, who hopes to pursue a career in music journalism.

First-place CMA Pinnacle awards went to Jenna Tibby and Mary Funsten for an arts and entertainment audio/video story; Guillermo De La Barreda for photo illustration; and Kayjel J. Mairena for breaking news photo and, with Jake Crandall, a news photo package. Patrick Conlon and Eli Vikstrom won first place in JACC's video hard news reporting category.

Mairena, a former news editor who graduated in June and now attends USC, won awards in all three competitions.

The ACP's Pacemaker entry lists Kieser and Katie Easterson as editors in chief. Easterson led the paper in fall 2025 and spring 2026, graduated in June and transferred to Cal State Dominguez Hills.

> They're doing the job we need to see in a new generation of journalists to keep democracy alive and thriving
>
> - Gerard Burkhart

Gerard Burkhart, one of The Corsair's three advisers, was named the 2026 California Community College Educator of the Year by the Journalism Education Collaborative and California Press Foundation.

"They're doing the job we need to see in a new generation of journalists to keep democracy alive and thriving," Burkhart said.

The Corsair's print editions are available at issuu.com/corsair.website, and its news coverage is at thecorsaironline.com. Information about joining the staff for spring 2027 is available at smc.edu/journalism.

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Gerard Burkhart

STAFF: The Corsair's Fall 2026 Staff with their JACC awards.

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CHAMPIONS

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SPORTS: Mariners capture CIF championship in first-ever girls flag football season, beating Heritage 39-20.

right reads.

"It was a true team effort from everyone!" Lopez said.

Bateman said the moment the game ended was hard to take in.

"When the final whistle blew we were all in complete shock," she said. "We immediately ran toward each other, hugging and screaming because we couldn't believe we had actually done it."

The title capped a fast rise for a program with no history to lean on. The Mariners, who play in the Santa Fe League, won three playoff games and added another victory to reach the championship game.

"Looking back at our first week of practice when most of us didn't even know the nine routes on a route tree, it's incredible to think we ended as CIF champions," Bateman said. "Somewhere along the way we became more than teammates, we became a family."

Torres said she started believing the team could win it all after a couple of games.

"It wasn't coming from a place of cockiness or thinking we were better than anyone else," Torres said. "It came from believing in the team we had, the athletes we had, and the way these girls continued to adjust and grow throughout the season."

"They pushed each other to be better, and honestly, they pushed me as a coach to be better for them," she said.

Lopez said the program was built on a culture of football sisterhood.

"We challenged the girls to believe in something bigger than themselves," Lopez said. "We weren't going to wait for someone to tell us we belonged."

She said the players understood the mission went beyond football and "was about creating opportunity where there was none before and leaving a lasting legacy."

Bateman said the team's sisterhood showed whenever a player made a mistake.

"When someone made a mistake instead of bringing them down we always reminded them 'Next play' and encouraged them to keep going," she said.

Bateman said many of the players came from different backgrounds and other sports, and many had never played flag football before.

"What makes this championship so special is knowing that we didn't just accomplish something for ourselves, but for every girl who will put on a St. Monica jersey after us," she said.

"As a senior, knowing that we're leaving behind a program for future generations to build upon is something I'll always be proud of," Bateman added.

Monjet said the team also played for its city.

"Representing our city means a lot because we weren't just playing for ourselves; we were representing our school, our community, and everyone who supported us throughout the season," Monjet said.

"Hopefully, this is just the beginning of something great for our program," she added.

Lopez said the season showed the next generation of girls what is possible in the sport.

"Together, we proved that girls and women belong in this space and can have so much success when we stick together and build as one," she said.

Bateman hopes the next group of Mariners raises the bar.

"We made history this season but I hope the girls who come after us will go even further than we did," she said.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

SMC

SMC to stage flamenco take on 'The Importance of Being Earnest'

The Santa Monica College Theatre Arts Department will perform "Ernesto!" from Nov. 20 through Dec. 6 on the Theatre Arts Main Stage at the SMC Main Campus, 1900 Pico Blvd.

The production reimagines Oscar Wilde's comedy of manners "The Importance of Being Earnest" through flamenco, adding movement and music to a story of a false name, a true desire and an inconvenient romance.



Max Montgomery (SMC TAD Student)

ERNESTO: (L-R, foreground): Jane Amador, Aryan Farahani, and Xenia Porter, accompanied by musicians (L-R) Isaac Ignatius, Ryan Diego Lucas, and Jake Hanson, rehearse for the Santa Monica College production of "Ernesto!".

Adapted from Wilde's play, "Ernesto!" is directed by Perviz Sawoski, with choreography by Christine Moguel and Sawoski.

Performances are at 7:30 p.m. Fridays, Nov. 20 and Dec. 4, and Saturdays, Nov. 21 and Dec. 5. Matinees are at 2 p.m. Sundays, Nov. 23 and Dec. 6. All performances are subject to change or cancellation without notice.

Advance tickets are $25 to $28, or $18 for SMC students and staff, plus a service charge. They can be purchased online at smc.edu/tickets or by calling 310-434-4165 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. Tickets bought on performance weekends at the Events Box Office in the Theatre Arts building cost $3 more.

Parking is free. Information on parking, transportation and directions is available at smc.edu/transportation.

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WEATHER

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The weather service said it would "likely need flood watches for this event" and would evaluate that decision Tuesday. Forecasters gave at least a 15% chance that excessive rain would cause minor to moderate flooding, with "the added threat of debris flows" near recent burn scars, including those left by the January 2025 Palisades and Eaton fires and the December 2024 Franklin fire.

Thunderstorms are also possible during the storm.

Strong winds are expected to accompany the rain. Forecasters said gusts of 30 to 50 mph are possible across the region, with gusts of 40 to 60 mph in the mountains and interior foothills.

"The strong winds and rain loosened soils may increase the risk for downed trees and power outages," the weather service said, adding that wind advisories or warnings would likely be issued early this week if current trends hold.

Snow levels are expected to remain above 7,500 feet during the first several hours of heavier precipitation before dropping to between 6,000 and 7,500 feet after the front passes. Heavy snow is possible above 8,000 feet, with light accumulations as low as about 6,500 feet. Scattered snow showers could continue into Thursday evening.

Before the main storm, a weak front was expected to reach the Los Angeles area late Monday afternoon and early evening with "just light amounts" of rain, according to the weather service. Forecasters gave a slight chance of thunderstorms over southern and eastern Los Angeles County, including coastal and coastal valley areas and nearby waters, with rain totals generally under half an inch.

Tuesday and early Wednesday are expected to be dry but much colder.

"In fact sub-freezing temperatures are likely Tuesday night," the weather service said.

Lows in interior areas are forecast to range from the mid-20s to low 30s, and forecasters said the Antelope Valley may need a freeze warning. Downtown Los Angeles is forecast to reach a high near 68 degrees Tuesday before dropping to about 49 degrees overnight.

At the coast, a High Surf Advisory is in effect until 3 p.m. Tuesday for the Malibu coast and Los Angeles County beaches, with breakers of 7 to 9 feet and dangerous rip currents.

The weather service warned of strong longshore currents, potential sneaker waves and large shore pound, and said shallow tidal overflows could affect some low-lying beach walkways and parking lots, especially in the early afternoon near high tide. West-facing beaches in Los Angeles and Ventura counties are expected to see high surf through at least Tuesday, and possibly through Thursday.

Another large swell is expected late Wednesday into Thursday, which forecasters said could bring surf to warning level.

Offshore, gale warnings and small craft advisories were in effect Monday. Forecasters said there is a 30% to 40% chance of gale-force winds at times through Friday in the inner waters south of Point Conception, mainly during evening hours.

Conditions are expected to improve by Friday, which forecasters said will likely be dry and warmer, with highs in the mid-60s and possible light offshore winds. The weather service said it has below-normal confidence in the weekend forecast, when light showers are possible Sunday as a weakening front moves through, mostly affecting the Central Coast.

Air quality is not expected to be a concern.

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Name Change

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. 26SMCP00527. Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1725 Main Street, Santa Monica, CA 90401. Petition of Marisa Ann Scandole for Change of Name. TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS: Petitioner Marisa Ann Scandole filed a petition with this court for a decree changing names as follows: Marisa Ann Scandole to Marisa Ann Schultheis. THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: 01/08/2027, Time: 8:30 A.M., Dept: K. The address of the court is same as noted above. A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS. Date: 11/09/2026. LAWRENCE H. CHO, Judge of the Superior Court. SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS Publish: 11/17/2026, 11/24/2026, 12/01/2026, 12/08/2026

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Trustee Sale

Trustee Sale No. 1278460 Notice of Trustee's Sale Unified Sale Loan No. Title Order No. APN 4291-024-033 You Are In Default Under A Deed Of Trust Dated 12/16/2021. Unless You Take Action To Protect Your Property, It May Be Sold At A Public Sale. If You Need An Explanation Of The Nature Of The Proceedings Against You, You Should Contact A Lawyer. On 12/03/2026 at 11:00AM, First American Title Insurance Company, as the duly appointed trustee ("Trustee") under and pursuant to that Deed of Trust, Security Agreement, Assignment of Leases and Rents and Fixture Filing recorded on December 23, 2021 as Document Number 20211906820 (which was amended and restated as set forth in that Amended and Restated Deed of Trust, Security Agreement, Assignment of Leases and Rents and Fixture Filing recorded November 22, 2024 as Document Number 20240817164 and which, among other things, reflected the increase in the aggregate principal amount secured thereby to $405,000,000.00) of official records in the Office of the Recorder of Los Angeles County, California (as so amended and restated, the "Deed of Trust"), executed by: DK Broadway LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, as trustor ("Trustor"), to and for the benefit of CMTG California 1, LLC, a Delaware limited liability company, as the beneficiary party thereto (inclusive of its successors and assigns in such capacity, "Beneficiary"), Will Sell At Public Auction To The Highest Bidder For Cash (payable at time of sale in lawful money of the United States, by cash, a cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state), at: in the courtyard of the Civic Center Plaza, 400 Civic Center Plaza, Pomona CA, all right, title and interest conveyed to and now held by it under said Deed of Trust in the property situated in said County, California and which property is comprised of the real and personal property described as follows: Real Property: Lots P, Q, R, S, T, U, V, W And X, In Block 194, Of The Town Of Santa Monica, In The City Of Santa Monica, County Of Los Angeles, State Of California, As Per Map Recorded In Book 39, Pages 45 Through 51, Inclusive Of Miscellaneous Records In The Office Of The County Recorder Of Said County. Personal Property: See Exhibit "A" attached hereto and incorporated by reference herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". The street address and other common designation, if any, of the real property described above is purported to be: The Park Santa Monica Apartments, 500 Broadway, Santa Monica, CA. The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. Said sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by said Deed of Trust, with interest thereon, as provided in said note(s), and advances, if any, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, and estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee and of the trusts created by said Deed of Trust, to-wit: $513,689,824.77 (estimated as of October 30, 2026) Accrued interest and additional advances, if any, will increase this figure prior to sale. The beneficiary under said Deed of Trust heretofore executed and delivered to the undersigned a written Declaration of Default and Demand for Sale, and a written Notice of Default and Election to Sell. The undersigned caused said Notice of Default and Election to Sell to be recorded in the county where the real property is located and more than three months have elapsed since such recordation. The Beneficiary has elected to conduct a unified foreclosure sale pursuant to the provisions of California Commercial Code Section 9604(a)(1)(B) and to include in the non-judicial foreclosure of the estate described in this Notice of Trustee's Sale all of the personal property and fixtures described in the Deed of Trust or on Exhibit "A". The Beneficiary reserves the right to revoke its election as to some or all of said personal property and/or fixtures, or to add additional personal property and/or fixtures to the election herein expressed, at the Beneficiary's sole election, from time to time and at any time until the consummation of the trustee's sale to be conducted pursuant to the Deed of Trust and this Notice of Trustee's Sale. Notice To Potential Bidders: If you are considering bidding on this property lien, you should understand that there are risks involved in bidding at a trustee auction. You will be bidding on a lien, not on the property itself. Placing the highest bid at a trustee auction does not automatically entitle you to free and clear ownership of the property. You should also be aware that the lien being auctioned off may be a junior lien. If you are the highest bidder at the auction, you are or may be responsible for paying off all liens senior to the lien being auctioned off, before you can receive clear title to the property. You are encouraged to investigate the existence, priority, and size of outstanding liens that may exist on this property by contacting the county recorder's office or a title insurance company, either of which may charge you a fee for this information. 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For information on sale dates please visit our website at: https://foreclosure.firstam.com/#/ foreclosure Date: 11/2/26 The name, street address and telephone number of the Trustee are: First American Title Insurance Company 9255 Town Center Drive Suite 200 San Diego, CA 92121 (858) 410-2158 David Z. Bark, Foreclosure Trustee Exhibit "A" All right, title and interest in and to the following assets and other personal property, rights and interests now owned, or hereafter acquired: (a) Equipment. All "equipment," as such term is defined in Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code (as hereinafter defined), now owned or hereafter acquired by Trustor, which is used at or in connection with the Improvements or the Land or is located thereon or therein (including, but not limited to, all machinery, equipment, furnishings, and electronic data-processing and other equipment now owned or hereafter acquired by Trustor and any and all additions, substitutions and replacements of any of the foregoing), together with all attachments, components, parts, equipment and accessories installed thereon or affixed thereto (collectively, the "Equipment"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, Equipment shall not include any property belonging to Tenants under Leases (as hereinafter defined), except to the extent that Trustor shall have any right or interest therein; (b) Fixtures. All Equipment now owned, or the ownership of which is hereafter acquired, by Trustor which is so related to the Land and Improvements forming part of the Property that it is deemed fixtures or real property under the law of the particular state in which the Equipment is located, including, without limitation, all building or construction materials intended for construction, reconstruction, alteration or repair of or installation on the Property, construction equipment, appliances, machinery, plant equipment, fittings, apparatuses, fixtures and other items now or hereafter attached to, installed in or used in connection with (temporarily or permanently) any of the Improvements or the Land, including, but not limited to, engines, devices for the operation of pumps, pipes, plumbing, cleaning, call and sprinkler systems, fire extinguishing apparatuses and equipment, heating, ventilating, plumbing, laundry, incinerating, electrical, air conditioning and air cooling equipment and systems, gas and electric machinery, appurtenances and equipment, pollution control equipment, security systems, disposals, dishwashers, refrigerators and ranges, recreational equipment and facilities of all kinds, and water, gas, electrical, storm and sanitary sewer facilities, utility lines and equipment (whether owned individually or jointly with others, and, if owned jointly, to the extent of Trustor's interest therein) and all other utilities whether or not situated in easements, all water tanks, water supply, water power sites, fuel stations, fuel tanks, fuel supply, and all other structures, together with all accessions, appurtenances, additions, replacements, betterments and substitutions for any of the foregoing and the proceeds thereof (collectively, the "Fixtures"). Notwithstanding the foregoing, "Fixtures" shall not include any property which tenants are entitled to remove pursuant to Leases, except to the extent that Trustor shall have any right or interest therein; (c) Personal Property. All furniture, furnishings, objects of art, machinery, goods, tools, supplies, appliances, general intangibles, contract rights, accounts, accounts receivable, franchises, licenses, certificates and permits, vehicles of any nature whatsoever, generators, compressors, communications apparatus, and all other personal property of any kind or character whatsoever (as defined in and subject to the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code as hereinafter defined), other than Fixtures, which are now or hereafter owned by Trustor and which are located within or about the Land and the Improvements, together with all accessories, replacements and substitutions thereto or therefor and the proceeds thereof (collectively, the "Personal Property"), and the right, title and interest of Trustor in and to any of the Personal Property which may be subject to any security interests, as defined in the Uniform Commercial Code, as adopted and enacted by the state or states where any of the Personal Property is located (as the same may be amended from time to time, the "Uniform Commercial Code"), superior in lien to the Lien of this Security Instrument and all proceeds and products of the above; (d) Leases and Rents. All leases, subleases, concessions and other agreements affecting the use, enjoyment or occupancy of the Land and the Improvements heretofore or hereafter entered into by or on behalf of Trustor, and all extensions, amendments and modifications thereto, whether before or after the filing by or against Trustor of any petition for relief under 11 U.S.C. §101 et seq., and the regulations adopted and promulgated thereto, as the same may be amended from time to time (the "Bankruptcy Code") (collectively, the "Leases") and all right, title and interest of Trustor, its successors and assigns therein and thereunder, including, without limitation, any guaranties of the lessees' obligations thereunder, cash or securities deposited thereunder to secure the performance by the lessees of their obligations thereunder and all rents, additional rents, payments in connection with any termination, cancellation or surrender of any Lease, revenues, issues and profits (including all oil and gas or other mineral royalties and bonuses) from the Land and the Improvements whether paid or accruing before or after the filing by or against Trustor of any petition for relief under the Bankruptcy Code and all proceeds from the sale or other disposition of the Leases (collectively, the "Rents") and the right of Trustor to receive and apply the Rents to the payment of the Loan; (e) Condemnation Awards. 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To the extent assignable, all agreements (including, without limitation, all Material Agreements, and any and all management, franchise or other agreements), contracts, certificates, instruments, franchises, permits, licenses plans, specifications and other documents, now or hereafter entered into, and all rights therein and thereto, respecting or pertaining to the use, occupation, construction, management or operation of the Land and any part thereof and any Improvements or respecting any business or activity conducted on the Land and any part thereof and all right, title and interest of Trustor therein and thereunder, including, without limitation, the right, upon the occurrence and during the continuance of an Event of Default, to receive and collect any sums payable to Trustor thereunder; (k) Trademarks. 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All causes of action and claims (including, without limitation, all causes of action or claims arising in tort, by contract, by fraud or by concealment of material fact) that could be brought or made by Trustor against any Person for damages or injury to the Property or in connection with any transactions financed in whole or in part by the proceeds of the Loan; (n) Interest Rate Protection Agreement. All right, title, interest and claim of Trustor in, to, under or pursuant to any Interest Rate Protection Agreement, and all claims of Trustor for breach by any Counterparty of any covenant, agreement, representation or warranty contained in the Interest Rate Protection Agreement; (o) Proceeds. All proceeds of any of the foregoing, including, without limitation, Insurance Proceeds and Awards, whether cash, liquidation or other claims or otherwise; and (p) Other Rights. Any and all other rights of Trustor in and to the items set forth in Subsections (a) through (s) above. AND without limiting any of the other provisions hereof, to the extent permitted by applicable law, the portion of the Property which is or may be subject to the provisions of the Uniform Commercial Code which are applicable to secured transactions; it being understood and agreed that the Improvements and Fixtures are part and parcel of the Land (the Land, the Improvements and the Fixtures being collectively referred to herein as the "Real Property") appropriated to the use thereof and, whether affixed or annexed to the Real Property or not, shall for the purposes hereof deemed conclusively to be real estate and granted hereby. Notwithstanding the foregoing, the assets and interests identified in this Exhibit "A" do not include Trustor's liabilities, duties or obligations related thereto, all of which are not assumed by the successful bidder and are hereby disclaimed, in each case except to the extent expressly assumed in writing by the successful bidder after the completion of the trustee's sale. All initially capitalized terms used in this Exhibit "A" without definition shall have the meaning ascribed to such terms in, by or pursuant to the Deed of Trust.

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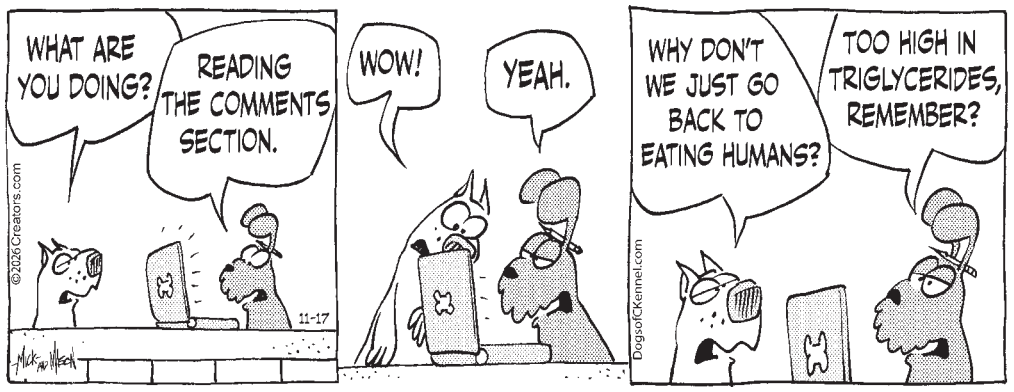
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"I'VE JOINED THE GARBAGE APE GANG."

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By JOHN DEERING



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

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In your Year of the Solar Flair, you'll radiate an irresistible energy that gets you noticed from a great distance. Your enthusiasm ignites interest in your work, attracts admirers and leads to spectacular events. More highlights: A windfall rewards your intuition. You'll help someone from afar. You'll be so proud of how you show up for your people. Leo and Aquarius adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 17, 4, 29, 11 and 36.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You'll be challenged to a contest. A worthy opponent like this doesn't come along every day. You'll both give it everything you've got. This rivalry could eventually turn into a friendship with rematches ahead.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Today it seems like everyone has an opinion about how things should be done. Instead of arguing, you'll demonstrate your method. Once people see the results, they'll want to know your secret.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Introducing people is a skill you're pretty good at and you'll flex it today as you introduce someone impressive and make them sound like the legend they are. They'll return the favor later with a compliment you weren't expecting.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Though it's fun to receive recognition yourself, watching someone you love receive recognition will be even better now because you don't have the pressure of the spotlight, just the surge of pure love and pride.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You see the star quality in others even when they don't see it in themselves. To lift spirits is your mission and you won't accomplish it through entertaining them. You'll accomplish it by seeing them.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Stay in control of the project you've been managing. You make it look so good that the type of person who needs to be seen as large and in charge wants to take over. Defend your spot by standing in it.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Two people want your attention, and both have compelling reasons. While it's nice to know you're in demand, your own agenda will keep getting pushed to the side until you prioritize it and keep it sacred.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). You have so much love to give and today you can offer it up in the form of space. Giving someone space says, "I trust you" or "I know that what you're doing is important" or "I honor your individuality."

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Like a theatrical twist that reveals a character is not who you thought they were, there will be another layer to the scene that will surprise you and keep you thinking for years to come.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You will once again be hypersensitive to energy exchanges between people, especially when you're the one who is being drained or energized by an interaction. Let this inform your upcoming schedule.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Some lessons are more expensive to learn than others, but the current situation doesn't have to be quite so pricey. Reevaluate. There's a very simple way to cut the budget without feeling it much.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). It's very obvious who needs more attention than the others and you see no reason to fight it. To be threatened or annoyed by the needy seems petty to you. It costs you very little to give them what they want.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

T	A	D	A	■	S	P	U	R	■	■	M	A	L	E
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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

2	5	3	1	8	4	7	6	9
9	7	8	2	6	5	4	3	1
4	6	1	3	7	9	8	5	2
3	4	2	8	5	6	1	9	7
5	1	9	7	4	3	2	8	6
6	8	7	9	2	1	5	4	3
7	9	5	4	3	2	6	1	8
8	3	4	6	1	7	9	2	5
1	2	6	5	9	8	3	7	4

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Newsday Crossword

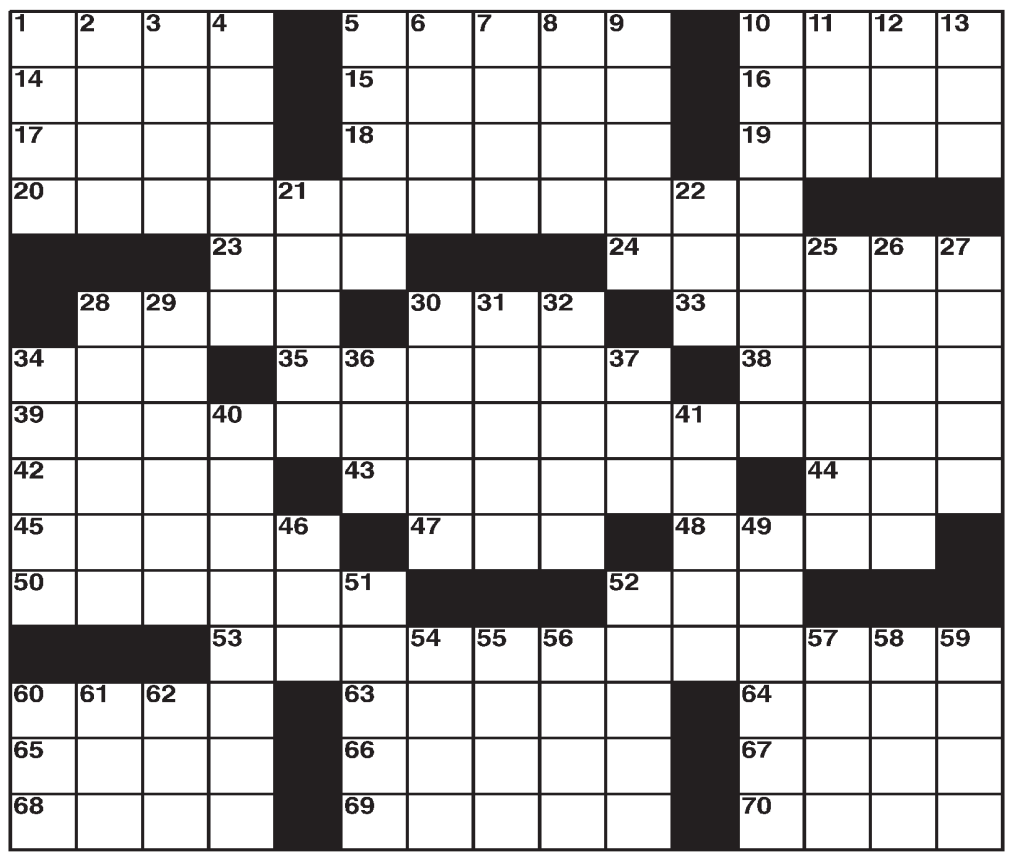
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ACROSS

1 __ and pieces (miscellany)
5 Polishes, as a manuscript
10 Clever accomplishment
14 Pants' belt holder
15 Tex-Mex chip
16 "If all __ fails..."
17 Military truant: Abbr.
18 For all to hear
19 Tidy
20 Tightrope walker's performance
23 Two-year-old
24 Sad feeling
28 Remove from power
30 Bar bill
33 Prince William's mother
34 Rural hotel
35 "Just a moment!"
38 Mix with a spoon
39 Dealing with spilled glue, for example
42 *Mona* __
43 Necklace fasteners
44 Add-__ (extras)
45 In the midst of
47 __ day now (soon)
48 Pigsties
50 Personal advisor
52 Liquid for frying
53 Structure made from aces, jacks, etc.
60 Memorization method
63 Tilt somewhat
64 Where Lima is capital
65 __ Grey tea
66 Take a sip of
67 Char on a grill
68 Slow faucet leak
69 Watch secretly
70 Slight advantage

DOWN

1 Tell a secret
2 Des Moines' state
3 Hammer or chisel
4 Snowball fight sounds
5 Pass into law
6 Spanish artist Salvador
7 Phone app image
8 Hoodlum
9 Ginger ale and cola
10 Person with moderate views
11 Spanish cheer
12 Country n. of Mexico
13 Parakeet or poodle
21 Unacceptable
22 New England fish
25 Parcel out slowly
26 Pungent burger toppings
27 Informs of danger
28 Punctual
29 In __ (all together)
30 Electric auto
31 From Japan or India
32 Flag maker Ross
34 Muslim's faith
36 Big Apple initials
37 Half-pint measure
40 Is unable to avoid
41 Gelatin garnish for meat
46 Hair gel, for instance
49 Go by, as time
51 Corrodes, as metal
52 Very frequently
54 Open-handed hit
55 Simple to do
56 In the know about
57 Oboe accessory
58 Pull from behind
59 Fully confident
60 Strawberry's color
61 Rowboat implement
62 Prefix for pod or cycle



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TUESDAY | NOVEMBER 17

OPEN STUDIO (AGES 14+) 4:30 - 5:30PM
4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m. Palisades Community Renewal Center 3212 Nebraska Ave Santa Monica. A weekly open studio session for teens and adults to explore visual art in a community setting, no registration details provided. Unleash your creativity and connect with your community! In case this event has been updated, please visit https://www.pcrcsm.org/event/open-studio-ages-14-4-30--5-30pm-c9572 for full details before arriving. Thank you! Visit: https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/open-studio-ages-14-4-30-5-30pm/19639018/2026-11-17T16

LET'S BRING PACIFIC PALISADES HOME
5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Towne Hall Pacific Palisades 861 Via De La Paz Pacific Palisades. An evening of community recovery resources for Pacific Palisades, featuring affordable rebuilding solutions, wellness insights, and a casual gathering with burgers and presentations. Rebuilding Homes. Restoring Hope. Reconnecting Community. Meet With Recovery Resources And Assistance Programs. PacQuest Homes, in cooperation with Posse 4 Positivity, the Pali Long Term Recovery Group and Palisades Towne Hall, invites you to an evening dedicated to discovering affordable rebuilding solutions, mental resilience and a path forward for our community. Visit: https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/let-s-bring-pacific-palisades-home/20397640/2026-11-17T17

EMERGENCY RADIO TRAINING
5:30 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. Palisades Recovery Coalition - Community Center 15233 La Cruz Dr Pacific Palisades. A hands-on training session on the Palisades Emergency Radio Network, showing neighbors how to stay connected during an emergency. Learn about the Palisades' Emergency Radio Network and how to stay connected with your neighbors in the case of an emergency! Join us for a practical, hands-on, training session on the Palisades' Emergency Radio Network. 5:30 - 7:00pm, Palisades Recovery Coalition (15233 La Cruz Dr): The first session, led by Hank Wright & Michael Sheehy from the city's Auxiliary Communications Service (ACS), will teach us how to use walkie-talkies and best practices for effective communication. Visit: https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/emergency-radio-training/18689688/2026-11-17T17

CASTANEA SICILIAN CAFE - EARLY BIRD SPECIAL
9:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. 352 Westminster Ave Venice. 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/18847307/2026-11-17T21

WEDNESDAY | NOVEMBER 18

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. A 45-minute guided mindfulness meditation outdoors under the trees, open to all experience levels. Bring a chair or cushion and enjoy a peaceful group practice. 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. (Mondays and Fridays also 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 Summary. Visit: https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/mobile-community-meditation-center-guided-meditation/19479748/2026-11-18T10

BLACK GIRL THERAPY
11:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Pearl Annex Room 76, Main Campus, 1900 Pico Blvd Santa Monica. A recurring group space for Black women to discuss mental health, share experiences, and build community in a supportive therapy-oriented setting. Visit: https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/black-girl-therapy/19657598/2026-11-18T11

YOGA FOR EVERYONE
12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. Venice - Abbot Kinney Memorial Branch Library 501 S Venice Blvd Venice. An inclusive yoga class accessible to all levels, focusing on movement and mindfulness. Visit: https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/yoga-for-everyone/20081866/2026-11-18T12

MIDDAY YOGA ON WEDNESDAYS
1:30 p.m. - 2:30 p.m. Palisades Community Renewal Center 3212 Nebraska Ave Santa Monica. 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.pcrcsm.org/event/midday-yoga-on-wednesdays-edc0f for full details before arriving. Thank you! Visit: https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/midday-yoga-on-wednesdays/19633922/2026-11-18T13

MIXED MEDIA ART MIXER
November 18 and Thursday, November 19, 2026, 2:00 p.m. - 8 p.m. PST each day A two-day celebration of mixed media, dimensional imagery, and visual discovery, presented with Art One Gallery and featuring 3D Pop art by Charles Fazzino. Visitors are welcome throughout either afternoon and evening. Event details and promotional image

THURSDAY | NOVEMBER 19

WOMEN'S SELF-DEFENSE WITH LUDUS
10:00 a.m. Palisades Village 15225 Palisades Village Ln Pacific Palisades. A complimentary women's self-defense class focused on building strength and confidence in a supportive environment, with techniques from expert instructors. Join Ludus Martial Arts for women's self-defense classes Thursdays in The Park. Increase strength and confidence by learning techniques from experts in a safe and supportive environment. Community classes are complimentary and open to all levels. Refuel and recharge after class with a complimentary $10 gift card to Alfred. Plus, Violet Grey will offer complimentary skincare consultations for all attendees. Visit: https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/women-s-self-defense-with-ludus/20085381/2026-11-19T10

CARMELINA PICKLEBALL
12:00 p.m. - 1:00 p.m. 3rd street/Promenade 1231 3rd street/Promenade Santa Monica. Group pickleball lessons with a USTPA coach covering grip, serving, volleys, and game control, for live-level players. $20.00 to $45.00. Visit: https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/carmelina-pickleball/20146726/2026-11-19T12

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SANTA MONICA PIER LOCALS' NIGHT: MUSIC, ART & SWISS WINTER VILLAGE TICKETS
5:00 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. 200 Santa Monica Pier, Ste A Santa Monica. A free monthly community celebration on the Santa Monica Pier with live music, local artists, food vendors, and a chance to win tickets to the new Swiss Winter Village. The Santa Monica Pier's monthly Locals' Night returns Thursday, Nov. 19, with Santa Monica Pier Fest, a free, all-ages celebration featuring two stages of music and entertainment, free Bob Baker Marionette Theater performances, local artists, food vendors, a beer garden and a special giveaway of complimentary tickets to the new Swiss Winter Village. Presented by Pacific Park on the Santa Monica Pier and Playland Arcade, the community celebration will take place from 5 to 10 p.m. throughout the Santa Monica Pier, with entertainment and activities at two locations: the Pier's east end deck and the historic Merry Go-Round building. Produced by Yappy Studios in collaboration with Santa Monica Pier Corporation, the November event will bring together local artists, musicians, DJs and community members for an evening celebrating Santa Monica's creative culture. The festivities will feature electronic dance music, house music and other entertainment across two stages, with participating artists and performers to be announced. Visit: https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/santa-monica-pier-locals-night-music-art-swiss-winter-village-tickets/20447691/2026-11-19T17

GLASSMATES THANKSGIVING WINE EXPO
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. Paloma Venice 600 South Venice Boulevard Los Angeles. A Thanksgiving wine expo with more than 20 wines open for tasting, holiday bottle discounts, and pre-packed Turkey Day boxes. Convenient for holiday hosting or gift-giving. 20+ wines open to taste, heavy holiday bottle discounts, and pre-packed Turkey Day boxes. Thanksgiving wine, handled. $23.18. Visit: https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/glassmates-thanksgiving-wine-expo/20453561/2026-11-19T18

LA TECH MIXER 2026
6:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. LouLou Santa Monica 395 Santa Monica Pl #300 Santa Monica. A tech industry mixer designed for professionals to network and forge connections in a relaxed setting. $0.00 to $47.80. Visit: https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/la-tech-mixer-2026/20282312/2026-11-19T18

FRIDAY | NOVEMBER 20

BEACH WALK MEDITATION
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m. Santa Monica Lifeguard Tower 28 2800 Ocean Ave Santa Monica. Practice walking meditation on the beach, where mindfulness meets the sound of the ocean. After a brief introduction, the group walks silently along the shore for about 40 minutes. Suggested donation. Meditation isn't something that needs to happen only in a quiet room without any distracting sights or sounds. In fact we can develop our mindfulness while in nature; walking on the shore feeling the warmth of the sun on our face, the cool ocean splashing around our feet. $10.00 to $20.00— Suggested donation. Visit: https://www.smdp.com/calendar/#/details/beach-walk-meditation/18828982/2026-11-20T08

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