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While inflation and energy scares dampen wider economic outlook, local businesses expand, adapt and open in Santa Monica









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NOW OPEN: As 2022 comes to an end, several Santa Monica businesses celebrated new beginnings this week with grand openings and ribbon cuttings. Santa Barbara-based McConnell's Fine Ice Creams debuted a new location on the Third Street Promenade early this week, marking its seventh shop since its founding 70 years ago. For more information visit https://mcconnells.com/. The Tavern on Main Street, which opened in the former location of Rick's Tavern earlier this year held its official Chamber of Commerce Ribbon cutting this Thursday followed by a Young Professionals mixer. For more information visit https://www.tavernonmainsm.com/. Grab-and-go health-focused food store Everytable also came to Santa Monica this month with a new storefront on Wilshire Boulevard. For more information visit: https://everytable.com/

Illusion Magic Lounge opens in former Magicopolis location

GRACE INEZ ADAMS, SMDP Staff Writer

Magic has returned to Downtown Santa Monica with the recent opening of the Illusion Magic Lounge in the location that used to be Magicopolis, following the retirement of the founders who had run the venue since 1997.

The new owners, fathers and son duo Randy Sinnott Sr. and Randy Sinnott Jr. took over in August 2019 and used the pandemic as an opportunity to remodel the space, revamp

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Santa Monica Pickleball Center opens as sport's popularity grows

GRACE INEZ ADAMS, SMDP Staff Writer

Pickleball, the racket sport that has recently sky rocketed to popularity, has landed a new home base in Santa Monica.

Earlier this month, the Santa Monica Tennis Center opened a new pickleball facility at its 2501 Wilshire Boulevard location. Dubbed the Santa Monica Pickleball Center, it offers courts, the largest pickleball retail shop in the LA area and individual and group lessons. Santa Monica Tennis Center Owner and

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Inflation dims otherwise bright small business holiday season

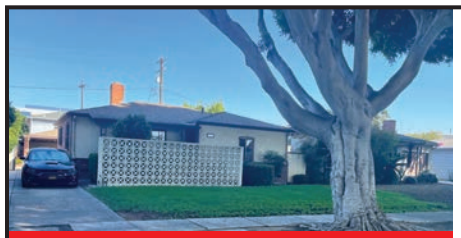
MAE ANDERSON, AP Business Writer

The free-wheeling holiday shopper of 2021, happy to spend money to relieve some pent-up pandemic demand, has given way to a more practical consumer this year, many small business owners say.

THE REASON: INFLATION.

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Fun Things To-Do List!

Put some Pico sparkle in your eyes! Easy, local ideas to lift your spirits and celebrate the season.

- [x] **Celebrate the Season Cocktails**
The spectacular holiday décor at Shutters on the Beach or Upper West make the cocktail experience merry and bright.

- [x] **Grown Up Picnic in Virginia Ave. Park**
Order a picnic box from Lady & Larder and bring a blanket to the green grass at Virginia Ave Park. Check out the shop's Secret Lunch Menu for a truly unforgettable sandwich!

- [ ] **Splurge on Brunch from An Award-Winning Chef**
Chef Raphael Lunetta and his team at this eponymous institution have set up three patios for guests who love lemon ricotta pancakes and deep-fried chicken breast sandwiches, and that is just the beginning of a delish menu. Order mimosas and let the glorious meal begin.

- [ ] **Stay Up Late With A Date**
Have a casual bistro dinner at The Brixton gastropub, then walk up the block to the Daily Pint for the finest whiskey selection on the West Coast, a pool game, shuffleboard or foosball!

- [ ] **Take A Night Off From Cooking**
Prime Pizza has taken over the old Grey Block location, freshened the décor, shined the big picture window with its view of SMC, and made the covered back patio cozy and perfect for restless kids. Best of all, they have wine and beer now, too. Cheers!

- [ ] **Breakfast for You, Smog Check for Your Ride**
Santa Monica Motors at Cloverfield & 23rd St. is STAR-certified and does the work lickety-split. Walk next door to the Lazy Daisy for huevos rancheros or a French onion burger while the experts get your smog papers in order.

- [ ] **Visit A Historical Space**
Pico's Woodlawn Cemetery dates back to the 1870s and its 26 lushly green acres chronicle an amazingly diverse list of pioneers, civic leaders, artists and rascals who have shaped the city and our world. Look for astronaut Sally Ride, actors Doug McClure, Paul Henreid, Barbara Billingsley and Ted Bessell of That Girl fame, or Leo Carillo and activist Tom Hayden, Jane Fonda's former husband.

- [ ] **Pico Mural Tour**
Find an online map that lists all Pico Blvd murals (40!) from the beach up to Centinela at the I-10 at picopassport.com/map or download and print it. There are suggestions for eats and coffee shops integrated into the map tour.

- [ ] **Make Your Kid Feel Special**
Grab a scrumptious hot chocolate for the kiddo and a honey latte for you at Lo/Cal Coffee. Cross the street for playtime at the fabulous playground at Virginia Ave Park. Hit the charming Pico Library next to it for a picture book story to share together.

- [ ] **Star Gaze**
The Santa Monica College Planetarium hasn't reopened to the public, but virtual Friday evening shows are at 8 p.m. and are preceded by a streamlined virtual digest of the popular Night Sky Show at 7p.m., offering the latest news on astronomy and space exploration. The shows include the chance to chat with the planetarium lecturers and ask questions. www.smc.edu/planetarium (look for a brand new, state-of-the-art planetarium in 2024!)

- [ ] **Practice Skiing!**
It's ingenious! Learn to ski and snowboard year-round at this indoor snow sports training center right on Pico Blvd! Pico's Virtual Snow LA offers classes by appointment only.

- [ ] **Give Yourself The Gift of Relaxation**
Vela Massage offers massage and treatments to nurture your hardworking, stressed-out self. Book an hour of happiness, you deserve it.

- [ ] **People Watch at a Lo/Cal Cafe**
We love sitting in front at Lo/Cal Coffee on a Saturday morning with not a thing to follow on your schedule. They serve delicious coffee and the view to the Pico Farmer's Market offers color and diversity. Say to barista Anne Carmack, the incredible local writer and artist who also serves up lattes.

- [ ] **Make A Day of It At Virginia Ave Park**
Check out the Pico Library's Storytime for Kids and special holiday programs. Enjoy two playgrounds and a splash pad, or plan a pickup basketball game on the courts. Stakeout a picnic table and BBQ (first come first serve). It's like a day in the country!

- [ ] **Stroll the Pico Saturday Farmer's Market**
Market Manager Kym and her team host a bevy of California farmers with the very best, organic, freshest produce, eggs, nuts and flowers. Live music, taco and roasted chicken vendors, fresh squeezed orange juice and friendly staff make the day a simple pleasure.

- [ ] **Make Yourself Extra Presentable!**
Men - Pico Barber Shop
Women - Adriana's Hair Studio

- [ ] **Enjoy A Local Theatre Play**
The Morgan-Wixson Theatre is super cozy, est. in 1946, and is a perfect first play experience for the kids! Kid classic Matilda is playing thru Dec. 3, and Freckleface Strawberry The Musical opens at the end of January 2023.

- [ ] **Give Your Fur Best Friend A Holiday Makeover**
Perennially one of Pico Blvd's Most Loved Businesses, Paws & Effect Pet Spa's charming little corner location offers up friendly service and hypo-allergenic products for your loved one. Book ahead, they are super popular.

- [ ] **Show Your Out-of-Town Visitors A Good Time**
Head to Gilbert's El Indio, order up a pitcher of house margaritas, eat tacos and enchiladas family-style, and let the good times roll at Santa Monica's Most Loved Mexican Restaurant. It's kitschy and the family who owns is welcoming, and loads of fun.

- [ ] **Throw A Ceramic Bowl with Your Girlfriends**
Still Life Studios is a beautiful, soaring space on Pico Blvd. They offer a wide range of ceramic classes, memberships, host parties and are having a handmade pottery sale from 30+ artists on Friday, Dec. 9, and Saturday, Dec. 10.

- [ ] **Festive Cocktails and Appetizers**
Upper West is a classy yet casual bar and restaurant right at the entrance to Santa Monica on Pico Blvd. Chef Nick and Fred, the gracious GM, dress up the beamed ceiling and mahogany bar extra-lovely for the holidays. Cheers!

- [ ] **Work Out To Keep Your Spirits Bright**
Pico has so many fitness options. Blue Republic CrossFit is a tribal experience – plus there's plenty of free parking and $25 gives you a trial week of unlimited classes. Tribe Pilates and Good Body Pilates offer options for those who love it.

- [ ] **Host A Holiday Open House**
Load the cart at Trader Joe's with easy hand foods *stylebyemilyhenderson.com/blog/trader-joes-best-snacks-and-hacks.* Have you sampled Trader Joe's branded wines? Try the Platinum or Grand Reserve offerings for Chardonnay and Cabernet Sauvignon. Superb!

- [ ] **Sit At The Counter At Classic Diner**
Rae's Restaurant is open for breakfast and lunch, regulars fill the place day after day, and the cooks and waiters have worked here for years and years. We like the French toast or omelets for breakfast, lunch is perfect with a grilled cheese, a hamburger plate with thick fries or a side of mashed potatoes with gravy. Jell-O or tapioca pudding for dessert ends the experience in style.

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HOLIDAY: The Santa Monica Daily Press published its annual 'Tis The Season guide last month and while readers can find the magazine online, SMDP will publish excerpts from the magazine in the days leading up to Christmas. View the entire publication online at https://smdp.com/2022/11/26/tis-the-season-2022.

California approves far-reaching strategy for tackling climate change. So what's next?

NADIA LOPEZ
Special to the Daily Press

California's air board today unanimously approved a sweeping state plan to battle climate change, creating a new blueprint for the next five years to cut carbon emissions, reduce reliance on fossil fuels and speed up the transition to renewable energy.

Called a scoping plan, the 297-page strategy could serve as a roadmap for other states and countries to follow, including a long list of proposed measures that, once adopted, would slash California's greenhouse gases and clean up air pollution in the smoggiest state in the nation.

The California Air Resources Board's plan sets an aggressive target of cutting greenhouse gases by 48% below 1990 levels by 2030, up from the 40% by 2030 required by state law. The ultimate goal is to cut use of oil 94% and become carbon neutral — which means the amount of carbon removed is greater than the carbon generated — by 2045.

"This is an extraordinary exercise and document, and it's the most comprehensive, detailed plan for getting to net zero anywhere in the world," said Air Resources Board Member Daniel Sperling, who also is director of the Institute of Transportation Studies at UC Davis.

To meet the plan's targets, state officials project that California over the next 20 years will need about 30 times more electric vehicles, six times more household electric appliances to replace gas appliances and four times more wind and solar generation capacity.

Achieving the targets would cost $18 billion in 2035 and $27 billion in 2045, the air board estimates.

"If we do it right, we will save thousands of lives, reduce economic inequality, and begin to repair the harm that low-income communities and Californians of color disproportionately suffer for the sake of oil companies' profits," said Dave Weiskopf, senior policy advisor with NextGen Policy, a progressive advocacy group. "If we do it wrong, we risk perpetuating those injustices for generations to come."

The oil industry, however, says the plan is too ambitious in eliminating fossil fuels from California. "Under Newsom's plan, California would become solely dependent on foreign oil," said Rock Zierman, CEO of the California Independent Petroleum Association, an industry trade group.

Before the vote, 99 members of the public spoke at today's eight-hour meeting. Most opposed the plan's reliance on technologies to capture carbon emissions from oil refineries and other fossil fuel plants, which allows them to keep polluting low-income communities rather than shutting them down more quickly.

The air board held three hearings and multiple workshops over the past six months to obtain public comments before voting today. The plan, which is updated every five years, was first unveiled in May and has gone through one major revision that strengthened several strategies, including offshore wind development, climate-friendly housing construction, cleaner aviation fuels, reducing miles traveled and fast-tracking carbon removal projects.

Some board members today expressed lingering concerns over carbon capture, but said the emphasis should now be placed on how to deploy those projects so they do the least harm to low-income communities near the industries.

"The true test is really going to be in the rulemaking ... and the devil is really going to be in the details," said air board member Davina Hurt, who represents San Mateo County cities on the Bay Area's air district board.

The measures outlined in the plan could transform Californians' everyday lives. Here are six key ways that people could be affected in the years ahead — if the plan's rules and other measures are enacted:

CALIFORNIANS WILL BE DRIVING ELECTRIC CARS

About 7.5 million electric cars are expected on the state roads by 2030. Currently, only 2.3% of the state's 29 million cars are zero emission, or about 837,000, though electric car sales this year have grown, increasing to 17% of all new cars sold in the state.

California's plan places a heavy emphasis on replacing gasoline and diesel vehicles — the state's biggest sources of planet-warming greenhouse gases, smog and fine particles. The transportation sector accounts for about 40% of California's greenhouse gas emissions.

In August, the Newsom administration's air board already set a groundbreaking regulation that will ban sales of all new gas-powered cars by 2035. Car manufacturers will have to gradually electrify their fleet of new vehicles, beginning with 35% of 2026 models, then increasing to 68% in 2030 and 100% for 2035 models.

Owners who have gasoline-powered cars will be allowed to keep driving them. But the goal of the new rule is to drive the market and force automakers to produce electric vehicles at a faster pace. The new standards are among the most aggressive actions that state regulators have ever taken to clean up vehicle exhaust and improve poor air quality.

Air board officials expect that an abundance of electric vehicles will make them more affordable over time. More will enter the used car market, where most Californians buy their cars.

Still, questions linger about the costs of the cars and the need for more charging capacity.

Electric cars currently are more expensive than their fossil-fueled counterparts. But the air board says price drops plus savings on gas and maintenance could end up saving drivers about $3,200 over ten years for a 2026 car and $7,500 for a 2035 car.

Many Californians qualify for incentive programs that provide grants and rebates worth between $7,000 and $9,500 to help them with the purchases. But the programs

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SANTA MONICA RENT CONTROL BOARD
NOTICE INVITING APPLICATIONS

Applications and letters of interest are invited to fill one vacancy on the Santa Monica Rent Control Board. The person appointed will serve until the next general election in November 2024.

All persons are invited to apply regardless of race, sex, age, disability, religion, marital status, national origin, sexual preference, or ancestry. Applicants must be residents and registered voters in the City of Santa Monica. No Santa Monica City employee may serve as a member of any Board or Commission.

All interested parties please send applications and/or letters of interest to:

Alvin Ho, Board Secretary
City Hall
1685 Main Street, Room 202
Santa Monica, CA 90401
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Applications are due in the Rent Control Board office by 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 5, 2023.

Applicants will be invited to make a presentation of up to 3-minutes to the Rent Control Board at a public meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 12, 2023. The Rent Control Board will appoint a new commissioner that evening.

The State Political Reform Act requires certain officeholders to disclose their interest and income which may be materially affected by their official action. The applicant appointed to serve in this position will be required to file a Statement of Economic Interest (Form 700) upon assuming office, and annually thereafter. In addition, this position is required to complete two hours of Ethics Training (AB1234) biennially.

Applications and information on Board duties are available from the Rent Control Board Office, City Hall, 1685 Main Street, Room 202, by phone at (310) 458-8750 or online at www.santamonica.gov/rentcontrol.

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REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the City of Santa Monica invites Proposals for

Groundwater Injection Wells SM-11i and SM-12i
Engineering Design Services Project
Project No. SP2678

The City of Santa Monica is inviting proposals from firms interested in design services for the, **Groundwater Injection Wells SM-11i and SM-12i Engineering Design Services Project.**

The purpose of the RFP is to select the most qualified consultant to provide design services for two groundwater injection wells and four monitoring wells to recharge the groundwater aquifer in the City of the subject project.

RFP questions to be submitted to **via ProcureNow,** no later than 3:00 p.m. on January 16, 2023.

Proposers shall upload RFP via ProcureNow, no later than **3:00 p.m. on January 30, 2023. Size of the electronic proposal shall not exceed 10 MB.**

RFP Documents may be obtained by logging onto the City's bidding website at: https://secure.procurenow.com/portal/santa-monica-ca.

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So long, California: Major county votes to study secession

MICHAEL R. BLOOD, JAE HONG AND AMY TAXIN
Associated Press

The November elections saw Californians continue to embrace progressive leadership, but voters in one of the state's most populous counties are so frustrated with this political direction that they voted to consider seceding and forming their own state.

An advisory ballot proposal approved in San Bernardino County — home to 2.2 million people — directs local officials to study the possibility of secession. The razor-thin margin of victory is the latest sign of political unrest and economic distress in California.

This attempt to create a new state — which would be the first since Hawaii in 1959 — is a longshot proposition for the county just east of Los Angeles that has suffered from sharp increases in cost of living. It would hinge on approval by the California Legislature and Congress, both of which are highly unlikely.

Still, it's significant that the vote came from a racially and ethnically diverse county that is politically mixed, as well as the fifth-most populous in the state and the largest in the nation by area. San Bernardino's 20,000 square miles is composed of more land than nine states.

The votes speaks to the alienation that some voters feel from a statehouse long dominated by Democrats who have made little progress on the growing homeless crisis, soaring housing costs and rising crime rates while residents pay among the highest taxes in the country.

There is "a lot of frustration overall" with state government and how public dollars are spent — with far too little coming to the county, said Curt Hagman, chairman of the Board of Supervisors that placed the proposal on the ballot. The county will look at whether billions of dollars in state and federal funds was fairly shared with local governments in the Inland Empire.

From record inflation to friction over the state's long-running COVID-19 pandemic policies, "it's been a rough few years" for residents, Hagman said.

Kristin Washington, chair of the San Bernardino County Democratic Party, dismissed the measure as a political maneuver to turn out conservative voters, rather than a barometer of public sentiment.

"Putting it on a ballot was a waste of time for the voters," she said. "The option of actually seceding from the state is not even something that is realistic because of all the steps that actually go into it."

In San Bernardino County, Democratic voters now outnumber Republicans by 12 points. Still, in November Democratic Gov. Gavin Newsom lost in the county by 5 points. He easily defeated a recall last year driven by opposition to pandemic health orders that shuttered schools and businesses. California was among the first states to close schools and turn to online learning, and also among the last for students to return to in-person teaching.

Democrats dominate the California Legislature and congressional delegation, and the state is known as an incubator of liberal policy on climate, health care, labor issues and immigration, and the vote could be seen as partly a reaction to the state's priorities. Once solidly Republican terrain, with recent population growth San Bernardino County has become more diverse and Democratic, much like San Diego and Orange counties.

Throughout its 172-year history, California has weathered more than 220 failed attempts to dismantle the state into as many as six smaller states, according to the California State Library. Earlier breakaway efforts sought to carve out a new "State of Jefferson" from nearly two dozen Northern California counties, though they were largely rural, conservative-leaning and sparsely populated.

Competition between mining and agricultural interests, as well as opposition to taxation, have driven some of these secession efforts. There have been proposals to divide the sprawling state into north and south sections, as well as splitting it lengthwise to create separate coastal and inland regions.

"Everybody outside this county thinks we are the wild, wild West," said Ontario Mayor Paul Leon, whose city is one of the largest in the county. Despite the county's size, it "gets a pittance" when it comes to state and federal aid for roads, courthouses and transit, said Leon, who backed the measure.

The city of San Bernardino, with a population of about 220,000, anchors the third largest metropolitan area in the state, behind L.A. and San Francisco. Beyond the urban centers, its communities range from placid suburbs crisscrossed by freeways, mountain towns framed by towering pines and isolated desert havens such as hippie Joshua Tree. Inflation and economic stress are challenging many communities. Before the pandemic, the county's unemployment rate was already 9.5% in 2019, with 12.2% of households living below the poverty line.

"I tend to be very skeptical of these secession maneuvers," said William Deverell, director of the Huntington-USC Institute on California and the West.

"The state's problems are not likely to be addressed by the jurisdictional chopping block," Deverell said in an email. He's wary of the "hubris" of: "If only this part of the state could go its own way, as we aren't the root of the problem."

Since the proposal passed, the county's next step is to form a committee — likely composed of public and private sector members — to conduct an analysis of funding that will compare San Bernardino to other counties.

Many Inland Empire communities are struggling financially even though California's economy — by itself — may soon become the fourth largest in the world, up from fifth. The state announced last month that it had recovered all of the 2.7 million jobs it lost at the start of the pandemic. However, there are projections for a $25 billion budget deficit next year and signs of an unsteady economy, as even the historically powerful tech industry has seen layoffs.

From 2018 to 2021, 352 companies moved their headquarters from California to other states, according to a Hoover Institution study. After decades of growth, the state population of 39 million has been shrinking, partly because residents are leaving for states that offer more affordable housing and lower taxes.

Because of decreased population, the state is even losing a congressional seat in 2023,

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MAGIC

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the food and drink menus and set up a new rotating cast of magicians to perform.

"During that time we completely redid the front of the house, polished up the theater and really made the place much more contemporary," Sinnott Sr. said.

He said they did a soft opening of the new lounge and bar two months ago with a strolling magician and three weeks ago started holding shows in the 150-seat theater. Current performers include Jody and Kathleen Baran and Chris Mitchell. He said the line-up will change every few weeks and will feature many magicians from the famed Magical Castle in Hollywood where he said he and his son both previously served as president.

Sinnott Sr. said the creation of the Illusion Magic Lounge has truly been a family endeavor with his daughter Erica Moyer helping with marketing and his son's wife Lizzie Sinnott taking charge of the interior design.

"I'm really thrilled by the way the lounge in the front and the bar area turned out, which I take no credit for," he said. "My son and his wife are the two who designed this."

He said restaurateur and business partner Dan Trapp played a key role in developing the new menu which is made up of magic-themed creations such as the 'misdirection martini."

Sinnott Sr. became interested in magic at age 13 when he picked up a biography of Harry Houdini in his middle school library. He was hooked and kept learning as much as he could about the topic. Although he himself doesn't perform, he enjoys sharing the wonder of magic with others, which is what he wants to do with the Illusion Magic Lounge.

He said he hopes to expand the lounge's hours in the future and also have it serve as a venue for other types of performances including comedy and burlesque as well as a space people can rent out for birthday parties and other special events.

The Illusion Magic Lounge is currently open Thursday through Saturday from 5 p.m. to 11 p.m. For more information and to buy show tickets visit https://illusionmagiclounge.com/visit.

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Grace Inez Adams

FATHER AND SON: Santa Monica's magic theater has new family ownership.

SECESSION

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dropping from 53 to 52.

Housing prices in Los Angeles, San Francisco and other metropolitan hubs frequently top $1 million and are sharply increasing. Billions of dollars in spending statewide has made no visible difference in the homeless crisis in many cities. This has all fueled a reckoning with the direction of the state, which has long been mythologized as a land of opportunity.

"A lot of Californians are unhappy in many ways," said Claremont McKenna College political scientist Jack Pitney, citing record gas prices, the rising cost of living, and real estate prices that make home ownership unattainable for many working-class families.

"The vote on secession was like smashing the china. It's a way of getting attention but in the end it doesn't accomplish much," Pitney said.

Even Hagman said he doesn't want to see his home state broken apart, though he sees approval of the measure as an important statement on frustration with Sacramento.

"I want to remain part of California right now," he said. "I'm proud to be a Californian."

PICKLEBALL

FROM PAGE 1

Founder Jon Neeter partnered with longtime friend and internationally ranked pickleball enthusiast, and now Director of Pickleball at the center, Julio Rivera to make the vision a reality.

"Right now there's just exponential growth in the sport and he [Rivera] said 'you should check out this pickleball thing, it's going to be big,'" Neeter said. "And the pandemic of course accelerated the growth of pickleball, as well as tennis– they both grew a lot."

So, when the space next door to the Tennis Center became available, Neeter said he did not hesitate to take it over and convert it into the pickleball center. He said the reception from the community so far has been "overwhelming," a response Rivera credits to the accessible nature of the sport.

"Pickleball is very community based and the inclusivity of the sport allows an easy way to enter the sport and play the game and the community gets very big fast," Rivera said. "It's just very inclusive, people from all ages can play, you can have your family all play – it doesn't take intensive training to go out and play... it just gives you a variety of options, you can do it with friends or people that you just meet."

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often have long waiting lists and often run out of funding.

Since 2010, California has allocated more than $1.84 billion for three programs: The Clean Cars 4 All Program, the Clean Vehicle Rebate Project and the Clean Vehicle Assistance Program.

California will need about 1.2 million charging stations by 2030. That's a 15-fold increase in just seven years. Currently, about 80,000 public chargers are operating statewide, with about another 17,000 on the way, according to state data.

> **"California's shiny new climate strategies still sacrifice low-income and communities of color with increased pollution across the state — Olivia Seideman"**

CALIFORNIANS WILL BE SHARING THE ROAD WITH CLEANER TRUCKS

Trucks in California also will gradually be powered by electricity.

About 1.8 million trucks, delivery vans and other medium and heavy-duty trucks are driving state roads and highways. Their diesel exhaust has been linked to many health problems, including asthma and lung cancer.

The air board in September unveiled a proposal that would require new big rigs and other trucks to be zero-emissions within the next 18 years. Under the proposed rule, manufacturers wouldn't be able to sell new gas and diesel-powered trucks that operate in California by 2040, instead relying on electric models. Large trucking companies would also need to gradually convert their existing fleets to zero-emission vehicles, buying more over time until all are zero emissions by 2042.

The proposal is vehemently opposed by the trucking industry, which says the technology is not yet ready for widespread use. The air board is expected to vote next spring.

The proposed rule could put about 510,000 carbon-free medium and heavy-duty vehicles on California's roads in 2035, increasing to 1.2 million in 2045 and nearly 1.6 million in 2050, according to the air board.

For communities near ports with lots of diesel vehicles, such as the Los Angeles-Long Beach complex, air quality would improve. Air board officials say the proposal could save more than 5,000 California lives between 2024 and 2050.

MORE CALIFORNIANS WILL LIVE IN CLIMATE-FRIENDLY HOMES

Households will have more heat pumps and electric stoves, washing machines and water heaters.

The plan sets a goal for developers, businesses and local governments to construct at least 3 million climate-friendly homes by 2030 and 7 million by 2035, and install 6 million heat pumps by 2030.

Climate-friendly homes use more energy-efficient systems, such as replacing gas appliances with electric ones and adding solar rooftop panels. They also have better ventilation and battery storage systems, as well as updated electric circuits to support electric cars and appliances. Updating older buildings is considered critical to accomplishing the state's clean energy goals. State officials say half of those investments need to go to low-income, disadvantaged communities.

The plan designates heat pumps as the go-to device for developers constructing homes to comply with the state's building efficiency standards. A heat pump converts thermal energy from outside, "making the cool space cooler and the warm space warmer," according to the U.S. Department of Energy. They are a more efficient alternative to furnaces and air conditioners.

The goals are not mandatory, but the state will play an important role in providing financial incentives for homeowners and businesses.

The California Energy Commission offers zero- and no-interest loans and grants. Cities, counties, public schools, colleges, universities, hospitals and other facilities also qualify and can apply. The federal government offers loan programs, tax credits, grants and rebates to California residents. Commercial and residential buildings in California use 70% of the state's electricity and account for 25% of the state's greenhouse gas emissions, the second largest behind the transportation sector, according to state data.

CALIFORNIA'S ECONOMY WILL CHANGE, WITH MORE GREEN JOBS

The economy will grow, but jobs will change.

California's economy is projected to rapidly grow under the plan at a rate of about 2% each year, from $3.2 trillion in 2021 to $5.1 trillion in 2045. Employment is also expected to grow by about 4 million new jobs, increasing from 23.5 million in 2021 to 27.7 million in 2045.

Fewer jobs will be held in some sectors: gas station workers, automobile parts dealers, mechanics and fossil fuel industries. On the other hand, the power industry and renewable energy sectors will grow.

California's industrial sector, which includes cement plants, oil and gas producers and other manufacturers, is expected to shrink in the next two decades as the state electrifies. The sector employs about 1.2 million people and produced $324 billion in 2019, representing about 10% of the state's economic output.

That's why state leaders are prioritizing the need for a "just transition," where the livelihoods of oil company employees and others are protected as the economy shifts. Creating new jobs for employees whose jobs are at risk is crucial. The transition to clean energy will result in employment opportunities in the renewable energy industry and power sectors. But many of these workers will need to be re-trained.

CALIFORNIANS WILL GET MORE POWER FROM SOLAR, WIND

Electricity use is expected to soar as much as 68% by 2045. That means the state needs to make major investments in clean energy to ensure the power grid can handle the uptick in demand.

One source that the state is counting on is offshore wind development off the coasts of Humboldt and Morro Bay. The scoping plan calls for at least 20 gigawatts of offshore wind by 2045, making it a critical clean-energy source. In addition, Gov. Gavin Newsom hopes to add between 2 to 5 gigawatts of offshore wind by 2030.

California's offshore wind farms would be the first in the country constructed with floating platforms at a large scale — the turbines are hundreds of feet tall with blades that are bigger than a football field.

Five companies recently leased tracts in federal waters off California to build wind farms. They are at least six to seven years from operation, since the companies need many federal and state permits.

California also will need to rapidly build special port facilities and vessels to construct and transport the gigantic turbines.

The plan also requires a big push for solar. California currently has 39,458 gigawatts of solar, 14.2% of California's total power mix. The plan's goal is to increase solar power capacity fourfold.

Today, the California Public Utilities Commission overhauled old rules governing residential solar, in a highly contested move that the solar industry says will slow construction of new rooftop solar panels.

CARBON WILL BE CAPTURED AND STORED

The plan calls for capturing and storing carbon dioxide. Carbon capture and storage involves using technology to directly capture carbon dioxide emitted by a source, often a smokestack. Another technique, called carbon removal, uses technology to eliminate carbon dioxide that is already in the atmosphere.

Combined, 15% of all of the state's targeted greenhouse gas cuts will come from carbon removal and capture processes.

Under a new law that Newsom prioritized in his climate package, the air board must create a new program that puts guardrails on carbon capture and storage projects while streamlining the permitting process. Newsom set an ambitious target for these technologies — capturing and storing at least 20 million metric tons of carbon by 2030 and 100 million metric tons by 2045.

Once captured from smokestacks, the carbon could be transported to sites in the Central Valley. Air board staff say the valley is an ideal location for injecting carbon dioxide deep into rock formations because it has the capacity to store at least 17 billion tons.

Though controversial, air board staff say the technologies are a "necessary tool" to reduce emissions from industrial sectors, such as the cement industry, where no other alternatives may exist.

But environmental advocates say the plan relies too heavily on these projects, particularly those involving technologies that remove carbon dioxide from smokestacks of oil refineries and other polluting industries. It means operations at these facilities could continue past 2045 and it prolongs use of fossil fuels.

Environmentalists say it wouldn't protect communities such as Wilmington and Richmond near industrial plants, where some of the state's poorest residents and people of color live.

"California's shiny new climate strategies still sacrifice low-income and communities of color with increased pollution across the state," said Olivia Seideman, a climate policy advocate at Leadership Counsel for Justice and Accountability.

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once," feel to it. People were splurging — spending $250 on a giant stuffed avocado, for example — at her eight Five Little Monkeys toy stores around the Bay Area in California. This year, the purchases are more low-key: Legos, Pokemon and anything mushroom-related are popular toys.

Sala says Five Little Monkeys probably won't reach the same level of sales as last December but believes "we'll still be well ahead of 2019." That's crucial for her because the last seven days leading up to Christmas account for 10% of annual sales.

In some ways, the bustling holiday shopping season feels like a return to pre-pandemic days: More people are out and about, shopping in groups and buying for themselves as well as gifts for friends and family. And there's plenty of merchandise to select from because the supply chain snags that plagued last Christmas have largely subsided.

But small retailers say this year is still far from "normal" because decades-high inflation is forcing them to raise prices and making shoppers rein in the uninhibited spending seen in 2021 when they were flush with pandemic aid or gains from the stock market. Fifty-seven percent of U.S. adults say it has been harder to afford the things they want to give, a dramatic increase from 40% one year ago, according to a poll from The Associated Press-NORC Center for Public Affairs Research.

The season did get off to a relatively strong start. Mastercard SpendingPulse, which tracks spending across all types of payments including cash and credit card, said that overall sales on Black Friday rose 12% from the year-ago, although that isn't adjusted for inflation. Sensormatic Solutions, which tracks store traffic, said the number of shoppers was up 2.9% on Black Friday compared with a year ago.

"This year is much more 'ordinary,' which means pulling out all the stops to make sales goals," said Nathan Waldon, who owns Nathan & Co., two gift shops in Oakland, California.

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Higher costs are having an effect. The wholesale prices for the Paddywax candles Waldon sells have increased 20% to 40% across the line. He's charging $34 for candles he sold for $28 a year ago. The price increases "slow the rate of sale and it also cuts into our margins," he said.

Waldon makes up about one-third of his annual revenue during the period between Thanksgiving and Christmas. He says it will be hard to beat last year's holiday sales numbers, when shoppers came out in droves early to secure must-have items and splurged due to demand that built up during the pandemic.

"I feel like a little hamster on a treadmill," he said. "We're definitely chasing after those numbers."

Waldon is not alone. According to a survey from Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses Voices, 52% of small businesses say their profitability this holiday season is not meeting expectations compared to last year. Smaller companies can't offer the discounts that bigger chains do. Eighty four percent of small businesses said they think bigger retailers have a competitive advantage due to their ability to better withstand inflationary pressures and offer lower prices.

"They feel like they're being squeezed by higher costs for labor and inventory and the cumulative impact is making it much more difficult to make a profit, despite the fact that 79% said they have raised prices compared to last year," said Joe Wall, National Director of Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses Voices.

Inflation is also a factor in decisions made by shoppers at Society Boutiques shops owned by Tanya Noegel outside of Atlanta and in Columbus, Wisconsin. At her four boutiques, which sell women's clothing and accessories, she had a record number of holiday shoppers during the Black Friday weekend, including regular customers she hadn't seen during the pandemic. But habits have changed as shoppers worry about inflation and the possibility of recession.

"Customers tell us they want to purchase multiple items, as they've done in the past, but are purposefully making smaller purchases and looking for discounts and promotions when making those purchases," Noegel said.

Sweaters, puffer vests and blouses are popular items so far this year. Wholesale apparel prices are up 5% and she's had to increase wages company-wide by almost 30% in order to retain and hire staff.

"That to me, as a small business, is a big number," she said. "My profit margins are down from last year and my payroll costs are much higher."

Still, she's happy how things are going so far this holiday season all things considered.

"All in all, we're very pleased with our numbers this year and we're expecting good things throughout the rest of the holiday shopping season," she said.

Some small businesses are benefiting from changes they made to try to stay afloat during the pandemic. They've expanded their online business, become more efficient and found other ways to bring in money.

During the pandemic Peter Makin, owner of Brilliant Books bookstore in Traverse City, Michigan, created or expanded other revenue streams such as a book subscription service, holiday-themed boxes of books, and providing book fairs for local schools. Meanwhile, print book unit sales jumped 8% in 2020 and 9% in 2021, according to NPD Bookscan.

That's helped him contend with higher book prices – which are set by publishing houses, not bookstores. Paperbacks have gone from $15 to $18 or more, and hardcovers have gone from $25 to as much as $40.

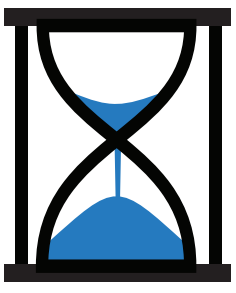
"Expenses have increased just as much as business has increased the last two years," he said.

His Black Friday foot traffic was higher than last year, but individual shoppers spent slightly less.

"It makes us fairly level. I think the reason spending is slightly less is the economy — people don't feel they've got as much money," he said.

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ARIES (March 21-April 19). There is satisfying work ahead. You may hesitate to talk about this around those who struggle to find enjoyment in their work. Don't worry, they will be inspired instead of discouraged by your sharing.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). The animal nature inside us all is not a force to be tamed so much as an aspect of self to be respected. Today such respect may be shown by giving the wild spirit the space it needs. To the animal, territory is worth fighting for.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Some dreams exist in cloud form for a long while before being realized. They must be kept alive in that form though, or they are unlikely to take any other. Feed your dream. And seize any opportunity to go further toward fleshing things out.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You'll give before you get. You'll pave the relationship road with plenty of good will and low expectations of return. Perhaps you have a goal in mind, but in the end, the relationship you build will be the real gold.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). Executing a plan will be your specialty and you will keep people on track and understanding what needs to be done and the order in which it would be best accomplished. You'll be paid well for applying these skills.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). You'd much rather be around a person who tries too hard than one who doesn't try enough. Ambition is an energy you can work with. The trier will eventually relax into a productive groove while those who don't attempt become inert.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). What becomes apparent is that everyone has a different idea about what's fun. Fun is not a universal concept. Going along for someone else's version of fun will be interesting, but don't be afraid to explore what's in it for you.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). The signs pointing you to money will not be the obvious sort that anyone could read; rather, you'll understand the subtle indicators of value. The other sort of sign you'll get today is a red flag waving you away from troublemakers.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). Today brings temptations galore and if you stay in a place where you see them all, you'll use up your wells of self-control. Your best defense against bad choices is to use your feet.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). A strange kind of nostalgia hits, the sort that brings a poignant longing for the here and now. This is how you'll know you're just where you should be. Linger, but don't dwell.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You're not sure what to do, and there's no map either. Your best navigation device will be your curiosity about a subject. And when you're moved by an event or touched by beauty, that's also a valid indicator of good direction.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). If you'd known how this journey would go, you wouldn't have embarked. But you owe your greatness to the hard things you did along the way. There's something new on the horizon. It looks promising. Do you dare do this again?

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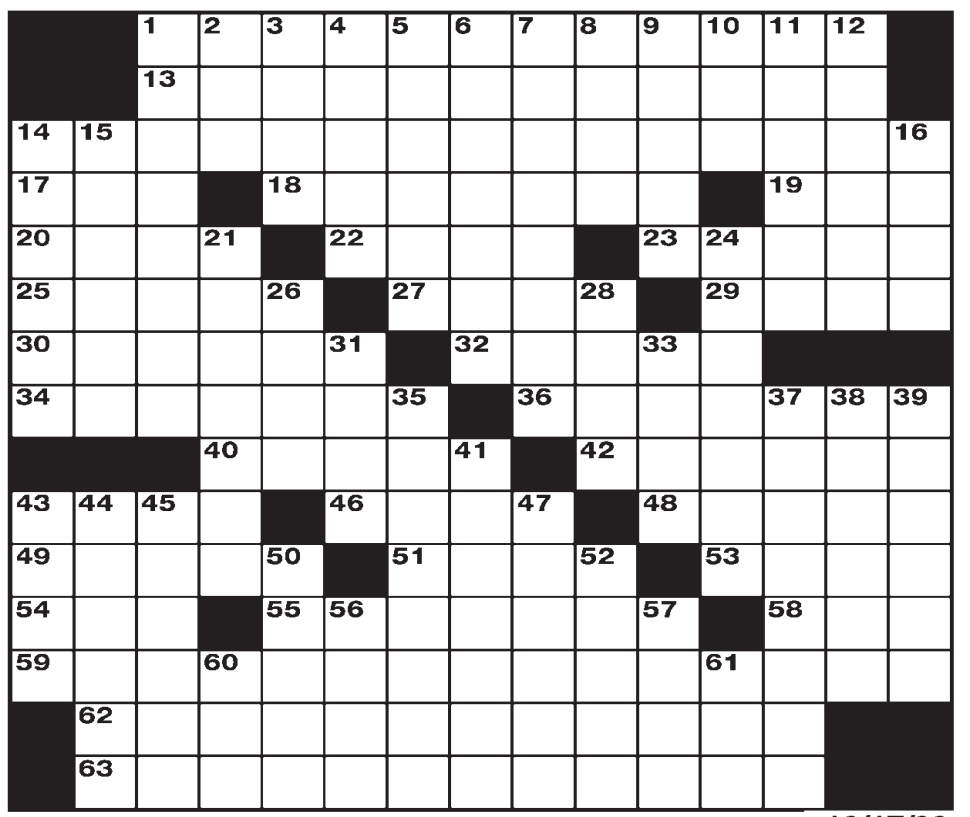
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29 Painter's canvas
30 Taquito
32 Bumps in the road
34 Guidance computer backup for Apollo astronauts
36 It articulates with the femur
40 Stabilization specialist
42 Hit the big time
43 Queen dowager of the 1540s
46 No longer dubious
48 Sweet sandwich
49 Only four-Pulitzer poet
51 Landlocked neighbor of China
53 Took off
54 Early 10th century year
55 Add to another's upset
58 Mother __
59 Supermarket checkout staple
62 Hardly in a sorry state
63 Without letup

DOWN
1 Extra charge of a sort
2 Common Korean surname
3 Let pass
4 Second chances
5 Spill something
6 Show stoppers
7 Early user of ATMs
8 Exercise obstacle
9 Uncompromising
10 Cotton candy purchase
11 "The greatest symphony," per *BBC Music Magazine*
12 Melt down or hand down
14 Does some cramming
15 With something taken off
16 Iconic peace officer
21 Name in the news since 1851
24 Evidential intro
26 One in the lead
28 Groom's growing concern
31 Supplementary details
33 Tours de force
35 *Home Improvement* prop
37 Any of three in *Macbeth* Act 4
38 Is with you
39 Is unobliged to
41 Find My Shade online quiz offerer
43 "The backbone of the Marines"
44 Galahad garb
45 __'s Kiss (Act III of a Rostand play)
47 Excess of affection
50 Cinematic convention for conveying a concept
52 Song releases, in the music business
56 Very soon after
57 Trivia
60 Homie
61 What a Washington portraitist wasn't called

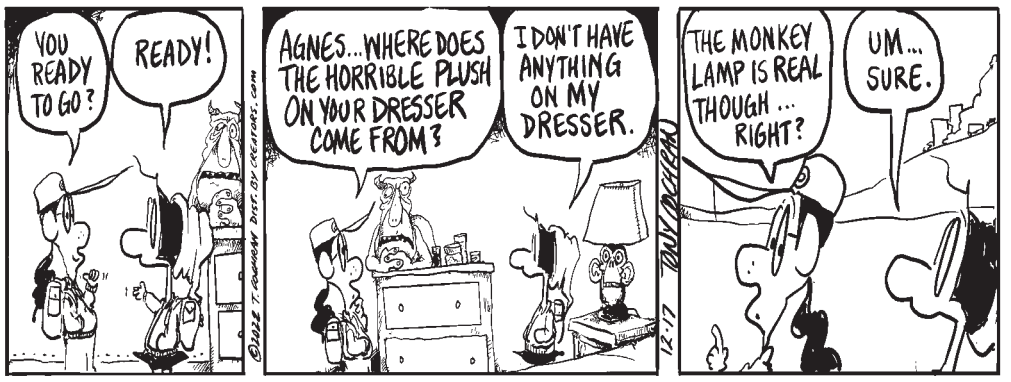


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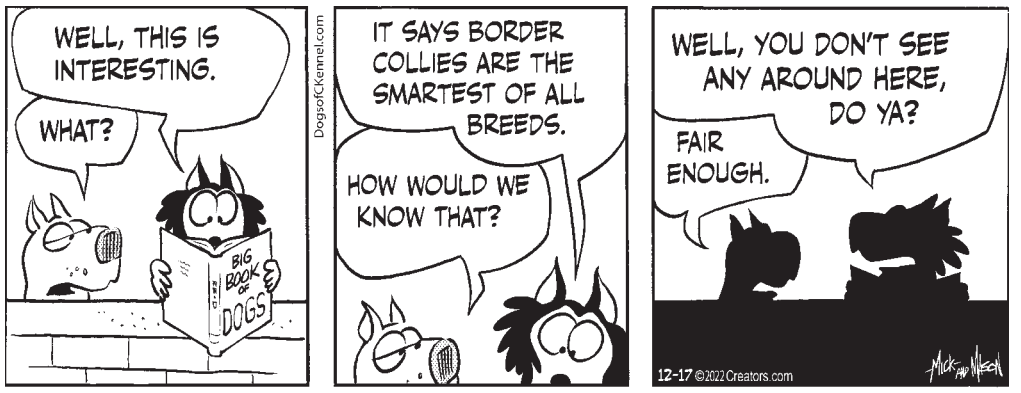
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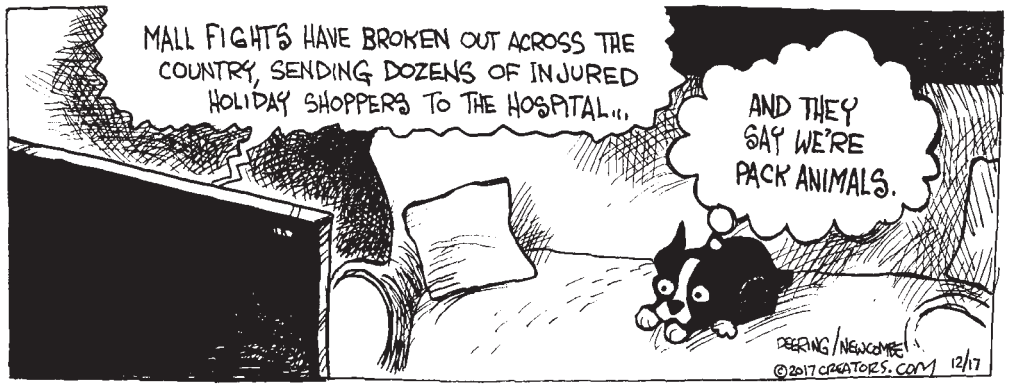
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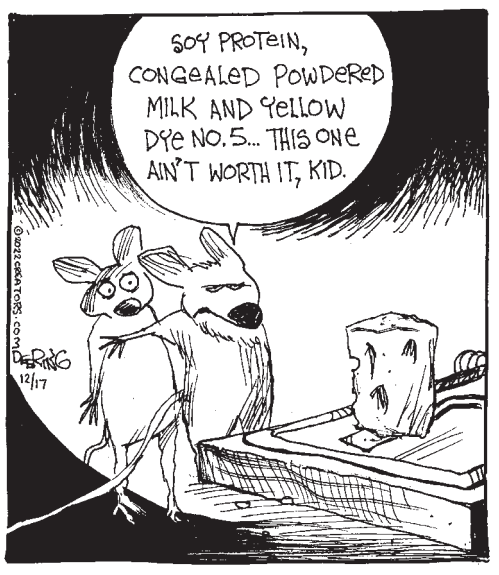
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"HE'S GOT FLEAS."

Strange Brew

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 20 letters left over. They spell out the alternative theme of the puzzle. © australianwordgames.com.au 5696

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B	T	H	C	N	A	V	Y	S	C	L	E	R	K	S
O	R	A	H	F	N	S	K	Y	L	C	O	R	P	S
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M	R	E	N	D	R	T	R	N	M	U	F	O	A	R
I	E	A	O	I	E	G	S	E	R	O	T	S	D	O
D	O	D	F	R	E	C	R	U	I	T	S	T	I	P
D	B	L	C	P	P	C	A	E	N	L	I	S	T	E
L	E	Y	O	R	R	N	Y	B	E	N	I	A	I	F
E	A	D	M	I	R	A	L	S	U	N	O	P	O	A
E	A	R	M	Y	S	U	A	R	J	L	H	P	N	S
A	S	E	A	T	O	B	R	U	K	E	C	E	R	V
S	D	A	N	G	E	R	R	M	A	J	O	R	R	I
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E	T	S	N	O	P	A	E	W	O	U	N	D	E	D

Admiral	Danger	Major	Sapper
Army	Deadly	Malaya	Staff
Base	Egypt	Mess	Stores
Boer War	Enemy	Middle East	Tents
Bomb	Enlist	Nauru	Tobruk
Chain of command	Europe	Navy	Tradition
	Greece	Peers	Unit
Clerks	Grit	Pride	Weapons
Club	Hero	RAAF	Wounded
Corps	Ills	Recruits	
Crete	Injury	Rifle	
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What's Up Westside

out and about in Santa Monica

SATURDAY | DECEMBER 17

HOLIDAY CHEER IN THE GARDENS

9 - 11 a.m. Ishihara Park Learning Garden, 2909 Exposition Blvd, Santa Monica. City of Santa Monica's Community Garden Program invites you to "Pancakes at Ishihara Park Learning Garden Event" - Holiday Cheer in the Gardens! Celebrate with friends and neighbors, kid's activities, garden tours, compost demonstrations, coffee and pancakes with garden fixings' for those looking for some energy! Learn about the Westside Seed Exchange! Sponsored by City of Santa Monica Community Gardens Program with the support of Santa Monica Roots. Contact: santamonicaroots@gmail.com.

NOTABLE FICTION BOOK GROUP DISCUSSION

Join an online community conversation about prize-winning current and classic literature. Email library@santamonica.gov for the link. Library: Virtual. 11 a.m. - 12 p.m.

SUNDAY | DECEMBER 18

ANNUAL POLAR BEAR SWIM

We know you are tough enough. Whether your toes get wet, you round the 150 yard buoy, or just come for the warm pool swim or hot chocolate, this event will get your blood pumping and skin tingling. Check-in is at 10 a.m. The first swim for the youngest Polar Bears starts at 10:15 a.m. Annenberg Community Beach House

MENORAH LIGHTING AT LOEWS SANTA MONICA BEACH HOTEL

Join Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel in the lobby at nightfall for a Hanukah treat and Menorah lighting with our resident Rabi from December 18-26. A special Hanukah menu will be available for the holiday at Blue Streak restaurant. 1700 Ocean Ave. 5 - 7 p.m. https://www.loewshotels.com/santa-monica/discover/holidays

MENORAH LIGHTINGS AT THIRD STREET PROMENADE

Celebrate Hanukkah with nightly menorah lightings taking place throughout the month of December on the 1400 block of Third Street Promenade.5 - 6:30 p.m. 1300 Block Third Street

MONDAY | DECEMBER 19

MAIN LIBRARY BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP

Join a community-led discussion of books selected by the group. This month's selection is Enemy of All Mankind: A True Story of Piracy, Power, and History's First Global Manhunt by Steven Johnson. Contact jeff.schwartz@santamonica.gov for the Zoom link. 7 - 8:30 p.m.

COMMISSION ON SUSTAINABILITY, ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE, AND THE ENVIRONMENT

7 p.m. To join virtual meeting:
via web - https://primetime.bluejeans.com/a2m/live-event/kgubzxpu
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Agenda - https://www.smgov.net/Departments/OSE/Commission_on_Sustainability,_Environmental_Justice,_and_the_Environment/Meeting_Agendas___Minutes.aspx

ARCHITECTURAL REVIEW BOARD MEETING

7 p.m. Agenda online at https://www.smgov.net/departments/pcd/agendas/Architectural-Review-Board/2022/20221219/a20221219.htm

TUESDAY | DECEMBER 20

MYSTERY BOOK GROUP DISCUSSION

Join a community-led discussion of an exciting mystery novel each month. Currently held on Zoom. Email library@santamonica.gov to join. 7 - 8 p.m.

WEDNESDAY | DECEMBER 21

WINTER SOLSTICE LIGHT-UP CARD WORKSHOP

Celebrate the shortest day of the year and the start of winter by creating a light up card for the holidays. Drop in. For all ages. Main Library. 3 - 4:30 p.m.

SANTA MONICA OCEANAIRES AT SANTA MONICA PLACE

The Santa Monica Oceanaires come to Center Plaza for the holidays! Listen to beautiful a capella music from this talented, local barbershop chorus. Join in the holiday cheer at Santa Monica Place this season! 395 Santa Monica Place 2 - 3 p.m.

HOLIDAY FERRIS WHEEL LIGHTING AT SANTA MONICA PIER

Every holiday season, Pacific Park lights the chilly December nights with fun and festive holiday icons and patterns on the world-famous Pacific Wheel Ferris wheel. The wheel's 174,000 LEDs shine brilliantly over the Pacific's rolling surf, and this year's holiday light program will include animated snowflakes, reindeer with blinking noses, holiday emoji, and an 80-foot tall snowman that waving cheerily from above the Pier.

THURSDAY | DECEMBER 22

NFL FOOTBALL GAME DAYS AT TAVERN ON MAIN

Support your favorite football team and watch the game on one of over 20 TVs at Tavern on Main's NFL football watch party, every Monday, Thursday and Sunday. Up your game time snacks with amazing food and drink and celebrate the win with friends and fans. Tavern on Main, 2907 Main St.

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SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **58.3**

SATURDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:** 1-2ft Knee to thigh	Small off-season SSW swell with offshore flow possible.
SUNDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:** 1-2ft Knee to thigh	Off-season SSW swell continues for small waves. Clean morning conditions likely and possibly last all day.

WEATHER

Saturday: Partly sunny, with a high near 61. North northeast wind 5 to 10 mph.
Saturday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 44.
Sunday: Sunny, with a high near 60.
Sunday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 44.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
2022/12/17	Sat	04:43 AM	4.55	H
2022/12/17	Sat	11:17 AM	1.87	L
2022/12/17	Sat	4:30 PM	3.27	H
2022/12/17	Sat	10:19 PM	1.35	L
2022/12/18	Sun	05:11 AM	5.03	H
2022/12/18	Sun	12:05 PM	1.07	L
2022/12/18	Sun	5:47 PM	3.30	H
2022/12/18	Sun	10:59 PM	1.56	L
2022/12/19	Mon	05:42 AM	5.54	H
2022/12/19	Mon	12:47 PM	0.26	L
2022/12/19	Mon	6:51 PM	3.44	H
2022/12/19	Mon	11:40 PM	1.74	L
2022/12/20	Tue	06:16 AM	6.06	H
2022/12/20	Tue	1:29 PM	-0.50	L
2022/12/20	Tue	7:46 PM	3.59	H
2022/12/21	Wed	12:22 AM	1.89	L
2022/12/21	Wed	06:53 AM	6.53	H
2022/12/21	Wed	2:12 PM	-1.13	L

DAILY LOTTERY

Although every effort is made to ensure the accuracy of the winning number information, mistakes can occur. In the event of any discrepancies, California State laws and California Lottery regulations will prevail. Complete game information and prize claiming instructions are available at California Lottery retailers. Visit the California State Lottery web site at http://www.calottery.com

POWERBALL
Draw Date: 12/14
36 51 59 66 68
Power#: 25
Jackpot: 149 M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 12/13
14 22 48 58 68
Mega#: 6
Jackpot: 429 M

SuperLotto PLUS
Draw Date: 12/14
11 14 17 35 41
Mega#: 3
Jackpot: 16 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 12/15
17 18 23 33 34

Daily 3
Draw Date: 12/15
EVENING: 9 2 5
Draw Date: 12/15
MIDDAY: 6 9 9

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 12/15
1st: 11 - Money Bags
2nd: 09 - Winning Spirit
3rd: 10 - Solid Gold
Race Time: 1:40.29

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