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Chabad on the Pier





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HANUKKAH: Chabad in S. Monica (Chabad on 17th), kicked off the Hanukkah holiday celebration with a large group of community members, visitors, and tourists, on the west end of the Pier.

Stressing the importance of spreading light, and the effect that even one small candle can do, Rabbi Isaac Levitansky, spiritual leader of Chabad in S. Monica, lit the first candle.

Rabbi Levitansky also stressed to the crowd the importance of this year in the Jewish calendar, known as "Hakhel - The year of gathering and unity."

Participants were also treated to latkes, donuts, chocolate Gelt, Dreidels, as well as Menorahs and candles for those who needed.

Chabad will cap off the holiday with a grand Menorah lighting and concert on Third Street Promenade on the last candle of Hanukkah, December 25, 4 p.m., in South court.

For more information about other Hanukkah activities, please visit jewishsmonica.com, or call 310-453-3011.

School Board moves to split payment of $45 million lawsuit over ten years citing financial hardship

GRACE INEZ ADAMS
SMDP Staff Writer

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD) recently announced its intention to seek a new trial in the case of two special needs students whose family recently won a lawsuit against the district alleging abuse by a behavioral aid.

In the meantime, the School Board voted last week to pass a resolution to disperse the payment of the $45 million awarded to the family in damages over a ten year

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Enjoy a comforting classic at Meat on Ocean

PAIGE PRODONOVICH
Special to the Daily Press

EDITOR'S NOTE:
With family gatherings upon us and visitors aplenty in town, the Daily Press is highlighting several local restaurants and talking to chefs about their approach to the holiday season.

The holiday season is about more than food. It's about gratitude, celebration, sharing what we have with loved ones and generally evoking feelings of warmth and friendship.

It's a feeling that Meat on Ocean's Executive Chef, Silvano Mestas, strives for at his restaurant.

"To me, it means spending quality time with family and friends. It brings about beautiful memories of me preparing for holidays for my children; and even as adults the traditions continue," he said. "It is the best time of the year!"

While there is more to this holiday than the food, it is the food that helps define the sensory experience for many.

Mestas believes in the power cooking holds to bring people together, as cooking and sharing meals often means putting differences aside to simply enjoy the company of those we love; the holiday spirit is truly embodied in these moments as the sense of community and a shared life trumps individualism.



Matthew Hall

DESSERT: The Apple Tart at Meat On Ocean is a classic.

"It has to be fresh, it has to be comfort food that everyone can enjoy, it has to be special, and it has to be something that you will enjoy making. Food brings families together to celebrate; and if the food is good? That's even better!" he said.

Regardless of how stuffed dinner guests may be in the aftermath of this bonding time, there is always enough room for dessert and his Warm Rustic Apple Tart recipe does not go to the stomach, but instead to the heart.

"A sweet treat is always perfect when you need a pinch of Holiday Spirit," he said. "Meat on Ocean's Warm Rustic Apple Tart offers that nostalgic comfort we're all in search of this Holiday Season. With its inviting and warm apple scents, our guests from around the world are treated with this classic American dessert. Our recipe is graceful with

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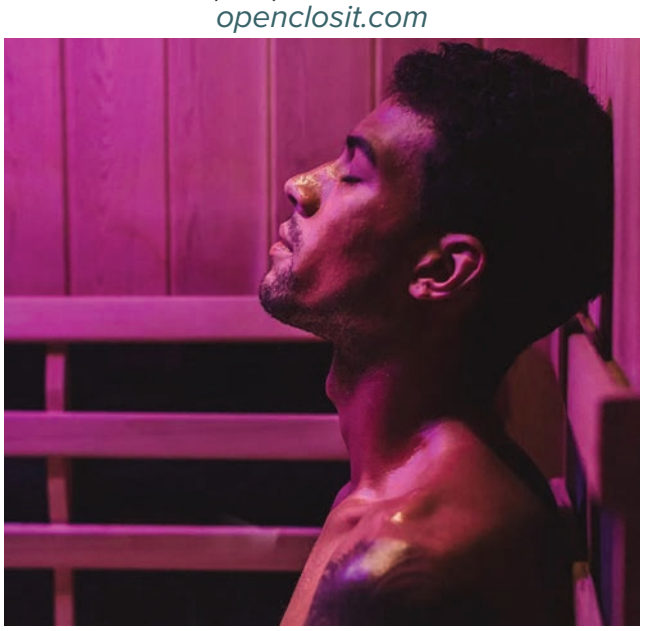
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$24 billion projected budget deficit may test California's resolve to grow safety net amid recession

ALEJANDRO LAZO AND JEANNE KUANG

California faces a projected deficit next year even if the U.S. avoids a recession. Despite the expected shortfall, policymakers say they'll maintain spending on social programs though advocates are calling for more.

The Legislative Analyst's Office recently said in its annual forecast that Gov. Gavin Newsom and the Democratic Party-controlled Legislature are facing a $24 billion projected budget deficit for the next fiscal year.

If the state enters a recession the outlook is even worse, with revenues predicted to fall short by $30 billion to $50 billion. The governor signed a record-breaking $308 billion budget in June.

The legislative analyst attributes the projected shortfall to California's reliance on those whose incomes often ebb and flow with the price of stocks, real estate and other investments.

"Those are the same people who get a lot of their income from financial investments," said Legislative Analyst Gabriel Petek. "That volatility then gets transmitted directly to the state budget."

The governor will present a proposed budget in January and then a revision in May. The budget, which the Legislature must approve, will fund state government for the fiscal year beginning July 1.

H.D. Palmer, spokesperson for the state Department of Finance, declined to comment on whether social spending cuts might be proposed.

He did say, however, that the governor's priority was to not scale back programs that people have come to depend on, or to begin new ones. Some program expansions in later fiscal years could be delayed if there isn't enough revenue to support them, he said. The goal is to avoid the kind of drastic program reductions enacted during the Great Recession that took years for the state to restore.

BUILDING RESERVES

The state's Democratic legislative leaders have said they are not inclined to cut recently expanded programs, such as the extension of free health care to low-income undocumented immigrants, which began with older adults this year and is slated to open up to all ages in January 2024. The expansion is expected to cost more than $2 billion annually.

The budget is in a much stronger position than it was during the state's last fiscal crisis, said Phil Ting, the Assembly budget committee chair from San Francisco.

"We have a significant amount of cash available, both in terms of reserves, but also in terms of liquidity," Ting said. "So this is a very different situation than the state faced in 2008-2009, where they were running out of cash."

The governor, nevertheless, has signaled he is being cautious. Newsom in October said he had vetoed 169 bills and saved taxpayers billions. Seventy-five of those vetoes were directly budget related, with many including boilerplate language that the state was facing "lower-than-expected revenues" and that it was "important to remain disciplined when it comes to spending, particularly spending that is ongoing."

Among the bills vetoed by the governor earlier this year were proposals to expand government-funded care for new mothers, expand free transit programs for California students and create grants for graduate students in mental health who commit to working at certain California-based nonprofits.

Newsom, whom voters elected to another four-year term, has used surpluses to pay down debts, build reserves and provide direct payments to millions of Californians.

Recently Moody's Analytics rated California one of the states most prepared for a recession, citing its reserves.

Nevertheless, California's budget enacted in June 2021 committed to $3.4 billion in new ongoing spending and is expected to grow to $12 billion in the 2025 budget year. The budget enacted in June of this year committed an additional $2.3 billion, expected to grow to nearly $5 billion by the 2026 budget year, the Legislative Analyst's Office said.

The state has $37 billion in specific reserve funds. That includes about $23 billion in a rainy day fund voters agreed to strengthen in 2014 at the urging of then-Gov. Jerry Brown. The state also has $900 million in a reserve account for safety net programs. The rest of those reserve funds are in school-specific and general operating reserves.

But, Palmer noted, the state can only draw down the rainy day fund by half in any year. The Legislative Analyst's Office has advised the Legislature to slow down or pause program expansions before dipping into reserves.

Ting's office contends the state has billions in unspent federal and state dollars in its coffers that could address a potential deficit. Using that money would avoid cuts to programs but delay other projects.

IS IT TIME TO SPEND?

Anti-poverty advocates said in interviews they plan to continue pushing for program expansions, arguing the precipice of a downturn is the time to bolster social spending, not cut it.

Nearly 30% of California residents live in or near poverty, according to the Public Policy Institute of California. Experts expect poverty rates to increase after the end of a boost in federal cash aid, which came in 2021 in the form of an expanded child tax credit included in the American Rescue Plan Act.

Advocates are proposing that California mimic that federal expansion by opening up the state's Young Child Tax Credit, currently a $1,000-a-year credit for low-income families with children under age 6, to include all children in low-income households.

They estimate 1 million children live in families that would qualify, at an additional cost of $700 million a year.

Additional tax credits could make a

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
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VIA TELECONFERENCE
Pursuant to AB361

SUBJECT: Proposed amendments to the text of the Zoning Ordinance to establish an Outdoor Space Program allowing outdoor commercial activity on privately-owned property and consideration of other minor zoning changes related to economic recovery and emergency response.

A public hearing will be held by the Planning Commission to consider Resolutions recommending to the City Council the adoption of amendments to the text of Article 9 of the Santa Monica Municipal Code (Zoning Ordinance) allowing outdoor commercial activity on privately-owned property and consideration of other minor zoning changes related to economic recovery and emergency response.

DATE/TIME: **WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 18, 2023, AT 5:30 PM**

LOCATION: In an effort to reduce the risk of spreading Coronavirus (COVID-19), members of the Planning Commission and City Staff will participate via teleconference. The meeting will be broadcast on CityTV Channel 16 and streamed on the City's website as normal but participants may also join the teleconference via https://primetime.bluejeans.com/a2m/live-event/hrrgfecg or by dialing in at 1-415-466-7000 (PIN: 4669931 #)

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. Those wishing to give written public comment shall email comments to planningcomment@santamonica.gov. Comments received prior to 12 p.m. on the day of the meeting will be distributed to the Planning Commission prior to the meeting and posted online. Please note the agenda item in your comments.

Additionally, public comment can be made by telephone by calling 1-408-740-7256 (Meeting ID: 969126183 and Passcode: 7570 followed by #) when the caller queue opens for the item on which you wish to comment. Remarks from the public made by telephone will be limited to up to 3 minutes per item. Please check the agenda for more detailed instructions on how to comment.

Address your comments to: Steve Mizokami, Principal Planner
Re: Outdoor Space Program Zoning Amendments

MORE INFORMATION
If you want more information about this project or wish to review the project file, please contact Steve Mizokami by e-mail at steve.mizokami@santamonica.gov. The Zoning Ordinance is available on the City's web site at www.smgov.net. For disability-related accommodations, please contact 311 or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. Every attempt will be made to provide the requested accommodation. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Pursuant to California Government Code Section 65009(b), if this matter is subsequently challenged in Court, the challenge may be limited to only those issues raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City of Santa Monica at, or prior to, the public hearing.

ESPAÑOL
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GUEST COMMENTARY

Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Disgraced LA council members tried to erase voters. Here's how California can respond

In October, a Reddit user leaked audio of a meeting between Ron Herrera, President of the Los Angeles County Federation of Labor, and Los Angeles council members Nury Martinez, Gil Cedillo and Kevin de León. On the recording, the council members made racist remarks about Indigenous peoples and African Americans.

Beyond the despicable bigotry, the recording revealed that this group had schemed to alter the boundaries of the city's council districts. Their plan would have maximized their potential to win reelection under political designs that diminished Black and Indigenous Mexican Angelenos.

After the tapes were released, Herrera and Martinez resigned. Cedillo defiantly remained on the council until his term ended this month, and while de León has been stripped of committee assignments, he has still tried to attend meetings, sparking chaos and even a fight with activists.

There have been no further consequences for anyone at this time, and therein lies the problem.

California Attorney General Rob Bonta pledged to investigate whether Herrera, Martinez, Cedillo or de León violated any state or federal laws. Unfortunately, it does not seem that existing state and federal laws will allow Bonta to hold these disgraced politicians accountable.

There are several federal laws that protect voting rights, but they primarily focus on preventing racially biased tactics like literacy tests. Other laws that forbid interference with voting rights require intimidation, coercion or threats. Even if federal laws did cover the council members' behavior, they don't provide any punishment for the interference.

The options under state law aren't much better. While California law provides clear guidelines for drawing Los Angeles' voting districts, the rules do not list any punishments for those who tamper with the process. California's Unruh Civil Rights Act also prohibits interference with civil rights, but like federal law, Unruh also defines interference as violence or intimidation. Since Martinez and her co-conspirators did not use physical or verbal intimidation, the state's civil rights law is not applicable.

Similarly, the Brown Act sets requirements for announcing and conducting open meetings where California public officials make decisions, and sets misdemeanor penalties for violations. But the Brown Act only applies when a majority of the city councilors convene. Because the Los Angeles group contained only three members of the council, the Brown Act does not apply.

To be fair, while Martinez, Cedillo and De León met in secret, the final district maps were publicly adopted by the full council. But we do not yet know how much their backdoor dealings affected the final maps.

Clearly, California law has not fully contemplated the many ways that officials can interfere with the districting process. The state Legislature should act immediately to address the gaps. Any new laws should:

Place the responsibility for drawing district lines with independent commissions rather than politicians – a move that is already being contemplated by the LA City Council;

Punish those who interfere with – or conspire to interfere with – voting rights even when violence and intimidation are not involved;

Require that anyone who inappropriately influences district lines – or attempts to do so – be immediately removed from office by a chosen panel and banned from holding office again; and

Mandate that culprits who are removed from office for interfering with redistricting or other voting infringements make restitution for the costs of special elections to replace them (the special election to replace Martinez will cost an estimated $7.6 million).

The California Legislature should take up these urgent measures to make sure that future leaders will face steep consequences when they interfere with the voting or civil rights of the people they swore an oath to represent.

This article was originally published by CalMatters. Guest Commentary written by Salomon Zavala. Zavala is the founder and managing attorney at Zavala Law Group and the executive director of Ollin Law.

CRIME WATCH

Crime Watch is culled from reports provided by the Santa Monica Police Department. These are arrests only. All parties are innocent until proven guilty in a court of law.

ON SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11 AT APPROXIMATELY 4:40 A.M.

Officers were dispatched to the Gateway Hotel regarding a couple fighting. Upon arrival, officers could hear a commotion coming for their assigned hotel room. Upon opening the door, officers observed a disheveled room and evidence of a physical altercation. The female half of the couple explained she met the suspect, later identified as Ryan Sue, via an online app and their disagreement centered on the amount Sue would pay the victim for sexual favors. Sue was arrested and transported to the Santa Monica Jail for assaulting the victim.

Champion Rams' playoff hopes gone with 3 weeks left to play

GREG BEACHAM
AP Sports Writer

The inevitable became official Monday night when the Los Angeles Rams were officially eliminated from playoff contention, their Super Bowl victory followed up by one of the worst title defense seasons in NFL history.

One more loss will make them the league's worst defending champions, since only these Rams (4-10) and the 1999 Denver Broncos ever lost 10 games after raising the trophy. Los Angeles is the first defending champ to miss the playoffs since 2016.

> "You can make sense of why you have gotten here, but it still doesn't make it any easier, and it is a very humbling season for sure - Sean McVay

The Rams are missing the postseason for just the second time in their six seasons under Sean McVay, the youngest coach ever to win the Super Bowl. While injuries across the roster are the primary culprit for the depth of this failure, the Rams' opening-night blowout loss to Buffalo indicated things weren't right in Los Angeles — and they've only gotten worse.

"You can make sense of why you have gotten here, but it still doesn't make it any easier, and it is a very humbling season for sure," McVay said.

The Rams' inability to field a healthy roster stands in sharp contrast to their injury luck in previous seasons under McVay. Along with the absence of their top two receivers and massive injury problems across the offensive line, the Rams are on their fourth starting quarterback of the season in Baker Mayfield, who couldn't get much going in chilly Green Bay with teammates he met less than two weeks ago.

"It is extremely tough ... but it's NFL football," cornerback Jalen Ramsey said. "It happens. Some years you'll be super healthy, and then some years like this year the injury bug will hit you all over the place. It's part of the game that we play and love and sign up for."

The Rams have less than three weeks left before their early offseason, but they insist they're not packing it in. They've got a short week of preparation for an extremely winnable Christmas home game against the Denver Broncos, who share their 4-10 record.

"Playoff contenders, whoever we can knock out, make it harder for them, that's what we want to do," running back Cam Akers said. "Go play our game. We've got three more left. We want to win all three of them."

WHAT'S WORKING

The Rams are stepping up as a group to make up for the absence of Aaron Donald, who earned yet another Pro Bowl selection Monday despite missing his third straight game with a high ankle sprain. Greg Gaines had a sack, six tackles and two tackles for loss in the middle of the defensive line, while Leonard Floyd stepped up with two sacks of Aaron Rodgers.

WHAT NEEDS HELP

They had another comically inept offensive game in Green Bay, managing just 156 total yards with only two drives surpassing 50 yards. Los Angeles now has the NFL's worst offense by yards per game. Mayfield passed for a modest 111 yards, and Akers was LA's leading receiver with just 35 yards. The weather and Mayfield's unfamiliarity with his receivers played roles, but the Rams don't have the talent or the offensive game plan to succeed these days.

STOCK UP

Akers had the only strong game from the offense, rushing for 65 yards with a season-best 19-yard carry even though McVay abandoned the run early. If nothing else, Akers is finally flashing the talent that made him a second-round draft pick three years ago, and he could boost his stock if the Rams again try to move on from him in the offseason.

STOCK DOWN

Mayfield looked skittish behind the Rams' offensive line, which is a completely logical response to playing with this group of third-stringers and fourth-stringers next to right tackle Rob Havenstein, who appeared to have a terrible game himself in Green Bay. The excitement of Mayfield's debut victory over the Raiders evaporated, but another week of practice and the friendly confines of SoFi Stadium should help him.

INJURIES

Center Brian Allen has been playing through injuries for most of the season, and he lasted just one play against Green Bay before leaving with a calf injury.

KEY NUMBER

15 — The Rams' total number of penalties over the past two weeks. Los Angeles was the NFL's second-least-penalized team in 2021, and it had been the least-penalized team in the league this season until a rash of mistakes pushed the Rams out of the top spot.

NEXT STEPS

The Rams have legitimate hopes of winning on Christmas, but they will also be looking ahead to a New Year's Day showdown with the Chargers. The Rams really don't want to lose to their playoff-contending tenants, even in a game that's meaningless to the Rams.



REQUEST FOR QUALIFICATIONS AND PROPOSALS
LEASE LEASEBACK (LLB) RFQ/P #23.10.SMS
FOR PRELIMINARY AND CONSTRUCTION SERVICES

Will **Rogers Elementary School Early Elementary Building & John Adams Middle School Library Renovation Project**

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (District) issues a Request for Qualifications and Proposals (RFQ/P) to invite the submission of statement of qualifications and proposals (Response(s)) from contractors to perform construction services and preliminary (preconstruction) services for the District's Will Rogers Elementary School Early Elementary Building & John Adams Middle School Library Renovation Project pursuant to the lease-leaseback delivery method. (Ed. Code, § 17406.) The **Projects construction cost is estimated to be $19,000,000 for Will Rogers ES & $1,000,000 for JAMS MS for a combined total estimated value of $20,000,000**

This Project consists of two separate DSA project numbers at campuses on adjacent properties which will be contracted to a single LLB Contractor, each project will have a separate LLB contract. The scope of the **Will Rogers Early Elementary Building Project** will include the construction of a 11,250 GSF one-story, Type IIB, seven classroom building as well as a 5,730 SF covered exterior space, an 8,600 SF landscaped play area with play equipment, a new 26,425 SF artificial turf field and hard court play areas. Other scope includes the removal of six portable classrooms and a restroom building, two off-site curb cuts, fencing and gates, play equipment, paving and landscaping. The scope of the **JAMS Library Renovation Project** will include the interior renovation of an existing library space as well as a new outdoor deck, stairs, fencing and other amenities. The renovation will include abatement and demolition of the existing building, new finishes throughout, and new MEP systems.

This Project is subject to the March 2, 2017, Project Labor Agreement by and between the District and Los Angeles/Orange Counties Building and Construction Trades Council (PLA). A copy of the PLA is included in "ATTACHMENT 3 – District's Lease Leaseback Contract" of the issued RFQ/P.

A VOLUNTARY SITE VISIT located at 2401 14th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90405 will be conducted **on January 5, 2023 at 12:00 PM.** All attending Contractors should arrive at least 5 minutes before the scheduled commencement of the Site Visit. Failure to attend or tardiness will render the Contractor ineligible to submit a Response.

Contractors that intend to submit a Response to the RFQ/P must prequalify with the District by submitting the District's Prequalification Questionnaire through QualityBidders located at the following link: https://www.qualitybidders.com/, on or before **January 11, 2023;** hold a Class B Contractors License that is current, valid, and in good standing with the California Contractor's State License Board, and meet the minimum project requirements noted within the RFQ/P. **Contractors that have prequalified within a year of the deadline for the submittal of Proposals set forth in the schedule in the RFQ/P do not need to submit the Prequalification Questionnaire.**

The RFQ/P can be found on the SecureBids website at https://colbisecurebids.com/opportunity/view/174, or by contacting Sheere Bishop-Griego at smbishop@smmusd.org. Electronic Responses must be received by **3:00 p.m. on January 23, 2023** via the SecureBids website, https://colbisecurebids.com/o/smmusd/LLBRFQP2310SMSRogersJAMs.

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If the District issues addenda to this RFQ/P, contractors are solely responsible for and must acknowledge receipt of addenda in the contractor's Response. Failure to acknowledge and respond to any addenda issued by the District may, in the District's sole discretion, render the contractor's Response to be deemed non-responsive. The District, at its discretion, may award the Project, as further set forth in the RFQ/P.

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SMASH/Muir Water Intrusion Remediation Project

The Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (District) issues a Request for Qualifications and Proposals (RFQ/P) to invite the submission of statement of qualifications and proposals (Response(s)) from contractors to perform construction services and preliminary (preconstruction) services for the District's SMASH/Muir Water Intrusion Remediation Project pursuant to the lease-leaseback delivery method. (Ed. Code, § 17406.) **The Project construction cost is estimated to be between $16,000,000.00 - $16,600,000.00.**

The scope of the Project will include demolition including removal and disposal of all roofing, flashing, vertical surfaces to expose the plywood sheer walls, complete removal of the bottom four feet of plywood sheer walls, all gutters and rainwater drain lines, all architectural structures mounted to the exterior of the buildings, and exterior MEP elements; environmental work including eradication of environmental hazards including biological growth; structural work including upgrade of the structural systems to meet current seismic codes and replacement of some other structural; sitework including replacement of underground storm-drain and sewer elements; water-proofing including restoration of all outdoor water-proofing elements including exterior walls, roofs, windows, doors, flashings, drains, and all building penetrations. Reinstallation of all exterior MEP systems as well as replacement of all guardrails, handrails, and other architectural building elements.

A MANDATORY SITE VISIT located at 2526 6th Street, Santa Monica, CA 90405 will be conducted **on January 5, 2023 at 11:00 AM. All attendees must bring & wear a KN95 mask in order to access buildings during the walk.** All attending Contractors should arrive at least 5 minutes before the scheduled commencement of the Site Visit. Failure to attend or tardiness will render the Contractor ineligible to submit a Response.

Contractors that intend to submit a Response to the RFQ/P must prequalify with the District by submitting the District's Prequalification Questionnaire through QualityBidders located at the following link: https://www.qualitybidders.com/, on or before **January 11, 2023**; hold a Class B Contractors License that is current, valid, and in good standing with the California Contractor's State License Board, and meet the minimum project requirements noted within the RFQ/P. **Contractors that have prequalified within a year of the deadline for the submittal of Proposals set forth in the schedule in the RFQ/P do not need to submit the Prequalification Questionnaire.**

The RFQ/P can be found on the SecureBids website at https://colbisecurebids.com/opportunity/view/173, or by contacting Sheere Bishop-Griego at smbishop@smmusd.org. Electronic Responses must be received by **3:00 p.m. on January 23, 2023** via the SecureBids website, https://colbisecurebids.com/o/smmusd/LLBRFQP2309SMSSMASHMuir.

The successful contractor(s) shall be required to furnish a 100% Performance Bond and a 100% Payment Bond if awarded a contract for the Project(s). The successful contractor(s) and its subcontractors shall pay all workers on the Project(s) not less than the general prevailing rate of per diem wages and the general prevailing rate for holiday and overtime work as determined by the Director of the Department of Industrial Relations, State of California, for the type of work performed and the locality in which the work is to be performed within the boundaries of the District, pursuant to Labor Code sections 1770 et seq. Prevailing wage rates are available from the District or on the Internet at: http://www.dir.ca.gov. Contractors shall comply with the registration and qualification requirements pursuant to Labor Code sections 1725.5 and 1771.1 .

If the District issues addenda to this RFQ/P, contractors are solely responsible for and must acknowledge receipt of addenda in the contractor's Response. Failure to acknowledge and respond to any addenda issued by the District may, in the District's sole discretion, render the contractor's Response to be deemed non-responsive. The District, at its discretion, may award the Project, as further set forth in the RFQ/P.

SANTA MONICA-MALIBU UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
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APPLE TART

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a touch of elegance and consists only of four ingredients; puff pastry, Granny Smith apples, melted butter and sugar. The recipe calls for the dessert to be cooked on the stove top, which allows the apples to reach that perfect level of caramelization and jam-like goodness. We then roll out the puff pastry right before baking, this process takes extra time and care but makes it worthwhile in the end. After 20 minutes in the oven, this tart is turned out and placed with the apples faced up, then topped with our homemade Vanilla Custard. Adding a touch of class, we drizzle caramel over the dessert, followed by a dash of powdered sugar right before it is taken to our guests to enjoy."

Mestas encourages home cooks to find easier meals when planning for holiday celebrations and not over-complicate things or lose sight of the joy in cooking. However, for those that dont' want to cook, they can just visit the restaurant. Meat On Ocean, 1501 Ocean Ave., https://www.meatonocean.com.

MEAT ON OCEAN'S RUSTIC APPLE TART

Ingredients:

- 2 oz. Puff Pastry
- 1 Granny Smith Apple, Peeled
- 2 and 1 / 4 oz. Unsalted Butter, Softened
- 2 and 1 / 4 oz. Sugar
- 1 / 2 Tsp. Powdered Sugar (for topping)
- 1 Scoop Vanilla Ice Cream (for topping)

Instructions:

1. Gather, prepare, and measure out all ingredients and preheat oven to 375 degrees Fahrenheit.

2. Peel, core, and cut the apple into eights, set aside.

3. Cut or roll out one 6 in. circle of puff pastry, set aside.

4. Place the butter in a small, round cast-iron pan and "pound" until it evenly distributes over the base of the pan.

5. Sprinkle the sugar over the butter, then arrange the apple pieces in a circular design on top.

6. Place the cast iron with the apples on the stove over a medium-high heat and allow to caramelize (about 6 – 8 minutes).

7. Remove the pan from the stove top, place on a sheet tray, top with the disc of puff pastry, and bake at 375F for 15 minutes.

8. To serve, turn the tart out onto a plate with the apples facing up, then top with one scoop of vanilla ice cream and powdered sugar.

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BUDGET

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difference to people like Ivonne Sonato-Vega, a medical assistant in Santa Rosa.

Last year she used some of the $4,000 in federal child tax credits on school supplies and clothes for the four children she and her boyfriend are raising, she said. With prices rising this year, she was unable to save any of that subsidy.

If the credits were an annual payment, she said, it would allow her to plan for expenses, maybe use it as "a little savings account" to draw on when the children grow out of their clothes or save it for a security deposit if the family needs to move.

"It was kind of like a tease," she said of the credit. "It was here and then not."

Advocates said they also want the state to create an unemployment benefits program for undocumented immigrants and to include all low-income immigrants, regardless of immigration status, in its food assistance program.

"We know the projected budget shortfalls make it more challenging, but the past few years highlighted why something like this is so important," said Sasha Feldstein, economic justice policy manager at the California Immigrant Policy Center. "People who are excluded from our safety net have been the most adversely impacted from the COVID-19 pandemic and are the most harmed during times of economic downturn."

Lawmakers and Newsom this year allocated money to expand the California Food Assistance Program, a state version of food stamps, to include undocumented immigrants age 55 and older; the benefits are expected to become available late next year. Newsom vetoed a bill that would have tested an unemployment benefits program for undocumented immigrants, citing costs.

THE MAKINGS OF A BUDGET PROBLEM

The projected shortfall is the state's first major fiscal challenge since Newsom's office predicted a $54 billion shortfall in May 2020, when the country was in the grips of the COVID-19 pandemic. After financial markets rebounded and the federal government provided unprecedented stimulus, the anticipated shortfall resulted in surpluses.

The Federal Reserve began hiking interest rates in March 2022 to cool inflation. Then housing sales, initial public stock offerings and stock markets fell. All are important sources of personal income tax revenue.

In California, personal income withholding fell even as the job market recovered.

Over the last decade, California has increasingly relied on some of the state's highest earners to fund its budget which, among other things, takes aim at poverty and some of the nation's starkest income inequality.

Much of the state's general fund is paid for by its progressive personal income tax, which voters in 2012 raised on the state's highest earners after Brown warned of cuts to health and education. In 2016 voters extended those higher income tax rates through 2030 while also allowing a temporary sales tax to expire. The increases, meant for education and healthcare spending, have also paid for increased social safety net spending.

About 49% of the personal income tax paid in California in 2020 came from just 1% of tax filers, according to the state's finance department. And in the past decade, taxes collected from the most volatile form of income — capital gains — have doubled, making up a larger share of the state's revenue and tying the state's budget to particularly unstable economic cycles.

To address that, voters approved changes to the state's rainy day fund in 2014. The changes serve as a check on spending, directing California to capture additional dollars in reserve when capital gains tax receipts are high.

Building reserves large enough for a state to ride through a recession is difficult, said Donald Boyd, a state finance expert at the University of Albany in New York.

"As a practical matter, it is very hard to build a rainy day fund that's big enough to get you through a rainy season," Boyd said. "You need huge amounts of money to offset the effects of even a modest recession."

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LAWSUIT

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period, claiming that a one time payment would cause "undue financial hardship" and negatively impact the District's ability to meet student needs.

"The District does not have sufficient funds available to pay the amounts rendered in the Verdicts by lump sum," the resolution stated. "A lump-sum payment of the Verdicts would serve as a severe undue financial hardship on the District and its ability to provide services now and in the future."

The resolution was brought forward in compliance with Government Code Section 970.6 which "provides that a judgment that imposes an undue hardship on a public agency may be paid over a period of ten (10) years in equal yearly installment payments."

A Los Angeles jury found in favor of the plaintiffs on Oct. 20 after a long trial. Since the announcement of the verdict, District officials have maintained that they do not believe it was justified, a sentiment echoed by Superintendent Ben Drati at the Dec. 15 Board meeting, during which the new trial and resolution were discussed.

"The district's first step is to seek a new trial because we believe that the evidence simply doesn't support the verdict or the damages that were awarded," he said. "It is incredibly important that we simultaneously take steps to protect the students and ensure that whatever happens we can always provide all the services they need in the future."

The lawsuit, which was filed back in 2019, alleged that Galit Gottlieb, a school district employee at Juan Cabrillo Elementary School in Malibu at the time, used corporal punishment including physical restraint, physical abuse and intentional battery against the two special needs second graders. The lawsuit also names multiple other SMMUSD staff members who it said knew about the abuse but failed to act on or report it.

The incidents described in the case occurred during the 2017-18 school year and were initially reported to the parents by a bus driver with the District, who said she witnessed Gottlieb physically restrain the students and punish them by putting hand sanitizer on their dry, chapped hands with the intent of causing pain. The twins were seven years old at the time.

Board President Maria Leon-Vasquez said that seeking further legal action in the case does not mean the district is not supportive of the students involved in the incident.

"These are procedural motions that are being made simultaneously with our motion for a new trial and in no way does it negate what transpired with our two students in Malibu," she said. "I'm just totally not satisfied with whatever role our staff might have taken place in that."

She added that she views distributing the payments to be in the best interest of all students in the district.

"We truly are supportive of all our kids in this situation and what happened in that we hope that we can resolve this, and, again we have to take also precautions in that we have to make sure that we can move forward so that we're not causing other damage to the rest of the other students," she said.

Leon-Vasquez said further updates on the state of the case can be expected in January.

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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
Alvin.Ho@santamonica.gov

Applications are due in the Rent Control Board office by 12:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 5, 2023.

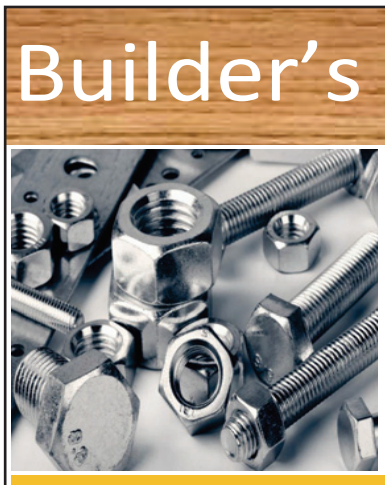
Applicants will be invited to make a presentation of up to 3-minutes to the Rent Control Board at a public meeting at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, January 12, 2023. The Rent Control Board will appoint a new commissioner that evening.

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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TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Dec. 21)

You have a beautiful energy and ease in 2023 because you don't have to force anything. What you naturally want to do will work well with the rhythms of life. Patterns and routines emerge to support your success. You'll teach and travel. You'll see many sides of life and relate to people well because you recognize that there is no universal reality. Libra and Virgo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 7, 30, 28, 22 and 1.

HOROSCOPES

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You get the feeling you're competing for someone's attention — an uncomfortable position to be in. Magic question: What is the actual value of this prize dangling before you? The way to win is to remove yourself from the contest.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). When the project is going well, enjoy the coast. But if it's not, just know that the torturous projects have more to teach. Your persistence through the build up, tear down, repeat drama is the training that makes you a master.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Your feelings won't lie, but they'll exaggerate. There's a wide range of choice involved in the interpretation of events. If you're going to exaggerate, you may as well do so in the direction of lightheartedness and humor.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). There are risks you've been reticent to take, like making a pitch, attending an event or approaching someone new. You'll be emboldened to make a move. The nerves don't disappear, but they get more manageable.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You wouldn't ask for directions from a tourist, and neither will you seek advice from someone who hasn't solved your kind of problem before. Ask for credentials at the top of an interaction. It gets awkward if you wait.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). No matter how far we push forward, there will always be the same thing ahead: uncertainty. The next place is unknowable. Will you discover what you seek? Will it be how you imagined it? Your adventurous heart will lead the way.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). You love how a certain kind of work feels — like being in the flow of the cosmic river, like dancing with the universe, like burning with the stars. Your love of the process means that your satisfaction never hinges on a certain result.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Humans need humans to survive. That's why one of our most primitive fears is the fear of being separated from the group. But before you get involved and make efforts to fit in, make sure it's a group worthy of belonging to.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). A complicated relationship becomes a little less so. It doesn't happen because of a conversation or any new knowledge you acquire. It's a change in you. Your openness and acceptance bring harmony to the relationship.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). The short-term goal is only as important as the long-term goal is sound. Your mind is on where you're going, but it's also on what's nice about where you are. It turns out, a lot!

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Everyone has a delicate ego. When you think ahead about how to bring the information in a way others will accept without having to get defensive, you will be very successful with your communication.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). It feels like private turmoil that only you can relate to, but it's actually more common than you think. Finding and cultivating a relationship with the right confidante is a goal worthy of serious effort considering all it can add to your life.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

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

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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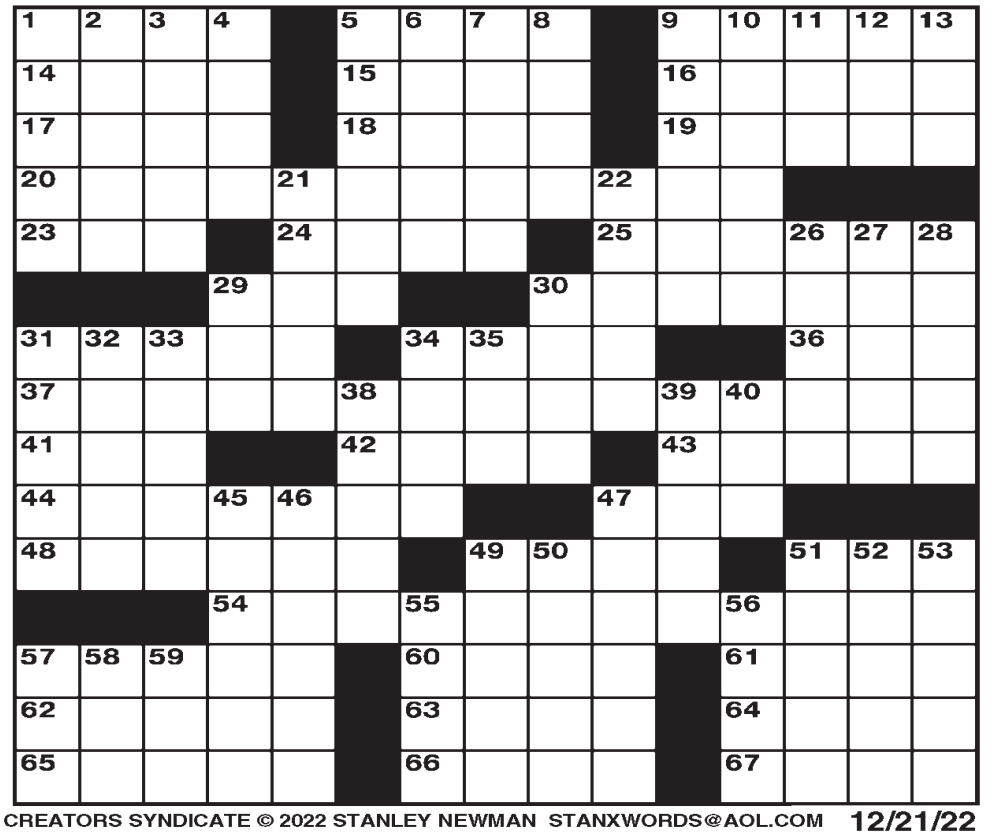
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Newsday Crossword

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ACROSS
1 Bed for a baby
5 Depletes of energy
9 Frighten
14 Angler's device
15 Frequently
16 Mythical underworld
17 Natural balm
18 Misplace
19 Wed on the run
20 Bloodhound's asset
23 Be too nosy
24 Cast a ballot
25 Steers clear of
29 Wicked deed
30 These days, surprisingly
31 Jelly served with meat
34 Make an appearance
36 __ carte menu
37 Doesn't rush, to begin with
41 Heavy weight
42 Makes public
43 Follows the rules
44 50%
47 Luau finger food
48 Secondhand transaction
49 Veal or venison
51 Tot's dinner wear
54 Overused excuse
57 Enjoy greatly
60 Dry as a desert
61 Sound from a tiger
62 Strong dislike
63 Evaluate
64 Not fooled by
65 Stools and sofas
66 Snowy day ride
67 Certain young adult

DOWN
1 Hold tightly
2 Measuring stick
3 Literary twist
4 Hive dwellers
5 Old West tavern
6 Airborne
7 Old West pursuit group
8 Flower stalk
9 Put off for a while
10 Pay a visit to
11 Big fuss
12 Sales agent, for short
13 Suffix for many language names
21 Oust
22 Roof overhangs
26 Extremely impressed
27 Mover's rolling device
28 Moves in the breeze
29 "Dear __ or Madam . . ."
30 CPR experts
31 Fur magnate John Jacob __
32 Carved in __ (unchangeable)
33 Glass sheets
34 Hairstyle
35 ". . . __ flag was still there"
38 Oregon's capital
39 Plunders
40 Kimono sash
45 Borrows, as a library book
46 Frightens
47 Containing cushioning
49 Ending of a fable
50 A-list group
51 Legendary pioneer Daniel
52 Very angry
53 Poet friend of Shelley
55 All __ (listening carefully)
56 Leisurely run
57 Theme of the puzzle
58 Suffix for lemon or orange
59 Going through, on itineraries



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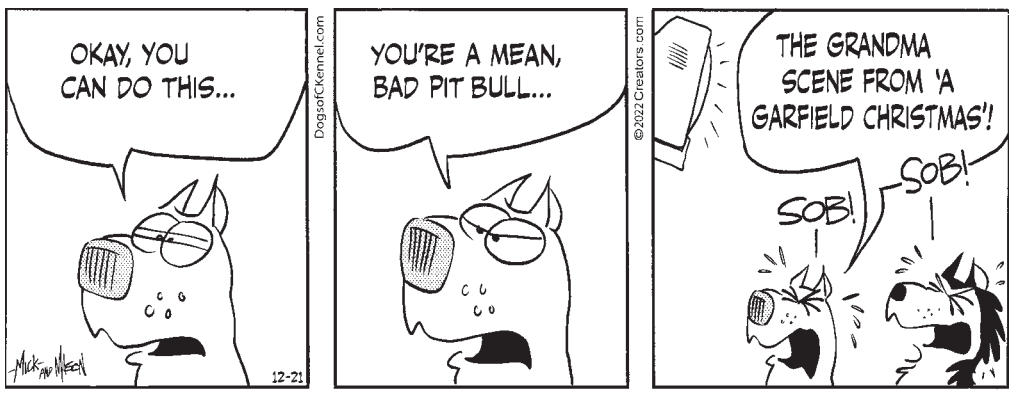
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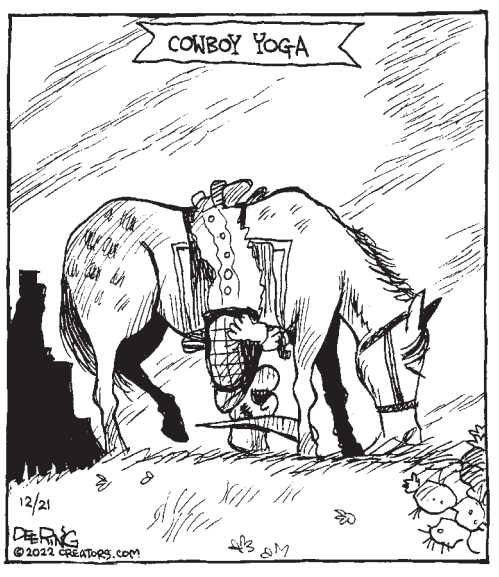
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"IS THAT A MAN-EATING SNOWMAN?"

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

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Akubra	Coal	Gold	Rage	Surf
Amazes	Creep	Hobo	Razoo	Toey
Ambo	Darwin	Ice	Rest	Togs
Arvo	Deserts	Idly	Rook	True blue
Bananas	Dinkum	Jolly	Rort	Uluru
Beer	Ditch	Lucky	Rules	Upter
Bogie	Duds	Moon	Shout	Urger
Boomerang	Egos	Ogle	Sickie	Ya mug
Bung on	Fire	Opal	Smoko	Yarra
Chap	Form	Pack	Snag	Yobbo

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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.

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

LIVE HOLIDAY MUSIC AT LOEWS SANTA MONICA BEACH HOTEL
Sip on handcrafted holiday cocktails and let the festive entertainment bring the magic of the season to life at Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel. All That Jazz – Thursdays from 5:30 - 8:30 p.m. Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel, 1700 Ocean Ave.

HOLA IBIZA AT LOULOU
Grab your friends and family and come experience the magic Mediterranean Isla Blanca at ¡Hola Ibiza! Night at the Santa Monica French-Mediterranean restaurant, LouLou. Every Thursday at 6:30pm, starting December 1st, guests can fully taste and experience the Bohemian Chic lifestyle with live musicians and performers such as the group Spanish Guitar LA and limited-time specials of authentic Spanish paella, tapas, and sangria! LouLou, 395 Santa Monica Place #300.

FRIDAY | DECEMBER 23

LIVE HOLIDAY MUSIC AT LOEWS SANTA MONICA BEACH HOTEL
Sip on handcrafted holiday cocktails and let the festive entertainment bring the magic of the season to life at Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel. Acoustic Evenings – Friday from 6 - 9 p.m. Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel, 1700 Ocean Ave.

THE ARTIST COLLECTION AT LOEWS SANTA MONICA BEACH HOTEL
Join for this year's Holiday Edition, spotlighting Artist Susu Zheng. Susu Zheng is the founder of Susu, a handbag brand with a new flagship boutique in Santa Monica. Loews Santa Monica Beach Hotel, 1700 Ocean Ave.

SATURDAY | DECEMBER 24

SANTA MONICA BEACH BELLES AT SANTA MONICA PLACE
Come watch the Santa Monica Beach Belles perform high-flying kicks that will "wow" the whole family at Center Plaza. Santa Monica Place, 395 Santa Monica Place. 12 - 4 p.m.

ICE AT SANTA MONICA
Visit Winterlit's Ice at Santa Monica to experience all-day ice skating. Skate under the stars at the only 8,000 square-foot outdoor ice rink on the Westside and enjoy no timed sessions, no limits and an all-day skate pass lets you skate to your heart's content and includes re-entry. $20. 1324 5th Street. https://downtownsm.com/winterlit

SUNDAY | DECEMBER 25

HOLIDAY FUN 5K, 10K, 15K & HALF MARATHON
It's time for the Holiday Fun 5k, 10k, 15k, or Half Marathon on Sunday, December 25! This is a fun run that is clock timed. Sign up for any one of the open courses and run or walk and feel the spirit of the holidays. Burn off some calories and make some room for the holiday feast. $26 - 40. 2000 Ocean Ave. https://www.raceplace.com/events/122199/holiday-fun-5k-10k-15k-half-marathon-2022.

For help submitting an event, contact us at
310-458-7737 or submit to events@smdp.com



SURF REPORT

WATER TEMP: **58.6**

WEDNESDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:** 1-2ft Knee to thigh	Up a notch from the start of the week as SSW swell nudges up and a little more NW windswell blends in. Potential for AM offshore flow.
THURSDAY *POOR TO FAIR*	**SURF:** 1-2ft Knee to thigh	Could be a playful little combo day. SSW swell holds, up a notch, and a new WNW swell creeps up through the day. Offshore wind and clean conditions look likely for the morning.

WEATHER

Wednesday: Sunny, with a high near 67. North northeast wind around 10 mph.
Wednesday Night: Mostly clear, with a low around 49.
Thursday: Mostly sunny, with a high near 66.
Thursday Night: Mostly cloudy, with a low around 49.

Date	Day	Time (LST/LDT)	Predicted (ft)	High/Low
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
2022/12/21	Wed	8:35 PM	3.71	H
2022/12/22	Thu	01:05 AM	1.98	L
2022/12/22	Thu	07:33 AM	6.89	H
2022/12/22	Thu	2:56 PM	-1.57	L
2022/12/22	Thu	9:23 PM	3.77	H
2022/12/23	Fri	01:50 AM	2.05	L
2022/12/23	Fri	08:16 AM	7.09	H
2022/12/23	Fri	3:42 PM	-1.78	L
2022/12/23	Fri	10:13 PM	3.80	H
2022/12/24	Sat	02:37 AM	2.10	L
2022/12/24	Sat	09:01 AM	7.08	H
2022/12/24	Sat	4:30 PM	-1.77	L
2022/12/24	Sat	11:05 PM	3.82	H
2022/12/25	Sun	03:29 AM	2.18	L
2022/12/25	Sun	09:49 AM	6.82	H

DAILY LOTTERY

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POWERBALL
Draw Date: 12/19
7 37 55 65 67
Power#: 12
Jackpot: 170 M

MEGA MILLIONS
Draw Date: 12/16
8 35 40 53 56
Mega#: 11
Jackpot: 465 M

SuperLotto PLUS
Draw Date: 12/17
3 4 11 27 39
Mega#: 22
Jackpot: 17 M

Fantasy 5
Draw Date: 12/19
18 25 27 28 37

Daily 3
Draw Date: 12/19
EVENING: 8 0 1
Draw Date: 12/19
MIDDAY: 8 7 5

Daily Derby
Draw Date: 12/19
1st: 03 - Hot Shot
2nd: 11 - Money Bags
3rd: 06 - Whirl Win
Race Time: 1:46.84

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