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SANTA MONICA UPDATE

Santa Monica Update is a bi-weekly news show produced by City TV, the government cable channel for the City of Santa Monica. The show features news, packages, interviews, local sports and a calendar of events.

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Santa Monica is home to a number of distinctive shopping districts, each with their own personality and character—and they're all within a few miles of one another.

On Santa Monica's Main Street, just a few blocks from the Pacific Ocean, you'll find eclectic retail shops, antiques, contemporary art, restaurants, coffee houses and evening entertainment all along the twelve blocks from Pico Boulevard to Rose Avenue, just a short walk from the beach. Visit www.mainstreetsm.com for more information.

On the north end of town, Montana Avenue is yet another shopping and Epicurean delight, with numerous

boutiques and trendy restaurants lining the blocks between Lincoln Boulevard and 20th Street. Find out more at www.montanaave.com.

And finally, Pico Boulevard, just south of the Civic Center, offers exotic cuisines, fine dining, performances and theater venues, as well as specialty shops where you can find vintage records or clothing, ceramic art, quilting fabric, guitars, music lessons, maps and travelogues, costumes and even exotic pets. Learn more at www.picoblvd.org.

The City of Santa Monica offers fun and interesting enrichment classes at several local elementary schools. Musical theatre, art, dance, karate, tennis, Spanish and yoga are just a few of the many classes available to children in kindergarten through 5th grades. Classes enhance the learning experience by providing an outlet for participants to explore new and varied subjects not offered during the school day. Classes are affordable, offered at school (so there is no need to carpool to another location), and taught by award-winning, professional instructors. For information on school-based enrichment classes, call (310) 458-8540.

The city also offers a full range of park-based enrichment classes for youth. [RecScape](#), the community class schedule, is published quarterly and delivered to all Santa Monica residents as an insert to the city's newsletter [SeaScape](#). For more information on classes, please call (310) 458-2239.

Immunizations are shots or vaccines given to prevent deadly diseases such as tetanus, diphtheria, pertussis, polio and measles. Most children need to begin the series of vaccinations two months after birth to be

properly protected, and continue shots on a schedule. Because prevention is so important, proof of vaccination against these diseases is required before attending public school in California . For an appointment or more information, call the Venice Family Clinic at 392-8636, or call the Westside Family Health Center at (310) 450-2191.

The Healthy Families Program offers low cost insurance for children and teens up to age 19. It provides health, dental and vision coverage to children who meet the program rules and do not qualify for free Medi-Cal. If you have questions, call 1-800-880-5305, or visit www.healthyfamilies.ca.gov.

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The world-famous Santa Monica Pier offers great fun for the entire family. Take a walk along the Pier, stroll through the gift shops, visit the restaurants, or be adventurous and ride the giant Ferris wheel at Pacific Park to get a panoramic view of the coastline. Visitors of all ages enjoy the merry-go-round horses at our historic Carousel. Fishing is available on three fishing decks. Many attractions are open at night, especially during the summer, and live entertainment is featured in some of the restaurants. The Twilight Dance Series, which runs on Thursday nights from the beginning of July through early September, is a particular favorite of residents and visitors alike.

The Pier is open year-round, though hours vary by season for the entertainment venues. Pacific Park, which offers free admission, pay as you go rides and facility rentals for private parties, operates all year long, as well. The hours vary, however, so it is best to call the park for information before you plan your visit. The number to call is 260-8744.

The Carousel's schedule is also variable by season, however, rides cost only 50 cents for children and \$1 for adults. Children under 6 are free with a ticketed adult. For information on hours, please call 394-8042. The Carousel is available for private parties and events. For details, please call (310) 395-4248.

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The Santa Monica Pier Aquarium, a community program of Heal the Bay, is located on the lower level of the Pier at 1600 Ocean Front Walk. It features interactive displays, touch tanks filled with animals found in tide pools and aquaria exhibits are some of the main features of the Pier Aquarium. The aquarium offers school groups, families and visitors a unique view into the ocean world just outside its doors and is home to dozens of species of animals and plants of the Santa Monica Bay.

The aquarium is open daily, but hours vary. Please call (310) 393-6149 for information, or visit www.healthebay.org.

Rosie's Girls - For girls entering 6th-8th grades, this three-week intensive program focuses on building participants' self-esteem, physical confidence, interpersonal cooperation, and leadership abilities, through learning and applying basic skills in areas such as carpentry, welding, self-defense, and firefighting. Rosie's Girls is offered during the summer only.

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The Santa Monica Pier is open 365 days a year. Admission is free.

Parking is available on both the Pier Deck and the Beachfront nearby. Limited short term parking is also available.

Santa Monica weather forecast is available. For more information call (310) 458-8900.

Did you know the city offers award-winning summer, and winter and spring-school break day camps, which are reasonably priced and right in your neighborhood?

Camp Santa Monica - For youth ages 8-12, this camp offers exciting new enrichment courses, weekly field trips, swimming, and non-conventional programming. Activities focusing on such areas as nature and the environment, science, literacy, sportsmanship, and the arts, provide participants with a fun and educational experience. Weekly field trips to amusement parks, sporting events, and local attractions, along with weekly swimming trips, keep campers refreshed and engaged. Camp Santa Monica is offered during the summer, and during winter and spring school breaks.

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Santa Monica Sports Experience - For boys and girls ages 8-14, this unique camp offers a variety of sports activities, in conjunction with innovative theme weeks. Weekly activities include traditional sports such as flag football, soccer, baseball and volleyball, as well as special activities like rollerblading, boogie boarding and surfing. Santa Monica Sports Experience is offered during the summer, and during winter and spring school breaks.

Camp staff have extensive experience engaging children in fun and exciting activities that challenge their bodies and minds. All camp staff work with children year-round

in school-based programs and have hands-on experience creating and delivering programs. All camp staff are also certified in CPR and first aid.

Financial assistance is available to qualifying families. For more information, please call the Youth Office at (310) 458-8540 between 8:30 a.m. and 6 p.m., Monday through Friday. After hours and on weekends, you may leave a message and your call will be returned on the next business day.

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