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“Judge Denies Stern’s Request For Preliminary Injunction”

I am the Attorney representing Mrs. Irene Stern against the Beverly Hills Unified School District. I am responding to your article about her which ran on July 20 [issue #355] to express my opinion of the circumstances.

As you know, because she felt that the district was trying to force her out, Mrs. Stern sent a letter to the Board stating an intent to retire – not resign – effective June 30, 2006 on February 16, 2006. Before any action or response by the Board, she submitted a second letter rescinding that stated intent to retire on February 21, 2006. The District Board responded in a letter dated February 24, 2006 stating that she had resigned and that it had been accepted under district rules regarding resignations. The rules relied upon, say nothing about retire-

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Chamber Committee Hears Casden's Plans For Mixed-Use Property

Casden representatives presented the Government Affairs Committee with its plans for the space between Saks and Barneys.

By Kari Hamanaka

Development plans for a mixed-use building between retailers Saks Fifth Avenue and Barneys by developer Casden Properties Inc. moved forward as company representatives presented plans to the Chamber of Commerce's Government Affairs Committee last week.

Casden representatives attended the committee's regular meeting on July 20 to outline the two development plans with a PowerPoint overview of the project's specifications.

"It's probable that we'll have [Casden representatives] come back at an appropriate time after the EIR is issued to review it again and to consider a position," said Director of Economic Development and Government Affairs of the Chamber of Commerce Anita Zusman Eddy. "After the committee reviews it and makes a recommendation, its position can be taken to the [Chamber] Board [of

Directors]."

According to Zusman Eddy, committee members had the opportunity to ask questions, but did not hold a discussion about the project.

"It was very clear that this was an information-only presentation and it was not the time to discuss pros and cons about the plans," Zusman Eddy said.

The property being discussed is land on Wilshire Boulevard between retailers Saks and Barneys. Both projects will be developed on the six current surface lots serving Saks customers.

Casden filed two applications splitting the plans for separate evaluations. One parcel of land is at the corner of Peck Drive and Wilshire Boulevard. The second parcel is directly

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

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NOTICE OF INTENT TO PREPARE AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT REPORT (EIR) AND NOTICE OF PUBLIC SCOPING MEETING

DATE: Thursday August 3, 2006

LOCATION: City Council Chambers
Beverly Hills City Hall
455 North Rexford Drive
Beverly Hills, California

TIME: 7:00 to 9:00 p.m.

PROJECT: Proposed Mixed-Use
Development
9900 Wilshire Boulevard
(Robinsons-May Site)



The City of Beverly Hills is preparing an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) for the proposal described below. The public is invited to attend a preliminary "scoping" meeting to comment on environmental issues which should be addressed in the EIR.

Project Location: This site is part of a triangular-shaped parcel located just west of the intersection of Wilshire and Santa Monica Boulevards. The parcel is currently characterized by three distinct developments: the Robinsons-May site, the Hilton Hotel, and the Unocal gas station (see map). The site is currently zoned commercial (C-3) which allows 2:1 floor area ratio (FAR), three stories, and a height of 45 feet.

The proposal requires changes to the existing zoning and general plan, and would be subject to review by the Planning Commission, Architectural Commission, and City Council.

Project Description: Under the proposed plan, the existing Robinsons-May department store and parking areas would be demolished, and the entire site would be redeveloped with residential, retail and restaurant uses, and a landscaped public garden. The request includes:

Use	Description
Residences (Condominiums, Lofts & Townhomes)	252 units in 4 buildings
2 buildings @ 12 stories/144' height	
2 buildings @ 4 stories/48' height	
Commercial/Retail	15,656 square feet at a height of approximately 30 feet along the Santa Monica Blvd. frontage
Restaurant	4,800 s.f. indoor/outdoor seating along the Santa Monica Blvd. frontage
Subterranean Parking	966 spaces

The project may have potentially significant impacts the following topical areas, which will be studied in the EIR: Aesthetics, Air Quality; Cultural Resources; Geology; Hazards and Hazardous Materials; Hydrology and Water Quality; Land Use and Planning; Noise; Population and Housing; Public Services (Police, Fire, Schools, Parks and Recreation, Libraries); Transportation, Traffic and Parking; and Utilities (Water, Wastewater, Solid Waste).

Purpose of the Scoping Meeting: The purpose of the meeting is to present the project in a public setting and provide an opportunity for a full airing of the environmental issues that are important to the community. The meeting will include a presentation of the proposal and the basic elements to be analyzed in the EIR will be described. Following the presentation, interested agencies, organizations, and members of the public will be encouraged to present views concerning what environmental issues should be included in the EIR. The oral and written comments made during the scoping meeting will provide an inventory of potential environmental effects of the project to be addressed by the EIR, such as noise, traffic, parking, air quality, and land use.

The City also invites written comments. These should be addressed to:
City of Beverly Hills
Department of Community Development
455 North Rexford Drive, Room G-40
Beverly Hills, California 90210
ATTN: Donna Jerex, Senior Planner

Emails will also be accepted at: 9900WilshireComments@beverlyhills.org.

To ensure that the Environmental Impact Report addresses any specific concerns that the public may have, comments should be submitted as early as possible, and no later than August 19, 2006.

After the Draft Environmental Impact Report has been prepared, the Planning Commission will hold a public hearing on the EIR and on the project. Notices of the availability of the Draft EIR and of the hearings on the project will be released at later dates.

The case file on this project, which includes the plans and applications, is available for public review at the Planning Division, 455 North Rexford Drive, Room G-40, Beverly Hills, CA 90210. Copies of the checklist of initial environmental issues (initial study) to be addressed by the EIR are also available in the Planning Division at City Hall. If there are any questions regarding this notice, please contact us at 310.285.1123.

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With plans not even in the beginning stages, some community opposition to the project is anticipated because the height of the proposed building at Peck and Wilshire, is 85 feet and pairs living spaces with retail shops.

"This project is currently before the Planning Commission," said Mayor Steve Webb, "and I would anticipate there will be those in the community who have concerns relative to the height of the project and the fact that it is residential in character."

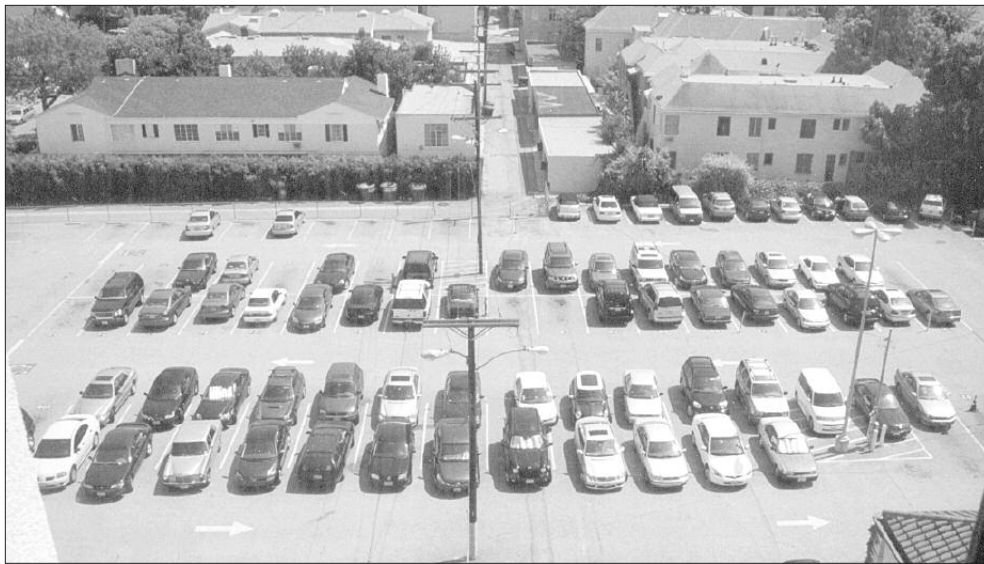
Casden Vice President Howard Katz, who spoke for Casden at the meeting, said he also anticipated some opposition over the project's height.

"The idea of mixed-use on Wilshire is a controversy," Katz said, "and we expect it to take its course. Utilizing the surface area for parcel B [the land running along Peck] does not seem to be controversial."

The land at the corner of Peck and Wilshire, known as parcel A, is comprised of 12,000 square feet and would be a mixed-use facility featuring restaurants and retail with 20 luxury condominiums.

The second application for parcel B includes land that runs from Peck to Camden Drive. This area of land will feature a garage with an additional 40 condos and townhomes. The maximum proposed height is 55 feet, which is 10 feet more than what zoning codes allow.

According to Katz, approximately 170 replacement parking spaces will be made available to condo residents and shoppers in the garage. These spaces will compensate for the



A fifth floor window at Barneys overlooks one of the parking lots Casden Properties would like to develop into a mixed-use building.

parking spaces lost to the two development projects.

Residents living in the southwest portion of the city have already expressed their concerns to Casden representatives.

"There simply is no reason to give a private developer that additional footage just so he can make a lot of money," said Southwest Homeowners Association President Ken Goldman. "The city loses substantial revenues. Six of the seven stories are residential and those residents don't pay business taxes or sales taxes."

Members of the Southwest Homeowners Association met three times with Casden representatives in the last two years at the request of the developer to discuss their concerns.

"They refused to change one thing,"

Goldman said. "I don't call that working with the community at all."

Goldman, who believes it is unlikely the development plans will pass, said even if the proposed development was entirely retail, he would still be opposed to the height and the potential for increased traffic.

"We've separated these two applications, but with the controversy on Peck and Wilshire, it has everyone leaning toward the question of what should go above [the garage or retail stores]," Katz said. "City staff appears to say it should remain commercial."

Webb declined to respond specifically to Katz's comment given that the development plans have not yet gone to the Planning Commission or the city council.

"Since it is likely that this project will come

before the city council in the future, all of us on the City Council would be required to comment on this eventually, and it would be inappropriate for anyone on the council to comment at this time," Webb said, "and likewise, it would be inappropriate for anyone on the Planning Commission to be speaking until all evidence is brought forth."

As reported in several *Weekly* articles, mixed-used development continues to be an ongoing debate in the city.

Last month the Planning Commission had to decide whether or not it wanted to make a recommendation for the proposed development plans at 9200 Wilshire Boulevard, which Irvine-based real estate company Legacy Partners wanted to develop into a mixed-use facility.

After five hearings for the Legacy project, the commission ultimately voted three to one against recommending the project to the city council. Commissioner Shahram Melamed recused himself from the vote because he lives close to the project.

In addition, plans for high-rise luxury condominiums, are being suggested for Century City land adjacent to Beverly High.

Similar to the Casden project, the high-rise faces opposition from some in Beverly Hills concerned about the height and the development's appropriateness next to Beverly High.

The public comment period on the Casden project began June 30 and goes through Aug. 14. A public hearing for the Draft Environmental Impact Report will be held today at 7 p.m. in Commission Room A of city hall.

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ment.

Mrs. Stern came to me on May 1, 2006 for help. I sent a letter to Dr. Hubbard and the Board on May 2, 2006 stating that she had not resigned and setting forth my legal reasoning. I asked them to contact me. I pointed out in this letter that the stated intent to retire was informal and therefore non-binding, because the only way to formally retire is through the submission of a formal application for retirement on a form provided by the State Teachers' Retirement System. See Education Code §24204. Such a form has not been submitted. Even if that form is formally submitted, Mrs. Stern is entitled to withdraw the retirement on the sole condition that the withdrawal is received in the headquarter office of the State Teachers' Retirement System before the end of the month in which the retirement is to be effective. See §24204 (e). Thus, Mrs. Stern can withdraw this retirement even if it is formal as late as June 30, 2006 whether or not the position is filled.

The distinction between stating an informal intention to retire and a resignation is significant. The law recognizes the distinction between resignation and retirement. See *Lucas v. State of California* (1997) 58 Cal.App.4th 744. That case specifically holds that a retirement is not a resignation. I certainly recognize that the case involves a state employee and an analysis of the Government Code. However, there are sufficient, significant parallels in the Education Code to make the logic of that case applica-

ble to this one. This case is likely to be a case of first impression under the Education Code.

In fact, the rules governing retirement and resignations are contained in separate articles within the Education Code. The Resignation provisions are found in Education Code Title 2. Elementary and Secondary Education Division 3 Local Administration Part 25 Employees Chapter 4 Employment - Certificated Employees Article 3 Resignations, Dismissals and Leaves of Absence commencing at Education Code §444930 et seq. The process governing retirements is found in Education Code Title 1 General Education Code Provisions Division 1 General Education Code Provisions Part 13 State Teachers' Retirement System Chapter 27 Service Retirement commencing at Education Code §22000 et seq. The two are therefore treated differently.

The laws that Ms. Chidester refers to in your article are accurate as to resignations. The District rule relied upon in this case. However, it only references the resignation sections in the Education Code and the language of the rule relied upon by the District only uses the word resignation. That rule states:

RESIGNATION [Emphasis in the original]

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Fire Burns Close To City Limits

Los Angeles County firefighters extinguished a brushfire that broke out around 11 a.m. Tuesday. The fire occurred at Rimmele Drive and Benedict Canyon Drive in Beverly Glen.

The fire burned a total of 15 acres and burned in a downward direction. At one point, it threatened homes at the bottom of the hill. A total of 250 firefighters and six water-dropping helicopters were used to contain and finally extinguish the fire. Forty-five LAFD companies were involved in fighting the fire.

Beverly Hills city officials stood by to monitor the fire because of its proximity to city limits.

"Because it's a high brush area, we took immediate action to make sure our residents were protected," Mayor Steve Webb said. "I was very impressed at city hall as to how staff had the play book ready to go and everyone worked very efficiently."

One building had minor damage and two firefighters were hospitalized as a result of the fire. One firefighter was treated for heat exhaustion while another was hit in the back of the neck after a hose burst. Neither injuries were considered to be life threatening.

According to the LAFD, the cause of the fire and total damages are still under investi-

gation.

BHPD Arrest Los Angeles Man For Burglary

Beverly Hills police officers arrested 32-year-old Quellar Evans for residential burglary last Monday. Evans is a resident of Los Angeles.

On the morning of Evans's arrest last week, police were notified at 10:30 a.m. of a "hot prowler" burglary in Foothill Road's 900 block. When the resident found the intruder inside the master bedroom of the house, the suspect left and ran down Foothill towards Sunset Boulevard before police arrived.

"Most burglaries are committed by suspects who purposely go to a place where no one is home," said Lieutenant Mitch McCann. "A 'hot prowler' burglar means the suspect is aware the resident may be at home. They're more brazen."

Police arrived at the Beverly Hills home and searched the nearby area for the suspect. As they patrolled the vicinity, they noticed a man matching the suspect's description running down Sunset. They ultimately determined the man, Evans, was the burglar. He was booked at the police department with a bail set at \$175,000.



Brenda Lavender-Moody

Lavender-Moody Hired As City's First Property Manager

Brenda Lavender-Moody became the city's first full-time property manager July 17. Working within

the Administrative Services Department, Lavender-Moody manages the city's leased retail, office and industrial properties.

She is in charge of handling lease negotiations as well ensuring the satisfaction of building tenants.

Lavender-Moody has a background in property management, which is something she has done for the past 10 years. Before being hired by the city, she was a senior property manager for the Anaheim business, Davis Partners, LLC. She also worked as the general manager of Equity Office Properties in Orange.

June 2006 Home Prices in the 90210 Up; Condominium Prices Down in the 90211

Sale prices for single-family residences increased in the 90210 on 20 homes by 15.3 percent and increased for four homes in the 90212 zip code by 20.8 percent. Sale prices decreased on one home by 2.5 percent since June 2005, according to a report published by Data Quick Real Estate News. (www.dqnews.com)

Condominium prices in the Beverly Hills 90211 decreased on one condo by 9.9 percent, increased in the 90210 on two condos by 30 percent and increased by 65 percent on two condos in the 90212.

The median price for single-family residences in the 90210 zip code is \$2,075,000; in 90211, \$1,350,000; and in the 90212 \$2,175,000.

The median price for condominiums in the 90210 zip code is \$1,087,000; in the 90211 \$642,000; and in the 90212 \$1,225,000.

In Los Angeles County as a whole, sales of

single-family residences are up 9.8 percent to a median price of \$549,000, and condominium prices are up 6.4 percent to a median price of \$417,000 since June 2005.

Miss Teen Beverly Hills Returns From



Candice Hakimfar

Israel

Candice Hakimfar recently returned from a trip to Israel where she visited Haifa the day before it was attacked by Hezbollah. She said her experience in Israel deepened her connection to the country.

"I can relate so much more because I know the land and I know where everything is," Hakimfar said. "I feel such a deeper connection, so much closer to it. It's so weird to

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Or go to www.FreeHeadacheNews.com. The report is free to the public.

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think that I was just there less than a week ago and now this fighting is happening.”

Although Hakimfar is back in Los Angeles, she plans to continue supporting Israel and hopes to get involved with an organization that can help her accomplish just that.

“I really want to help and support Israel and can do so much more in Los Angeles,” Hakimfar said. “Israelis are already pro Israel, and it’s important for me to be here so I can influence more people and do more fundraising to promote Israel.”

Hakimfar is a 2005 Beverly High graduate who won the Miss Teen Beverly Hills pageant this year and plans on competing in the February 2007 Miss Los Angeles pageant.

Watermelon Seed-spitting, Carving To Be Served At Farmer’s Market

A day of madness is planned for the Farmer’s Market’s “Watermelon Madness” this Sunday. The event features Harry Schwartz, a chef on PBS who will offer market-goers recipes for watermelon sno cones or watermelon kiwi smoothies.

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m., activities ranging from watermelon coloring books, to carving demonstrations are available.

The Farmer’s Market is located at 9300 Civic Center Drive. The parking lot at 450 Rexford Drive offers free, two-hour parking. For more information, call (310) 550-4796.

Greystone Mansion Children’s Concert Series Begins

The third annual Music in the Morning

Children’s Concert Series at Greystone Mansion begins Sunday with a performance by Joanie Bartels.

Bartels, a children’s entertainer, sells audio and video media geared toward children. The concert series is meant for kids 3 years of age or older.

Tickets cost \$10 and children under two are free. The performance begins at 10 a.m and will be held in the pool area of Greystone Mansion. Each concert requires a reservation because of the limited seating. To purchase a ticket in advance, call (310) 550-4753.

Film Series To Continue With ‘Cabaret’

Cabaret, which received a best picture Academy Award nomination in 1972, will be shown Monday at the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, as its “Great To Be Nominated, Part Three” series continues, an academy representative said.

Cast members Michael York and Joel Grey, assistant director Wolfgang Glattes, publicist Vic Heutschy and Kathryn Doby, an assistant to the late director Bob Fosse, are scheduled to participate in a panel discussion following the screening.

The curtain time is 7:30 p.m. with the pre-show elements beginning at 7 p.m. Tickets for the screening, are \$5 and \$3 for academy members and students with valid identification and can be purchased at the academy during regular business hours or when doors open at 6:30 p.m.

Briefs compiled by Kari Hamanaka, Adrianna Weingold and Steven Herbert

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shall submit, in writing, a letter of resignation [emphasis added] which indicates the date which the employee intends as his/her last day at work....The Board authorizes the Superintendent or designee to accept an employee’s written resignation [emphasis added] and to set its effective date. Once the Superintendent or designee has accepted and set an effective date for this resignation [emphasis added], the resignation [emphasis added] may not thereafter be withdrawn by the employee.

The plain language of the rule sought to be enforced cites resignation. It does not say retirement. A court must interpret the language by its express terms City of Burbank v. Burbank-Glendale-Pasadena Airport Authority (1999) 72 Cal.App.4th 366, 85 Cal.Rptr.2d 28. It is our position that the Board does not have the authority to accept a retirement, only the retirement system has that authority.

Further the language expressly omits the word retirement. The doctrine of Expressio unius est exclusio alterius may reasonably be applied. That doctrine mandates:

If a statute enumerates ... things to be affected by its provisions, there is an implied exclusion of others, and if a statute specifies one exception to a general rule ...other exceptions or effects are excluded; ... It is an elementary rule of construction that the expression of one excludes the other. And it is equally well settled that the court is without power to supply an omission. Gonzales v. Concord Gardens Mobile Home Park Ltd. (1979) 90 Cal.App.3d 871,

153 Cal.Rptr. 559.

Here, the above cited rule references Education Code section 44930 which deals with resignations and, as stated above, is contained in a separate article from the retirement provisions of the Education code. There is no reference to the retirement sections in the rule. “Retirement” has therefore been completely omitted from the rule and, as such, a court cannot insert an omission into the plain language of the rule.

In any event, your article did not capture the true tenor of the events as they unfolded. The District did not respond to my May 2, 2006 letter so I sent a second letter on June 2, 2006 stating that because of the District’s silence, we considered all administrative remedies to be exhausted and that we would seek judicial intervention.

Unbelievably, on June 13, 2006 after Irene sent her letter rescinding her retirement, and after I sent two letters unequivocally rescinding the informal intent to retire, Dr. Hubbard sent an e-mail stating: “Irene, sorry we missed you today at the Retirement Reception. We wanted to wish you the best as you move on. Take care and good luck! Jeff Jeffrey C. Hubbard, Ed. D. Superintendent of Schools Beverly Hills Unified School District (310) 551-5100 x2210.” Surely you must see the sarcasm in that act.

In response to the e-mail from Hubbard, just in case there had been some error and he had not received my letters, I called Hubbard and spoke to his assistant to

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City of Beverly Hills
Week of: July 25, 2006

The Beverly Hills Weekly receives the information that appears below from the Beverly Hills Police Department. This information is released each week to the public. We assume no responsibility for any errors or omission in the police blotter.

Robbery:

Occurred at 1530 on 07/24/06 in the intersection of Wilshire Blvd. and Hamilton Drive. Suspect: Male Hispanic, 5'8", 150 lbs. No further description. Suspect approached the victim from behind and snatched her property. Suspect fled the location. Loss: Approximately \$6,000

Burglary:

Occurred between an unknown time and 1300 on 07/22/06 in the 9500 and 9600 blocks of Wilshire Blvd. Suspect: Female Asian, 20, 5'2", 145 lbs., brown hair and brown eyes. Suspect entered both locations

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inquire as to whether or not Hubbard had received any of the above referenced correspondence. The assistant confirmed that they had. I asked that Hubbard return my call. Hubbard did indeed return the call on June 14, 2006 and left the following message on my voice mail (which I have saved): "...You wanted to know whether we received some correspondence from you. Yeah we have. If you'd like to hear from our attorney, I'd be happy to have him call you. His name is Gary Gibeaut. After reading this candidly I don't think there's any real response necessary. Bye-bye." The tone was again sarcastic.

In response to the voice mail, I then sent a third letter dated June 15, 2006 confirming receipt of the voice mail and asking that the District's lawyers contact me. After I sent the June 15, 2006 letter, Hubbard sent a letter to the Plaintiff reiterating the message in his previous e-mail stating: "Dear Mrs. Stern: We are sorry that you could not join us at the reception to honor our retirees on Tuesday June 13. Enclosed please find a special gift, along with a certificate honoring your service to the Beverly Hills School District. Thank you for your years of dedication to the District, and congratulations on your retirement! Sincerely, Jeffrey C. Hubbard, Ed.D Superintendent of Schools."

The District lawyer never called me. As a result, on June 30, 2006 we went into court to obtain a Temporary Restraining Order to stop the Board and Hubbard from kicking Mrs. Stern out. It wasn't until we gave the District notice of the TRO that the District's lawyers called; even then, it was only to claim we hadn't given them enough notice. On June 30, 2006, the superior court judge

and removed merchandise. Suspect concealed the merchandise and exited the locations without paying for the merchandise. Suspect was arrested.

Occurred between 2320 on 07/19/06 and 0720 on 07/20/06 in the 9100 block of North Olympic Blvd. Unknown suspect(s) used force to gain entry to the location. Suspect(s) removed property and fled the location undetected. Loss: \$1,000

Occurred between 1330 on 07/18/06 and 1530 on 07/20/06 in the 300 block of North La Peer Drive. Unknown suspect(s) entered the location via an unsecured window. Suspect(s) removed property and fled the location undetected. Loss: \$230

Grand Theft:

Occurred between 1845 and 1855 on 07/21/06 in the 300 block of North Rodeo Drive. Unknown suspect(s) entered the location and removed merchandise. Suspect(s) fled the location undetected.

ruled in our favor ordering the District to not treat Mrs. Stern as if she had resigned until the hearing on the Preliminary Injunction. He set a hearing on the Preliminary Injunction for July 13, 2006.

We went back on July 13, 2006 and had the hearing on the Preliminary Injunction. Unfortunately the judge ruled against us citing a letter Irene had written in March recommending Erik Warren as the principal. She wrote that letter before contacting me and she did so out of kindness to Mr. Warren proving the adage that "no good deed goes unpunished." The judge was not unsympathetic, but stated we may win in the case in chief but at the hearing on the preliminary injunction we had the burden of proving we probably would win and may was not probably. Please note that we sought only an order similar to the TRO; namely, that she not be treated as if she had resigned. We ultimately were not seeking to force them to keep her at Beverly Vista School. What they did to her after such an order, if done legally, would not be challenged.

Before I even got back to my office after the ruling on the 13th, my staff called and informed me that the District lawyers had sent a letter demanding that Irene have all of her items out of her office by 5:00 p.m. the next day! They kicked her out! If this is not atrocious treatment then I do not know what is. I think the public needs to know about it.

I have all of the correspondence and legal papers to support the above. The District blames Irene for submitting the letter of retirement. They claim they detrimentally relied on the letter by advancing Warren into the Principal's position and hiring an assistant principal. They did so knowing

Loss: \$6,500

Occurred between 1600 and 1730 on 07/20/06 in the 9300 block of Wilshire Blvd. Unknown suspect(s) removed victim's property which was left unattended at the location. Suspect(s) fled the location undetected. Loss: \$503

Occurred between 0600 and 1030 on 07/17/06 in the 100 block of South Palm Drive. Known suspect: Female Black, 30+, 5'9", 100 lbs., black hair and brown eyes. Known suspect removed victim's property while the victim was sleeping. Suspect fled the location. Loss: \$7,200

Occurred between 2100 on 07/13/06 and 1600 on 07/17/06 in the 300 block of South Elm Drive. Suspect #1: Female Hispanic, 24, 5'1", 120 lbs., brown hair and green eyes. Suspect #2: Female Hispanic, mid-20's, 5'6", 145 lbs., brown hair and brown eyes. Suspect #1 and #2 entered the location using a key. Suspects removed property and fled the location. Loss: \$1,350

Occurred between April of 2006 and at 1600 on 07/14/06 in the 400 block of Robert Lane. Suspect: Male Hispanic, 25, 5'2", 150 lbs., black hair and brown eyes. Suspect, construction worker at the location, removed property without the owner's per-

mission or knowledge. Loss: \$15,000

Occurred between 1000 and 1031 on 07/23/06 in the 300 block of South Elm Drive. Suspect: Male Black, 30, 6'0", 165 lbs., black hair and brown eyes. Suspect and victim were involved in an argument which led to the suspect lunging at the victim and placing her in a headlock. Victim got free from suspect's hold and fled the location.

Occurred at 1330 on 07/23/06 in the 9200 block of Wilshire Blvd. Suspect: Female, 37, 5'6", 130 lbs., black hair and brown eyes. Suspect came to the victim's location and during a verbal argument, suspect ripped off the victim's shirt and slapped him on the face. Suspect fled the location.

Occurred between 1240 and 1243 on 07/21/06 in the 9700 block of Wilshire Blvd. Suspect: Female Black, 55, 5'9", 170 lbs., black hair and brown eyes. Suspect began to yell at the victim and pushed her in the head and spat on her. Suspect fled the location.

Occurred between 1244 and 1245 on 07/17/06 in the 9500 block of Chareville Blvd. Suspect: Male Black, 55, 6'1", 160 lbs., black hair and brown eyes. Suspect used a closed fist to strike the victim on his head. Suspect was arrested.

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Westlake Village

"General Plan Meeting Sparks Debate"

The community center proposed for Beverly Hills needs to be seriously reconsidered, and should be put to a vote of the people. In the July 7 Courier one of the questions that was asked of Vice Mayor Delshad was where he stands on the plan to build a recreation center. His response was, "If the residents want it, we should build it." But how does he know whether the residents want it or not?

The anecdotal evidence is that they do not. I have personally spoken to many residents in my area and in other areas, and the majority of the people I contacted are firmly opposed to this recreation center. Recently, there was a community meeting with approximately 100 people attending, and when they were asked to raise their hands if they were for or against the recreation center there was only one person for it.

Moreover, the results from the Beverly Hills Survey are emphatically not a reflection of community sentiment on this issue. Rather than asking if the residents wanted a community recreation center, they were asked what type of facilities they would like

in the sports center. This begs the question, and does not indicate support! Apparently the surveyors were reluctant to ask a direct "yes" or "no" question.

Someone needs to ask that question, or it could be an expensive white elephant. The price for that Center is being quoted as \$60 to \$80 million to start. We all know that it will end up costing a great deal more. Is that level of expenditure not worth so much as a vote to make sure it's what we want?

The Beverly Hills Community by vote of the people set aside the Industrial Area to be reserved for municipal services. If we fail to reserve this land for future municipal services, we will later face the situation of having to pursue eminent domain for such facilities, possibly at a much high price.

The city is already planning to improve and hopefully enlarge the existing recreation facilities (Roxbury Park, La Cienega Park). Should we not wait and see how this will satisfy the needs of the city? Why rush into a large, unnecessary, expensive new facility when the one that we have may serve the purpose in an area already dedicated to such a purpose?

If the Vice Mayor is sincere about knowing if the residents want this community center, the city must put the question to a VOTE OF THE PEOPLE. I am confident that such a vote will show that the majority of the people do not want that Sport Center, as they will recognize that the cost of the facility, the loss of our last piece of land for municipal use, and the ignoring of a perfectly good alternative, is too high a price to pay.

Brenda Freeman
Beverly Hills

from the hills of beverly



Thoughts On A Hot Day

Restaurants, shopping and people

By Rudy Cole

As if the news isn't scarier enough, here I am posing a rhetorical question for which there is no reasonable answer: Why don't people dress for dinner?

As friends know, I am hardly a poster boy for proper attire, despite **Josette's** best labors to make me presentable, but even my meager haberdashery tastes were suddenly brought to reality when I examined the patrons at a recent outing at some of our eateries.

Let's begin with **Dan Tana's**, a fairly pricey, very successful and long running Italian diner just outside our borders. It was a midweek evening, and it was crowded – packed that is with the most motley-dressed group of men (the women were somewhat more presentable) that I have seen outside a track meet. From sweat shirts to exercise pants to clothes so casual, the only activity they would have been appropriate for, must have been taking out the garbage. I felt totally out of place with my Robinsons-May tie.

It was not always thus. This horde would

never have made it past **Leonard**, the formidable host at **Scandia**; **Mike** would have had them stopped at the entry to **Romanoff's** as would the ever jolly **Kurt** at the **Porterhouse Bistro**. Maybe that's why they are long gone.

Only a few restaurants even require jackets. I remember when the (also gone and wonderful) "Talk of the Town" in Santa Barbara wouldn't even permit women in pants unless it was part of a suit!

Don't know if the **Peninsula's Belvedere** has a dress code, but the crowded, elegant room was filled Saturday night with not a T-shirt in sight. Yes, there were people of mixed ages, but the dress matched the feel of the room. Maybe it's part of the aging process, but I think people should look good. (This message paid for by the Necktie Industry People or NIP as we prefer calling them.)

Good news, really, the glass curtain has been broken at **Caffe Roma**. One thing about the servers at this local gathering hole is that none are in the back room rewriting their resumes for

an early casting call. They are professionals. Although, they are carefully trained never to really hurry. Now under new owners, a new menu and considerably more outdoor dining, the unthinkable has occurred – there is a woman server, and a restaurant pro at that. It may take some adjusting, but when realtor **Marty Geimer** sat down at my usual table (yes, I have it back), the shock was almost too great. We were visited immediately by one **Elena Di Gianini**. The drink order was there immediately. The food followed in quick order – and it was exactly what I had ordered, and I didn't have to remind her an inordinate amount of times to actually bring me the check.

I had this theory about the men who serve there: They simply love us so much they don't want us to eat and run. Elena didn't rush us. On the contrary, she was interesting without being intrusive and shared more words at one sitting than my regular used to in 10 years of Friday luncheons. These worthies were always friendly, but a hello was a veritable avalanche of repartee.

Luncheon dining is a separatist experience, come to think of it, which I didn't realize until I looked around the rooms I frequented most.

At Murray's table, filled with the usual male political suspects, I have never seen one woman. There are at least six regular groups, including the great **Jackie Cooper's** section that is almost always male. Women dine there,

but almost always with other women.

I have never seen **Judy Henning** break bread with a man – yes, once when hubby **Dick Rosenzweig** escaped from The Mansion.

The same was true at **Spago**. Large tables of women, smaller groups of men and no co-ed eating. Does the world care?

There is an interesting addition to the Rodeo Collection. Although, you may feel somewhat foolish asking telephone information for their listing: **The Cow Jumped Over the Moon**, honestly, is next to the valet section and is a healthy morning or luncheon stop.

The Rodeo Collection is still awaiting the long anticipated Kosher steak house – a New York operated, prestige chain is working on completing redesigns of the RC's primary dining space. Speaking of steak houses, the respected reviewer, **Jay Weston**, has given **Wolfgang Puck's** new **Cut** in Regent Beverly Wilshire raves for design, by **Richard Meier**, and food. How pricey is it? I thought the menu was an investment check list.

From restaurants, to grocery stores, is a logical progression. At least, that's my rationale for some comments on shopping. I live in an eating apartheid – not racial, only food selective. My raw food, vegetarian militant, chokes when she passes the meat section at a market. So, there is no shared cooking, not counting my feeble efforts to duplicate my mother's chicken soup recipe. She who rules, loves **Whole Foods**, and I do sometimes join her for a very separate cart of hamburger – they do grind a mean ground round.

What a surprise when, left to fend for myself, I thought to bring her a milk, wheat and God

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knows what else free Pumpkin Pie.

The shopping deities were not with me – the pie was spoiled – not edible. (Not because of a hot day, my purchase was made and delivered within 20 minutes.) I also noticed, and called their attention, to the expiration dates of the most popular brand of milk on their shelves – the same day as my purchase.

The people who work at Whole Foods are mostly, but not always, helpful and courteous. The food selection of organic items, though not as esoteric as when Mrs. **Gooch**'s name was on the door, is top quality. What is perceived as paradoxical is that the staff at the union shop, **Pavilion**'s, is, at least in my experience, far more friendly and customer oriented than the non-union Whole Foods "team." Again, they are good and "correct," just not as service focused as the Pavilion union men and women.

For basics, I do shop at **Beverly Hills Market** and **Elaine**, who works the check out table, is a local who knows everyone and is almost always totally organized. But not always. One night, arriving home after collecting some vodka, and heaven forbid Whole Foods would ever contaminate their shop with booze, I discovered to my surprise that I had a large order of chicken breasts in my bag. Now, I remembered. In front of me was **Sidney Poitier**'s wife. Sorry, I don't know her name, and **Sidney**'s intended meal was dropped in my sack. No chicken feast for the great actor that night, but could I be forgiven for asking guess who's not coming for dinner?

Final note on food, and a bit of mea culpa. As **Ken Goldman** will be only too happy to

point out, I had a minor role in keeping **Gelson**'s off Crescent Drive. (I thought three markets on a mixed residential street a bit much. For history's agenda, I had represented Whole Foods. – talk about biting the hand that fed me.) But I have to admit, despite my chauvinistic loyalty to shopping inside our borders, Gelson's has the best quality food selection at Beverly Hills adjacent. If ever a site comes along that can handle the traffic, I wish they would try again.

I don't remember council campaigns starting so early, since filing doesn't actually begin until November, but they are off and running – make that walking the neighborhoods. For the past two years there has only been one woman on the council, **Linda Briskman**. That could change. Surprisingly early and strong challenges could be expected from Planning Commissioner **Nancy Krasne** and community and education leader **Maggie Soleimani** who is an attorney. Maggie has told friends she is strongly considering running and will announce her intentions soon and Mrs. Krasne, who has announced, said she has received a very encouraging response from her endorsement request mailing. Among the silent are Dr. **Willie Brien**, the former school board president, who has kept his political hopes alive but not yet public. A very strong challenger would have been school board president **Myra Lurie** who has led the district so ably through a difficult period, but she will probably run in two years. Still, it will be hard to beat the two incumbents, **Steve Webb** and **Jimmy Delshad**, both of whom are seeking a second term.

Not too early to save the date: The 18th

annual Beverly Hills Police Officer's Association's Black and White Ball will be held Nov. 6 at the Beverly Hilton. This is always the best event of the year and a time for us to show our appreciation for living in the best police-served community in America. Invitations will be sent, but if you are not on the list, call the helpful people at FTA at (310) 288-1755.

TJ Simers is back from his month-long vacation, the Dodgers are so happy, and go sue me, I missed him. The *Los Angeles Times* sports pages are just not the same without the hateful wit.

When a Minnesota professor attempts to give some pathetic credence to one more conspiracy theory about the World Trade Center terrorist

attack, the importance of seeing **Linda Ellman**'s brilliant documentary *On Native Soil* becomes even more necessary.

Based on the report of the 9/11 Commission, this chilling but very viewable film will be aired next month on cable TV and will soon be available on CDs, according to a recent article by Reuter's **Sue Zeidler**.

Rudy Cole served for eight years as a member and chair of the city's Recreation and Parks Commission. He also was President of Greystone Foundation and served on three other city committees. Rudy can be reached at: Rudy@bhweekly.com.



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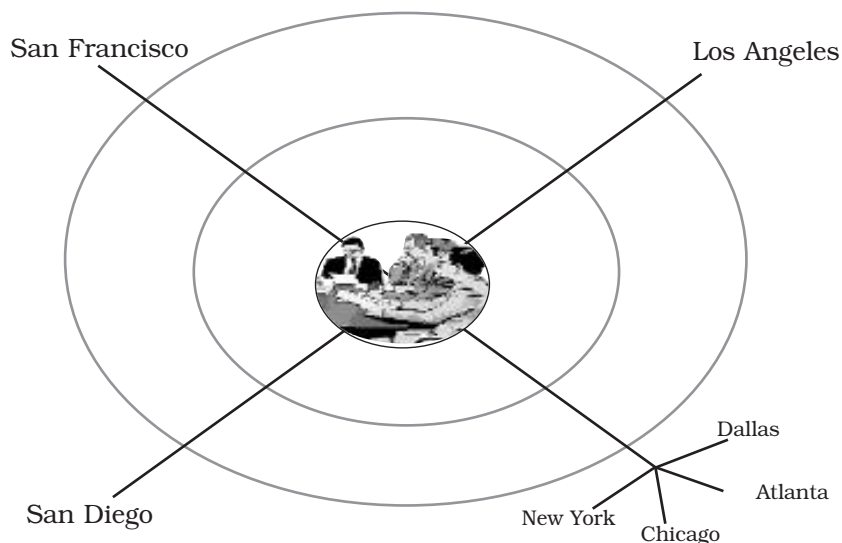
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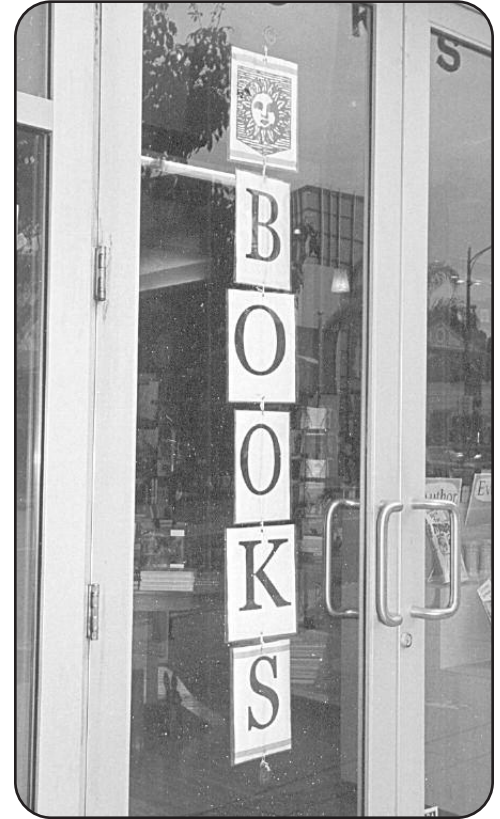
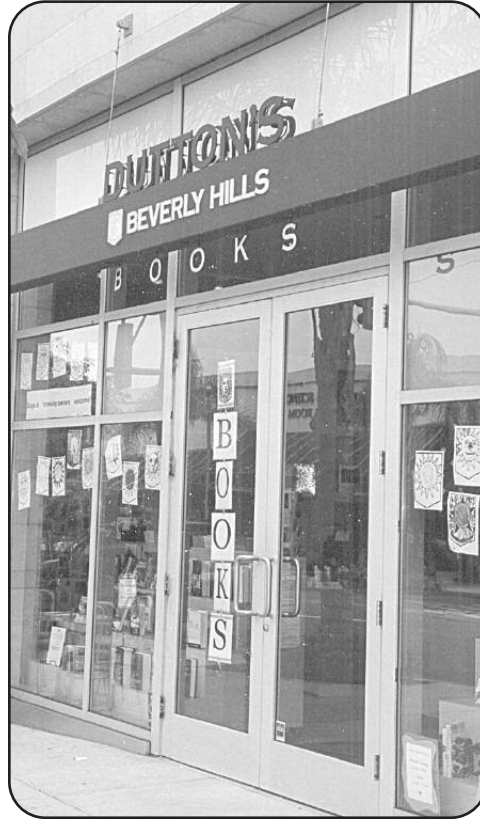
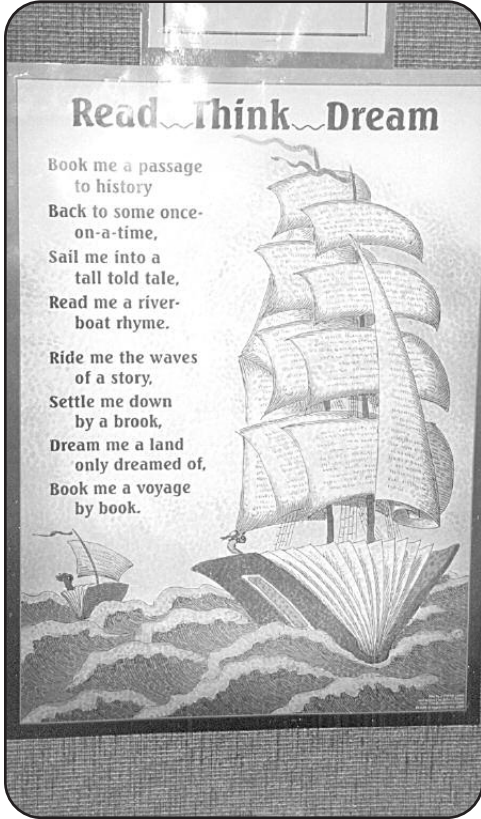
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NOVEL SUMMER READS

Reading never goes out of style – just take a look at how the community keeps busy with their favorite books.

By Adrianna Weingold and Kari Hamanaka



(L-R) A children's banner inside the Beverly Hills Public Library; completed mobiles from the library's Summer Reading Club hang from the ceiling; the front entrance to Dutton's Beverly Hills Books; and a window sign hangs from the front door to Dutton's.

As summer temperatures make it nearly unbearable to be anywhere other than a swimming pool, many take refuge by staying inside with air-conditioning and a good read. From bestselling novels, to the pages of *The New York Times*, Beverly Hills children and adults prove reading never goes out of style – even as iPods and video games clamor for people's attention.

Flying Off Bookshelves

Among the popular titles being purchased across Southern California bookstores, are Lauren Weisberger's *The Devil Wears Prada* which a movie is based upon. The nonfiction piece *1776* by David McCullough is also selling quickly according to a survey by the *Los Angeles Times*.

In Beverly Hills, Dutton's Beverly Hills Books store manager Eileen Lynch said *Suite Francaise* by Irene Nemirovsky is a popular fiction book among adult customers. For young adults, she said Markus Zusak's *The Book Thief* is a favorite.

Dutton's, on Canon Drive, has a section set aside for students' summer reading complete with a notebook listing book titles from schools' reading lists. The store also holds regular book groups on the second Tuesday or third and fourth Wednesday of each month.

"We carry mostly new titles," Lynch said. "There are a lot of fiction readers in the store. We try to cover all the bases. We love to recommend books for summer reading and find that the people who come here are interested in a wide range of books."

Beverly Hills readers looking for a rare find this summer can make an appointment to visit Mark Hime's store Biblioctopus on Crescent Drive. The store specializes in finding rare, first edition copies of classic fiction novels.

"I sell first editions of the classics of fiction. So what I sell are first editions of *Alice in Wonderland*, *Moby Dick*, *The Lord of The Rings*, *The Great Gatsby*, *Don Quixote*," Hime said. "They're rare books. There is no one preferred book that noticeably sells more than another."

Another bookstore specializing in rare and collectable books is Bookbid on South Beverly Drive. Michael Djazakhyn, an employee of the bookstore says that the most sought after collectible this summer is *Terrorist* by John Updike.

The TASCHEN store on Beverly Drive specializes in coffee table books about art,

architecture, design, photography and pop-culture. In addition to being a bookstore, TASCHEN is also a publisher and publishes 80 percent of what is sold in the store.

Store manager Camilla Trigano said that the top selling books this summer are *Inside Cuba*, about houses in Cuba, and *Advertising Now*, about advertising all over the world.

Recently, TASCHEN hosted photographer Leroy Grannis' book launch and signing for his limited edition book *Leroy Grannis, Surf Photography from the 1960s and 1970s*.

Aisles And Aisles Of Library Books, Oh My

All the world's a stage for the young readers involved in the Beverly Hills Public Library's Summer Reading Club, and it is also the theme of this year's program. In an effort to motivate elementary and middle school students, the reading club is designed to increase interest in summer reading.

For each book read, participants complete a book report and get a paper character, which they can color and add to a mobile. Characters include elephant dancers, circus characters and a unicorn ballerina. Once eight books are completed, the mobiles are hung in the library. A library card is the only requirement for taking part in the program.

"It's not only a work of art, but it represents that they read a book and wrote a book report that is a physical manifestation of a real achievement," said Children's Librarian Kay Macdonald.

Participants who complete eight books or more are then invited to a party at the end of the summer and receive a certificate. According to Macdonald, she anticipates around half of the more than 600 participants in this year's program to be eligible for the party.

"Summer is just the best time for kids to read because they don't have the pressure of school," Macdonald said, "and they can sit down and read a book for fun and we hope that they're having fun."

Macdonald said the books that club members are choosing to read cover a wide range of genres, and she has not noticed any trends in a particular series or author.

"Kids are like people," she said. "They have a really wide variety of personal tastes and favorite subjects and reading skills."

In addition, to the Summer Reading Club, the library also has a Storytime program, which runs throughout the year and requires prior registration. The summer session runs through Aug. 11 and is meant for children 18 months up to the age of 4.

It's Not Homework – It's Fun

From following the adventures of Amelia Bedelia to roaming through New York with Holden Caulfield in J.D. Salinger's *Catcher in the Rye*, book lists for the Summer Medalist Program keep Beverly Hills students busy before school begins in August.

According to Macdonald, 1,000 students are participating in the medalist program this summer.

The program encourages students to read books from a list found on the school district's Web site and complete activities for each book read. Activities range from creating a comic book based on a book for third and fourth grade participants, to designing a game based on a book for seventh and eighth grade participants.

Students involved in the Beverly Hills Public Library's Summer Reading Club may count the book reports they must complete for the library club, also towards the medalist program.

Students from first through eighth grade can fill out forms to submit to their teachers once the school year begins.

Any student who qualifies for a medal will receive it at an assembly some time in September. The deadline for submitting the book list forms to a teacher is Sept. 8.

Another Kind Of Library

At the Roxbury Park and Recreation Center on Roxbury Drive, another kind of library is available for seniors. Run by volunteers, the Roxbury Park Senior Library caters to an older segment of the Beverly Hills community.

According to library volunteer Martha Jelenko the library has a variety of books and she said many of the library's patrons enjoy reading the health books and other non-fiction books. The library is Monday through Friday from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Patrons are not required to have a library card to check out a book.

She said that volunteers are usually understanding when patrons do not return books on time.

"We don't charge for late returns," she said. "We try to help the older people out. Sometimes they get sick or there are just a lot of delays [in getting the books back in time]."

Most books must be returned in two weeks, or they can be renewed after two weeks.

"We have a lot of nonfiction books and health books," Jelenko said, "because the older people are more interested in that. We also have large print and quite a big collection of mysteries."

Jelenko has volunteered at the library for 11 years and said the library is more than just a place to check out books. She said many of the people who stop by or who choose to volunteer, use the library as a way to socialize with one another.

Jelenko said she volunteers because she likes talking to people and enjoys reading. Her favorite books are by the writer Nelson DeMille. She said she has read most of his books and enjoys reading mostly nonfiction.

Not a lot of room is offered inside the library for patrons to gather. However, a courtyard with picnic tables is just outside of the facility where people can play cards or read books.

"You can read as much as you want to and you're in contact with a lot of elderly people who like to talk, and sometimes it's like a tea party," Jelenko said. "We don't like a lot of noise, but it's a good outlet for people who are alone."

A Book Scavenger Hunt

A scavenger hunt for some books in Beverly Hills is currently underway as part of the Bookcrossing program. Bookcrossing is the practice of leaving a book in a public place to be picked up and read by others, who then do likewise. Anyone willing to participate can be a part of this modern-day twist on book lending.

There are three rules to this program: read, register and release. First, a person reads a book. Then, instead of shelving the book afterwards, this person can release it into the world for someone else to catch and read.

According to the Bookcrossing Web site, seven books can currently be found in Beverly Hills. The number of hidden books can change at any time if another person decides to hide their book and registers the title online. Three books are hidden at 9400 Brighton Way; two books can be found at Cedars-Sinai; one book is hidden at the Starbucks at 428 Beverly Drive; and one book is hidden somewhere between Rodeo Drive and Beverly Drive at the Beverly Gardens Park.

To register a book, go to www.bookcrossing.com, write the number in the cover and then leave it somewhere public for another person to find. Books can be found not only in Beverly Hills, but all over the world.

What Do You Have Bookmarked?

Former Beverly High Assistant Principal **Rick Munitz** recently finished reading the historical fiction piece *Rashi's Daughter*. The book, by Maggie Anton, is about the daughter of Jewish philosopher Rashi. Munitz is now working on the mystery suspense novel *Blue Smoke* by Nora Roberts. Being a part of Beverly High's faculty book club, run by Julie Gholer, has Munitz constantly turning pages. He said he has read everything by Nelson Demille. "It's light stuff that's just fun to read," Munitz said of Demille's work, "and that's part of what I like about being retired. I have a lot more time to read than when I was working."

Beverly High co-ASB advisor and English teacher **Jamie Marrs** said she has a number of books stacked by her bedside. She is currently reading *Get a Freelance Life* by Margit Feury Ragland and Laurel Touby and she recently started *The Haj* by Leon Uris, which one of her students recommended. In addition, Marrs is reading a lot of childhood stories such as Judy Blume's *Are You There God, It's Me Margaret* because she has a 9-year-old daughter. One of her all-time favorite summer reads is *Bel Canto* by writer Ann Patchett. "It's the whole cliché of taking you to a different place," Marrs said of *Bel Canto*. "Reading helps me make sense of what's going on now, because things can be so scary. It reminds me that people have been through similar things and survived."

Traffic and Parking Commissioner **Ira M. Friedman** just finished reading the book *Moneyball* by Michael Lewis. Ira said the book is about investor Billy Beane whose challenge is to build a winning baseball team with a very small budget. The book was a birthday gift to Friedman from his son. A native of Brooklyn, Friedman says he has been a life-long Dodgers fan. With *Moneyball* done, Friedman's next goal is some magazine reading. "I'm going to try this summer to catch up on reading the magazines I have stacked up like *The New Yorker* and *Vanity Fair*."

Chamber of Commerce Director of Economic Development and Government Affairs **Anita Zusman Eddy** said she reads many books of all different types. Zusman Eddy is currently reading a mystery novel called *Suspect* by Michael Robotham. She recently finished a book called *The Good Mother* by Sue Miller. "It's about a woman going through a custody battle and the trouble she goes through. The things that happen to her and the different emotions she goes through. The challenges of raising her child as she establishes herself as a single woman; taking care of her child and being a good mother."

Greystone Mansion Administrative Clerk **Hortensia Gomez-Tirella** said any book written by John Grisham appeals to her. She said she just finished reading Grisham's *The Broker*, which is about a Washington D.C. attorney sent to jail after trying to sell a satellite system to the highest bidder. As the plot unfolds, he is released from jail through a presidential pardon. "I like reading the different adventures and the stories of cover-ups and corporate greed," Gomez-Tirella said. She has now moved on to reading *Mercy* by Jodi Picoult. "I was looking for something to read, and a friend of mine gave it to me and said to check it out," she said. "It's kind of light reading for the summer."

President of the Hawthorne School PTA, **Jeny Melamed** recently started reading *The Kite Runner* by Khaled Hosseini. "It's about the Middle East. It's modern, about revolution and basically about current events," Melamed said. "I was told it really resembles a lot of current Middle East issues. It's about a privileged Middle Easterner and the monarchy." Melamed said her favorite author is Patricia Cornwell, famous for her forensic FBI and CIA series.

Chair of the Beverly Hills Planning Commission **Stacey Marks** loves parenting books. "I can never get enough of it," Marks said. Currently she is reading *Raising Cain...Protecting the Emotional Life of Boys* by Dan Kindlon, a book about raising boys. Her favorite parenting books are *Knowing Your Four-Year-Old*, by Louis Bates Ames and *Family Matters* by Robert Evans. Marks loves to read about parenting because she said she is "always striving to be better as a parent." In addition to reading about parenting this summer, Marks is reading planning commission material.

Jackie Perez, an administrative clerk in the city clerk's office, said she reads books over the phone to her eight year old son, because he is out of town. Their favorite series is *Junie B. Jones* by children's author Barbara Parks. Her books capture the hilarious mishaps of Junie B. Jones, and teach children about growing up and learning. Perez's favorite book in the series is *Boo... And I Mean It!*, about a first grader who is scared of Halloween. Perez's son started reading the books in school with his second grade class. "They are very appealing to little kids and easy to read with them. It's always cool to spend mother son time together," Perez said. "We've been reading the Junie B. Jones books since the beginning of the school year and they just keep coming out with more." In addition to reading to her son each night, Perez just finished reading *The Da Vinci Code* by Dan Brown. "It's very intriguing," Perez said. "The whole story line is very interesting, how they go about things, and it gets you thinking until you realize that its fiction."

sports & scores



Norman Football Team Reaches End of Final Summer Tournament

BHHS girls' soccer team advances to tournament semifinals.

By Steven Herbert

The Beverly High football team concluded its summer season by winning its first six games in the Arroyo Grande Tournament, before losing to Paso Robles, 24-18, in Saturday's final at Arroyo Grande High School.

The Normans defeated Carpinteria, Santa Maria St. Joseph, Arroyo Grande and San Luis Obispo Friday and West Bakersfield and Santa Ynez Saturday in seven-on-seven touch football games played in T-shirts and shorts.

"We played very well," said Beverly Hills coach Carter Paysinger, whose team played without several players who were unable to play because of summer school and was forced to play players out of position "a lot," Paysinger said.

The tournament marked the first time this summer quarterback Meyer Linter was able

to play defense, making three interceptions as a safety.

"That was a big plus for us," Paysinger said.

Linter's activity was limited this summer because of a sprained ankle.

Linter "threw the ball very, very well," Paysinger said.

Other defensive players drawing praise from Paysinger were linebacker Gerald McGee, sophomore linebacker Joseph Yoon, who was playing in his second varsity tournament, and junior linebacker Jake Lefkowitz, who was not only playing in his first varsity tournament, but was shifted from his usual defensive end position.

Offensive players drawing praise from Paysinger were running-back receiver Ramon Judkins, receivers Erik Munzer and Dominique Sandifer, and tight end Jon Skura.

The Normans finished seventh in the line-men's competition, winning the bench press portion.

Each summer, the team spends at least one night staying near the tournament site in an effort to help build camaraderie, Paysinger said.

"This might have been our best trip in terms of the camaraderie among the players," Paysinger said.

Paysinger called this summer season "a little different" from most of the past summers, because Beverly Hills was never able to field its entire team for a tournament because players had commitments to other sports and a change in summer school attendance rules kept players out of some tournaments.

"Individually and in certain parts of our game, we're real happy with the progress," Paysinger said. "The anticipation, the excitement that we have right now to see the entire team together is pretty high."

The team is now in the midst of the so-called dead period, where on-field instruction is prohibited. The Norman coaches will supervise weightlifting and running on an unpaid basis. Some schools pay their coaches to supervise during the dead period, Paysinger said.

Fall practice is scheduled to begin Aug. 15. Beverly Hills is set to open its season Sept. 1 at Long Beach Cabrillo in what was originally scheduled to be a home game, but shifted because of the installation of artificial turf at Nickoll Field.

Girls' Soccer

San Marcos Summer Classic Beverly Hills 3, Santa Ynez 0

Sophomore Susanna Davidov scored twice and Alex Pop once as the Normans began pool play with a victory July 15.

Beverly Hills goalkeeper Rebecca Gold recorded the shutout.

Jocelyn Karlan had two assists for the Normans.

Beverly Hills was awarded a forfeit victory in what was supposed to be its first pool play game when Ventura St. Bonaventure failed to appear earlier in the day.

Beverly Hills 2, Costa Mesa 0

Sami Pop scored off a cross from Emily Litvak and Alex Pop scored on a second-half breakaway July 16 as the Normans concluded pool play with a 3-0 record.

Palos Verdes Peninsula 2, Beverly Hills 0

The Panthers opened the scoring in the third minute and added an insurance goal in the final minute of the 70-minute semifinal July 16.

The tournament was played at UC Santa Barbara.

Boys' Soccer

San Marcos Summer Classic Anaheim Servite 3, Beverly Hills 0

The Friars scored once in the first half and twice in the second in a pool play game July 15.

Two of Servite's goals were the result of Norman mistakes, Beverly Hills coach Steve Rappaport said.

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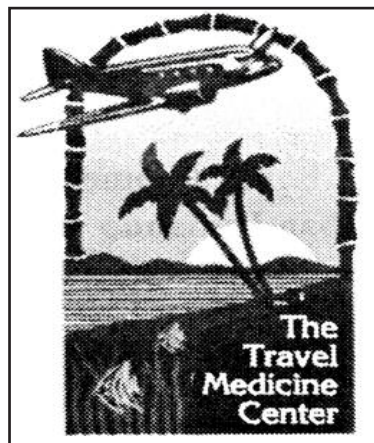
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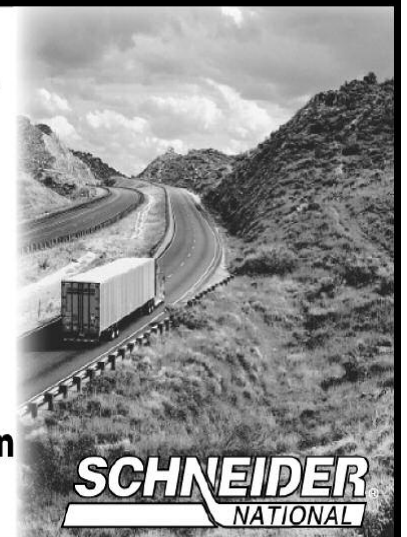
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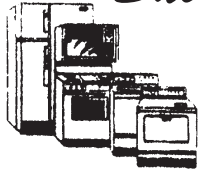
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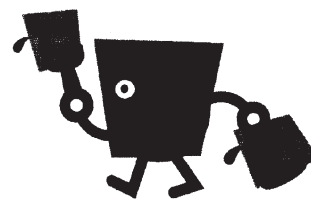
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The following person(s) are doing business as: VALLEY CLAIM SERVICE, 4963 Beverly Blvd., Los Angeles, CA. LARISA FOROSTOV, 828 N. Hayward St., Los Angeles, CA 90046. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: Larisa Forostov, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/12/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 BHW-2352

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The following person(s) are doing business as: IAMAGE PAGING, 925 S. Gabriel Blvd., San Gabriel, CA 91776. LEE HUYNH, INC., 925 S. Gabriel Blvd., San Gabriel, CA 91776. The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: Lee Huynh, CEO, Lee Huynh Inc. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/12/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 BHW-2353

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1513189
The following person(s) are doing business as: ODYSSEY GIFT SHOPPE, 3928 W. 157 St., Lawndale, CA 90260. REMEDIOS P. ALMAZAN, 3928 W. 157 St., Lawndale, CA 90260. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: Remedios P. Almazan, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/12/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 BHW-2354

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1513139
The following person(s) are doing business as: H&M SHOP 17800S CALESTON ST, #560, City of Industry, CA 91748. SUNG HEE CHO, 15723 Trelley St., #42, Hacienda Heights, CA 91745. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: Sung HEE CHO, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/11/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 BHW-2355

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1513094
The following person(s) are doing business as: J.C. OSYI TRUCKING, 3511 W. 25th St., Los Angeles 90008. JILL C. OSYI, 3511 W. 25th St., Los Angeles 90008. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: Julio C. Osyo, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/10/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 BHW-2356

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1513094
The following person(s) are doing business as: EXPRESSIONS BEAUTY SALONS, 3739 Whittier Blvd., Los Angeles CA 90023. NORMA GUTIERREZ, 507 3/4 S. Bred St., Los Angeles, CA 90033. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: Norma Gutierrez, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/10/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 BHW-2357

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1513031
The following person(s) are doing business as: DIGITAL SATELLITE SERVICES, 8943 Varvale St., Los Angeles, CA 90067. DAVID KRISTOBAL, 6606 S. Main St., Los Angeles, CA 90048. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: David Soto, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/10/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 BHW-2358

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1507004
The following person(s) are doing business as: LOPEZ RESTAURANT, 6609 S. Main St., Los Angeles CA 90048. SILVESTRE KRISTOBAL, 6609 S. Main St., Los Angeles, CA 90048. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: Silvestre J. Kristobal, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/7/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 BHW-2359

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1504170
The following person(s) are doing business as: SUNRISE ADVERTISING, 13502 Whittier Blvd Ste #H122, Whittier, CA 90605. SHERON BRIDGE, 13089 Peyton Dr., #C264, Chino Hills, CA 91709. The

business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: Sheron Bridge, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/7/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 MGBHW-2360

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1504122
The following person(s) are doing business as: CAFE HANI HOA, 1726 S. Delmar Ave., San Gabriel, CA 91776. KELLY LAM, 3461 Whittier Ave., El Monte, CA 91732. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: Kelly Lam, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/7/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 MGBHW-2361

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1513187
The following person(s) are doing business as: 19285 MOVIL TECH, 5100 Monte Vista St., Los Angeles CA 90042. JAIME YOVANI VALLADARES, 5100 Monte Vista St., Los Angeles CA 90042. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/10/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 MGBHW-2362

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1513184
The following person(s) are doing business as: LATINAS CLOTHING, 5502 Cherry Ave., Long Beach, CA 90805. JOEL SANTOYO, 1106 Locust Ave., #104, Long Beach, CA 90811. MARIO JIMENEZ, 842 E. Fremont Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90805. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: Joel Santoyo, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/10/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 MGBHW-2363

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1513166
The following person(s) are doing business as: H. SHATILA GOURMET, 1365 Allen Ave., Glendale CA 91201. KAMALA HAMADANI, 1365 Allen Ave., Glendale CA 91201. SAAD D. SHATILA, 729 Fremont Blvd., Glendale CA 91201. The business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: Kamala Hamadani, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/10/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 MGBHW-2364

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1513116
The following person(s) are doing business as: LAAUTO DISCOUNT, 3601 Firestone Blvd., South Gate, CA 90280. RZ CAPITAL GROUP INC., 3601 Firestone Blvd., South Gate, CA 90280. The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: RZ Capital Group Inc., the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/10/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 MGBHW-2365

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1513081
The following person(s) are doing business as: NOEL AUTO SALES INC., 10401 Hawthorne Blvd., Hawthorne, CA 90240. NOEL AUTO SALES, 10401 Hawthorne Blvd., Hawthorne, CA 90240. The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on: 9/10/05. Signed: Darayosh Iramine Jadian, President, Noel Auto Sales, Inc., the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/10/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 MGBHW-2366

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1504165
The following person(s) are doing business as: HOLY CRAPS, 1005 E. Hs Tomas Dr., #618 San Gabriel CA 91040. ROSHDI MANSOURI, 228 South Kingsley Drive, Los Angeles, CA 90008. The business is conducted by: CO-PARTNERS. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: Teresa Y. Tsai, Meer Jan Park, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/7/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 BHW-2367

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1504165
The following person(s) are doing business as: SAFFGUARD INSURANCE AND FINANCIAL SERVICE, 4326 Tweedy Blvd., South Gate, CA 90280. CESAR MAGANA, 10730 Lester Ford Ave., Downey, CA 90240. ISIDORO A. RAMIREZ, 9081 Linden Ave., Downey, CA 90240. The business is conducted by: CO-PARTNERS. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: Cesar Magana, Christopher Huerta, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/10/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 BHW-2368

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME: 06-1504416
Original file # 05-2621361
The following person(s) have/has abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: BEAUTY SOLUTIONS, 1925 W. Whittier Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90064. The fictitious business name referred to above was used by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The full name and residence of the registrant(s) abandoning the name: ADRIANA HERRERA, 2925 E. 4th St., Los Angeles, CA 90033. NOIMA GUTIERREZ, 502 3/4 S. Bred St., Los Angeles, CA 90033. Signed: Adria Herrera, Noima Gutierrez, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/7/06. Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 MGBHW-2369

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1513007
The following person(s) are doing business as: SMOKED OUT PRODUCTIONS, 7005 Somerset Blvd., Paramount, CA 90723. ANTHONY ARCIGA, 15144 Gundry Ave., Paramount, CA 90723. MONICA A. ARCIGA, 15144 Gundry Ave., Paramount, CA 90723. The business is conducted by: HUSBAND AND WIFE. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed here in. Signed: Anthony Arciga, Monica Arciga, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/10/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 MGBHW-2370

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1504137
The following person(s) are doing business as: HAY RIDE EXPRESS, 2230 W. Willow Lane, West Covina, CA 91790. CONSTANCIO PINEDO, 2230 W. Willow Lane, West Covina, CA 91790. MARTHA L. PINEDO, 2230 W. Willow Lane, West Covina, CA 91790. The business is conducted by: HUSBAND AND WIFE. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on: 7/5/06. Signed: Constancio Pinedo, Martha Pinedo, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/7/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 MGBHW-2371

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1504022
The following person(s) are doing business as: GUEST HOUSE INN, 7771 Beverly Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90036. BMK PARTNERSHIP, 7721 Beverly Blvd., Los Angeles, CA 90036. BHAGABATHI, 9397 Alhambra Blvd., Alhambra, CA 91802. The business is conducted by: HUSBAND AND WIFE. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on: 9/10/05. Signed: Kiran Patel, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/12/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 MGBHW-2372

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1504022
The following person(s) are doing business as: AVALANHE TRVEX DISMANTLER, 916 E. Slauson Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90011. EFRAN GONZALEZ, 9235 Del Mar Ave., Downey, CA 90240. BELLS-ALONSO GONZALEZ, 4401 E. Slauson Ave., Downey, CA 90240. The business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on: 12/05. Signed: Efran Gonzalez, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/10/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 MGBHW-2373

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1504039
The following person(s) are doing business as: RAMIREZ FURNITURE STORE AND APPLIANCES, 4906 Arlington Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90043. MARIA E. RAMIREZ, 5115 Arlington Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90043. ISIDORO A. RAMIREZ, 9081 Linden Ave., Downey, CA 90240. The business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP. Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on: 12/4/03. Signed: Efran Gonzalez, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/12/06. NOTICE - This fictitious name statement expires five years from the date it was filed on, in the office of the county clerk. A new fictitious business name statement must be filed prior to that date. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name in violation of the rights of another under federal state, or common law (see Section 14411, et seq., B&P Code.) Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 MGBHW-2374

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME: 06-1373969
Original file # 06-0327244
The following person(s) have/has abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: GREEN SERPENT; GREENSERPENT, 11315 Gault St., North Hollywood, CA 91605. The fictitious business name referred to above was used by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The full name and residence of the registrant(s) abandoning the name: ALANA GAVLIN, 13155 Gault St., North Hollywood, CA 91605. Signed: Alvana Gavlin, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 6/22/06. Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 BHW-2375

STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME: 06-1559446
Original file # 05-2470335
The following person(s) have/has abandoned the use of the fictitious business name: ODD & EVEN IMPORTS, 6701 Variel Ave., Woodland Hills, CA 91303. The fictitious business name referred to above was used by: AN INDIVIDUAL. The full name and residence of the registrant(s) abandoning the name: YAOWALAK HEMUPATHAM, 17906 Hattersa St., Encino, CA 91316. Signed: Yaowalak Hemupatham, the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/13/06. Published: 7/20/06, 7/27/06, 8/03/06, 8/10/06 BHW-2376

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-1517175
The following person(s) are doing business as: CROWN OF CREATION; DAUGHTERS OF EVE; OWIE, 300 Medio Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90049. CROWNED DESIGN, INC., 97 Terra Ave., 1st Floor, Daly City, CA 94015. The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on: 7/10/06. Signed: Crowned Design, Inc., the registrant(s) declared that all information in the statement is true and correct. This statement is filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 7/10/

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