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Smoke Signs

City council to consider smoking ban for outdoor dining areas. But some restaurant owners fear a loss of business.



letters & email

Subway Update

I feel that there is too much focus on Wilshire Blvd ["Subway Update" issue #371] as the venue to get the Red Line through Beverly Hills: that's a mistake. The costs to the businesses in Beverly Hills will be enormous, and I don't know that even today that a lot of them will be able to weather this. I think that the better idea is to have the Red Line turn North at San Vicente and travel along Burton Way. The La Cienega stop could be at San Vicente, with the station coming to the street at 3rd (this would be an eminent domain problem for the city Los Angeles, but really, what would go? A totally redundant Coffee Bean?) The

line could continue along Burton Way with relatively little impact to residents along an unused grassy median to a Beverly Hills, at Santa Monica and Canon. The present vacant lot at the Southwest corner of Canon and Little Santa Monica could easily be one entrance to the station, as well as one at the Northeast corner of Canon and Santa Monica, taking up some of the now disused buildings at Beverly Gardens park. Since this will be the our Cultural Center, why not the transportation hub?

Much is made about making the subway match up with the Wilshire bus line: where's the point in that? At this station, you will be able to connect with three bus lines coming from the eventual Santa Monica terminus, the 4 along Santa Monica, the 16 along 3rd and the 14 along Beverly. The 20 and 720 are a short 3 block walk from this station.

Everyone is talking about the next station being Century City, which last time I checked was off of Santa Monica. The tunneling could be done in Beverly Hills under either Beverly Gardens park or the old railroad properties on the other side of the street- with the same care taken that residents North of Wilshire (like me) are as undisturbed as the putative ones South of Wilshire.

I think it's best that we think outside the box; a Beverly Center station will be far

more of a draw than one at La Cienega and Wilshire (who goes there?) and a station at Canon and Santa Monica is not so far from Wilshire to be untenable (and the 14 runs South and North on Canon/Beverly to Pico), and can use city owned property without the problems of eminent domain. Also, if there need be a Wilshire/ Santa Monica stop there is a perfect time to coordinate the MTA with the project to redesign that intersection and the putative Hilton development. If indeed all are going to happen, there's the chance to work with the Hilton developers, the MTA and our own city council to create a truly fantastic project, using the iconic multi-color fountain, the singular design of the Hilton project and the MTA to make a true asset to Beverly Hills: a "four corners" combination transportation hub, signature intersection and architectural landmark that this intersection deserves.

*Tom Pease
Beverly Hills*

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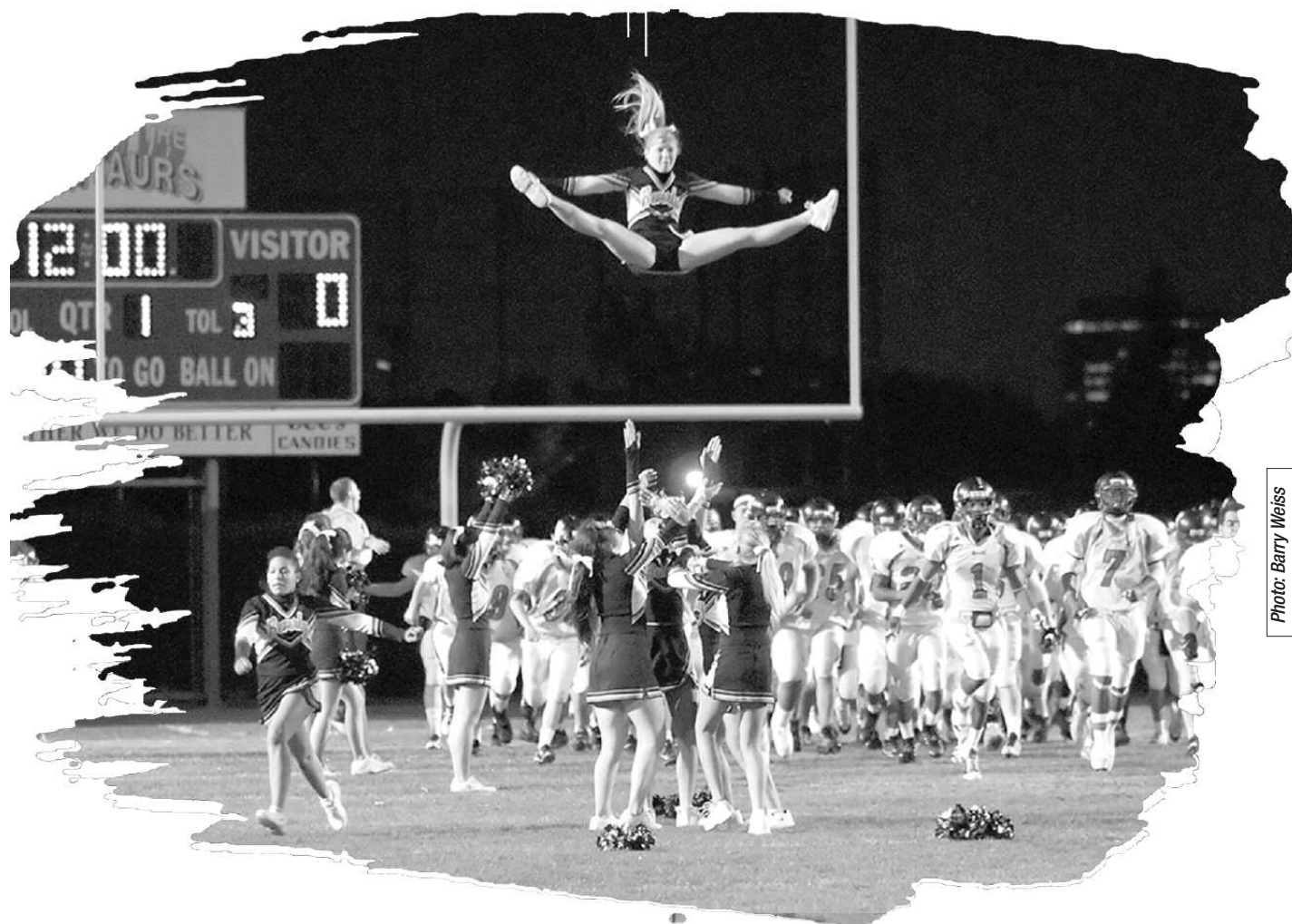


Photo: Barry Weiss

*"Flying High"
Culver City*

Beverly High football team takes the field against Ocean League rival Culver City High School last Thursday night in a game that ended in a nail-biting 56-56 tie.

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Beverly Hills V. California

Here's how Beverly Hills voted on a few key issues last Tuesday, compared to the rest of the state.

Compiled By Ryan Vaillancourt



City Hall



Capitol Building

	Beverly Hills		California	
Total Turnout				
Registered Voters	20,558		15,837,108	
Ballots Cast	5,874		7,348,439	
Turnout	28%		46.4%	
Governor	#	%	#	%
Arnold Swarzenegger (Rep)	3,042	53.9	4,261,248	56.1
Phil Angelides (Dem)	2,436	43.1	2,956,489	38.9
Lieutenant Governor	#	%	#	%
John Garamendi (Dem)	3,531	63.7	3,673,027	49.2
Tom McClintock (Rep)	1,798	32.4	3,378,791	45.3
Secretary of State	#	%	#	%
Debra Bowen (Dem)	3,278	60.7	3,541,949	48.2
Bruce McPherson (Rep)	1,864	34.5	3,306,626	45.0
Attorney General	#	%	#	%
John Brown (Dem)	3,929	74.1	4,167,439	56.3
Chuck Poochigian (Rep)	1,369	25.8	2,831,519	38.3
Judge – Superior Court (#144)	#	%		
Janis L. Barquist (NP)	1,535	48.0	N/A	
David W. Stuart (NP)	1,660	51.9		
Proposition 1D	#	%	#	%
School Bond Yes	3,739	69.4	4,143,502	56.6
No	1,648	30.5	3,187,911	43.4
Proposition 86	#	%	#	%
Tobacco Tax Yes	3,623	64.8	3,393,921	47.9
No	1,961	35.1	3,686,636	52.0
Proposition 87	#	%	#	%
Oil Tax Yes	3,370	61.0	3,607,506	45.2
No	2,152	38.9	4,079,106	42.8
Proposition 90	#	%	#	%
Eminent Domain Yes	2,106	39.5	3,259,762	47.6
No	3,218	60.4	3,574,576	52.4

Semi-final results

Source: www.lavote.net and www.ss.ca.gov



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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City Council of Beverly Hills, at its regular meeting to be held on **Tuesday, November 21, 2006, at 7:30 p.m.**, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, 455 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90210, will hold a public hearing to consider:

RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS REAUTHORIZING A CIVILIAN RANGEMASTER POSITION TO BE FUNDED BY THE CITY'S COPS ALLOCATION

In order to accept \$100,000 in COPS Allocation funding adopted in the State FY 2006-2007 budget, a public hearing must be conducted reauthorizing its use for personnel costs.

All interested persons are invited to attend and speak on this matter. Written comments are also invited and should be addressed to the City Council, c/o City Clerk, 455 N. Rexford Drive, Room 190, Beverly Hills, CA 90210, and should be received prior to the public hearing.

If you challenge the Council's action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the hearing before the City Council or in written correspondence delivered to the City, either at or prior to the hearing.

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A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE SCHEDULE OF TAXES, FEES & CHARGES TO ADD GROUNDWATER REPLENISHMENT FEE FOR FISCAL YEAR 2006/2007

The proposed resolution will amend the Comprehensive Schedule of Taxes, Fees & Charges to add a groundwater replenishment fee for the removal of groundwater as detailed in Ordinance No. 06-O-2506 adopted by the City Council. The amount of the fee is \$520.95 per acre foot. The funds collected will replace the City's costs to purchase imported water instead of groundwater.

At the public hearing, the City Council will hear and consider all objections or protests to the proposed fee. If the City Council adopts the resolution, the Replenishment Fee will become effective immediately.

Copies of the proposed resolution are available for review or purchase in the Office of the City Clerk, Room 190, and the Finance Department, Room 250, 455 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, California. Any interested person may attend the meeting and be heard. Written comments may also be submitted and should be addressed to the City Council, c/o City Clerk, 455 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, California, 90210. The comments should be received prior to the hearing date.

Please remember, if you challenge the Council's action in regard to this matter in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City, either at or prior to the public hearing.

BYRON POPE
City Clerk

briefs

Man Arrested for Vandalism at Beverly Wilshire Hotel

Michael Lee, a resident of Illinois, was arrested Tuesday morning after he allegedly opened a water valve at the Beverly Wilshire Hotel.

The vandalism has done damage in the back wing of the hotel only, according to Jennifer Cook, Director of Public Relations for the hotel.

"He opened the valve in the stairwell, the fire department connection, that's where the flooding came from," Cook said. "It went into the stairwell and basically through the walls, and into some of the corridors and some of the rooms."

The open water valve also triggered a portion of the hotel's indoor sprinkler system, which affected "a handful of rooms," Cook said.

After opening the valve, Lee left the hotel and proceeded to the 200 block of South Beverly Drive and kicked in the glass window of a store, according to Lieutenant Mitch McCann of the Beverly Hills Police Department.

When apprehended by Beverly Hills Police, Lee was also found alleged to be in possession of cocaine.

"[Lee] will be booked and prosecuted for the felony vandalism as well as posses-

sion of cocaine," McCann said.

Lee reportedly injured himself when he kicked in the store window and was transported to Cedars-Sinai Hospital to be treated.

Town Hall Meeting

The Beverly Hills North Homeowners' Association and the Beverly Hills Municipal League will hold a town hall meeting in the Veranda Room at the Peninsula Hotel on Tuesday, November 21st, at 7 p.m.

Members of both groups plan to voice concerns regarding development and traffic and how these issues are changing Beverly Hills. Parking will be available for \$3 at the hotel.

Cirque Du Doleil to Accompany Holiday Lighting Ceremony

On Saturday November 18, at 6:30 pm, the City of Beverly Hills will host the annual holiday lighting ceremony on Rodeo Drive. Produced by Baccarat, the French crystal company, the event will feature 20 crystal chandeliers along the 200, 300 and 400 blocks of Rodeo Drive and a performance by Cirque du Soleil.

Joining the chandelier display for the second year in a row is the UNICEF Crystal Snowflake, which will hang atop the Beverly Wilshire. The 16-foot snowflake, designed by Ingo Maurer with 12,000 Baccarat crystals, made its debut in New York City in 2004, where it was suspended throughout the holidays at the intersection of Fifth Avenue and 57th



At the Groundbreaking for Kelly's Coffee and Fudge Factory, from left to right are Vice Mayor Jimmy Delshad, Councilmember Linda J. Briskman, Mayor Stephen P. Webb, Councilmember Frank M. Fenton and Councilmember Barry Brucker.

Street. The snowflake replaces the Tree of Lights, which for so many years adorned the front of the Beverly Wilshire and will serve as a beacon of hope, peace and compassion for vulnerable children around the world.

"We are all very excited to light up Rodeo Drive this coming holiday season and to have been invited back by the City of Beverly Hills to the kick-off the festivities with a bang," Jaime E. Jiménez, Director of Public Relations and Special Events for Baccarat in North America, said. "This being our third year producing

the event we wanted to make it bigger and better, and the brilliant performance Cirque du Soleil has planned for the occasion is certain to achieve this goal, it will mesmerize the audience."

Breaking Ground

Members of the city council donned hard hats to break ground on November 8 for construction of the new coffee shop at the Beverly Hills Public Library. Kelly's Coffee and Fudge Factory will be located in what used to be the periodicals section of the library. Construction is estimated to

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Spirit Barbeque at El Rodeo - Left to Right: Amir Mansbacher, Tira Mansbacher being held by Office Manager Susie Wallach, Jordana Mansbacher, Marisa Lederman and Doren Mansbacher (in front)

take about 12 weeks, with an opening date expected in early 2007. Kelly's menu will include coffee, tea, iced blended drinks, pastries, fudge, and packaged sandwiches.

Spirit Barbeque at El Rodeo

Hamburgers, hot dogs, caramel apples and sundaes were enjoyed by all at the El Rodeo 3rd Annual Spirit BBQ on November 5th on its playground. Beverly Hills Girl Scout Troop #243 served root beer floats and black cows to an excited crowd on an unusually warm Sunday afternoon. Organized by Leigh Shapiro, the event was a success giving teachers and

staff a chance to dance with students and parents on the basketball court to Tamir's fun music. The El Rodeo 'family' celebrated with fun slides, games Chinese jump rope, a silent auction and gift baskets.

Luncheon to Honor Women in the Entertainment Industry

On Thursday, November 16 at 12 p.m., Access Hollywood's Shaun Robinson will host the 11th annual Girls Incorporated celebration luncheon at The Beverly Hills Hotel. All proceeds go to Girls Inc., an organization whose mission is to "encour-

age girls to dream big and provide them with the tools they need to reach those dreams."

Co-chaired by actress Holly Robinson Peete (Love, Inc., For Your Love, Hangin' with Mr. Cooper), the gala will honor leaders in the entertainment community for creating strong images of women in TV and film and for the role they play in shaping the aspirations of young women in this industry.

The reception is at 11:15 a.m. and the luncheon starts at 12:00 p.m. Individual tickets are \$250. Contact Harvin Rogas at 310-559-9334 for ticket information.

Multicultural Festival Sunday
Beverly Hills will hold its inaugural

Multicultural Festival Sunday in what city officials are calling a celebration of Beverly Hills' ever-changing ethnic make-up.

The opening hours of the festival will be held in conjunction with the weekly farmers market on Civic Center Drive. Children can take part in arts and crafts making from 9 a.m. to noon; story tellers will perform from 10 a.m. to noon and an "International Marketplace of "Wares and Awareness" will be open from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

Performances on the Farmers' Market Main Stage begin at 10 a.m. with Elliott and Jeremy Ephrati performing on the keyboard and violin. At 10:30 a.m., gui-

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BHHS To Host First-Round Football Playoff Game Friday Night

Record-setting tie with Culver City, coin flip victory give Normans Ocean League's top seeding.

By Steven Herbert

It may sound unusual in a game it gave up the most points since at least 1989, but defense allowed the Beverly High football team to salvage a 56-56 tie with Culver City last Thursday night and a share of the Ocean League championship with the Centaurs.

Safety David Roston intercepted a Darius Banks pass at the Norman 15-yard line in the game's final minute, denying the host Centaurs (8-1-1, 3-1-1 in league play) the chance for the victory in the regular-season finale for both teams and the highest-scoring tie in California 11-man high school football history, according to Cal-Hi Sports, which publishes the state record book.

Beverly Hills (7-2-1, 3-1-1) also got a third-quarter interception by Danny Berkowitz and forced Culver City to turn the ball over on downs when a Banks fourth-down pass fell incomplete in the end zone on the next-to-last

play of the first half.

The Normans were designated as the league champion in seeding for the Southern Section Western Division playoffs because Carter Paysinger, their football coach and athletic director, correctly called tails in a coin toss Nov. 7 during the monthly meeting of the athletic directors of South Bay Athletic Association schools.

In a game where the Centaurs out-gained the Normans, 598 yards to 576, Beverly Hills took a 56-42 lead with about nine minutes to play when Ramon Judkins ran 65 yards for his fifth touchdown and quarterback Dex Lucci ran for a two-point conversion.

Banks (23 of 34 for 459 yards) threw a 12-yard touchdown pass to Tyrone Justin on the ensuing possession. Culver City recovered a fumble on a Norman center-quarterback exchange which it converted into Banks' sev-

enth touchdown pass, a 30-yarder to Antwon Moutra, for the tying score.

In addition to 4-, 11-, and two 65-yard touchdown runs by Judkins (251 yards on 24 carries), Beverly Hills also got a 16-yard first-quarter touchdown run from Gerald McGee for the game's first score, McGee's second-quarter 2-yard touchdown run, a 57-yard touchdown pass from Lucci (six of seven for 134 yards) to Judkins in the third quarter and Lucci's 27-yard fourth-quarter touchdown pass to Jonathon Skura, which gave it a 48-35 lead.

The Normans led 14-6 at the end of the first quarter and 41-35 at the start of the fourth. The score was tied, 21-21 at halftime.

"Offensively we played very well and executed the game plan," Paysinger said. "We knew to have a chance to win the game, we felt like we were going to have the run the ball, eat clock and keep their offense on the sideline. Unfortunately, we executed a little too well and had some big running plays and so we scored faster than we should have."

Paysinger said he was not surprised by the Centaurs' offensive output, as they scored the most points by a Beverly Hills opponent since Paysinger became coach in 1990. The previous high was 52 in a 52-27 loss to South Torrance Sept. 7, 2001 in a game the Normans were later awarded a forfeit victory because the Spartans used an ineligible player.

"Short of turnovers, it's really hard to stop them," Paysinger said.

The entire Norman starting offensive line of Brent Brien, James Jun, Brandon Kim, Mike Rostovtsev and Nick Urteaga, drew praise from Paysinger, as did running backs Judkins

and McGee (118 yards on 18 carries), receivers Darrian Richardson and Dominique Sandifer and Skura, the Beverly Hills tight end, drew praise from Paysinger.

Norman defensive linemen Danny Berkowitz and Casey Binafard, linebacker Sae Bin Park and Roston also drew praise from Paysinger.

Beverly Hills' 56 points scored are its fourth most in a game since Paysinger became its, behind 62 in games against Morningside and Culver City and 60 against Damien, all in 1998.

The previous highest-scoring tie in California 11-man football history was a 1970 Newbury Park-Thousand Oaks game that ended in a 48-48 deadlock. Notre Dame Riverside defeated Yucca Valley in three overtimes in a 2005 game that ended tied, 48-48, at the end of regulation. Paramount Brethren and Arcadia Rio Hondo Prep played to a 58-58 tie in a 1972 six-man game.

No national records are kept for highest scoring ties.

What's Next

The Normans are scheduled to play host to Lancaster (5-4), the Golden League's third-place team, in a Southern Section Western Division first-round playoff game Friday night at 7 p.m. at Nickoll Field.

If Beverly Hills wins, it would play the winner of the West Hills Chaminade-Lynwood game in a quarterfinal Nov. 24. Beverly Hills would play at Lynwood, the San Gabriel Valley League's third-place team, or play host to Chaminade, the Mission League champion.

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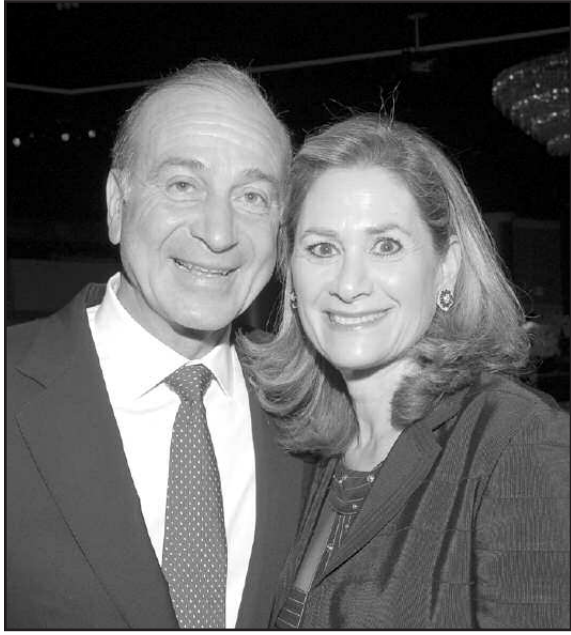
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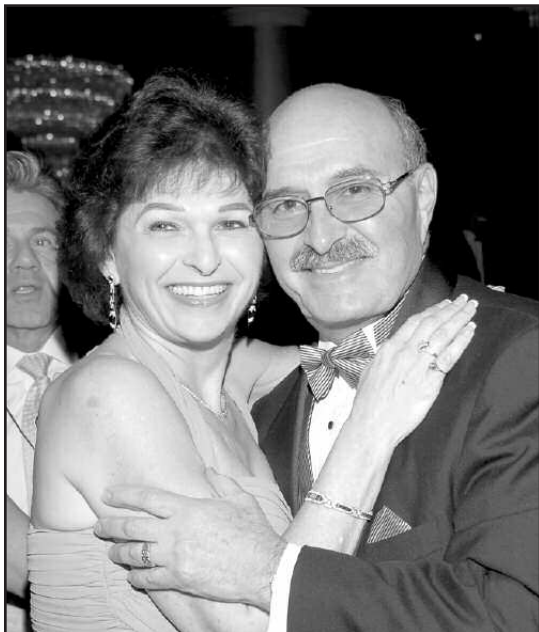
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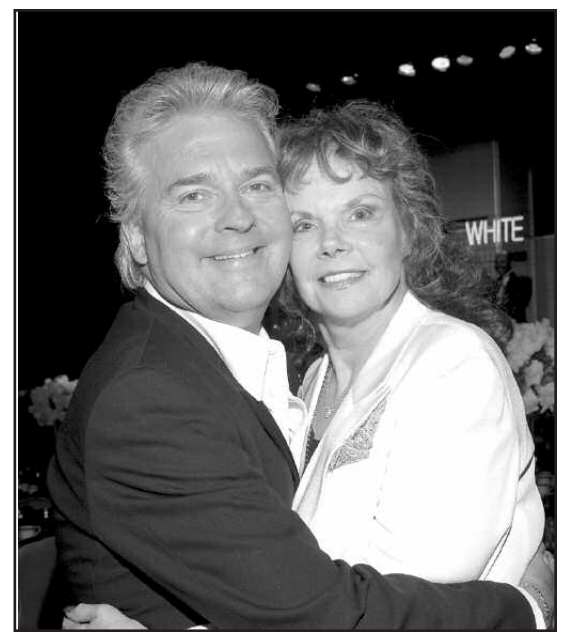
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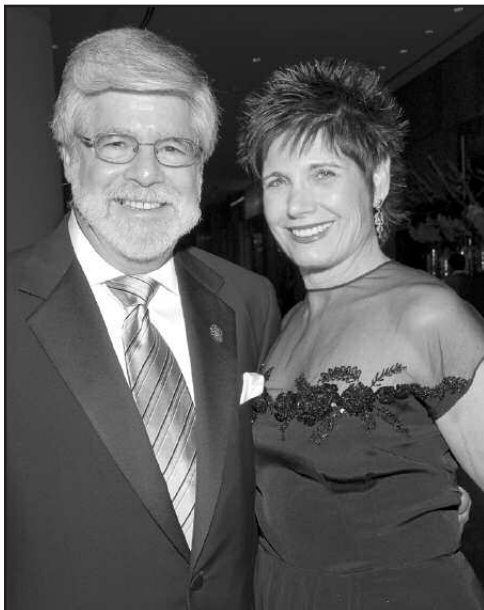
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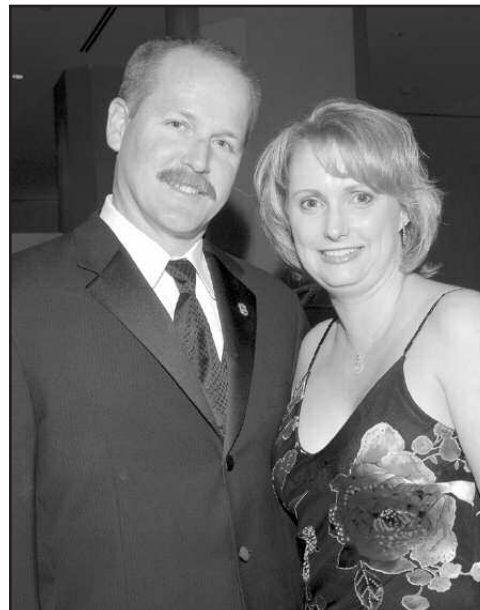
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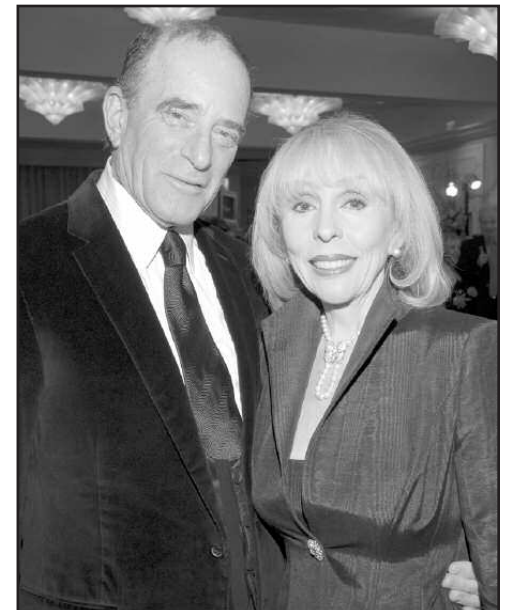
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How Different Are We Politically?

As Beverly Hills Goes, So Goes Glendale
By Rudy Cole

Surprisingly, not by much (See election graph on page ___). What was unusual was the voter turnout. Normally, we have one of the best in the state, but in the November 7 contests we had less than 30 percent voting. That's about the number that vote in city council elections and far less than the turn out for presidential races. We were about 10 percent lower than the rest of the state - an unusual occurrence.

Beverly Hills, still heavily Democratic, supported most of the party candidates for state and national offices with the exception of the governor's race. Beverly Hills, which had given strong backing to Democratic governor **Gray Davis**, this time did a complete reversal and backed **Arnold Schwarzenegger** by a 600 vote margin. By comparison, Los Angeles County gave **Phil Angelides** a 50,000 vote plurality. Los Angeles County more Democratic than Beverly Hills?

As expected, Sen. **Dianne Feinstein** led the ticket in our city, but what was unexpected was the large vote for **Jerry Brown**. The former governor had 3,929 votes, nearly 900 more

than the governor and only 500 less than Feinstein. Try to find some politically philosophical rationale for that stat.

Our electors did support the clean fuel proposition, which lost badly in the state and we gave a majority to an increase in taxes on tobacco products - which was crushed everywhere else.

The governor had almost no coattails, either in Beverly Hills or the state. His strong vote could not help candidates for other constitutional offices and he will work with both a Democratic controlled legislature, but Democrats in every state office except Insurance Commissioner.

Local favorite, **Debbie Bowen**, who had the support of most Beverly Hills city officials in her race for Secretary of State, defeated a popular Republican moderate, **Bruce McPherson**.

The ballot measure that was most troubling to city officials here and in all of California, Prop. 90, was rejected by over 1,000 votes in our city, about the same percentage as state wide. This proposition could have been devastating to local control of zoning and tax rev-

enues, even though it was billed as an anti-eminent domain initiative.

How important were newspaper endorsements? In Beverly Hills, The Courier backed every Republican for state constitutional office, including the far right nominee for Lt. Governor, **Tom McClintock**. They also went against local political leaders and even the Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce in supporting Prop. 90 (The Weekly did a full front page story on the dangers of Prop. 90 "issue #369").

Judicial elections are most often a race to see who can convince the editorial board of the Los Angeles Times. It is difficult to run a county-wide race for judge, and almost financially prohibitive. Candidates hope for high ratings from the County Bar, enough money to buy places on slates, but mostly the elections are determined by Times endorsements.

Since the consolidation of the Municipal and Superior Courts, community selection of judges is history. Municipal judges were elected in small districts throughout the County. We actually shared a district with West Hollywood and the last judge we elected, just prior to the consolidation, was **Richard Stone, Jr.** who has been assigned to our court where he has served, according to many local lawyers, with great distinction. In the past, we elected some fine judges to this court including the legendary **Andy Weisz**.

The election has some other impacts on our

community. The Wilshire corridor subway, now supported by Congressman **Henry Waxman**, once an opponent of the fixed rail proposal, will become one of the House of Representatives' most powerful members. He will chair some key committees and have considerable influence on spending projects that effect Beverly Hills and the Westside. The same can be said of Congressman **Howard Berman** who used to represent our city. Although the two are long-time allies, Berman broke with many in the Democratic caucus by refusing to change his support of the Iraq war.

Most important to California is the expected election of **Nancy Pelosi** as House speaker. Pelosi, who represents a San Francisco area district, has many ties to Southern California and the entertainment industry. Also interesting, is the number of conservative Democrats who won election, including a few that are anti-abortion. Conversely, several moderate and liberal Republicans, lost.

One national note: While the nation was giving the White House a strong message of opposition to the Iraq war, although corruption and sex scandals also contributed to the GOP defeat, Sen. **John McCain** called for more troops in Iraq. Is he supposed to be the voice of moderation in the GOP?

We also have a new Assemblyman representing Beverly Hills, West Hollywood and parts of west Los Angeles and the valley, **Mike Feuer**. Feuer is well known in our community and had the support of a majority of our city council and school board. He had represented the Los Angeles Council District that surrounds us before his near miss race for City Attorney.

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of the nastiness in his campaign against West Hollywood councilmember **Abbe Land**, but in the end, both campaigns were troubling, not just Feuer's. Feuer is extremely bright, highly ethical and dedicated to public service and should be a comer in state politics.

Feuer succeeds **Paul Koretz**, who was "termed" out. Paul tried to win a seat on an obscure water board, and apparently lost narrowly. He now has to ponder a race for state senate or a move to Los Angeles for a chance to succeed **Jack Weiss** in the Fifth Los Angeles Council District. That office is also being eyed by **Mike Waxman**, a formidable family name, although he too would have to move - this time from Beverly Hills.

A Koretz staff member, who worked well with Beverly Hills city leaders, **Jay Greenstein**, has become a senior deputy for Councilmember Weiss.

Carolyn Mahboubi hosted a very special birthday party for CNN's **Larry King** and his wife **Shawn** this week attended by most of our city's leadership. King has been a very special friend of Beverly Hills, giving generously of his time to so many community organizations and also favoring our special deli: Nate 'n Al's.

Speaking of King, he will also be appearing at an event supporting numerous health groups including the American Heart Association, COPE Health Solutions and the Larry King Cardiac Foundation on Tuesday, November 21, 2006 at the Beverly Hilton Hotel. Honorees appearing include Desperate Housewives star Eva Longoria, Los Angeles Mayor **Antonio Villaraigosa** and Dr. **Enrique Ostrzega**. For more information, 323.904.4400.

Apparently, former Mayor **Robert K.**

Tanenbaum will remain as president of the North Homeowner's Association until May, when his term expires and not leave earlier as first reported here. This means that Tanenbaum will serve through the next city council elections to be held in March. The next meeting of the group is on November 21.

For trivia pursuit types, here is what could happen as a result of the council elections: If **Jimmy Delshad** wins a second term, he will become mayor of Beverly Hills in March, succeeding **Steve Webb**. If he loses, the job would pass, according to precedent, to **Barry Brucker**. Brucker, who came in first in the last election, would have seniority over **Frank Fenton** who would become vice mayor.

The painful agony of a Los Angeles Times in ownership and management turmoil impacts our whole community and will hopefully soon end. What is remarkable about the story is how much of it is played out in the pages of the Times. Whatever problems the Tribune Company has brought to its ownership, it has not done a heavy handed censorship on the internal reporting of the changes in publishers and editors and the public fight to keep the paper from making drastic cuts in staff and the effort to find local ownership. The Tribune has been even handed on permitting its pages to reflect the news on the problems and possibilities for the paper's future. For this, we should be grateful.

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

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tarist Sergio Algon will perform, followed by keyboard player Christopher Nash at 11 a.m. Children of the World will perform at 11:30 a.m. and the Beverly High Drum Line at noon.

The festival will shift to the Civic Center Main Stage at 12:15 p.m. with welcoming remarks by Mayor Steve P. Webb, followed by performances of the Klezmachers at 12:30 p.m.; a modern dance performance by Challyce Brodgen at 1 p.m.; The Company '07: Beverly High Advanced Dance Theatre Group at 1:05 p.m.; Folklorico Faison at 1:30 p.m.; the Korean Classical Music and Dance Company at 2 p.m. and the rock group the Black Cats at 2:30 p.m.

Admission is free with a donation to the festival food drive encouraged. More information on the festival is available by calling (310) 285-1006.

Hawthorne Fun Night

On the night of November 22, Hawthorne will be having its first annual Hawthorne Fun Night. Middle School students who received all O's and S's in "citizenship" and "work habits" on their last report card will be treated to a party from 5:30 - 7:00 in the Hawthorne Courtyard.

Beverly High to Stage Twelfth Night

The Beverly Hills High School Performing Arts Department invites theater-goers to experience Shakespeare's classic Twelfth Night in the rocking realm

of "Club Illyria," as the school's talented theater students and faculty give a new look to an old favorite.

Performances take place tonight through Saturday, November 15th through 18th, at the Salter Family Theater, Beverly Hills High School, 241 Moreno Drive, at 7:00 pm nightly. Tickets are \$12.00 for adults, \$8.00 for students. Call (310) 551-5100 x 8459, for more information.

BHHS Graduate Pleased With Performance In Georgia Governor's Race

Garrett Michael Hayes, a 1973 Beverly High graduate running as the Libertarian Party candidate, received 3.8 percent of the vote in his bid to be elected governor of Georgia in the Nov. 7 election, according to figures released by the Secretary of State's Office.

"We may not have won, but we have had a profound impact: on voters, on the media and on our elected officials," Hayes said in a statement posted on his campaign's Web site, www.hayesforgovernor.com. "Never before have they had to deal so directly with the demand for smaller government and true conservatism."

Republican Gov Sonny Perdue was re-elected with 57.9 percent of the vote. Democratic Lt. Gov. Mark Taylor had 38.3 percent. At least one pre-election poll said Hayes could force a runoff. Under Georgia law, if no candidate receives a majority, a runoff is held among the top two finishers.

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SMOKE SIGNS

City council to consider smoking ban for outdoor dining areas. But some restaurant owners fear a loss of business.

By Ryan Vaillancourt

On the heels of recent anti-smoking legislation passed in Santa Monica, Beverly Hills could be the next city to stub outdoor public smoking.

Spearheaded by Councilmember Barry Brucker, the idea was first proposed to the council in August and then later addressed at a study session in September. An ad-hoc subcommittee, comprised of Brucker and councilmember Linda Briskman, was then appointed by Mayor Steve Webb.

Brucker, who is a former president of the Amie Karen Cancer Fund for Children at Cedars-Sinai Hospital, favors a smoking ban primarily as a curb on second hand smoke.

"[Second hand smoke] can boost asthma attacks, it is considered by the California EPA as a known air toxin, and the surgeon general has said that second hand smoke is a direct hazard to your health," Brucker said.

Indeed, the American Cancer Society estimates that every year, second hand smoke is responsible for 3,400 lung cancer deaths among non-smoking adults nationwide. In addition, second hand smoke increases in the number of asthma attacks in as many as 1 million asthmatic children, according to ACS.

The health risks associated with second hand smoke have long been known, and Beverly Hills is no stranger to anti-smoking laws. Like the rest of the California, Beverly Hills has been smoke free inside work places and restaurants since 1995 and bars were tacked on to the no smoking list in 1998. California was the first state to do enact a statewide smoking ban, and many other states have followed suit since.

"California has always been a leader on smoke free issues," said Cynthia Hallett, Executive Director for the American Nonsmokers' Rights Foundation.

With more municipalities passing outdoor smoke free laws, California may be pushing the public health bar once again. When Santa Monica's ordinance goes into effect on Thanksgiving Day next week, they will join a list of 9 other cities in California to extend the smoking ban outdoors, according to ANRF.

"The public is demanding these smoke free areas," Hallett said. "More than 80% of the population doesn't smoke so businesses are actually opening up their doors to more customers."

Still, there are plenty of restaurants and patrons that would hate to see outdoor smoking go.

"People come here to relax and everyone knows they can smoke outside," Il Pastaio owner Giacomino Drago said. "I think now [with banning outdoor smoking] we're stretching the line."

Drago suggested that, at the very least, there be a designated area that permits smoking. This solution though, would not work for every restaurant, he said. "What about the places that don't have enough space? They couldn't do it."

whelming support of Beverly Hills voters for Proposition 87, however, which would have increased the tax on tobacco products statewide, may indicate a friendly response to an anti-smoking ordinance. Though Prop. 87 failed to pass statewide, 64.8% of Beverly

directly affected. General Manager Radha Arora sent a letter to the council opposing the proposed ban.

"Many of our international guests, especially from Japan and Europe tend to favor the outdoor dining purely because of the ability to be able to smoke with a drink," Arora said. "As far as our al fresco dining is concerned and our outdoor seating is concerned, it is the main stay of our business out there, it really is."

Arora, like other business owners contacted by the Weekly, offered a compromise.

"We would prefer rather than it being banned in entirety that there are restricted areas perhaps where you can indeed smoke outside, like a separate area."

The idea of isolating smokers in an outdoor seating area is a popular one, but it depends largely on each establishment's available space. A smoking section on a small terrace would seem to defeat the purpose of an outdoor smoking ban. But, larger establishments, like the Regent Beverly Wilshire might have the capacity to effectively isolate smokers.

"Where it works for a smoking and non-smoking section is at a place like the Beverly Wilshire where they have so much frontage on Wilshire that you can actually have a real separate area of smoking and non smoking," Brucker said.

Unlike restaurants, which offer a relatively brief service, hotels may be able to better justify their opposition to outdoor smoking bans because their establishment serves as a temporary home to guests. Whereas restaurant patrons can return home and smoke, hotel guests are effectively at home during their stay.

For this reason, hotels could be exempt from the proposed ordinance.

"It wouldn't be my first choice, but it may be the the only option to get it passed," he said.

If an outdoor smoking ban does get passed, it's not likely to be as broad as the measure passed in Santa Monica, according to Brucker. The Santa Monica ordinance goes beyond outdoor dining areas, banning outdoor smoking at all waiting areas such as ATM stations and movie lines, at all farmers markets and within 20 feet of all entrances, exits and open windows of buildings that are open to the public.

But if an ordinance does eventually pass, how strict or lenient it is, may be beside the point.

"You can't let people buy cigarettes and then say they can't smoke," Drago said. "Why not just say you can't buy cigarettes? That's what I say."



Proposed ordinance would ban outdoor smoking.

Xi'an, another North Canon restaurant, also permits outdoor smoking. Manager Tao Chang said that keeping the inside smoke free makes sense. "It's perfect like this," he said, "Inside there is no smoking, but outside, of course they can smoke."

But in Southern California, where the weather can be friendly to al fresco dining year round, and windows stay open on warm afternoons, the barrier between indoor and outdoor seating is not necessarily controlled. There is no guarantee that second hand smoke, coming from patrons seated outside, will not waft inside.

"I don't care if a smoker wants to smoke, let them smoke until the smoke comes out of their ears for all I care," Brucker said. "Problem is, I don't want their smoke affecting me, so it's not a matter of taking away a smoker's rights, it's a matter of the cigarette smoker subjecting those toxins on anyone sitting next to them."

With the proposed ordinance still in its earliest phases, it's not clear how the community will react to the idea. The over-

Hills residents voted yes.

If the Prop. 87 results indicate support for an anti-smoking ordinance among residents, the collective opinion of the business community is yet to surface. The Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce is in the process of conducting a survey among restaurant owners regarding the issue, Chamber CEO Dan Walsh said, and the survey results will undoubtedly play into the council's proceedings with the matter.

"Before I can support an ordinance of this type I want to hear from our restaurants and the Chamber of Commerce as to the economic impact," councilmember Linda Briskman said. "Many of them depend on a foreign tourist trade [and] many of those guests are smokers. If they chose to stay in LA or West Hollywood or Newport Beach over Beverly Hills because they don't have an ordinance that would concern me."

One of the only businesses to officially oppose an outdoor smoking ban is the Regent-Beverly Wilshire, whose al fresco dining restaurant, the Boulevard, would be

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Under Southern Section rules, the team with the fewer home games plays host to the next playoff game. If both teams have played the same number of home games, the site is determined by a coin toss. The Normans won a coin toss with Chaminade.

Girls' Golf Ocean League Finals

Sophomore Clair Choo was the lone Beverly Hills golfer to qualify for the Southern Section Northern Individual Regional by finishing in the top six Oct. 26. Choo shot an eight-over-par 80 at the Harding Course at Griffith Park, matching Jennel Alexander, a Torrance junior, for the fourth-lowest score. Hye Sol Kim, a North Torrance senior, won with an even-par 72.

Girls' Tennis Beverly Hills 11, Arcadia 7

Singles players Amanda Ellis, Zarina Pisnoy and Marie Zalameda each won all three of their sets for the Normans team in a Division II second-round match at Beverly Hills Saturday.

The Alana Johnson-Johanna Yadegar doubles team won its first- and third-round sets for

Beverly Hills.

The Normans led 4-2 at the end of the first round and 7-5 at the end of the second.

Pisnoy was a 6-0, 6-0, 6-1 winner, Ellis a 6-2, 6-1, 6-1 winner and Zalameda a 6-2, 6-3, 6-0 winner.

Beverly Hills 15, Redlands East Valley 3

Ellis, Pisnoy and Zalameda each won all three of their singles sets, as did the Johnson-Yadegar doubles team in a Division II first-round match at Beverly Hills last Thursday.

Twins Akasia J-Riggins and Sunia J-Riggins teamed for 6-0 and 6-2 victories in their first two sets, while the Kelly Brien-Daisy Delmar team was a 6-2 winner in the second round for the Normans.

Zalameda was a 6-0, 6-1, 6-0 winner in her three sets, Ellis a 6-1, 6-2, 6-0 winner and Pisnoy a 6-3, 6-0, 6-0 winner. Johnson and Yadegar won 6-3, 6-1, 6-0.

Beverly Hills led 5-1 at the end of the first round and 10-2 at the end of the second.

Boys' Water Polo Beverly Hills 14, Burbank 13

Andrew Hopp broke a 12-12 tie two minutes and one second to play with his eighth goal and

added an insurance goal 24 seconds later for the Normans in a Division VI second-round game Saturday at Burbank.

Greg Fields' fifth goal of the game brought the Bulldogs to within in, 14-13 with 40 seconds left. Beverly Hills goaltender Alex Rosenthal made his ninth save on Burbank's final shot.

Mikey Lee scored twice for the Normans (23-5) and George Agiashvili, Jonathan Pony and Micah Smith once each.

Beverly Hills led 3-2 at the end of the first quarter and 10-9 entering the fourth. The score was tied 6-6 at halftime.

Beverly Hills 18, Garden Grove Bolsa Grande 11

Hopp scored eight goals and Lee seven in a Division VI first-round game Nov. 7 at Savanna High School in Anaheim.

Agiashvili, Benji Koltai and Kevin Mead scored once each for the Normans.

Rosenthal made 11 saves. Beverly Hills led 3-1 at the end of the first quarter, 9-4 at halftime and 13-8 entering the fourth quarter.

Boys' Cross Country

Santa Monica 23, Beverly Hills 37, Hawthorne 83, Culver City 95, Inglewood Morningside 143

Jon Simmons, a Beverly Hills junior, was the individual winner, completing the 3-mile course at Rancho Park in 16:06.16 in an Ocean League meet Oct. 11.

Girls' Cross Country Santa Monica 30, Beverly Hills 36, Culver City 71

Junior Valerie Wirtschafter was the top Beverly Hills finisher, finishing second in 20:22.12 on the 3-mile course at Rancho Park, while sophomore teammate Sarah Jabari was third in 20:45. in an Ocean League meet Oct. 11.

Anniya Louis, a Culver City junior, won in 19:56.55.

More coverage is available on www.bhweekly.com.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-2276022
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-2276026
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT: 06-2276027
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