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Plans for megamansion on Tower Lane withdrawn; Homeowners pursue investigation

One week before a scheduled hearing before the Los Angeles Planning Commission, Tower Lane Properties, Inc. withdrew its application for a large-scale home development at 9933-41 Tower Lane. The applicant's attorney, Benjamin Reznik, submitted a letter to Los Angeles City Planning Commission President William Roschen on April 7 notifying him of the withdrawal of plans in Benedict Canyon.

"We heard some of [the residents'] concerns pertaining to some of the construction impacts, dealing with the export of dirt and the number of truck trips, and our client has asked, has challenged his architect and engineer to revise the project with an eye towards minimizing any export of dirt from the site," Reznik said.

Before leaving office, former mayor Jimmy Delshad wrote a letter to Michael LoGrande, Director of Planning, on behalf of Beverly Hills residents.

"While this project is located in Los Angeles, our residents have expressed concerns regarding this project, particularly since the only access to the site is through Beverly Hills," Delshad wrote on March 15.

On Jan. 19, the Los Angeles Planning Department Advisory Agency approved a

request for a lot line adjustment to allow the applicant to adjust property lines between three lots at 9933, 9937 and 9941 Tower Lane, for a total of 228,920 square feet. Representatives for Bruce and Martha Karsh and the Benedict Canyon Association filed appeals on Feb. 3, and a hearing had been scheduled for April 14.

On Monday night, the Benedict Canyon Association held its monthly meeting at the Beverly Hills Women's Club. Martha Karsh reported the project status to the association, and announced that during the process of preparing for the Planning Commission hearing, her attorneys took a close look at the master land use permit application.

"They started to look at every single answer on the lot line adjustment," Karsh said. "Almost every key answer on the application was false."

Karsh announced her intention to launch a formal investigation into the matter with Los Angeles city attorney Carmen Trutanich. Michael Chasteen, President of the Benedict Canyon Association, sent a letter to Trutanich on Tuesday.

"We believe the lot line adjustment application filed by Tower Lane Properties, Inc. was false and misleading," Chasteen wrote. "We respectfully request that your office conduct an investigation into the lot line adjustment application that was signed under penalty of perjury."

The letter states that the master land use permit application indicated the property's current use as "single family residential vacant land," and the proposed use is "same."

"As is evident from a casual review of the property, there are structures all over the property," Chasteen wrote. "It is hardly 'vacant land.'"

The letter also points out that 22 separate building permit application plan checks were filed with the Department of Building and Safety from June to August 2010, for mul-

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THEY'VE GOT STYLE SOUTH BEVERLY DRIVE

Beverly Hills City Councilmember Julian Gold, co-owner Sharona Rahimian, publicist Janae Raphael and co-owner Ramona Molayem at Style Bar's grand opening on April 7. Gold participated in the ribbon-cutting ceremony at the grand opening, where VIPs donated makeovers to Los Angeles foster youth through United Friends of the Children, a non-profit organization supporting foster youth through programs in education and transitional housing.

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OUR DATA SPEAKS VOLUMES





Horace Mann parent reenacts women's history for eighth graders

Ever heard of the Declaration of Sentiments? If you haven't, Amy Simon will tell you it is a seminal document in women's history, drafted by Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Lucretia Mott at the Seneca Falls convention in 1848 and modeled after the Declaration of Independence to address women's rights.

Simon, an actress and women's history expert, visited David Foldvary's eighth grade history class at Horace Mann on April 1 to teach students about women's history in the 1800s. Simon performs a one-woman show called *She's History!* that introduces the audience to notable females throughout history. She is also the mother of Horace Mann eighth grader Ruby Margo and Beverly High senior Rose Margo.

"The reason I do what I do is people like you don't know anything about [the Declaration of Sentiments] and neither did I, but Mr. Foldvary and teachers today are much more ahead of the game than we were," Simon said. "They're teaching their students, finally, something about women's history."

During her presentation, Simon focused on women who organized for abolition and women's rights during the 1800s. Simon introduced students to Stanton, Mott, Susan B. Anthony, Mary Shelley and others.

"All these women have things in common," Simon said. "I link them together to show how they inspired each other and gave us the rights we have today."

Friday's visit to Foldvary's class was Simon's third this school year. She does two different presentations with the students, one in which she acts out scenes from women's history, and another in which she presents a lesson and then hands scripts to students so they can reenact scenes. She encourages improvisation.

"The students get pretty engaged with it," Foldvary said. "We've just completed our unit on reform movements: abolitionism, temperance, new literary movements and women's suffrage, so this is a great culminating event for the eighth graders. They always love it when Amy comes in."

Simon said it's rewarding to see students recognize that women didn't always have the same rights as men.

"It's really fantastic to see their minds racing, understanding, questioning and learning," Simon said. "It's really cool to see them understand the progress we've made and the sacrifices women and men have made to get the rights we have today."

For information about upcoming performances of Simon's one-woman act, visit www.sheshistory.com.

multiple residences and structures totaling more than 80,000 square feet. The applicant filled in "not applicable" in the space provided for plan checks. Chasteen's letter outlines other problems with the application, including that the applicant stated that zero residential units would be added to the property.

Reznik said that claims that the application is fraudulent are inaccurate.

"There is a lot of misinformation that's been fueled by certain people in the area," Reznik said. "That issue was raised in the Planning Department, the staff report looked at that, that it was inaccurate and false, [and found] that they were wrong. The application was correct and accurate."

Reznik said the applicant is working on revising the project's plans.

"There are three legal lots, and there's a main residence, there is a caretaker's residence on the second lot, and on the third lot, there's a son's villa, as it's been referred to," Reznik said. "We are withdrawing the building permits for the son's villa, and reevaluating. And with respect to the remaining lots for the two homes, our architect and engineer are in the process of revising the project, reducing its size and scope in the hopes of being able to minimize the amount of grading and export of dirt. ... [Residents] will see when we finalize the engineering and architectural studies, they will see in fact it is a revised project."

Tower Lane Properties, Inc. was established to keep the identity of the applicant confidential, but the *Los Angeles Times*



Beverly Vista Rocks Carnival offers fun for all ages.

Camille Kaiserman, 4, of Beverly Hills cuddles up with chickens at the petting zoo at Beverly Vista Rocks Carnival on Sunday. The free-admission carnival offered rides, games, food and activities for families. Event chair Laurie Maybaum said the event was a great success.

reported that the applicant is a Saudi Prince named Abdulaziz ibn Abdullah ibn Abdulaziz al Saud, son of King Abdullah.

The April 14 Appeal Staff Report said that the planning department received a memo via the appellants' representatives delineating the components of what was being considered by the property owner, including a 40,979 square-foot main dwelling. Staff could not verify this information. The appeal

also argued that the lot line adjustment did not conform to the general plan and building ordinances, and that it violates the California Environmental Quality Act.

The staff report recommended a denial of the appeal, maintaining that the lots remained consistent to the General Plan and the Building and Zoning Code.

Los Angeles City Councilmember Paul

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Council of the City of Beverly Hills, at its adjourned regular meeting to be held on **Thursday, April 21, 2011, at 7:00 p.m.**, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, 455 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, California, will hold a public hearing to consider adoption of:

A RESOLUTION OF THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS AMENDING THE COMPREHENSIVE SCHEDULE OF TAXES, FEES & SERVICE CHARGES FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2011/2012.

The proposed resolution will increase the taxes, fees, and service charges that are charged to the public for the various activities and services as set forth in the schedule for fiscal year 2011/2012. The majority of the fees and charges would be increased by 0.7% based on the Consumer Price Index (CPI) for November 2010 to reflect the increase in the City's costs. In some cases, the fees were adjusted to reflect a change in service level, more equitable distribution of costs, or to obtain full-cost recovery, rather than by the CPI. The fees would become effective on July 1, 2011.

Copies of the proposed Resolution and the Fee Study Report are available for review or purchase in the Office of the City Clerk, Room 290, 455 N. Rexford Drive, and in the Finance Department, 3rd Floor, 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. If you need more information, please contact Carolyn Johnson at (310) 285-2459.

Please note that 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, CMC
City Clerk

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Koretz said he was pleased with the applicant's decision to withdraw.

"I hope in rethinking this site, the applicant works with the neighbors to develop a project we all can support," Koretz said in a statement. "The current proposal is simply inappropriate for the site, and for that reason, I very much appreciate, respect and applaud the neighbors and many members of the community who spoke up and shared their concerns about the potentially resultant and severe negative impacts."

Chasteen said that he hoped the applicant's revised plans would comply with zone coding.

"That's all we're asking," Chasteen said. "BCA is not anti-development. We encourage development as long as it's done within the limits of the law and it's done out of respect to neighbors."

Adult Education program reduced to language program

	State Revenue	Profit/Loss
2006	\$783,692	\$80,687
2007	\$795,867	-\$65,644
2008	\$746,395	\$39,144
2009	\$659,473	-\$90,161
2010	\$427,929	-\$182,754
2011	\$541,000	

BHUSD Adult Education funding and revenue since 2006

On Tuesday night, the Board of Education voted unanimously to eliminate four administrative positions and reduce the hours of two other employees in the district's adult education program. Four adult/alternative education teachers appeared on the list of certificated personnel that have been separated from the district.

Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Dawnalyn Murakawa-Leopard said that would leave two permanent teachers, one who is credentialed to teach adult ESL

and the other who is credentialed to teach foreign language at the secondary and adult level. The adult education program would be supported by one half-time administrative employee, and the Board will determine how the program will be administered.

Board Vice President Brian Goldberg asked if the teachers could be placed somewhere else in the district, to benefit K-12 education, which he called the district's primary mission.

"Keeping a program that costs us even a little bit of money is not something I'm interested in doing, particularly when we're looking at laying off K-12 teachers that will impact K-12 education," Goldberg said. "What else could we do with these individuals instead of offering an adult education program that loses money?"

Murakawa-Leopard responded that giving the teachers a special assignment outside of the classroom could be an option, but she had determined that keeping them in adult education would be most cost-effective.

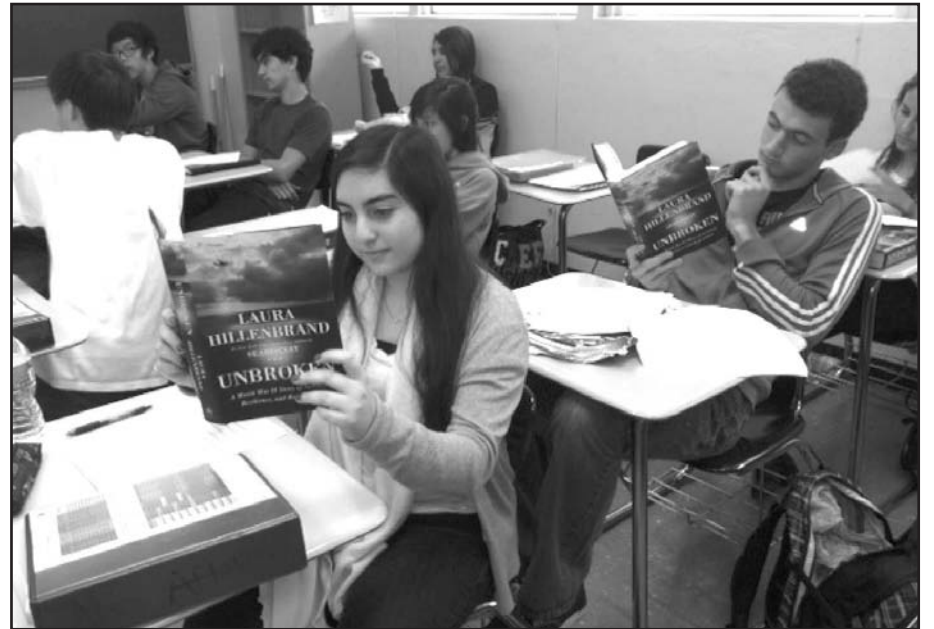
"My opinion, in terms of the options that we've looked at, the lowest cost would be to maintain them in their current positions," Murakawa-Leopard said.

Murakawa-Leopard said the two teachers' combined salary is about \$110,000, and additional funds would go to the half-time clerical employee and administration of the program.

Before the vote, 13 ESL students and two language instructors spoke in support of the ESL program. Many more requested their comments to be read by Goldberg. Adult Education instructor Esther Caporale said about 65 of her students representing many nationalities and backgrounds were in attendance.

"I entirely understand due to budget cuts you need and want to cut [programs]," Caporale said. "Almost 65 ESL students are here tonight, and ask for your help to keep ESL classes open. ESL is vital to personal and professional success in this country."

BHUSD's adult education program has lost over \$270,000 since 2009, the year that Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger authorized the release of categorical funds as part of the 2009 budget act. Prior to 2009, the district received funding from the state for its adult



Sophomores Alexandra Aftalion and Gefen Laredo read *Unbroken* in Julie Goler's Honors English class.

Beverly High community encouraged to participate in the Hero Project

Beverly High English teacher Julie Goler has organized a weeklong community literature event called the Hero Project and she wants the entire Beverly High community to participate by reading Laura Hillenbrand's book *Unbroken*.

During the week of May 31, Beverly High students who have read the book will be invited to participate in art projects, book club discussions and have the opportunity to meet the book's real-life hero, Louis Zamperini on June 2.

Goler read *Unbroken*, the story of WWII veteran, POW survivor and Olympian Louis Zamperini, who survived for 47 days on a raft in the Pacific Ocean after his Air Force bomber crashed. Goler thought it would be a great story to inspire staff and students alike. When she learned that Zamperini, now an inspirational speaker, lives in the Los Angeles area, the idea for the Hero Project was born.

"I think that Louis Zamperini's story is a story anyone in high school and out of high school can relate to," Goler said. "He's a kid who really struggled in high school and his brother got him into track, which gave him a purpose. From there he went on to serve during World War II. What he learned as an athlete helped him survive when he was stranded on a raft for 47 days in the Pacific with no food and when he was in degrading conditions under the hands of one cruel prison guard nicknamed by the American POWs as The Bird. It's a story that our kids will maybe not relate to, but be inspired by."

Zamperini, now 94 years old, was rescued by members of the Japanese Navy, who turned him over to a Japanese POW camp. He also overcame alcoholism and depression, and now shares his experiences as an inspirational speaker. Goler said he forgave his captors, including The Bird.

"The way he handled post traumatic stress disorder and the aftershock is really inspiring because he just came to forgive and forget," Beverly High sophomore Alexandra Aftalion said. "He forgave all his officers and moved on to a new healthy life. The way in which he did that really inspired me to not hold grudges anymore."

On June 2, Zamperini will visit Beverly High to speak to students and faculty members who have read *Unbroken*.

"What I'm looking for is greater participation in a reading project than we've ever had at Beverly," Goler said. "Teachers have been supportive in offering extra credit and trying to work it into their curriculum, like economics teacher Roel Hinojosa and English teacher Minna Kim. Students are going to read this book and really want to meet Louis."

Goler hopes that parents, faculty and staff will sign on to the program and read *Unbroken*.

"We want to inspire our kids to read and there's no better way to inspire kids to read than to see adults in their world reading," Goler said. "If they see teachers, the librarian, administrators and their peers walking around with the book, it's almost like a virus, a good virus. We're hoping this is something that really inspires kids in a way that we never have seen before."

Other events during the week of the Hero Project:

May 31: Book jacket or poster art contest winner announced

June 1: Faculty book group

June 3: Student book group

Librarian Karen Boyarsky will set up a book display of other memoirs and biographies about individuals who have overcome great challenges and demonstrated acts of heroism.

"It is wonderful to see how many teachers and their classes are enthused about reading this book together," Boyarsky said. "It seems to be a book for all grade levels, all ages, male and female. It's just an ideal choice."

The PTSA has donated 30 copies of *Unbroken* to the library for students and staff to check out. Any student or staff member who reads the book will be able to hear Zamperini speak on June 2. For more information, e-mail Julie Goler, jgoler@bhUSD.org.

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Beverly High alumni inducted into Hall of Fame

Nan, Gene (S '44), Roger (S '43) and Julie Corman celebrate the induction of producer Gene Corman, Emmy award winning graphic designer Ian Dawson ('85) and Under Secretary of Defense Michèle Flournoy ('79) into the Beverly High Alumni Hall of Fame on April 7.



Board of Education Vice President Brian Goldberg, Beverly High principal Carter Paysinger, Alumni Association President Josh Gross and Board of Education member Steven Fenton.

education program that was based on average daily attendance. Now, the district receives a lump sum for the program, regardless of the number of students enrolled.

Categorical flexible funding allows BHUSD and other California school districts flexibility with their spending to compensate for budget cuts. That means BHUSD has the option of using funds that were once used for adult education for K-12 education. Governor Jerry Brown recently extended categorical flexible funding to the 2014-15

school year.

"The state said we're going to give you less money but you can use it where you want," said Alex Cherniss, assistant superintendent of business services. "If you look at the last five years, it's gone up and down."

In 2007, BHUSD received \$795,867 in state funds for adult education. In contrast, the district received only \$427,929 in 2010.

"I know during the time I've been on the board, the adult education program has been an encroachment on the general fund, mean-

ing it takes money from the general fund to run successfully," Board Vice President Brian Goldberg said. "There's been a lot of turnover in that position in the district and traditionally the person that's the director of adult education has also taken on additional responsibility in the district office to deflect costs."

In 2010, BHUSD received \$427,929 from the state to run adult education, and the program cost the district an additional \$182,754 to operate. For the 2011 fiscal year, BHUSD

received \$541,000 from the state for the program.

Former director Twila Cook, who was director from 2006 to 2010, said that funding was a problem in recent years.

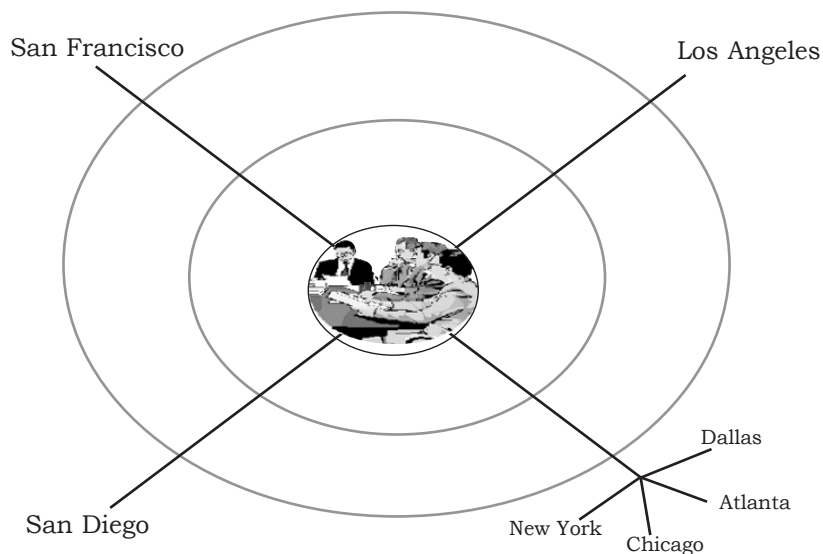
"We had to keep making cuts and we had to keep cutting personnel, and then when the state was not paying as much for the average daily attendance, we had to increase the minimum number of students in classes so that we

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And news from around town

By Rudy Cole

For those of our more faithful readers whose anxiety level has reached high tension, we apologize for delaying the final results in our search for "The Best of Beverly Hills" series. Sorry, but one more week before publication.

Last-minute nominations are not going to drastically change the results, but so many thoughtful people have provided nominees in a wide range of categories that your faithful columnist simply needs more time to check out the suggestions.

We have new e-mails urging recognition of nail salons, community activists, medical professionals and, finally, someone naming a salesperson at one of our major department stores.

In any case, all good things must come to an end, to coin an original phrase, so no more nominations, and our findings will definitely appear next week.

Punishing the innocent and rewarding the guilty.

As the NCAA goes through its ponderous process in ruling on appeals filed by the University of Southern California, maybe the time has come for some rational intervention in a very unfair process.

Without going into all the allegations and findings that led to sanctions and penalties USC faced when a student athlete apparently violated NCAA rules and received some benefits from a non-university person, the punishment neither fits the crime or complies with our sense of American justice.

The NCAA is punishing the totally innocent while the primary suspect goes almost completely unscathed in pursuit of a professional career.

Suppose, at the beginning of a new semester, the teacher informed the students that because the last class had a breach of ethics and a student was caught cheating on an exam, this new class would face a 50 percent reduction in test score grading.

Hardly fair, right? Well the new student athletes, who had absolutely nothing to do with any wrong doing, are being punished with loss of scholarships and, most insidious, an inability to participate in post season bowl games.

Today's universities and colleges are the farm teams for professional sports. For the very few young athletes who actually advance to the pros, these NCAA sanctions can be career breakers.

The whole system needs intervention and some reality checks. Yes, violations need

to be punished. But instead of inflicting this on a whole university and its community, make the real culprits suffer.

Those found guilty, after fair due process, should face penalties. If they are advancing to the pros, they should either be ineligible for a rational period of time, have some loss of earnings or, in the most serious cases, banned from playing.

As for coaches and school administrators who shared any responsibility either by complicity or negligence, various levels of punishment could and should be applied. If the system at the school is itself the culprit, meaningful fines could be imposed.

What kind of deterrent is a system that permits the student athlete to go into the professional system and earn millions while the next class of students pays for his or her misdeeds? Not much.

USC has a proud academic and sports tradition turning out hundreds of athletes that played by the rules and led by mostly ethical coaches and athletic directors. Of course, there were highly visible exceptions, but you can't help but wonder if the NCAA penalties were inflicted in part because of the university's high visibility.

The NCAA must itself reform and work out an understanding with professional sports, in this case the NFL, that makes student athletes aware that there will be consequences if rules are ignored.

Government intervention? That's something the NCAA should ponder. In fact, the NCAA was founded following a White House meeting called by then President Theodore Roosevelt in October, 1905. The nation and the president were alarmed by the number of student deaths in football games.

Then a new sport, played in only a few universities, the president wanted better safeguards and playing standards - that became the birth of the NCAA.

Restore Trojan sports ability to play in bowl games, create meaningful athletic rules enforcement, and the NCAA itself will benefit.

No, Henry, our city council cannot intervene.

SOME MILDLY HOT NEWS:

Alberto Del Hoya, the long time manag-

ing director of the venerable Beverly Hills Hotel, is reportedly leaving his job this summer, not for another position with the operating company that also manages the Bel Air, but to retire.

Under Del Hoya's leadership, the landmark hotel installed a new bar/entertainment area that has appealed to a younger crowd. The Polo Lounge continues as a major tourist attraction.

No word yet on when the Bel Air will reopen, but sources say it will be this year. The hotel could face some complex trade union problems when it reopens.

Speaking of hotels, our most famous restaurateur, Wolfgang Puck, may be involved in bringing a world class eatery to the Beverly Hilton. According to our sources, Puck has been talking to the hotel owners about either the old Trader Vic's space or the roof top which once housed one of the city's most elegant restaurants.

Owner Beny Alagem, who has spent a fortune refurbishing and remodeling the hotel, following years of neglect by more recent owners, has long said he wants an upscale dinner house at the Hilton. Circa 55, a vastly improved restaurant and another Alagem project, would remain but the hotel with a Puck dining experience could be very exciting.

Puck's Spago and his "Cut" at the Beverly Wilshire are both very successful.

Speaking of Spago, the restaurant will once again provide a Passover experience for the community on Tuesday, April 19. A seder service will be conducted by Rabbi Arnold Rachlis and Cantor Ruti Braier beginning at 6 p.m. Traditional Passover dinner: \$175 for adults and \$80 for children nine and under.

Proceeds from the dinner will benefit Mazon, "Jewish Response to Hunger."

For information and reservations, call (310) 385-0880.

Following our bit about a lack of strong or even any candidates for school board in the November election, one has emerged: Damien Bean.

With some very strong business and academic credentials, CPA Bean has become very involved in our schools. He served on the Facilities Advisory Committee and, more recently, on the newly appointed Finance Committee, both advisory to the school board. Soccer moms will recognize him as an AYSO referee. Married to fellow CPA Karen, they have two daughters in our schools, one at El Rodeo and the other in

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Bean is not just a numbers cruncher, he told us he hopes to create an even more collegial board focused on long term academic and leadership needs.

I asked Dr. **Brian David Goldberg** about Bean and he had nothing but kind words. Goldberg will be seeking his second term in the November election and appears to be very sincere when he told us he hopes there will be many strong candidates. Most office seekers probably would prefer to win by acclamation.

Several other possible candidates are considering the race, some e-mailing us their interest. However, so far only Goldberg and Bean are sure of running for three election offices.

Residents near the dealership are anxiously waiting for some "revised" plans Lexus will bring to the Planning process. Their hope to win approval for a new, bigger building to house both their show rooms, service center and offices is on hold.

They face some tough neighbor problems, especially from one irate resident who has blown the whistle on the new car delivery practices.

Some years back, Lexus had a truck hauler with six or seven new vehicles parked on the residential street. The neighbor called the police to complain and when the gendarmes arrived to issue a citation, she demanded that not one but multiple tickets be placed on all the cars on the truck and not just the delivering vehicle. Novel idea, but calmer heads prevailed.

What some neighbors and city officials are suggesting is a separate service facility not on resident abutting Wilshire Boulevard for the agency. This idea may work for land in the Industrial Area, not adjacent to residential.

Continue to see scofflaws endanger themselves and others by violating red lights, on crossing signs at intersections on South Beverly Drive. Recently, two joggers simply kept running even though the signals

had changed.

How about some warning signs about dangers and enforcement at the South Beverly Drive intersections between Wilshire and Olympic? Or maybe some more visible police enforcement? I know jay walking and other citations are constantly being issued, but somehow the fear level of being tagged is not sufficient.

With Josette's encouragement, some might call it nagging, I hope to spend much of the summer completing a book on the Women of Beverly Hills – no, not those who dumped me before Josette became the latest French martyr and tied the knot, but some true leaders and shakers.

Aside from the more recent greats, the involvement of film people such as **Corrine Griffith** – she created The Four Corners at Charleville and Beverly after her meteoric rise as a silent film star, the pioneer resident **Mary Pickford**, **Marcella Rabwin**, first woman mayor **Phyllis Seaton**, librarian **Lura Wallace**, the still involved legend

Sooky Goldman, the longest serving member of our school board, **Bernice Hutter**, and many more will hopefully give recognition to those who made Beverly Hills one of the most famous cities in America. Now, aside from the more obvious suggestions of **Vicki Reynolds** (former mayor who carved out space for the Annenberg) and **Lili Bosse**, the only first-time council candidate to win in every city precinct, and other contemporaries, we would welcome some reader suggestions and insights into women who made a difference.

The book became far more difficult when the library lost back issues of old newspapers – not the fault of the current librarian.

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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could cover the costs," Cook said.

At the Board of Education's special meeting on March 11, Goldberg proposed adding an administrative position, the director of Adult Education, to the list of more than a dozen certificated positions that were being considered for potential layoffs. The resolution recommending the elimination or reduction of 15.7 full-time equivalent positions was approved.

Adult education director Patricia Escalante appeared on the certificated personnel report as an administrator taking a leave of absence between Feb. 14 and April 29.

Cherniss said that he, Murakawa-Leopard and Assistant Superintendent of Education Services Ilene Straus have been filling in.

"We've all been sharing it," Cherniss said. "I've taken a role, our assistant superintendent of educational services has taken on a role, our assistant superintendent of human resources [has also]. All three of us have had a hand in helping out."

When asked if attempts had been made to improve adult education, Goldberg said, "A lot of things were covered up, buried, not looked at. I believe we could make it into a money maker with the right amount of time and resources, [but] we can't invest resources or time right now based on budget constraints."

Permit policy may affect BHUSD

A bill passed by the California state assembly last August may affect BHUSD's interdistrict transfer policy, which currently requires students to reapply for out-of-district permits every year.

Assembly Bill 2444, sponsored by Assemblymember Warren Furutani (D-Gardena) and passed in the assembly in August 2010, states that once a student is in a school on an out-of-district permit, the student is not required to reapply for an interdistrict transfer each year. Governor Arnold Schwarzenegger approved the bill on September 23.

Furutani's spokesperson and chief of staff Sandra Sanchez said Furutani introduced

the bill because one of his constituent cities, Lakewood, does not have its own school district. Students from Lakewood attend public schools in four districts, including Long Beach Unified School District.

"[The bill] was designed intentionally to help parents who live in Lakewood, so they did not have to go through the bureaucracy of having to reapply to school every single year," Sanchez said.

In January 2010, the Beverly Hills Board of Education voted to not renew permits for more than 200 students attending its schools on out-of-district permits. Only students entering eighth, tenth, eleventh and twelfth grades in the 2010-11 school year could renew their permits. The controversial agenda item prompted public comment from more than 40 people, and attracted national media attention. It was a key issue in the 2009 Board of Education election, in which an incumbent who supported permits was defeated.

In the past, BHUSD issued several types of out-of-district permits. The permits that were affected by the January 2010 Board of Education vote were opportunity permits, issued to allow students from outside the district to attend if space was available. The district still issues out-of-district permits to children of BHUSD and City of Beverly Hills employees.

At the time of the January 2010 vote, the district already had in place a policy requiring students to reapply for opportunity permits each year. The district's change from a revenue limit district to a basic aid district prompted a change in policy that would not allow students to renew their opportunity permits, or allow new permits.

"It's a good thing we took care of the permit issue when we did, [because] as a basic aid district, we would be stuck with hundreds of students which we had no funds to pay for," Board of Education Vice President Brian Goldberg said. "I'm pleased that we found a way to phase out opportunity permits that ensure the financial integrity of the district before the state passed this new law."

Since the new law says students do not have to reapply once enrolled in a school,

Goldberg says it is unclear if BHUSD would be required to keep students until fifth grade or eighth grade. Beverly Hills has K-8 schools, while many LAUSD schools are K-5 and 6-8.

For an out-of-district permit to be issued to a student, both the district of residence and district of enrollment must provide consent.

A reading of revised policy regarding interdistrict attendance had been scheduled for Tuesday night's Board of Education

meeting, but the item was tabled, along with a consideration of how the district will proceed with existing interdistrict attendance permits, because the meeting ran late into the night. The revised policy document attached in the meeting agenda stated that a moratorium on diversity permits, issued to allow Los Angeles students to attend BHUSD schools, has been in effect since September 2010.

Applications for interdistrict transfers open *briefs cont. on page 10*



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BARRY'S YEAR

The Weekly's interview with Mayor Barry Brucker

By Melanie Anderson

Now that you're mayor again, what's it like the second time around?

Well, I think it's certainly very exciting. I have a superb city council to work with and we have a lot on our plate. So I think we're the right team to tackle some of the challenges that are coming before us.

Can you highlight some of those challenges?

Of course. First and foremost is making sure that we have a sustainable budget, and this is also the year that we are negotiating with our safety personnel, police and fire, on their contracts. I would certainly like to get started as early as possible, so that we have ample time to have a very healthy and productive dialogue.

In addition, certainly the discussion on pension and benefits is on everybody's mind locally and state and nationally, and of course it's imperative that we remain fiscally responsible in the long term to make sure that we have a sustainable economic forecast and so that's something that we will be looking at quite significantly.

Our commitment to police and fire has always been very high and it will continue to be. As we become more of an aging community, we really need to look more closely at the rescue medical side of our fire department. They are absolutely phenomenal but it looks like the proportion of medical type calls will be increasing versus those of fire suppression and unlike other cities that may not have such a robust building and safety code, Beverly Hills has that luxury. But we also have a bit of an aging population where we need to look at both of these opportunities.

On the safety front I'm certainly committed, as is Police Chief David Snowden, to continue to work with the Department of Homeland Security as a beta site for some of the new safety and security technologies that are being evaluated. It's because Beverly Hills really doesn't have a bureaucracy that is difficult to penetrate. It makes it very easy for DHS to try out new technologies because they know exactly who to go to and who can make the decisions. [We have a] very

responsive police department. In addition, we're increasing automated license plate recognition technologies and adding a broader web of CCTV cameras, which will increase the safety and security of our residents and those visiting Beverly Hills. My goal is that Beverly Hills is known not only as one of the most prestigious and classiest cities in the world but also as the safest city in the world.

On other fronts, we have started two mayor's task forces. One is the mayor's task force on government efficiency, where I have asked Vice Mayor Dr. Willie Brien to chair and planning commissioner Noah Furie to vice chair this task force to look at ways where the building permit and inspection process can be streamlined and more efficient so that we are actually known as a city that is inviting and easy to work with residents who are trying to remodel their homes or build new homes and develop the community, as well as those retailers looking to improve their properties, so that their process is made much easier and we are much more welcoming.

Has this task force met?

By the time you go to press they will have had their first meeting because it's this afternoon, [Tuesday]. It will be a very serious and short-term task force because their goal is to look at these efficiencies and report back to the council. I'm hoping for at least the first presentation maybe within 60 days or so.

Also, [we have] a mayor and treasurer's task force on pension reform. I've met with Treasurer Eliot Finkel, and I've asked him to put together a working task force of experts in public finance, pension and benefits, so that will be a task force that includes our city's senior finance staff, as well as [representatives] from the private sector, who are experts in pension reform, all with the goal of making certain that whatever is being recommended to city council is well thought-out, and actually beneficial for both the city and the employees that work for us. I'd like to see this task force give us a recommendation by the time we have to pass the budget, which is the end of June. They are work-

ing quite feverishly to get all the information to hopefully present to us at the end of May or the first part of June.

When we talked to Jimmy Delshad at the beginning of his second term as mayor last year [Issue #547], he said that by learning to delegate work, "I can then concentrate on what I think is more for the mayor to concentrate on, and that's working on the vision." What's the most important thing you learned from your first term as mayor that you'll apply to your second term?

I certainly agree with former mayor Delshad; the goal is to pace yourself. There is a lot on our plate and because we have such a formidable and talented city council, I've delegated a good portion of all the committees to them, for liaisons and ad hocs, because it will certainly be handled with such great precision and professionalism. It will free me up to either look at the big picture, more of a macro vision for the city, and also be able to work on some specifics that can help us in the short term. One of them being the marketing and merchandising of some of the city's brand [such as] a potential credit card for the city which could be a substantial revenue source, and working with an international licensing company to market our proprietary shield worldwide.

There are two other areas of interest for me that I think are quite important, one is—and we're starting at the end of this month and every month thereafter—meetings with the mayor, whereby my office will be open. I'll get a chance to invite people in and discuss some of the goals and objectives they have for improving our community. One of the areas that I've always been sort of a stickler for, is I will always ask anyone who has a constructive criticism whether they've given any thought to a doable solution, because it's easy to say, 'Gee, I don't like the traffic.' Oftentimes, if you have enough people giving you ideas what they think can help mitigate it, it makes for us being much smarter at what we do at analyzing solutions. We have an extraordinarily bright community with very creative citizens, and I'm going to certainly tap that brain

trust because that's what makes Beverly Hills so phenomenal. I really want to open up to the residents and our homeowners groups, our merchant organizations to really bring them into the fold even more so than what we have done in the past, as to how they believe we can improve our community.

The other thing that is important to me is our "Take a Moment" campaign that's just increasing awareness and tolerance toward one another so that we can ratchet down a little bit some of the negative rhetoric, and think before we react or overreact because that makes us all so much smarter. Boy, I've been reminded numerous times to take a moment. It certainly has helped me and I think it can help a lot of us, maybe before we push send on our e-mails.

Environmental sustainability was a key priority of your previous administration. Why is that important to you?

Well, I think having a philosophy of environmental sustainability is like taking out an insurance policy on our planet. We have incorporated some very robust sustainable goals and objectives for our building projects and construction projects, but we can bring that down to everyday use in our homes. People can look at being more sustainable by not using plastic bags when they go to the grocery store. We put solar on our household, on our roof, and it's going to pay for itself in due time, but more importantly, it's sending a message in changing the culture in trying to be less dependent on foreign oil and more reliant on natural resources. There's so much we can do and so much we can learn from our school kids. I think always keeping that movement on the tip of our tongue is really helpful as we move forward in the years and decades to come as environmental sustainability becomes much more affordable to incorporate into our daily lives.

Policy-wise, how have you worked to make Beverly Hills greener?

We have created one of the most robust green building standards. We've since incorporated that into the California green state standard. I do believe that Beverly Hills will always stay at the forefront of environmental responsibility and be a model for other communities to follow. It's taking that extra step. We have the staff that are always willing to do that. We have a community that's known for going the extra mile just to better their environment and their neighborhood. I'm pretty confident that we will always stay ahead of the game and become a role model and leader for other communities.

We're also going to be opening up our discussions with the school district on the renewal of our [Joint Powers Agreement] contract. We're going to set up some convenient times to meet with the school district liaison, Board President [Lisa Korbatov] and Vice President [Brian

Goldberg], who will meet with myself and the vice mayor to discuss the ongoing support of the city for the schools, of the JPA and where those dollars lie in the amounts are certainly yet to be determined. One of the other goals and objectives that I am truly committed to, is not extending the oil lease contract with Venoco at the high school. I think it's important to note that I certainly don't have an objection to slant drilling from outside Beverly Hills. For one thing, all of our residents who are receiving royalties will continue to receive royalties, but more importantly, just the mere fact of having an oil extraction facility on our school property is just something that I think morally and ethically, any elected would have a hard time sustaining. I think the city council and the school board, if asked, would probably not favor having an industrial type operation directly on our ball field, where kids are playing and running.

When we talked to you at the beginning of your first mayoral term three years ago [Issue #442], you said with regard to your transition from private business to the Board of Education in 1997, "I was a real rebel when I started -- a lot more fiery, a lot fewer gray hairs. I think now I still have the passion for change, but I've learned a lot more about how to get there." Can you comment on what you were like then, and how you have changed?

I am certainly one who continues to have fire in my belly with respect to making positive change for our community. I'll work tirelessly to get there. I do think, however, that my style has changed a bit, and I remember someone once told me, this was years ago, 'Barry, you have great ideas, but you can never count to three.' What I've learned, through experience—and of course the public sector is very different from owning your own business where you ultimately make the decision—it takes three to tango. Oftentimes, you don't get everything you envisioned, but the goal is to get as much as you can that your colleagues will support. So I find it really valuable that I am certainly much more open minded and much less rigid and much more of a consensus builder and I think that's come through experience.

One thing that I found extraordinarily helpful is when you have wonderful colleagues that you work with, you never take a vote personally. A prime example is my working relationship with Vice Mayor Dr. Willie Brien. He and I actually grew up together. We went to Beverly High, we both served together on the school board and we both coached separate little league teams against each other, and now we've served on the city council, and the beauty is, we can disagree. We cannot always vote the same way, but the mutual respect and appreciation for each others' thought process I think has made us, certainly me, a much more effective councilmember. I really welcome that. I've always had colleagues that their sole interest is

what's best for the city, but sometimes the approach in getting there may be a little bit different. The bottom line is that you know compromise and consensus building are key to getting your goals and objectives met. I think it's been a learning process and a maturity process through experience.

Your term on the school board was fraught with many controversies. Most recently, the superintendent you hired in 2003, Jeff Hubbard, was indicted and now faces trial. What's your comment on the charges that Dr. Hubbard and Karen Christiansen are facing?

Well, it's certainly unfortunate what seems to be unraveling. I believe most of that surfaced shortly after I became a city councilmember, so I wasn't aware of, certainly much of what was happening. I was [Board] President when Dr. Gwen Gross had taken another job [in 2003], and she actually informed me the last day of July. That didn't give us a lot of time to open the schools without a superintendent. Jeff Hubbard was our assistant superintendent of human resources and had been looking for a superintendent job, or was being groomed to become a superintendent. It was Gwen's recommendation, and I'm certain a unanimous school board's recommendation, to hire Jeff Hubbard. I always had a good relationship with him, but I don't want to play armchair quarterback and judge and jury when I don't know the facts because it was after my time on the school board.

Recently you voted not to authorize matching funds for the Beverly Hills Tournament of Roses Committee's float, when previously you supported the project. Why do you now believe city money should not be allocated to this project?

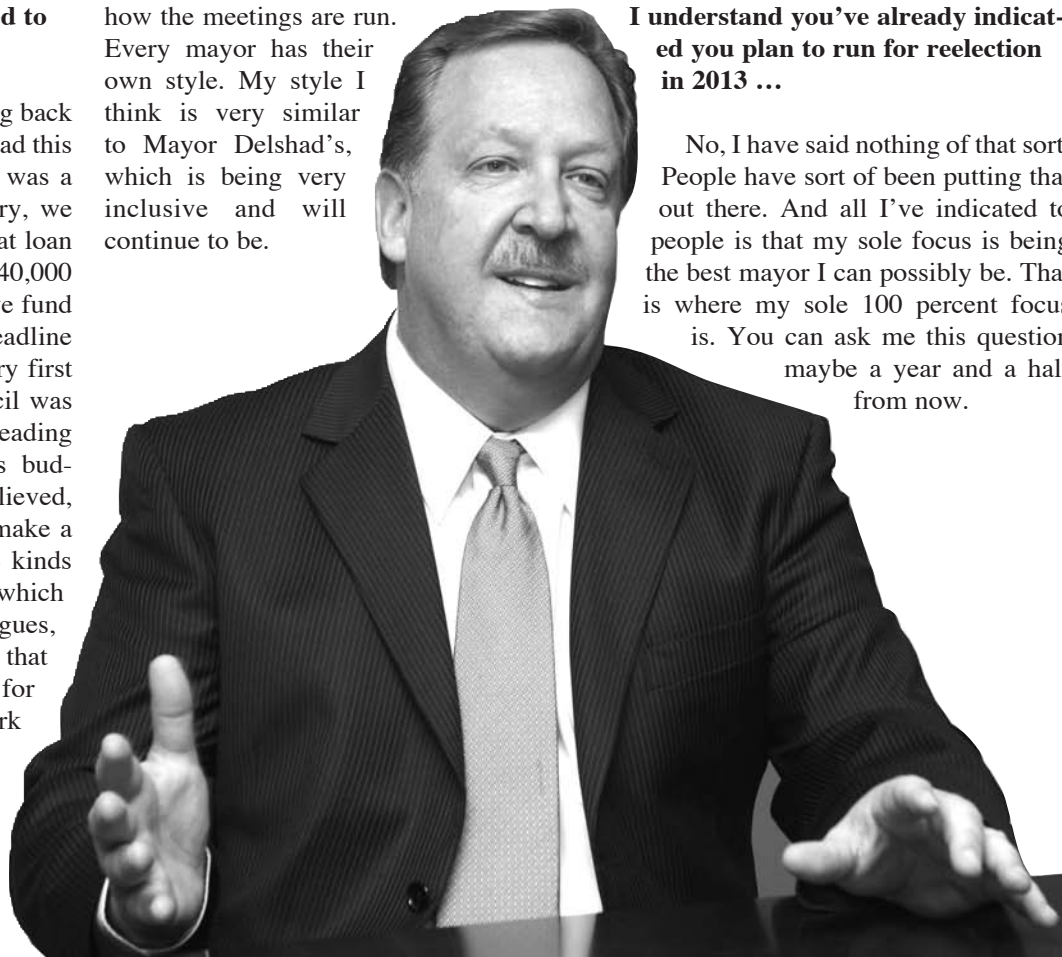
Well, when we authorized funding back in the fall for the float that we just had this January 1, the total dollar amount was a [\$50,000 loan], and then in January, we converted that loan, a portion of that loan into a grant [\$10,000 loan and \$40,000 grant]. Now it was proposed that we fund approximately \$130,000. The deadline date I believe was April 8. Our very first meeting with our brand new council was three days earlier. We are just heading into some very challenging times budget-wise and I sensed, and also believed, that the council was not ready to make a commitment at this time for those kinds of dollars. My recommendation, which was shared by most of my colleagues, our collective recommendation was that we give this a little bit of time for the council to understand and work through the budget process which will be over the next two months. Then at that time, we will be much better off at making an intelligent business decision about whether supporting the float is a worthwhile endeavor.

City Manager Jeff Kolin has been on the job for over a year now. How would you evaluate his performance so far?

I'm very fond of Jeff. He has a very different style from our previous city manager. He knows everything that's going on and is extremely knowledgeable but he's much more low-key. He gives the council his advice and lets the council set policy. He can make tough decisions, we've seen it, but he is not one to look for a camera and I think it's just a bit of a styling difference. He's not our sixth member; he is truly doing his job as the city manager, advising the five council members in setting policy. We just completed his evaluation back on March 1 with our former council. He received very, very favorable comments and he welcomed some of the constructive comments. All and all, I'm quite pleased.

What were some of those constructive comments?

I think one of the comments, for me—I don't know if it was completely shared with my colleagues—he'll give his recommendation, oftentimes, he does it outside of the public meetings. His style is to let the mayor and council truly run the public meetings and when asked he will give his opinion or interject when he feels we need it. I felt he could, if he sees us running astray, step in a little sooner in giving us a recommendation or at least another alternative for us to think about. I think he welcomed that comment and I also chalked it up to, in discussions with him, this was his first year. He wanted to get the lay of the land, of the different councils and their philosophies, the process of their open meetings and how the meetings are run. Every mayor has their own style. My style I think is very similar to Mayor Delshad's, which is being very inclusive and will continue to be.



Would you say previous city managers acted as the sixth council member?

Well, I don't know if they acted as a sixth council member, but the city manager is there to be the chief executive officer of the city and to give recommendations and implement the policy set by the council. There is a fine line there, and I think it's always appropriate that the council stays out in front of the public and I think Jeff's philosophy is let the council stay out in front and he certainly makes sure that his decades of experience is articulated to all the councilmembers. I think he's given us great guidance. But his style is much more low-key. Just a styling difference.

How will your administration transition following Mayor Delshad?

The goal is that every time you have a new mayor, you don't stop what has been done in the past, just to put your own signature on it. The important thing is to continue those good things, and to add your own flavor to it, your own new ideas and then next year, the next mayor will extract some of the priorities and continue those that he or she feels are important and bring their own flavor. It's really a continuity of opportunities. For instance, Jimmy was known as a technology advocate. I'm certainly a great believer in that Smart City approach and continuing that and adding in the flavor of the safest city component and some of the business efficiencies. I know our vice mayor is truly an advocate of efficiency in our business practices and in increasing our health and safety, and so the goal is to really have a continuity so that we just keep improving. I think we're in a very good position.

I understand you've already indicated you plan to run for reelection in 2013 ...

No, I have said nothing of that sort. People have sort of been putting that out there. And all I've indicated to people is that my sole focus is being the best mayor I can possibly be. That is where my sole 100 percent focus is. You can ask me this question maybe a year and a half from now.

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on April 15.

Once the board makes its final decision, we'll be moving forward with whatever procedures we need to follow for continuing students and new applications," Assistant Superintendent of Human Resources Dawnalyn Murakawa-Leopard said before the meeting.

Rich Waters named Beverly Vista assistant principal

The Board of Education approved El Rodeo eighth grade math teacher Rich Waters to take on the assistant principal position at Beverly Vista for the 2011-2012 school year. Waters will replace Diane Mead.



Rich Waters

Waters, an El Rodeo and a 1985 Beverly High graduate, has taught at El Rodeo since 2001, when then-principal Steve Fisher recruited him out of Los Angeles Unified School District where Waters had been teaching for a few years. Fisher was Waters' seventh grade history teacher when Waters was an El Rodeo student.

"I feel like I keep going in concentric circles," Waters said. "I graduated from El Rodeo and I came back to teach. Not only was I a Recreation and Parks assistant [at Beverly Vista Adventure Camp], but I was a teacher's aide for Steve Taylor [at Beverly Vista in 1996]. I'm going back to the school where I kind of started my professional academic career as an aide and now I'm going back as an administrator."

Waters said he is looking forward to working with Principal Irene Stern, who was principal during the time he was an aide.

"The other part of this that makes it such an attractive opportunity for me personally is working with Irene Stern," Waters said. "She's done so many great things at this school and in the district. The opportunity to receive training from her is just going to be invaluable."

Stern said she is looking forward to working with Waters.

"I've had a wonderful year working with Ms. Mead and I expect to have a wonderful year next year working with Rich Waters," Stern said. "I've known him for many years, when he worked at BV, and I will look forward to a different relationship with him now that he's become the AP."

Traffic & Parking Commission considers recommendations from UCLA professor

A new ad hoc committee has formed within the Traffic & Parking Commission to see how Beverly Hills can implement parking recommendations from UCLA urban planning professor Donald C. Shoup, who gave a presentation at the commission's meeting on April 7 in City Council chambers.

Shoup's presentation addressed ways that Beverly Hills can reduce traffic, reduce the city's operating deficit and create better infrastructure for merchants. Commission Chair Jeff Levine said that Shoup's recommendations were in line with the Traffic &

Parking Commission's theme, Smart Traffic Management.

"We want to look at every way we can chip away from this ever growing problem of traffic congestion," Levine said.

Vice Chair Julie Steinberg and commissioners Ira Friedman and Lester Friedman will look at Shoup's recommendations, which include performance-based parking. Performance-based parking can help balance varying demand for parking with the fixed supply of curb spaces, by setting prices that are not too high or too low. Shoup said it's ideal when a city adjusts parking prices so that there is always one or two spaces available on every block, so drivers will see that parking is readily available, but still well-used. He said it will reduce congestion and air pollution by reducing the time drivers spend circling the block seeking underpriced parking. Performance-based parking can also help the economy because it allows people to get in and out of spaces faster to do their shopping.

"[Shoup said] it does not help Beverly Hills to set prices of parking too low, then have to tell people we don't have any parking," Levine said. "As such, he really thinks that the target occupancy rate of per parking should be about 85 percent, so there's always a spot or two vacant."

Levine said Shoup has already helped implement similar programs in West Pasadena, Redwood City and Washington, D.C.

BHPD uses surveillance tactics to make arrests

On April 8, Beverly Hills Police officers arrested Tyree Jackson, 27, of Los Angeles, for his alleged involvement in a string of burglaries throughout Los Angeles County. He was the second suspect that Beverly Hills Police officers arrested.

The suspects are believed to be members of the Rolling 30's Harlem Crips gang. Beverly Hills Police believe the suspects are responsible for 37 burglaries that have taken place in Beverly Hills since January 2010.

BHPD had Jackson on rolling vehicle surveillance, and located him at 115th Street and South Vermont Avenue last Friday morning. When Jackson exited his vehicle at a convenience store, officers attempted to arrest him. Jackson allegedly ran away from the officers, and they chased him and apprehended him without further incident. No officers were injured, but Jackson suffered minor injuries.

"This is another example of the commitment, perseverance and all around fine police work of our officers," Police Chief Dave Snowden said in a statement. "These officers are to be commended for their part in creating a near perfect scenario which allowed them to take this dangerous felony suspect off the streets, without risking the safety of the community."

On Feb. 7, BHPD surveillance units observed Tyree Jackson, Germaine Jackson, 36, of Los Angeles, and Bryan Rachal, 24, of Los Angeles, allegedly commit a burglary on a busy street in North Hollywood. BHPD units immediately initiated a traffic stop on the car that was waiting for the suspects outside the victim's home. All three suspects fled from the vehicle, but Germaine Jackson was located and arrested a few hours later.



Beverly Hills High Productions (from left to right). Top row: Braden Zoet, Sharona Mossazadeh, Alex Janny, David Bina, Jessica Rodriguez, Max Schwartz. Bottom row: Jake Freud and Zhamak Foolad. Not pictured: Lisa Kliman.

KBEV launches student production company

The students of KBEV, Beverly High's TV station and media center, have already demonstrated success at producing local content with broadcasts of athletic events, news shows and local meetings. Now, a group of nine students will venture into web advertising for local businesses by launching a student-run production company called Beverly Hills High Productions.

BHEF Chairman Jonathan Prince came up with the idea as a solution for some of the budgetary problems faced by BHUSD.

"The kids are going to launch Beverly Hills High Productions," Prince said. "It will be overseen by teachers, approved by Principal Carter Paysinger, but run by the students. I think there's no high school in the country doing this."

Students will approach local Beverly Hills businesses, and offer to create 30-, 60-, or 90-second commercials that businesses can post on their Web sites. Starting out, companies will only have to pay for the commercial if they are satisfied with it.

"Students would use KBEV equipment, Beverly High actors, directors, producers and musicians to create these commercials," Prince said. "The businesses will pay KBEV, which means it's a write-off. Kids will learn to edit, produce, make commercials. It will give the kids a chance to professionally create content, and money comes right back to KBEV, freeing up BHEF and district dollars to fund programs that can't pay for themselves."

Prince, a writer and producer who advises KBEV students, said the program would benefit both businesses and students, because businesses can show support for local schools and students get an excellent learning experience.

"We're trying to find a business to start with one commercial and see how it goes," student studio head Sharona Mossazadeh said. "Then we'll perfect it and continue to make commercials for other companies."

The students hope to make two commercials by June, and to continue the program through the summer and fall. The goal is for the production company to become self-sustaining.

Steve Rappaport, who is director of career development and is in charge of the regional occupational program, is providing support, as well as KBEV Media Director Romeo Carey and Mark Waxman, executive producer and writer of *America Sings*, which will premiere on the Gospel Music Channel this summer.

"From a teaching standpoint, it's awesome to be able to get professionals like Waxman and Prince to volunteer their time and help us," Rappaport said.

Waxman said he has reached a point in his career where he wants to teach what he has learned.

"It's a real-life experience for kids who will now see what the business world is all about and apply their talents and their hopes and dreams and aspirations toward a very definitive goal," Waxman said.

Mossazadeh, who is a senior, recognizes the program will help students whether they want to pursue a career in film or not.

"Overall, it's going to be a positive experience," Mossazadeh said. "Even if we don't raise as much money as we want to, we'll gain something out of it, gain experience."

For more information, contact bhhproductions1@gmail.com.

Tyree Jackson and Rachal avoided apprehension, and Rachal has still not been caught.

BHHS Girls' Swim Team Edges Santa Monica

The Beverly High girls' swim team defeated Santa Monica, 78-74, March 31 in a Pioneer League meet at Santa Monica, with Celeste Bean and Tammy Katz both winning two individual events.

Katz won the 100-yard butterfly and 200 individual medley and swam a leg on the Normans victorious 200 medley relay team. Bean won the 100 backstroke and 500 freestyle.

Natasha Gerente (100 breaststroke) and Emily Grubman (200 freestyle) were Beverly Hills' other individual event winners.

Grubman, Camille Mandell and Allison Klemes swam the other legs of the relay.

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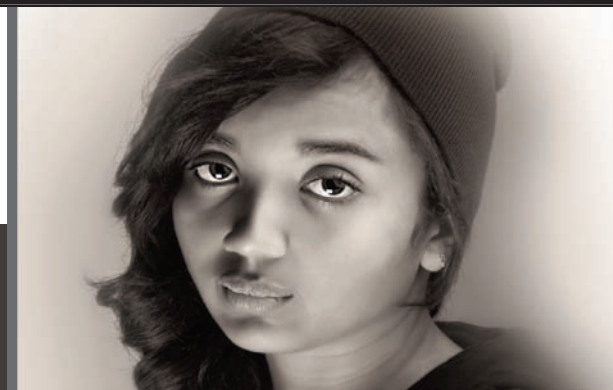
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NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. 241365CA Loan No. 3010288474 Title Order No. 377592 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 08-01-2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 04-28-2011 at 10:30 AM, CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 08-16-2006, Book , Page , Instrument 06-1820579 of official records in the Office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California, executed by: KATHERINE DE LESTANG, AN UNMARRIED WOMAN, as Trustor, WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA, as Beneficiary, will sell at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Sale will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Place of Sale: AT THE WEST SIDE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COURTHOUSE, DIRECTLY FACING NORWALK BOULEVARD, 12720 NORWALK BLVD. , NORWALK, CA Legal Description: PARCEL 1 THAT PORTION OF LOT(S) 1 OF TRACT NO 33538, IN THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 906 PAGE(S) 79 AND 80 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY, SHOWN AND DEFINED AS UNIT 40 ON THE AMENDED CONDOMINIUM PLAN RECORDED JULY 5, 1979 AS INSTRUMENT NO 79-735438 OF OFFICIAL RECORDS OF SAID COUNTY PARCEL 2, AN UNDIVIDED 008451 INTEREST IN AND TO LOT 1 OF SAID TRACT NO 33538 EXCEPT THEREFROM THOSE PORTIONS SHOWN AND DEFINED AS UNITS 1 TO 131 INCLUSIVE OF SAID CONDOMINIUM PLAN EXCEPT THEREFROM ALL OIL, GAS, MINERALS AND OTHER HYDROCARBON, BELOW A DEPTH OF 500 FEET, WITHOUT THE RIGHT SURFACES ENTRY, AS RESERVED AND/OR GRANTED IN THE DOCUMENT(S) RECORDED MARCH 20, 1962 IN BOOK D 1549 PAGE(S) 259, OFFICIAL RECORDS. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$560,686.44(estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 8787 SHOREHAM DR. #403 WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA 90069 APN Number: 5559-006-050 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". In compliance with California Civil Code 2923.5(c) the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent declares: that it has contacted the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure; or that it has made efforts to contact the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail; either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by face to face meeting. DATE: 03-30-2011 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY, as Trustee RIKKI JACOBS, ASSISTANT SECRETARY California Reconveyance Company 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop: CA2-4379 Chatsworth, CA 91311 800-892-6902 For Sales Information: CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. (714) 730-2727 or www.lpsasap.com (714) 573-1965 or www.priorityposting.com ASAP# 3955423 04/07/2011, 04/14/2011, 04/21/2011

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No.

246808CA Loan No. 3018057376 Title Order No. 685760 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 07-24-2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 04-28-2011 at 10:30 AM, CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 07-31-2007, Book N/A, Page N/A, Instrument 20071804592, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California, executed by: GORDON BIJELONIC, A SINGLE MAN, as Trustor, WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA, as Beneficiary, will sell at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Sale will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Place of Sale: AT THE WEST SIDE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COURTHOUSE, DIRECTLY FACING NORWALK BOULEVARD, 12720 NORWALK BLVD. , NORWALK, CA Legal Description: PARCEL 1: THAT PORTION OF THE SOUTHWEST QUARTER OF SECTION 7, TOWNSHIP 1 SOUTH, RANGE 14 WEST, SAN BERNARDINO MERIDIAN, IN THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS: BEGINNING AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF LOT 1 OF TRACT NO. 6414, AS SHOWN ON MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 89 PAGE 100, OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY; THENCE NORTH 89° 43' 45" WEST 71.41 FEET; THENCE NORTH 144° 20' 00" WEST 124.01 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE SOUTHERLY BOUNDARY LINE OF THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES; THENCE SOUTH 89° 43' 45" EAST ALONG SAID SOUTHERLY BOUNDARY LINE, 14.62 FEET; THENCE NORTH 75° 07' 30" EAST 50.00 FEET; THENCE NORTH 59° 04' 50" EAST 21.64 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 88° 22' 30" EAST 20.49 FEET, MORE OR LESS, TO THE WESTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 1; THENCE SOUTH 0° 03' 00" EAST ALONG SAID WESTERLY LINE 143.79 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. THE BEARING SOUTH 0° 03' 00" EAST OF THE WESTERLY LINE OF SAID TRACT NO. 6414 WAS USED AS THE BASIS OF BEARINGS FOR THE HEREINABOVE DESCRIBED LAND. PARCEL 2: AN EASEMENT FOR ROAD AND UTILITY PURPOSES OVER A STRIP OF LAND 16 FEET IN WIDTH EXTENDING FROM THE WESTERLY PROLONGATION OF THE NORTHERLY LINE OF THE HEREINBEFORE DESCRIBED PARCEL 1, TO THE NORTHERLY LINE OF DOHENY ROAD, HEREINBEFORE MENTIONED, THE EASTERLY LINE OF SAID 16 FOOT STRIP BEING THE WESTERLY LINE OF PARCEL 1. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$2,177,555.65 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 9313 DOHENY ROAD WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA 90069 APN Number: 4392-015-034 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". In compliance with California Civil Code 2923.5(c) the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent declares: that it has contacted the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure; or that it has made efforts to contact the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail; either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by face to face meeting. DATE: 04-04-2011 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY, as Trustee DEREK WEAR-RENEE, ASSISTANT SECRETARY CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. California Reconveyance Company 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop: CA2-4379 Chatsworth, CA 91311 800-892-6902 For Sales Information: (714) 730-2727 or www.lpsasap.com (714) 573-1965 or www.priorityposting.comASAP# 3958018 04/07/2011, 04/14/2011, 04/21/2011

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE TS #: CA-09-261039-ED Order #: 090189485-CA-DCI YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 6/1/2007. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDING AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. A public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn on a state or national bank, check drawn by state or federal credit union, or a check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, or savings association, or savings bank specified in Section 5102 of the Financial code and authorized to do business in this state, will be held by duly appointed trustee. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, with interest and

late charges thereon, as provided in the note(s), advances, under the terms of the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. BENEFICIARY MAY ELECT TO BID LESS THAN THE TOTAL AMOUNT DUE. Trustor(s): NANSEE LANNING, A MARRIED WOMAN, AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY Recorded: 6/12/2007 as Instrument No. 20071414252 in book xxx, page xxx of Official Records in the office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California; Date of Sale: 5/2/2011 at 10:30 AM Place of Sale: At the West side of the Los Angeles County Courthouse, directly facing Norwalk Blvd., 12720 Norwalk Blvd., Norwalk, CA 90650 Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$1,634,104.72 The purported property address is: 139 NORTH LE DOUX ROAD BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90211 Assessor's Parcel No. 4334-017-056 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the property address or other common designation, if any, shown herein. If no street address or other common designation is shown, please refer to the referenced legal description for property location. In the event no common address or common designation of the property is provided herein directions to the location of the property may be obtained within 10 days of the date of first publication of this Notice of Sale by sending a written request to JPMorgan Chase Bank, N.A. 7301 Baymeadows Way Jacksonville FL 32256 Pursuant to California Civil Code 2923.54 the undersigned, on behalf of the beneficiary, loan servicer or authorized agent, declares as follows: [1] The mortgage loan servicer has obtained from the commissioner a final or temporary order of exemption pursuant to Section 2923.53 that is current and valid on the date the notice of sale is filed; [2] The timeframe for giving notice of sale specified in subdivision (a) of Section 2923.52 does not apply pursuant to Section 2923.52 . If the Trustee is unable to convey title for any reason, the successful bidder's sole and exclusive remedy shall be the return of monies paid to the Trustee, and the successful bidder shall have no further recourse. If the sale is set aside for any reason, the Purchaser at the sale shall be entitled only to a return of the deposit paid. The Purchaser shall have no further recourse against the Mortgagor, the Mortgagee, or the Mortgagee's Attorney. Date: Quality Loan Service Corp. 2141 5th Avenue San Diego, CA 92101 619-645-7711 For NON SALE information only Sale Line: 714-730-2727 or Login to: www.fidelityasap.com Reinstatement Line: 619-645-7711 Quality Loan Service, Corp. If you have previously been discharged through bankruptcy, you may have been released of personal liability for this loan in which case this letter is intended to exercise the note holders right's against the real property only. THIS NOTICE IS SENT FOR THE PURPOSE OF COLLECTING A DEBT. THIS FIRM IS ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT ON BEHALF OF THE HOLDER AND OWNER OF THE NOTE. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED BY OR PROVIDED TO THIS FIRM OR THE CREDITOR WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. As required by law, you are hereby notified that a negative credit report reflecting on your credit record may be submitted to a credit report agency if you fail to fulfill the terms of your credit obligations. ASAP# 3958561 04/07/2011, 04/14/2011, 04/21/2011

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. 736511CA Loan No. 3010772378 Title Order No. 3206-240557 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 10-10-2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 04-28-2011 at 10:30 AM, CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 10-19-2006, Book , Page , Instrument 06 2324531, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California, executed by: GERALDINE A WEBER, A MARRIED WOMAN AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, as Trustor, WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA, as Beneficiary, will sell at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Sale will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Place of Sale: AT THE WEST SIDE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COURTHOUSE, DIRECTLY FACING NORWALK BOULEVARD, 12720 NORWALK BLVD. , NORWALK, CA Legal Description: PARCEL 1: LOT 6 OF TRACT NO. 23786, IN THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 644 PAGES 28 AND 29 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. PARCEL 2: AN EASEMENT FOR A COMMON DRIVEWAY OVER THAT PORTION OF LOT 7 OF TRACT NO. 23786, IN THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 644 PAGES 28 AND 29 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. BEGINNING

AT THE SOUTHWEST CORNER OF SAID LOT 7; THENCE NORTH 40 DEGREE 27' 23" WEST 64 FEET ALONG THE SOUTHWESTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT; THENCE NORTH 49 DEGREE 32' 37" EAST, 9 FEET; THENCE SOUTH 36 DEGREE 53' 58" EAST, 64.46 FEET TO THE CURVED SOUTHERLY LINE OF LOT 7; THENCE SOUTHWESTERLY ALONG THE CURVED SOUTHWESTERLY LINE OF SAID LOT 7, A DISTANCE OF 5.02 FEET TO THE POINT OF BEGINNING. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$3,917,912.49 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 1135 MAYTOR PL BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210 APN Number: 4391-027-006 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". In compliance with California Civil Code 2923.5(c) the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent declares: that it has contacted the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure; or that it has made efforts to contact the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail; either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by face to face meeting. DATE: 04-04-2011 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY, as Trustee DEREK WEAR-RENEE, ASSISTANT SECRETARY CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. California Reconveyance Company 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop: CA2-4379 Chatsworth, CA 91311 800-892-6902 For Sales Information: (714) 730-2727 or www.lpsasap.com (714) 573-1965 or www.priorityposting.comASAP# 3959333 04/07/2011, 04/14/2011, 04/21/2011

NOTICE OF TRUSTEE'S SALE Trustee Sale No. 247083CA Loan No. 3062391192 Title Order No. 695434 YOU ARE IN DEFAULT UNDER A DEED OF TRUST DATED 05-04-2006. UNLESS YOU TAKE ACTION TO PROTECT YOUR PROPERTY, IT MAY BE SOLD AT A PUBLIC SALE. IF YOU NEED AN EXPLANATION OF THE NATURE OF THE PROCEEDINGS AGAINST YOU, YOU SHOULD CONTACT A LAWYER. On 05-05-2011 at 10:30 AM, CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY as the duly appointed Trustee under and pursuant to Deed of Trust Recorded 05-11-2006, Book N/A, Page N/A, Instrument 06 1043946, of official records in the Office of the Recorder of LOS ANGELES County, California, executed by: LYNNE F. WACHENDORFER-LANGDON, A MARRIED WOMAN AS HER SOLE AND SEPARATE PROPERTY, as Trustor, WASHINGTON MUTUAL BANK, FA, as Beneficiary, will sell at public auction sale to the highest bidder for cash, cashier's check drawn by a state or national bank, a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal credit union, or a cashier's check drawn by a state or federal savings and loan association, savings association, or savings bank specified in section 5102 of the Financial Code and authorized to do business in this state. Sale will be held by the duly appointed trustee as shown below, of all right, title, and interest conveyed to and now held by the trustee in the hereinafter described property under and pursuant to the Deed of Trust. The sale will be made, but without covenant or warranty, expressed or implied, regarding title, possession, or encumbrances, to pay the remaining principal sum of the note(s) secured by the Deed of Trust, interest thereon, estimated fees, charges and expenses of the Trustee for the total amount (at the time of the initial publication of the Notice of Sale) reasonably estimated to be set forth below. The amount may be greater on the day of sale. Place of Sale: AT THE WEST SIDE OF THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY COURTHOUSE, DIRECTLY FACING NORWALK BOULEVARD, 12720 NORWALK BLVD. , NORWALK, CA Legal Description: A CONDOMINIUM COMPOSED OF: PARCEL 1: A) AN UNDIVIDED 1/102ND INTEREST IN AND TO LOT 1 OF TRACT NO. 24445, IN THE CITY OF WEST HOLLYWOOD, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS PER MAP RECORDED IN BOOK 918 PAGES 89 AND 90 OF MAPS, IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY RECORDER OF SAID COUNTY. EXCEPT THEREFROM UNITS 1 TO 102 INCLUSIVE AS DEFINED AND DELINEATED ON A CONDOMINIUM PLAN RECORDED AUGUST 15, 1979 AS INSTRUMENT NO. 79-903752, OFFICIAL RECORDS. B) UNIT 50 AS DEFINED AND DELINEATED ON THE ABOVE REFERRED TO CONDOMINIUM PLAN. PARCEL 2: AN EXCLUSIVE EASEMENT APPURTENANT TO PARCEL 1 ABOVE FOR ALL USES AND PURPOSES OF A "PARKING SPACE" OVER AND ACROSS THAT PORTION OF LOT 1 OF SAID TRACT NO. 24445, IN THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, STATE OF CALIFORNIA, AS DEFINED AND DELINEATED AS "PARKING SPACE" PS-34 ON THE ABOVE REFERENCED CONDOMINIUM PLAN. Amount of unpaid balance and other charges: \$446,063.40 (estimated) Street address and other common designation of the real property: 1230 HORN AVENUE # 517 WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA 90069 APN Number: 5559-006-191 The undersigned Trustee disclaims any liability for any incorrectness of the street address and other common designation, if any, shown herein. The property heretofore described is being sold "as is". In compliance with California Civil Code 2923.5(c) the mortgagee, trustee, beneficiary, or authorized agent declares: that it has contacted the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure; or that it has made efforts to contact the borrower(s) to assess their financial situation and to explore options to avoid foreclosure by one of the following methods: by telephone; by United States mail; either 1st class or certified; by overnight delivery; by personal delivery; by e-mail; by face to face meeting. DATE: 04-12-2011 CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY, as

Trustee REGINA CANTRELL, ASSISTANT SECRETARY CALIFORNIA RECONVEYANCE COMPANY IS A DEBT COLLECTOR ATTEMPTING TO COLLECT A DEBT. ANY INFORMATION OBTAINED WILL BE USED FOR THAT PURPOSE. California Reconveyance Company 9200 Oakdale Avenue Mail Stop: CA2-4379 Chatsworth, CA 91311 800-892-6902 For Sales Information: (714) 730-2727 or www.lpsasap.com (714) 573-1965 or www.prioritposting.com ASAP# 3954690 04/14/2011, 04/21/2011, 04/28/2011

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: LUCY MUSKIN
CASE NO. BP127849

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the lost WILL or estate, or both of LUCY MUSKIN.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JOHN E. SAUNDERS in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JOHN E. SAUNDERS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's lost WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The lost WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act . (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 05/10/11 at 8:30AM in Dept. 11 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

IF YOU OBJECT to the granting of the petition, you should appear at the hearing and state your objections or file written objections with the court before the hearing. Your appearance may be in person or by your attorney.

IF YOU ARE A CREDITOR or a contingent creditor of the decedent, you must file your claim with the court and mail a copy to the personal representative appointed by the court within four months from the date of first issuance of letters as provided in Probate Code section 9100. The time for filing claims will not expire before four months from the hearing date noticed above.

YOU MAY EXAMINE the file kept by the court. If you are a person interested in the estate, you may file with the court a Request for Special Notice (form DE-154) of the filing of an inventory and appraisal of estate assets or of any petition or account as provided in Probate Code Section 1250. A Request for Special Notice form is available from the court clerk.

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NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: LEONARD G. MUSKIN
CASE NO. BP127850

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the lost WILL or estate, or both of LEONARD G. MUSKIN.

A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by JOHN E. SAUNDERS in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES.

THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that JOHN E. SAUNDERS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent.

THE PETITION requests the decedent's lost WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. The lost WILL and any codicils are available for examination in the file kept by the court.

THE PETITION requests authority to administer the estate under the Independent Administration of Estates Act . (This authority will allow the personal representative to take many actions without obtaining court approval. Before taking certain very important actions, however, the personal representative will be required to give notice to interested persons unless they have waived notice or consented to the proposed action.) The independent administration authority will be granted unless an interested person files an objection to the petition and shows good cause why the court should not grant the authority.

A HEARING on the petition will be held in this court as follows: 05/10/11 at 8:30AM in Dept. 11 located at 111 N. HILL ST., LOS ANGELES, CA 90012

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**ORDINANCE NO. 11-O-2607
AN URGENCY ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS APPOINTING NOAH FURIE TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION ON AN INTERIM BASIS UNTIL THE CITY COUNCIL APPOINTS A PERMANENT REPLACEMENT FOR THE VACANT SEAT**

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. The City Council finds that:

1.1 The voters of Beverly Hills recently elected Lili Bosse to serve on the City Council. Council Member Bosse's election required that she resign from serving as a member and Chair of the Beverly Hills Planning Commission.

1.2 Council Member Bosse's seat on the Planning Commission is now vacant, leaving the Planning Commission with only four members.

1.3 There is an immediate need to fill this vacancy with a resident who is familiar with the City's procedures and dedicated to enhancing and preserving the quality of life in Beverly Hills. The participation of all five members of the Planning Commission avoids technical denials of project applications that could result from tie votes, which often lead to appeal applications and burden the City Council's already busy calendar.

1.4 It is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety that this Ordinance take effect immediately. There is an urgent need for the City Council to appoint an interim Planning Commissioner in order to: (i) avoid the likelihood of tie votes that would result from an even-numbered Planning Commission, (ii) allow City business to proceed without unnecessary delay, (iii) encourage the consideration of important projects by a full five-member Planning Commission, and (iv) maximize the extent to which the Planning Commission adequately represents the entire community. The interim appointment will provide the City Council time to recruit a qualified candidate for permanent appointment to the Planning Commission. The City Council therefore finds that it is necessary that this Ordinance take effect immediately and its urgency is hereby declared.

1.5 Pursuant to Ordinance No. 11-O-2600, the City Council extended the term of Commissioner Noah Furie for the sole purpose of participating in the Commission's review of the pending Lexus Project at 9230 Wilshire Boulevard ("Lexus Project").

1.6 Commissioner Furie has extensive experience on the Planning Commission and is familiar with the major projects that will be considered by the Commission in the coming weeks. His appointment as a temporary member of the Planning Commission would allow the Commission to proceed in conducting the City's business effectively until the City Council appoints a permanent replacement for Council Member Bosse.

Section 2. The City Council duly considered this matter at a public meeting and concludes that it would be in the best interest of the City to appoint Commissioner Noah Furie to the Planning Commission on an interim basis until the City Council appoints a permanent replacement for Council Member Lili Bosse.

Section 3. If any section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or place, is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, such decision shall not affect the validity of the remainder of this Ordinance. The City Council hereby declares that it would have adopted this Ordinance, and each and every section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion thereof, irrespective of the fact that any one or more sections, subsections, subdivisions, sentences, clauses, phrases,

or portions thereof be declared invalid or unconstitutional.

Section 4. The City Clerk shall cause this Ordinance to be published at least once in a newspaper of general circulation published and circulated in the City within fifteen (15) days after its passage, in accordance with Section 36933 of the Government Code; shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause this Ordinance and his certification, together with proof of publication, to be entered in the Book of Ordinances of the Council of this City.

Section 5. This Ordinance, being an Urgency Ordinance adopted for the immediate protection of the public safety and health, containing a declaration of the facts constituting the urgency, and passed by a minimum four-fifths (4/5) vote of the City Council, shall take effect immediately upon its adoption.

PASSED, APPROVED and ADOPTED this 5th day of April, 2011.

CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
A Municipal Corporation

BARRY BRUCKER
Mayor of the City of Beverly Hills, California

ATTEST:
BYRON POPE (SEAL)
City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM:
LAURENCE S. WIENER
City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT:
JEFFREY KOLIN
City Manager

SUSAN HEALY KEENE
Director of Community Development

VOTE:
AYES: Councilmembers Gold, Bosse, Mirisch, Brien, and Mayor Brucker
NOES: None
ABSENT: None

BID PACKAGE NO. 11-25

**CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS
PUBLIC WORKS & TRANSPORTATION
- PROJECT ADMINISTRATION
345 FOOTHILL ROAD
BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA 90210**

LEGAL NOTICE - BIDS WANTED

CITY HALL RE-ROOFING PROJECT

1. Notice Inviting Bids

a. **Date of Request:** April 8, 2011

b. **Bid Number:** 11-25

c. **Item Description:** Removal, disposal and installation of new roofing system at the Beverly Hills City Hall, located at 455 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, California 90210.

d. **Obtaining Bid Documents:** A copy of the Bid Package may be obtained by mail or in person from the Department of Public Works & Transportation - Project Administration, 345 Foothill Road, Beverly Hills, CA 90210, telephone number 310-288-2823. The bid package including plans and specifications may also be viewed on, and downloaded from the City's web site: www.beverlyhills.org; shortcuts: bid information: bid number 11-25.

e. **Bid Opening:**
**Wednesday – May 11, 2011
at 2:00 p.m.**

f. **Due Date and Location for Submittals:** Sealed bids will be received at all times during normal business hours prior to the Bid Opening, at the City Clerk's Office, 455 North Rexford Drive, Room 290, Beverly Hills, CA 90210. All bids must be in writing and must contain an original signature by an authorized officer of the firm. Electronic bids (i.e., telephonic, FAX, etc.) are **NOT** acceptable. All bids shall clearly contain on the outside of the sealed envelope in which they are submitted: **BID PACKAGE 11-25: CITY HALL RE-ROOFING PROJECT.**

g. **Contractor's License:** In accordance with provisions of Section 3300 of the California Public Contract Code, the City has determined that the Contractor shall possess a valid California Contractor's License Class C-39 or other appropriate license classification under the State Contracting Code at the time the contract is bid. Failure to possess such license may render the bid non responsive and bar the award of the contract to that non responsive Bidder.

h. **Liquidated Damages:** There shall be a \$500.00 assessment for each and every calendar day work remains undone after date fixed for completion.

i. **Prevailing Wages:** In accordance with the provisions of Sections 1770 et seq., of the Labor Code, the Director of the Industrial Relations of the State of California has determined the general prevailing rate of wages applicable to the work to be done. The Contractor will be required to pay to all persons employed on the project by the Contractor sums not less than the sums set forth in the documents entitled "General Prevailing Wage Determination made by the Director of Industrial Relations pursuant to California Labor Code, Part 7, Chapter 1, Article 2, Sections 1770, 1773, 1773.1." These documents can be reviewed in the office of the City Clerk or may be obtained from the State.

j. **Prebid Conference Date and Location:** A mandatory pre-bid conference will be held on Thursday, April 21, 2011 at 11:00 a.m. at City Hall, located at 455 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills 90210.

k. **Bid Security:** Each bid shall be accompanied by bid security in the form of a cashier's check, certified check or bid bond in the amount of 10% of the total bid amount. All cashier's checks or certified checks must be drawn on a responsible bank doing business in the United States and shall be made payable to THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS. Bid bonds must be issued by a bonding company licensed to do business in the State of California. Bids not accompanied by the required bid security shall be rejected. Cash and personal or company checks are **NOT** acceptable. The City shall return the bid security checks of unsuccessful bidders to them when the successful bidder ("Contractor") enters into the Contract with the City.

l. **Payment Bond and Performance Bond:** A Payment Bond and a Performance Bond, each in the amount of 100% of the contract amount, will be required of the Contractor.

m. **Insurance:** Upon award of contract, contractor will be obligated to file certificates of insurance evidencing coverage as specified in the bid documents and in a form acceptable to the City. The certificates shall be on the City's standard proof of insurance form.

n. **Time of Completion:** The contractual completion time shall be 60 calendar days from the date of Notice To Proceed.

o. **Retention:** In accordance with the contract, ten percent (10%) of any progress payment will be withheld as retention. Pursuant to Section 22300 of the Public Contract Code, at the request and expense of the Contractor, securities equivalent to the amount withheld may be deposited with the City or with a state or federally chartered bank as the escrow agent, and City shall then pay such moneys to the Contractor. Refer to the contract for further clarification.

p. **Contact Person:** A bidder or potential bidder who has a procedural question may call Julio Guerrero at telephone number 310-288-2823. A substantive question must be submitted in writing and a copy of that question plus a written response to it will be emailed or mailed to all parties who have obtained a bid package.

THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY BID OR ALL BIDS AND TO WAIVE ANY INFORMALITY OR IRREGULARITY IN ANY BID. ANY CONTRACT AWARDED WILL BE LET TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIVE AND RESPONSIBLE BIDDER.

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