

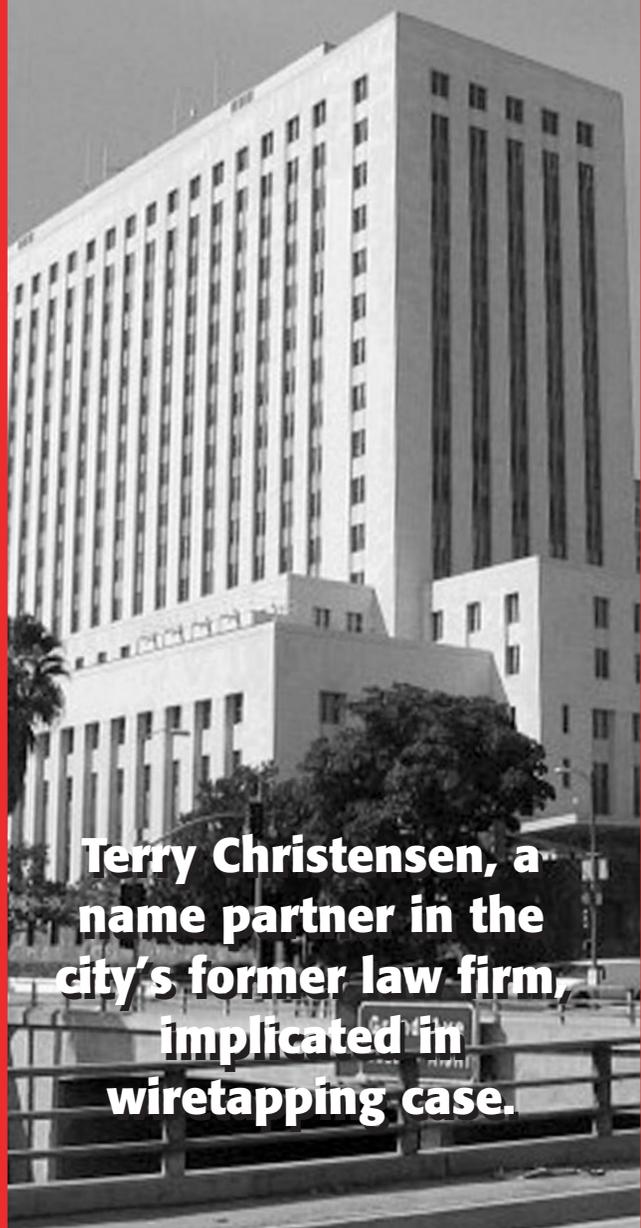
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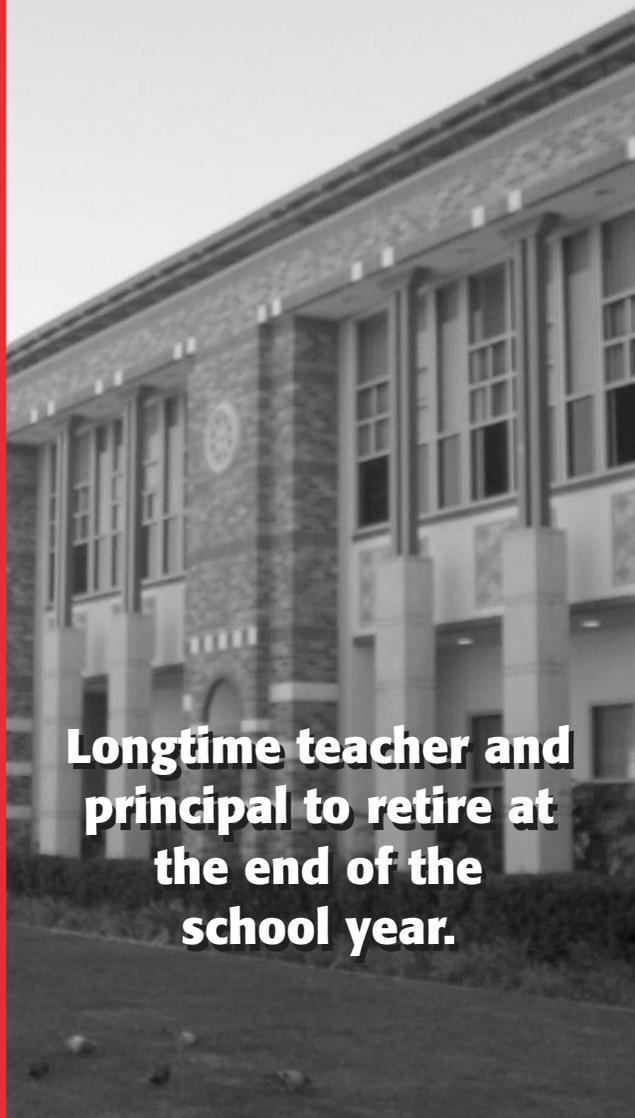
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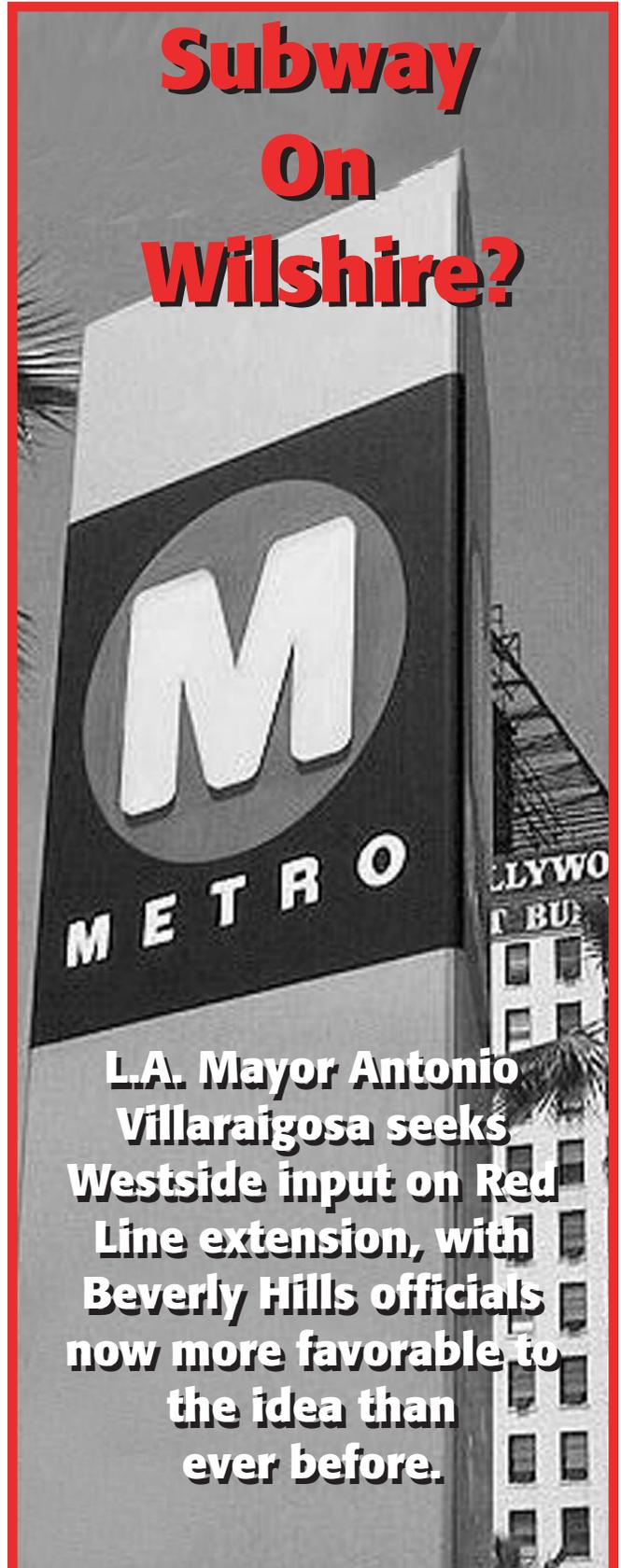
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"Tradition"

Is the force of tradition greater than petty-- or power-politics? It should be.

Immediately following a recent election, the newly elected councilmember wanted to know if he can be voted to the position of mayor without delay. Since the councilmember was not a "Team Beverly Hills" graduate, he was not familiar with the concept of rotation which is taught to all Team members: Each councilmember assumes the position of vice mayor and then mayor in turn, with the person receiving the highest number of votes getting priority.

Thus, following Mayor Linda Briskman, Vice Mayor Steve Webb will become the mayor next month and Jimmy Delshad the vice mayor (Mr. Webb led Mr. Delshad in the election results). If Mr. Delshad decides to run in the upcoming election and wins, he will become the mayor, with Barry Brucker (who had the highest number of votes in the last election) becoming the vice mayor. If Jimmy Delshad does not run, or is not re-elected, then the position of mayor goes to Mr. Brucker and the position of vice mayor to Frank Fenton.

In this way, every member of the council is guaranteed a fair rotation. Only the voters can influence the rotation by voting someone in or out of the sequence.

Likewise, commissioners, who are appointed and act at the will of the council, are assured a fair rotation (for chairing the

commission) with the only exception being the termination of their appointment for one reason or another.

Thus, it is tradition, rather than the formal vote, that dictates a certain "etiquette." We may greatly dislike a commissioner, or we may support her greatly. Irrespective, as long as she serves at the will of the council, her fellow commissioners should not interfere in the rotation. Such an action will not "save our city," but will undermine a long and established process that works. Some "chairs" are-- quite bluntly-- good intentioned people who should not have been appointed in the first place. Others have advanced our city and served as a excellent conduits between the residents and the council.

A case in point is [today's] scheduled vote of the Planning Commission regarding Commissioner Nancy Krasne becoming the Vice Chair. Commissioner Krasne served since May, 2003, making her the third most senior member of the Commission and next in line to become vice chair.

The five-member Planning Commission is the most powerful of all nine city commissions since it has both an advisory and a decision making authority. Both our current mayor and vice mayor previously served as fellow planning commissioners. While I do not believe that friction within the commission is a reflection of a greater dichotomy in our community, power-politics obviously

play a major role in this commission.

Mrs. Krasne served our city in a wide array of capacities. Before serving on the Planning Commission she served on the Architectural Commission. Anyone following her track record will vouch she has one motive, and that motive alone: The good of the city at heart. Mrs. Krasne is knowledgeable and well informed. Her stance on issues, her clear, explicit thought process and her direct approach are not intimidating, they are the basis for making sure that the public business is done in public. Sounds familiar? It is also Councilmember Brucker's motto.

Let us not look at how we got to a time when commissioners act against each other. Let us not search to find out what Mrs. Krasne's fellow commissioners are afraid of. They are a group of five exceptional people, with whom I had the privilege to work together on various projects (and to apply with three of them to the same seats they now occupy). Instead, let us respect our community's tradition and city government's process: Commissioner Krasne is entitled to serve as a vice chair, and in due time as chair. Voting any other way will be an extreme measure which is not warranted and is plainly wrong.

*Ari Bussel
Beverly Hills*

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Levyn's Law Partner Indicted

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By Anna Scott



Terry Christensen: pleads not guilty

Beverly Hills resident and attorney Terry Christensen was indicted last Wednesday, Feb. 15 by a federal grand jury in the racketeering case against former private investigator Anthony Pellicano. Christensen pleaded not guilty at the Los Angeles U.S. District Court Tuesday.

Christensen, 65, is a partner in the law firm Christensen, Miller, Fink, Jacobs, Glaser, Weil & Shapiro. Former Beverly Hills Mayor Tom Levyn is a partner at the firm.

In the late 1990s, Christensen Miller represented the city in a civil rights case brought against Beverly Hills, its mayor and chief of police, receiving hundreds of thousands of dollars in legal fees from the city. The firm was hired again in a 2003 case alleging that the air at Beverly Hills High School is unsafe and that oil operations adjacent to the school cause cancer in students. The city later discon-

tinued their relationship with the firm.

Levyn did not return the *Weekly's* phone call.

Christensen's indictment adds two counts of conspiracy and wiretapping to the indictment unsealed on Feb. 6, which named Pellicano and two associates on federal racketeering charges. Last week's 110-count indictment alleged that Pellicano installed wiretaps on several individuals including Sylvester Stallone, Keith Carradine, and Herbalife co-founder Mark Hughes, all of whom he had been hired to investigate.

The new counts allege that in 2002 Christensen paid Pellicano more than \$100,000 to illegally listen in on Lisa Bonder Kerkorian, who was involved in a legal dispute with Christensen's client, billionaire and former MGM owner Kirk Kerkorian. Christensen allegedly listened to privileged conversations between Bonder Kerkorian and her attorney, among others, to gain a tactical advantage in his case.

Christensen represented Kerkorian in a child support battle over Bonder Kerkorian's

daughter, whose paternity was in dispute.

"I know everything that's going on, and obviously they don't know I know," Pellicano is accused of telling Christensen on April 29, 2002, according to the charges from the grand jury. "Nobody knows except you and me."

Christensen's firm denies the charges, and said in a statement that Christensen only used Pellicano briefly when death threats were being made against Kirk Kerkorian and the little girl involved in the case.

"We are shocked that the U.S. Attorney's office has chosen to take this action against someone who has only engaged in lawful conduct throughout his distinguished 35-year career," Christensen Miller partner Patricia Glaser said in an official statement. "Mr. Christensen has never hired anyone to conduct wiretapping or any other illegal activity."

Prosecutors allege that Christensen contacted Pellicano to gain a legal advantage over Bonder Kerkorian's attorney, who reported Christensen to the State Bar of California for misconduct.

Another partner at the firm, Louis "Skip" Miller, previously faced discipline from the State Bar for jury tampering.

Christensen, the first attorney to be indicted in the Pellicano case, has represented Kirk Kerkorian since the 1970s, and once served as president of Kerkorian's Tracinda Corporation.

The conspiracy count and the wiretapping charges against Christensen each carry a maximum potential penalty of five years in federal prison. After entering his plea, Christensen is currently free on bond.

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"New City Stormwater Regulations"

For the city to meet the new stormwater regulations [discussed in issue #333], it might begin with the newspapers that have become a constant form of street trash. A significant number of residents today not only do not read or pick up any of the many papers delivered to our driveways, they will actually push them into the curb. (No dumping. This drains to ocean.)

If the city does not want to begin collections in the front of our homes, it should undertake a campaign to reach out to the many new neighbors who have made littering their own streets as an acceptable custom.

Richard Baker
Beverly Hills

Clarification, Issue #332:

In "Briefs" regarding the 800 North Linden Drive project, attorney Joseph Tilem's quote should have indicated that neighboring property owner Robert Schwab wanted the trees to be kept on owner Laarni Omingo's property at 800 North Linden and wanted Omingo to pay for the watering and the easement. If Omingo complied, Schwab said he would then withdraw his objection.

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Oscar Bound, The Science Behind Hair and Edible Creations

By Irv Rudman

Oscar Nominated Foreign Film Opens in L.A. Tomorrow

I don't know if "feel-good" is quite the right term, but "good" most definitely applies to the South African film "Tsotsi," opening in Los Angeles and Santa Monica tomorrow.

Based on the novel by Athol Fugard, this Oscar nominee for Best Foreign Language Film follows six days in the life of a young gang leader who steals a woman's car, unaware that her baby is in the back seat. Suddenly faced with caring for an infant, Tsotsi, who was orphaned at an early age, has to tap into reservoirs of humanity that he didn't know he possessed.

Written and directed by Gavin Hood, "Tsotsi" premiered at the 2005 Edinburgh Film Festival, where it won the Michael Powell Award and the Audience Award. The film went on to win other audience awards at the 2005 Toronto Film Festival and the AFI Los Angeles International Film Festival.

Though it's been described as "gritty," this

movie is ultimately about the triumph of love over rage. It's a theme at the heart of many Hollywood classics, presented here in a world that's far-flung from sunny Southern California.

Set in the Johannesburg area, "Tsotsi" should prove a powerful and moving departure from the landscape we're so lucky to live in. I know that I, for one, will be grabbing a seat this weekend.

"Tsotsi" opens tomorrow at Pacific Theatres' Arclight Cinemas, at Landmark's NuWilshire in Santa Monica and in Santa Ana at Edwards' South Coast Village.

Check local listings for show dates and times.

Hair Repair in Beverly Hills

Have you ever read the ingredients listed on your shampoo bottle? I have, and I'll admit I can't pronounce most of them. After a while, a person starts to wonder if all those chemicals could possibly be good for the tresses.

Or maybe that's just me, hoping there's a simple explanation for those bad hair days we

all get, no matter what age. And there's at least one person who might back me up-- Galina, founder of Galina Beauty Salon, located between Beverly Hills and Century City.

Galina Beauty Salon offers not only expert cuts, color and styling, but assists customers in finding the best products on the market to suit their needs. It's almost a hair clinic, if you will, with a bend toward finding the purest remedy available.

Galina, besides being an expert hair stylist, holds an engineering degree and approaches hair care like a scientist. Her cozy, modest salon belies the intense research invested here in treatments and hair products. Galina was trained by the legendary Raphael of Beverly Hills and has worked closely with Paul Brown and Aveda educators. Her 10 years of salon experience, coupled with her Masters in Science, gives her a unique edge in hair improvement.

In fact, Galina has a patent pending for an original all-natural line of products, "Mrs. Hair Repairs," to remedy every hair problem.

You can bet I'll be there to hunt down the first bottles once they hit the shelves! This is your chance to get in line too. Galina offers free consultations and discounts up to 50 percent on services for models and SAG actors.

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the newly opened "Edible Arrangements" in West Hollywood.

Edible Arrangements specializes in creating delicious floral-like fruit bouquets whose "flowers" are actually crafted from fresh strawberries, pineapple, grapes, oranges, cantaloupe and honeydew. My first thought upon seeing these incredible designs was that finally there's a unique way to combine the tried and true combination of flowers and a sweet treat. Next Valentine's Day, watch out!

But these yummy pieces of art can work for just about any occasion. Arrangements are available in a variety of styles and sizes and guaranteed fresh. Each arrangement is made to order and can be customized with a jar of all natural fudge and a special occasion balloon. All ingredients are natural, no preservatives or sweeteners are used, and sugar-free fudge is available upon request.

You can pick up your arrangement or have it delivered, but be warned they don't ship out of town. As gorgeous and delicious as these gifts are, they're best served fresh. Unless, of course, soggy fruit is your preference... if so, I'm sure they can customize your order accordingly.

My favorite arrangement is the "Sweetheart Bouquet," made from fresh strawberries hand dipped in gourmet chocolate and arranged in a keepsake container. It's available in three sizes and looks like a vase of chocolate-covered roses. This one suits my sweet tooth perfectly. How about yours?

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Stern To Leave Beverly Vista

Longtime teacher and principal to retire at the end of the school year.

By Andrea Simpson



Irene Stern: will leave BV at the end of the school year.

In a surprise announcement last Thursday, Beverly Vista Principal Irene Stern told district administrators and teaching staff that she will leave her position at the end of the school year, to the dismay of some of her colleagues who said she was “forced into retirement.”

A standing room only crowd of parents, teachers and students arrived en masse to speak in support of Stern at Tuesday’s Board of Education meeting and to express their feelings about her departure and to urge the board to reconsider its decision.

According to Beverly Vista teachers, the news of Stern’s retirement was announced when she called a special meeting in the library with her staff.

Stern reportedly gave an emotional speech explaining that she was offered the position as director of the Adult School but not

offered the opportunity to return to Beverly Vista. Stern declined and submitted her resignation effective at the end of the school year.

“I asked our leadership team to stay behind [after the meeting] and I wanted to talk to them about the future of our leadership team and the entire staff stayed and it was very emotional. It was high charged, people were very upset; what do we do? At the same time, we don’t know what we can really do about this,” BV math teacher Mark Frenn said.

Beverly Vista English teacher Merle Bauer said she was “stunned by the sad news.”

“It is hard to believe that the most senior administrator of the first K-8 Blue Ribbon School in the BHUSD has been forced into retirement three months after receiving this hard-earned award,” Bauer said. “I am also shocked that our Board of Education would support such an action. This is not the way to treat a person who has dedicated more than 30 years of her life to our district.”

According to Bauer, Stern was told that she would not be returning to Beverly Vista

in the fall of this year.

Stern has a long history at the school. She started as a substitute teacher in mid-1970s while her son Mitchell was a student at the school. In the early 1980s, she became a middle school Social Studies teacher. Upon the retirement of Fred Rutberg in the mid-1990s, she became assistant principal and later principal in 1998, with the departure of Nadine Breuer, who became the principal at Wilshire Boulevard Temple’s Braverman School.

Stern’s longevity impacted the school in different ways. She had former students return to the school as parents and teachers themselves. Over Stern’s tenure, two of the original school buildings built in the 1920s were demolished in 1999. They were replaced with a new school building which opened in 2002.

Stern told the *Weekly* she would not comment at this time, but would in the next few weeks.

At Tuesday’s meeting Beverly High Choral Director Joel Pressman questioned what led the board and the administration to their decision and the district should provide this information to teachers and the community: “There’s something to be said for 30 years in the district. We need to communicate,” Pressman said.

Pressman added, “Irene’s a hard-ass and so am I, and you want those people in leadership,” which garnered a standing ovation from the audience.

Frenn said Beverly Vista teachers are not thinking about who will replace Stern.

“What’s higher on our concern list is what does this imply about the way the district is operating? This district claims quite a lot of about collaboration and professional learning communities, where honesty and trust is shared between all sides and that’s the one thing that we are clearly not feeling,” Frenn said. “The fact is that morale is extremely low and not just at our school, it’s at all the school sites. This is the type of action that is causing this low morale and that is a big concern of ours. How can this happen? This appeared to fly in the face of everything. This woman is a Blue Ribbon principal; the year she’s receiving the award. It’s ludicrous that she’s not valued and praised for her efforts and having a tight cohesive staff that will basically do anything for her. So this is a bigger concern because how does this bode for the future? We might get a great administrator next year or a lousy one, but the whole atmosphere in the district is really paramount right now.”

Superintendent Jeff Hubbard said the district will let the staff “deal with the news” before searching for a replacement.



What’s next for Beverly Vista?

The recruitment process will start within the next two weeks.

“Someone who is a collaborative relationship builder, somebody who understands the importance and value of creating positive relationships, building good will and trust on a school site so we can move together on behalf of kids,” said Hubbard of the qualities he would like in the next BV principal.

Hubbard added that Stern has been talking about retirement for years. Reportedly, Hubbard and Stern differed on issues of management style. Out of the five BHUSD principals, Stern has taught in the district the longest.

“It was Irene’s decision and we are incredibly grateful for her many, many years of wonderful service to the district and we want to send her out with as much fanfare as possible and we wish her the best,” Hubbard said.

Stern was a longtime resident of South Oakhurst Drive until recently. Her husband Mark was president of the Beverly Hills Municipal League in the early 1980s.

Addressing the Board of Education Tuesday night, Frenn said, “I am not convinced that an explanation can be found for the callous manner in which this dedicated public servant has been so casually dismissed. I continue to admire Irene Stern for her unfailing commitment to her school and to her sense of self. She represents that which is truly professional. She pursues all avenues for learning. She plays a vital role in our community.”

Stern did not attend the meeting.

In her speech to the board, Bauer asked the members two questions: “As a district that claims to espouse collaboration, dialog, respect and caring, the community of Beverly Hills and the faculty at Beverly Vista are entitled to know the answers to the following two questions: 1) Who is responsible for the decision that has ended Irene’s stellar 30-year history of dedicated service to our district? 2) Why is the most experienced administrator of the first K-8 Blue Ribbon School in Beverly Hills being forced to leave three months after receiving this prestigious award? We may never learn the answers to these pertinent questions, but we will have to bear the negative consequences of this senseless decision.”

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When did you first get to Beverly Hills?

I moved to Beverly Hills in 1966 with my husband. I have one son, Josh, who went to Horace Mann and Beverly High.

How did you become active in Beverly Hills issues?

I started out in an organization called "Women For", a political group, for several years. It originally started in protest for Vietnam. They had great speakers; the first speaker I attended was Kenneth Galbraith and I was very impressed. We interviewed candidates and made recommendations. It was an active group that took on causes we believed in. Then I became active in the League of Women Voters.

Why did you get involved with the League?

I wanted something that was a little more intellectual, so I met someone from the League

and was invited to a meeting. That's how it began in 1975. I enjoyed the process and was named a member.

I started going to City Council meetings and got really involved in city issues. The council has study sessions and I used to attend those while I was in the League.

How did you get involved in the Industrial Area project at that time?

I was president of the League and as such this issue came up and the discussion pursued. When the council passed the zoning change and then the property owners decided to build the condos and the council voted it, we decided to pass a referendum and let the people have the right to speak out whether they wanted this to go forward or not. We thought it would greatly impact the community, and the League of Women Voters was involved in that. We thought it was the right of the citizens to speak out. Residents should have a vote on it.



At the time one of the biggest Beverly Hills issues in the late 1970s was development in the Industrial Area. We covered this subject in "High Price For Protest" [issue #135]. Did this article accurately portray what happened?

Pretty much. There was a article in your [May 2, 2002] issue and I went back and re-read that and that says it all. That's why I said it's been done, what's the use to revisit the whole thing? It was a sad moment I thought for Beverly Hills that they had to resort to this. Then the lawsuits-- it was just divisive and angry.

Tell us about the major players in the libel lawsuit bought about by the developers. Joe Tilem, Richard Stone, Erwin Okun and Betty Harris?

I really prefer not to. I don't care to go back and think through all that again. It was an experience I want to put behind me. It was a matter of lawsuits, lawyers, subpoenas. It was just not a pleasant time. There's just no use to bring it up again, I just don't want to do that. I worked very closely with Betty Harris at the time and we have a good relationship.

How did you handle the attorney fees?

The League of Women Voters was definitely involved and they paid all my attorney fees. Paul Selwyn was my attorney. We originally had an insurance attorney that was provided by the League of Women Voters of California and

because it was a First Amendment issue and Paul Selwyn was an expert, the other lawyer deferred to Paul Selwyn and his law firm, Selwyn & Wiener. He was one of the experts in the field and he took on the case. It was just months and months of papers and meetings, and it cost me personally \$15,000 to \$20,000, and that was back then.

What do you think is the legacy of Okun v. Superior Court?

I really can't. I've put everything out of my head. All I can tell you is I can quote the closing remarks of the 2002 article that sums it up from Justice Stanley Mosk: "In the Okun v. Superior Court decision and the preservation of free exercise and free speech, writing and political function the termination of this lawsuit is highly desirable. We should discourage attempts to recover through the judicial process what has been lost in the political process." That's it.

When the court ruled in your favor, did you feel vindicated?

I was pleased. I was pleased, but more relieved it was over. I thought it was the correct judgment obviously, that justice had been served, and I even believe that if I'm correct in my recollection the plaintiff, Maple Properties, was fined \$20,000 for malicious prosecution.

You moved out of Beverly Hills in 1991 after 25 years. Why?

The person I was seeing at the time worked down in Orange County and my employment was fund-raising and I knew with my abilities I could get a job any place so it didn't matter where I lived. We moved to Orange County



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where it was closer to his work. It was a decision that was made because he was tired of driving an hour each way every day.

You were still actively involved in politics professionally.

I went to work for Gray Davis and he at that time [in 1982] had just left the governor's office as chief of staff and he decided to run for assemblyman and Beverly Hills was his area and he hired me to be his financial director. From there, I worked for him for five years while he was assemblyman. I was his chief of staff; I ran his two district offices, one in Beverly Hills and one in the Valley. Once he was elected controller, I left; I did not want to remain working for him any longer. That was five years, 24-7; that was quite sufficient. I stayed in fund-raising though because that's my expertise. I started my own consulting firm and was very successful raising funds for both political and non-profit and I liked non-profit so well I totally went into that.

You're now a fund-raiser for the Tustin Public Schools Foundation. How did you end up in Tustin?

When I moved down to Orange County I worked for AIDSWalk Orange County as executive director for five years, then I went to the Red Cross for a couple years and then moved to Tustin. I've been here almost eight years. When I worked at AIDSWalk Orange County, it was a very small organization at that time. It was myself and I was the one who did everything. I enjoyed that and we grew the organization and we hired more people and continued to grow it. It merged with another organization and I didn't want to be a part of a

large organization so I moved on to Red Cross Orange County, which was a very large organization as head of corporate operations and decided I didn't like that and wanted to go back to a smaller organization where I can satisfy all the needs of fund-raising and administrative.

Why did you decide to put politics aside?

I guess you could call it burn-out. It really was a full-on commitment as politics is and anybody in it knows. It was a time in my life that I enjoyed it, it was fun and it was over. I wanted to move on and put money back into places it was needed, not just on television ads.

Compare the Tustin Public Schools Foundation to BHEF.

I really couldn't. The BHEF was extraordinarily successful. They did a great job and there's such a need that I assume they've continued to grow over the years. What I've found being in this foundation and with all the education foundations, there's a huge need for support for schools.

What type of fund-raising do you do?

I do a lot of corporate fund-raising; that's mostly what we do. We have two large events down here, one is called Dinosaur Dash. Last year we had about 7,000 people and it's grown. It was only about 2,500 when I first started. It's a 5K and 10K run and 2K fun-run Brontosaurus Blitz for the kids. It's a timed run and we have people from all over the county. We raise about \$500,000 annually.

Do you find that it's much more difficult

to raise money for schools?

It's always challenging, let's put it that way. And the challenge we have is that we have 28 schools and each school has there own fund-raising operation. Of course, they have their own PTAs and PTOs so they each raise funds for their very own school, so what we find is that since we raise funds for every single school in the district without prejudice sometimes people don't like to give to us and prefer to give their gifts to their own school to help their own children. That's perfectly understandable, but we go for the broader community and that's why we have a lot of corporate donations. There is a need for it and we're stewards for the funds that we raise and distribute them to schools for their needs-- books and instructional materials.

What advice could you give the BHEF?

I wouldn't dare to give advice to BHEF (laughing). They're very successful in what they do and there's all kinds of fund-raising strategies that one can employ and each community is different. They know what works for them and they probably raise more money from individuals than corporate. It's just the other way because we have a very mixed community with 44 percent Hispanic [students]. So it's challenging, but we also have people in North Tustin and Tustin Ranch that are quite wealthy areas. It's kind of a diverse community, as is Beverly Hills.

Tell us about Tustin schools.

We have 18 elementary, five middle, four high schools, and a continuing adult school. We have the Tustin Marine Base, which we took over so there's a lot of building going on.

We've added about five schools in the last four or five years. We are a growing community which is unusual for school districts. But the building continues to go on so we'll probably be adding more schools down the line.

How do you like Orange County?

It's quite a bit different. It's a very diverse community. People don't think it is, but it's extraordinarily diverse and enjoyable. I like it very well. Having been active in Democratic politics it's a little different, of course, because we're mostly Republican in Orange County. I chose not to be active in the political arena, but I'm still a member of the League of Women Voters. There are a lot of great people here. Tustin is quite a small community; it's almost exactly like Beverly Hills. People grow up here, they go away to school and then they come back and raise their families. It's really a very strong, tight-knit community.

Do you still keep in touch with anyone from Beverly Hills?

Not really. One or two people, but that's about it. There's one person particularly, Sherry Tedeschi, who was a neighbor and my son grew up with her son Gary Brown ('87).

Do you miss Beverly Hills?

I miss it a little. I lived there for 25 years. I miss the old friends and the fun times we had. It was a good time and a nice experience.

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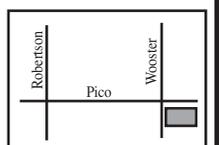
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Is Big Bob Back?

Tanenbaum now fights City Hall from outside.

By Rudy Cole

Just when I thought it might be safe to write these meager offerings without fear of contradiction or the need to take computer in hand and respond to a colleague's opinions, enter **Robert K. Tanenbaum**.

Of course, Big Bob, our enigmatic former mayor, now returned from the self-imposed civic exile following his defeat for re-election to the City Council in 1994, is no **Gerald Lunn, Jr.** and faithful readers will remember my frequent jousts with that former school board member when he did his op-ed column in these pages, but Mr. T is a formidable adversary: he's twice Gerald's size.

Now, many readers are beginning to scratch their memory banks and wonder where this is leading, so a pause for a historical moment or two.

Tanenbaum entered the political wars of Beverly Hills with a sudden fury. Although wife **Patti** had a very excellent record of service in the El Rodeo PTA and was highly regarded by education community leaders,

Tanenbaum had almost no civic involvement before he took up the cudgels to fight the Four Seasons hotel proposal and criticize the City Council for failing to control cost overruns during the construction of the Civic Center. Those two issues, plus his very able campaign style, propelled him into his first electoral victory.

Like so many other of Tanenbaum's political adventures, the campaign results were a confusing mix of voter reactions. There were four major candidates-- Tanenbaum; **Maxwell H. Salter** (also making his first bid for elective office); one incumbent and then Mayor **Annabelle Heiferman**; and **Rose Norton**, wife of a popular ex-mayor, **Ben**.

There were some other minor contenders, but the positions of these four appeared to offer the voters a clear choice. Tanenbaum and Norton on one side of the hotel development issue and also faultfinders of the Civic Center construction, and Salter and Mayor

Heiferman generally defending the City Council. During the candidate forums, it was Tanenbaum and Salter who most often differed. How did our fickle voters respond? They chose both Tanenbaum and Salter! Mrs. Norton had expected second votes from the high spending Tanenbaum campaign and was reportedly somewhat peeved by her lack of support from that camp, but she did run ahead of Mayor Heiferman, who bore the full brunt of the anti-council voter mood.

Although Tanenbaum and Salter soon became council adversaries, there was a mutual, if grudging, admiration between the two. Four years later they both ran for re-election and easily won without the slightest hint of acrimony. Their only opponent was the anti-booze, anti-smoking militant **Dr. Trisha Roth**. Tanenbaum ran and spent as if he were facing a reincarnation of **Will Rogers**, while Salter decided to match campaign contributions and donating the proceeds to our schools. (This led to the naming of the high school facility the Salter Family Theatre.)

During his eight years of council service, Tanenbaum had only one real ally-- **Charlotte Spadaro**. His tiffs with Salter were frequent, but his most bitter antagonists were the late Councilmember **Ben Stansbury** and Councilmember **Donna Ellman**. (I once tried to act as peace maker between Salter and

Tanenbaum, taking them both to lunch at the Bistro Garden and lecturing them on their mutually self-destructive and often meaningless squabbles, and they agreed to try to "get along" and communicate more reasonably. That peace lasted about 24 hours. I was never invited to act as an amity maker in the mideast.)

However, Robert K. and I became friends, for a very brief period in this history. When one of the city's judges had a very difficult time and needed some community and personal support, the only city official who accepted an invitation to a party I gave was Tanenbaum. I remember he brought a personally autographed copy of his latest book for **Josette**. At another point, and more about this below, when Tanenbaum was mayor he asked me to join a three-person committee examining the possibilities of bringing a sports center complex to the city.

Although it was not then personal, Tanenbaum and I split when he ran for a third term. His involvement in the failure of the Beverly Hills "Y", his battles with the police department, my columns in the anti-Tanenbaum *Beverly Hills Post* and his leadership of the fight against the proposal to place the **Frederick Weissman** modern art collection with a full museum at Greystone, made that inevitable.

(I had then served under **Fred Nicholas** as a member and later as president of the Greystone Foundation and I felt then and now that Tanenbaum lost the city a great opportunity-- with help from Charlotte Spadaro.)

What really cost Robert the election were his battles with the police. The then chief,

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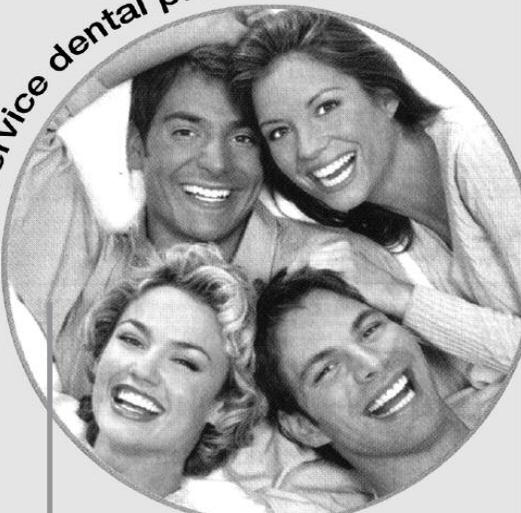
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Marvin Iannone, was furious with Tanenbaum for representing a movie star while he was mayor and insisting, according to Marvin, on police officers coming to his home to discuss that person's arrest on a DUI instead of coming to the station. That, and other disputes with our cops, led to the association fighting his third term drive, and successfully.

Although Tanenbaum had the almost hysterical support of **March Schwartz's Courier**, he reportedly was very angry with March after the election for not using some allegations being made against one of his major opponents, **Les Bronte**, who won.

Although campaign aides took the blame for the misstatements in Bronte's literature which erroneously claimed that Bronte had graduated from UCLA, the *Courier* refused to publish those and other hit piece materials Tanenbaum wanted them to use.

Until his sudden resurfacing during the Montage hotel referendum battle, Tanenbaum had almost disappeared from public life.

Almost, is the key word because his one post-council battle before Montage helps define him-- keep reading.

Tanenbaum has become the new voice of the North Homeowners' Association. He moderated their most recent anti-council forum and last week he wrote an op-ed piece highly critical of the City Council for a wide range of, in his opinion, failings. Enter the contradiction:

In his article, among other issues, he faults recent former mayors for representing clients with matters before the council. Here's what

he wrote: "We ask that City Council enact an ethics code that prohibits councilmembers and Planning Commissioners from lobbying and/or representing clients before City Council or Planning Commission for at least two years after completing their council or Planning Commission service." Sounds reasonable, but what did Tanenbaum himself do? Within moments of losing his re-election effort, he represented clients who sued the city on allegations of police misconduct, racial profiling, that could have torn us apart as a community. Should a former mayor, with all his inside information on the city, have been party to a costly and, as it turned out, unmerited, action against a city that had twice given him public office or was it an act of retribution? Inadvertently, it brought our city together as never before as the community united in support of our police. Tanenbaum's call for a ban on mayor involvement may be somewhat disingenuous.

Certainly, Robert had some positives during his service to the city, and in fairness, they too should be mentioned. He helped lead the effort to create parking between Little and Big Santa Monica. As mayor, he was gracious to those who appeared at council meetings, even those with whom he disagreed, and although the Family Y went bust during his tenure, he devoted many hours trying to save that important resource.

So, sorry to end on another note of disagreement. In his article, Tanenbaum takes "the City Council" to task for plans to create a sports facility in the Industrial Area. Although we are months away from having

any final plans, including cost estimates and methods of financing, all of which can and should be fully discussed in the community, Robert has laid down the gauntlet of opposition.

And that brings me back to the committee he created and on which I served. When it became clear that the Beverly Hills Y could not continue successfully at its venue on Little Santa Monica, Tanenbaum asked his associate and friend **Richard Morgenstern; Mike Simms**, a bank officer and former Chamber of Commerce general manager; and me to examine alternative possibilities. At the same time, we learned that the old post office building on Crescent might well be abandoned by USPS. On March 2, 1993 all three of us appeared at the council, while Robert was mayor, to report on our findings and ask that the city support a sports entity at the post office. Although we preferred the post office site, and had reservations about the Industrial Area, we did not close the door on that option. In fact, our report took cognizance of a 1988 municipal resources study that specifically recommended the use of city land in the Industrial Area for a civic sponsored sports facility-- on the exact same property now again being considered.

More important, we were unanimous in our support of a sports facility as an urgent community need. Morgenstern cited a recently completed Carnegie Foundation study calling the lack of youth recreation centers a national disgrace and not just for low income communities.

The post office will become a performing

arts/cultural center that will help redefine us as a community, but we now need to move forward with a sports facility, waiting until we have all the information we need before knee jerk opposition. Tanenbaum knew the need then and he should again, putting aside old political scars that hurt the kids of our city.

The "Guardians" is one of the more quiet, but effective support organizations in our community. Their 1,000-plus members provide the major support for the Los Angeles Jewish Home for the Aging which enables nearly 1,000 elderly to live out their lives in safety, comfort and dignity.

Their 68th annual fund-raiser this year will honor veteran member and former Guardian's president, community leader **Herb Citrin**.

To be held at the Loews Santa Monica on Feb. 25, the event will also feature a special guest performance by the band, Super Diamond. Always an enjoyable and worthwhile ticket, information can be obtained by calling Manager of Development **David A. Berman** at (310) 479-2468 or you can visit their website www.laguardians.com. (We are indebted to Guardian member **Leonard Gilbert** for alerting us.)

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

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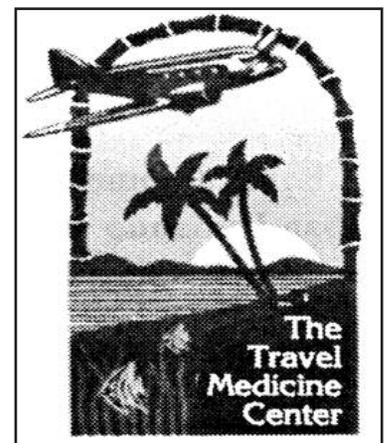
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BookEnds Celebrates One Millionth Book Donation Honoring Villaraigosa, BHUSD and More

BookEnds, a nonprofit organization about "Kids Helping Kids for Literacy", will honor L.A. Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa, Beverly Hills Unified School District, the *Los Angeles Times*, Verizon, and The Joseph Drown Foundation, today in celebration of its one millionth book donation.

The morning event will take place from 8:30-9:30 a.m. at Ann Street Elementary School in Los Angeles, where Villaraigosa will lead a parade of Hawthorne School fourth graders with 3,000 books donated through their BookEnds Book Drive to Ann Street students. Among the donated books is BookEnds' one millionth book donation. The Nightingale Middle School band will play. Corporate, civic and community leaders will be honored and join the students in the hunt for the millionth book and a celebration of reading.

Students recycle their children's books through student-run book drives and place them in schools and youth organizations in desperate need of books. Founded in 1998 from the dream of an 8-year-old boy, more than 120,000 students have volunteered for BookEnds, organizing book drives to donate one million books to children throughout Los Angeles. For every one dollar donated to

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Villaraigosa will accept the Vision in Education award and *Los Angeles Times* V.P. of Public Affairs Kim McCleary LaFrance will accept the Vision in Literacy award.

The evening celebration will continue at the home of Hildy & Walter Hill in Beverly Hills from 6-7:30 p.m. when students will share their book drive experience with fellow guests.

Susan Liberati, Assistant Superintendent of Educational Services for the BHUSD, will accept the Vision for Service award; Wendy Wachtell, Vice President of the Joseph Drown Foundation, will accept the Vision for Our Children award; and Francisco Uribe, Director of External and Governmental Affairs for Verizon, will accept the Vision for Our Community award.

For more information, call (818) 716-1198.

Beverly High Principal Calls Dual Enrollment Program A "Success"

Beverly High Principal Dan Stepnosky says a recently implemented program called "Dual Enrollment," in which students can sign up for one college course per semester, has so far been a "success."

The classes, taught by professors from Santa Monica College (SMC), take place on Beverly High's campus after regular school hours. The additional courses are free to Beverly students, except for required course materials.

Beverly students receive college credit with Dual Enrollment courses.

Grades for the first college course offered this year, Philosophy, are in. Out of the 25 Beverly High students who took part in the program, no student received a grade lower than "C."

"Kids get to experience the rigor of a college course in a safe environment," Stepnosky said of the program. "And it helps their college applications look much more attractive to have done rigorous work at the community college level."

The second SMC class offered at the high school, Sociology, began Feb. 1.

Beverly High currently has a partnership with SMC through concurrent enrollment, which includes about 50 Beverly students per semester who take SMC courses.

Oil Drilling May Expand In Beverly Hills

The city is examining an application from the BreitBurn Energy Company to redrill oil wells from a site on West Pico in Beverly Hills. BreitBurn was denied approval from the city in 2004, and was asked by council to



This week volunteers of the Roxbury Park Senior Library gathered with staff from the Beverly Hills Public Library (BHPL) to discuss ongoing programs and new possibilities for the library, dedicated to senior adults in the community. Volunteers assist in maintaining the small library's book and tape collection, greeting library guests, assisting patrons with their reading selections, checking books in and out, and organizing the card catalog. Pictured at their Valentine's Day meeting (front row, L-R) are senior library volunteers Martha Jelenko, Ruth Steinberg, Gayle Smith, (back row) Jo Schatz, Evelyn Waldman, BHPL Outreach Services Manager Madeline Gabriel, BHPL Circulation & Homebound Services Clerk Ida Nalbandian, Robert Wyshak, BHPL Support Services Clerk Nvard Berberyan, and BHPL Support Services Library Technician Ora Jenkins. The Roxbury Park Senior Library is located at Roxbury Park Community Center, 471 S. Roxbury Drive and is open Monday-Friday from 11a.m.-3 p.m. For further information, call (310) 550-4947 or (310) 550-4761.

provide further details on the impact of the drilling.

On Tuesday, the council met to discuss the general issue of drilling and potential consequences. BreitBurn representatives were present at the meeting but did not make any formal presentation.

In advance of Tuesday's meeting, BreitBurn provided the council with a detailed history of the Pico site, as well as a point-by-point rebuttal to Beverly Hills resident Jody Kleinman's 2004 letter, which

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alleged that the drilling would create an environmental hazard.

According to Kleinman, BreitBurn had been cited "many times" by the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD), as well as the Division of Oil and Gas, for discharging "toxic and dangerous chemicals into our air."

In response, BreitBurn provided a chart detailing the West Pico Inspection and Violation History, which shows that BreitBurn has never been cited by the Division of Oil and Gas. They have, however, been cited on two occasions by SCAQMD; once in 2003 for failing to keep equipment free from oil and sludge, and later that year for failing to repair a leak within one day and using an improperly diluted solvent as a cleaner. According to BreitBurn's records, all violations were subsequently corrected.

BreitBurn also provided a copy of the company's most recent Safety System and Environmental Inspection Report, which states that "all systems were tested and approved."

When BreitBurn acquired the West Pico site from the Occidental Petroleum Corporation in 1993, they removed old diesel powered rigs and moved some of the pre-existing outdoor equipment indoors, among other improvements. According to a report prepared for the council by David Gustavson, the city's Director of Public Works and Transportation, the California Air Resources Board found that the modernization of the West Pico site actually improved air quality in the area. With regard to the

council's main concern in the 2004 talks, subsidence, the city's consulting petroleum geologist, Jack C. West, reports that there is no evidence that the proposed wells will endanger the property or citizens of Beverly Hills. Subsidence is a lowering of land-surface elevation that can occur from pumping oil and cause damage to roads, drains, sewers and nearby structures.

At Tuesday's meeting, Councilmember Barry Brucker (who participated via cell phone while on vacation in Hawaii) raised some concerns about the drilling and its effect on future mass transit projects or other projects underground.

Vice Mayor Steve Webb requested staff to investigate Monday's incident in downtown L.A. in which apartments were evacuated after a nearby petroleum operation caused an oily liquid substance to surface from underground, apparently as a result of high-pressure hot water which was being injected into old wells to extract leftover crude oil.

Kleinman urged council to do a complete review and update of the city's municipal code in relation to oil drilling before allowing any permits. She also provided council members with a notebook containing opinions from a number of experts, reflecting concern about urban drilling.

Webb believes Kleinman's questions are legitimate, and said that although he doesn't "necessarily agree with all of her conclusions, I think it's appropriate to investigate the issues she raised."

If the applications go forward and permits are eventually granted, the City of Beverly Hills will receive \$5,922 per well in permit

fees. In addition, the city will receive \$1,696 for the first 100,000 barrels produced and \$.12 for each additional barrel produced from the well in annual licensing fees. The Pico site, part of the Beverly Hills Oil Field, contains approximately 69 wells.

There are currently three other drill sites around Beverly Hills. One, operated by Hillcrest Beverly Oil Corporation, is located at the Hillcrest Country Club and has received permit approval from the city twice before. The company has yet to act on the permits and is seeking to renew their approval. Two active sites, located south of the Beverly Center and at the intersection of Pico and Genesee, are operated by the Plains Exploration & Production Company.

"State of the Region" Shows Decline In Mobility and Housing Affordability

The State of the Region 2005 released by the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG) indicates that conditions have either held steady or deteriorated in all areas except air quality and per capita income where minor gains were made. At the bottom of the performance scale is mobility with an "F" grade from last year's "D-", with



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the region ranking as the most congested in the nation, experiencing decreasing carpooling, increasing drive-alone trips, increasing highway fatalities and no improvement in the relative share of transit trips. Housing and education remained consistent this year from last year's "D" grade. In 2004, the region experienced the largest number of residential building permits issued as well as the largest increase in a one-year period since 1989. And since 2000, the region has made little progress in student performance including test scores and dropout rates. Both L.A. and San Bernardino Counties in 2004 continued to experience much higher dropout rates than the state average of 13 percent. In 2004, every county in the region had less than 40 percent of high school graduates complete courses required for UC or CSU entrance.

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remaining the same with a "B", with violent crime rates continuing to decline since 1992, and last year by almost 10 percent from 2003. Income and air quality improved from a "C-" in 2003 to a "C" in 2004, with the improvement in air facilitated significantly by a much milder and favorable weather pattern.

The SCAG region includes six counties (Imperial, Los Angeles, Orange, Riverside, San Bernardino and Ventura) and 187 cities.

City Lobbying Contract Renewed, Another Negotiated

The City Council agreed to amend the scope and compensation of a contract with the lobbying firm GCG Rose Kindel, expanding the company's role, and have retained federal advocacy services for funding and representation in Washington, D.C.

GCG was originally contracted in December 2004 to perform monitoring services on State legislation and issues of general interest to the city, and to engage in special projects as needed. According to the original contract, GCG's pay schedule included flat monthly fees for monitoring and lobbying, and negotiable additional fees for more extensive services as needed.

Special projects undertaken by GCG during 2005 included lobbying for Senate Bill 466, which authorizes Beverly Hills to use a mobile photo radar system for local speed enforcement; and communicating with the State regarding the relinquishment of the Beverly Hills portion of Santa Monica Boulevard and funding road repairs.

Given the level of service they provided in

2005 and the increase in scope of interest the city anticipates for 2006, GCG proposed a new pay schedule to provide a single monthly fee reflecting an "average" invoice, rather than month-to-month compensation depending on the work done.

The council accepted the staff's recommendation to approve GCG's request and amended the contract. In the coming year, GCG is expected to assist the city in communications on pending legislation, report to city staff on policy hearings on issues of interest to the city and coordinate an annual Sacramento visit for members of the City Council to meet with key legislative chairs and committee members.

The council also decided to retain federal advocacy services for funding and representation in Washington, D.C on homeland and security issues. It has now entered into a preliminary six-month contract with the Manatt, Phelps & Phillips, LLP, a law and consulting firm. Councilmember Barry Brucker says he is certain that "any consulting fees paid will be more than outweighed by grants received" as a result of the deal. For the initial six-month contract, Manatt will introduce and establish Beverly Hills among elected and appointed federal officials in Washington, D.C. The six-month program is intended to define the city's agenda and goals, and develop an effective strategy to secure federal earmarks or budget allocations.

"Brides Against Breast Cancer" To Hold Wedding Gown Sale Next Month

The charity "Brides Against Breast Cancer" (BABC) will hold a bridal sale at

the Marina Del Rey Hotel March 4 and 5. "Brides Against Breast Cancer" sells donated wedding dresses at events around the country and all proceeds go to the Making Memories Foundation, which grants wishes to patients with terminal breast cancer.

More than 200 gowns will be on display at the March sale.

"There is truly a gown for everyone in this collection," said Beverly Hills resident and L.A. Chairperson for "Brides Against Breast Cancer" Suzanne Hornwood Appel.

Two other Beverly Hills locals, Michelle Vogel and Debra Maslansky, are on the organization's planning team.

BABC is hoping to include a donated gown from Kim Dove, a 1992 Beverly High graduate and winner of the NBC reality show "The Biggest Loser," in next month's sale. They will also have several hundred new dresses donated by local bridal shops like Palos Verdes Bridal.

The sale will be held at the Waterfront Marina Del Rey Hotel, located at 13534 Bali Way. Doors will be open from 10 a.m.-6 p.m. on Saturday and 10 a.m.-4 p.m. on Sunday.

CPR Volunteer Dinner Today

The 28th annual CPR Recognition Dinner honoring the volunteers who provide the instruction and governance for the Beverly Hills CPR program will be held today at the Beverly Hills Hotel.

The event will also consist of the formal installation of the CPR Board for the upcoming year.

The Beverly Hills CPR program has helped to implement the Public Access

Defibrillation Program, in which employees of various businesses in the city have been trained. It has also worked with the school district in the purchase and proper placement of all the units and has trained many of the teachers in the BHUSD. To date, more than 81,500 people have been trained in CPR, first aid and the use of AEDs.

Congressman Sherman Lauds New Iran Policy, But Calls for Tougher Action

Congressman Brad Sherman (D-Sherman Oaks) applauded a State Department proposal to devote \$75 million to support democracy and human rights activists, labor unions and broadcasters trying to affect change in Iran, according to a press release statement last week.

Sherman also renewed his calls for tough diplomatic and economic action aimed at the regime.

"It is important that we communicate with the Iranian people, and it is high time the Bush Administration took this much-needed step," Sherman said in the release, "but it also is important that we couple this action with a credible drive to impose multilateral sanctions against Tehran."

Sherman has called on the Bush Administration to enforce the Iran-Libya Sanctions Act, which punishes foreign oil companies that invest in Iran. He has also called on the Bush Administration to push European and Asian allies to adopt their own sanctions against Iran.

"A complete Iran policy will be a two-

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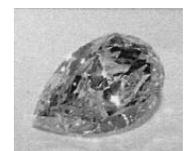
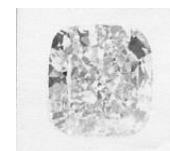
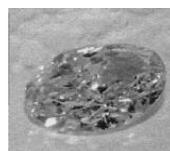
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Norman Girls' Soccer Team Loses Playoff Opener

BHHS boys' golf team set to open season Tuesday.
By Steven Herbert

For 80 minutes of regulation and 20 of overtime, Beverly High fended off Cypress' relentless attack, but was also unable to score, forcing Saturday's Southern Section Division III first-round playoff game at Nickoll Field into penalty kicks.

In penalty kicks, nearly nothing went right for the Normans and nearly everything went right for the Centurions, who outscored Beverly Hills, 4-1, in penalty kicks.

Cypress made all four of its shots, while Joey Sundy was the only Norman to score, as Alex Pop's shot hit the crossbar and Nikki Sharaf's shot was blocked.

"I felt confident going into PKs considering we had won two PK contests in the [Palm] Desert [Tournament]," Beverly Hills coach Ryan Franks said. "But we did-

n't have luck on our side. Losing in PKs is not easy to deal with. However, the girls should be really proud of their effort. The girls left it all on the field."

The Centurions led 23-12 in shots.

"The Norman defense, particularly [junior sweeper] Nikki Sharaf and [freshman goalkeeper] Becca Gold were spectacular and kept us in the game," Franks said.

Boys' Golf

Beverly High is scheduled to open its season Tuesday by playing host to Palos Verdes Peninsula Chadwick at Rancho Park Golf Course beginning at 2:15 p.m. and playing Palos Verdes Peninsula Wednesday at Palos Verdes Country Club in Palos Verdes Estates beginning at 2:30 p.m.

Boys' Soccer

Beverly Hills 3, Culver City 2

Joey Kramer scored what proved to be the winning goal in overtime in an Ocean League game at Culver City Jan. 25. Kramer broke through the Centaur defense to collect a ball that Dean Prince chipped and chipped the ball over the Culver City goalkeeper as the Normans ended a seven-game on-field winless streak. Beverly Hills was 0-5-2 during the streak.

The Centaurs forced the overtime, which consists of two, 10-minute periods, by scoring in the 65th minute. The Normans took a 2-1 lead as Jake Weissberg scored off Kramer's free kick in the 55th minute.

Daniel Pourbaba ended Beverly Hills' 491-minute scoreless streak by heading in Joey Kramer's free kick in the 30th minute.

The Centaurs scored in the 50th minute, tying the score, 1-1.

The Normans led in shots 12-6. Junior goalkeeper David Roston made four saves for Beverly Hills.

"It was our worst defensive performance of the year, which they were entitled since they kept us in every game," Norman coach Steve Rappaport said. "We finally started to connect passes and take quality shots. The key to the game was the fact instead feeling bad for ourselves, we finally focused on what we've been practicing, putting the ball in the net. It was nice not only to win, but obviously to score three goals. It was a good way to break out of the scoring slump."

Sophomore forward Jonathan Elbaz, recently promoted from the junior varsity, "had a really good game," creating "a lot of opportunities for us," Rappaport said. Junior midfielder Sam Forrest "had a really good game," Rappaport said. Forward-midfielder Eric Zarider also drew praise from Rappaport.

Inglewood 4, Beverly Hills 0

The Normans allowed the game's first goal in the sixth minute, a second later in the first half and two in the second half of an Ocean League game Jan. 27 at Inglewood.

"We were horrible, absolutely horrible," Beverly Hills coach Steve Rappaport said. "That without a question, was the worst defensive performance we've had all year. I can't say we that we weren't ready for the game, but it was like one of those days if somebody put a string out on the field, somebody was going to trip on it. We just didn't perform."

Goalkeeper David Roston, "who's been steady all year... made a couple mistakes on the second and the third goals," Rappaport said.

The Normans had an apparent goal disallowed in the second half when the referee ruled that the Sentinel goalkeeper was fouled, Rappaport said.

"We had three or four other really, really good scoring chances in the game off of corner kicks that we didn't finish," Rappaport said.

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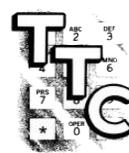
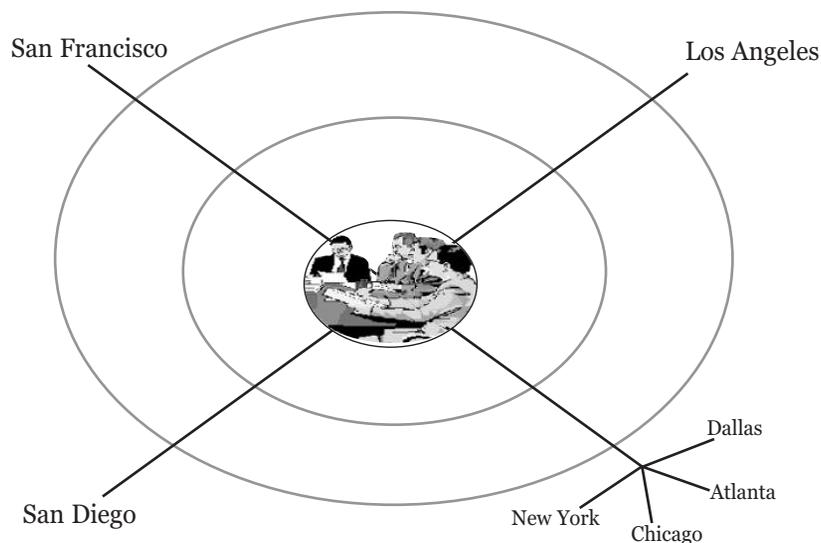
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SUBWAY ON WILSHIRE?

L.A. Mayor Antonio Villaraigosa seeks Westside input on Red Line extension, with Beverly Hills officials now more favorable to the idea than ever before.

By Andrea Simpson



Beverly Hills Mayor
Linda Briskman

Beverly Hills', as well as other Westside cities' population density has changed over the last 20 years, with more traffic on the streets, making the region the most congested in the nation. Los Angeles Mayor Antonio

Villaraigosa has vocally made it a priority to refocus on the Westside extension of the Metro Red Line subway on Wilshire Boulevard as an important means for getting to jobs, and integrating the greater Los Angeles area.

Last month Beverly Hills Mayor Linda Briskman and other representatives of the Westside Cities Council of Governments (COG) met with Villaraigosa to go over some preliminary details of the Red Line and how it may affect their respective cities.

COG member cities include Beverly Hills, Culver City, Santa Monica, West Hollywood and the western portions of Los Angeles, Council Districts 5 and 11. The COG's combined population represents more than 710,000 people and 50,000 businesses. In attendance were Culver City Councilmember Carol Gross, Santa Monica Councilmember and MTA board member Pam O'Conner; and from Villaraigosa's staff Deputy Mayor of Transportation Jaime de la Vega and Deputy Mayor of Legislative and Intergovernmental Relations Kevin Acebo.

The Red Line is a heavy rail metro line in Los Angeles and is Los Angeles's only all underground subway line, and the busiest of the four Metro Rail lines. The other three are light rail, and largely surface lines. The Red Line currently has 117,000 daily weekday boardings, includes 16 stations and extends for 17 miles.

Trains run along two branches-- both lines begin at Union Station in Downtown Los Angeles, and at Wilshire/Vermont, it splits. One line runs to Koreatown/Wilshire Center, the other terminating at North Hollywood in the San Fernando Valley.

In late October, 2005, the new Orange Line busway with train-like two-cabin articulated bus bodies went into service. It links up with the Red Line at the North Hollywood station in 13 stops over a 14-mile exclusive use corridor to Warner Center in the far west San Fernando Valley. The busway had been constructed instead of a further Red Line rail

extension in the Valley at a relatively low cost. Within days, the traffic was doubling predicted levels and most "bus-trains" were running full.

With present density and traffic gridlock, many people, including the residents and government of the City of Beverly Hills included, have done a complete turnaround on the idea of a Wilshire Boulevard subway.

Those at the meeting discussed the second phase of the line extension, funding issues and the renewed interest in the Red Line, more recently named the Westside Subway Extension (WSE).

"I stressed to the mayor that from preliminary discussions Beverly Hills seems more receptive to the concept because the increased traffic that passes through our city is choking our movement at peak hours coming and going," Briskman said. "We discussed alignment issues and I asked him to keep the option open to studying a possible Santa Monica Boulevard route."

"We need to be open to studying more than one possibility for the segments of the alignment as it goes through the Westside," Briskman added.

Villaraigosa has already expressed that the primary route should be Wilshire Boulevard, and has made the extension a priority during his term, as was evident at the COG meeting, according to Gross.

"Going in, I knew that [the extension] was an issue, [but] I didn't realize in the mayor's eyes that was basically what the meeting was about. I thought we were meeting with the mayor about several different issues having to do with the Westside cities and Los Angeles and early on he said [he] understood the meeting was to talk about the Red Line extension. Certainly we intended from the beginning that was a significant part of the conversation, but not the only focus. But, okay, I can roll with that," Gross said of the meeting.

O'Conner was unavailable for comment.

Probable segments that have been considered include the Fairfax district, a second segment to Century City and a third segment to Westwood/West Los Angeles. Because of the high cost, the extension would be built in stages. The overall cost from the present Wilshire/Western station to the vicinity of Westwood/405 Freeway would be about \$3.2 billion, with further extension to Santa Monica increasing the total to about \$5 billion.

"The final resolution of the best route still seems to be an ongoing issue and that's not

one I'm going to get in the midst of," Gross said. "The people who are there know their area the best and know where people are and need to get to. I'm not going to tell them that I know better how that piece of it should be. I just think that's it's important to start moving. We recognize that it will be a very long time off and very expensive, but if people don't get started, it will never happen."

Briskman said the City Council will evaluate route alternatives and offer a position based on the necessary studies that show where the need for public transit will be heaviest.

"It would appear on the surface that Cedars-Sinai, Century City and UCLA are the transit corridors in the most need of service because they have the highest concentration of employees. Beverly Hills could have at least one station," Briskman said.

According to Briskman, Villaraigosa said he is solidly behind the WSE and is pleased to hear that Beverly Hills may be changing its opinion of the idea because for the last 20 years it has not been a possibility.

In 1983, the original Locally Preferred Alternative for the Red Line followed Wilshire Boulevard to Fairfax Avenue and then north along Fairfax to Hollywood and the San Fernando Valley. Two years later, a naturally occurring methane gas fire at the "Ross Dress for Less" store in the mid-Wilshire area of Los Angeles resulted in an investigation and ultimately resulted in action taken by Congressman Henry Waxman (D-Los Angeles), whose Westside district the extension would pass through, to initiate a federal law prohibiting any federal funding for the Red Line subway through this "methane gas risk zone."

Waxman had said he would be willing to sponsor a repeal of that law if engineering studies declared subway construction in the area to be feasible. In October, 2005, a group of experts examined the feasibility of tunneling safely under Wilshire Boulevard and declared that tunneling along Wilshire was safe.

On Dec. 16 of last year Waxman announced that he had reviewed the experts' report, and would now be introducing legislation as soon as possible to repeal the 20-

year-old tunneling ban. But this legislation would likely not be passed until well into 2006. This announcement was hailed by transit advocates as the most important step to begin the process of constructing a Red Line extension. But such a line would not be completed for at least a decade.

Regarding the countywide ban on sales tax revenue being used for subway construction, L.A. County Supervisor Zev Yaroslavsky, who introduced the ban as a countywide proposition, stated that local money could be used to cover subway-related costs, as long as it was not used directly for tunneling. Transit advocate groups have proposed assigning the branch toward the Westside a different color than the Red Line to aid in talking about and promoting the project.

"I told [Villaraigosa] Beverly Hills needs to be at the table when decisions are being made regarding this very important issue," Briskman said.

Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce Government Affairs Committee Chairman Allan Alexander and Chamber members Murray Fischer and former Mayor Les Bronte recently took part in an Orange, Gold and Red Line tour on a Saturday to observe their effectiveness and the extent of their ridership.

They started on the Orange bus line from North Hollywood to Warner Center, the Red Line subway from North Hollywood to Union Station and the light rail Gold Line from Union Station to Pasadena.

Alexander called it a "very enjoyable day of travel."

"It provided the opportunity to see how effective and comfortable mass transit is in L.A. Clearly the subway is the most comfortable and fastest motive of transit, but the bus line and light rail were also pleasant rides," Alexander said.

Bronte said after the tour he was very much impressed with the Orange Line which took them across the San Fernando Valley in under 30 minutes, he said. The Gold Line, however, he said was "disappointing" in terms of its number of riders.

As a Chamber member, Bronte said he would "absolutely" support the extension: "It's decades away, but something that we'll need."

"There's finally an awareness that the only way in the bigger picture to address the congestion is by providing mass transit to allow people to get out of their cars and get around he city," Alexander said.

"There's a recognition that the true spine



Culver City Councilmember
Carol Gross

of Los Angeles is the Wilshire corridor; that's where the population density is and that's where the jobs are," Alexander added. "In this area a light rail is not possible so it's the natural place to locate the subway system."

Briskman said she also asked Villaraigosa to consider sharing some of L.A.'s Homeland Security grant money because Beverly Hills is a high profile community including the fact that it hosts a variety of events housing heads of state and entertainment, business and government officials on a daily basis.

"It is in all of our mutual best interest to make sure the Westside COG communities have state of the art anti-terrorism technology," Briskman said.

The city will also be much more active in both state and federal legislature, after recently hiring the Washington, D.C. firm Manatt, Phelps & Phillips LLP, for federal advocacy (see brief on pg. 12). The decision was made in the hope of securing funding for Homeland Security and Transportation projects.

On Tuesday, Manatt representatives provided a brief presentation on their work program for the first six months.

For the initial six-month contract with the city, Manatt will introduce and establish Beverly Hills among elected and appointed federal officials in Washington, D.C. The six-month program is intended to define the city's agenda and goals, and develop an effective strategy to secure federal earmarks or budget allocations. If all goes according to plan, in six months the city will be in a posi-

tion to continue the strategy on its own.

The MTA, on which Villaraigosa is a board member, will be leading the discussion and the timetable for the future of the Red Line extension.

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pronged effort," Sherman said. "In addition to supporting democracy and human rights in Iran, we also must apply economic pressure on the government to dry up investments and deny technology to Iran."

Sherman added that he hopes that legislation on Iran will be moving through the House of Representatives soon, and will include both Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice's requested funding and provisions providing for enhanced sanctions against the Iranian regime.

The House, meanwhile, last Thursday passed a resolution condemning the government of Iran for violating its international nuclear nonproliferation obligations and expressing support for efforts to report Iran to the United Nations Security Council.

Sherman joined Congresswoman Ileana Ros-Lehtinen (R-Miami) and other colleagues on the House International Relations Committee in introducing the resolution. It condemns Iran's failures to comply with its nuclear nonproliferation obligations

Oscar-Nominated Shorts To Be Shown Tuesday at Academy

Stand-by tickets may be available at the door for the sold-out presentation of "Shorts!" the screening of the 10 Academy Award-nominated films in the animated short and live-action Short categories Tuesday at 7:30 p.m. at the Samuel Goldwyn Theater at the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences, 8949 Wilshire Boulevard, an academy official said.

The screening, which includes a discussion with the filmmakers, is sold out. Parking is available at garages at 8920 Wilshire Boulevard and 9025 Wilshire Boulevard.

Additional information on the screening is available by calling the Academy's Special Events department at (310) 247-3600.

Winter Wonderland This Weekend

Join the community celebration for a day of fun, excitement and plenty of snow at Winter Wonderland this Sunday, Feb. 26, from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. at Roxbury Memorial Park, located at 471 S. Roxbury Drive.

General admission to the event is \$10 for residents, \$12 for non-residents, which includes the use of saucers or toboggans (personal sleds, saucers and toboggans may not be brought to the event). Advance registration is required and space is limited. There is no phone registration for this event-- walk-in, mail-in and fax-in registrations must be received by tomorrow. Registration forms may be brought or mailed to the Roxbury Park Clubhouse, located at 401 S. Roxbury Drive, Beverly Hills, 90212; or, faxed to (310) 550-4179.

Winter Wonderland will include tons of snow and great winter activities for families with children between the ages of 3 and 12, including sled-runs with saucers and toboggans, snow play, live entertainment, food vendors and more.

In addition to parking available on and around Roxbury Park, there will also be parking at Beverly High, located at 241 S. Moreno Drive. Shuttle service will run to and from the high school from 9:15 a.m.-2:45 p.m.

Children two and under will be admitted free with a paying adult. Participation for activities and attractions are an additional fee. Food and hot beverages will be available for purchase.

For additional information, call Greystone Park at (310) 550-4796 and log on to www.beverlyhills.org.

Rec and Parks Department To Receive Excellence Award

The Beverly Hills Recreation and Parks Department will be honored with the Award of Excellence by the California Park and Recreation Society March 18.

The award is in recognition for the "Greystone Getaways" media campaign that was created by the city Cable Television



Roxbury Park preschoolers celebrated with Valentines, sweets and making special Valentine's Day craft projects Feb.14. Pictured (L-R) with their handmade treat bags are Katie Bim-Merle, Dani Elitzur, Phoebe Joseph, Taylor Rutigliano, Roy Freedman, Oden Burcu, Alie Lance, Alyssa Cates, Lily Yovetich, Julia Kim, Rachel Metzger, Isabella Robakowski, Andrew Chung, Netanel Sadeghi, Adriana Kyncl, and Sara Ashtiani. For more information on Preschool or Youth Programs offered by the City of Beverly Hills Recreation and Parks Department, call (310) 550-4753.

Office as a tool to better acquaint the community with Greystone Estate and its programs and events.

"Greystone Getaways" was cited for top honors in the Agency Showcase-Media Communications Campaign category for cities in the 20,001-50,000 population range.

Athenaeum Speaker Series On The Shoah Foundation Next Month

The Beverly Hills Athenaeum Speaker series presents "Going Back to College: The USC Shoah Foundation Institute in the 21st Century" by Dr. Douglas Greenberg, Executive Director of the USC Shoah Foundation Institute for Visual History and Education, March 6 at 7:30 p.m. at the Beverly Hills Hotel, 9641 Sunset Boulevard. Tickets are \$60. Advanced reservations required. To RSVP, call (310) 409-6370.

Join Writing Workshop For Senior Adults

The City of Beverly Hills Community Services Department encourages all senior adults to join the new Writing Workshop for creative writing. The class meets every Thursday morning from 10-11:30 a.m. at the Roxbury Community Center, located at 471 S. Roxbury Drive in Beverly Hills. No writing experience is necessary and you can join in at any time. The writing class is facilitated by Bunny Fischer, a 25-year veteran of writing instruction and facilitation.

The ongoing workshop offers assistance and guidance to senior adults looking to write creatively. Personal memoirs, short stories, screenplays or poetry are some examples of writing projects to work on in the workshop. The class is free for Beverly Hills residents, and for non-residents \$1 per class. Free parking on site and Beverly Hills shuttle service may be available.

For additional information about this, or other senior activities and classes through

the City of Beverly Hills Recreation and Parks Department, call (310) 550-4761.

First Annual Beverly Hills Shorts Festival Starts Tomorrow

The first annual Beverly Hills Shorts Festival begins tomorrow through Sunday. From a total of more than 550 submissions from around the world, the festival selected 34 films-- a collection of short comedies, mockumentaries, dramas, animated stories, documentaries, and musical comedies.

Honoring 38 independent filmmakers and a host of acclaimed actors, from Tony Shalhoub to Tom Hanks, the showcase will be presented at two Beverly Hills venues, including Fine Arts Theatre and the Wilshire Screening Room & Gallery, on Wilshire Boulevard. Film aficionados will view to six shorts programs over the course of the week-end.

The three-day event will culminate in an awards ceremony Sunday night, during which a panel of judges will honor the best short narratives and documentaries. The panel consists of independent filmmakers such as director John Gulager (recently featured in the third installment of "Project Greenlight"), producer Darin Scott (who was behind such films as "To Sleep with Anger", "Menace II Society" and "The Brothers"), actor Clu Gulager (known for his work in such classics as the 1964 film noir "The Killers" and the 1971 drama "The Last Picture Show"), and Kenneth J. Hall (writer of "Puppet Master", director of "The Halfway House" and owner of "Total Fabrication Effects Shop").

For more information about the festival or for a listing of the films, visit the website at www.beverlyhillsshortsfestival.com.

-- Compiled by Steven Herbert and Anna Scott



Registration is currently underway for the spring girls lacrosse team taught by Head Coach Susan Kolko and Assistant Coaches Vanessa Rigby and Christina Gribbin. The program is open to for middle and high school aged girls. Practices are held on Mondays and Wednesdays at Beverly Vista School. For more information and to download registration forms, visit the website at: www.beverlyhillslacrosse.com.

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Beverly Hills led 10-9 in shots. Roston made five saves.

"It was disappointing because after playing so well [Jan. 25], I really felt the team would be ready," Rappaport said. "We just didn't execute. I don't think it was lack of effort. Whether it was the case we didn't have school and they slept in too late and didn't come focused or whatever, we just didn't perform against that particular school. We didn't match up against them."

Inglewood defeated Beverly Hills Jan. 11 in an Ocean League game at Nickoll Field.

Norman senior forward Elliott Cole "played very well," creating a lot of opportunities, Rappaport said.

Beverly Hills senior midfielder Joey Kramer also drew praise from Rappaport.

Girls' Basketball

Beverly Hills 44, Santa Monica 42

Junior guard Allison Galer scored 15 points and senior forward Rosie McClaren 13 and the Normans overcame a poor fourth quarter to win an Ocean League game at the Swim-Gym Jan. 14.

"It was a huge win," Beverly Hills coach John Braddell said. "We hadn't beaten them in a long time and they're the odds-on favorite win the league."

The Normans led 12-11 after the first quarter, 26-15 at halftime and 38-29 after three quarters.

Freshman guard Sophie Payson added nine points, Gwynne Evans four, Negin

Mostadim two and Didi Younesi one for Beverly Hills.

Inglewood Morningside 57, Beverly Hills 45

The score was tied, 36-36, entering the fourth quarter, but the Normans made just two of 21 shots and were outscored 21-9 over the final eight minutes in an Ocean League game at Morningside Jan. 20.

Beverly Hills trailed, 29-17, at halftime, but outscored the Monarchs, 19-7, in the third quarter, with Galer scoring 11 of her 15 points and Evans six of her 11.

The Normans broke out to a 6-2 lead, then were outscored 10-2 the remainder of the first quarter. Beverly Hills was outscored, 17-9, in the second quarter.

The Normans made 17 of their 60 shots. "We just didn't shoot the ball well," Braddell said. "I didn't think it was cause of what they did."

Younesi added 11, and McClaren and Mostadim four each.

Morningside junior guard Sophia Miller scored eight of her 23 points in the fourth quarter.

Boys' Basketball

Hawthorne 49, Beverly Hills 40

The Normans led 33-32 entering the fourth quarter, but were outscored 17-7 over the final eight minutes of an Ocean League game at the Swim-Gym Feb. 1.

George Medrano scored 15 points for Beverly Hills, including a second-quarter three-point basket. Daniel Leisner added 12, Mabhod Zargar seven, Julian Wheeler

three, all on a second-quarter three-point basket, Eric Lee two and Ben Smyth one for the Normans.

Beverly Hills trailed 15-9 at the end of the first quarter and 21-18 at halftime.

Beverly Hills 47, Santa Monica 46

Medrano scored eight of his 22 points in the fourth quarter, including his third three-point basket of the game, in an Ocean League game at the Swim-Gym Feb. 3.

The Normans led 12-7 at the end of the first quarter, 29-17 at halftime and 35-33 enter the fourth quarter.

Smyth added nine, including two three-point baskets, Zargar seven, all in the first half, Amit Friedman four, Leisner three and Lee two.

Girls' Water Polo

Beverly Hills 7, Los Angeles Milken 6

Grace Oh scored with five minutes, 24 seconds to play to give the Normans the lead for good in an Ocean League game at Stephen S. Wise Temple Jan. 12.

Amanda Yukelson's goal with 4:38 remaining put Beverly Hills up 7-5. The Wildcats cut the deficit to 7-6 with 2:17 remaining, but were unable to score again.

The Normans trailed 5-4 entering the fourth quarter, but tied the score 38 seconds into the period on Yukelson's goal.

Beverly Hills led 2-0 at the end of the first quarter as Tiffany Zarrin scored twice in the opening 1:34. The Normans increased their lead to 3-0 on Jennifer

Chan's goal 5:10 before halftime. Milken scored the final two goals of the second quarter and trailed 3-2 at halftime.

The Wildcats scored the first three goals of the third quarter and led 5-3, before Oh scored with 14.6 seconds left in the quarter.

Norman goalkeeper Marissa Srour made 14 saves.

Santa Monica 9, Beverly Hills 2

Oh scored in the second quarter and Justine Navid in the third for the Normans in an Ocean League game at the Swim-Gym Jan. 19.

Beverly Hills (2-8, 1-2 in league play) trailed 3-0 at the end of the first quarter, 7-1 at halftime and 8-2 entering the fourth quarter.

Srour made 13 saves.

Wrestling

Beverly Hills 31, Torrance 31

Josh Keshmir, Jake Marchiafava, Brian Kim and Dave Tuch recorded victories for the Normans (1-1-1, 1-1-1) in an Ocean League match Jan. 19 at Torrance.

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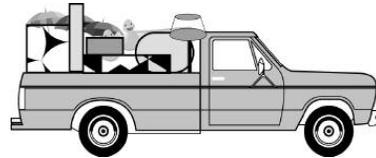
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FILE NO. 06-0339729
STATEMENT OF ABANDONMENT OF USE OF FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME
Fictitious Business Name(s): LEE'S COIN LAUNDRY 1347 E. COLORADO BL., GLENDALE, CA 91205. This fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 6/18/2004 in the county of LOS ANGELES. Original file number, 04-1565228. The full name of registrant: GOLDEN LEE CORPORATION AND GEUM LEE, 762 ARCADIA AVE. #D, ARCADIA, CA 91007. This business is conducted by: CORPORATION. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false is guilty of a crime.) /s/ GEUM LEE LA115378 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/23, 3/2, 9, 16, 2006

FILE NO. 06-0339728
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: MACKS LIQUOR 13248 E. VALLEY BLVD. BASSETT, LOS ANGELES, CA 91746. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: CHRIS SONG, 1635 SUMMITRIDGE DR., DIAMOND BAR, CA 91765. This business is being conducted by a/an: INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ CHRIS SONG This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on FEB. 14, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA115376 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/23, 3/2, 9, 16, 2006

FILE NO. 06-0327680
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: SUBWAY #26584, 9518 SEPULVEDA BLVD., NORTH HILLS, CA 91343. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: SVA MANAGEMENT, INC. 20826 BRYANT ST., WINNETKA, CA 91306. This business is being conducted by a/an: CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ SVA MANAGEMENT, INC. BY MACHITTER SINGH CHASE This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on FEB. 13, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA115356 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/23, 3/2, 9, 16, 2006

FILE NO. 06-0307557
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: CAFÉ MOOSE'S JUICE 251 SOUTH LAKE AVE. #170, PASADENA, CA 91101. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: JIMMY PETER YU AND SUNGHAE YU 11170 AQUA VISTA ST. #104, STUDIO CITY, CA 91602. This Business is being conducted by a/an: HUSBAND AND WIFE. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ JIMMY PETER YU AND SUNGHAE YU This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on FEB. 9, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA115239 BH WEEKLY 2/16, 23, 3/2, 9, 2006

FILE NO. 06-0295925
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: CRESCENDO AT FRED SEGAL 500 BROADWAY AVE., SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: SOONHWA CHOI 350 CATALINA ST. #301, LOS ANGELES, CA 90020. This Business is being conducted by a/an: INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ SOONHWA CHOI This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on FEB 8, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA115217 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/16, 23, 3/2, 9, 2006

FILE NO. 06-0181901
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: LAVANDERIA COIN LAUNDRY 5501 MONTE VISTA ST LOS ANGELES, CA 90042. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: COINLESS LAUNDRY, INC. 420 S. GIBSON CRT. BURBANK, CA 91501. This Business is being conducted by a/an: CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ BLOOMING, LLC, BY: SUNJIN HYUN, MANAGER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on JAN 26, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA114800 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/2, 9, 16, 23/2006

FILE NO. 06-0181901
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: LAVANDERIA COIN LAUNDRY 5501 MONTE VISTA ST LOS ANGELES, CA 90042. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: COINLESS LAUNDRY, INC. 420 S. GIBSON CRT. BURBANK, CA 91501. This Business is being conducted by a/an: CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ BLOOMING, LLC, BY: SUNJIN HYUN, MANAGER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on JAN 26, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA114800 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/2, 9, 16, 23/2006

the premises located at: 692 N. ROBERTSON BLVD., WEST HOLLYWOOD, CA 90069. The bulk sale and transfer of alcoholic beverage license(s) is/are intended to be consummated at the office of: BUSINESS TITLE ESCROW, INC. 4311 WILSHIRE BLVD, STE 307, LOS ANGELES, CA 90010 and the anticipated sale date is UPON ISSUANCE OF THE ABC LICENSE. The purchase price or consideration in connection with the sale of the business and transfer of the license, is the sum of \$2,000,000.00, including inventory estimated at \$60,000.00, which consists of the following: DESCRIPTION, AMOUNT: DEMAND NOTE, \$2,000,000.00. It has been agreed between the seller(s)/licensee(s) and the intended buyer(s)/transferee(s), as required by Sec. 24073 of the Business and Professions code, that the consideration for transfer of the business and license is to be paid only after the transfer has been approved by the Department of Alcoholic Beverage Control. Dated: 2/2/06 THE ABBEY FOOD & BAR, INC., Seller(s)/Licensee(s) ABBEY RESTAURANTS AND BARS USA-LA, LLC, Buyer(s)/Applicant(s) PCTS LA115351 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/16/06

FILE NO. 06-0284841
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: PLAYA AZUL 13213 VAN NUYS BLVD., PACOIMA, CA 91331. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: GUILLERMO HERNANDEZ CORONA 10417 KEWEN ST., PACOIMA, CA 91331. This Business is being conducted by a/an: INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ GUILLERMO HERNANDEZ CORONA This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on FEB 7, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA115152 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/16, 23, 3/2, 9, 2006

FILE NO. 06-0284940
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: JOHNS LIQUOR & MARKET 1667 N. AVALON BLVD. WILMINGTON, CA 90744. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: HANG KUN OH AND SOON AE OH, 6634 PINE AVE., 29 PALMS, CA 92277. This Business is being conducted by a/an: HUSBAND AND WIFE. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ HANG KUN OH AND SOON AE OH This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on FEB 7, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA115170 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/16, 23, 3/2, 9, 2006

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East District, Pomona Courthouse South
Petition Of Karyn Marie Peters
Order To Show Cause For Change Of Name
Case Number: K5010516
Original Filed: Jan 31, 2006
To All Interested Persons:
1) Petitioner: Karyn Marie Peters for a decree changing name as follows:

Present Name	to	Proposed Name
A. Karyn Marie Peters	to	Kate Marie Peters

2) THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should be not granted.
NOTICE OF HEARING
Date: March 20, 2006
Time: 8:30
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The address of the court is SAME AS NOTED ABOVE
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Date: Jan 31, 2006
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FILE NO. 06 0167680
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: OLYMPIC PARK'S LIQUOR 3533 W. OLYMPIC BLVD LOS ANGELES, CA 90019. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: TAE EO, 2040 S. NELSON CT LA HAMBRA, CA 90631. This Business is being conducted by a/an: INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ TAE EO This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on JAN 24, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA114761 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/2, 9, 16, 23/06

FILE NO. 06 0192159
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: KUDD BEANS, 920 BROXTON AVE LOS ANGELES, CA 90024. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: BLOOMING, LLC 234 S. FIGUEROA ST #331, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012. This Business is being conducted by a/an: LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ BLOOMING, LLC, BY: SUNJIN HYUN, MANAGER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on JAN 26, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA114800 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/2, 9, 16, 23/2006

FILE NO. 06 0181901
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: LAVANDERIA COIN LAUNDRY 5501 MONTE VISTA ST LOS ANGELES, CA 90042. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: COINLESS LAUNDRY, INC. 420 S. GIBSON CRT. BURBANK, CA 91501. This Business is being conducted by a/an: CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ BLOOMING, LLC, BY: SUNJIN HYUN, MANAGER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on JAN 26, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA114800 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/2, 9, 16, 23/2006

(A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ COINLESS LAUNDRY INC, BY: PETROS BAGDASSARIAN, SECRETARY. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on JAN 25, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA114770 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/2, 9, 16, 23/06

FILE NO. 06 0192275
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: CAFÉ 440, 440 N. RODEO DR 3RD FLR, BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90210. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: CITRUS FOOD SERVICE, INC. 1151 ANGELO DR BEVERLY HILLS, CA 91201. This Business is being conducted by a/an: CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ CITRUS FOOD SERVICE INC, BY: CINDY CHAOULI, PRESIDENT. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on JAN 26, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA114839 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/2, 9, 16, 23/2006

FILE NO. 06 0182255
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: TOBACCO OUTPOST 10401 VENICE BLVD STE 104, LOS ANGELES, CA 90034. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: LISAA. KIM 9024 VENICE BLVD CULVER CITY, CA 90232. This Business is being conducted by a/an: INDIVIDUAL. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: JAN 25, 2006. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ LISAA. KIM This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on JAN 25, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA114802 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/2, 2/9, 2/16, 2/23/06

FILE NO. 06 0192101
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: NEW GAGE MOTEL, 6310 S. FIGUEROA ST LOS ANGELES, CA 90003. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: RISH INVESTMENTS, INC. 6310 S. FIGUEROA ST LOS ANGELES, CA 90003. This Business is being conducted by a/an: CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ RISH INVESTMENTS, INC BY: RAJESH P. PATEL, PRESIDENT This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on JAN 26, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA114759 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/2, 9, 16, 23/2006

FILE NO. 06-0216280
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: SUBWAY #15106, 1900 N. HIGHLAND AVE. #3, HOLLYWOOD, CA 90068. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: C.G. INVESTMENTS, INC. 6345 BALBOA BLVD. #358, ENCINO, CA 91316. This Business is being conducted by a/an: CORPORATION. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ C.G. INVESTMENTS, INC. BY BEHZAD COHAN, PRESIDENT/FRANCHISEE This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on JAN 30, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA114881 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/1, 8, 15, 22, 2006

FILE NO. 06-0192159
FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
THE FOLLOWING PERSON(S) IS (ARE) DOING BUSINESS AS: KUDD BEANS, 920 BROXTON AVE LOS ANGELES, CA 90024. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: BLOOMING, LLC 234 S. FIGUEROA ST #331, LOS ANGELES, CA 90012. This Business is being conducted by a/an: LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name/names listed above on: N/A. I declare that all the information in this statement is true and correct. (A registrant who declares true, information which he knows to be false, is guilty of a crime.) /s/ BLOOMING, LLC, BY: SUNJIN HYUN, MANAGER This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on JAN 26, 2006 indicated by file stamp above. NOTICE-THIS FICTITIOUS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (See Section 14411 et seq., Business and Professions Code). LA114800 BEVERLY HILLS WEEKLY 2/2, 9, 16, 23/2006

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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: MARVIN H. DAVIS CASE NO. BP096507

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of MARVIN H. DAVIS. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by BARBARA DAVIS in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that BARBARA DAVIS be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. THE 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 on 03/02/06 at 8:30AM in Dept. 5 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 deceased, 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. Attorney for Petitioner EDWARD A. LANDRY MUSICK, PEELER & GARRETT LLP ONE WILSHIRE BLVD., #2000 LOS ANGELES, CA 90017 2/9, 2/16, 2/23/06 CNS-922552#

NOTICE OF PETITION TO ADMINISTER ESTATE OF: PEGGY JEAN GROMAN AKA PEGGY GROMAN CASE NO. BP096644

To all heirs, beneficiaries, creditors, contingent creditors, and persons who may otherwise be interested in the WILL or estate, or both of PEGGY JEAN GROMAN AKA PEGGY GROMAN. A PETITION FOR PROBATE has been filed by RICHARD GROMAN in the Superior Court of California, County of LOS ANGELES. THE PETITION FOR PROBATE requests that RICHARD GROMAN be appointed as personal representative to administer the estate of the decedent. THE PETITION requests the decedent's WILL and codicils, if any, be admitted to probate. THE 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 on 03/14/06 at 8:30AM in Dept. 5 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 deceased, 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. Attorney for Petitioner AVRAM SALKIN, ESQ. HOCHMAN SALKIN RETTIG TOSCHER & PEREZ, P.C. 9150 WILSHIRE BLVD., #300 BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212 2/16, 2/23, 3/2/06 CNS-925316#

Escrow No. 5026292-JK NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE (UCC Sec. 6105)

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s) and business address of the seller is/are: ASAKUMA USA, INC., 141 S. Robertson Blvd., Beverly Hills, CA 90211. Doing business as: ASAKUMA SUSHI DELIVERY. All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the seller(s) within the past three years as stated by the seller(s), are: None. The location in California of the chief executive office of the seller is: Same as above. The name(s) and address of the buyer(s) is/are: SOOBI, INC., 141 S. Robertson Blvd., Beverly Hills, CA 90211. The assets being sold are generally described as: furniture, fixture, equipment and all other assets and are located at: 141 S. Robertson Blvd., Beverly Hills, CA 90211. The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of CENTRAL ESCROW, INC., 3660 Wilshire Blvd., #108, Los Angeles, CA 90010 and the anticipated sale date is March 13, 2006. The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2. The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is CENTRAL ESCROW, INC., 3660 Wilshire Blvd., #108, Los Angeles, CA 90010 and the last date for filing claims by any creditor shall be March 10, 2006, which is the business day before the sale date specified above. Dated December 16, 2006 SOOBI, INC., By: Byoung Woo Lee, President, Buyer(s) Beverly Hills Weekly CN749173 5026292-JK Feb 23, 2006

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