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Growing Place chosen to operate SMC facility at the Civic



Courtesy image

ECEC: The Early Childhood Education Center will be operated by a local nonprofit on behalf of SMC.

BY MATTHEW HALL
Daily Press Editor

Santa Monica College (SMC) has released a new round of information about their proposed Early Childhood Education Center (ECEC) at the Civic Center site.

In a FAQ posted on SMC's website, the college said it had chosen Growing Place as the operator of the Santa Monica Early Childhood Lab School. Growing Place is a nonprofit organization based in Santa Monica that already collaborates with SMC on the SMC Teacher Academy.

"This is such a positive step forward, for our students, for the Santa Monica community, and for the children who will come to this Center," said Laura Manson, Early Childhood Education Department Chair at SMC in a statement. "We have a real opportunity to be innovative together – to offer students the chance to be in a fully-operating childcare facility while receiving instruction, and for parents and children to benefit from the most current, scientific practices in the field."

The ECEC has been approved by City Council but requires additional approval from the California Coastal Commission and from the Division of the State Architect. SMC said it plans to begin construction in 2017 and open in 2019.

A condition of the City's approval was priority enrollment for Santa Monica residents. Officials have said their goal is a minimum of 30 percent local enrollment and at least 15 percent enrollment for low income families.

Once open, the facility will offer child-care services through Growing Place but it will also be a teaching facility for SMC's existing education programs. College students will be on site to observe and study child development. SMC offers associate degrees and certifications in several fields with a focus on working with special needs students and the SMC programs can be used as a foundation for students pursuing additional credentials or degrees in education.

"This is a real opportunity for Santa Monica

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Santa Monica's largest developer splits into new company

BY KATE CAGLE
Daily Press Staff Writer

Twenty development projects in Santa Monica's eight square miles just changed hands after the city's largest apartment builder announced a major split, according to a spokesperson for the two companies.

NMS Properties is ceding managerial and operational control of all pending market-rate and affordable housing developments to a new company, WNMS Communities, Inc. NMS's former Executive Vice President, Scott Walter will be CEO of the spin-off company.

"It will be a core part of WNMS Communities' business to ensure that everyone can live in Santa Monica and the Westside," Walter said in a press release sent to the Daily Press.

NMS Properties and CEO Neil Shekhter will continue to manage existing buildings but will not be involved in any pending or future development, according to the press release.

The announcement is already drawing skepticism from City Council members who have promised greater scrutiny of Shekhter's dealings in the city after a Los Angeles Superior Court Judge found he submitted forged con-

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Asbestos concerns rattle tenants at developer's latest project

BY KATE CAGLE
Daily Press Staff Writer

The sound of jackhammers, saws and power tools may be familiar to thousands of rent-controlled apartment dwellers in Santa Monica. Decades-long restricted rents anchor them in their dingy apartments as neighbors move out and building owners gut units to make way for new arrivals willing shell out top dollars to live blocks away from the beach.

But a major health concern makes the renovations at the newly christened Tenth Street Promenade more than just a nuisance. In February, contractors began scraping off the 1950's era popcorn ceilings of eight empty units. The ceilings are known to contain asbestos. As more tenants took buyouts to leave the construction zone, their units were gutted as well. Of the twenty apartments at 1238 and 1242 10th Street, only six are still occupied. The vacant units have since been reduced to their wood-beamed bare bones. Tufts of insolation peak out of ceiling rafters and the thick orange cords of power tools snake across concrete floors. Security cameras point at common areas throughout the property with signs to remind those still paying rent that their new landlord is always watching.

When the buildings were sold in the summer of 2015 for $8 million dollars to Santa Monica's largest developer, perhaps the writing was on the wall for tenants like Gert Basson who has lived in his one-

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Monday, January 9

Bullet Journaling
Start off 2017 with a bang! Bring organization and creativity into your life with bullet journaling. We'll guide you in the process, you'll customize your journal into whatever works best for you. Materials provided, limited quantities available. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 4 – 5 p.m.

Main Library Book Group
Book group discusses an alternating selection of classic and contemporary fiction and nonfiction. January 2017 selection: Crossing to Safety by Wallace Stegner. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Pajama Story Time
Grab your favorite stuffed animal and wear your pajamas for this evening story time for the whole family. Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St., 6:30 – 7 p.m.

Tuesday, January 10

Organizing Your Closets, Drawers, and Space
Get a clean start on the new year with this organizational workshop. Esther Simon shows you that there's a place for everything, how to throw things out, and techniques for creating more space. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 7 – 8 p.m.

Beach=Culture: Plectrum concert
Plectrum is Mann-Lo Wen (violin) and Mak Grgic (guitar). Both advocates of traditional and popular music, they aim to present repertoire that is both artistically challenging from an academic standpoint but also enjoyable for a wide and diverse audience. Plectrum is a hip classical duo that takes the listener on a musical journey spanning centuries. Annenberg Community Beach House, 6:30 – 7:30 p.m., 415 PCH, http://annenberg-beachhouse.com/beachculture

Kids' Writers Group
Join this group of kids who love to write! This month we'll go wild writing animal stories! Ages 8-12. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 3:45 – 4:45 p.m.

Write Away [Writers Group]
Support and encouragement for writers of all stripes. Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Blvd., 12 – 2:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 11

Montana Mystery Book Group: Chain of Evidence
Hal Challis' sister summons him back to the small town where he grew up; his father is dying. While Challis' past comes back to haunt him, Ellen Destry is left to find a serial pedophile before he strikes again. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Mindful Meditation
Instructor Henry Schipper, graduate of UCLA's Mindful Awareness program, teaches the concepts of mindful meditation. Ocean Park Branch Library, 2601 Main St., 7 – 8 p.m.

Big Kids' Table: Origami Edition
Looking to have fun, socialize and de-stress? Take a seat at The Big Kids' Table, the Main Library's monthly series of activities that invites adults to get in touch with their inner "big kid." This month, learn the basics of origami. Make the first of your 1001 cranes. Upcycle a greeting card into a gift box. Fold a dollar bill into a heart. Or relax by coloring or playing a game of Scrabble. Materials will be provided. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 6:30 – 8 p.m.

Santa Monica Certified Farmer's Market (Downtown)
The Wednesday Farmers Market is widely recognized as one of the largest and most diverse grower-only

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COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Citywide

Healthy Spot donates to pet organizations

Healthy Spot, an LA-based organic pet & food supply company with local stores in Santa Monica and Marina del Rey, has announced its 2017 Rescue Spot partners – 11 pet rescues throughout LA and Orange County – which will benefit from the $111,600 raised over the past year as part of the company's philanthropic efforts.

Healthy Spot's Santa Monica and MdR stores raised $20,012 of the total $111,600 through local store events and the company's "Round Up for Rescues" program, which encourages customers to round up their purchases to the nearest dollar with the difference being donated to charity.

The funds raised will help Healthy Spot's 2017 Rescue Spot partners offset the high operating costs of looking after the animals in their care, from providing food, vaccinations and medications to comfort items like blankets and beds for pets in need. Healthy Spot's 2017 Rescue Spot partners include: Bill Foundation, Operation Blankets of Love, Delaney's Dog, Dachshund Rescue of Los Angeles, Forte Animal Rescue, Pacific Pups Rescue, Ziggy and Friends Cat Rescue, Southern California Pomeranian Rescue, L.A. Love and Leashes, Marley's Pit Stop Rescue and The Rescue Train.

Healthy Spot was founded by friends Andrew Kim and Mark Boonnark in 2008 following the previous year's mass pet food recall that raised concerns for the wellbeing of their own rescue pets. Since the company's inception, Healthy Spot has donated more than $200,000 in pet food, supplies and other monetary contributions through charitable initiatives benefiting local rescues. The company has also helped more than 2,000 dogs and cats find their loving "fur-ever" homes.

Healthy Spot has stores throughout Los Angeles and Orange County including West Hollywood, Santa Monica, Marina Del Rey, Costa Mesa, Long Beach, Studio City, Woodland Hills and Manhattan Beach

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Martin Luther King Weekend Concert

Celebrate the life and work of Dr. Martin Luther King with the MLK Westside Coalition and the Santa Monica Symphony. The annual MLK weekend concert features iconic pieces by American composers, such as Appalachian Spring by Aaron Copland. Talented young violinist Annelle Gregory, a laureate of the 2013 Stradivarius International Violin Competition, will perform Samuel Barber's Violin Concerto with the orchestra, and the concert will also include a performance of acclaimed African American composer Adolphus Hailstork's symphonic work, Epitaph for a Man Who Dreamed. Saturday, Jan. 14, 2:30 p.m. at SGI Auditorium, 525 Wilshire Blvd. Santa Monica. Visit www.smsymphony.org/concerts for more information.

– SUBMITTED BY THE SANTA MONICA SYMPHONY ASSOCIATION

Downtown

Cultivating Food Mood Awareness

Santa Monica Public Library presents Cultivating Food Mood Awareness: A Step-By-Step Guide to Eating Well and Feeling Well on Saturday, Jan. 14, at 3 p.m. in the Main Library's Martin Luther King, Jr. Auditorium, 601 Santa Monica Blvd.

Start off the new year by focusing on your health and re-connecting with your body. Jordan Hoffman, a California Licensed Acupuncturist and Diplomate in Oriental Medicine, presents a lecture on the five stages of better food choices, building a pantry and meal planning, Chinese medicine, and food mood awareness. Hoffman teaches you specifically how to keep a five-day food mood journal to see where you are with your food choices, and help you make connections between those choices and how you feel inside your body.

This program is free and all ages are welcome. Space is limited and on a first-arrival basis. For more information, visit smpl.org or contact the Santa Monica Public Library at (310) 458-8600. The Santa Monica Public Library is wheelchair-accessible. For special disabled services, call Library Administration (310) 458-8606 one week prior to the event. The Main Library is directly served by Big Blue Bus lines 1, 7, R7, R10, and 18. Ride your bike. Bicycle parking racks are available at the library.

– SUBMITTED BY JEN ULLRICH, PUBLIC SERVICES LIBRARIAN

SMC

Register now for SMC community education

SMC's Community Education program is looking ahead to an even heartier Spring Semester – with more than 170 classes, workshops and tours, including several new offerings. Registration for both sessions is now open, and spring classes begin Feb. 14.

Officials said that with an array of classes for both personal and professional development, SMC Community Ed is proving itself to be an ever-growing important part of the region's commitment to lifelong learning.

Community Ed will be holding an Open House on Jan. 21 that will give attendees a chance to meet instructors and staff, receive 15 percent discounts on spring classes, and more.

"We're excited to be offering such an eclectic mix of classes, workshops and travel tours that guide our students to creative expression, healthy minds and bodies, new careers, language skills and much more," said Alice Meyering, Program Coordinator of Community & Contract Education.

New classes this spring include Beginning German, Bookkeeping Essentials and Reports & Bank Reconciliation (to round out the curriculum for QuickBooks). Students who enroll in the QuickBooks series receive a certificate of completion.

In addition, the TOEFL (Test of English as a Foreign Language) preparation program has added three individual workshops: TOEFL Strategy Toolbox for Success to help with Writing, Speaking and Listening.

Several new classes are being offered due to popular demand, including the new Quickbooks courses and TOEFL workshops, Meyering said.

The popular design lecture series returns in the spring and is called "From the Elegant to the Eclectic: Design Icons of the 20th Century.

Also returning this spring are the Good Times Travel Tours with four themed trips scheduled to Joshua Tree National Park, Pomona, San Diego and more.

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History Museum celebrates 105 years of history of the iconic Girl Scouts Of America

The Santa Monica History Museum is honored to celebrate the history of the Girl Scouts of with its latest exhibit: The Journey of Girl Scouts: Empowering Young Women, a special 105 year anniversary event on March 11, and a Discover the History lecture on March 22. Visitors are invited to view documents, photographs, uniforms, memorabilia, a replica campsite, and other artifacts that will bring the history of the Girl Scouts to life. The Journey of Girl Scouts: Empowering Young Women exhibition will open Tuesday, Jan. 24, and be on display until Wednesday, March 29, at the Santa Monica History Museum at 1350 7th Street.

The exhibit, The Journey of Girl Scouts: Empowering Young Women, will detail the history of the Girl Scouts using documents, photographs, memorabilia, and artifacts like uniforms dating back to the 1940s. Long a fixture of the Santa Monica community, the exhibit will also share the history of local girl scouting. Photographs from the Santa Monica History Museum's collections will be on display as well as objects on loan from local former Girl Scouts as well as the Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles Heritage Committee. In addition to the exhibit, a celebration is planned for Saturday, March 11, in commemoration of the 105th birthday of Girl Scouts. The Santa Monica History Museum, Girl Scouts of Greater Los Angeles, and the Santa Monica Public Library will co-sponsor a talk in the museum's Discover the History lecture series in honor of Women's History Month on the evening of Wednesday, March 22. Girl Scout guides will be available to take visitors through the exhibit at scheduled days and times during the run of the exhibit. More information about the exhibit and these events can be found on the museum's website at www.santamonicahistory.org.

The Journey of Girl Scouts: Empowering Young Women exhibit is a collaboration between the Santa Monica History Museum and local Girl Scout Cadettes, Ciara Dalling and Olivia Kienzle. Dalling and Kienzle are organizing the exhibit as their Girl Scout Silver Award project. The Silver Award is the highest honor a Girl Scout Cadette can earn – giving the girl, or team of girls, a chance to achieve a large project that benefits their community.

"I love Girl Scouts. I feel I have gained so much from the opportunities it has provided me," said Dalling. "I'm excited to share Girl Scouts with others through this exhibit," added Kienzle.

"As a former Girl Scout leader, I am thrilled that our Santa Monica History Museum will highlight the history of Girl Scouts with this exhibit. It gives me great pleasure to relive the fond memories of my family's scouting experiences through this exhibit" said Louise Gabriel, President and CEO of the Santa Monica History Museum.

The museum, and this exhibit, will be open to the public Tuesday and Thursday noon to 8 p.m., and Wednesday, Friday, and Saturday 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. The museum is closed Sundays and Mondays. General admission is $10 and $5 for seniors and students. Veterans, active-duty military, children 12 and under, and Santa Monica History Museum members receive free admission. Girl Scouts in uniform will also receive free admission. Troop and group tours can be arranged in advance and will receive special group admission pricing.

Additional information about the exhibit can be found online at www.santamonicahistory.org.

– SUBMITTED BY KATHRYN EVANS, DEVELOPMENT & MUSEUM MANAGER

DEVELOPER

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tracts to the court in an unrelated civil suit. The nine buildings involved in the suit are now in legal limbo as Shekhter's attorneys appeal the decision. The judge's order shifted ownership of the properties to AEW Capital Management who sold the properties late last year, despite Shekhter's appeal and a stay on the judge's order. Shekhter values the properties at $500 million dollars.

In the meantime, NMS continues to manage the buildings.

"We'll be keeping a close eye on tenant security and fulfillment of negotiated promises on all existing NMS buildings, as already directed by the Council," Councilmember Kevin McKeown said, "and we're fully aware that the addition of a 'W' for new projects doesn't guarantee that our continuing skepticism is unwarranted."

At a Dec. 6 City Council meeting, NMS spokesman Eric Rose promised to hand over any documents regarding current or pending contracts with the city. It's not clear how the split will influence that promise. When pressed, Rose would not commit to providing documents about the company's financial viability to the City Council.

For the past six years at NMS, Scott Walter was responsible for acquisitions and development projects. During that time NMS became one of the largest landlords on the west side of Los Angeles, controlling about 2,000 units.

The development projects shifting to WNMS control include eight large, pending projects in the city that add up to about 576 apartments. Three of the proposed buildings are on Lincoln Boulevard. A five-story NMS building at 1560 Lincoln Blvd has already been approved and will create 100 more apartments.

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Thursday, January 12

Rent Control Board Meeting
Regular Rent Control Board Meeting. City Hall, 1685 Main St., 7 p.m. www.smgov.net/Current_Board_Meetings.aspx: Rent Control Board Agendas

College Affordability: Financial Aid and FAFSA
Diana Hanson of Magellan Counseling will review the different kinds of financial aid and answer questions about how to make college affordable. She'll also go over the main sections of the Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and CSS profile. Grades 10-12. Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Recent French Cinema: Breathe (2014)
A taut, nuanced story about the depths of female friendships and the dark side of teenage infatuations, Breathe, the sophomore directorial effort from Mélanie Laurent (Inglourious Basterds, Beginners), is an assured adaptation of the sensational French young adult novel of the same name. (91 min). Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave., 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

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bedroom apartment for twenty years. The low rent allows him to live in Santa Monica and focus on making independent feature films. For his neighbor, Rick Straum, stable rent allowed him to start his own tech company. Neither will be able to stay in the city if they lose their homes.

"I always need to be close to the sea," Basson said as he looked back at the decision to settle into the building on 10th Street between Wilshire Boulevard and Arizona Avenue. "I've just seen Santa Monica change so drastically; especially the makeup of the population. There's just no more place for the creative types."

The twin buildings at 1238 and 1242 10th Street are now owned by a partnership: 1238 10th Street, LLC. The signature on the deed is that of Neil Shekhter, the CEO of NMS Properties, Inc, a major property manager and developer in Santa Monica. Eric Rose, a spokesman NMS Properties said that they are not the owner or property manager, however, an official document filed to the Air Quality Management District regarding the asbestos abatement was printed on NMS stationary and written by their senior development associate.

The Santa Monica City Council has promised greater scrutiny of Shekhter's dealings after a Los Angeles Superior Court judge found he lied and submitted forged documents to the court as part of an ongoing civil suit. Fall out from the lawsuit continues: the judge threw out the case and removed nine properties from Shekhter's control. His attorneys have appealed the decision.

But some tenants at the Tenth Street Promenade say the city ignored their complaints over their new owner for the better part of a year, and now worry their decision resist buyouts has resulted in serious damage to their health.

Permits filed by WDR Contracting to the South Coast Air Quality Management District (SCAQMD) verified the presence of asbestos in the acoustic ceilings, transite pipes, vinyl flooring, and debris from the construction. The EPA and OSHA both have strict federal guidelines for asbestos abatement during construction because asbestos is a known carcinogen. Exposure to asbestos particles in the air can result in a deadly list of ailments: asbestosis, mesothelioma and lung cancer.

While WDR Contracting is licensed to perform asbestos abatement, something apparently went wrong. Basson describes clouds of dust billowing into nearby open windows. When he turned to the SCAQMD for oversight and help, he says inspectors at first turned a blind eye to the dust. Tenants did not receive a formal notice the debris-contained asbestos until six months into construction. Three weeks after that, samples taken by SCAQMD inspectors found asbestos particles on the window sill of one of the gutted units.

"There shouldn't be any asbestos if a proper abatement has taken place," said SCAQMD spokesman Sam Atwood. "The procedures laid out in our regulations are very strict as far as not allowing asbestos in the unit to get outside the unit."

In September, Basson took the advice of an SCAQMD inspector and hired his own certified environmental consultant to take samples from the dust in his unit; he considers their report the smoking gun.

A Sep. 1 report signed by Greg Whitney found chrysotile asbestos in the settled dust inside Basson's living room and dining area. He recommended closing off the apartment unit to anyone besides certified professionals wearing protective equipment. He said the residence should be sealed using "robust polyethylene sheeting and duct tape."

The construction company in charge of the remodeling project, MAS Construction, also paid Whitney to investigate asbestos in other the units. He found asbestos in six different apartments, some of which were occupied by remaining tenants.

Two weeks later, the city of Santa Monica ordered the buildings management to relocate the tenants. Basson has been living in a hotel room ever since.

In an email to the Daily Press, Rose said "making sure the residents have a safe place to call home is a responsibility 1238 10th Street, LLC takes seriously."

"1238th 10th Street, LLC does not believe that any tenant will have potential health effects since they have taken the proper precautions to ensure the containment of asbestos at all times," Rose said.

It's unclear what happens next. In tomorrow's Daily Press, read why Basson is now living in limbo: paying rent on his apartment while uncertain whether it will ever receive the thorough cleaning he demands.

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to spotlight high quality early education and its benefits to our society," said Pauline McPeake, Executive Director of Growing Place in a statement. "Growing Place is guided by a strong image of the child and a belief in the role of education in constructing a better world. This partnership underscores SMC's commitment to the development of cutting edge practices and research."

Growing Place founder Ellen Khokha is an instructor at SMC and the organization's teachers also serve as part time instructors and mentors to SMC students.

The $13.2 million ECEC is the result of years of planning and discussion. Some form of childcare has been envisioned for the Civic Center site throughout various plans and documents. The project gained momentum recently when City Hall approved a plan in 2012 that formalized the partnership between SMC and the city.

City Hall is subsidizing the price of the land and SMC paying for its portion of the cost via Measure S monies approved by voters in 2004. Money for the facility is also provided by the Rand Corporation who were required to make a one-time payment towards the facility through their Development Agreement.

The ECEC will be a 19,152 square foot building sitting on a 60,480 square foot facility and will include a preschool building, an infant-toddler building, offices and classrooms and a public meeting space.

"This collaboration is going to bring high quality early learning to our children and their families, and train the next generation of preschool teachers," said Mayor Ted Winterer in a statement. "The lab school approach will help to address one of the critical concerns identified by our Wellbeing Index: better preparing our youth for kindergarten and helping to close the achievement gap. Growing Place is a great fit for this project and their involvement will help to make Santa Monica a place where everyone, no matter their background, can learn and thrive."

For more information, visit http://www2.smc.edu/planning/labschool.

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ON DECEMBER 31, 2016 AT ABOUT 12:58 P.M.

Officers were flagged down by a subject riding a bicycle at Main Street and Pico Blvd for assistance. The subject told officers he was being followed by someone for several blocks. Officers spoke with the second subject and told officers that he was following him because the subject was riding his bicycle and had been reported stolen in 2014. Officers conducted a computer check of the bicycle and discovered the bicycle was stolen in 2014 but not by the second subject. The second subject left. The suspect was taken into custody for being in possession of a stolen bicycle.

Michael Anthony Etcitty, 50, from Venice was arrested and issued a citation for possession of stolen property.

Obama makes his mark as first 'social media' president

BY KEVIN FREKING
Associated Press

When President Barack Obama urged fellow leaders at the United Nations to do more for the world's refugees, his mention of a young boy named Alex could have been just a footnote, unnoticed or quickly forgotten.

The White House had other plans. Its social media specialists sent a video crew to the boy's home in New York. There they recorded an adorable Alex reading aloud a letter he had written asking Obama to bring to his house a 5-year-old bloodied boy the world had seen sitting in an ambulance in Aleppo, Syria. Young Alex promised: "We will give him a family, and he will be our brother."

When the White House posted the video on the president's Facebook page it was watched 27 million times. It also generated a wave of news stories around the country — drawing attention to the boy's compassion and, by association, Obama's desire to persuade the United States and the rest of the world to embrace more Syrian refugees.

The Alex video demonstrates how the Obama administration has increasingly turned to a new menu of options to engage the public. The first American president of the social media age, Obama has for years been breaking ground on how politicians connect with a digitally savvy electorate. He has used social media as a tool to educate, to amuse, to spin and, undoubtedly, to shape his legacy. And judging by his successor's Twitter account, it's one of the few legacies he's leaving that President-elect Donald Trump has embraced.

The year Obama came into office, the White House joined Facebook, Twitter, Flickr, Vimeo, iTunes and MySpace. In 2013, the first lady posted her first photo to Instagram. In 2015, the president sent his first tweet from @POTUS, an account that now has 11 million followers. This year, the White House posted its first official story on Snapchat, a promotion of the president's State of the Union address.

White House officials say the focus on social media is simply a strategy of going to where people get their news. It's an add-on, not a replacement, they say, for press conferences and interviews with journalists. They say presidents, with very rare exceptions, can no longer rely on a single method for communicating their message.

"The biggest lesson that we've learned is that the bully pulpit is dead," White House Communications Director Jen Psaki said. "So we have a responsibility as a government and as his staff to come up with a range of ways and levers to communicate information."

The Pew Research Center recently found that about 4 in 10 Americans often get their news online. Digital is second only to TV news as the most prominent news platform. Younger adults are especially likely to turn to the web for their news.

Matthew Hindman, an associate professor at George Washington University, said presidents are increasingly closed off from the press, and Obama is no exception. Social media allows the administration not to be "hostage" to what the press is focused on during a particular day, he said.

"What this is about is getting their message out to their supporters, energizing the base, getting support for their policies, and to some extent shaping the agenda by forcing coverage of issues they think are important," Hindman said.

The American Presidency Project says Obama has held about 21 individual and joint press conferences a year during his presidency, fewer than his three predecessors. George H.W. Bush held about 34 a year, Bill Clinton averaged about 24 press conferences and George W. Bush, 26. Ronald Reagan, given the moniker the "great communicator," held about six a year.

Obama jokes about his social media skills, saying his cellphone doesn't allow him to make or receive calls and he can't text or take pictures. Basically, he can only use his phone to look at the internet and send emails.

"I now have an iPhone, but it is, you know, like, the phone you give your 2-year-old, where they can pretend to press things, but nothing actually happens?" Obama said on "Jimmy Kimmel Live."

Obama said in a recent interview for Snapchat's political show, "Good Luck America," that he wasn't up to speed on every aspect of social media when he ran for president.

"But I hired a bunch of 25- and 26-year-olds who were all into it," he said.

Obama has about a 15-person shop in the White House Office of Digital Strategy. Last year, he brought in Jason Goldman, who helped start Twitter, to run the operation. Goldman said Obama has a keen understanding of the power of social media, rising from the success of his 2008 presidential campaign.

"He clearly understood this was a way to reach people directly," Goldman said, "how they would emotionally engage with an issue."

To encourage that engagement early on, the White House set up a platform on its website in 2011 that allows people to petition the administration to take a certain action. If a petition can get 100,000 signatures within 30 days, the White House will provide a response. The administration more recently gave people the chance to send a message to the president through Facebook. The president reads 10 of these posts daily, prospective messagers are told.

Goldman said those functions fit with Obama's focus on "the imperative of citizenship," where input from citizens can help the government deliver better services.

"A lot of the things that we've done here will continue on regardless of what the next administration is," Goldman said.

Some media organizations have complained about the administration's reliance on social media. The Associated Press said in December 2013 that images posted on the White House Flickr page were "visual press releases" and were increasingly offered to the media in lieu of real journalistic access.

But the White House rejects the notion that its social media operations help the president bypass traditional media outlets.

"The goal isn't to be less filtered. The goal is to meet people where they are," Goldman said.



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WELL NEWS BY SCOTT LAFEE

Lifelike Without the Life

■ For doctors-in-training and surgeons preparing to perform a brand-new procedure, practice is a good thing. For patients, maybe not so much. So instead, doctors usually prepare by working with animal models, cadavers and computer simulations.

■ Researchers at the University of Rochester think they might have built a better way: 3D-printed replicas of human organs created using a hydrogel that is identical in water consistency to the human body. The resulting fake organs can be made to look and feel just like their real counterparts. They can be designed to respond realistically as well, including bleeding when cut or leaking bile or urine.

■ Entire organ systems or segments of the body can be assembled, with artificial muscle, skin and fat to complete the unreal but realistic surgical lesson.

MYSTERY PHOTO

Matthew Hall *matt@smdp.com*



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SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD

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Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S SUDOKU

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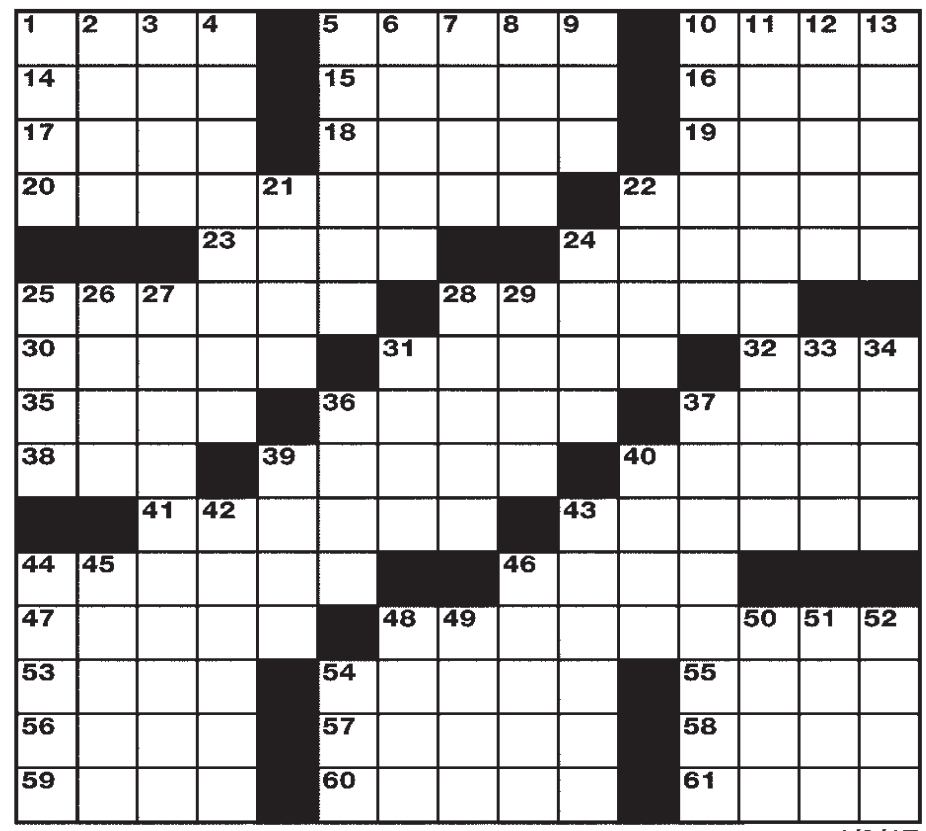
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ACROSS

1 Berets and derbies
5 No longer sleeping
10 Give off, as light
14 Hand-cream additive
15 Clothing tag
16 Toe the ___ (do as told)
17 Very hard to find
18 Invoices to pay
19 "Author unknown," for short
20 Bourbon cocktail
22 Pay out
23 Shortens a skirt, say
24 Lowest choir voices
25 Owns up to
28 Eggs-and-ham brunch entree
30 Totally wrecks
31 Lessen in intensity
32 Steal from
35 King ___ (big ape of films)
36 Staircase parts
37 Took a cab or bus
38 Point opposite NNW
39 Gives the go-ahead to
40 Provides temporarily
41 Whitewater rafting challenge
43 Most pleasant
44 Trapped by routine
46 Hindu woman's garment
47 ___ out (gives sparingly)
48 Tiny, as doll-house furniture
53 Daffy Duck or Roger Rabbit
54 Artificial waterway
55 Sailor's "Hello!"
56 Japan's continent
57 In the same way
58 Tip of an ear
59 Hair-stiffening products
60 ___ out (allocated)
61 Backyard storage structure

DOWN

1 Do damage to
2 Jai ___
3 Needing repair, as paper
4 Bubbling over with anger
5 Scrapbooks
6 Cries loudly
7 Up to the task
8 Brown sushi seaweed
9 Letters after kays
10 Slip by, as time
11 Italian vegetable soup
12 Hole ___ (golfer's dream shot)
13 ___ bar (mixes drinks)
21 Fast-flying planes
22 Price-reduction event
24 Makes a wager
25 Vessels like Noah's
26 Twosomes
27 Wood-finishing liquid
28 Follows the rules
29 Atlas illustrations
31 Just slightly
33 ___ and ends (miscellany)
34 Most desirable
36 Short comedic play
37 Shows with student dancers
39 Major musical work
40 Former Italian money
42 Sports stadiums
43 Fastened with a hammer
44 Luggage attachment with your name
45 Lariat loop
46 Slithery reptile
48 Rooster or bull
49 Monogram component: Abbr.
50 "Here comes trouble!"
51 After-bath garment
52 Gazed upon
54 Video recorder, for short



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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

Wastewater Main Replacement Project

For the week of January 9, the Contractor will continue with removal and replacement of the sewer main on Marguerita Place North between 1st Court and 7th Street. The contractor will also continue cleaning and video inspection of the sewer main on Ocean Front Walk from Ashland Avenue to the Santa Monica Pier. During these operations, traffic control will be set up. Should you have any questions, please contact Carlos Rosales, Project Manager (310) 458-8721 ext. 2620 or Tim Scheffer, Construction Manager (909) 376-0275.

Ishihara Park (Buffer Park) Project

As part of the construction of the new Buffer Park at 2909 Exposition Blvd, 'NO PARKING' signs will be posted along portions of Exposition Blvd to allow for the construction of sections of new curb and gutter. In addition, the sidewalk on the eastside of Stewart St. at Exposition Blvd. and along Exposition Blvd to Dorchester Ave. will remain closed. The closure of part of the northbound bike lane on Stewart Street at the intersection of Stewart St. and Exposition Blvd will also remain in effect. Directional signage has been posted alerting pedestrians and bicyclists of the impediments caused by the construction project. For more information, contact Sebastian Felbeck, Construction Manager, at (310) 434-2675.

Los Amigos Park Stormwater Harvesting And Direct Use Demonstration Project

For the week of January 9, the contractor will continue work with the installation of plumbing to restrooms, equipment pads, and restoration of baseball fields. Construction for the first phase was completed and traffic control on 5th Street was removed. Hollister Ave. between 5th and 6th Streets will remain closed to through traffic. Should you have any questions, please contact Carlos Rosales, Project Manager (310) 458-8721 ext. 2620 or Scott Neumann, Construction Manager (310) 525-0683.

Berkeley Street Improvement Project

For the week of January 9, the contractor will be working on new concrete medians and bulb-outs along Berkeley Street between Lipton Avenue and Stanford Street. The work includes the installation of landscaping, water lines,. Traffic control will be set up. Should you have any questions, please contact Curtis Castle, City of Santa Monica Construction Manager (310) 458-8721 ext. 5048.

Citywide Sidewalk Repair Project

For the week of January 9, work is scheduled in the area bound by Lincoln Boulevard to the west, Wilshire Boulevard to the north, 20th Street to the east, and Pico Boulevard to the south. Should you have any questions, please contact Jamie Atkinson, City of Santa Monica, Project Manager (310) 458-8721 ext. 5081 or Craig Wheeler, Assistant Construction Manager, (951) 522-4505.

Water Main Replacement Project

For the week of January 9, the contractor will begin removal and replacement of the water main on Ocean Avenue between Colorado Avenue and Pico Boulevard Street. Please expect temporary lane closures on Ocean Avenue in the southbound direction, one lane will be maintained at all times. Should you have any questions, please contact Carlos Rosales, Project Manager (310) 458-8721 ext. 2620.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Jan. 9)

Love is fanciful and whimsical and will take you new places. When it comes to business, you're not messing around. The world gets the picture, moves over and makes room for what you offer. In March, old conflicts will be resolved; new dreams will be born. An April investment opportunity will require a quick response. Cancer and Libra adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 6, 4, 28, 5 and 16.

ARIES (March 21-April 19)

You don't assume that you know a person inside and out. You're experiencing only what this individual wants to show you, after all. Yet your intuition is deep. You're getting more insight than others would guess.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

There's a danger in being too micro-focused today. Your efforts are better spent on big-picture fixes. So what are some ways you might reduce your overall stress level?

GEMINI (May 21-June 21)

You know that you can't preserve the peace by publicly shaming people who are disturbing it. Try a light touch; try empathy; try humor. It may not work, but you won't regret giving it a whirl.

CANCER (June 22-July 22)

You're tougher than the challenge at hand, but that, in and of itself, isn't a good reason to take it on. You have nothing to prove and no one to prove it to today. Make sure there's something good in it for you before you agree to play.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

Give positive focus proactively and a certain needy someone may back off and give you the space and peace you need. If this doesn't work, consider reacting to this person's attention-getting antics with no reaction.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

It seems they want a piece of you, but not a piece of your mind. You don't have to give anything you don't want to give. There are people around you who will ask for more than is healthy for either of you.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23)

Greatness requires that you push past the part of you that doesn't feel like making an effort (let alone making extra efforts). This is the time to work harder, be kinder and extend more generosity than you feel.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21)

You respect all. Respect isn't something you give because the other person has good character; it's something you give because you have good character. Is respect deserved? That's beside the point, in your book.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

It's a pretty good show you're putting on today, and your audience will eat it up. Probably this has to do with a role you're still growing into. Keep it up and it will be more comfortable (with less effort needed) in the future.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

There's so much to be excited about. First of all, you're experiencing something you dreamed of long ago, which is evidence of the likelihood that you'll build the thing you're dreaming of now.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

Your full focus is needed to execute the next step. Get rid of all distractions. Along those lines, maybe it's time to wipe the slate clean, because it's not worth it to you to give one iota of attention to the debt that's owed to you.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

You wouldn't expect a valiant effort from one who has never behaved nobly before, yet you wouldn't rule it out, either. You'll leave your mind open so that if people change, you're ready to catch, acknowledge and build on it.

Moon of Breezy Social Mores

Through the years, you've made many friends. Some you no longer know, and some are loose connections; others have a more constant presence in your life. This is as it should be. Being OK with different levels of closeness makes life easier. The lunar trip through breezy Gemini helps us keep a healthy perspective. Codependent no more!

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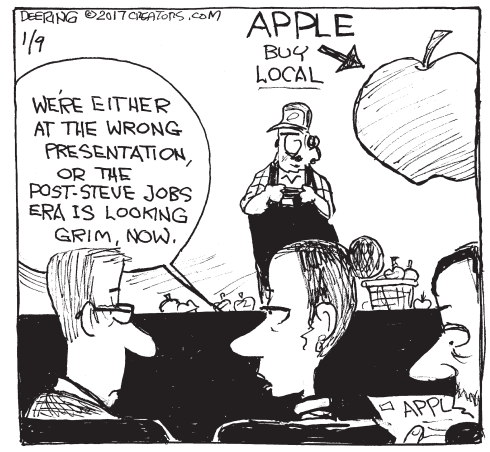
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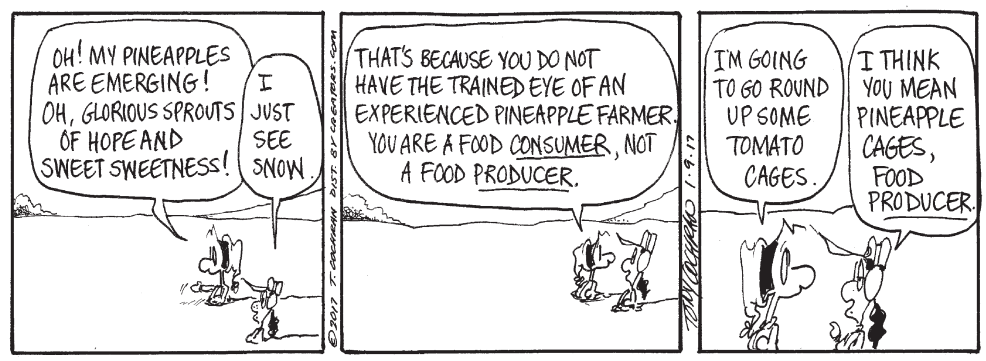
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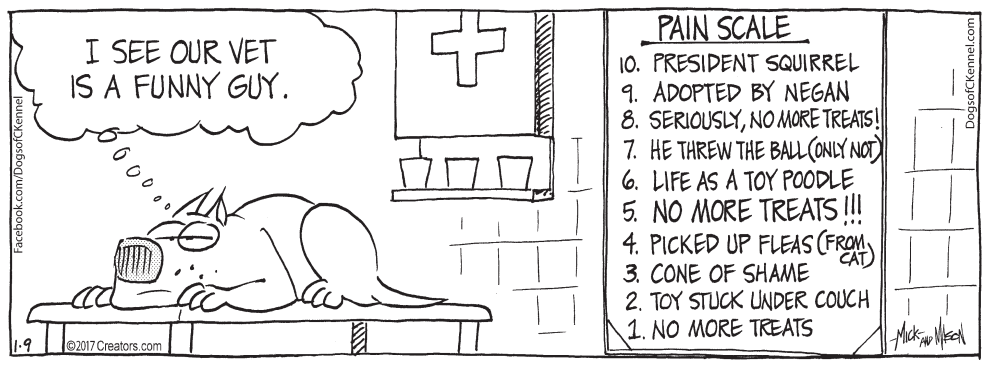
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Petition of DAWN TEWKSBURY for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner: DAWN TEWKSBURY filed a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: DAWN TEWKSBURY TO DAWN TEIXEIRA. The court orders that all persons interested 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 not be granted.
Notice of Hearing:
Date: FEB 17, 2017 Time: 8:30 AM, Dept: K, Room: A203
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Petition of ANNE MARIE EGGEBROTEN for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
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Notice of Hearing:
Date: FEB 03, 2017 Time: 8:30 AM, Dept: K, Room: A203
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016305541 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 12/16/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PEACOCK PROPERTY PARTNERS. 3654 TILDEN AVE , LOS ANGELES, CA 90034. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: JACQUELINE FLETCHER 3654 TILDEN AVE LOS ANGELES, CA 90034, LYNN APPEL 6340 GREEN VALLEY CIRCLE #308 CULVER CITY, CA 90230. This Business is being conducted by: a General Partnership. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)12/01/2016. /s/: LYNN APPEL. JACQUELINE FLETCHER, LYNN APPEL. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 12/16/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS 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 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 12/26/2016, 01/02/2017, 01/09/2017, 01/16/2017.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016291751 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 12/02/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as American Hotel , AmericanHotelLA.Com . 303 S. Hewitt St , Los Angeles, CA 90013. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: Arts Americana LLC 1020 Wilshire Blvd Santa Monica, CA 90401. This Business is being conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)11/1/2013. /s/: Leilani Pascual, VP . Arts Americana LLC . This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 12/02/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS 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 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 12/26/2016, 01/02/2017, 01/09/2017, 01/16/2017.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016291753 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 12/02/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as The OP Cafe , TheOPCafe.Com . 3117 Ocean Park Blvd , Santa Monica, CA 90405. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: OP Cafe, LLC 1020 Wilshire Blvd Santa Monica, CA 90401. This Business is being conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)03/01/2006. /s/: Leilani Pascual, VP . OP Cafe, LLC . This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 12/02/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS 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 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 12/26/2016, 01/02/2017, 01/09/2017, 01/16/2017.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016288636 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 11/29/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as VALENCIA EXPRESS LAUNDRY. 23403 Lyons Ave , VALENCIA, CA 91355.Â The full name of registrant(s) is/are: Michael A McIntyre 10800 Oak Mountain Pl SUNLAND, CA 91040. This Business is being conducted by: Âan Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)08/01/2016. /s/: Michael A McIntyre. Michael A McIntyre.Â This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 11/29/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS 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 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 12/26/2016, 1/02/2016, 01/09/2017, 01/16/2017.Â

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016296729 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 12/08/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as TEA MASTER. 450 E. 2nd Street , LOS ANGELES, CA 90012.Â The full name of registrant(s) is/are: Real Prize Inc. 450 E. 2nd Street LOS ANGELES, CA 90012. This Business is being conducted by: Âa Corporation. The registrant has not yet commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /s/:Daigoro Konno. Real Prize Inc..Â This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 12/08/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS 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 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 12/26/2016, 1/02/2016, 01/09/2017, 01/16/2017.Â

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016299985 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 12/12/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ICE AND ALCHEMY. 4039 MARCASEL AVENUE , LOS ANGELES, CA 90066. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: JOSHUA SUCHAN 4039 MARCASEL AVENUE LOS ANGELES, CA 90066. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant has not yet commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /s/:JOSHUA SUCHAN. JOSHUA SUCHAN. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 12/12/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS 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 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 01/02/2017, 01/09/2017, 01/16/2017, 01/23/2017.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2017004477 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 01/06/2017 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ROYAL NUTRITION. 2602 BROADWAY UNIT 202 , SANTA MONICA, CA 90404. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: ARASH PASHAEI 2602 BROADWAY UNIT 202 SANTA MONICA, CA 90404. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant has not yet commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /s/:ARASH PASHAEI. ARASH PASHAEI. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 01/06/2017. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS 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 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 01/09/2017, 01/16/2017, 01/23/2017, 01/30/2017.

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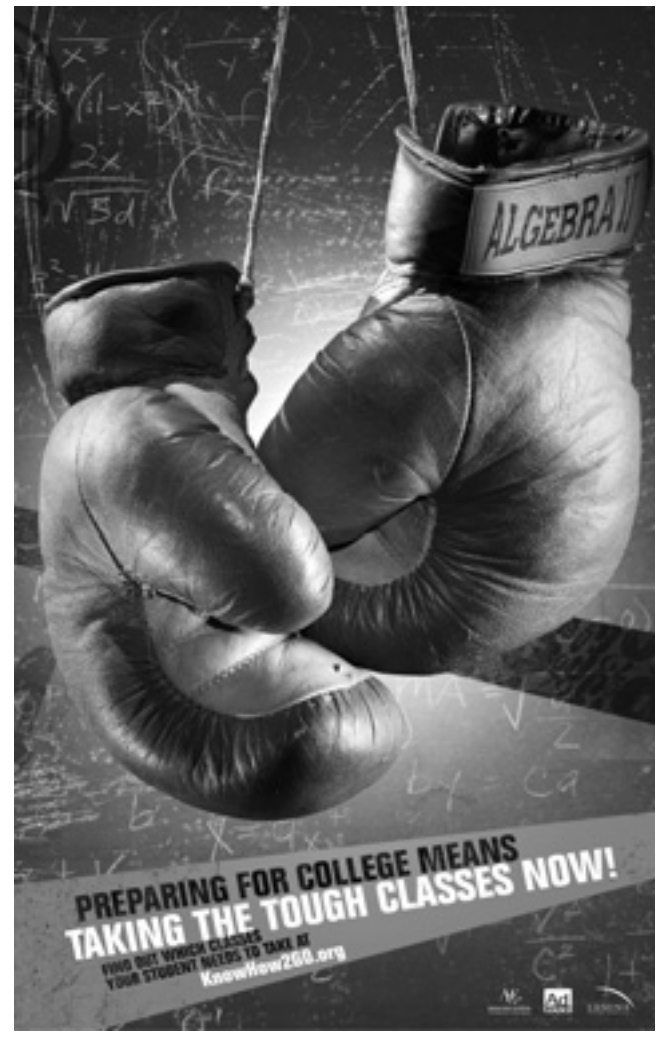
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