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City Hall sues to enforce affordable housing agreement

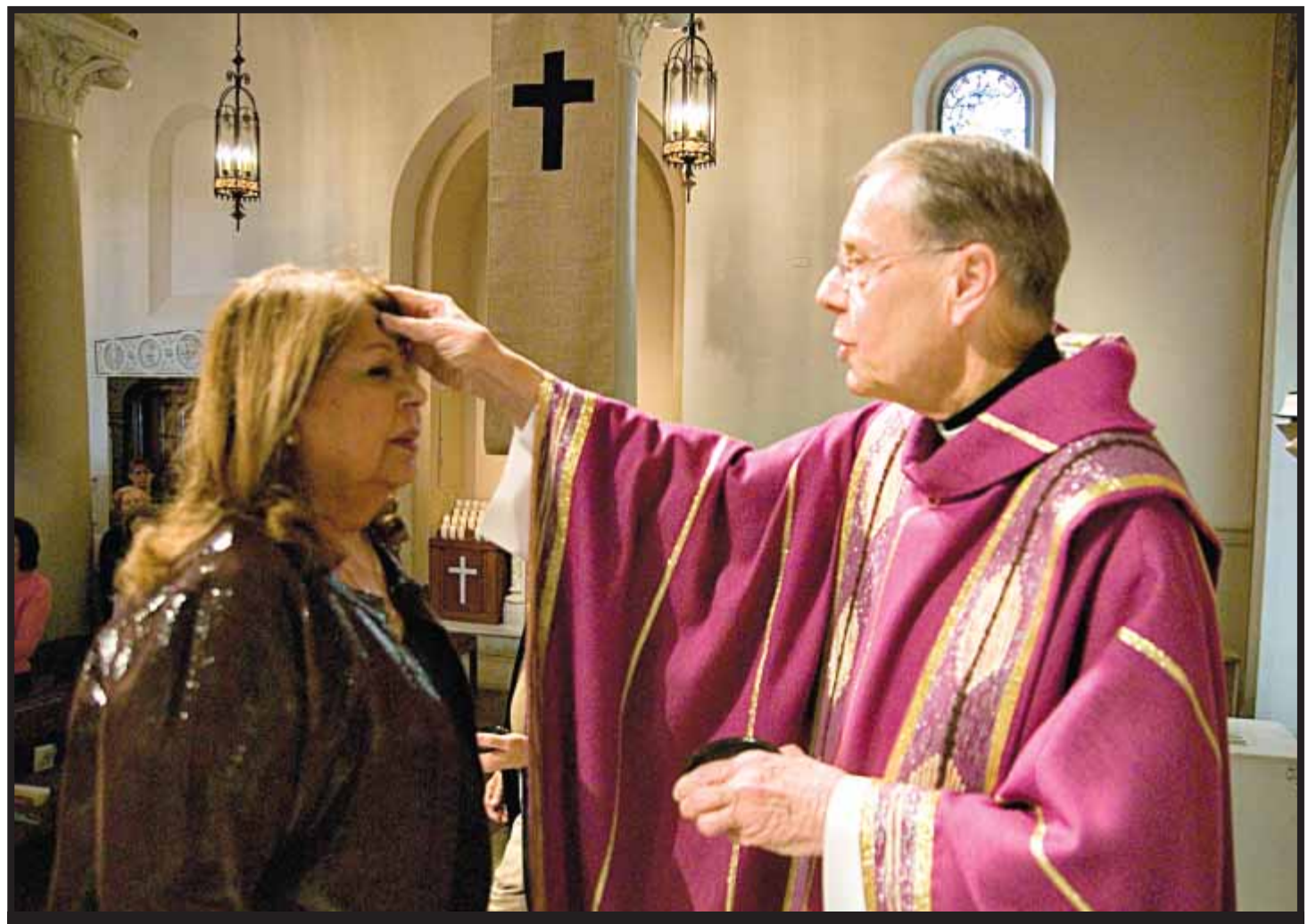
BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

SM COURTHOUSE City Hall has filed a lawsuit against the owners of Santa Monica's largest, single source of affordable housing, claiming the landlords failed to properly verify the financial status and eligibility of dozens of tenants, which resulted in some controlled units being rented to those who make too much money.

The City Attorney's Consumer Protection Unit filed the lawsuit last week against the owners of The Plaza at the Arboretum, a 350-unit apartment complex at 2200 Colorado Ave. that offers 97 units of affordable housing for low- and moderate-income residents. The lawsuit, filed in Santa Monica Superior Court, alleges widespread violations of affordable housing deed restrictions and laws.

The owners are identified in the suit as BlackRock Realty Investors, Inc., CSHV

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LENT BEGINS

Fabian Lewkowicz *FabianLewkowicz.com*

Monsignor Lloyd Torgerson places ashes onto the forehead of parishioner Dr. Rita Esquivel at St. Monica's Catholic Church during Ash Wednesday. Ash Wednesday is the first day of Lent and occurs 46 days before Easter.

GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL BASKETBALL

Vikings ready for playoff run

BY DANIEL ARCHULETA
Managing Editor

SAMOHI The Vikings, the second seed in this year's California Interscholastic Federation Southern Section Division 1A Playoffs, are doing their best not to overlook the 31st seeded Arcadia Apaches.

It doesn't make it easier that Santa Monica's girls basketball team hasn't even seen game film on Arcadia, but both the coach and the team's star player are confident the Vikings have the weapons to win tonight's 7 p.m. first round game at Samohi.

"We still have to focus on every game," senior guard Thea Lemberger said. "But, if we play consistently there shouldn't be any

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Councilman wants development 'time-out'

BY NICK TABOREK
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL Developers hoping to build projects that go above and beyond City Hall's zoning rules could have to put their plans on hold under a proposal set to come before the City Council next week.

The proposal by Councilman Kevin McKeown would postpone hearings on all projects seeking development agreements with City Hall for several months while planners continue work on an update to the general plan known as the Land Use and Circulation Element (LUCE). The LUCE will set firm limits on building size and is expected to be adopted by the City Council by this summer.

McKeown's proposal wouldn't affect the planning process for all projects in the pipeline but would cause delays for the largest-scale developments that are seeking approval.

Development agreements are specialized contracts that can allow developers to exceed limits on building size and density in exchange for providing community benefits like affordable housing and public open space.

Under McKeown's proposal, City Hall would still be permitted to process development agreement applications but planners' priority would be to finalize the LUCE.

In an e-mail, McKeown said development agreements "have absorbed tremendous amounts of staff and [Planning] Commission time, diverting resources from needed work on the LUCE."

At least five projects proposed for the eastern section of Santa Monica known as the Light Manufacturing and Studio District have pending applications for development agreements.

"It is difficult to assess the cumulative impacts of so many development agree-

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OUT AND ABOUT IN SANTA MONICA AND SURROUNDS



Thursday, Feb. 18, 2010

Quilt for a cause
Edgemar complex
2433 Main St., 6 p.m. — 8 p.m.
The Urban Craft Center is coming together to raise money for charities assisting those affected by the devastating earthquake in Haiti. The center is putting together a series of collaborative quilts followed by a charity raffle on Feb. 27. All proceeds will be donated to Partners In Health, a non-profit organization that provides much needed medical services and supplies in Haiti. Sewing nights will continue weekly on Sundays and Thursdays.

'Rent'
Santa Monica High School
601 Pico Blvd., 7 p.m.
Santa Monica High School theatre presents the Tony-award winning musical "Rent." The show runs Feb. 18-20 and 26-27. Admission is $15 for adults and $10 for students. Call (310) 395-3204 ext. 239 for more information.

Thursday evenings with L.A. Opera
Main Santa Monica Public Library
601 Santa Monica Blvd., 7 p.m.
This Thursday marks the fifth of a free series of presentations about five upcoming operas designed to encourage viewers to head out and see the shows. This week will introduce the Ring Cycle & Gotterdammerung. Call (310) 458-8600 for more information.

Friday, Feb. 19, 2010

45 minutes to Broadway
Edgemar Center for the Arts
2437 Main St., 8 p.m.
A theatrical family of several generations is visited for the weekend by their two daughters and one potential son-in-law, a civilian, in their run-down home just 45 minutes From Broadway. The play is presented Friday — Sunday through Feb. 28. Admission is $25.

For more information on any of the events listed, log on to smdp.com and click the "Events" tab for the given day's calendar.





GOTCHA!

Brandon Wise *brandonw@smdp.com*

Behind their long lenses a group of paparazzi take photos of a Jonas Brothers music video from across the way on Main Street on Wednesday.

Knocking on history's door

BY NICK TABOREK
Daily Press Staff Writer

CITY HALL They're not exactly priceless artifacts, but two doorknobs once used in Santa Monica's historic City Jail are causing a stir among collectors who want to own a piece of City Hall's rich history.

In a so-called "adaptive reuse" project funded by the federal government, the old jail building is being transformed into a computer network facility. As stipulated by the feds, salvageable items are being offered free of charge to the public.

City Hall officials began circulating notices that the doorknobs were available two weeks ago and, to everyone's surprise, have received 23 inquiries since then, said Margarita Wuellner, director of historic resources for PCR Services Corp., a consultant on City Hall preservation projects.

"I'm pleasantly surprised that there's this much interest in it," said City Hall architect Alex Parry.

The higher than expected demand for the doorknobs has complicated the giveaway.

Wuellner and Parry are working on coming up with a set of criteria to help pick the lucky recipients. There's no final decision yet, but both said a priority will be developed to keep the artifacts close to home. Holding an auction is not a possibility.

"We want to make sure that the doorknobs retain their association with Santa Monica [and] we want to make sure that their history is understood and respected," Wuellner said. "From a preservation perspective it's always ideal to have items such as these available for public viewing."

To that end, if a museum or historical society expresses interest, individual collectors would probably be out of luck. So far, though, Wuellner said all of the inquiries she's received have been from private parties.

There appears to be no obvious reason why the doorknobs have attracted so much interest.

"They're nice looking, [but] they probably need a little bit of refurbishment," Wuellner said. She estimated the doorknobs are worth less than $100.

Parry said: "I think people are just interested in having a piece of history and to have a piece of a historic jail is kind of unique."

One of the doorknobs came from the jail's second-story kitchen; the other is from a bathroom in the officer sleeping quarters on the third floor.

Completed in 1939, the jail was a New Deal public works project that was closed in

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Democrats buy ads to attack Whitman

JULIET WILLIAMS
Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO A group of top Democratic political strategists on Wednesday announced a media assault on the corporate record of Republican gubernatorial candidate Meg Whitman, as nervous Democrats wait for their own presumed nominee, Attorney General Jerry Brown, to get in the race.

Whitman, the billionaire former chief executive of eBay who is seeking the Republican nomination, has given her campaign $39 million so far and is poised to spend more than $100 million. She has been running radio commercials for months and just launched a statewide TV ad.

On Wednesday, a group calling itself "Level the Playing Field 2010" unveiled two radio ads that call on Whitman to explain her corporate record and release her tax returns. They said Whitman is trying to "crown herself governor" and avoiding answering questions from political reporters.

"There shouldn't be a 'buy it now' button on the California governor's office," the ads say, referring to the option on the eBay auction site for an immediate sale.

Strategist Ace Smith said the group plans to spend $200,000 to $250,000 a month on radio — about a quarter of Whitman's current radio spending. Whitman appears to be creating a "caviar party" at the same time conservative tea party activists are lobbying for grass roots candidates, he said.

"That's just not right. Here's a person who believes she could fly over California in her corporate jet and just bombard the state with her ads," Smith said. "That's not right, it's not fair and it's not democratic."

Whitman spokeswoman Sarah Pompei said the group is a thinly veiled cover for Brown, and that Whitman's record will fare well when compared with Brown's two terms as California governor from 1975 to 1983.

"This ad only serves as a contrast that highlights Jerry Brown's biggest liability: He's a job killer," Pompei said in a written statement. "The fact is Meg Whitman's record is creating 15,000 jobs at eBay while Jerry Brown has spent decades pursuing big government policies that have stymied job growth."

She declined to say whether Whitman will release her tax returns.

Whitman, who faces state Insurance Commissioner Steve Poizner in the GOP primary in June, has been spending money at a furious pace, hiring a cadre of well-paid political advisers and soaring to a 30-point lead over Poizner in a January poll by the Public Policy Institute of California.

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Problem with the pool hours

Editor:

Last fall, in early October with a temperature of 80-plus degrees and with visitors from Canada, I thought a swim in the pool at the Annenberg Beach House would be fun for all ("Beach House a drain on city coffers," Feb. 16).

It was not to be because the pool was already closed for the winter! This was shocking news because summer-like weather lasts through October in Southern California. Most would think that a progressively sustainable city like Santa Monica would have opted for a solar heated pool that could be kept open year round in one of the most sunny climates on the planet.

Winter swimming would help the complex's revenue problem in a variety of ways including raising and maintaining its community profile through year-round public access to all its facilities. It would be wonderful to be able to swim in the pool year round, and swimmers would give vitality to the venue in contrast to its current lonely vacancy.

Mary Kay Gordon
Santa Monica

Here's what you do

Editor:

Dear City Council Members,

I hope you will consider the following point in your deliberations to fill the City Council seat vacated by the sad passing of Ken Genser. It is often said that the three leading City Council contenders are Oscar de la Torre, Terry O'Day and Ted Winterer. In my opinion, all three are qualified, have shown they have broad community and electoral support, and have served, and continue to serve, the community.

But, Oscar would have to leave his position on the Santa Monica-Malibu Board of Education at a time when his service and experience are needed to have a full school board, especially with the upcoming school bond measure.

And Ted is needed on the Planning Commission to keep it at full strength, especially during the important Land Use and Circulation Element process.

Only Terry would now be able to serve without vacating a present board or commission seat. Just one point in a process that includes many points and is certainly not an easy decision.

Jerry Rubin
Santa Monica

Ill conceived development

Editor:

The Bundy Village Medical Park project is not only massive, but ill-conceived ("Massive West L.A. project delayed," Feb. 12). As a physician who has seen reimbursements drop by at least 50 percent since passage of the Medicare Balanced Budget Act of 1997 and with an additional 21 percent decrease coming next month and 31 percent next year, the joke is on the developers. The developers have not done their homework or talked to practicing physicians. The days are over for fancy medical offices and certainly at a distance from the hospital medical center. Proximity to the hospital is primary for physicians, who now are struggling to pay their bills. Traffic is not the major issue here. Those who conceived of this project do not understand medical economics. I guarantee that if the developers build it, the physicians will not come and cannot afford the inflated prices.

Dr. Jerome P. Helman
Venice







Life Matters

JoAnne Barge & Katrina Davy Send comments to editor@smdp.com

Working up to that big hug

DEAR NEW SHRINK,

I have been wondering and worrying about how I can let the people I love know that I love them. I come from a kind of hands off, non-demonstrative family and we just do not say I love you or even give hugs or embraces. Yet I know we all care deeply about one another. I find myself following in the same foot steps, but I want to change it. I just do not know how to go about it. I am known for sending the best cards, with the best messages, but while this may be good enough for those I send them to, I don't feel satisfied or that I have communicated the deeper and close feelings that I really have.

Can you suggest anything?

Signed,

Not sure

DEAR NOT SURE,

Well you sound like someone who has matured enough to understand that someone we deeply care about can be taken from us in a flash. I don't mean to seem morbid but it is one of those things about life that is unfortunately true.

I have had a number of close friends that have lost someone suddenly and a couple of my own friends died prematurely. Having studied attachment and loss, I can promise you one thing; if you are good with someone before you lose them, you will do much better with the loss. We are always grief stricken with loss of any kind, but if we have unfinished business, left over resentment or we simply have not said the things we needed to say to someone, loss hits us much harder. I have had patients that literally spent years regretting that they never told someone that they loved them, or made it clear how important that somebody was to them.

While you haven't said anything about loss, I wanted to include it because it may be an unconscious factor in your wanting to change. The other factor is probably your own desire for closeness. It is definitely more satisfying to be intimate and most of us need or crave it.

If you come from a family or culture, which can play a huge role, where folks do not seem to be demonstrative or know how to say I love you directly to each other, then it is normal for you to be hesitant or not to know how to go about it.

My recommendation is to start slow, with baby steps so to speak. First off, pick the people you want to do this with the most or that might be the easiest for you. Make a list of the top few then make a list for the next people in line.

Start by putting a hand on their shoulder, then if it works out, next time try an arm around the shoulders with a quick squeeze. Perhaps you try a peck on the cheek if and when appropriate. Stick with this for a while and then when it feels comfortable, you can move to a hug. As things move along organically and it all feels OK, then try a bigger hug or saying I love you.

It's important to go slowly because you don't want to scare people. If you have never done it, and you start off with a big bang, they are going to wonder if something is wrong, maybe you have an illness and are not telling them. Maybe they will think you have taken to smoking something. The point is you do not want to scare anyone and if you are too quick and too much all at once, you will.

A slow and gradual approach will probably be easier for you as well as more comfortable for them.

I must warn you, there are those folks that simply do not like demonstration of feeling and never get comfortable with it. I think if you do it in this slow and easy way, you will know who to continue with. Don't take it personally if someone you care about is uncomfortable and seems to back off. They might just be one of these people who are just too uncomfortable or it may be that the next time around, they will be more responsive. This latter example is generally the case.

I think most of us like to hear that someone cares about or loves us. It really is just a matter of not changing it up on them too fast.

Good Luck; I am sure you can do it.

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Mama said flaunt it if you got it

LAST FRIDAY IN MUSIC CLASS THE MOM next to me quietly said, "Criss-cross applesauce."

Her daughter, a sweet little girl with a bright smile and perfectly pert pigtails, promptly went from sitting with her legs wide open to crossed, Indian style.

At first I was impressed, mostly because she told her daughter, who's a few months older than mine, to do something and she actually did it. When I tell mine to do something, she acts as if the batteries in her imaginary hearing aids have died a sudden and tragic death.

"I see your lips moving but strangely, no sound is coming out," she seems to say as she nonchalantly continues doing whatever it is I have expressly instructed her not to.

After my envy wore off, I got a little anxious. It hadn't fully occurred to me until that moment that I should be teaching my 18-month-old baby to start acting otherwise.

Part of me wants to preserve for as long as possible her child-like spirit, like the one that made Sarah Palin feel it was appropriate to write notes on her palm and refer to them while giving a nationally-televised keynote convention speech. After all, if a 46-year-old woman can still attend pretend tea parties, shouldn't my toddler be allowed to continue engaging in imaginary and puerile activities, too?

On the other hand, I do recognize that there's a fine line between charmingly infantile behavior and behavior that necessitates a call to child protective services, and I'd prefer if we managed to avoid crossing it. To my credit, I've halfheartedly tried to get my daughter to start saying "please" and "thank you" over the last few months. She still hasn't grasped "please" at all and says "thank you" (or, rather, "ta ta") only when she hands me something she doesn't want, like a bite of a peeled apple that she's chewed but realized right before swallowing that it still has a piece of skin on it the size of a head of a pin, therefore rendering it no longer fit for consumption.

It's just hard to be on Mom Cop duty all the time. Having recently discovered her belly button and the throngs of admirers who heap joyful praise upon her when she flaunts it, my daughter has taken to walking around with her shirts and dresses pulled up over her head. But while she gets cheers, I've gotten not a few horrified glares from others who act as if I've named her JonBenét, tattooed eyeliner on her lids and forced her at gunpoint into posing for a Hooters calendar.

The way I see it, though, is if she can't flash her little pot belly now, it could be years before she's legally permitted to do it again, and since I'm hoping she'll fare better in life than starring as a faux-socialite in a hot tub on a VH1 docu-soap, I think it's best if she gets public displays of nudity out of her system before she starts nursery school.

At least I'm now begrudgingly admitting that it's probably time she starts using utensils in earnest, lest we risk an episode like the one in "A Christmas Story" where Ralphie's kid brother, Randy, eats his mashed potatoes as if he were a pig, using only his mouth.

She's already made it abundantly clear she'd like to feed herself with a fork or spoon, it's just that when she has trouble scooping up Jell-O or spearing scrambled eggs, she does occasionally resort to putting her lips directly on the snack cup or plate and ladling the food with her tongue. I'd applaud her resourcefulness if I didn't know that somewhere Dr. Spock is shuddering with disapproval.

The other day she pulled the ball finial off one of the posts at the foot of my bed.

I looked at her sternly and in my best adult voice asked, "Are you supposed to play with that?"

She dropped it instantly and put her chubby little hands over her eyes, effectively disappearing in plain sight, as far as she knew. She couldn't even keep both eyes concealed for too long, either. Sneaking a glance at me by lowering one hand while thinking she was still 100 percent hidden behind the other was too hard for her to resist.

I had to let her remain unseen, if for no other reason than to congratulate her ingenuity. I mean, who among us doesn't wish they could break a rule and then instantly and conveniently vanish by simply covering their eyes? Really, it's the next best thing to an invisibility cloak, and until the new Harry Potter theme park opens in Orlando this spring, she's got it all figured out.

And since that's the case, then who am I to mess with a good thing?

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The Q Line

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The Santa Monica Pier Restoration Corp. is considering creating a museum at the west-end of the historic structure to tell the story of the pier's illustrious past. It would replace a viewing deck that currently is open to the public and offers the best views of the bay, which at least one Coastal Commission member (Richard Bloom) says may be problematic.

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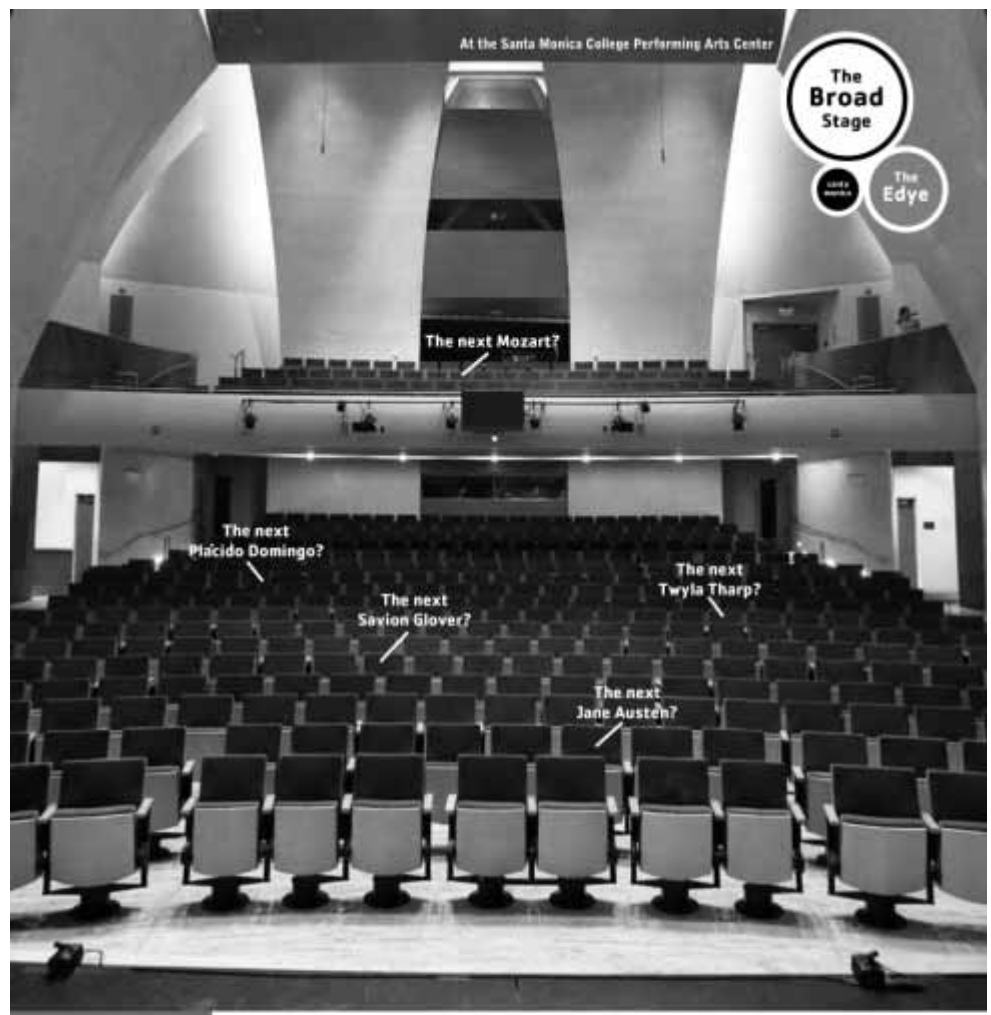
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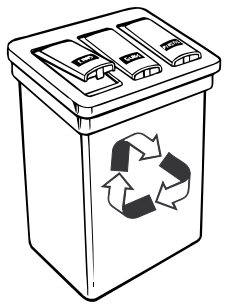
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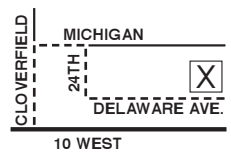


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Mercedes Grille 14 Washington Blvd	(310) 827-6209
Mermaids-Juice Java & More 14045 Panay Way	(310) 306-3883
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Sapori Ristorante 13723 Fiji Way	(310) 821-1740
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Tsuji No Hana 4714 Lincoln Blvd	(310) 827-1433
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Skier Lindsey Vonn's curd baffles cheese experts

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NEW YORK Quel fromage?! Does ski sweetheart Lindsey Vonn owe her downhill gold to an obscure cheese curd she slathered on her badly bruised shin? We may never know, but good luck finding her topfen outside Austria.

The spreadable staple eaten alone and baked into such delights as strudel stumped some U.S. cheese sellers when it surfaced in Vonn's medical kit to help ease swelling after a Feb. 2 injury during training in Austria.

What's it called? Is it from cows?

"I've never heard of it," said Zack Schafer, manager of Cheese Traders & Wine Sellers in South Burlington — Vermont ski country. "In this part of the world, poutine's pretty common, but I'd look at them quizzically if somebody put poutine on an injury."

Rachel Riggs, who owns the cheese and wine shop Quel Fromage in Bellingham, Wash., just this side of the Canadian border and 45 minutes from Mount Baker, was similarly challenged.

"Is that a home remedy, or is that an old wive's tale, or what is it? She basically tried to leave no curd unturned," Riggs said. "Curds are not a sophisticated cheese. They're like a fun, campy sort of cheese. Their flavors are not complex. It's kind of like string cheese versus an aged gruyere."

The gourmet cheese royalty over at Murray's Cheese Shop, among the best in New York City, had no clue. "We are not familiar with topfen cheese," said a spokeswoman, Mindy Lvoff.

With more cheese treatments this week after a bumpy training run in Vancouver left her sore, Vonn sped to victory in 1 minute, 44.19 seconds. There were tears of joy, and no immediate thanks to topfen.

Vonn's not the first athlete to reach for unusual treatments for help with an injury: Serbian soccer player Danko Lazovic reportedly had placenta juice rubbed into a bad hamstring by a Belgrade housewife with a reputation for speeding up recovery. His experience led Dutch player Robin Van Persie to the housewife's door after an ankle injury.

There are devotees to oil from the fat of emu for a multitude of ailments, including a rub for pain, swelling and aching muscles and joints, just as the Aborigines of Australia have done for thousands of years, according to Emuoilnaturally.com. "The ancient people of Australia have long known what the western World is just beginning to realize in the last decade or so."

Then there's the hyperbaric chamber crowd, including many on the pro cycling circuit.

"Some athletes think they can recover from a hard workout or a hard game just from being in it. Athletes are usually ahead of the curve when it comes to finding alternative methods for either enhancing their performance or their healing," said sports Dr. Nicholas DiNubile, an orthopedic surgeon in suburban Philadelphia who has consulted for the Philadelphia 76ers and the Pennsylvania Ballet.

In the dairy lands of Wisconsin, food chemist John Lucey said Austrian topfen does indeed come from cows but is virtually unheard of his way. It's a white, semisoft cheese but doesn't have chunky bits like cottage cheese. It's fresh, high in acid and low in fat with a grainy texture somewhere between mayonnaise and spreadable cream cheese. The variety is very popular not only in Austria but in Germany, Poland and Russia under other names — for eating.

"Using it on an injury is an unusual purpose for cheese even in those countries," said Lucey, who teaches and does research at the University of Wisconsin-Madison. "It's not clear if there's anything in this that would help."

Research has emerged that points to anti-inflammatory benefits of bioactive peptides from milk proteins broken down in fermented yogurts, cheeses and other dairy products — again, when eaten. Whether Vonn's topfen is among them is unclear, he said.

More likely, Lucey said, Vonn's Austrian counterparts — and her Austrian coach — were influenced by a tradition of applying poultices to injuries.









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MAKING A CASE: **City Hall has filed a lawsuit against the owners of Santa Monica's largest source of affordable housing, claiming the landlords failed to verify the financial status of tenants.**

City says residents charged illegal fee

FROM **HOUSING** PAGE 1

Arboretum, LLC, and Riverstone Residential Group, Inc. Representatives from all three entities could not be reached for comment.

"The city has already given the Arboretum's owners opportunities and time to resolve these violations," said Deputy City Attorney Gary Rhoades. "Filing this case will help us to finally achieve compliance at the Arboretum and it will also send a message to Santa Monica's other owners of affordable units that they must hold up their end of the bargain."

In 1998 the developers of the Arboretum entered into a 55-year contract with City Hall to designate 97 of the 350 units as "affordable" in exchange for a modification to zoning allows concerning unit density and parking.

Under that agreement as well as local law, the Arboretum owners must show that the 97 units are continually rented to verifiably low- and middle-income tenants at rates that are capped by an affordability formula. About 51 of the units are designated for Section 8 tenants, who receive subsidies from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development.

An audit by City Hall's Housing Division concluded late last year that not only have the Arboretum owners failed to verify eligibility in 33 of the units, but that they are in fact renting to ineligible tenants and employees.

The investigation also found that only eight of the 15 sampled tenants received preference for living or working in Santa Monica while only one was found to be selected from City Hall's affordable housing waiting list. There was no documentation as to whether the tenants from the other units came from the waiting list or if the management company found them on their own.

Under the agreement, management was supposed to chose from the waiting list first and give preference to those who have lost their apartments to condo conversions.

City Hall issued a corrective action plan to the Arboretum, outlining several steps that needed to be taken, including moving the current tenants who exceed the income qualification to moderate and market rate units and providing the missing documents.

Rhoades said management has had more than a year to comply and has failed to do so.

City Hall wants the court to force management to comply with the agreement, return money collected from the allegedly illegal trash fee and reimburse City Hall for all legal expenses.

Since 1990, City Hall has obtained similar affordable housing deed restrictions on more than 1,100 units in Santa Monica. With its 97 units, the Arboretum is the largest, single source of affordable housing.

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Vikings not taking opponent lightly

FROM **VIKINGS** PAGE 1

problems, I don't think."

Head Coach Marty Verdugo agrees that Arcadia (9-15 overall, 5-9 in Pacific League play) shouldn't pose much of a challenge to the Ocean League champions, but as most coaches do he is careful to not dismiss the possibility of a major upset.

"They don't have a strong record," Verdugo said. "I don't want to be fooled by that.

"Our team has been taught that we have to come in and play Santa Monica basketball."

He expects Arcadia, a team that has a relatively short lineup, to deploy a full-court press. It may pose problems for Samohi (20-6 overall, 10-0 in league), which will be without the services of junior Moriah Faulk. The recent transfer injured her knee during the final game of the regular season when she collided with a Hawthorne player.

Verdugo said that Faulk, who has shown improvement since the injury last week, will miss the first round game and perhaps more. He said he expects her back by the third or fourth game of the playoffs provided they advance that far.

Samohi made it to the semifinals last season only to lose to Canyon Springs, which is the top seed in the division this year.

Despite playing without Faulk, Lemberger and Verdugo both said the team will continue to thrive without her.

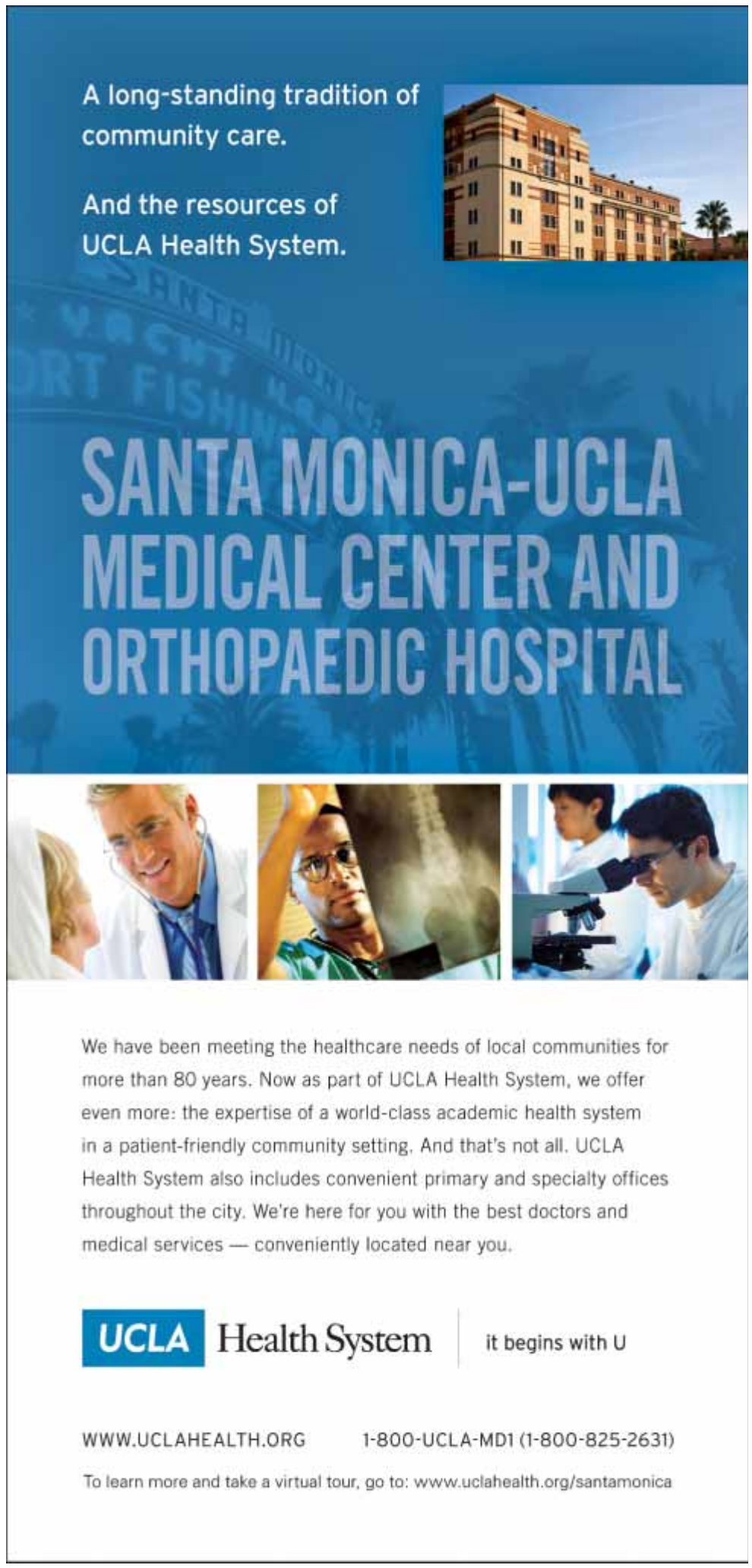
"We have become balanced," Verdugo said. "We really shifted to a balanced scoring attack."

Offensive balance is a bit of a departure for the Vikings. Early in the season, Samohi relied heavily on the UCLA-bound Lemberger to do the heavy lifting on offense. That was before Faulk and fellow transfer Bianka Balthazar were cleared to play during the Ocean League portion of the schedule. Verdugo said that the pair of transfers have eased the load off of Lemberger and have opened up the offense as a result.

"We're trusting ourselves a little more," he said. "We're trusting our teammates more."

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Neighborhood activists support development agreement 'time-out'

FROM DEVELOPMENT PAGE 1

ments when we don't yet have a master plan, which the LUCE will provide," McKeown said, noting that the projects proposed under the agreements "have often exceeded even the upper range of entitlements contemplated under the LUCE."

He said having a slew of large projects before the Planning Commission and City Council makes it harder for leaders and community members to reach a consensus on what the true size limits on development projects should be.

McKeown's proposal comes after community groups opposed to large-scale developments have for years suggested similar ideas and after planning commissioners discussed such a "time-out' for development agreements at a meeting this month.

Zina Josephs, of the group Friends of Sunset Park, said her organization first asked City Hall officials to delay approving new development agreements until the LUCE was approved a couple of years ago.

"Now that the city is being inundated with proposals for such agreements, I hope the council will take action to do that," she said.

Councilman Bob Holbrook, though, questioned whether postponing development agreement approvals would benefit the city.

He said development agreements give City Hall a clearer picture of what developers are proposing and allow the council to extract needed community benefits. And adding delays to City Hall's approval process, he said, can be costly.

> **"IT IS DIFFICULT TO ASSESS THE CUMULATIVE IMPACTS OF SO MANY DEVELOPMENT AGREEMENTS WHEN WE DON'T YET HAVE A MASTER PLAN, WHICH THE LUCE WILL PROVIDE."**
>
> Kevin McKeown
> Councilman

"Once people have decided to develop a piece of property, stopping somewhere along the line can only hurt them," he said.

He also said there's no great risk the council would approve outsized development projects, regardless of whether hearings on the projects take place before or after the LUCE is adopted.

"I think this council is pretty conservative" when it comes to development, he said.

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OLD DAYS: **Doorknobs from Santa Monica's old City Jail have drawn interest from collectors.**

Jail's doorknobs drawing interest

FROM DOORKNOBS PAGE 3

2002 and replaced by the new Public Safety Facility nearby.

The doorknobs and their accompanying locks are the only artifacts from the jail being offered to the public because most objects from the jail's interior have been determined to contain high concentrations of lead from the building's paint, Wuellner said.

When the facility, which is attached to City Hall, reopens, it will include exhibits showing an old jail cell and other features from the building's past.

Those interested in competing for the doorknobs can contact Wuellner at (310) 451-4488 or via e-mail at m.wuellner@pcr-net.com. The deadline for submissions is March 5.

> **"I THINK PEOPLE ARE JUST INTERESTED IN HAVING A PIECE OF HISTORY AND TO HAVE A PIECE OF A HISTORIC JAIL IS KIND OF UNIQUE."**
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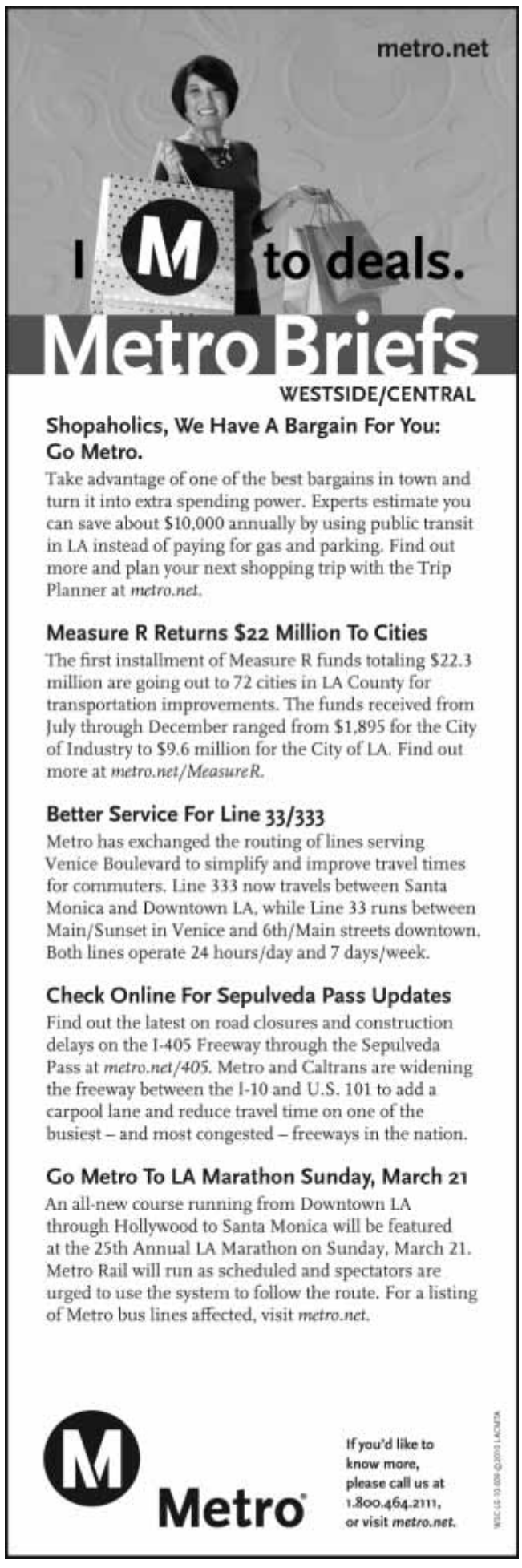
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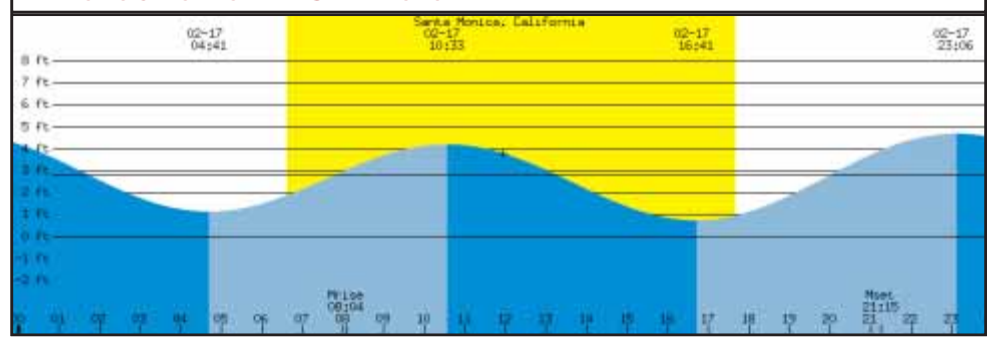
Swell Forecast

Looking like a chest high day for west facing breaks as this swell backs off further.

Long Range Synopsis

Looks even smaller, perhaps just waist to maybe chest high at west facing breaks.

Tide Forecast for Today in Santa Monica



BEACH REPORT CARD

NORTH LOS ANGELES COUNTY

Grades for this report are based on monitoring data from the previous 30 days up to the ending date of **February 9, 2010**

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QUICK STATS (for the last 30 days)

- Number of sewage spills -- 0
- Number of beach closures due to a sewage spill -- 0
- Number of wet days -- 22
- Number of A grades for dry/wet weather -- 40/15
- Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather -- 6/28

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Heal the Bay reminds you not to swim or surf within 100 yards of any flowing storm drain or for 3 days after a rainstorm. After a rain, indicator bacteria counts at beaches throughout California usually far exceed health criteria in the state's Beach Closure and Health Warning Protocol.

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Sequit Creek mouth.	A+	C
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
El Pescador State Beach, between Lechusa and Los Alisos creeks.	A+	A+
Encinal Canyon at El Matador State Beach.	A+	A+
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private).	B	B
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth.	F	F
Escondido Creek, just east of Escondido State Beach.	A+	F
Latigo Canyon Creek mouth.	A+	A+
Solstice Canyon at Dan Blocker County Beach.	A+	A
Puerco State Beach at creek mouth.	A+	D
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerco Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd..	A	F
Surfrider Beach at Malibu Colony fences.	A+	F
Surfrider Beach (breach location)- daily.	F	F
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east.	A+	F
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon.	A+	A
Los Flores State Beach at Los Flores Creek (point zero).	A+	C
Big Rock Beach at 19948 PCH stairs.	A+	F
Pena Creek at Los Tunos County Beach.	A+	B
Tuna Canyon.	ns	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth.	F	F
Castlerock Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	B
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach.	A+	B
Will Rogers State Beach at 17200 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain).	A+	F

LOCATION	DRY	WET
Will Rogers State Beach at Bel Air Bay Club drain near fence.	A+	F
Will Rogers State Beach at Pulga Canyon storm drain.	A+	A
Will Rogers State Beach at Temescal Canyon drain.	A+	F
Will Rogers State Beach at Santa Monica Canyon drain (Chautauqua).	A	F
Santa Monica Beach at Montana Ave. drain.	A+	C
Santa Monica Beach at Wilshire Blvd. drain.	A+	F
Santa Monica Municipal Pier.	C	F
Santa Monica Beach at Pico/Kenter storm drain.	A	F
Santa Monica Beach at Strand St. (in front of the restrooms).	A+	F
Ocean Park Beach at Ashland Ave. drain.	A+	F
Venice City Beach, at the Rose Ave. storm drain.	A+	F
Venice Beach at Brooks Ave. drain.	A+	F
Venice Beach at Windward Ave. drain.	A+	A
Venice Fishing Pier - 50 yards south.	A+	D
Venice Beach- projection of Topsail St..	A+	C
Marina del Rey, Mothers' Beach- lifeguard tower.	F	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Ballona Creek mouth.	C	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Culver Blvd. drain.	A+	A
North Westchester Storm Drain at Dockweiler State Beach.	A+	A
Dockweiler State Beach at World Way (south of D&W jetty).	A+	F
Dockweiler State Beach at Imperial Hwy drain.	A+	A
Dockweiler Beach- opposite Hyperion Treatment Plant.	A+	A+
Dockweiler State Beach at Grand Ave. drain.	A+	A+

LEGEND

DRY -- each location is graded on an A – F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone

WET -- grades for days of recorded rainfall and the following 3 days

ns -- no sample taken

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After Hours (R) 1hr 36min
7:30

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 Third Street Promenade

Edge of Darkness (R) 1hr 48min
1:15, 6:55

Imaginarium of Doctor Parnassus (PG-13) 2hrs 02min
1:00, 4:10, 7:00

Legion (R) 1hr 40min
9:50

Sherlock Holmes (PG-13) 2hrs 14min
4:05, 9:35

Tooth Fairy (PG) 1hr 42min
2:00, 4:45, 7:20, 9:50

Up in the Air (R) 1hr 49min
1:30, 4:00, 6:35, 9:15

AMC 7 Santa Monica
1310 Third St.
(310) 289-4262

Avatar 3D (PG-13) 2hr 40 min
2:15, 6:00, 9:30

The Wolfman (R) 1hr 42min
1:30, 2:30, 4:10, 5:00, 7:00, 7:40, 9:25,10:05

When in Rome (PG-13) 1hr 31min
2:00, 4:20, 7:15, 9:35

Dear John (PG-13) 1hr 48min
1:45, 4:30, 7:10, 9:40

Dear John - Digital Presentation (PG-13) 1hr 48min
3:00, 6:15, 9:00

From Paris With Love (R) 1hr 35min
1:50, 4:45, 7:30, 9:50

Laemmle's Monica Fourplex
1332 Second St.
(310) 394-9741

An Education (PG13) 1hr 55min
1:55, 4:40, 7:30, 10:00

Crazy Heart (R) 2hr 07min
1:30, 4:20, 7:10, 9:55

Last Station (Ein Russischer Sommer) (R) 1hr 52min
1:20, 4:10, 7:00, 9:45

Single Man (R) 1hr 39min
1:10, 7:20

Broken Embraces (R) 2hrs 23min
4:00, 9:50

Mann's Criterion Theatre
1313 Third St.
(310) 395-1599

The Blind Side (PG-13) 2hrs 6min
12:40, 3:50

The Book of Eli (R) 1hr 58min
11:30 a.m., 9:50

Celine: Through the Eyes of the World (NR) 1hr 57min
7:30

Percy Jackson & The Olympians: The Lightning Thief (PG) 2 hrs
11:10 a.m., 12:50, 1:50, 3:40, 4:30, 6:20, 7:20, 9:00, 10:00

Valentine's Day (PG-13) 1hr 57min
12:30, 1:20, 2:20, 3:30, 4:10, 5:10, 6:30, 7:00, 8:15, 9:30

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At home, Sagittarius

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ You have strong opinions. Pull back and think before you take action. Allow greater creativity to flourish. A friend wants to share his or her ideas. You just might not be ready to deal with everything that you hear. Tonight: Consider what you want this weekend.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★ Knowing when to listen is very important. Understand what is happening behind the scenes by observing. A discussion with a friend or associate will help enlighten a situation. Could you be so biased that you are closing off an option? Tonight: Focus on your desires.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★★★ Your efforts do come through. Rounding up associates happens with ease. Trust yourself and what is going on here. Others would like you to take a stronger stand or lead a key cause. You have strong opinions about this issue. Why not act on them? Tonight: Where the action is.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★ Demands come in that at first you might not feel worthy enough to follow. Your imagination bubbles up when dealing with a boss. Read between the lines with a boss or someone you look up to. Tonight: Take charge. Do what you want.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ Deal with key people directly in the next few weeks. You have a way of absorbing information so that you can act on it quickly. Evaluate what is happening with a child or loved one by walking in his or her footsteps. Tonight: Rethink plans.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★★ Others run with the ball, encouraging you to perhaps try another approach or do something very different. If you want, take your time. Others will continue to present new ideas, and out of one of them will come a good idea. Tonight: Togetherness works.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★ Take a hint from Virgo. You also will benefit from focusing on the job at hand and clearing out one task after another. You could be tired and drawn from this work. Only take on what you must and nothing more. Honor your fatigue. Tonight: The only answer is yes.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★ Looking forward to the weekend could energize you to get certain projects done. Someone might actually mistake you for the Energizer Bunny, as you move so quickly. You still must keep a secret hush-hush. Tonight: Lighten up the moment.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★★ Containing your fiery side might not be worth the self-discipline. Let your instincts lead you. Your words might not have the impact you thought possible. Realize what is happening behind the scenes. Tonight: At home.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★ In the next few weeks, your words could be more significant than you realize. Emphasize the positive rather than the difficult. Your attitude could define a personal matter right now. Don't hesitate to ask for more information. Tonight: Order in.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★★ Keep talks going. You know what you want; however, communicating it takes more talent than you realize. Investigate possibilities more openly. Realize the impact of a new computer or car. Tonight: Think before deciding on a budget-buster.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★ Be sensitive to your budget. Do you act out when you need to spend money? Your instincts easily could take you down the wrong path. Realize what is going on with someone you often trust. Avoid taking any risks. Tonight: Pay bills, then decide.

Happy birthday

This year, be aware of the role your instincts play and how they affect your daily life. When you are confused and trying to make a decision, learn to let go and trust. The right answer will come forward -- it will. Take your time instead of diving directly in. If you are single, you need to trust in your allure. Your charisma keeps bubbling up, drawing quite a few suitors. If you are attached, the two of you might want to take a class in communicating together. Your bond will warm up. ARIES blooms.

JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS
The stars show the kind of day you'll have:
★★★★★Dynamic ★★ So-So
★★★★ Positive ★ Difficult
★★★ Average

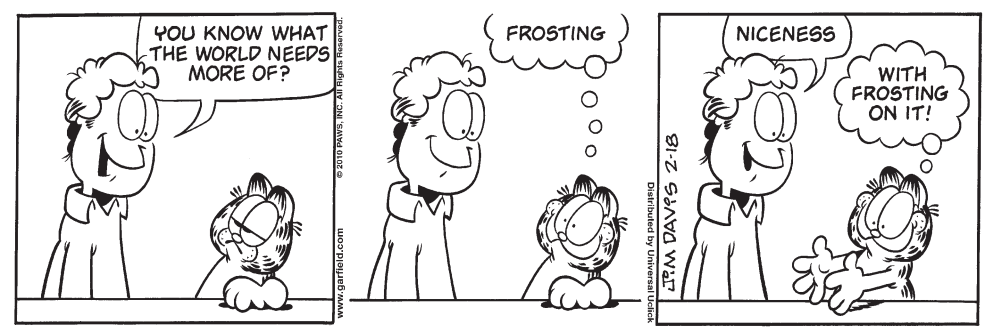
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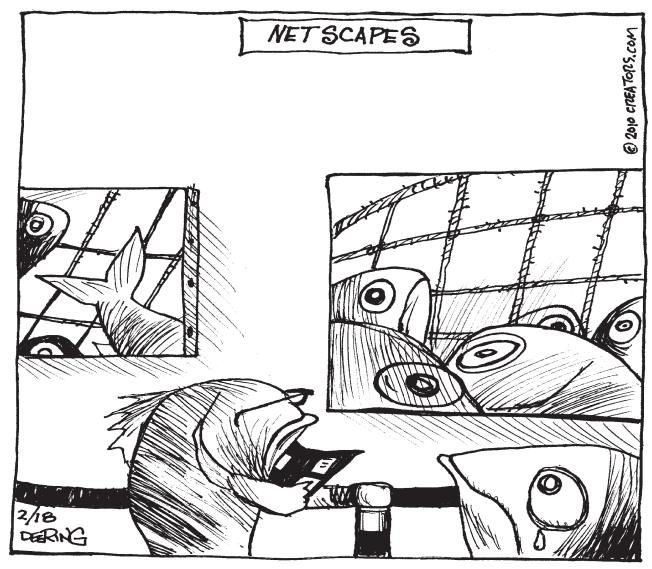
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Difficulty Level ★★★

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6	7	4	3	1	5	2	8	9
9	8	5	6	2	7	4	1	3
3	2	1	8	4	9	6	5	7
2	4	6	1	8	3	7	9	5
8	1	9	7	5	2	3	6	4
7	5	3	4	9	6	1	2	8
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1 Singer McEntire
5 Rodeo rope
11 Wrinkle remover
12 Juicer fruit
13 Virtuous
14 Demi's beau
15 Requested
17 Train part
18 Birth-related
22 Unemotional
24 Radiated
25 Tyler of film
26 Early hour
27 Namely, in Latin
30 Cookie creator
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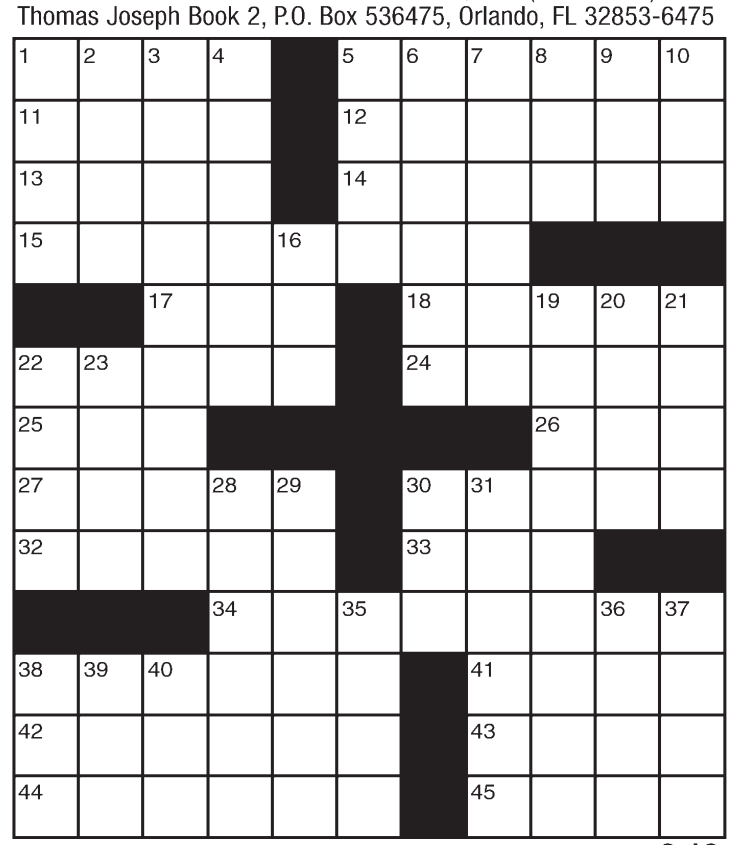
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2 Winged archer
3 Place for a blurb
4 Like llamas
5 Bread buy
6 Hot crimes
7 Enthusiastic
8 Bank-acct. addition
9 Before now
10 Toe count
16 Parched
19 Ducked down
20 Poet Sexton
21 Wolfish look
22 Marina spot
23 Ocean motion
28 Declares
29 Menace
30 Meadow cry
31 Citation's jockey
35 Messes up
36 Completed
37 Completes
38 Computer key
39 Act like
40 — tree

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

■ A Montana-based sect is fighting to remain viable, six months after the death of its "Mother," the Jesus-channeling Elizabeth Clare Prophet. Several aspirants have tried to claim her mantle, but the sect's council of elders found them all to be charlatans, and membership rolls have dwindled. The church was similarly challenged in 1990, when Mother forecast nuclear doomsday and financed the construction of large underground bunkers on a mountainside north of Yellowstone National Park (which are still available). The council is having trouble, especially, finding volunteers to transcribe the 22,000 hours of video and audio in which Mother set out the justifications for the sect.

■ Televangelist Rod Parsley informed his flock in December that he urgently needed several million dollars because of financial problems attributed directly to Satan. According to a report in the Columbus (Ohio) Dispatch, Parsley's World Harvest Church was facing a $3 million deficit for the quarter ending in December after earlier in the year paying $3.1 million to settle a lawsuit over its day-care center's having too brutally spanked a boy. Wrote Parsley, "Will you help me take back what the devil stole?"

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1998 Two white separatists are arrested in Nevada and accused of plotting a biological attack on New York City subways.

2001 FBI agent Robert Hanssen is arrested for spying for the Soviet Union. He is ultimately convicted and sentenced to life in prison.

2003 Nearly 200 people die in the Daegu subway fire in South Korea.

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Clearwire Corporation is proposing to install new wireless telecommunications antennas on the 2-story building at 2644 30th Street, Santa Monica, CA. The new facility will consist of 3 panel with DAP head antennas and 3 parabolic antennas mounted behind an existing 13-foot high rooftop screen at 40 feet above grade. A new equipment cabinet will be placed on the main roof. Any interested party wishing to submit comments regarding the potential effects the proposed facility may have on any historic property may do so by sending such comments to: Project 61097021-R.L. c/o EBI Consulting, 11445 E. Via Linda, Suite 2, #472, Scottsdale, AZ 85259, or via telephone at (850) 284-0240.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20100053869 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DEMEANOUR CUT AND SEWN FOR THE BRAIN, 1171 S. ROBERTSON BLVD., #107, LOS ANGELES, CA 90035. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : ALFRED CHERRINGTON JR, 1171 S. ROBERTSON BLVD., #107, LOS ANGELES, CA 90035 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: ALFRED CHERRINGTON JR
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 1/13/2010. 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 2/11/2010, 2/18/2010, 2/25/2010, 3/4/2010









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Santa Monica Single Family Homes

Santa Monica Canyon	previous period January-09	current period January-10	% change
Number of Sales	0	2	n/a
Average Days on the Market	0	108	n/a
Lowest Price	$0	$1,700,000	n/a
Median Price	$0	$2,075,000	n/a
Highest Price	$0	$2,450,000	n/a
Average Price Per Square Foot	$0	$645	n/a
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	0%	94%	n/a

North of Montana	previous period January-09	current period January-10	% change
Number of Sales	0	4	n/a
Average Days on the Market	0	90	n/a
Lowest Price	$0	$1,452,000	n/a
Median Price	$0	$1,917,500	n/a
Highest Price	$0	$2,795,000	n/a
Average Price Per Square Foot	$0	$815	n/a
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	0%	95%	n/a

Between Wilshire and Montana	previous period January-09	current period January-10	% change
Number of Sales	2	1	-50%
Average Days on the Market	42	80	90%
Lowest Price	$1,880,000	$2,875,000	53%
Median Price	$2,183,500	$2,875,000	32%
Highest Price	$2,487,000	$2,875,000	16%
Average Price Per Square Foot	$624	n/a	n/a
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	95%	85%	-11%

South of Wilshire	previous period January-09	current period January-10	% change
Number of Sales	0	1	n/a
Average Days on the Market	0	89	n/a
Lowest Price	$0	$720,000	n/a
Median Price	$0	$720,000	n/a
Highest Price	$0	$720,000	n/a
Average Price Per Square Foot	$0	$562	n/a
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	0%	94%	n/a

Sunset Park	previous period January-09	current period January-10	% change
Number of Sales	1	3	200%
Average Days on the Market	98	55	-44%
Lowest Price	$1,210,242	$901,000	-26%
Median Price	$1,210,242	$1,275,000	5%
Highest Price	$1,210,242	$1,383,375	14%
Average Price Per Square Foot	$432	$569	32%
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	74%	97%	31%

Ocean Park	previous period January-09	current period January-10	% change
Number of Sales	0	3	n/a
Average Days on the Market	0	48	n/a
Lowest Price	$0	$650,000	n/a
Median Price	$0	$680,000	n/a
Highest Price	$0	$1,695,000	n/a
Average Price Per Square Foot	$0	$1,003	n/a
Average Sale Price / Average List Price	0%	93%	n/a

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