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Forking over some major dough



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STOCKING UP: Warehouse manager Milton Goncalves (right) and Director of Development Genevieve Riutort (left) of the Westside Food Bank package fresh oranges into small crates Friday afternoon. A number of food stuffs have experienced rising prices lately, forcing many to make hard decisions.

Food costs are rising, squeezing the poor

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Editor in Chief

DOWNTOWN Dave Ranftle can probably bake a large mozzarella and ricotta cheese pizza in his sleep, but explaining why the price for a Dagwoods pie has jumped twice in the past year required mastering a thornier topic — global economics.

He and other managers at the popular pizzeria founded in New York City have had the difficult and sometimes uncomfortable task of explaining to customers the various factors contributing to the price hike — dairy prices driven higher by conglomerates buying up milk supplies, farmers choosing to grow more corn for export and Ethanol than wheat, heat waves in Europe and California, demand from emerging markets and the weak dollar.

Ranftle said he doesn't want customers thinking Dagwoods was jacking up the prices just to make more money, but it seems no matter how much explaining he does, there will be those with that opinion.

"Most of the time people understand, but they are not very happy about it," Ranftle said. "We are getting by the same way as before but we are forced to charge higher prices. I don't think we can raise them anymore. That just wouldn't be fair. It's a major bummer."

The U.S. is wrestling with the worst food inflation in 17 years, and analysts expect it to get worse before it gets better. That is putting the squeeze on poor families and forcing bakeries, bagel shops and delis to explain price increases to their customers.

U.S. food prices rose 4 percent in 2007, compared with an average 2.5 percent annual bump for the last 15 years, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture. And the agency believes 2008 could be worse, with a rise as much as 4.5 percent.

For the U.S. poor, any increase in food costs sets up an either-or equation: Give something up to pay for food.

"We have noticed a tremendous increase of people coming for food assistance. A lot of people are coming to food pantries who have never gone before," said Genevieve Riutort, director of development for the Westside Food Bank in Santa Monica, which provides

City considers strict green building guidelines

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

SUNSET PARK When John Lee first launched his green building construction firm a few years ago, he decided to hold on to his conventional home contracting business on the side, seeing that opportunities still existed in his original venture.

But times have changed.

Lee saw the demand for "green" homes — structures that incorporate environmentally friendly elements — gradually increase and decided to marry the two companies together.

Nearly two years later, Santa Monica-based Lee Capital Builders has completed



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A LIFE LESS AQUATIC: The City Council is considering a plan to require new developments to include landscaping that restricts the size of lawns and incorporates drought tolerant plants

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2601 Main St., 10 a.m. — 11 a.m.

The Ocean Park Branch Library brings back their music and story program for toddlers aged 24 — 36 months. Registration and an accompanying adult are required. For more information or to make a reservation, call (310) 392-3804.

Tango with Tango

1416 Electric Ave., Venice, 8:30 p.m. — 10 p.m.

Learn Argentine Tango with Makela Tango at the Electric Lodge. No partner necessary. For more information, visit www.makelatango.com.

'Lose Weight for Good'

1328 22nd St., 7 p.m. — 8:30 p.m.

Saint John's Health Center presents "Los Weight for Good," a comprehensive program for healthy weight management. No food to purchase, no shakes to drink — just a sound approach to lasting lifestyle solutions. Instructed by a dietitian, cost for the 13-week series is \$300. Flexible access to the Santa Monica Spectrum Health Club and Santa Monica curves is available to those without a current gym membership. Classes fill up quickly so call today — (310) 829-8453!

Tuesday, April 22, 2008

Partner for your health

1332 Sixth St., 11:30 a.m.

The California Partnership for Long-Term Care is an innovative program of the State of California, Department of Health Services. The Partnership's mission is to provide Californians with affordable, quality on-going care insurance protection, so you will not be forced to spend everything you have worked for.

Rolling with Ray

Westside, 1 p.m.

Novelist Raymond Chandler gravitated to sin and debauchery, so Santa Monica in the 1930s was a frequent stop for Philip Marlowe, one of his most popular characters. From shady doctors to second wives with pasts to crooked cops with a loathing for a mouthy PI, this tour has it all. Chandler's canonization of sin, wealth and sunshine on L.A.'s Westside fed the abiding myths of the American hard-boiled genre and play into the popular conception of the region. For information, call (323) 223-2767.

Getting wild on the Westside

Noon — 5 p.m.

For the first time, the true crime archeologists of the 1947project have set their sights on points west of Robertson Boulevard, and the results are truly astonishing. In this new tour spotlighting some of the weirdest, most horrific and downright unbelievable crimes of historic West Los Angeles. Seats are \$55 a person. For more information, call (323) 223-2767.

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.



Number of Californians seeking jobs sees big jump

BY RYAN NAKASHIMA
AP Business Writer

LOS ANGELES California's unemployment rate shot up half a percentage point to 6.2 percent in March, as the number of people looking for work swelled by 84,000 — the biggest monthly jump since 1976, according to the state.

California posted the nation's third highest unemployment rate behind Michigan at 7.2 percent and Alaska at 6.7 percent.

By comparison, the national unemployment rate was 5.1 percent in March, up from 4.8 percent a month earlier.

"It's definitely looking like a recession, but it's mild compared to the early '90s and the dot-com bust," said Stephen Levy, senior economist for the Center for Continuing Study of the California Economy.

The March figure increased from 5.7 percent in February and 5 percent in March of 2007, according to the state Employment Development Department, which derives the figures from household surveys.

Last month's figure marked a major turnaround from February, when the number of unemployed Californians decreased by 35,000 people, the biggest annual drop in 13 years.

Howard Roth, chief economist for California Department of Finance, said the March figure shows the volatility of the figures. He said job growth has been stagnant during the past year while the number of job seekers has steadily increased.

"The economy has been slowing, and we haven't been generating jobs as quickly as we were a couple of years ago," Roth said.

A total of 17.19 million Californians held jobs in March, an increase of only 4,000 from a year ago. Meanwhile, there were 1.13 million people seeking jobs last month — about 229,000 more than a year ago.

Maria Eva Ontiveros, 52, lost her job at Manufacturers Bank in mid-January after being a banker for 21 years. She said her oldest daughter, who works as a teacher, has been helping pay the mortgage.

"Sometimes I get kind of depressed and

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EARTH TUNES

Green Apple Festival rocks the Santa Monica Pier

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Street performer lives to play

BY CHIARA CANZI
Special to the Daily Press

THIRD STREET PROMENADE Wendell Mew sits comfortably on his chair guarding his belongings while he prepares for his one-man-show. He likes to book a spot overlooking the entire promenade. He likes to get there early and chat with onlookers and business owners that know him by name. He is some sort of celebrity on the promenade between Santa Monica Boulevard and Arizona Avenue. Some may recognize him for his yellow eyeglasses, others by his round, shiny head, but most recognize him by his most cherished possession: The saxophone.

"This is what I live for," said Mew while

polishing the soprano saxophone. "I love playing for the people."

Playing, in fact, is what he has dedicated the last 10 years of his life to. He grew up in the Bay Area, Alameda to be exact. He graduated from Alameda High School and went to the University of California at Berkeley. Not satisfied with his degree, Mew wanted to challenge himself and gave a career in law a try.

"I like helping people, and that's why I got into law," said Mew. "I wanted to see how politics worked and I went directly to Washington D.C."

There, Mew witnessed what he feared the most.

"Politics is all about money and power," he said. "Being a lawyer, I wanted to always

be on the side of the poor and the side of the good guys, but it's impossible to avoid temptations."

Temptations, Mew says, brought him close to losing the very core principles his parents taught him.

"I wanted to work to fight the crooks," he said. "But the money that goes in and out from law firms is right under your eyes and it's tempting, man, it's very tempting to get a taste of it."

The D.C. life that he so desired wasn't for him after all. He had to make a decision.

"I had to do something that I would be proud of," he said.

This led to him enrolling at Columbia

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Just say no, City Council

Dear City Council Members:

Re: 08APP-004 (2617 Third St. project)
I am a 30-plus year Santa Monica resident, and 17 or 18 years ago lived on Third Street and was part of the group that helped form the wonderful, unique and tiny Third Street Historical District. The entire process was a beautiful example of democracy at work. The residents and concerned citizens came together to protect a very small portion of our communal heritage. We met for hours and hours (and hours), did all our homework, and presented our findings to the council, who approved the district. For all these years our work has brought pleasure and a better understanding of our history to those who live there, to those who live nearby, and to the thousands and thousands who visit our sweet neighborhood every year.

The person whose project you're now considering moved into the district fully knowing where he was about to live. He chose to live in a historic district. He chose to live in a neighborhood with special rules and regulations. He made that choice knowingly and consciously. No one made him purchase a home in the district; he did it because he wanted to.

That person now seeks to build something totally out of character with the historic district and in clear violation of district guidelines. His design would be lovely in the 99.99 percent of Santa Monica that is not the Third Street Historic District; because he chose to live in this .01 percent of town, it is inappropriate and therefore unacceptable.

The residents of the district, and those of us who live nearby and/or who participated in its creation, are united in opposition to the project. We thought we'd fought this battle 18 years ago, when we formed the district. Why are we fighting it again? What's the purpose of democracy if the citizens' almost unanimous choices are overridden on a whim?

Your choice is clear. You can protect our heritage and our democratic process, or you can ignore the citizenry and vote to override the Landmarks Commission. As before, the citizens of our wonderful city are watching and hoping you do the right thing.

Peter Spelman
Santa Monica

Sad to see the sign go

Editor:

I was happy to see that the iconic Santa Monica Ferris Wheel is up for auction with half the proceeds going to charity. However, I was sad to see the crumpled "Santa Monica Place" sign on the front page of the (April 18, 2008) SMDP.

It seems that the Santa Monica Place sign is equally iconic and would have made an even better charity auction item. It certainly would be easier for the winner to transport and display it than a Ferris wheel.

Eric Cooper
Santa Monica



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Bill Bauer

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City chips away at historic districts

IN OCEAN PARK'S THIRD STREET Historic District, it's not what's up front that counts.

The home at 2617 Third St. is in the heart of the district. It's a single story, craftsman "front house" built in 1905. The controversy is what the property owner, Mark Woollen wants to build in his backyard: a "modern," two floor, 1,213-square-foot addition onto a non-historical 1946-era accessory building behind his landmark front house.

Neighbors argue that the large, cantilevered, two-story box proposed for the backyard of his historic California bungalow is inappropriate and not harmonious with the neighborhood. They say it does not conform to the district's design guidelines for new construction and additions. The project failed to receive Landmarks Commission approval on Jan. 14, so Woollen is appealing his new addition to the City Council, tomorrow night.

Woollen's neighbors and preservationists want to protect the historic feel of the neighborhood and oppose the project. They claim the neighborhood is under assault from developers and newer homeowners and their architects who are insensitive to the period atmosphere.

Another recent project at 2642 Second St. involves the demolition of a small, period-style, but non-historic bungalow by property owners who want to replace it with a new Modern style house. This two story home with 2,365 square feet of space, a roof deck and a detached two-car garage will go up 23 feet. The project is described as a pair of rectangular boxes clad in tan stucco and wood. Nevertheless, this particular project was approved by the landmarks commission. Neighbors opposing the project appealed the decision to City Council who denied their appeal on Feb. 12.

The historic Ocean Park neighborhood within roughly Second, Third and Hill streets and Ocean Park Boulevard represents architectural styles popular in Santa Monica from 1875 through 1935. In all, 42 structures in the district are original. It's the Victorian and California Craftsman style bungalows that define the early 20th century feel — an aura which neighbors want to maintain and preserve.

However, the criteria for issuance of a Certificate of Appropriateness for new construction states that the project must be compatible with the scale, materials, and massing of contributing structures in the district. The adopted Ocean Park Neighborhood Development Guide specifies that new construction in the OP Zoning Districts must be International style/modern, craftsman bungalow or Spanish colonial revival/Mediterranean.

Neighbors and preservationists argue that Woollen's proposed project "damages the character of the district, violates the purpose for creating the district and is incom-

patible with the district's dominant architectural character found in its California bungalows." They maintain that "the Landmarks Commission substituted its own criteria; that new buildings should be 'of their time' (a standard not included in the any standards or guidelines relevant to the district) and that the project's size, massing, style, building shape and materials do not complement the surrounding contributing structures as required by the Neighborhood Design Guidelines."

I personally feel Woollen's appeal should be denied. A city government that professes to care about Santa Monica's past should derail this latest threat to the district's early 20th century integrity (what's left of it) and character. Santa Monica is a small town physically and the Third Street Historic District is the only neighborhood where there's any semblance of a historic or period atmosphere.

The architectural style Woollen contemplates for 2617 Third St. may (depending on how one views things) be "technically" appropriate, but my heart and intellect says, "Not." Projects like Woollen's chip away at the very character of the district, one building, one addition and one remodel at a time.

This raises a much bigger question about our future. Is Santa Monica's development to serve the community's residents (read: voters) or will our town become even more of a playpen for the very wealthy and a cash cow for speculators and developers?

However, the only way to end debates on appropriateness is to revise both the Ocean Park zoning codes and the Neighborhood Development Guide to reflect only those architectural styles — Victorian, Gothic, American Colonial Revival, American Foursquare, California Craftsman and Spanish Colonial Revival — which represent the neighborhood's turn-of-the century development before World War II.

In other words, it's time to close and lock the door before more cattle sneak out of the barn.

EARTH DAY IS A WEIRD SPECTACLE

My favorite Internet posting of last week was on the LAist Web site which recapped April 12th's Earth Day festival on the Third Street Promenade.

(laist.com/2008/04/14/santa_monica_go.php)

Be sure to open pictures in the photo gallery. My favorite is a shot of an overflowing (with bottles and cans) Promenade trash can. The caption: "Oddly, there were no recycling receptacles at the Earth Day festival. Hmmm." Only in "too green" Santa Monica.

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The danger of environmentalism

EARTH DAY APPROACHES, AND WITH it a grave danger faces mankind. The danger is not from acid rain, global warming, smog, or the logging of rain forests, as environmentalists would have us believe. The danger to mankind is from environmentalism.

The fundamental goal of environmentalism is not clean air and clean water; rather, it is the demolition of technological/industrial civilization. Environmentalism's goal is not the advancement of human health, human happiness, and human life; rather, it is a sub-human world where "nature" is worshipped like the totem of some primitive religion.

In a nation founded on the pioneer spirit, environmentalists have made "development" an evil word. They inhibit or prohibit the development of Alaskan oil, offshore drilling, nuclear power — and every other practical form of energy. Housing, commerce, and jobs are sacrificed to spotted owls and snail darters. Medical research is sacrificed to the "rights" of mice. Logging is sacrificed to the "rights" of trees. No instance of the progress that brought man out of the cave is safe from the onslaught of those "protecting" the environment from man, whom they consider a rapist and despoiler by his very essence.

Nature, they insist, has "intrinsic value," to be revered for its own sake, irrespective of any benefit to man. As a consequence, man is to be prohibited from using nature for his own ends. Since nature supposedly has value and goodness in itself, any human action that changes the environment is necessarily immoral. Of course, environmentalists invoke the doctrine of intrinsic value not against wolves that eat sheep or beavers that gnaw trees; they invoke it only against man.

The ideal world of environmentalism is not 21st century Western civilization; it is the Garden of Eden, a world with no human intervention in nature, a world without innovation or change, a world without effort, a world where survival is somehow guaranteed, a world where man has mystically merged with the "environment." Had the environmentalist mentality prevailed in the eighteenth and nineteenth centuries, we would have had no Industrial Revolution, a situation that consistent environmentalists would cheer — at least those few who might have managed to survive without technology.

The expressed goal of environmentalism is to prevent man from changing his environment, from intruding on nature. That is why environmentalism is fundamentally anti-man. Intrusion is necessary for human survival. Only by intrusion can man avoid pestilence and famine. Only by intrusion can man control his life and project long-range goals. Intrusion improves the environment, if by "environ-

ment" one means the surroundings of man — the external material conditions of human life.

They don't mean it? Heed the words of the consistent environmentalists. "The ending of the human epoch on Earth," writes philosopher Paul Taylor in *Respect for Nature: A Theory of Environmental Ethics*, "would most likely be greeted with a hearty 'Good riddance!'" In a glowing review of Bill McKibben's *The End of Nature*, biologist David M. Graber writes (Los Angeles Times, Oct. 29, 1989): "Human happiness [is] not as important as a

THE IDEAL WORLD OF ENVIRONMENTALISM IS NOT 21ST CENTURY WESTERN CIVILIZATION; IT IS THE GARDEN OF EDEN.

wild and healthy planet Until such time as Homo sapiens should decide to rejoin nature, some of us can only hope for the right virus to come along." Such is the naked essence of environmentalism: it mourns the death of one whale or tree but actually welcomes the death of billions of people. A more malevolent, man-hating philosophy is unimaginable.

The guiding principle of environmentalism is self-sacrifice, the sacrifice of longer lives, healthier lives, more prosperous lives, more enjoyable lives, i.e., the sacrifice of human lives. But an individual is not born in servitude. He has a moral right to live his own life for his own sake. He has no duty to sacrifice it to the needs of others and certainly not to the "needs" of the nonhuman.

To save mankind from environmentalism, what's needed is not the appeasing, compromising approach of those who urge a "balance" between the needs of man and the "needs" of the environment. To save mankind requires the wholesale rejection of environmentalism as hatred of science, technology, progress, and human life. To save mankind requires the return to a philosophy of reason and individualism, a philosophy that makes life on earth possible.

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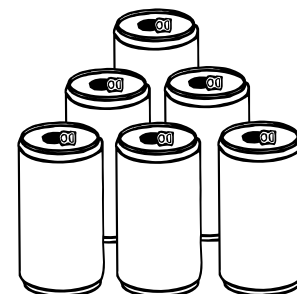
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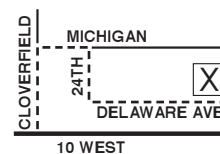
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Annenberg Community Beach Club at Santa Monica State Beach (415 Pacific Coast Hwy.)

Beach Parking Lot 10 will be closed for rehabilitation Feb. 7 through May 20. Beach patrons are advised to ride a bike or park in Lot 9 north. The self pay machine in Lot 9 allows payment for either all-day or two-hour parking. Flag persons will be in the area to ensure safe conditions and limit disruption to Pacific Coast Highway.

Annual Tree Trimming Project

City trees will be trimmed at the following locations: 30th Street (Pico Boulevard to Ocean Park Boulevard, 31st Street (Pico to Ocean Park), 12th Street (Montana Avenue to Wilshire Boulevard), Sixth Street (Wilshire to Colorado Avenue), Grant Street (Lincoln Boulevard to 16th Street), Ocean Avenue (Adelaide Drive to Pico), 17th Street (Broadway to Pico). There will be minimal lane closures from 7:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m., Mondays through Fridays. The annual tree trimming schedule is subject to change without notice due to inclement weather, emergencies, community events, budget conditions, street repairs or other public improvements. Residences and businesses will be notified in advance of tree trimming operations, blocks will also be posted with no parking signs.

Back On the Beach Café (445 Pacific Coast Hwy.)

Flag persons will be in the area to ensure safe conditions and limit disruption to traffic flow on PCH on weekdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Beach Parking Lot 10 will be closed for rehabilitation Feb. 7 through May 20. Beach patrons are advised ride a bike or park in Lot 9 north. The self-pay machine in Lot 9 allows payment for either all-day or two-hour parking.

Big Blue Bus Campus Expansion (1620 Sixth St.)

No public parking at the eastside of Sixth Street (South of Colorado Avenue). Mar. 3, 2008 to Aug. 25, 2009: No parking along, and no pedestrian access to west sidewalk of Seventh Street, between Colorado and Olympic boulevards. Jan. 21, 2009 to Apr. 21, 2009: No parking along, and no pedestrian access to south sidewalk of Colorado between Sixth and Seventh streets.

Colorado Ocean Relief Sewer Project

Traffic from the I-10 Freeway will be directed to avoid Colorado Avenue by either using Pico Boulevard or East-West streets North of Colorado. Project is scheduled for completion in May 2009. Detours are as follows:

- Westbound Colorado Avenue will be closed at Second Street.
- Eastbound Colorado Avenue will be reduced to one lane between Ocean Avenue and Second Street.
- Southbound Second Street will be closed at Colorado Avenue.
- Pedestrian access to businesses and through the work area will be maintained.

Marine Street Utility Undergrounding

Relocation and undergrounding of electric, phone, and cable facilities on Marine Street, between Lincoln Boulevard and Prospect Court. Parking limitations will be posted daily and detours may be announced as necessary.

Second/Fourth streets Streetscape Improvement Project

Construction crews will be working on both sides of Second Street from Wilshire Boulevard to Colorado Avenue and digging potholes on Fourth Street between Arizona Avenue and Broadway. There may be occasional disruption to some parking spaces. Please follow posted detour signs.

Traffic Signal Upgrade

Fiber optic infrastructure installation and traffic signal modifications will continue in the following locations: 1) Main Street from Pico Boulevard to City Hall. 2) Colorado Avenue from Main to Lincoln Boulevard. 3) Lincoln from Picoto the I-10 Freeway. 4) Broadway from Fifth to Seventh streets. 5) Santa Monica Boulevard from Sixth Street to Lincoln. Work hours are 7:30 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday. Traffic lane closures and sidewalk closures should be anticipated at these locations.

Wilshire Storm Water Diversion Structure

Construction for the installation of the diversion facility on Ocean Avenue and Wilshire Boulevard has been completed. Traffic lanes have been restored to normal operation. Park restoration work will be complete February 2008.

East Colorado Improvement Project

Pedestrian and neighborhood traffic improvements on Colorado Avenue between 20th Street and Centinela Avenue. Streets will be reduced to one lane both east and west bound from 20th Street to 26th Street. Some parking lanes will be removed during various construction phases. Pedestrian walkways will also be reduced during the construction period.

Citywide Sidewalk Repair Project

Repairs to various sidewalk locations Citywide. Traffic lane closures and sidewalk closures should be expected throughout the construction zones. Detours may be announced as necessary, please follow posted detour signs.

Citywide Street Repair Project

Repairs to various street locations Citywide. Work is scheduled at Colorado Avenue & Fourth Street, Broadway between Fifth and Sixth Streets, Fourth Street & Civic Center Drive, Main Street (in front of City Hall), and Santa Monica Boulevard from Lincoln Boulevard to 26th Street. Traffic lane closures and sidewalk closures should be expected throughout the construction zones. Detours may be announced as necessary, please follow posted detour signs.

States woo fired teachers amid wave of pink slips

BY ALLISON HOFFMAN
Associated Press Writer

SAN DIEGO Precious Jackson has two years of teaching under her belt and two school teacher-of-the-year awards to show for it. She also has a pink slip.

Now Jackson is a prime target for growing school districts across the country hoping to cherry-pick from thousands of California teachers who have been warned they could be laid off because of state budget woes.

"Your future is in our classroom," the Fort Worth, Texas, school district says on a San Diego billboard. It plans to send recruiters to the city next month to dangle \$3,000 signing bonuses.

Several Los Angeles-area newspapers are carrying ads for the Clark County, Nev., school district, which hopes to lure teachers to Las Vegas with \$2,000 incentives.

"We don't hear things like that here," said Jackson, 25, who teaches English at Lincoln High School, her alma mater in San Diego's hardscrabble Lincoln Park neighborhood. "Instead we just don't know what to expect, and it makes us feel underappreciated."

Jackson was among a wave of teachers hired in recent years as California raised education spending to cut class sizes. Now she is at the mercy of state legislators who are negotiating more than \$4 billion in education cuts proposed by Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger to combat a budget shortfall caused by the housing slump and a stagnant economy.

During budget stalemates, layoff notices are practically a rite of spring for California public school teachers. State law requires teachers be notified by March 15 if their jobs are in jeopardy for the next school year, and districts routinely cast a wide net to prepare for the worst. In previous fiscal crises, only a small fraction of those who got pink slips eventually lost their jobs.

This year, some districts, including the behemoth Los Angeles Unified, have avoided layoff notices to teachers, but many are preparing for deep cuts. About 14,000 teachers have received pink slips throughout the state, according to the California Teachers Association.

San Diego Unified School District, the state's second-largest, has issued the most with about 900. Notices were sent out by seniority, touching people with fresh credentials like Jackson.

The notices also went to experienced hands like Lincoln High's Guillermo Gomez,

37, who was named a San Diego County Teacher of the Year in 2006 for his work in suburban Chula Vista. He lost his seniority when he joined the San Diego district last year to help launch a new college-track program in social justice at Lincoln.

Only math, science and special-education teachers were protected in San Diego.

"I took a risk and a \$10,000 pay cut to come here," said Gomez, whose wife, an elementary-school teacher, was also given notice. "Now we're in limbo and waiting for the worst."

Recruiters from other districts aren't shy about boasting their advantages.

"We don't have an ocean but we have a very good climate, and for a teacher's salary we're considerably more affordable than what San Diego or California is," said Clint Bond, a spokesman for the Fort Worth Independent School District.

Andrea Wiesner, a middle-school teacher in San Diego whose one-year contract won't be renewed, plans to apply in Henderson, Nev., south of Las Vegas, to take advantage of generous student-loan repayment assistance offered by the Clark County School District.

"I worked really hard to be a teacher and now it's like, 'Well, if you want to stay in California, go back and work jobs you worked in college,'" the 28-year-old said. "But I can't just volunteer. I need a job."

In the past, Clark County hired from shrinking districts in cities like Detroit. This year, the district is targeting California, where prospective hires can easily drive to weekend interviews, said Martha Tittle, chief human resources officer.

Yet she also worries that California teachers will back out of their new jobs if the state fixes its budget problems, as it has in the past.

"If we fill offers with people who may change their minds because they have other options, that doesn't help us," Tittle said.

Some California teachers, however, say they've had enough spring budget anxiety.

Patrick Konen, 25, a history teacher who got a pink slip in his second year at San Diego Unified, interviewed this week in districts outside Atlanta. His wife, a fifth-grade teacher who was given notice by a neighboring district, was offered a job in Georgia on the spot, and the principal offered to help him find a position.

"In San Diego you're throwing yourself at principals and begging them to hire you, and you maybe get an offer two days before the school year starts," said Konen, a California native.

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Courtroom sketch artist dies

BY LINDA DEUTSCH
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES Rosalie Ritz, a premier courtroom artist who for four decades chronicled dozens of high-drama trials, including those of Charles Manson, Patty Hearst and O.J. Simpson, has died. She was 84.

She died at her home in Walnut Creek in Northern California on Friday night after a two-year battle with lung cancer, her daughter Sandy Ritz told The Associated Press.

Ritz's work was seen on network TV and on AP wires beginning with the infamous Army-McCarthy hearings in the 1950s. Soon after, she began drawing in courtrooms. Her trial illustrations are in a special collection at the Bancroft Library of the University of California at Berkeley.

With her background as a fine artist, Ritz drew with a flourish that set her apart from her colleagues. Her work was never photographic but sought to capture the action and drama of trials. Before color TV, she sketched in black and white but later used color profusely.

Sometimes she went beyond the courtroom. In 1967, she sketched Black Panther Huey Newton in his jail cell while he was fac-

ing trial for murder. She worked at several Black Panther trials and a Hells Angels trial.

"I was scared a lot of the time," she would say later. She was once pepper sprayed while drawing a Vietnam War protest outside a courthouse.

An accomplished artist while still in her teens, Ritz began sketching live events when she was living in Washington, D.C., and got into a closed session of the House Un-American Activities Committee hearings. A CBS-TV producer offered to buy her sketches, and they were shown on the Edward R. Murrow news show.

Soon her services were in demand. When she moved with her family to California in 1966, settling in the San Francisco Bay Area, she became a freelance sketch artist with KPIX, a San Francisco CBS affiliate, and the AP, among others.

Ritz produced as many as 18 to 21 drawings a day on high-profile trials.

"I could draw a whole jury in a few minutes," she once said in a speech.

The AP brought her to Los Angeles for the trial of Robert F. Kennedy's assassin, Sirhan Sirhan, in 1968, and she returned to the city for other trials. In 1996, the AP coaxed her out of retirement to draw the civil trial of O.J. Simpson, her last assignment.

In 1972, the AP Managing Editors association presented her with a special award for excellence for her drawings of the trial of Angela Davis, a San Francisco college professor ultimately acquitted of murder charges in connection with a Black Panther shootout.

Ritz was also a wife and mother of four daughters, a tournament-winning golfer and a social activist who took a slum building in Oakland, Calif., and turned it into studios and galleries for struggling artists.

She was born Rosalie Jane Mislove in Milwaukee, the seventh of 10 children. Her mother was widowed early and struggled to raise her family in the Great Depression. Young Rosalie's talent was evident early, and at age 14 she attended the Layton School of Art College. She later studied at Marquette University and the Milwaukee and Chicago art institutes. By 16 she was earning money doing portraits at circuses and fairs.

In 1946 she married Erwin Ritz, an accountant and athlete, and they moved to Washington. He died last year.

Survivors include daughters Sandy Ritz of Honolulu, Barbara Bray of Oakland, Terry Leach of Orinda and Janet Ritz of Studio City, five grandchildren, and one great-granddaughter.

Dog rescued after drifting at sea to get new home

BY SOLVEJ SCHOU
Associated Press Writer

LOS ANGELES Snickers the Sea Dog is barely more than a pup, but he's already an old salt.

The 8-month-old pooch spent three months adrift on a 48-foot boat and survived four months on tiny Fanning Island — 1,000 miles south of Hawaii — where his owners left him after their sailing boat ran aground last December.

Now the cocker spaniel, who is in quarantine on Oahu after being rescued April 9 by Norwegian Cruise Line workers and a bevy of other people, will be flown to Los Angeles to meet a man who desperately wants to adopt him: retired Las Vegas resident Jack Joslin.

"I love animals," Joslin told The Associated Press on Friday. "I had two dogs up until the middle of March. Then I had to have my border collie euthanized. The day they called saying the ashes were back was when I read the story (about Snickers). It occurred to me I could do something."

Hawaiian Airlines, moved by the dog's survival story, has given the go-ahead on flying the animal for free to the mainland, said Peter Forman, a Hawaii-based airlines historian who helped negotiate Snickers' transport.

Forman said he expects Snickers to arrive sometime in the next three days.

Joslin said the quarantine facility requires 72 hours notice regarding flying animals. Hawaiian Airlines restricts flights to Las Vegas when animals are involved because of the heat there, Joslin said.

The story of Snickers begins with his original owners Jerry and Darla Merrow, whose catamaran developed mast problems after setting out from California's Moss Landing, said Gina Baurile of the Hawaiian Humane Society.

The boat drifted to Fanning Island, a tiny Pacific atoll, where it hit a reef and the couple swam 200 yards to shore with Snickers and their macaw, Gulliver. They left the island soon after on a cargo vessel.

Baurile said the pets were left in the care of islanders.

"They don't have the same concept of taking care of pets. Some dogs are eaten there," Baurile said.

Efforts to contact the Merrows Friday were unsuccessful. Joslin said he has been unable to contact the pair and Baurile said she believes the Hawaiian Humane Society never tried to reach them.

"The Merrows got to the point where they had to move on with their lives," said Forman, who is friends with Robby and Lorraine Coleman, a couple with a sail boat off Fanning Island who originally talked to a boating journal about Snickers.

"The Merrows basically signed a release of ownership of the dog," Forman said.

Robby Coleman started watching out for the dog and parrot on the island, Forman said.

Fanning is one of 33 scattered coral atolls that make up the remote island nation of Kiribati. In March, the government of Kiribati, which technically owned the animals, decided to have them destroyed, Joslin said.

"Robby put out the SOS and a lot of people got involved," Forman said.

City dogs discovering sheep, cattle, hidden talent

BY KATHLEEN HENNESSEY
Associated Press Writer

VINCENT The sun is shining, the fields are clear, and the sheep — a jittery trio of fluff — are just getting comfortable.

Suckers. Selkie, a border collie recovering from a tennis ball addiction, gets her cue. She cuts a wide curve around the field, hunches low and creeps in. Bleats of protest are useless. The sheep stiffen and get moving.

It's a good day to be a dog. Selkie isn't really a stock dog but she plays one at Drummond Ranch, which isn't really a livestock ranch, but a 40-acre haven an hour outside Los Angeles. There, city dogs escape their leash-and-lounge existence and learn to get in touch with their inner herder.

The ranch is part of a trend that mixes training techniques, a back-to-basics ethos and a hint of dog (and human) therapy.

"It really, really seems to center the dog and give the dog a sense of confidence and fulfillment, a good assertiveness, a good energy," said ranch owner Janna Duncan, who has taught dozens of canines and their owners the art of moving livestock.

"It's almost as if the dog needs a job. And when they discover, 'This is what my job is supposed to be,' then everything falls into place."

The American Kennel Club says new herding clubs are popping up across the country, although it does not track exact numbers. Nearly 200 clubs held herding trials last year. More than 10,000 dogs competed, a roughly 10 percent increase over 2006.

Owners describe the practice as an anti-

dote to tighter leash laws and disappearing dog-friendly spaces in U.S. cities. They talk of their dogs' first time in the arena with the pride and amazement usually reserved for describing a child's first day at kindergarten. Many also acknowledge that herding was a last resort.

"I'd been through about three trainers and was getting nowhere," said Ann Preston, patting her panting, post-workout Selkie. "I had two vets tell me she was stark-raving mad."

Preston acknowledges Selkie's problem was really an owner problem. As a border collie, she was bred to herd. She needed mental stimulation and as well as a physical workout. As a couch companion for Preston, a 65-year-old sculptor, she was a poor match.

"I'm gentle. I just want to play and cuddle my dog and scratch its tummy and, you know, have my face licked and maybe my feet licked on occasion," she said.

Selkie wasn't interested. She was sensitive to noise, pushy and obsessive. She wanted her ball thrown. All day. And tomorrow.

Experts say the dog-owner mismatch is common. People spend too little time researching a breed's temperament and habits before choosing their family's new addition. A fluffy St. Bernard, for example, is a working breed that may protect your kids — against the letter carrier. Then you've got a lawsuit.

Preston said she's lucky she found Drummond Ranch and Selkie found sheep. One look and the light bulb went on, Preston said.

Duncan's clientele isn't limited to the tra-

ditional herding breeds. She's trained huskies, Labrador retrievers, even a four-pound Yorkie from Malibu.

On a recent morning, a hulking Bernese mountain dog named Kerry thumped around an arena cajoling the sheep on cue to Duncan's screeching whistles and clipped calls.

Each breed, Duncan explained, has its own persuasion technique.

Referring to Kerry, she said, "The guardian dogs get to know their flock. They befriend the sheep and the sheep feel safe. They'll follow them anywhere."

But not all breeds have such charisma.

Trainers use an instinct test to suss out the herders from the non-herders. Placed in a small pen with sheep and a trainer, the dogs' reactions are evaluated for style, temperament, responsiveness to commands and use of force.

At Drummond Ranch, those deemed trainable continue with classes. A four-week series cost \$165.

Carol Delsman oversees the American Kennel Club's herding program from her cattle ranch in Baker City, in rural northeastern Oregon. Delsman is happy to see urbanites discovering their dogs' hidden talents but considers her primary job preserving a lost art.

Herding breeds have spent centuries as companions for shepherds and ranchers. In Scotland and England, border collies are revered for their ability to disappear into the hills and come back with a herd unharmed.

"But as people decide not to have kids but to have dogs, breeds actually get altered. If we alter a breed too much, it can't do what it was bred to do," Delsman said.



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Public now facing 48-hour cut off; clinical trial shows participants lost weight without adding exercise or diets

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basis.

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National Order Hotline; 48-hour cut off

Consumers can begin calling at **7:00 am today**. The order line will only be open for 48-hours. Call **1-800-782-8750** and ask for **Dept. AP1488**. All orders will be processed on a first-come, first-served basis.

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National chains across the country are working around the clock to get the initial shipments of Apatrim onto their shelves. It has been confirmed that **CVS/pharmacy** and **The Vitamin Shoppe** all have placed orders and should have supplies of Apatrim available to consumers.

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1. Primary study based on 26 participants over a 4-week period. Participants were directed not to add any exercise or change eating habits. Participants level of caloric intake and exercise were not measured or disclosed. 2. Individual results may vary. 3. Dr. Ronald Lawrence, M.D., Ph.D., conducted the clinical trial and is not affiliated with PatentHEALTH nor endorsing Apatrim.

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Drug stores load up with powerful joint pill

Sales skyrocketing; news of its amazing results spread across the U.S.

By G.W. Napier
Universal Media Syndicate

UMS - Consumers can't seem to get enough of it and drug stores are selling it as fast as they can get it.

"Unbelievable, that's all I can say," said Matthew Woods, Director of Business Development for PatentHEALTH the company that developed the breakthrough joint supplement.

Woods was referring to the fact that in just one day a drug store chain sold 2,000 bottles of the powerful joint health supplement called Trigosamine*.

"We've already shipped over 500,000 bottles of Trigosamine and sales just keep growing, it's been crazy," said Woods.

Scientists have developed this amazing oral tablet that doesn't require a prescription and is taken only once a day.

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Trigosamine's key ingredient is Hyaluronate also called HA-13

which is the building block of "natural joint fluid," medically known as synovial fluid.

This joint fluid reduces friction in the joints allowing for effortless motion. It not only lubricates the joints, but it also acts as a comfortable shock absorber.

"As we age, the body's natural production of this fluid declines and this can force the bones in our joints to grind together which can result in nagging discomfort," said Dr. Joseph Dietz*.

"Using Trigosamine is like taking a can of oil and applying it directly to your joints," said Dr. Dietz*.

Trigosamine combines HA-13 with the essential blend of glucosamine and chondroitin which have been clinically shown to help build healthy cartilage in the joints allowing for increased flexibility and range of motion.*

A clinical study conducted by the United States government found that glucosamine and chondroitin, similar to those found in Trigosamine, had a 79.2% effective rate for those with moderate to severe joint discomfort.**

But it's the results that make this joint supplement so

impressive.

"We get messages from consumers all the time telling us how great Trigosamine works for them," said Woods.

"Everybody wants it," added Woods.

"CVS/pharmacy was one of the first ones to order Trigosamine and they've loaded up their shelves. We've received reports that show they have some inventory left," said Woods.

"And to make it easier for people who can't find Trigosamine or don't want to go to the store, we've set up a National Order Hotline so they can have it delivered directly to their home," said Woods.

"We'll be offering a direct delivery discount for the next 72 hours, and consumers should know they can't get this discount at drug stores," he added.

Otherwise those living in the local area that miss the deadline won't be able to get the discount. They'll have to go to their local drug store to try and get Trigosamine and may be hard pressed to find it. ■

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■ **HEALTHY JOINTS:** X-rays reveal joints that have the proper amounts of synovial fluid to lubricate the joints. HA-13, one of Trigosamine's key ingredients is a component of synovial fluid.



■ **ALMOST GONE:** Sales of the joint pill Trigosamine are soaring which could lead to out of stocks as shown in this photo illustration. Consumers unable to find it can call **1-800-924-2109** and have it shipped directly to their homes.

Local Readers Discount Deadline

You may be able to find Trigosamine at **CVS/pharmacy** since they have received shipments. If you want Trigosamine shipped directly to your home and would like the local readers discount, call the National Order Hotline listed below before the **72 hour deadline** expires. Otherwise you'll have to get Trigosamine at the drug store and may run the risk of not being able to find it.

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Demand soars for 'fast acting' diet pill



WORKS FAST: Apatrim™ is causing a buzz among dieters since they don't have to change their lifestyle and it starts working on their appetite just minutes after taking it.*¹

By M.J. MOORE

Universal Media Syndicate

UMS - Thousands of callers clogged an Ohio company's phone lines trying to get this breakthrough diet pill.

The remarkable weight loss supplement that has dieters from all over the country calling is called Apatrim™, and there are some very good reasons why people want it.

You see, Apatrim starts working on your appetite within minutes after taking it, dieters don't have to starve or suffer through intense exercise and its been clinically shown to get great results.*

Participants lost an average of 5 times more weight than those taking a placebo during the 4-week clinical.¹ They got these results taking Apatrim's active ingredient as directed and without adding exercise or diets to their daily routine.*

And people that have used this weight loss supplement are singing its praises.

"All I did was take it about 30 minutes before I was going to eat and I didn't feel hungry. It really works great for me," said Erica Leventhal.²

Researchers believe that Apatrim can suppress appetite which can mean fewer calories are being consumed; this can lead to weight

loss.* Consumers should keep in mind that there's no substitute for proper diet and exercise when it comes to losing weight. Meaningful weight loss requires consuming fewer calories than the body burns.

WHY SO MUCH EXCITEMENT?

Apatrim contains an amazing compound that has a known ability to help control hunger pangs.*

This allows people to eat the foods they want, they just eat less.*

Losing weight is hard and anyone that has struggled with weight loss will tell you that they would love to be able to lose weight without changing their daily routine.

That's where Apatrim comes in since this is exactly what happened in the clinical trial.

"I took Apatrim and I felt fabulous. After eating dinner I felt full and not deprived, I just went about my day and didn't think about food or eating," said Lori Morrow.³

All of this positive feedback makes it easy to understand why there is so much excitement and optimism surrounding this weight loss supplement.

CLINICAL RESULTS

The U.S. clinical study was conducted in Los Angeles under the direction of Dr. Ronald M. Lawrence,³

M.D., Ph.D. a former clinical professor at the University of California's Los Angeles School of Medicine.

The study included healthy, overweight individuals between the ages of 31 and 73. Their caloric intake and level of exercise was not disclosed.

The participants were instructed not to change the food they were eating and not to add any exercise; in other words, no changes to their daily routine. They were told to take Apatrim 30 minutes before lunch and dinner.

An amazing 100% of the participants who took the active ingredient as instructed either lost weight or inches off their waistline during the 4 week study.* In contrast, only one person taking the placebo lost weight, just half-a-pound, and not one reduced their waistline.¹

Some participants experienced incredible results, losing as much as 8 pounds and up to 3 inches off their waistline.*¹

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Rising food prices hitting families hard

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fruits, vegetables and canned goods to local agencies such as St. Joseph Center, where families flock for food.

“Need is creeping into middle-class families so many of our food pantries have reported increases of 9 percent and we expect that to rise to 15 or 20 percent this year,” Riutort said. “It’s because the price of food is going up so dramatically. This is the first time in the 26-year history of the bank that the cost of food is rising faster than overall inflation.”

The cost of chicken is up by 7 to 8 percent and the price of canned tuna, one of the more inexpensive sources of protein, has doubled and in some cases tripled, forcing the food bank to cut back on purchasing it unless the bank has funds donated specifically for that purpose.

The food bank is cutting back on the number of eggs it is handing out as well. Now, only those agencies with kitchens are receiving eggs because the price for eggs has doubled. Fresh produce is also expensive, forcing the food bank to increase its fundraising efforts and donation drives.

“We have put the word out in the community that we need foods that are high in protein,” Riutort said. “We’ve particularly asked for peanut butter and canned tuna. Those are things hardest for us to acquire at current prices. We’ve had some success, but we could also use more help.

“We are going to have to cut back on the amount of food we are able to distribute.”

For some families, the rising cost of food has forced them to dig deep. Some have resorted to adding an extra cup of water to their soup to make it last or watering down their milk, or giving their children soft drinks because it’s cheaper than milk.



File photo

HOT ITEM: Luis Romo prepares a pizza at Wildflour. Pizza prices have been on the rise lately.

U.S. households still spend a smaller chunk of their expenses for foods than in any other country – 7.2 percent in 2006, according to the USDA. By contrast, the figure was 22 percent in Poland and more than 40 percent in Egypt and Vietnam.

In Bangladesh, economists estimate 30 million of the country’s 150 million people could be going hungry. Haiti’s prime minister was ousted recently following food riots there.

Still, the higher U.S. prices seem eye-popping after years of low inflation. Eggs cost 25 percent more in February than they did a year ago, according to the USDA. Milk and other dairy products jumped 13 percent.

USDA economist Ephraim Leibtag

explained the jumps in a recent presentation to the Food Marketing Institute, starting with the factors everyone knows about: Sharply higher commodity costs for wheat, corn, soybeans and milk, plus higher energy and transportation costs.

The other reasons are more complex. Rapid economic growth in China and India has increased demand for meat there, and exports of U.S. products, such as corn, have set records as the weak dollar has made them cheaper. That’s lowered the supply of corn available for sale in the U.S., raising prices here. Ethanol production has also diverted corn from dinner tables and into fuel tanks.

Soybean prices have gone up as farmers

switched more of their acreage to corn. Drought in Australia has even affected the price of bread, as it led to tighter global wheat supplies.

The jump has left people in the food business to do their own explaining. Merchants have started posted signs in shop windows explaining the changes in prices. Some have called for an immediate halt to exports and a change in farm policy. A new farm bill, stalled in congress, would expand farm subsidies if it passes.

For some Santa Monicans, the resulting increases might be barely perceptible. The Cheesecake Factory raised prices by 1.5 percent at the end of February, Applebee’s by 3 percent. Santa Monicans, for the most part, tend to be wealthier than the average American, which has helped families here cope.

“It’s not a big deal yet,” said Gina Steele, a resident who was shopping at the Vons at Broadway and Lincoln Boulevard earlier this week. “I still buy the same things as before. I haven’t changed my habits.”

But for the poorest of families, the higher costs may mean going hungry. A family of four is eligible for a maximum \$542 a month in food stamps, which has never lasted a whole month before.

It could mean a return to clipping coupons for others.

“I follow sales and use coupons regularly,” said resident Madelaine Matyas. “I am very aware of the prices of food in all supermarkets because I am a low-income resident and I have to be careful.”

For Israel Feuer, the rising cost of food is just something he has to live with.

“I have noticed the prices changing,” he said. “But what can I do? I have to buy food.”

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The Associated Press contributed to this report.

Performer has led an interesting life

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University Graduate School of Journalism.

“I always thought journalism was for the people,” said Mew.

With a highly valuable degree in hand, he moved to Chicago. He worked at NBC News for 10 years before returning to sunny California.

“My mother got hill, so I moved back,” said Mew. “But in Chicago, I learned from the best, like Connie Chung, Chinese like me.”

Mew says his ethnicity never stopped him from pursuing his goals, both in his professional and personal life. His grandparents moved from China to San Francisco in the early 1890s, surviving earthquakes and internment camps. Mew’s mood changes when he talks about his family.

“They always supported me,” he said. “With whatever I wanted to do, but they had it hard growing up, real hard.”

The difficulty of living in the United States in the early 20th century resonates with Mew’s political views. He is a vocal supporter of Barack Obama.

“He is the lesser of three evils,” he said, but he soon gives him credit. “He is a good guy, a guy for the people and the product of the daily machine.”

Unlike politics and Obama, there was one



THE DISCO CARTS ARE SO DARN LOUD. THEY GET PRIVILEGES BECAUSE THEY PAY MORE TO RENT THEIR SPACE, I ONLY PAY \$40 A YEAR.”

Wendell Mew, Street performer

thing in life that made his heart beat faster than anything else: Jazz.

“Jazz is my life,” he said. “Music reflects the things I am interested in.”

The move from San Francisco to Santa Monica was a decisive one for his music career. In 1999, Mew packed his bags and his saxophone and drove down the Pacific Coast Highway.

“I love Santa Monica so much I dedicated a song to the city,” he said.

“Sunday Morning Santa Monica” is his first homage to the city that gave him the opportunity to experiment with his instrument. The melody is a captivating mixture of nostalgia and effervescent joy.

“I have been playing on the promenade for more than 10 years now,” Mew said. “Before the city started forcing all those rules on performers.”

Mew has gotten several tickets for non-compliance and loud music. Hidden to most, the dynamics of a street performer’s life includes many obstacles. The hierarchy of the promenade is clearly marked.

“The disco carts are so darn loud,” said Mew. “They get privileges because they pay more to rent their space, I only pay \$40 a year.”

The constant fight and competition wears on him.

“I am just an honest man who wants to make a living by playing jazz,” he said. “I lost all my money in the stock market in 2000 and now I have 30 credit cards and tons of debt.”

Mew said his biggest concern isn’t money. He dedicated the last 10 years of his life to improving his musicianship to a world-class level.

“I want to be known for my artistic merit and my 300 tunes online,” said Mew.

He says he will never change his routine. He will always come back to the promenade, to his fans, to his friends, and to his dreams of jazz glory.

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California’s unemployment rate shoots up half a percent

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feel bad,” Ontiveros said while visiting a job counseling center in Glendale. “Gas is higher now. I have a car payment, insurance, my food, clothes. It is a struggle.”

Among those who were unemployed last month, more than a third — or 483,600 — had been laid off. Another 108,300 left their jobs voluntarily, and the others had just entered or re-entered the job market.

In a separate survey of employers, California’s nonfarm payroll employment increased by 1,000 jobs in March, bringing the total for that category to 15.17 million jobs.

Construction led the sectors that shed jobs, dropping 6,300 positions, while the financial activities sector lost 2,600 jobs. Both industries suffered from the subprime mortgage crisis.

The economic pain also spilled into the trade, transportation and utilities sector, which lost 4,700 payroll jobs; and professional and business services, which lost 2,400.

Among the sectors that gained jobs, information showed the biggest increase with 6,700 new jobs; while the educational and health services sector added 5,400.

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GREEN VIBES

Photos by Brandon Wise news@smdp.com

Songs of love, harmony and sustainability were heard at the Santa Monica Pier on Sunday during the Green Apple Festival celebrating Earth Day. (From top left clockwise) Stirring up the crowd, the band Escalera played their hearts out in the afternoon sun. Ziggy Marley helped spread the green gospel during his set. Throngs of people crowded the pier to take in the festival that included music and a number of green-minded vendors. Councilman Bobby Shriver professed his love for California while he introduced one of the acts. Surfrider Foundation was one of a number of environmental non-profits that set up shop during the festival. Juliette Lewis from Juliette and The Licks gave the crowd one of the most energetic shows of the day. Taj Mahal infused the festival with a heavy dose of soul.





Earth Talk

By the editors of E Magazine

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Downloading a green choice

Dear EarthTalk

My old computer finally bit the dust and I am in the market for a replacement. Are there any particularly "green" computers for sale these days?

Brian Smith

Nashua, NH

Thanks in part to pressure from non-profits like Greenpeace International — which has published quarterly versions of its landmark "Guide to Greener Electronics" since 2006 — computer makers now understand that consumers care about the environmental footprints of the products they use.

The latest version of Greenpeace's guide gives high marks to Toshiba, Lenovo, Sony and Dell for increasing the recyclability of their computers and reducing toxic components and so-called "e-waste" (refuse from discarded electronic devices and components). The group also credits Apple, HP and Fujitsu for making strides toward greener products and manufacturing processes, but emphasizes that even such top ranked companies have lots of room for improvement when it comes to the environment.

PC Magazine, the leading computer publication for consumer and business users, recently assessed dozens of personal computers according to environmental standards it developed in-house based on energy efficiency, recyclability and the toxicity of components. The publication also factored in various "green" certification schemes such as the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's EnergyStar program, the European Union's Restriction of Hazardous Substances (RoHS) directive, Taiwan's Greenmark and the computer industry's own Electronic Products Environmental Assessment Tool (EPEAT).

The top choices for green desktop computers, according to PC, are Apple's Mac Mini, Zonbu's Desktop Mini, HP Compaq's 2710p and dc7800, Lenovo's ThinkCentre a61e, and Dell's OptiPlex 755. As for laptops, the greenest current

models include Dell's Latitude D630, the Everex Zonbu, Fujitsu's LifeBook S6510, and Toshiba's Tecra A9-S9013.

Perhaps more important than the green-ness of your new computer is what you do with the old one. Stuffing it into the trash or setting it out for curbside pick-up may be the worst thing you can do with an outdated computer, as heavy metals and other toxins inevitably get free and get into surrounding soils and water. If the machine still works, donate it to a local school that can put it to use, or to Goodwill or the Salvation Army, either of which can re-sell it to help fund their programs. Another option is to donate it to the National Cristina Foundation, which places outdated technology with needy non-profits.

Once you've gotten rid of an old computer and outfitted yourself with a spiffy new green one, you might just want to score a few green accessories. Brooklyn, New York's Verdant Computing, which bills itself as a purveyor of "the greenest computer products on the web," sells remanufactured ink and toner cartridges, laptop cases made from recycled plastic, GreenDisk CDs packaged in recycled plastic jewel cases, solar-powered MP3 accessories, energy-saving printers and even a software program, GreenPrint, which modifies the print programs on your computer to economize on paper and ink/toner use. Verdant also has most products shipped to consumers directly from the manufacturers to save re-shipping.

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MINI-IMPACT: A truckload of Apple Mac Minis, among PC magazine's top choices for green desktop computers. Others include Zonbu's Desktop Mini, HP Compaq's 2710p and dc7800, Lenovo's ThinkCentre a61e, and Dell's OptiPlex 755.

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Green homes result in reduced cost of living

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three sustainable homes — two in the city and one in the Pacific Palisades. Two homes are currently undergoing construction.

"The more I learned about green building, the more I became a believer," Lee said on Friday. "I wish I would've done it sooner."

Green building has found a niche in construction circles in Santa Monica, a city with a proud collection of sustainable mixed-use complexes, commercial developments, public facilities and even a prefab home that was Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design certified in 2006. LEED is a green building rating system applied by the U.S. Green Building Council.

Santa Monica is among approximately 20 to 30 California cities that have adopted green building guidelines for new construction, according to Michael Hodgson, a member of the California Building Industry Association and president of ConSol. An energy consulting firm for construction companies, ConSol helped develop the state's Green Building Program.

"There are many cities that are adopting green building guidelines, some mandatory," Hodgson said on Friday. "(The term) green in the home building industry is not well defined, so it's nice to have a program and structure so the builder knows what to do."

Santa Monica's Green Building Design and Construction Standards could be amended at the City Council meeting on Tuesday night to apply to all new construction, including single-family homes and duplexes, which are exempt under the ordinance as it currently exists.

"These are standards for environmental performance we feel all new construction in the city should meet and strive for," Brenden McEneaney, the green building program advisor, said on Thursday. "Water efficiency, construction waste — these will reduce the cost of homeownership and create healthy indoor environments ... and reduce climate change-contributing gas."

The proposed amendment, which is expected to be approved by the council, will also increase the required number of green building materials used on new construction from four to five. New construction projects

must include at least one material from at least five of 10 categories that range from insulation to water efficiency.

"The idea is realizing that it's not just recycled content we should be looking at when thinking of green," McEneaney said, referring to the current list that includes only recycled content. "There are things like zero-VOC paint or water saving appliances that would also count as green materials."

The amendment also includes increasing the energy efficiency on projects to 10 percent better than Title 24, which is the state's energy efficiency code. Landscaping requirements would also change for new projects, limiting turf grass to 20 percent and encouraging the use of more drought tolerant plants.

The city's green building grant program would also be expanded to qualify homes that are LEED certified. The U.S. Green Building Council just began certifying single-family residences after completing a pilot program.

The changes have been embraced by green developers like Lee. The home he just completed in the Palisades is the first LEED certified in that area.

But when it comes to green home construction, there is the matter of cost and whether such requirements might scare away some developers.

Lee said that the cost difference tends to be 5 to 10 percent higher than conventional home building.

"There's no doubt there is a premium," Lee said. "A lot depends on the features you put in like solar panels, which is a big ticket item."

But for home owners, the benefits come in the form of energy savings, and of course one step toward saving the world.

"The good news is you can see the trend that the gap is closing [between green and conventional] because there are more vendors providing more options in terms of green materials," Lee added.

Jesse Bornstein of Jesse Bornstein Architecture, which recently designed sustainable townhouses called "Green on 19th" at 1035 19th St., said there are also rebates and tax credits for developing eco-friendly projects.

The Santa Monica-based architect said there are cities moving toward adopting

green guidelines.

"Santa Monica with the new requirements is upping the ante," he said.

He added that while the regulations might scare off some builders, he thinks the guidelines end up weeding out developers in it for the wrong reasons.

"There's no question Santa Monica has a reputation amongst design professionals as well as builders as a challenging place to work and I think that's OK," he said. "I think I'm old enough to realize our responsibilities extend well beyond our own self interest."

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GROWING TREND: Green on 19th was the first multi-family spec development to include green features such as solar panels and energy efficient appliances in Santa Monica.

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Colorado fire human caused

By the Associated Press

ORDWAY, Colo. A wildfire that left two firefighters dead, charred 8,900 acres of grassland and destroyed at least eight homes started in a trash and hay pile that had been intentionally burned but not fully extinguished.

Investigators with the Colorado Bureau of Investigation found no criminal acts and did not recommend charges for the private property owner. The fire started south of Ordway and ignited dry grass and debris under a wood-beamed bridge over a ditch on Colorado 96.

John Schwartz Jr. and Terry DeVore died Tuesday when their fire engine drove into the ditch after the fire weakened bridge collapsed as they were rushing to the fire.

As firefighters battled the flames, another fire erupted from another intentional burn on private property about two hours after the first blaze erupted, fire information officer Chris Sorensen said. No criminal acts were found there either, CBI investigators said.

Most of the state was under a red flag warning Tuesday when the fires erupted, sig-

nifying high fire danger because of low humidity, above-average temperatures, and high winds. Sorensen said no fire burning permits were issued that day.

In all, 24 homes and 12 outbuildings, such as sheds and free-standing garages, were damaged or destroyed, including eight homes within Ordway town limits.

About 200 people gathered Friday for Schwartz' funeral in Fowler, a town near Ordway.

A joint memorial service for Schwartz and DeVore was set for Saturday morning at Crowley County High School.

Fort Carson officials say containment of a wildfire that killed a firefighting pilot is at 75 percent.

Army and El Paso County officials haven't yet pinpointed what started the 1 1/2-square-mile fire on the Army base south of Colorado Springs. It was one of three that spread quickly Tuesday on a dry, gusty day with above-average temperatures.

Garfield County sheriff's officials say the 1 1/2-square-mile fire near Carbondale in western Colorado was started by embers from a controlled burn before it was fully contained Wednesday.

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Colt's grip on military rifle criticized

BY RICHARD LARDNER

Associated Press Writer

HARTFORD, Conn. No weapon is more important to tens of thousands of U.S. troops in Iraq and Afghanistan than the carbine rifle. And for well over a decade, the military has relied on one company, Colt Defense of Hartford, Conn., to make the M4s they trust with their lives.

Now, as Congress considers spending millions more on the guns, this exclusive arrangement is being criticized as a bad deal for American forces as well as taxpayers, according to interviews and research conducted by The Associated Press.

“What we have is a fat contractor in Colt who’s gotten very rich off our wars in Iraq and Afghanistan,” says Sen. Tom Coburn, R-Okla.

The M4, which can fire at a rate of 700 to 950 bullets a minute, is a shorter and lighter version of the company’s M16 rifle first used 40 years ago during the Vietnam War. It normally carries a 30-round magazine. At about \$1,500 apiece, the M4 is overpriced, according to Coburn. It jams too often in sandy environments like Iraq, he adds, and requires far more maintenance than more durable carbines.

“And if you tend to have the problem at the wrong time, you’re putting your life on the line,” says Coburn, who began examining the M4’s performance last year after receiving complaints from soldiers. “The fact is, the American GI today doesn’t have the best weapon. And they ought to.”

U.S. military officials don’t agree. They call the M4 an excellent carbine. When the time comes to replace the M4, they want a combat rifle that is leaps and bounds beyond what’s currently available.

“There’s not a weapon out there that’s significantly better than the M4,” says Col. Robert Radcliffe, director of combat developments at the Army Infantry Center in Fort Benning, Ga. “To replace it with something that has essentially the same capabilities as we have today doesn’t make good sense.”

Colt’s exclusive production agreement ends in June 2009. At that point, the Army, in its role as the military’s principal buyer of firearms, may have other gunmakers compete along with Colt for continued M4 production. Or, it might begin looking for a totally new weapon.

“We haven’t made up our mind yet,” Radcliffe says.

William Keys, Colt’s chief executive officer, says the M4 gets impressive reviews from the battlefield. And he worries that bashing the carbine will undermine the confidence the troops have in it.

“The guy killing the enemy with this gun loves it,” says Keys, a former Marine Corps general who was awarded the Navy Cross for battlefield valor in Vietnam. “I’m not going to stand here and disparage the senator, but I think he’s wrong.”

In 2006, a non-profit research group surveyed 2,600 sol-

diers who had served in Iraq and Afghanistan and found 89 percent were satisfied with the M4. While Colt and the Army have trumpeted that finding, detractors say the survey also revealed that 19 percent of these soldiers had their weapon jam during a firefight.

And the relationship between the Army and Colt has been frosty at times. Concerned over the steadily rising cost of the M4, the Army forced Colt to lower its prices two years ago by threatening to buy rifles from another supplier. Prior to the warning, Colt “had not demonstrated any incentive to consider a price reduction,” then-Maj. Gen. Jeffrey Sorenson, an Army acquisition official, wrote in a November 2006 report.

Coburn is the M4’s harshest and most vocal critic. But his concern is shared by others, who point to the “SCAR,” made by Belgian armorer FN Herstal, and the HK416, produced by Germany’s Heckler & Koch, as possible contenders. Both weapons cost about the same as the M4, their manufacturers say.

The SCAR is being purchased by U.S. special operations forces, who have their own acquisition budget and the latitude to buy gear the other military branches can’t.

Or won’t.

“All I know is, we’re not having the competition, and the technology that is out there is not in the hands of our troops,” says Jack Keane, a former Army general who pushed unsuccessfully for an M4 replacement before retiring four years ago.

The dispute over the M4 has been overshadowed by larger but not necessarily more important concerns. When the public’s attention is focused on the annual defense budget, it tends to be captured by bigger-ticket items, like the Air Force’s F-22 Raptors that cost \$160 million each.

The Raptor, a radar-evading jet fighter, has never been used in Iraq and Afghanistan. For the troops who patrol Baghdad’s still-dangerous neighborhoods or track insurgents along the Afghanistan-Pakistan border, there’s no piece of gear more critical than the rifles on their shoulders. They go everywhere with them, even to the bathroom and the chow hall.

Yet the military has a poor track record for getting high-quality firearms to warfighters. Since the Revolutionary War, mountains of red tape, oversize egos and never-ending arguments over bullet size and gunpowder have delayed or doomed promising efforts.

The M16, designed by the visionary gunsmith Eugene Stoner, had such a rough entry into military service in the mid-1960s that a congressional oversight committee assailed the Army for behavior that bordered on criminal negligence.

Stoner’s lighter, more accurate rifle was competing against a heavier, more powerful gun the Army had heavily invested in. To accept the M16 would be to acknowledge a huge mistake, and ordnance officials did as much as they could to keep from buying the new automatic weapon. They continually fooled with Stoner’s design.

“The Army, if anything, was trying to sideline and sabotage it,” said Richard Colton, a historian with the Springfield Armory Museum in Massachusetts.

Despite the hurdles, the M16 would become the military’s main battlefield rifle. And Colt, a company founded nearly 170 years ago by Hartford native Samuel Colt, was the primary manufacturer. Hundreds of thousands of M16s have been produced over the years for the U.S. military and foreign customers. Along with Colt, FNMI, an FN Herstal subsidiary in South Carolina, has also produced M16s.

Development of the carbine was driven by a need for a condensed weapon that could be used in tight spaces but still had plenty of punch. Colt’s answer was the 7 1/2-pound M4. The design allowed the company to leverage the tooling used for the M16.

In 1994, Colt was awarded a no-bid contract to make the weapons. Since then, it has sold more than 400,000 to the U.S. military.

Along the way, Colt’s hold has been threatened but not broken.

In 1996, a Navy office improperly released Colt’s M4 blueprints, giving nearly two dozen contractors a look at the carbine’s inner workings. Colt was ready to sue the U.S. government for the breach. The company wanted between \$50 million and \$70 million in damages.

Cooler heads prevailed. The Defense Department didn’t want to lose its only source for the M4, and Colt didn’t want to stop selling to its best customer.

The result was an agreement that made Colt the sole player in the U.S. military carbine market. FNMI challenged the deal in federal court but lost.

And since the Sept. 11 attacks, sales have skyrocketed.

The Army, the carbine’s heaviest user, is outfitting all its front-line combat units with M4s. The Air Force, Navy, Marine Corps and special operations forces also carry M4s. So do U.S. law enforcement agencies and militaries in many NATO countries.

More than \$300 million has been spent on 221,000 of the carbines over the past two years alone. And the Defense Department is asking Congress to provide another \$230 million for 136,000 more.

Keane, the retired Army general, knows how difficult it is to develop and deliver a brand-new rifle to the troops. As vice chief of staff, the Army’s second highest-ranking officer, Keane pushed for the acquisition of a carbine called the XM8.

The futuristic-looking rifle was designed by Heckler & Koch. According to Keane, the XM8 represented the gains made in firearms technology over the past 40 years.

The XM8 would cost less and operate far longer without being lubricated or cleaned than the M4 could, Heckler & Koch promised. The project became bogged down by bureaucracy, however. In 2005, after \$33 million had been invested, the XM8 was shelved. A subsequent audit by the Pentagon inspector general concluded the program didn’t follow the military’s strict acquisition rules.

Keane blames a bloated and risk-averse bureaucracy for the XM8’s demise.

“This is all about people not wanting to move out and do something different,” Keane says. “Why are they afraid of the competition?”

As Colt pumps out 800 new M4s every day to meet U.S. and overseas demand, the company is remodeling its aging 270,000-square-foot facility in a hardscrabble section of Connecticut’s capital city. New tooling and metal cutting machines have been installed as part of a \$10 million plant improvement.

Many of the old ways remain, however. Brick-lined pit furnaces dating back to the 1960s are still used to temper steel rifle barrels.

“Modernizing the plant while trying to maintain quality and meet deliveries has been a challenge,” says James Battaglini, Colt’s chief operating officer.

Within military circles there are M4 defectors. U.S. Special Operations Command in Tampa, Fla., was one of the carbine’s first customers. But the elite commando units using the M4 soured on it; the rifle had to be cleaned too often and couldn’t hold up under the heavy use by Army Green Berets and Navy SEALs.

When the M16 was condensed into an M4, the barrel and other key parts had to be shortened. That changed the way the gun operated and not for the better, concluded an internal report written seven years ago by special operations officials but never published. Dangerous problems ranged from broken bolt assemblies, loose and ruptured barrels, and cartridges stuck in the firing chamber.

“Jamming can and will occur for a variety of reasons,” the report said. “Several types of jams, however, are ‘catastrophic’ jams; because one of our operators could die in a firefight while trying to clear them.”

Pointing to the report’s unpublished status, Colt has disputed its findings. The M4 has been continually improved over the years, says Keys, the company’s chief executive. The M4 may not meet the exacting standards of U.S. commando forces, he adds, but it fills the requirements spelled out by the regular Army.

Special Operations Command is replacing the M4s and several other rifles in its arsenal with FN Herstal’s SCAR, which comes in two models: one shoots the same 5.56 mm round as the M4; the other a larger 7.62 mm bullet and costs several hundred dollars more. Both SCARs can accommodate different-size barrels allowing the weapons to be fired at multiple ranges.

The SCARs are more accurate, more reliable and expected to last far longer than their predecessors, said Navy Lt. Cmdr. Marc Boyd, a command spokesman.

“SOCOM likes to be different,” says Keys of Colt, using the acronym for the command. “They wanted something unique.”

With the SCAR not yet in full-scale production, Heckler & Koch’s HK416 is being used by elite units like Delta Force, the secretive anti-terrorism unit. The command would not comment on the HK416 other than to say there are “a small number” of the carbines in its inventory.

A key difference between the Colt carbine and the competitors is the way the rounds are fed through the rifle at lightning speed.

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Pope tells U.S. to use freedoms wisely

BY VICTOR L. SIMPSON
Associated Press Writer

NEW YORK Pope Benedict XVI celebrated Mass and American Catholicism in storied Yankee Stadium on Sunday, telling his massive U.S. flock to use its freedoms wisely as he closed out his first papal trip to the United States.

Benedict beamed before a joyous crowd of 57,000, hours after making a solemn stop to pray at the site of the Sept. 11, 2001, terrorist attacks on the World Trade Center.

He called the Mass "a summons to move forward with firm resolve to use wisely the blessings of freedom, in order to build a future of hope for coming generations."

And he repeated a core message of his six-day pilgrimage — that faith must play a role in public life, citing the need to oppose abortion.

The unwavering truth of the Roman Catholic message, he said, guarantees respect for the dignity of all "including the most defenseless of all human beings, the unborn child in the mother's womb." The crowd applauded the line.

Worshippers filled the seats, chanting, clapping and waving white and yellow handkerchiefs in the Vatican's colors as the white popemobile pulled in. At the end of the service the German-born Benedict again processed out slowly, serenaded by the strains of Beethoven's "Ode to Joy."

Outside the stadium, two dump trucks filled with sand blockaded 161st Street before Mass, an extra level of security along with the heavy police presence. Pilgrims without tickets pushed up against metal

police barricades, hoping to get a glimpse of the arriving pope.

Inside, ad-splashed outfield walls were draped in white with purple and yellow bunting. A white altar perched over second base, and the papal seal covered the pitcher's mound, suspended by white and yellow ribbons.

"I have never seen Yankee Stadium so beautiful, and I have season's tickets," said Philip Giordano, 49, a tax attorney from Greenwich, Conn., who won seats in the loge section behind home plate through a parish lottery. "It sure beats sitting in my local church."

Added his wife, Suzanne: "I'm hoping to feel something from (Benedict). Everyone who has seen him says they crumple, their knees buckle. You come away just feeling different."

The New Orleans crooner Harry Connick Jr., on the pre-Mass concert program, remarked that he is often asked if he's a practicing Catholic.

"Practicing?" he said. "I'm playing for the pope today."

Benedict seemed to enjoy his long journey to the altar in the popemobile, waving to people in the stands. From the altar, he stood to acknowledge the crowd's roar when New York Cardinal Edward Egan welcomed him.

He praised the U.S. church, which has 65 million members, in his homily, saying that "in this land of freedom and opportunity, the church has united a widely diverse flock" and contributed greatly to American society.

Earlier, on a chilly, gray morning, the pope blessed the site of the terror attacks and

pleaded with God to bring "peace to our violent world."

The visit by Benedict to ground zero was a poignant moment in a trip marked by unexpectedly festive crowds such as the one at Sunday's Mass.

Benedict was driven in the popemobile part-way down a ramp now used mostly by construction trucks to a spot by the north tower's footprint. He walked the final steps, knelt in silent prayer, then rose to light a memorial candle.

Addressing a group that included survivors, clergy and public officials, he acknowledged the many faiths of the victims at the "scene of incredible violence and pain."

The pope also prayed for "those who suffered death, injury and loss" in the attacks at the Pentagon and in the crash of United Airlines Flight 93 in Shanksville, Pa. More than 2,900 people were killed in the four crashes of the airliners hijacked by al-Qaida.

"God of peace, bring your peace to our violent world," the pope prayed. "Turn to your way of love those whose hearts and minds are consumed with hatred."

Benedict invited 24 people with ties to ground zero to join him: survivors, relatives of victims and four rescue workers. He greeted each member of the group individually as a string quartet played in the background. In his prayer, he also remembered those who, "because of their presence here that day, suffer from injuries and illness."

New York deputy fire chief James Riches, father of a fallen Sept. 11 firefighter, said the pope's visit gave him consolation.

"We said 'Where was God?' on 9/11, but he's come back here today and they've restored our faith," Riches said.

The site where the World Trade Center was destroyed is normally filled with hundreds of workers building a 102-story skyscraper, a memorial and transit hub. It bears little resemblance to the debris-filled pit where crews toiled to remove twisted steel and victims' remains.

The remains of more than 1,100 people have never been identified.

Back at Yankee Stadium, some worshippers filed out of the service slowly, trying to soak up the atmosphere as long as they could.

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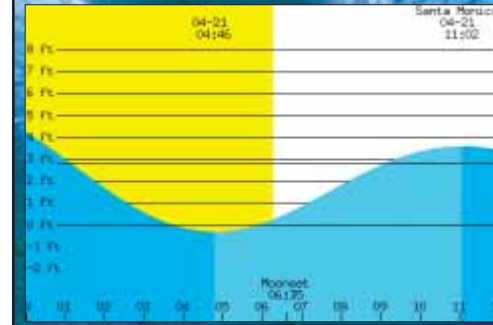
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Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth	A+	10
El Pasadero State Beach, between Laguna and Los Alamos creeks	A+	10
Escondido Canyon at El Morado State Beach	A+	10
Grand Beach at Tule Creek mouth	A	10
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth	A+	10
Malibu Beach, just south of Malibu Pier (beach only)	A+	10
Pasadena Cove Pier at Pasadena Canyon Creek mouth	F	10
Escondido Beach, just east of Escondido State Beach	F	10
Lodge Canyon Creek mouth	D	10
Stateline Canyon at San Mateo County Beach	B	10
Puerto Santa Beach at creek mouth	A	10
Malibu Beach, just south of Malibu Pier (beach only)	F	10
Shoreline Beach at Malibu Canyon beach	A+	10
Shoreline Beach (beach only) - daily	F	10
Malibu Pier - 10 yards west	A+	10
Cabrero Beach at Serrano Canyon	B	10
Los Peñas State Beach at Los Peñas Creek (beach only)	C	10
Big Rock Beach at 13640 PCB street	A	10
Pine Creek at Los Peñas County Beach	A+	10
Tuna Canyon	A	10
Troy Beach State Beach at creek mouth	C	10
Candlestick State Beach at Candlestick Beach	F	10
Santa Ynez State Beach at Santa Ynez Beach	F	10
Malibu Beach State Beach at 17200 PCB (1/4 mile west of Sunset beach)	A+	10

LEGEND

DICY — each location is graded on an A—F scale based on bacterial pollution levels present in the surf zone

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NBA Gasol powers Lakers past shaky Nuggets

BY JOHN NADEL
AP Sports Writer

LOS ANGELES Pau Gasol finally discovered how it feels to be on the winning side in a postseason game. The 7-foot Spaniard had a whole lot to do with his first victory.

Gasol established playoff highs with 36 points and eight assists and had 16 rebounds as well Sunday as the Los Angeles Lakers took command early in the third quarter and beat the Denver Nuggets 128-114.

Gasol, a 27-year-old forward/center acquired from Memphis on Feb. 1 after spending 6 1/2 seasons with the Grizzlies, was 0-12 in three previous postseasons.

Kobe Bryant scored 18 of his 32 points in the final 8 minutes to keep Los Angeles safely ahead. Lamar Odom had 17 points, 14 rebounds and six assists and Luke Walton added 16 points for the Lakers, who entered having won eight of their last nine regular-season games to earn the No. 1 seed in the Western Conference.

Game 2 will be played Wednesday night at Staples Center before the best-of-seven series shifts to Denver for the third and fourth games.

Carmelo Anthony had 30 points and 12 rebounds for the eighth-seeded Nuggets. Allen Iverson also had 30 points before picking up two technical fouls with 2:10 remaining, calling for immediate ejection. Linas Kleiza scored a career playoff high 23 points and J.R. Smith added 15 before fouling out with 3:14 left.

The Nuggets should have it known wasn't going to be their day when several players were stranded on the Santa Monica Freeway for about a half-hour when the team bus broke down on the way to the game.

The bus left the team's hotel about 2 1/2 hours before tipoff as scheduled, but experienced problems about 15 minutes into the

trip, spokesman Eric Sebastian said.

"There was a pop, black smoke, there was another pop, more black smoke," Sebastian said. "We rushed off the bus. We were standing on the side of the road."

The Nuggets' second bus, which left the team hotel about 30 minutes after the first one, stopped to pick up their teammates. The entire team made the rest of the trip to the arena, arriving about 90 minutes before game-time.

Denver had a 50-32 regular-season record, its best in 20 years. The Nuggets haven't won a playoff series since 1994, when as the eighth-seed, they upset the top-seeded Seattle SuperSonics, coached by current Denver coach George Karl.

The Lakers led 97-78 entering the fourth quarter, but an 11-2 run by Denver made it 101-91 with 8:17 remaining. The Nuggets drew within nine twice down the stretch, but Bryant wouldn't allow them to get any closer.

Gasol had eight points and Bryant added five during a 15-4 spurt to start the third quarter, giving the Lakers a 73-60 lead. Gasol added six more points during a 14-5 run to finish the period.

Denver isn't known for its defense, finishing next-to-last in points allowed during the regular season, and it showed as the Lakers shot 10-of-16 to begin the game for a 21-11 lead.

It was 26-16 when the Lakers suddenly cooled off and Nuggets got hot. The result was a 25-7 run that put Denver on top 41-33. Kleiza and Smith combined to score Denver's first 20 points of the second quarter, getting 10 each. Then, with Gasol and Walton leading the way, the Lakers outscored the Nuggets 18-9 to finish the period for a 58-56 halftime lead.

Many in the partisan crowd chanted: "DUI! DUI!" late in the opening period as Anthony shot two free throws—a reference to his arrest last week.

MLB Phillies put MVP Rollins on 15-day DL

BY DAN GELSTON
AP Sports Writer

PHILADELPHIA Jimmy Rollins the MVP has two more capital letters next to his name: DL.

Rollins was placed on the 15-day disabled list Sunday for the first time in his eight-year career because of a sprained left ankle, nearly two weeks after last year's NL MVP was hurt running the bases against the Mets.

"It has gotten a lot better, but it isn't getting better from this point," Rollins said before the Phillies played New York.

Rollins hurt the ankle on April 8 against the Mets, but seemed to believe another day's rest was all he needed to return to the lineup. Instead, their switch-hitting shortstop made no starts and had only four pinch-hit appearances since he was injured. He grounded out against Duaner Sanchez on Saturday and that worsened the ankle.

"In retrospect, of course it was a mistake" to not immediately put him on the DL, Phillies assistant general manager Ruben Amaro Jr. said. "But you can only go on how the guy feels."

Rollins is batting .308 with two doubles, two home runs, six RBIs and two stolen bases.

Rollins played in all 162 regular-season

games last season, leading Philadelphia to the NL East title and its first playoff berth since 1993. He batted .296 with 30 homers, 94 RBIs, 20 triples, 41 stolen bases and an NL-high 139 runs.

"I kept thinking he might be able to play," Phillies manager Charlie Manuel said. "He kept having pain, especially when he'd go to his left."

The 29-year-old Rollins said he had no regrets about his attempts to keep playing. But he realized his uncertain status was putting Manuel in a tough position to manage a roster with possibly one less available bench player.

"Not being able to go out there and be useful was the ultimate decision," Rollins said. "I put my pride aside and decided that was the best thing to do."

The Phillies are 4-6 without Rollins. He will go to Florida this week for rehab.

Eric Bruntlett started his 11th straight game at shortstop and entered Sunday batting .179 with one home run and RBI. He's the first Phillies shortstop besides Rollins to start 10 straight games since Tomas Perez did it in 2000.

The Phillies also placed outfielder Chris Snelling (left knee inflammation) on the disabled list.

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TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ Others present interesting options. The caliber of your thinking emerges when dealing with ideas. Say no to wild, ungrounded risks but yes to dynamic, interesting ideas. Tonight: Go with a suggestion.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★ Focus on completion, especially if you are overwhelmed. A fiery style might not be appropriate right now. Don your intellectual, insightful hat. Think in terms of getting one job done at a time. If you are tired, refresh by taking a walk. Tonight: Relax; get some extra sleep.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★★ Your imagination provides a path to make even a difficult situation within the realm of possibility. Others might be touchy because they are tired or feel restricted. Tonight: Add that extra zip.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ You do have a choice, though you might feel boxed in. An investment seems to drain you. Check out real estate or any matter involving your domestic life with care. The unexpected occurs. Work with a surprise and embrace it as an ally. Tonight: Happy at home.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★ Your serious demeanor might impact others more than you want it to or realize. Visualize more and create a deeper bond through understanding. Tonight: Return calls before making a decision.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★ Though you might be feeling down, others would be hard-pressed to recognize it. Focus on a changing financial situation. You might want more from a work-related matter. Ask for feedback. Tonight: Your treat.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ Your personality comes forward. Help others get past self-imposed restrictions. How you see a personal matter could be very different from how others do. Tonight: Zoom in on what you want.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★★ Take your time if you have the slightest question or have a nagging thought about a project or situation. A partner could push you harder than you want. Gain new information. Investigate and integrate everything that comes by you. Tonight: Vanish and take some personal time.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★★ Others could challenge you without meaning to cause a reaction. Use their position and thoughts to test your own concepts. Keep your eye on the big picture. Tonight: Be where the crowds are.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Take a stand. It might be your responsibility to put in your two cents. Often, you might surprise even you with the energy and ability you add to a situation. Tonight: Up late.

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★★★★★ Use the element of surprise to move a situation forward. Investigate new ideas. A child or loved one might be more reactive than you would like. Tonight: Read past the words.

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By Justin Borus and Andrew Feinstein

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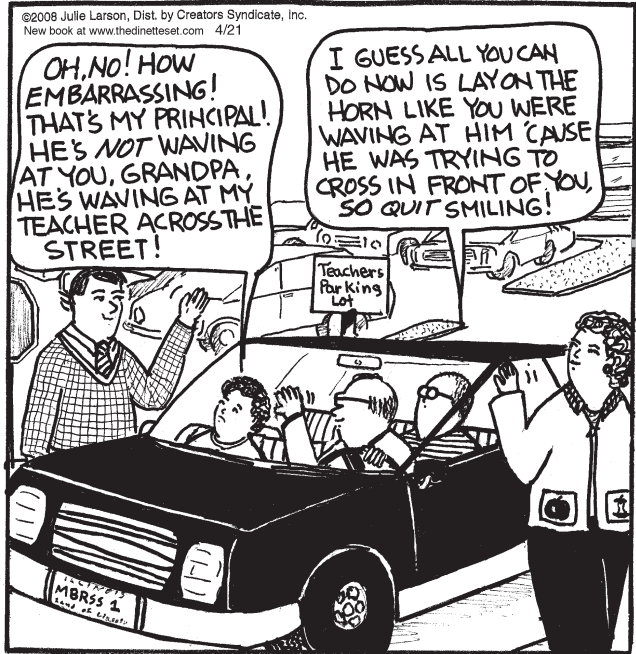
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ACROSS

- 1 Harvests
- 6 April, for one
- 11 Archery item
- 12 Boise's state
- 13 Bangor's state
- 14 Flower part
- 15 Longings
- 17 Finish
- 18 Like some return envelopes
- 22 Singer Fitzgerald
- 23 Waste an opportunity
- 27 Once more
- 29 Steer clear of
- 30 Dark-haired martens
- 32 At any time
- 33 Elite police group
- 35 Guide-book feature
- 38 Entreaty
- 39 San Antonio landmark
- 41 Helped
- 45 Cut off
- 46 Black-board material
- 47 Fragrance
- 48 School paper

DOWN

- 1 Ewe's mate
- 2 Memorable period
- 3 "En-tourage" agent
- 4 Parts of some hairdos
- 5 Use a broom
- 6 Warship weapon
- 7 Poem type
- 8 Scruff
- 9 Compared with
- 10 Grasp
- 16 Arrest
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Saturday's answer

- 20 Thick cut
- 21 Fits perfectly
- 24 Surfer's place
- 25 Brain-storm
- 26 Service period
- 28 Rhode Island city
- 31 Gal of song
- 34 Make fun of
- 35 Church service
- 36 Baldwin of "30 Rock"
- 37 Make roads
- 40 Fellows
- 42 German article
- 43 Greek vowel
- 44 Susan of "L.A. Law"

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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

This Getaway Plan Works Better in July: James Jett, 33, was arrested in Blount County, Tenn., in February after attempting to evade police by jumping into the Little River and submerging all but his face. However, the high temperature that day was only 36 degrees (F), and by the time he was discovered, he was suffering from hypothermia.

Undignified Deaths: A 39-year-old man who had been cited 32 times for driving without a seat belt (and who finally rigged a fake belt in his car to create the illusion that he was belted in) was killed in a low-impact car crash that would not have been fatal to a belted driver (Okata, New Zealand; coroner's inquest, February). And a 74-year-old man died of hypothermia after sneaking out of a nursing home at 4:30 a.m. to smoke (Winnipeg, Manitoba; January). And a man and a woman were fatally struck by several vehicles on the Trans-Canada Highway after they had continued a fight from their stopped car out to the middle of the road (Chilliwack, British Columbia; February).

TODAY IN HISTORY

1649 The Maryland Toleration Act, which provided for freedom of worship for all Christians, was passed by the Maryland assembly.

1789 John Adams was sworn in as the first vice president of the United States.

1816 Charlotte Bronte, author of "Jane Eyre," was born in Thornton, England.

1836 An army of Texans led by Sam Houston defeated the Mexicans at San Jacinto, assuring Texas independence.

1910 Author Samuel Langhorne Clemens, better known as Mark Twain, died in Redding, Conn., at age 74.

1940 The quiz show that asked the "\$64 question," "Take It or Leave It," premiered on CBS Radio.

1960 Brazil inaugurated its new capital, Brasilia, transferring the seat of national government from Rio de Janeiro.

1972 Apollo 16 astronauts John Young and Charles Duke explored the surface of the moon.

1975 South Vietnamese President Nguyen Van Thieu resigned after 10 years in office.

1977 The musical play "Annie," based on the "Little Orphan Annie" comic strip, opened on Broadway.

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ROGERS MADARASfor Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner or Attorney: ALAN L. FREEDMAN filed a
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names as follows: GEORGE ROGERS MADARAS
TO GEORGE MADARAZ and GEORGE MADARASZ
TO GEORGE MADARAZ. The court orders that all per-
sons 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: MAY 29, 2008 Time: 8:30AM, Dept. A., Room
104
The address of the court is 1725 Main St., Santa
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ssive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the
petition in the following newspaper of general
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HOUSE, 736 S. SAN PEDRO ST. LOS ANGELES, CA
90014. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : LUIS
F. LAVERDE 736 S. SAN PEDRO ST. LOS ANGELES,
CA 90014 This Business is being conducted by,
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080559644 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CARGO-TRANSPORTATION SOLUTIONS, 20810 TOMLEE AVE. TORRANCE, CA 90503. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : M R D ENTERPRISES CORPORATION 20810 TOMLEE AVE. TORRANCE, CA 90503 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/1/2008. 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 4/7/2008, 4/14/2008, 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080543503 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as FOUNDERS CAPITAL INSURANCE SERVICES; FCIS AI #/ON A0672913, 6739 ODESSA AVENUE, VAN NUYS, CA 91406. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : KIT & DEKER, INC., 6739 ODESSA AVENUE, VAN NUYS, CA 91406. (CALIFORNIA) This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: NAREG KITSINIAN, CO-PRESIDENT This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 3/31/2008. 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 4/7/2008, 4/14/2008, 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080473887 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LITTLE ME COSMETICS, 1316 26TH ST, APT A, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : TRACEY MCCRARY, 1316 26TH ST, APT A, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404 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/: TRACEY MCCRARY This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 3/19/2008. 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 4/7/2008, 4/14/2008, 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080615890 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as GETTY CAPITAL; GETTY; GFI; GCI, 1821 WILSHIRE BLVD, SUITE 640, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403, COUNTY OF LA; AI #/ON 3085122. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : LEAR FINANCIAL, 1821 WILSHIRE BLVD, SUITE 640, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403 (CALIFORNIA) This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: LEAR FINANCIAL This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/9/2008. 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 4/14/2008, 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008, 5/5/2008

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080559212 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as EDWARD HERBST, AUTUMN ASSOCIATES, 10811 WASHINGTON BLVD. #375 CULVER CITY, CA 90232. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : EDWARD HERBST 2165 GUTHRIE DR. LOS ANGELES, CA 90034 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)3/1/1980. /s/: EDWARD HERBST This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/1/2008. 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 4/7/2008, 4/14/2008, 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080576469 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LIMON WHITAKER & MORGAN TAX ADVISORS, 9595 WILSHIRE BLVD. STE. 900 BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : NOREEN CENTENO 9595 WILSHIRE BLVD. STE. 900 BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212 ROBERT L. DANIEL 9595 WILSHIRE BLVD. STE. 900 BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90212 This Business is being conducted by, a general partnership. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: NOREEN CENTENO This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/3/2008. 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 4/7/2008, 4/14/2008, 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080539771 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as M & T AUTO SERVICE, 9022 HEGEL ST. BELLFLOWER, CA 90706. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MICHAEL G. HANNA 9022 HEGEL ST. BELLFLOWER, CA 90706 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/: MICHAEL G. HANNA This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 3/28/2008. 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 4/7/2008, 4/14/2008, 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080559480 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as HAWAIIAN FROZEN CUSTARD INTERNATIONAL; AQUALINE LANDSCAPE & GARDENING SERVICE, 4805 COOLIDGE AVE, CULVER CITY, CA 90230, LA COUNTY. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JEFFREY TERUO ONDO, 4805 COOLIDGE AVE, CULVER CITY, CA 90230 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/: JEFFREY TERUO ONDO This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/1/2008. 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

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080531012 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as WESTSIDE MORTGAGE, INC., WESTSIDE REALTY INVESTMENTS, INC., 225 S. LAKE AVE. # 545 PASADENA, CA 91101. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : EQUITY PROPERTY MANAGEMENT 225 S. LAKE AVE. # 545 PASADENA, CA 91101 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)1/1/2008. /s/: This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 3/27/2008. 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 4/7/2008, 4/14/2008, 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080550045 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as NAILS BOUTIQUE, 6732 BRIGHT AVE. WHITTIER, CA 90601. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : THUY PHUONG TRUONG 3350 GREENDALE AVE. ROSEMEAD, CA 91770 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/: THUY PHUONG TRUONG This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 3/31/2008. 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 4/7/2008, 4/14/2008, 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080549102 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as A & J DIAZ TRUCKING, 6241 E. GAGE AVE. BELL GARDENS, CA 90201. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JORGE A. DIAZ 6241 E. GAGE AVE. BELL GARDENS, CA 90201 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/: JORGE A. DIAZ This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 3/31/2008 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 4/7/2008, 4/14/2008, 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080549303 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as GOLDEN PACIFIC NEPHROLOGY MEDICAL CLINIC, INC., 228 N. GARFIELD AVE. STE. 201 MONTEREY PARK, CA 91754. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : PACIFIC NEPHROLOGY MEDICAL GROUP 960 WINSTON AVE. SAN MARINO, CA 91108 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)6/12/2003. /s/: This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 3/31/2008. 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 4/7/2008, 4/14/2008, 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080559383 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as INSTITUTO DE LIDERES, 424 CLOVERLEAF DR. STE D BALDWIN PARK, CA 90640. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : VISION UNIVERSAL CORP 424 CLOVERLEAF DR. STE D BALDWIN PARK, CA 90640 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/1/2008. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080578037 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as NEW CONCEPT JANITORIAL SERVICE, 1590 E. 48TH ST. LOS ANGELES, CA 90011. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MARIO M. NERI 1590 E. 48TH ST. LOS ANGELES, CA 90011 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/: MARIO M. NERI This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/3/2008. 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 4/7/2008, 4/14/2008, 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080576472 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LIFELINE CREDIT SOLUTION, 2850 SOUTH ST. APT 1 LONG BEACH, CA 90805. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : GREGORY PHILLIPS 2850 SOUTH ST. APT 1 LONG BEACH, CA 90805 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/: GREGORY PHILLIPS This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/3/2008. 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 4/7/2008, 4/14/2008, 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080576245 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as JADE STORE, 9705 GRANDEE AVE. LOS ANGELES, CA 90002. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : ISAUURA MARTINON 6103 CONVERSE AVE. LOS ANGELES,CA 90001 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/: ISAUURA MARTINON This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/3/2008. 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 4/7/2008, 4/14/2008, 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080578655 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as KINDNESS TRANSLATION & IMMIGRATION CONSULTING, 199 W. GARVEY AVE. # 201 MONTEREY PARK, CA 91754. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : LING CHENG 1023 W. DUARTE RD. # 3 ARCADIA, CA 91007 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/: LING CHENG This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/3/2008. 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 4/7/2008, 4/14/2008, 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080539233 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LEMA AUTO SALES, 321 E. ANAHEIM ST. WILMINGTON, CA 90744. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JUAN MADERA 118 W. 231ST ST. CARSON, CA 90745 ARISTIDES LEZMA 2821 DELTA AVE. LONG BEACH, CA 90810 This Business is being conducted by, a general partnership. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein..

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/s/: JUAN MADERA This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 3/28/2008. 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 4/7/2008, 4/14/2008, 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080624385 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ORGANIC EOCOCARE, P.O. BOX 8045 LA VERNE, CA 91750. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : NADIR SIDIQI 552 KIRKWOOD AVE. POMONA, CA 91767 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/: NADIR SIDIQI This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/10/2008. 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 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008, 5/5/2008, 5/12/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 200806245727 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CEBU DIRECT, 12307 BROCK AVE. DOWNEY, CA 90242. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : ADOLFO PALACIO 12307 BROCK AVE. DOWNEY, CA 90242 EMMA RAMAS 12307 BROCK AVE. DOWNEY, CA 90242 This Business is being conducted by, a general partnership. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: ADOLFO PALACIO This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/10/2008. 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 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008, 5/5/2008, 5/12/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080624388 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as EXPRESS 24 HOUR TOWING, 5965 HERRICK AVE. SUN VALLEY, CA 91352. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : KARLEN POGOSYAN 8430 CEDROS AVE. # 336 PANORAMA CITY, CA 91402 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/: KARLEN POGOSYAN This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/10/2008. 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 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008, 5/5/2008, 5/12/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080624211 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as IMPERIAL GROUP CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, 1615 E. 47TH ST. LOS ANGELES, CA 90011. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JUAN C. RAMOS 1615 E. 47TH ST. LOS ANGELES, CA 90011 EMILIO BAEZA 1615 E. 47TH ST. LOS ANGELES, CA 90011 This Business is being conducted by, a general partnership. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: JUAN C. RAMOS This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/10/2008 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 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008, 5/5/2008, 5/12/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080624156 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as METRO CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, 8846 SATURN ST. LOS ANGELES, CA 90035. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : SIRI MARKA S. KHALSA 8846 SATURN ST.

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/: SIRI MARKA S. KHALSA This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/10/2008. 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 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008, 5/5/2008, 5/12/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080624210 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ALL NATION CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, 4110 ASCOT AVE. APT. 2 LOS ANGELES, CA 90011. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JUAN C. RAMOS 1408 E. 62ND ST. LOS ANGELES, CA 90011 LUIS A. RAMOS 4110 ASCOT AVE. APT. 2 LOS ANGELES, CA 90011 This Business is being conducted by, a general partnership. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/10/2008. 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 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008, 5/5/2008, 5/12/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080624157 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as H D CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, 1408 E. 62ND ST. LOS ANGELES, CA 90001. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JUAN C. RAMOS 1408 E. 62ND ST. LOS ANGELES, CA 90001 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/: JUAN C. RAMOS This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/10/2008. 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 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008, 5/5/2008, 5/12/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080622015 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as F&H TRUCKING, 1349 CHEROKEE AVE. #218 LOS ANGELES, CA 90029. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : FAUTINO HERNANDEZ 1349 CHEROKEE AVE. #218 LOS ANGELES, CA 90029 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/: FAUTINO HERNANDEZ This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/10/2008. 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 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008, 5/5/2008, 5/12/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080624359 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as US INTERNATIONAL ECONOMY AND CULTURE PROMOTION COUNCIL, 15426 E. VALLEY BLVD. CITY OF INDUSTRY, CA 91746. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : LIU CONG WEI 2348 MOUNTAIN BROOK DR. HACIENDA HEIGHTS, CA 91745 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/: LIU CONG WEI This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/10/2008. 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 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008, 5/5/2008, 5/12/2008

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080624516 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as C&M TRUCK-ING, 18317 LA NACA ST. LA PUENTE, CA 91744. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : CARLOS CANTARERO 18317 LA NACA ST. LA PUENTE, CA 91744 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/: CARLOS CANTARERO

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080603726 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as QUALITY SMOG & AUTO REPAIR, 9519 ARTESIA BLVD. BELLFLOWER, CA 90706. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JOSE S. ROMERO 17608 LAKEWOOD BLVD. BELLFLOWER, CA 90706 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/: JOSE S. ROMERO

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080651737 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as UNIVERSAL LEATHER & SPECIALTY CLEANERS, 1722 N. PASS AVE. BURBANK, CA 91505. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : GONZALO RAMIREZ 1722 N. PASS AVE. BURBANK, CA 91505 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)1/1/2002. /s/: GONZALO RAMIREZ

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 1/1/2002. 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 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008, 5/5/2008, 5/12/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080676145 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as BARRERA'S DECKING, 4576 TWEEDY BLVD. SOUTH GATE, CA 90280. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : EDGAR J. BARRERA JR. 4576 TWEEDY BLVD. SOUTH GATE, CA 90280 EDGAR J BARRERA SR. 4576 TWEEDY BLVD. SOUTH GATE, CA 90280 This Business is being conducted by, a general partnership. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: EDGAR J. BARRERA JR

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080675780 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MORENO RECORDS, 1335 N. WILMINGTON BLVD. WILMINGTON,CA 90744. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : ADOLFO M. GONZALES 2576 SANTA FE AVE. #1 LONG BEACH,CA 90810 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)4/1/2008. /s/: ADOLFO M. GONZALES

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080671334 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LAI LAI RE-MODELING, 922 S. BENITO AVE. #B ALHAMBRA, CA 91803. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : XIAO LING HAN 922 S. BENITO AVE. #B ALHAMBRA, CA 91803 FENG DONG LAI 922 S. BENITO AVE. #B ALHAMBRA, CA 91803 This Business is being conducted by, husband and wife. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: XIAO LING HAN

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080650623 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as HOLLYWOOD FUTSAL LEAGUE, 3529 PERLITA AVE. LOS ANGELES, CA 90039. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : RUSSELL MILTON 3529 PERLITA AVE. LOS ANGELES, CA 90039 AMIR ROFOUGARAN 12734 STRADELLA RD. BELAIR,CA 90210 This Business is being conducted by, a general partnership. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)4/13/2008. /s/: RUSSELL MILTON

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080650557 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as RESTAURANT RECYCLE, 216 E. FOOTHILL AVE. MONROVIA, CA 91016. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : KELLY JOHNSON 216 E. FOOTHILL AVE. MONROVIA, CA 91016 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/: KELLY JOHNSON

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080652153 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as A AND J TRUCKING, 4433 GUNDRY AVE. LONG BEACH, CA 90807. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : GUADALUPE GUILLEN-DIAZ 4433 GUNDRY AVE. LONG BEACH, CA 90807 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/: GUADALUPE GUILLEN-DIAZ

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080651419 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DOWNEY TRANSMISSION, 9536 E. FIRESTONE BLVD. DOWNEY, CA 90241. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : FRANCISCO PELAEZ 1307W. 132ND ST. COMPTON,CA 90222 ANDRES AZUETA 11731 LUIS AVE. WHITTIER, CA 90605 This Business is being conducted by, a general partnership. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: FRANCISCO PELAEZ

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080662962 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CLUB HUISQUILCO, FEDERACION DE CLUBES JALISCIENSES DE CALIFORNIA, 2171 SANTA FE AVE. LONG BEACH, CA 90810. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : FERNANDO GONZALEZ 2171 SANTA FE AVE. LONG BEACH, CA 90810 GABRIEL CARBAJAL 447 ELLIS ST. LONG BEACH, CA 90805 This Business is being conducted by, a general partnership. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: FERNANDO GONZALEZ

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080632827 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MARCOL INSURANCE SERVICES, 14135 FRANCISQUITO AVE # 201 BALDWIN PARK, CA 91706. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MIRIAM DELGADO 3246 BALDWIN PARK BLVD. BALDWIN PARK, CA 91706 RUBY CABALLERO 9512 GIOVANE ST. S. EL MONTE, CA 91733 LAURA SOLIS 4437 STEWART AVE. BALDWIN PARK, CA 91706 This Business is being conducted by, a general partnership. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)3/15/2008. /s/: MIRIAM DELGADO

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 3/15/2008. 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 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008, 5/5/2008, 5/12/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080613338 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as TOP DEAD CENTER AUTO SPECIALIST,INC., TDC AUTO SPECIALIST, 6304 CLARA ST. BELL GARDENS, CA 90201. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : TOP DEAD CENTER AUTO SPECIALIST,INC 6304 CLARA ST. BELL GARDENS, CA 90201 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/:

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080615984 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CONNOISSEURS ONLY; BAG CONNOISSEURS ONLY; CONS ONLY, 1031 PICO BLVD, SUITE 3, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : KELLI KIRSTEN DAY, 1031 PICO BLVD, SUITE 3, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)4/9/2008. /s/: KELLI K. DAY

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 4/9/2008. 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 4/21/2008, 4/28/2008, 5/5/2008, 5/12/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080463088 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LAW OFFICE OF SHARON NAIM; TEEN DRIVING COURSE . COM, 1620 26TH STREET, SUITE 1000N, SANTA MON-

ICA, CA 90404, AI #/ON 2266683. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : CYBERACTIVE INC., 1620 26TH STREET, SUITE 1000N, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404 (CALIFORNIA) This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)8/15/1999. /s/: CYBERACTIVE INC.

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080659918 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LIFE/STYLE, 2727 MAIN STREET, SANTA MONICA, CA 90405, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : ELIZABETH CERVANTES, 36-450 BANKSIDE DRIVE, CATHEDRAL CITY, CA 92234; ROXANNA CERVANTES, 36-450 BANKSIDE DRIVE, CATHEDRAL CITY, CA 92234 This Business is being conducted by, co-partners. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: ELIZABETH CERVANTES

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080633234 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DISTRICT 8 BOARD SHOP & BOUTIQUE, 4240 ATLANTIC AVE. LONG BEACH, CA 90807. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : FELIX BABAUTA 3242 N. PARK LN. LONG BEACH, CA 90807 JEFF ANE 3036 PETALUMA LONG BEACH, CA 90808 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)5/1/2008. /s/: FELIX BABAUTA

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080624419 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as HOLLYWOOD FAMOUS FLORIST, 7083 HOLLYWOOD BLVD. STE 105 HOLLYWOOD, CA 90028. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MOLLY TATARELLA 3720 LUGO AVE. LYNNWOOD, CA 90262 RICA VANAUS-DALL 7083 HOLLYWOOD BLVD. STE 105 HOLLYWOOD, CA 90028 This Business is being conducted by, a general partnership. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: MOLLY TATARELLA

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080632865 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ON-SITE CABINetry/CARPENTRY, 138 CHEESEBROUGHS LANE LOS ANGELES, CA 90063. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : ALEXANDER SILVA 138 CHEESEBROUGHS LANE LOS ANGELES, CA 90063 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/: ALEXANDER SILVA

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080632765 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MCNL,LLC, 13683 CAMILLA ST. WHITTIER, CA 90601. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MCNL,LLC 13683 CAMILLA ST. WHITTIER, CA 90601 This Business is being conducted by, a limited liability. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/:

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080632764 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as RA-ZODESIGN,LLC, 7231 LYNALAN AVE. WHITTIER, CA 90606. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : RA-ZODESIGN,LLC 7231 LYNALAN AVE. WHITTIER, CA 90606 This Business is being conducted by, a limited liability. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/:

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080642798 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ARMANDO'S LAGUNA DISCOUNT, 505 N. BRANNICK AVE. LOS ANGELES, CA 90062. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JESUS CORNEJO 221 N. DITMAN AVE. LOS ANGELES, CA 90063 JORGE CORNEJO 221 N. DITMAN AVE. LOS ANGELES, CA 90063 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/: JORGE CORNEJO

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080642807 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as FLOWERS WAREHOUSE COMPANY, 13725 AMAR RD. LA PUENTE, CA 91746. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : GERARDO A. SALAZAR 13725 AMAR RD. LA PUENTE, CA 91746 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)11/15/2007. /s/: GERARDO A. SALAZAR

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080632763 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as VELVET HANDS, 17143 VENTURA BLVD. ENCINO, CA 91316. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : GPML,INC. 17143 VENTURA BLVD. ENCINO, CA 91316 This Business is being conducted by, a corporation. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)4/1/2008. /s/:

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Name Changes

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME Case No. SS016623 Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles

Petition of JAYNNE BELA TYLOR for Change of Name

TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:

Petitioner or Attorney: JAYNNE BELLA TYLOR filed a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: JAYNNE BELA TYLOR to JEANNINE STEPHANIE SMITH. 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: MAY 22, 2008 Time: 8:30AM, Dept. A., Room 104
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A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.
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GERALD ROSENBERG, JUDGE OF THE SUPERIOR COURT
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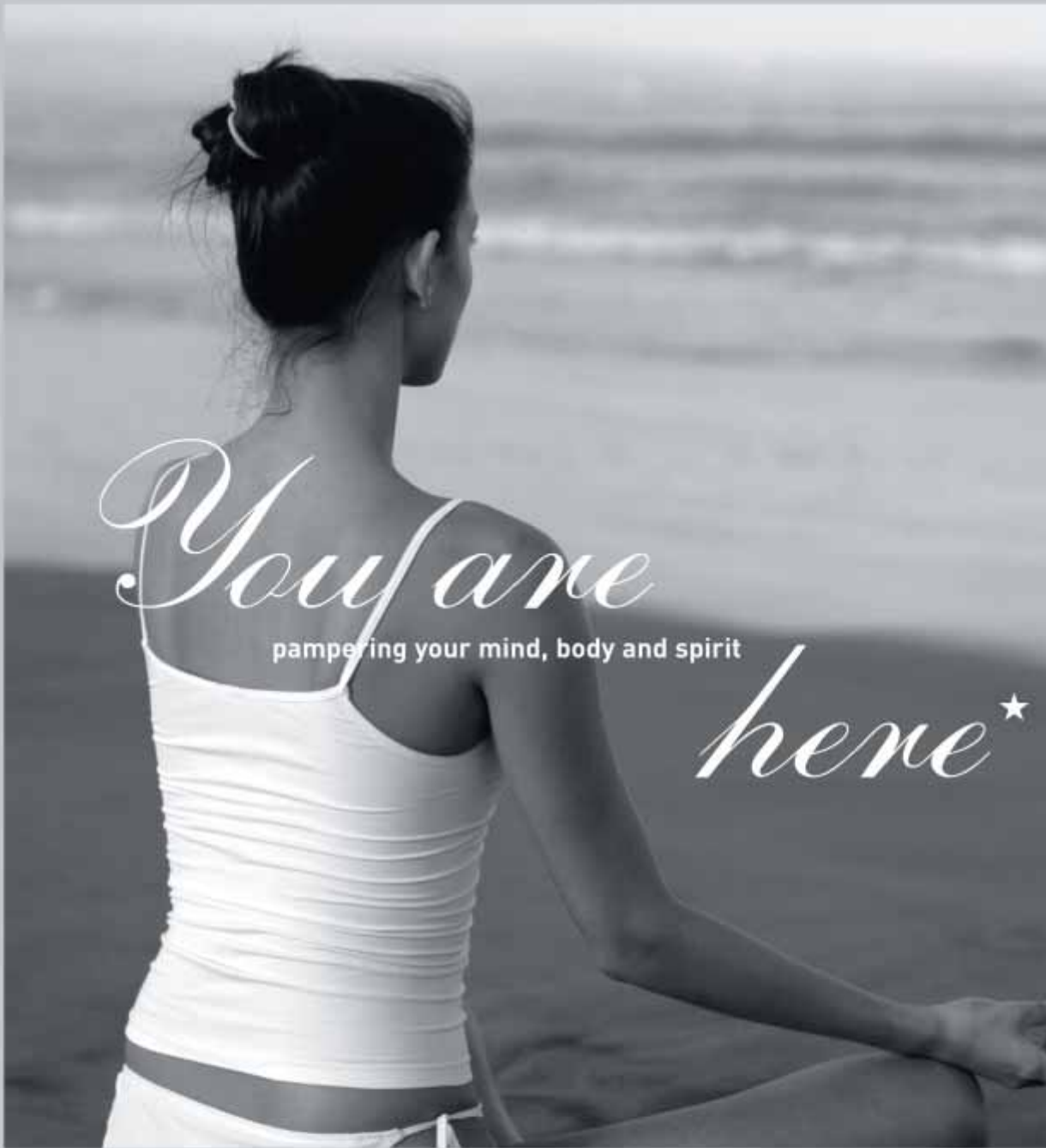
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