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HORTOBAGYI

Hortobagyi set to lead chamber

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

DOWNTOWN Paul Hortobagyi positioned his fingers on the keys of the piano and allowed the melodies of "Military Polonaise" freely flow.

But as his fingers moved to the rhythm of the Frédéric Chopin masterpiece, so did the curtain behind him, unveiling the true source of the music — Allen Robert Gross, the conductor of the Santa Monica Symphony.

"It was a metaphor of how many times we are in the limelight and not the people who do the grunt work," Hortobagyi, the incoming chairman of the Santa Monica Chamber of Commerce, said about his performance at the installation dinner earlier this month. "I wanted to dedicate myself to bringing those people to the limelight."

Recognition of the little-known workers, the ones who polish the banisters, clean the floors and answer the phones — it was the theme of the installation dinner and one that will guide Hortobagyi's term as chairman, which will begin effective July 1.

The Hungarian native comes to the chairmanship role after nearly 30 years in the hospitality industry, serving the past three years as the general manager for the Le Merigot Hotel

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SM gets a little Clarity

Honda dealership to receive hydrogen cars

BY MELODY HANATANI
Daily Press Staff Writer

SANTA MONICA BLVD A city that boasts everything from an eco-minded government to sustainability-loving residents can add another title to its green resume — one of three launching pads for a new car that's powered by hydrogen.

Honda of Santa Monica will be part of a trifecta of American dealerships that will facilitate the leasing of the new Honda FCX Clarity starting next month, the local auto lot chosen for its proximity to a new hydrogen refueling station that will open at the corner of Federal Avenue and Santa Monica Boulevard in West Los Angeles next week.

Approximately 200 cars will be rolled out over the next three years in Japan and in the United States, with the majority of them coming through the three leasing stations in Santa Monica, Irvine and Torrance, according to Chris Martin, spokesman for American Honda Motor Co.

The car will cost \$600 a month on a three-year lease, which includes collision insurance and maintenance.

"What we were looking for was a set up where the customer can use the car near their home and there is a station going in near Santa Monica," Martin said.

The Japanese auto maker has fielded applications from potential customers since the car was unveiled at the L.A. Auto Show

last fall, the clients were filtered down to only include those who live near a refueling station. Approximately 50,000 people applied via the Web, Martin said.

The company announced this week its first set of customers who will be able to lease the Clarity, including Santa Monica resident and film producer Ron Yerxa, who will receive the first delivery next month. Actress Jamie Lee Curtis and filmmaker husband Christopher Guest, car lover Jim Salomon, actress Laura Harris and Jon Spallino will also receive the first batch of cars. Spallino was the world's first retail fuel cell vehicle customer, according to American Honda Motor Co.

Yerxa, Harris and Spallino attended an unveiling event in Japan this week.

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STANDING TALL

A Chikaba dancer spins on stage as people celebrate Juneteenth on Saturday at Virginia Park on Pico Boulevard. This was the 143rd anniversary of the freedom of American slaves. In addition to dancing and music, crafts and food were available, which represented the African culture.

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Free film screening

1704 Montana Ave., 2 p.m. — 4 p.m.

Best actress nominee at this year's Oscars, Julie Christie stars as a long-married woman suffering from Alzheimer's in "Away From Her." Free and open to the public. Popcorn and beverages to be served.

Rolling with the Rotary Club

1250 Capri Dr., Pacific Palisades, Noon — 1:30 p.m.

The Rotary Club of Santa Monica has long enjoyed a reputation as being the hub for Westside men and women dedicated to improving their local and worldwide communities. It is a melting pot for cultural ideas from the diverse ethnic makeup of members. Those interested in attending their regular lunch should contact June M. Doy at (310) 917-3313.

Art on the menu

1701 Ocean Park Blvd., 7 a.m. — 5 p.m.

Check out the work of artist and photographer Brian Asher at the Sunset Grill. The diverse collection of photographs and artwork are inspired by Asher's travels through five continents including adventures in the Amazon, Vietnam, Zimbabwe, Mexico, the Galapagos Islands and China. Over two dozen pieces will hang in the restaurant, for sale by the artist.

Tuesday, June 24, 2008

Catch a free flick

601 Santa Monica Blvd., 6:30 p.m. — 9 p.m.

Free screening of the Oscar-nominated period drama, "Atonement," starring Keira Knightley and James McAvoy. Seating is first come, first served. This event takes place at the Santa Monica Main Library.

Workouts for teens

3026 Nebraska Ave., 3:30 p.m. — 5 p.m.

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Relief in sight from heat wave

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES Californians exhausted by a nearly weeklong heat wave hoped for relief from the triple-digit temperatures that have strained air conditioners and power companies.

Sunday's temperatures in much of the state were 10 to 15 degrees cooler than the day before, the National Weather Service reported.

Thermometers had surged all over the state on Saturday, reaching 95 degrees at San Jose, 105 at San Diego, 107 at Burbank and 107 at San Luis Obispo. Long Beach Airport posted a record high of 100. Santa Monica reached 90.

A fresh round of power failures sent repair crews back into the field Saturday, just as service was restored to most of the 8,000 customers blacked out the day before.

By late Saturday, about 1,500 customers

still lacked power, said Terry Schneider, spokeswoman for the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power.

Saturday's demand for electricity in the Los Angeles area was a record for a weekend day in June, she said.

"As the heat increased, we were having more and more trouble maintaining the level of customer demand," Schneider said.

Wildfires also have erupted in the hot, dry

weather, with the governor's office saying Saturday that lightning had sparked nearly 400 fires in Northern California. Firefighters feared additional blazes because of tinder-dry conditions following the driest spring on record.

At least one death has been linked to the heat, a 77-year-old woman who apparently left her car near the California-Arizona line south of Lake Havasu, Ariz., on Monday in search of her elderly husband.



SOUL OF MAIN STREET

A large crowd braved the heat Sunday during the Eighth Annual Summer SOULstice Festival on Main Street Sunday. The band Cubensis was one of a number of musical acts that entertained the masses during the popular event. The festival is designed to promote Main Street businesses.

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Paparazzo says he was beaten by Malibu surfers

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

MALIBU A paparazzo trying to photograph Matthew McConaughey at the beach told police he was attacked by a mob of surfers who threw his camera in the ocean.

The 29-year-old photojournalist told sheriff's deputies that a large group of surfers near Paradise Cove in Malibu approached him and other paparazzi about 2 p.m. Saturday and demanded the group stop taking pictures and filming.

"There was apparently a fight and the photographer gave a statement that he received injuries," Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department spokesman Steve Whitmore said Sunday. "We are asking that anyone with a copy of the videotape turn it over to investigators."

Whitmore said detectives with the Sheriff's Department's Lost Hills Station were investigating.

A call to McConaughey's publicist was not immediately returned.

The actor was not involved in the attack, authorities said.

The celebrity Web site TMZ.com posted a video Sunday showing about a dozen young men in swimsuits approaching what appears to be a group of paparazzi.

A scuffle breaks out after one of the photographers exchanges insults with the group and at first refuses their orders to leave.

"I'll give you a thousand bucks if you leave right now," one of the young men in swimsuits tells the photographers.

Another shoves a photographer filming the scene and still another says, "We'll draw a line in the beach, and we'll fight for the beach."



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Housing is key

RE: Response to Jon Mann's letter in the Monday, June 16, edition:

Jon Mann misreads much of what I wrote in my Santa Monica Daily Press column on homelessness when he recites the "teach a man to fish" bromide. I did not suggest and do not advocate simply providing homes to the homeless and leaving them to their own devices. Neither is his assertion that Santa Monica can easily afford the costs associated with homelessness particularly relevant; no matter how wealthy Santa Monica may be, pointless expenditures are still pointless expenditures.

A 2006 study on homelessness commissioned by the city made an attempt to identify the major costs of the problem. By far the largest single item of the roughly \$5 million allocated for homeless-related activities from the general fund in fiscal year 2006 was the \$2 million-plus spent by the police department on activities including patrols, ticketing, arrests and jail costs. In total, the city spent nearly \$25 million that year – a bit over \$1 million on agencies providing direct services, plus the \$2 million worth of police and jail time, nearly \$550,000 on homeless-related fire department and paramedic activities, nearly \$350,000 on park maintenance and repairs, nearly \$500,000 of public works maintenance and repair, and so on. The \$20 million in addition to Santa Monica's general fund contribution, which included expenditures on services such as the Samoshel shelter and Section 8 housing, came from county, state and federal budgets. Costs since then can be assumed to have risen.

Santa Monica's homeless are far more likely than the general homeless population in the country to suffer from substance abuse or mental health problems. Of the roughly 2,800 homeless people estimated to live in Santa Monica at the time, only 6 percent were not dealing with one or the other or both of those issues. My suggestion that Santa Monica's behavior toward the homeless might bankrupt the city was a facetious one meant to emphasize my main point, which is that placing homeless people in various forms of transitional or permanent housing not only gets us off the streets, but makes providing other services far easier and, in consequence, less expensive. Any social worker or medical professional will tell you that treating substance abuse and mental health problems is made much more simple when the recipient is in a stable situation and readily accessible than when they're on the street. House substance abusers are exposed to fewer temptations and can be more easily monitored once they enter treatment, and housed people undergoing psychiatric treatments are much less likely to lose their medications to theft or from carelessness, and are much more likely to stay on their medications, than are the homeless.

So whether or not Santa Monica can afford to continue its current, somewhat ineffective approach to the problem, is irrelevant to the question of whether everyone's quality of life, homeless people, respectable Santa Monicans and tourists alike, would be enhanced by getting the homeless off the streets and into situations that make keeping us off the streets and helping us develop or rediscover the skills that enable responsible living much more likely than is at present the case. The answer is clearly "yes." This is not to say that Santa Monica's government isn't making a serious attempt to deal with the problem – they clearly are – or that the "housing first" approach I advocate would eradicate it; just that focusing on housing would increase the effectiveness and lower the cost of the effort.

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Growth could end careers

IT APPEARS WE MAY FINALLY HAVE AN issue that could change the composition of our City Council and the future of Santa Monica.

Based on e-mails I received from neighborhood activists and conversations overheard at numerous community events, people are getting "pissed off." At issue are the Land Use and Circulation Element (LUCE) recommendations. As City Council reviews and praises LUCE, more and more Santa Monicans are saying, "They're not listening, again."

The LUCE draft "strategy framework" being reviewed is the blueprint for growth, land use and transportation here over the next 20 to 30 years. Council is giving staff direction that will help finalize the finished plan that'll be complete a year or more down the line. Few people are happy with LUCE and the council's vision of Santa Monica in 2030.

What seems to be getting everyone's goat is LUCE's call for much more growth — primarily via thousands of new "workforce and affordable housing" rental units on the upper floors of new, multi-story, mixed-use commercial buildings along major boulevards. Nobody I know wants taller buildings and greater density let alone changes to streets that would exacerbate already horrendous traffic. But, our politicians flat out refuse to get the message.

Typical of the kind of fuzzy-think going on are comments made by Councilman Kevin McKeown at last Tuesday's council meeting. He noted that in Amsterdam, bicycles, private vehicles and pedestrians all share the streets and the "sharing" is accomplished by everyone traveling slowly — around 10 to 15 miles per hour.

Surely, McKeown isn't seriously suggesting a 10 MPH speed limit in Santa Monica? Rapid transit wouldn't be very rapid, if that were the case. Amsterdam is one of the densest cities in the world and much different from Santa Monica in virtually every respect, so why use Amsterdam as a model? Because it fits McKeown's and his compatriot's agenda even though it's what most residents don't want.

So, what do Santa Monicans want? Less development, less traffic congestion and less cut-through traffic on residential streets? How about more green space and playgrounds? More convenient parking? Although there's been minimal gang activity lately, most Santa Monicans want a permanent end to violence. How about less homeless on the streets, better schools, more affordable shopping and neighborhood serving businesses and filled potholes? In other words, city resources and city priorities directed to our needs, first.

With all these being "what the people want," what is the city's number one priority according to LUCE? More affordable and workplace housing. When was the last time you heard, "If we don't get more affordable and workforce housing, the city is going to hell in a hand basket?" Right. Never.

Clearly something is out of whack. The

last time I saw this big of a disconnect between City Council and the people was in 1973 when it voted to demolish the Santa Monica Pier and repeatedly voted against rescinding their demolition order.

As luck would have it, a municipal election was around the corner. Three anti-pier councilmen were running for reelection. The story goes that these three, stunned, soon to be "ex-city fathers" were watching election returns and grousing about not realizing how much Santa Monicans loved the pier. With three new members, the new council voted immediately to rescind the demolition order.

City politicians only hear us on subjects they agree with us on — subjects that match their own personal utopian vision of the

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world to be — like shared thoroughfares or streets that are really "exercise tracks" where cars, trucks, busses, bicyclists and pedestrians can co-mingle safely in peace and harmony. Om.

LUCE does recommend preserving the character of single family and multifamily neighborhoods. It also encourages mid-priced hotels and mixed use projects on major streets with four to six floors right next to one and two floor, single family and multifamily homes on "residential" streets.

Despite all the new development, LUCE promises to hold car trips to present levels citywide by getting people to walk, bicycle and clamber on mass transit. Ignoring that alternate transportation won't work for most of us most of the time, wouldn't it be more voter friendly to restrict growth and development to achieve sustainability goals?

The growing anger about LUCE and our deaf City Council couldn't have come at a better time. Three incumbents say they're running for reelection. Mayor Herb Katz, who called LUCE "inspiring," and councilmen Ken Genser and Richard Bloom are big time LUCE supporters.

Development and growth will be the big issues in this fall's election. Are we going to have a repeat of 1973 where non-responsive council persons are shown the door? The right candidates with the right message could win and usher in a new era of common sense and a "residents first" city government. Huzzah!

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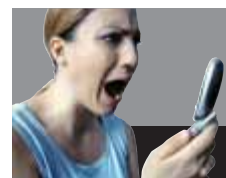


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Robofly is spying on everyone

THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT HAS gone surveillance crazy, and the objects of their surveillance are average people like you and me. They've eavesdropped on our phone calls, opened our letters, read our e-mails and tracked our movements with spy satellites. Now, they seem to be enlisting Mother Nature in their surveillance schemes.

Most recently, there have been sightings of "insectlike drones" — roboflies — hovering over political rallies in New York and Washington, seemingly spying on protesters. As a college senior from New York who was attending an anti-war rally in Washington explained, "I heard someone say, 'Oh my god, look at those.' I look up and I'm like, 'What the hell is that? They looked kind of like dragonflies or little helicopters. But I mean, those are not insects.'" Bernard Crane, a Washington lawyer, also witnessed these strange, machine-like dragonflies. "They were large for dragonflies. I thought, 'Is that mechanical, or is that alive?'"

Or is it some sort of new spy gadget? According to Rick Weiss of the Washington Post, some suspect the insectlike drones are high-tech surveillance tools, perhaps deployed by the Department of Homeland Security. Of course, the government insists that no agency has access to such technology. But this simply is not true.

After all, the government has been involved in this sort of chicanery for some time now. In the 1970s, for example, the CIA began flirting with the idea of using insect-like robots to survey "enemies." After determining that a man-made bumblebee was too erratic in flight, the CIA settled on a robotic dragonfly. This first insect-sized machine was guided by a laser beam while a miniature oscillating engine propelled its wings. But such technology failed when scientists couldn't maintain control over the invention in a gentle wind.

Since then, the technology has evolved dramatically, making it highly probable that the government has now perfected its spy bugs. For instance, "some federally funded teams are even growing live insects with computer chips in them," writes Weiss, "with the goal of mounting spyware on their bodies and controlling their flight muscles remotely."

Getting this project off the ground is a high priority for the U.S. government. In fact, in 1999 the government was bankrolling a study by researchers at the University of California Berkley to the tune of \$2.5 million. The government's challenge was clear: "see robofly airborne by 2004."

The goal has been met, as Department of Defense documents describe nearly 100 different model robots in use today. Indeed, these robots range in size from small birds to small planes, and many have the capacity to snap pictures as they navigate through the air. Similar efforts have led the Defense Advanced Research Projects Agency (DARPA) to insert computer chips into growing moths, "hatching them into healthy 'cyborg moths.'" DARPA is also working on creating cyborg beetles and literal shutter-bugs. And in July of 2007, a team of scientists from Harvard successfully put in flight a "fly-like robot" whose synthetic wings buzzed at 120 beats per second.

These attempts to make the government's spy operations more effective by using devices that blend in with Mother Nature haven't been limited to flying insects. The CIA has also tested a 24-inch-long rubber robotic catfish that is capable of swimming among other fish. Virtually impossible to distinguish from real fish, "Charlie," as it has been named, is a secret work in progress. According to Toni Hiley, curator of the CIA museum, "Charlie's mission is still classified, we can't talk about it."

As Donald Kerr, CIA deputy director for science and technology, has noted, "You look at just the number of things we're doing, a week, a year, it's really quite astounding." In fact, Kerr admits that CIA scientists spend a lot of time on "so-called tagging and tracking" — government-speak for spying.

One thing is clear. Such surveillance technology provides the government with never-before-seen intelligence tools that will not only be used against foreign enemies but, as we have seen, on American citizens as well. And the overused rejoinder that "if you're innocent, you shouldn't care" just doesn't cut it.

The idea that you're innocent until proven guilty is a core principle of the Bill of Rights. But if the government is filming you when you drive, listening to your phone calls, using satellites to track your movements and insect drones to further spy on you, you'd better believe that you're already a suspect.

This is yet another link in the electronic concentration camp being erected around us.

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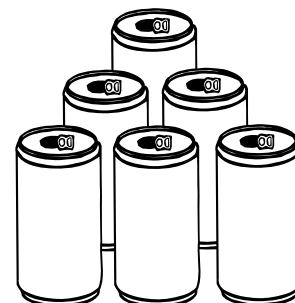
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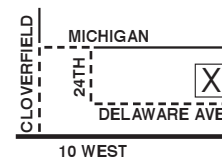
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Flashing lights

The new Pacific Wheel at Pacific Park features 160,000 LED lights that put on quite a show once the sun goes down. While the new Ferris wheel has been widely celebrated as a vast improvement over the old wheel there are some that feel the lighting design is a tad too much.

So this week's Q-Line question asks:

Is the new Ferris wheel too bright or just right?

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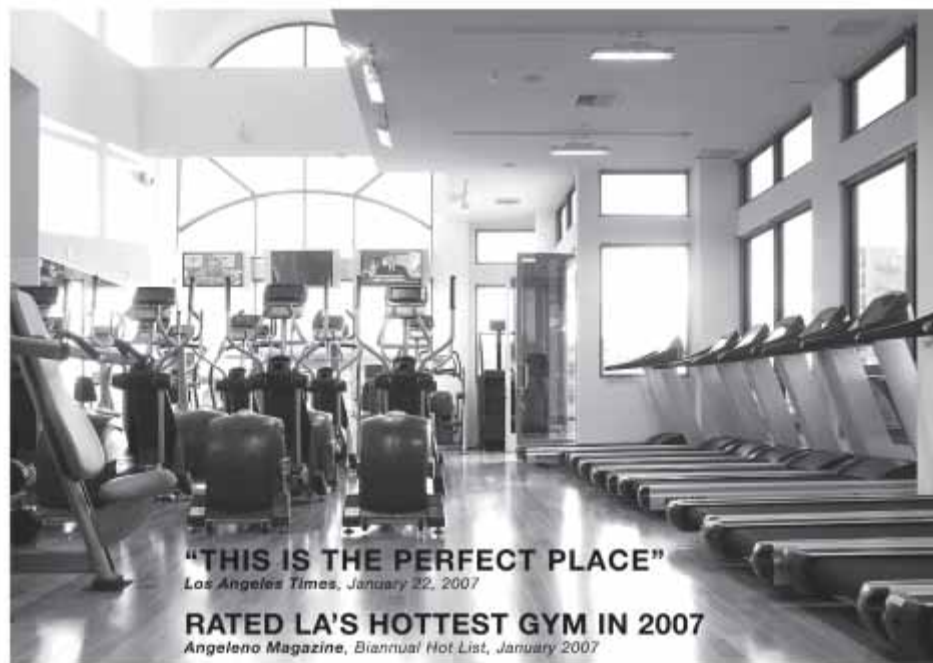
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City trees will be trimmed at the following locations: 30th Street (Pico Boulevard to Ocean Park Boulevard), 31st Street (Pico to Ocean Park), 12th Street (Montana Avenue to Wilshire Boulevard), Sixth Street (Wilshire to Colorado Avenue), Grant Street (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.

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, 2008, through July 3, 2008. Beach users are advised to use the beach bike path or park in Beach Lot 9, just south of Lot 10. 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 by either using Pico Boulevard or East-West streets North of Colorado. This work will start in January 2008 and is scheduled for completion in May 2009.

- Two-way traffic on Colorado Avenue will be maintained.
- Eastbound Colorado Avenue will be reduced to one through lane and one left turn lane between Ocean Avenue and Second Street. There will be a lane reduction for Northbound Ocean Avenue at Moomat Ahiko (just south of Colorado). All travel directions will be maintained.

Second/Fourth Streets Streetscape Improvement Project

Construction crews will be working on both sides of Second Street from Wilshire to Colorado. There may be occasional disruption to some parking spaces and walking detours around sidewalk work. Please follow posted detour signs.

Traffic Signal Upgrade

Traffic signal repairs and upgrades will take place at various times of the day during the week of June 23 at the following locations: Intersection of Ocean Avenue and Pico Boulevard, Intersection of 26th Street and San Vicente Boulevard, Intersection of Lincoln Boulevard and Intersection of Arizona Avenue, Ocean Avenue and Moomat Ahiko. 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.

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

Sidewalk concrete removal and replacement continues on Grant, Pearl, Pine, Pearl, Cedar and Maple streets between 14th and Euclid streets. Parking will be impacted. Please use the yellow temporary parking permits. In addition, sidewalk work will occur on 10th, 11th and Euclid streets between Pico and Ocean Park boulevards. Contractor will also start work on the Civic Center Auditorium parking lot on June 23 through July 21.

Street and Park Lighting Project

Potholing, asphalt patching, and underground electrical conduit installation by boring/drilling on Main Street from Ocean Park Boulevard to Pier Avenue until June 27, 2008. Please follow posted detour signs. One lane may be closed as needed.

Neighborhood Traffic Calming Project

Sidewalk and street improvements project bounded by Exposition Boulevard, Centinela Avenue, Virginia Avenue, and Stewart Street. Lane and sidewalk closures in the immediate construction area with possible intersection closure with detour signage at Exposition Boulevard at 34th Street; Exposition at Warwick Avenue; Warwick Avenue at Delaware Avenue; Yorkshire Avenue at Delaware; Stewart at Exposition; Exposition at Dorchester; Delaware at Dorchester and Virginia at Dorchester.

Texas town reels from horrific abuse in its midst

BY PAUL J. WEBER

Associated Press Writer

MINEOLA, Texas In the windowless front rooms of a former day care center in a tiny Texas community, children as young as 5 were fed powerful painkillers they knew as "silly pills" and forced to perform sex shows for a crowd of adults.

Two people have already been convicted in the case. Now a third person with ties to the club, previously known in town only as a swingers group, is set to go on trial Monday not far from Mineola, population 5,100.

"This really shook this town," said Shirley Chadwick, a longtime resident of Mineola. "This was horrible."

Patrick Kelly, 41, is charged with aggravated sexual assault of a child, tampering with physical evidence and engaging in organized criminal activity.

In all, six adults have been charged in connection with the case, including a parent of the three siblings involved.

Jurors this year deliberated less than five minutes before returning guilty verdicts against the first two defendants, who were accused of grooming the kids for sex shows in "kindergarten" classes and passing off Vicodin as "silly pills" to help the children perform.

Jamie Pittman and Shauntel Mayo were sentenced to life in prison. Kelly also faces a life sentence if convicted, and Smith County prosecutors hope for another swift verdict.

Thad Davidson, Kelly's attorney, said his client passed a lie-detector test proving his

innocence and worries about getting a fair trial in Tyler, 25 miles southeast of Mineola, which is in Wood County.

"I think it's impossible to get a fair trial within 80 miles of Smith County," Davidson said.

Mineola, about 80 miles east of Dallas, is a close-knit, conservative bean-processing town of with more than 30 churches. Residents there want to put the scandal behind them as quickly as possible.

The one-story building where prosecutors say four children — the three siblings, now ages 12, 10 and 7, and their 10-year-old aunt — were trained to perform in front of an audience of 50 to 100 once a week has been vacant since the landlord ousted the alleged organizers in 2004.

Down a slight hill is a retirement home, and even closer is the office of the local newspaper. Doris Newman, editor of The Mineola Monitor, said rumors of swinger parties spread around town but that no one mentioned children being involved.

Newman, who can see the building from her office window, said she remembers the parking lot filling up with more than a dozen cars at night.

In August 2004, an editorial under the headline "Sex In the City" opined that if the swingers left quietly, "we'll try and forget they've infiltrated our town with their set of moral standards."

"It's not that we're trying to look the other way," Newman said. "But there's a lot more to Mineola than that."

According to a Mineola police report, the

department first investigated a complaint in June 2005 in which the siblings' foster mother said one of the girls described dancing toward men and another child saying that "everybody does nasty stuff in there."

In the second trial, Child Protective Services caseworker Kristi Hachtel testified, "I've seen a lot and I never in my wildest dreams imagined this. They were preyed upon in probably one of the most heinous ways possible."

The children are now doing better, the

welfare agency said.

"Through counseling and therapy sessions, these children are now finally feeling secure and safe," agency spokeswoman Shari Pulliam wrote in an e-mail.

Permanent custody of the three siblings was given to John and Margie Cantrell. This week, prosecutors in California charged John Cantrell with sexually assaulting a child in the state 18 years ago. Margie Cantrell said her husband is innocent.

Mayor: No support for claims of pregnancy pact

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

GLOUCESTER, Mass. School staff members and families of students the principal said made a pact to get pregnant and have babies together have no information to back the claim, the mayor of Gloucester said Sunday.

Mayor Carolyn Kirk plans to meet Monday with school, health and other local officials after Gloucester High School Principal Joseph Sullivan was quoted by Time magazine saying the girls made such a pact.

The meeting will discuss the alarming rate of teen pregnancy. Seventeen girls in the high school became pregnant this year — four times the usual number. The girls are all 16 or younger, and nearly all of them sophomores.

Kirk says Sullivan has told officials in this hard-luck New England fishing town that he

can't remember his source of information.

The Associated Press could not immediately locate a home phone number for Sullivan. A message was left Sunday at the principal's office.

City and school officials in this city of about 30,000 about 30 miles north of Boston have been struggling for months to explain and deal with the pregnancies, where on average only four girls a year at the 1,200-student high school become pregnant.

Just last month, two officials at the high school health center resigned to protest the local hospital's refusal to support a proposal to distribute contraceptives to youngsters at the school without parental consent.

The heavily Roman Catholic town, which has a large Italian and Portuguese population, has long been supportive of teen mothers. The high school has a day care center for students and employees.

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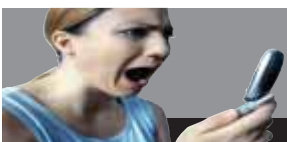
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New chamber president enjoyed years as acrobat

FROM CP PAGE 1

on Ocean Avenue. He recently completed an eight-year stint serving on the Board of Directors for the Santa Monica Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Hortobagyi was contacted last year about fulfilling the chairman duties by the outgoing leader Tom Larmore, one of the principals of law firm Harding Larmore Mullen Jakle Kutcher & Kozal LLP. Then serving as the treasurer for the CVB, Hortobagyi spent several days considering Larmore's offer, wanting to be sure that he would be able to juggle his commitments to both the hotel and the chamber.

"He's well acquainted with the business and economic issues around the city," Larmore said. "His business being the general manager of one of the major hotels is an important position ... and we would like to have someone whose position and whose name are well recognized around the business community."

While Hortobagyi spent nearly three decades in the industry, he didn't immediately jump into hotel work following graduation from a hospitality school in Budapest, instead joining his father as a teeterboard acrobat.

He would spend the next 10 years performing across Europe, from Spain to France to Italy to Germany. Coming from a long line of teeterboard acrobats, Hortobagyi was a household name at the time. Both Hortobagyi's parents performed for the queen of England in 1947.

"I didn't want to continue (hospitality)," said Hortobagyi about his decision to enter acrobatic work.

After performing in Europe for six years, Hortobagyi and his troop uprooted to the United States where they continued their act for another few years, the group ultimately disbanding.

It was then when Hortobagyi decided to close the acrobatic chapter on his life and begin a career in hospitality, landing his first job as the chef at the Villa Nova restaurant in St. Petersburg, Fla. in 1979.

The job would lead to a long career in the industry, moving on to become a regional executive chef, a restaurant general manager and eventually the owner of two restaurants in Orange County — Arnie's Manhattan and

New York City Bistro, both of which are no longer under his control.

The passion in the hospitality field comes from his roots in Budapest where even during communism, tourism was strong, Hortobagyi said, adding that he was greatly influenced by his father, a man who spoke seven languages fluently.

Hortobagyi himself can speak four — English, German, French and Italian.

"Even during Iron Curtain times, we had pretty darn good tourism from the western world," he said.

LEADING THE CHAMBER

The chamber has undergone a number of changes the past few years, including strengthening its relationship with City Hall and turnover in its CEO position — former president Jim Lynch left last year and was replaced by Laurel Rosen.

A long-time member of the chamber, Hortobagyi said among his priorities will be to expand the organization's membership, attracting new businesses by showing how the chamber can be a good ally.

"The chamber can really be an intricate part of their success and one of the greatest networking grounds," he said.

With a long history in hospitality, Hortobagyi added that he wants to paint a realistic picture of the hotel industry, which he believes can be perceived as an entity that does nothing but "take, take, take."

"It's an incredible amount what we donate to various organizations," he said. "We go above and beyond and support whatever we can to make our city better."

Rosen said that Hortobagyi's interaction with hotel and tourism will help the chamber maintain strong ties with the CVB.

"Our hotel partners are very important to us as business members," she said.

She added that Hortobagyi has a good relationship with city officials and will help promote some of the issues that are important to the chamber, including workforce housing.

"He certainly employs a good number of people who come from outside the community," she said. "He can bring that awareness into the work that he does."

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Gas prices rise 10 cents a gallon

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

LOS ANGELES A national survey shows consumers across the nation are paying an average of 10 cents a gallon more for gasoline than they were two weeks ago.

The average price of regular gasoline at self-serve stations was \$4.10 a gallon on Friday. Mid-grade was \$4.22 a gallon and premium went for \$4.33. That's according to

the Lundberg Survey of 7,000 gas stations nationwide, released Sunday.

The survey showed the average U.S. price for gas is \$1.10 higher than it was a year ago.

The cheapest gas was in Tulsa, Okla., where the price for regular was \$3.76 a gallon.

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A child is calling for help.



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CLEAN CAR: The Honda FCX Clarity, a hydrogen fuel cell-powered vehicle, will begin rolling out of select dealerships starting next month, including in Santa Monica. The Japanese car manufacturer plans to lease 200 vehicles over the next three years. Among the initial group of customers is Ron Yerxa, a Santa Monica resident who produced the 2006 hit, 'Little Miss Sunshine.'

Santa Monica producer first to receive new hydrogen vehicle

FROM CARS PAGE 1

"My wife [Annette Ballester] and I have been very interested in reducing our carbon footprint," Yerxa, who produced the 2006 hit "Little Miss Sunshine," said. "It seemed like even a better potential step to get off non-renewable energy altogether."

The Santa Monica dealership has been inundated with calls since Honda first announced the cars, which wasn't surprising given the location, General Manager Sean Ramezani said.

"The fact that Santa Monica is being represented as one of the first three areas participating in this is only befitting of the community," Ramezani said. "The community is always at the forefront of awareness as far as environmental efforts."

The Clarity operates on an electric motor that runs on electricity generated in the fuel cell, its emission being water. The car is three times more fuel efficient than a modern

gasoline-powered vehicle, according to American Honda Motor Co.

"This is totally a revolutionary thing," Ramezani said.

Santa Monicans and other Westside residents who are ultimately selected to lease the car will be able to refuel their Clarities at a new Shell refueling station that will open in West L.A. on June 26. The station will have one dispenser that can accommodate about five to seven cars during a 24-hour period.

The station is one of a handful of Shell locations across the country that have hydrogen refueling, including several in New York and Washington D.C. Several stations are in development in the L.A. area, according to Tim O'Leary, the communications manager for Shell Hydrogen.

"The station will provide fuel to fuel cell vehicles introduced by car manufacturers," O'Leary said.

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Stars, relatives honor special-effects wiz Winston

BY DERRIK J. LANG
AP Entertainment Writer

LOS ANGELES Friends, relatives and show-business colleagues gathered Sunday to remember Oscar-winning special-effects maestro Stan Winston, the man responsible for bringing the dinosaurs of "Jurassic Park" and other iconic movie creatures to life.

Winston died at his home in Malibu surrounded by family June 15 after a seven-year struggle with multiple myeloma. He was 62.

Winston's son Matt recounted his father's last day as being filled with laughter, hugs, kisses, tears and music from the Beatles. At the end of the private memorial service at the Hillside Memorial Park and Mortuary, Matt played the last song Winston heard before he died: the Beatles' "All My Loving."

Colleagues including "Iron Man" director Jon Favreau, Sigourney Weaver, Tom Arnold, Ernie Hudson and Robert Patrick joined Winston's family and friends to reminisce and listen to personal stories from Gov. Arnold Schwarzenegger, Rabbi Judith Halevy, brother Ronny Winston, uncle Mitchell Karlan, son-in-law Erich Litoff, and directors James Cameron and Steven Spielberg.

"What Stan did is that he took our

dreams — he took all of our dreams — and he blended them with his own dreams," Spielberg told mourners in attendance. "He then workshoped those dreams with pencil, clay and later years on the computer. He would basically give life to all of our ideas. He would make them come to life."

In a career spanning four decades, Winston created some of the most memorable visual effects in cinematic history. He helped bring the dinosaurs from "Jurassic Park," the extraterrestrials from "Aliens," the robots from "Terminator" and even "Edward Scissorhands" to the big screen. He was a pioneer in merging real-world effects with computer-generated imagery.

Winston won visual effects Oscars for 1986's "Aliens," 1992's "Terminator 2: Judgment Day" and 1993's "Jurassic Park." He also won a makeup Oscar for 1992's "Batman Returns." He was nominated for his work on "Heartbeeps," "Predator," "Edward Scissorhands," "Batman Returns," "The Lost World: Jurassic Park" and "A.I."

Frequent collaborator Cameron told those gathered he spoke with Winston the day before he died. Cameron said Winston expressed something that he never had before: Winston told his colleague and friend that he loved him.

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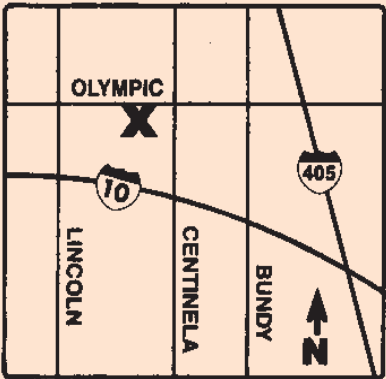
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BIG EATERS: In dealing with carpenter ants, which can do serious damage to anything wooden, avoid pesticides that are toxic to people by looking for those with boric acid as the active ingredient.

These carpenters aren't part of the renovation

Dear EarthTalk:

In renovating a vacation cabin, I discovered carpenter ants working their way through the walls. Is there any way to responsibly get rid of the pests without using noxious chemicals that could potentially harm my family?

Curran Clark

Lummi Island, WA

Carpenter ants may seem small and look harmless, but they can do serious damage to anything wooden in your home, including not only furniture but also the very framing and walls that hold up the house. If you are seeing a lot of ants or small piles of sawdust-like material in random spots in or around your home, you are most likely suffering from a carpenter ant infestation.

Ants are very social beings and form large colonies before spreading out to find additional nest sites. They thrive by hollowing out wood, especially in moist or rotten spots, to build their nests and then use their new home in your walls and chairs as a base camp from which to forage for food and water in their nearby surroundings. Indeed, their very presence is a good indication of moisture or rot problems in the wood, so homeowners may have more work on their hands than simply exterminating carpenter ants.

In the northern latitudes of the continental U.S. and in much of Canada, carpenter ants are the most common insect wood destroyer, surpassing even the mighty termite. But while many commercially available chemical pesticides will rid a structure of carpenter ants, homeowners are increasingly steering away from such toxins proven to impact the human nervous, respiratory and reproductive systems.

Perhaps the most economical and effective way to get rid of carpenter ants is by

applying boric acid (also known as borax) to their nest sites and surroundings. This natural non-toxic element, mined from below the Mojave Desert in southern California, has a long history of use in exterminating brazen populations of cockroaches, palmetto bugs, waterbugs, silverfish, termites, and, you guessed it, carpenter ants.

Al Abruzzese, owner of the website Al's Home Improvement Center, swears by boric acid to get rid of wood-boring pests. "This simple inexpensive, household chemical is deadly to all insects," he says. "It has been shown to attack their nervous systems, as well as being a drying agent to their bodies."

Beyond just being effective as an all-natural insecticide, boric acid is non-toxic to humans. Abruzzese says it is safe enough to use around children—it has been used in ointments and salves for diaper rash on babies in the past—and can be an important part of eyewash solutions as well, albeit in very diluted form (don't try it at home). One common brand name to look for is Nisus Bora-Care, but any pesticide with boric acid or borax listed as an active ingredient will do just fine.

For those not into do-it-yourself pest control, calling in an exterminator that uses all natural products is a good option. Oregon's All Natural Pest Elimination, for instance, services the entire four state region of the Pacific Northwest with products from Natureline—crafted from safe botanical extracts and essential oils, not synthetic chemicals—on all of its extermination jobs. Look in the yellow pages for exterminators in your area, and call each one you are considering to make sure they stay away from noxious chemicals.

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Record high corn prices mean more expensive meat, dairy

BY STEVENSON JACOBS
AP Business Writer

NEW YORK Raging Midwest floodwaters that swallowed crops and sent corn and soybean prices soaring are about to give consumers more grief at the grocery store.

In the latest bout of food inflation, beef, pork, poultry and even eggs, cheese and milk are expected to get more expensive as livestock owners go out of business or are forced to slaughter more cattle, hogs, turkeys and chickens to cope with rocketing costs for corn-based animal feed.

The floods engulfed an estimated 2 million or more acres of corn and soybean fields in Iowa, Indiana, Illinois and other key growing states, sending world grain prices skyward on fears of a substantially smaller corn crop. The government will give a partial idea of how many corn acres were lost before the end of the month, but experts say the trickle-down effect could be more dramatic later this year, affecting everything from Thanksgiving turkeys to Christmas hams.

Rod Brenneman, president and chief executive of Seaboard Foods, a pork supplier in Sawnee Mission, Kan. that produces 4 million hogs a year, said high corn costs were already forcing producers in his industry to cut back on the number of animals they raise.

"There's definitely liquidation of livestock happening," and that will cause meat prices to rise later this year and into 2009, said Brenneman, who is also the vice chairman of the American Meat Institute.

Brenneman's cost for feeding a single hog has shot up \$30 in the past year because of record-high prices for corn and soybeans, the main ingredients in animal feed. Passing that increase on to consumers would tack an extra 15 cents per pound onto a pork chop.

It's a similar story for U.S. beef producers, who now spend a whopping 60-70 percent of their production costs on animal feed and are seeing that number rise daily as corn prices hover near an unprecedented \$8 a bushel, up from about \$4 a year ago.

"This is not sustainable. The cattle industry is going to have to get smaller," said James Herring, president and CEO of Amarillo, Tex.-based Friona Industries, which buys 20 million bushels of corn each year to feed 550,000 cattle.

Corn's prices were already rising before the floods, driven up 80 percent over the past year as developing countries like China and India scramble for grains to feed people and livestock. U.S. production of ethanol, an alternative fuel that can be made with corn, has also pushed prices higher, prompting livestock owners to lobby Washington to roll back ethanol mandates.

Before the floods, corn farmers were enjoying record profits selling the grain to feed animals and for use in cereals and as a sweetener in soda and candy. But a sharply smaller corn crop could wipe out those gains.

In Iowa, the No. 1 U.S. corn grower, floods inundated about 9 percent of corn crops, representing about 1.2 million acres — almost 1.5 percent of the country's antic-

ipated harvest.

In Indiana, another 9 percent of corn and soybean crops were flooded, potentially costing farmers up to \$840 million in lost earnings, Indiana Agriculture Director Andy Miller said.

Floodwaters also tossed farm equipment, sprayed cornfields with debris and silt and sucked away large chunks of topsoil. For livestock owners and meat producers, the damage may be felt long after the corn grows back.

Even before the floods, Tyson Foods was complaining that high grain prices would drive up its costs by \$600 million this year. The world's largest poultry company has already raised its prices over the past year, and expects to keep raising them, CEO Dick Bond told analysts at a conference in May.

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Higher feed prices will eventually filter through to the cost of milk, cheese and yogurt, too, since 65 to 75 percent of a dairy farmers' production costs are for feed, said Chris Galen, a spokesman for the National Milk Producers Federation.

With the cost of animal feed only going higher, many poultry and dairy farmers are starting to look for cheaper alternatives.

Nebraska dairy farmer Dan Rice, who has 1,500 cows, said one alternative is to buy some of the byproducts of cereal or flour production, but they're not nearly as productive compared to corn.

"If we all feed less corn and get less production, then the price at the grocery stores are going to go up," said Rice, who supplies milk to grocery stores in Omaha and around Kansas City.

Without easy ways to cut costs, many livestock producers will have little choice but to slaughter more animals and send them to market.

"We're in survival mode now," said Paul Hill, chairman of West Liberty Foods, a turkey processor based in West Liberty, Iowa. He estimated U.S. turkey producers will reduce their flocks by 10 to 15 percent nationwide, a cutback that will send consumer prices dramatically higher.

"The cost of Thanksgiving and Christmas turkeys will go up this year, and maybe even more next year," said Hill, who is also the chairman of the National Turkey Federation.

If corn were to rise to \$10 a bushel, Richard Lobb, spokesman for the National Chicken Council, said recouping costs through higher retail prices may not be possible.

"Can you possibly charge enough for the chicken to recoup that investment?" he said. "That's a question no one can answer yet because it's never been done."

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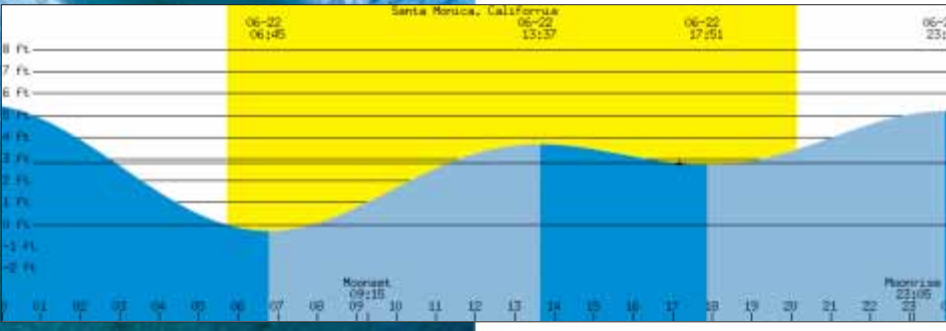


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SWELL FORECAST (4-6 FT)
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Number of wet days — 4

Number of A grades for dry/wet weather — 35 / 2

Number of (C,D,F) grades for dry/wet weather — 10 / 6

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LOCATION	DRY	WET
Leo Carrillo Beach, at Arroyo Seco/Creek mouth	A+	ns
Nicholas Beach at San Nicholas Canyon Creek mouth	A	ns
El Pescadero State Beach, between Lachasa and Las Aliso creeks	A+	ns
Encinal Canyon at El Morador State Beach	A+	ns
Broad Beach at Trancas Creek mouth	A+	ns
Zuma Beach at Zuma Creek mouth	A+	ns
Walnut Creek, projection of Wildlife Rd. (private)	A+	ns
Paradise Cove Pier at Ramirez Canyon Creek mouth	D	ns
Escandido Creek, just east of Escandido State Beach	C	ns
Lariga Canyon Creek mouth	F	ns
Selkirk Beach at Don Blocker County Beach	C	ns
Puerto State Beach at creek mouth	A+	ns
Marie Canyon storm drain at Puerto Beach, at 24572 Malibu Rd.	D	ns
Serfider Beach at Malibu Colony fences	A+	ns
Serfider Beach (beach location)— daily	C	A+
Malibu Pier - 50 yards east	A+	ns
Carbon Beach at Sweetwater Canyon	A+	ns
Las Flores State Beach at Las Flores Creek (point zero)	A+	ns
Big Rock Beach at 18948 PCH stairs	A	ns
Pine Creek at Las Tunas County Beach	A+	ns
Tuna Canyon	A	ns
Topanga State Beach at creek mouth	B	F
Castroville Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	B	F
Santa Ynez Storm Drain at Castle Rock Beach	ns	ns
Will Rogers State Beach at 17260 PCH (1/4 mile east of Sunset drain)	A+	ns

LEGEND

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

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

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NBA

Lakers believe future is bright

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

EL SEGUNDO The healing process has begun for the Los Angeles Lakers.

Despite their loss to the Boston Celtics in the NBA finals, which included a 39-point defeat in the decisive Game 6, the Lakers believe their future is bright.

Lakers coach Phil Jackson and general manager Mitch Kupchak each said Friday afternoon that they believe the team can be a contender for the next five to six years.

“We’re not about looking back at what we did wrong,” Jackson said. “We’re about looking forward and seeing if we can do it again.”

Jackson said his message to his players during season-ending meetings Thursday and Friday was simple and straightforward.

“How can you get better to help this team next year?” he said. “They have to put together a summer that brings them back here and makes them better basketball players.”

The Celtics exposed at least two of the Los Angeles’ shortcomings during the finals: defense and rebounding. The Lakers had difficulty matching up with Boston’s stronger and more aggressive front line, including Kevin Garnett and Kendrick Perkins.

Kupchak believes the answer to the Lakers’ woes will be solved by the return of Andrew Bynum from a partially dislocated left kneecap, which sidelined him for the final three months of the regular season plus the playoffs.

The 20-year-old Bynum was in the midst of a breakout season, averaging 13.1 points, 10.2 rebounds and 2.1 blocked shots, when he was injured Jan. 13.

If Bynum returns to form as anticipated, then he would join with fellow 7-footer Pau Gasol and 6-10 forward Lamar Odom to form one of the biggest front lines in the NBA. Bynum would play center, with Gasol shifting

to power forward from center and Odom moving to small forward from power forward.

It’s also possible that league MVP Kobe Bryant could play small forward, with the playmaking Odom switching to a guard spot alongside Derek Fisher, Kupchak said.

“I think Phil will be challenged to get really creative because it is a team that would be very talented and versatile. I think training camp would be a very important time for him to test out what he’s decided to do over the summer,” Kupchak said.

The Lakers have only a second-round pick (58th overall) in next week’s draft, but they might look to move up if they can make a deal, Kupchak said.

He also said the Lakers plan to re-sign restricted free agents Sasha Vujacic and Ronny Turiaf, but they probably won’t be active in pursuing other team’s free agents when the signing period begins July 1.

“I do believe the future for this team is bright going forward,” Kupchak said. “I would hope that we have the ability to be in the hunt every year in the immediate future.”

LAKERS NOTEBOOK:

Forward Trevor Ariza, acquired in a November trade with Orlando, has exercised his player contract option to remain with the Los Angeles Lakers.

He appeared in 24 games for the Lakers before breaking a bone in his right foot on Jan. 20. He missed the rest of the regular season and 11 playoff games before returning for Game 2 of the Western Conference finals.

Ariza averaged 18 minutes a game in the regular season before being hurt, with averages of 6.5 points, 3.5 rebounds, 1.5 assists and 1.08 steals. After he came back in the postseason, he set career playoff highs with six points and five rebounds in Game 4 of the NBA finals.

MLB

Angels complete sweep in Philly

THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

PHILADELPHIA Jered Weaver picked up where his teammates left off, pitching another road gem for the Los Angeles Angels.

Weaver held Philadelphia in check into the sixth inning, Casey Kotchman homered and the Angels beat the Phillies 3-2 Sunday to complete a three-game sweep.

Weaver (7-7) allowed one run and four hits in 5 1-3 innings for AL West-leading Los Angeles, which has won eight of its last nine road games. The Angels are a major league-best 24-12 on the road this season.

Los Angeles limited the skidding Phillies to five runs in the series.

“We beat a real good team by pitching well,” manager Mike Scioscia said. “The way we pitched in this series was just lights out. We got three in the end.”

Francisco Rodriguez pitched a scoreless ninth for his major league-leading 30th save in 32 opportunities.

Cole Hamels (7-5) gave up three runs and six hits in seven innings for the Phillies, who have lost five straight and seven of nine.

Philadelphia has lost four straight series since it swept the Braves in Atlanta.

“We’re a team of fighters,” Hamels said.

“We’ve been that way for the last two years and it’s something to tap into now when we’re struggling a little bit.”

The Angels pushed across three runs in the second inning. Vladimir Guerrero led off with a single, extending his hitting streak to 13 games. Guerrero moved up on Torii Hunter’s groundout and scored when Gary Matthews Jr. singled to center.

Kotchman followed Matthews with a two-run drive to right to make it 3-0. It was Kotchman’s eighth homer of the season.

“He just highlights the lineup,” Scioscia said. “That ball went a long way. And his pick at first in the ninth inning was big.”

Jayson Werth hit a groundball to third to open the ninth and Kotchman made a nice grab on a low throw by Chone Figgins.

The Phillies cut it to 3-1 in the third. Chase Utley snapped an 0-for-24 skid with a two-out double to right-center and scored on Ryan Howard’s base hit.

Jimmy Rollins stole a pair of bases in the first, giving the reigning NL Most Valuable Player a major league-best 31 consecutive steals, dating to last season. Rollins has 17 stolen bases this season.

Rollins also had an RBI double in the seventh for the Phillies, who have scored only nine runs during their losing streak.

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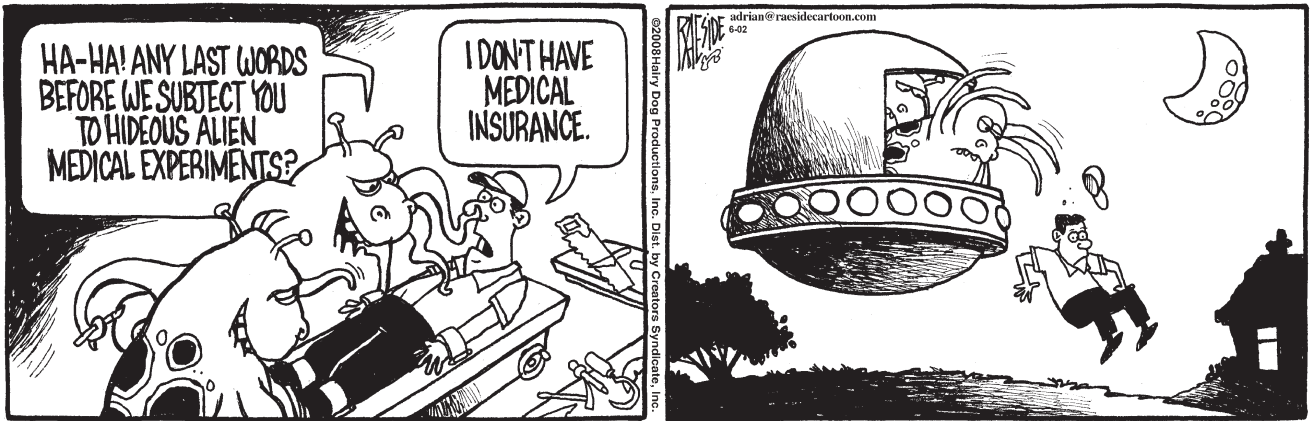
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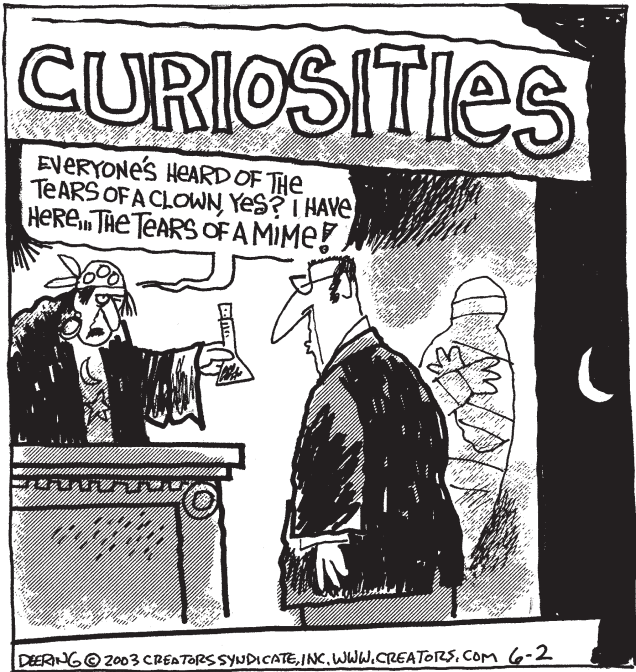


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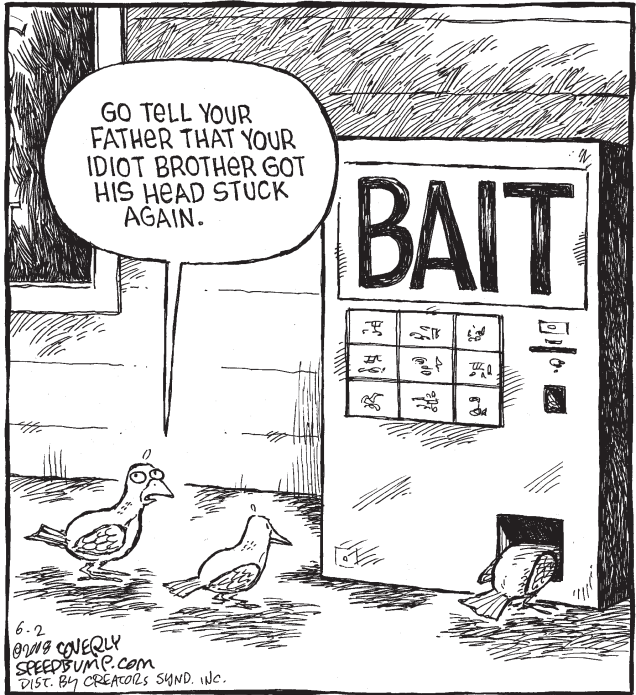
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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

Accidents that leave victims relatively normal but with severely heightened sexual desires have been mentioned several times in News of the Weird, back to a 1978 collision with a Pepsi truck that, according to a jury in Detroit, left a man with a spontaneous, intense desire to become a woman. In 2002, motorcyclist Kunal Lindsay was hit by a car and, after an arduous physical recovery, realized he had become maniacally horny (and, incidentally, unusually interested in cell phones) and that his marriage was near collapse because he constantly pestered his wife for sex, often in "pornographic" terms. London's High Court approved an insurance settlement in March 2007 for the equivalent of about \$2.4 million (with more should Lindsay's condition "deteriorate"). In May, Damion Mosher, 18, of Lake Luzerne, N.Y., became the most recent person to injure himself by needing to find out if putting a bullet into a vise and hitting it with a screwdriver would cause it to fire. (It would; he was slightly wounded.) Two men and a woman were among the recent wave of people trying to cash in on the high price of copper scrap metal when they broke into an abandoned nursing home in Gainesville, Ga., in July. However, they had missed the sign at the entrance announcing that the building had recently been converted into a training facility and kennel for police dogs, and they were quickly sicced on and arrested.

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ALEJANDRO CEJA This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 5/28/2008. 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 6/2/2008, 6/9/2008, 6/16/2008, 6/23/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080936785 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SLAUSON OUTLET, 918 W. 58TH ST. LOS ANGELES, CA 90037. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : DAVID RODRIGUEZ 1427 E 71ST 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/:

DAVID RODRIGUEZ This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 5/28/2008. 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 6/2/2008, 6/9/2008, 6/16/2008, 6/23/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080958658 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as Khashm Organization USA; Iranian Monarchist Movement, 468 N. Camden Dr. Suite 204, Beverly Hills, CA 90232. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : Amir Hakim, 849 S. Shanandoah #102, Los Angeles, CA 90035 This Business is being conducted by, an individual. Signed: Amir Hakim The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)9/13/1995. /s/:

Amir Hakim This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 5/30/2008. 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 6/9/2008, 6/16/08, 6/23/08 6/30/2008.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20081014348 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CLAUDE SHORT AUTO SALES; SANTA MONICA SALES, INC., 28002 PICO BLVD., SANTA MONICA, CA 94005, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES; 1443 PRINCETON ST. #E, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : SANTA MONICA SALES, INC., 1443 PRINCETON ST. #E, SANTA MONICA, CA 90404 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)6/2/2008. /s/:

SANTA MONICA SALES, INC., VICE PRESIDENT, JEFF PARR This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/9/2008. 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 6/16/2008, 6/23/2008, 6/30/2008, 7/7/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20081014439 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DRANCORD MASTER INDUSTRY, 1750 W. ADAMS BLVD. LOS ANGELES, CA 90018. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JOSE GIRON 427 W. 82ND ST. LOS ANGELES, CA 90003 MERCEDDES ANCHETA 1750 W. ADAMS BLVD. LOS ANGELES, CA 90018 This Business is being conducted by, co-partners. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)1/1/2004. /s/:

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/9/2008. 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 6/16/2008, 6/23/2008, 6/30/2008, 7/7/2008

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20081025034 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LOVE BILL OF RIGHTS; MARRIAGE BILL OF RIGHTS, 10697 SOMMA WAY, LOS ANGELES, CA 90077, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : ATHENA PICTURES, 10697 SOMMA WAY, LOS ANGELES, CA 90077 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/:

LAURENT HECHMATI, PRESIDENT, ATHENA PICTURES This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/10/2008. 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 6/16/2008, 6/23/2008, 6/30/2008, 7/7/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080956830 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MEOLA MEDIA, 630 W. 6TH ST, SUITE 201, LOS ANGELES, CA 90017, COUNTY OF LA. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : CHRISTIAN MEOLA, 630 W. 6TH ST, SUITE 201, LOS ANGELES, CA 90017 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/:

CHRISTIAN MEOLA This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 5/30/2008. 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 6/16/2008, 6/23/2008, 6/30/2008, 7/7/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080886136 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ANT-20, 2138 PENMAR AVE, #8, VENICE, CA 90291. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : HAROLD LINDE, 2138 PENMAR AVE, #8, VENICE, CA 90291 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)5/19/2008. /s/:

HAROLD LINDE This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 5/19/2008. 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 6/16/2008, 6/23/2008, 6/30/2008, 7/7/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20081015003 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MEMBRENO CORPORATION, 5157 DOWNEY AVE. LAKEWOOD, CA 90712. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MEMBRENO CORPORATION 5157 DOWNEY AVE. LAKEWOOD, CA 90712 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. 20081006231 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DE'VINES BEAUTY SALON AND BRAIDERY + NAIL SPA, 17041 LAKEWOOD BLVD. BELLFLOWER, CA 90706. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : DE'VINES ENTERPRISES, INC. 25900 CALLE FUEGO MORENO VALLEY, CA 92551 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 6/6/2008. 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

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20081033531 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CASANOVA TOWING EQUIPMENT, INC., 2612 W. 125TH ST. COMPTON, CA 90222. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : CASANOVA TOWING EQUIPMENT, INC. 2612 W. 125TH ST. COMPTON, CA 90222 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. 20081024122 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SAVING OUR SISTERS, S.O.S. FOUNDATION, 6802 CRENSHAW BLVD. # B LOS ANGELES, CA 90043. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : ANGELA CARR 6802 CRENSHAW BLVD. # B LOS ANGELES, CA 90043 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/:

ANGELA CARR This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/10/2008. 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 6/16/2008, 6/23/2008, 6/30/2008, 7/7/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20081037394 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SOCIOS MUFFLER SHOP, 5030 AVALON BLVD. UNIT # 2 LOS ANGELES, CA 90011. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MARCO GONZALEZ 935 E. ADAMS BLVD. 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/:

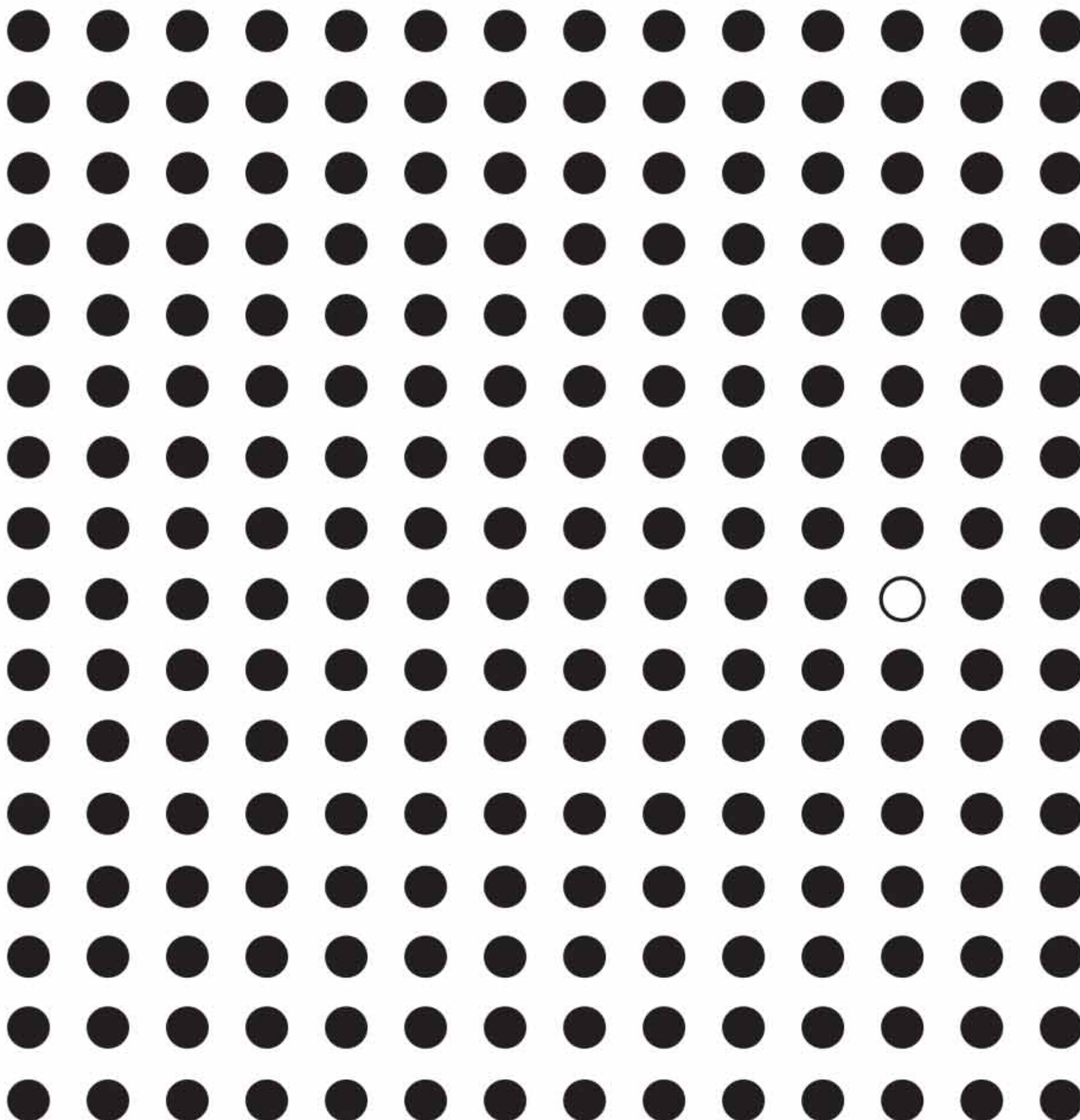
MARCO GONZALEZ This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/11/2008. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. 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 6/16/2008, 6/23/2008, 6/30/2008, 7/7/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20081014110 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DF ENTERPRISES, 5003 W. PICO BLVD. LOS ANGELES, CA 90019. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : DERRICK GRANBERRY 3747 WEST BLVD. LOS ANGELES, CA 90016 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/:

DERRICK GRANBERRY This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/9/2008. 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 6/16/2008, 6/23/2008, 6/30/2008, 7/7/2008

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 20080947453 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as UBER GUD, 40 CEDAR WALK STE. 2210 LONG BEACH, CA 90802. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : UBER GUD LLC 40 CEDAR WALK STE. 2210 LONG BEACH, CA 90802 This Business is being conducted by, a limited liability. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)4/9/2008. /s/:

This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 5/29/2008. 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



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