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NEWS OF THE WEIRD
BY CHUCK SHEPARD

Ron “King Suki” King won the U.S. checkers championship in June in Medina, Ohio, claiming the \$6,000 first prize by emerging from a field of 41 competitors whose intensity generally rivals that of more popular and complex games. King, the world “free style” champion, is known as the Muhammad Ali of checkers for trash-talking his opponents. Also competing was another world champion (in a form of checkers in which the first three moves are always at random), Alex “The Mad Russian” Moiseyev, who assured an Agence France-Presse reporter that, as in chess, the top players have to think 10 moves ahead.

TODAY IN HISTORY

Today is the 189th day of 2006.
There are 176 days left in the year.

On July 8, 1776, Colonel John Nixon gave the first public reading of the Declaration of Independence, in Philadelphia.

QUOTE OF THE DAY

“Nothing astonishes men so much as common sense and plain dealing.”

RALPH WALDO EMERSON
AMERICAN ESSAYIST, POET AND PHILOSOPHER

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As the Romans do



Alejandro Cesar Cantarero II/Daily Press
Italian soccer fans painted the town red, white and green on Sunday afternoon following Italy’s victory in the World Cup.



Carolyn Sackariason/Daily Press
NO OFFICE SPACE: Patrons wait outside a busy Father’s Office on Saturday.

Seeking more Office space

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

MONTANA AVENUE — The quest for the city’s best burger may leave some Father’s Office fans with a bad taste in their mouth.

That’s because lovers of the Santa Monica fixture’s mouth-watering burgers — complete with smoked applewood bacon compote and blue cheese — now must stand in line before entering the often overcrowd-

Suspect in court for ‘02 murder

BY CAROLYN SACKARIASON
Daily Press Staff Writer

DOWNTOWN LA — Jury selection will begin on Wednesday in what is expected to be a highly-publicized capital murder trial against the man accused of raping and killing a Santa Monica woman more than three years ago.

Victor Paleologus, 44, has been charged with killing Kristine Johnson, 21, on Feb. 15, 2002. Johnson was found dead two weeks later. Her autopsy showed that she was sexually assaulted and died of strangulation, as well as blunt force trauma and other contusions. Paleologus faces the death penalty if convicted.

The trial, which is expected to last four to five weeks in downtown Los Angeles, will include close to 100 witnesses. A room full of potential jurors gathered at the Clara Shortridge Foltz Criminal Justice Center on Friday, filling out ques-



PALEOLOGUS

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Shooting at park

By Daily Press staff

VIRGINIA AVE. PARK — A suspected teenaged gang member shot another juvenile here Friday night, leaving the victim with non-life threatening wounds.

On July 7, at 8:45 p.m., a Santa Monica Police Officer was flagged down regarding a shooting. Reportedly, the incident occurred at the park, on the 2200 block of Virginia Avenue.

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COMMUNITY PROFILES |

A WEEKLY SERIES THAT APPEARS EACH MONDAY AND DELVES INTO THE LIVES OF PEOPLE WHO LIVE, WORK AND PLAY IN SANTA MONICA.



JUDGE BARNARD J. KAMINS

Trying tough love each day

BY KEVIN HERRERA
Daily Press Staff Writer

AIRPORT COURTHOUSE — She walked into the courtroom dressed in a wrinkled jail jumpsuit, looking pale from the fear of the unknown. Her greasy auburn hair was pulled over one shoulder, revealing brown eyes that looked heavy from a lack of

sleep.
“What’s going to happen to me?” the 20 year-old methamphetamine addict desperately asked her attorney, as Judge Barnard J. Kamins informed her that she would have to spend another two days in jail for drug possession. She had hoped to

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Jacquie Banks

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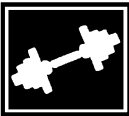
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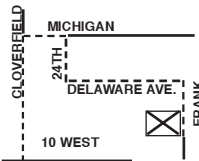
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ARIES (March 21-April 19)

★★★★ The push and pull of a situation might have you in a bit of a tizzy. You might want to take your time with a decision that could take you in a new direction. Easily, you could be pulled between two different situations. Tonight: A must appearance.



TAURUS (April 20-May 20)

★★★★★ Take an overview and find what works. You must not get into a situation or get triggered by it. No good will come from a strong reaction. You might feel like you're between a rock and a hard place. Detach. Tonight: Adjust.



GEMINI (May 21-June 20)

★★★★★ Money matters might have you rethinking things. Somehow, you might need to curb your spending and take a harder look at your actions and where you are heading. You need to make stronger decisions. Tonight: Indulge.



CANCER (June 21-July 22)

★★★★★ You feel the push and pull of this Full Moon. If you understand the energy, you will use it to increase your immediate circle of friends and empower yourself. Think positively about potential options rather than get waylaid in others' stuff. Tonight: Go with the moment.



LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)

★★★ Keep a low profile and get to the bottom of a problem not by judging but by listening. Think and evaluate, and you will find answers far more quickly than you realize. You might over-think or worry too much. Tonight: Work hard.



VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)

★★★★★ Friends and loved ones pull you in two different directions. You might want to fit everything and everyone in. With some thought, you might be able to merge your different plans. You can really let your hair down. Tonight: Smile away.



LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)

★★★★ Others demand high performance and changes. You can step up to the plate. You have winning ideas and different views than many. Instead of fighting city hall, explain what is on your mind, and you'll get great results. Tonight: Out there.



SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)

★★★★★ You hear information that forces a new evaluation. Step back and think. Plans might change as a result. You might need to screen calls or give up a meeting or two in order to meet the Full Moon's demands. Tonight: Swap war stories with a friend.



SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)

★★★ Expenses might force you to regroup and think. You could think in terms of gains. Think about the pressure you might be putting on yourself. Partners put in their two cents. Direct relating draws positive results. Tonight: Your treat.



CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)

★★★★ Listen to others carefully. Easily, all the words that spew from others could overwhelm many. You have the wherewithal to get past the problem. If you have a strong reaction, don't worry – this feeling will pass. Tonight: Enjoy all the action around you.



AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)

★★★★ Sometimes you could be pushed beyond your limits. Your energy might be an issue. You find more effective ways to complete the same chore. Trust your judgment. Tonight: Early to bed.



PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)

★★★★★ You hit a home run. Your creativity merges well with your high energy. A meeting provides new opportunities. You will have quite a few choices. Think positively, and you'll greet success. Do nothing halfway. Tonight: Where the action is.

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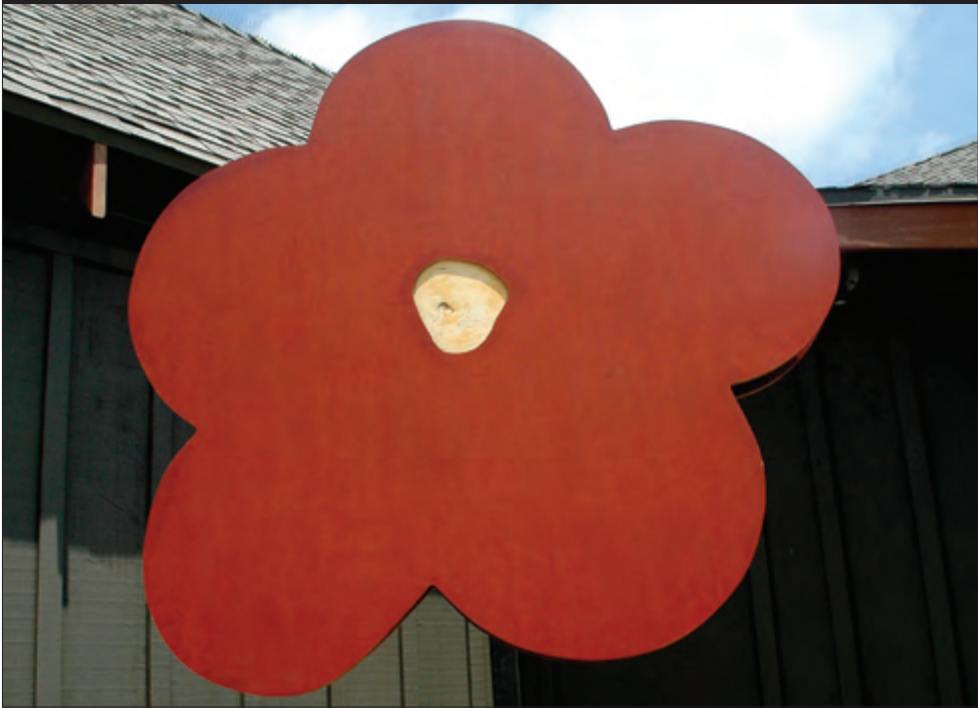
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MYSTERY PHOTO



Fabian Lewkowicz/Daily Press

The first person to accurately describe where this week's Mystery Photo was captured will win a prize from the Daily Press. E-mail answers to editor@smdp.com.



Janine Hudnall is this week's Mystery Photo winner. She accurately described that this photo was taken at the fountain in front of the Public Safety Building. Hudnall has won a prize from the Daily Press. Check out today's edition for this week's Mystery Photo contest.

COMMUNITY BRIEFS

Church delves into death, war and homelessness

By Daily Press staff

A local church is hitting the hard issues with a spiritual perspective. Participants will discuss three current issues: the death penalty, homelessness and the Iraq war. The church will hold four free seminars at 11:30 a.m. on Sundays in the fireside room.

The first issue up for discussion is the death penalty, which will be held on July 23; homelessness will be discussed on July 30 and the Iraq war on Aug. 6.

The seminars will be moderated by Bill Schwabe, the executive director of Days of Dialogue, a non-profit organization engaged in conflict resolution and community building. Schwabe also was a former public policy analyst at RAND Corp.

Free underground parking will be available on 11th Street across from the church, located at 1008 11th St. Call the church's office at (310) 393-8258 for more information.

'One Sunday Morning' debuts on a Saturday

By Daily Press staff

Spend a Saturday reading about Sunday morning. Amy Ephron's "One Sunday Morning" book signing will be held on July 15 at the Santa Monica Public Library. It will be the debut of Ephron's paperback release which is all about wealth, scandal and high society. The novel is about four women living in New York during the Roaring '20s who see one of their female friends with another man than her husband.

The discussion and book-signing will be held in the library's Martin Luther King, Jr. Auditorium located on 601 Santa Monica Blvd. from 3:30 to 5 p.m. Contact the library at (310) 458-8600.

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LONG RANGE SYNOPSIS
LIGHT SW FOR THE 18TH...

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DAY	LOW 1	LOW 2	HIGH 1	HIGH 2
1	8:01 AM	8:26 PM	12:41 AM	3:02 PM
2	8:36 AM	9:54 PM	1:34 AM	3:42 PM
3	9:08 AM	11:21 PM	2:52 AM	4:21 PM
4	9:48 AM	N/A	4:36 AM	4:59 PM
5	12:27 AM	10:38 AM	6:24 AM	5:41 PM
6	1:21 AM	11:26 AM	7:41 AM	6:21 PM
7	2:02 AM	12:19 PM	8:40 AM	6:57 PM
8	2:36 AM	1:08 PM	9:22 AM	7:39 PM
9	3:14 AM	2:00 PM	10:00 AM	8:21 PM
10	3:58 AM	2:43 PM	10:34 AM	9:05 PM
11	4:32 AM	3:35 PM	11:11 AM	9:49 PM
12	5:11 AM	4:23 PM	11:52 AM	10:35 PM
13	5:56 AM	5:19 PM	12:29 PM	11:28 PM
14	6:32 AM	6:28 PM	1:11 PM	N/A
15	7:17 AM	7:42 PM	12:20 AM	1:54 PM
16	8:00 AM	9:06 PM	1:22 AM	2:42 PM
17	8:40 AM	10:39 PM	2:45 AM	3:35 PM
18	9:36 AM	N/A	4:28 AM	4:30 PM
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23	3:25 AM	2:26 PM	10:08 AM	8:41 PM
24	4:05 AM	3:06 PM	10:39 AM	9:18 PM
25	4:32 AM	3:39 PM	11:07 AM	9:49 PM
26	5:02 AM	4:20 PM	11:38 AM	10:26 PM
27	5:30 AM	4:54 PM	12:05 PM	10:59 PM
28	6:01 AM	5:36 PM	12:29 PM	11:29 PM
29	6:27 AM	6:28 PM	1:01 PM	N/A
30	6:46 AM	7:26 PM	12:08 AM	1:27 PM
31	7:08 AM	8:40 PM	12:54 AM	2:05 PM

The QLine

Cup runneth out ...
Amidst all the excitement surrounding Sunday's World Cup final, during which Italy defeated France in a shootout, comes the after-day realization that the sports world has reached a summer dry spell.
With baseball in mid-season and NFL players not yet reporting to camp, a void in spectator sports will likely thrust more people outside on weekends.
So this week, Q-Line wants to know:
What outdoor activities, sports or other, will you be partaking in this summer?
Where is the best place in the city to play?
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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Solve the problem at the polls

Editor:

Regarding the letters from residents who are upset that there are homeless people in Santa Monica and who asked them to be "removed" and I couldn't help to think:

The homeless are humans, just like me and you who didn't have the fortune to go through live without major problems like addictions, mental issues and poverty.

If I don't like their presence in Santa Monica I should try to find a solution to change this.

And this means to vote for a president, a governor and mayor who raises taxes in order to get the U.S. education system up-to-date; somebody who will spend tax money for the health system and who is eager to build jobs in our cities; somebody who promotes rent control so not only the rich can afford to live somewhere.

Solve the problem by the roots instead of creating a hostile and inhumane society that looks down on the less fortunate.

Vote for the right people and get involved into day to day politics, then you might create a world with less poverty and substance abuse that looks pretty and picturesque.

Every day I wake up in the morning I thank God not to be homeless.

Kitty Monsalud
Santa Monica

Forget about the 'haves' already

Editor:

In response to the letter from Stephen Baker (SMDP, July 6, page 4):

Wow, what a great letter! Mr. Baker gets the high five from me. Hopefully, more and more concerned and victimized citizens will write to the SMDP, sharing their scary, bizarre and common experiences. Kudos to you, Stephen Baker. I thought I might try to answer some of Stephen's relevant questions.

The homeless population is getting worse and worse because our City Council wants all of them here. They actually want more of them to come here. You see Stephen, all of the homeless create a voter base — along with Santa Monicans For Renters Rights and the low-income housing boom — that keeps our City Council members both in office and in their rent-controlled apartments.

Keeping the homeless here allows them to punish property and business owners (aka "the haves") by spending the hard-earned tax dollars of the "haves" on the "have nots."

The reason you can't find, use or stand to use a bench on the Promenade is because the City Council won't allow the police to enforce vagrancy laws that would allow store customers (the "haves") to rest between spending store to store. The fact that the city is losing sales tax revenue means nothing to the City Council. All they care about is keeping their cushy chairs in the bowels of City Hall and voting in the middle of the night to put developers out of business by requiring that they give a third of their investments away to the "have nots."

Yes, your taxes do pay for buildings and services, but that doesn't mean a thing. The homeless come first. The City Council wants your money but they don't care a bit about keeping you safe, your children safe or your property safe. Several of our City Council members don't even own property here, they have no vested financial stake whatsoever in this community, yet they have the power to ruin your quality of life, ruin your property values and steal your investments and you can't do a thing about it.

The City Council and the police don't give a rats behind about protecting private property, be it shopping carts, vehicles, carports, garages, yards, etc. They care about the homeless stealing from each other, and taking a detailed report of the same, but they can't be bothered with reports of vandalism, public urination, bomb threats, batteries and assaults, etc. As long as the homeless come out on top, that's the goal. Simple as that. I don't know what's up with the incompetent police dispatchers Stephen, but we all still have to call the police every time we see a crime committed by a bum. Eventually, maybe someone will tally up all the police reports and publish a truthful total of what the homeless are actually costing our city.

And finally Stephen, you should be used to the smell of urine, the mumblings and threats of the crazies and being assaulted. That's what one gets for their million-dollar plus property investment here.

The city leaders want people pissing in your yard, threatening you and your family and making it impossible to picnic in a park. That's what they must want, because that's the way it is here. City leaders want everyone to be sickened when at the Promenade or anywhere public — that way, if you are a bleeding heart liberal or a Section 8 rent control recipient in this town, you will feel sorry for the homeless and re-elect the incumbent morons who sit on the City Council, promising to fix the problem while actually making it worse.

If it makes you feel any better, Stephen, you are not alone. Your frustration is my frustration, is my family's frustration and is my neighbor's frustration.

Lori Emerson
Santa Monica

If anyone profits from 415, it should be city



MY WRITE
BY BILL BAUER

The good news is that City Council recently approved a plan to build a world-class public beach club at 415 Pacific Coast Highway. The bad news is that some neighbors are acting like the Grinch that stole Christmas.

The 5.5-acre property was developed by William Randolph Hearst for Marion Davies, a comedic movie star popular in the late 1920s and early 1930s. The "Ocean House," consisting of a 100-room mansion, lavish pool, tennis courts and a guest house, was the scene of serious Depression-era partying.

The property was sold in the 1940s and operated as a beach club and hotel. The state government purchased the property in 1960. City Hall leased it from the state and it became a seasonal public beach facility. After decades of neglect, it was closed after the 1994 earthquake.

In 1999, City Hall began plans to redevelop the site as a year-round, full-amenity, recreational facility. The project gained steam in 2004 when the Annenberg Foundation agreed to provide a \$28-million grant to help build the facility.

Mega-millionaire beach neighbors concerned about traffic, security and large noisy events negotiated concessions from City Hall, including a traffic signal on PCH, increased security, and limited food service, capacity and operating hours.

Although city officials acquiesced on their demands, the Palisades Beach Property Owners Association (PBPOA) and Jonathan G. Orenstein recently filed a lawsuit charging failure to address parking, safety and traffic problems. They also allege that the project's food facility violates Proposition S, a 1989 voter-approved ballot measure that restricts hotel and restaurant development on Santa Monica Beach.

Orenstein is chairman and chief executive of Phoenix-based Mesa Air Group — a regional airline group operating in 173 cities, including Hawaii. He has a controversial past as an investment broker that includes Securities and Exchange Commission fines and sanctions in 1992, according to information posted about him on the Internet.

Among the other plaintiffs are Charles "Chuck" Levy, President of the PBPOA and a real estate attorney. Levy tried to stop the PCH sewer renovation project on behalf of the PBPOA in the late 1990s, according to City Council documents.

George Rosenthal is a local businessman whose firm, Raleigh Enterprises owns the Raleigh Studios in Hollywood; File Keepers (a document storage business that archives files from numerous municipalities including Santa Monica); the Sunset Marquis Hotel and Villas; Hollywood Rentals, and Rosenthal Malibu Estate Winery, among others. Rosenthal raised campaign money for Matteo Dinolfo's failed City Council run in 2004.

According to information posted on the Internet, John C. Law is an investment executive, Democratic party donor and chairman of the board of Cedars-Sinai Medical Center. Law and Rosenthal have extensive Sacramento connections.

The PBPOA's corporate address is 201 Palisades Beach Rd. — "The Beach Club." Its manager, Gregg Patterson, is the corporation's agent, according to the Secretary of State's Office. Both the members-only Beach Club and the exclusive Jonathan Club lease out facilities for events.

A full-service 415 PCH would directly compete with these private clubs for beach events and parties and impact their beach-front exclusivity.

Attorney, William F. Delvac, who represents the plaintiffs in the lawsuit, claims his clients support renovation of the site but are suing because they say City Hall will not guarantee their negotiated conditions which his clients fear may be subject to change.

Joel Brand, chair of "Friends of 415 PCH" said, "none of the four plaintiffs live next to 415 PCH. The beach residents who live closest to 415 PCH generally are in favor of the project."

"The Santa Monica Police Department has received only 10 noise complaints (Jan. 1, 2002 through April 30, 2006) from the 'Gold' coast," Brand said. "Just two of them were about activity at the two private beach clubs which have none of the curfews, capacity limits or other restrictions the plaintiffs have imposed on 415 PCH."

So why the fuss? Some of the plaintiffs could benefit financially if the project falls through and the property were to be sold. Its market value is \$50 million or more. Although current zoning is for "public recreational use," developers could request that the state take back the property from City Hall, purchase it, get a zoning change and erect luxury condos, for example.

PBPOA neighbors have played their only card and put all their chips on the table including their veto power. Since they've filed their lawsuit, all concessions should now be withdrawn.

When City Hall prevails, as it most likely will, it should go full-bore forward and create a public beach facility second to none. We deserve nothing less.

(Contact Bill Bauer at mr.bilbau@gmail.com.)



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Bar's exit strategy said to be lacking

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ed establishment.

Apparently, someone snitched on the popular pub for serving too many people at once, prompting the Santa Monica Fire Department to conduct a surprise inspection May 5, at which time the owner, Sang Yoon, was ordered to kick customers out until there were 49 people inside, including employees, said Fire Marshal Jim Glew.

All establishments in Santa Monica that wish to have more than 49 people at once must have a permit to operate as a place of public assembly and have two exits in which the doors swing outwards, allowing for a swift and easy evacuation in case of an emergency, Glew said.

Father's Office had no such permit, nor the proper exits required to accommodate the large crowds it drew nearly every night.

Now, if the bar reaches capacity, customers must wait outside until others pay their bills and leave. Yoon has stationed an employee out front to conduct traffic control.

"The number 49 is not arbitrary," Glew said of the nationally-recognized standard. "It is based on a history of large losses of life in bars, restaurants and nightclubs," including a fire that killed more than 95 people in a Rhode Island nightclub in 2003 during a performance by rock band Great White.

Glew said the cap is not new, but many businesses may not be familiar with it because they could have just recently experienced an increase in traffic, pushing them over the legal limit.

But Father's Office has been busy for years, which begs the question: Why now?

"(Father's Office is) not a permitted place of public assembly, so therefore they were not in our records and were not inspected along with others during our quarterly inspections," Glew said. "Smaller businesses fall under the responsibility of engine companies, who do inspections during the course of the day when they are not answering emergency calls ... (Father's Office) came to our attention because of a complaint."

Complaints are made anonymously, Glew said.

Father's Office is working with the fire department to design a second exit so the bar can accommodate more people, "but that process takes time," as it requires the approval of city officials, Glew said.

Yoon did not return e-mail requests for an interview, however, Father's Office, which is usually open from 5 p.m. to 1 a.m., has clearly been impacted financially by the recent crackdown.

On some of the more popular nights to go out drinking, there was anywhere between 100 to 120 people in the bar at any given time. Assuming the bar is serving 50 fewer people since the fire inspection two months ago, each spending an average of \$30 on burgers and beer, the cap has caused

a drop off in business equal to \$1,500 a night. That's \$18,000 a month assuming there are three nights a week, or 12 evenings a month, in which the place is packed. Based on that math, Yoon has lost a minimum of \$36,000 since firefighters conducted the inspection in May, according to rough, conservative estimates.

"We encourage businesses to be prosperous," Glew said. "We want to work with any business owner to make sure they are in compliance. We don't want to stop any activity, as long as it's legal and it's fair to the community ... Shutting someone down is a last resort, but when lives are put at risk, there is no other recourse."

Andrew Casaña of the California Restaurant Association said it is difficult for some businesses to stay in compliance with local, county, state and federal laws, however, there is no excuse for not following the law.

"You may try to bend the rules and go over (the limit) a few times, but you run the risk of getting busted and losing a lot of money if you get shut down," Casaña said. "And it's not just about money. It's a safety issue also. In case of an emergency, if people can't get out, they're going to get hurt and if that does happen, they'll be coming after (the business owner) and hold them liable."

"It just makes sense to take care of your customers and make sure they're safe," Casaña said, adding that Father's Office is not a member of the association.

During a recent visit to the bar, customers inside seemed pleased with the elbow room provided by the cap. No longer does one have to try and eat a burger with someone leaning on their back. The service also has improved as bartenders are no longer as swamped as they used to be.

"You don't feel rushed to eat and leave either," said Paul Sharon of Mar Vista, who travels to Father's Office for their wide selection of exotic beers and the sweet potato fries. "Before, if you were lucky enough to get a table, you'd be eating and people would be staring at you waiting to pounce as soon as you get up out of your seat. Now it's pretty cool. You can actually sit and relax and have a conversation without shouting or pushing through the crowd to grab a beer."

Outside the mood was different as some complained of having to wait in line. Father's Office does not take reservations or provide take-out service.

Tiffany Townes said it is tough to stand outside and watch others drink and be merry, "but the burgers are worth it."

Townes said the bar has such a good reputation for great food that a line shouldn't deter others from checking it out.

However, "after you've been here a few times, you might just say, 'The hell with it,'" she said. "They really do need to do something to fix the problem. Being in LA, there are so many places where you have to wait in line. People are kind of tired of it."

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KNOW BEFORE YOU GO

"Know before you Go" is a weekly update on construction projects throughout Santa Monica. Here is a run-down of this week's construction projects initiated by City Hall

Airport Park and Airport Avenue improvements

Site grading, constructing new artificial turf soccer fields, constructing new playground, restrooms and dog park area, and reconstructing a portion of Airport Avenue. On-site detour possible during street reconstruction.



Civic Center parking structure

Construction continues on a new 900-space Civic Center public parking structure, located on Fourth Street next to the Public Safety Facility. Construction will require the closure of Avenida Mazatlan and the Fourth Street sidewalk. One lane on southbound Fourth Street is subject to closure while work is occurring. There also may be delays entering the Civic Center parking lot from Fourth Street. Use the Main Street entrance.

Fire serve installation

The Santa Monica Water Resources Division is in the process of construction work on Main Street, between Pico Boulevard and Bay Street. Work conducted is for the purpose of supplying water for fire protection to the 150 Pico Blvd. property that is located at the southwest corner of Main Street and Pico Boulevard.

Gas main installation

The Gas Company will install a new 2-inch gas main on the east side of 23rd Street from Carlyle to Georgina avenues. Detours and lane closures may occur, and will be posted at various sites during construction. Work hours will be from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Los Angeles County Department of Public Works Storm Drain Repair

Installation of a low-flow diversion unit on Ashland Avenue, between Main Street and Neilson Way. There will be detour signs posted around the work area.

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.

Street/park lighting retrofit program

Installation of a new light standard and circuit conversion from series to multiple and all other apparatus to provide a complete and operational street and park lighting system. Occasional traffic slowdown at the following locations Wilshire Boulevard and Yale Street Virginia Avenue and 21st Street; and Delaware and 22nd Street.

Street and parking lot resurfacing

Street and Park Parking Lot resurfacing, sidewalk, driveway, curb and gutter repairs. Repairs scheduled through October 2006. Sidewalk, driveway, curb and gutter repairs, begin on Oak St. from 23rd to 25th; Hill St. from 23rd to 25th; Maple from Euclid to 14th; Ashland from Lincoln to 14th; Glenn from Ashland to Dewey; Pier Ave. from Lincoln to 14th; Hill St. from Lincoln to 14th; & Memorial Park. Lane closures around work posted as necessary.

Verizon Wireless facility installation

Installation of wireless antenna/pole and Myers box installation and utility undergrounding. Daily closures of the easterly lane on Moomat Ahiko Way from 8 a.m. until 430 p.m., Monday through Friday.

Water fluoridation system project

Installation of a fluoridation system at 19th Street at San Vicente Boulevard. Street closures will occur on 19th Street and on San Vicente, traffic will narrow to one lane in each direction.

Water main replacement

Installation of new water main complete with service connections throughout the city. Detours and lane closures may occur, and will be posted at various sites during construction.

New water main installation

Installation of new water main complete with service connections at 17th Street between Pico Boulevard and the 10 Freeway. Detours and lane closures may occur, and will be posted at various sites during construction.

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COMMUNITY PROFILES

Kamins' court

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be released that day, but Kamins rejected a deal proposed by the defense.

After serving six years as the presiding judge of the West District Drug Court Program, Kamins was familiar with the signs of addiction and knew that if he would have released the woman shifting anxiously, she would be back on the streets within hours shooting meth instead of entering a drug rehabilitation program, something which she had been ordered to do just weeks earlier.

Kamins, known as one of the hardest working judges to serve on the bench, ordered the woman to remain in custody so she could observe drug court. It is his hope she will want to join the diversion program and turn her life around.

"All she wants to do is get out of jail and go do drugs," Kamins said while eating his lunch, prepared by his wife, while sitting in his cardinal-and-gold-colored office (he's a USC Law alum) on the ninth floor of the Airport Courthouse. "I let her out a couple of weeks ago and here she is back again. Here she is, a beautiful 20-year-old girl caught with a hypodermic needle shooting up drugs instead of being in college."

Kamins, a fan of tough love, said that he could have easily let the woman go free and wash his hands clean; just another drug addict down the drain. But that's not in the 63-year-old's nature.

"I'll never take the easy way out," he said, as he looked over a stack of court cases stacked on his desk, each one representing a participant in the drug court Kamins monitors to see if they are working towards recovery. "Everybody is so darn into recycling. You see all these bins everywhere and all these campaigns reminding people to recycle. But nobody is into recycling people. With the drug court, we have an opportunity to recycle people. Take those who are broken and show them some compassion. Now that's not easy, but I feel like I have a duty to give something back to the community and that's what I'm doing here."

Judge Kamins, known by many as the 'Teddy Bear' for handing out stuffed bears to children of mothers who remained drug-free during their pregnancy, will have another opportunity to influence the lives of thousands while making Santa Monica a safer place to live. In the coming weeks, Kamins is expected to be named the supervising judge of the city's new homeless court, which for a half-day each month will link repeat offenders with drug and alcohol counseling, health care and job training programs.

However, with the creation of the court comes more responsibility, and Kamins isn't sure he can handle the additional workload.

"I've been drafted, mainly because (City Hall) thinks my temperament can handle it," Kamins said. "But it's taking on a another responsibility, because your day doesn't end in the courtroom. You become a social worker. You have to get on the phone and contact the drug rehab programs, or the homeless services or mental health. By doing anywhere from 80 to 140 cases a day, to stop and just concentrate on one or two or three, it doesn't give me any downtime. There's no time for me to get to anything else."

A leader ever since his days as the chair UC Santa Barbara's student court, and later as the president of his graduating law class and a supervisor in the Los Angeles County Public Defender's Office, Kamins said he will most likely sign up for the court, adding to his list of responsibilities, which includes overseeing the drug court and all of Santa

Monica's misdemeanors, arraignments and pre-trial motions, including conflict resolution and settlements.

"I think I'll do it to get it off the ground," he said of the homeless court. "The City Attorney's Office, along with Supervisor Ed Edelman, have worked so hard on getting this started, so I think it would only be right to lend a hand."

In an expansive interview last week, Kamins opened up about his concerns with the homeless court, the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department and its early release program for non-violent offenders, his love of USC football and of his family.

WHAT'S UP WITH THE ROBE? DO YOU LIKE WEARING IT?

"Yes. You know where the tradition's from? There used to be a robe and a wig and that's because judges in the 15th, 16th century didn't have carpools, taxis and buses to travel to the court. You were a judge living in the community you served. So you needed some anonymity, hence the wig and the robe. ... It was sort of a disguise. The black is supposed to be a neutral color, which is why we don't wear white robes or red robes. We got rid of the wigs, which is a good thing, but you still get recognized. As the judge for all of Santa Monica's misdemeanors, I'll get recognized while walking on the bike path or something. A lot of people recognize me, but don't know from where. It's a concern sometimes. You never know, they might get points for knocking off a judge. So I have to be careful. I'm protected her, but as soon as I drive out of here, I'm at risk. If we're going to have homeless court in Santa Monica, I'll need some security."

WHAT ROUTE DID YOU TAKE TO WEAR THE PRESTIGIOUS BLACK ROBE?

"I was president of my graduating law class at SC and really had a choice to go into a big law firm and make a lot of money, or do public service. So, I became a public defender and served in that office for 17 years. I really loved being a public defender. The office had a lot of camaraderie ... I started in the early days of the Vietnam War. I really was quite conservative and most would think that the public defenders would mostly be liberal. I was really conservative and thought that having the right to free speech, free press, was what we were fighting for in Vietnam. So those trying to squelch the protesters, I thought that was offensive. They were trying to squelch free speech ... I became a public defender to defend people's rights. Thinking I was so conservative, I guess I ended up on the liberal end. I just thought free speech was really important, even if those I defended were speaking out against the war. Some of the first clients I had as a lawyer were war protesters."

WHAT IS THE MOST INTERESTING CASE YOU'VE HAD?

"I would have to say the Rodney King case was a real challenge. The issues presented by the case were very important. But the two most poignant cases I ever did though involved the killing of two teens. One involved the murder of a little girl in Santa Monica at the old mental health center on 13th Street by homeless men. It was many years ago, but still has a tremendous impact. That was really hard to do. It was this satanic cult living in the mental health center ... They strangled this 14-year-old girl because of Satanic issues. When they tried the case, the foreman of the jury was a Catholic priest. And the defense let him stay on because they thought a Catholic priest would have a big heart and not convict someone of first-degree murder. The prosecution left the priest on because they had killed the girl for Satan. The jury voted

guilty. The parents of the dead girl were there. That was hard.

Another was the murder of a young baseball player from Santa Monica who was shot in a drive by shooting. He was riding home from baseball practice and some gang members chased the car around until they were caught in a dead end. These gang members gunned him down, just because he was Hispanic in the wrong neighborhood. That case brought me to tears. Those two cases were severe on my psyche."

HAVE YOU EVER FOUND IT DIFFICULT TO MAINTAIN THAT BALANCE OF LADY JUSTICE IN CASES LIKE THOSE.

"As a public defender, I never had to be impartial because I was representing the best interests of my client. Being a judge is where you have to put everything else aside and just look at the law. It's tough though. When the family of that young baseball player came to speak, they reminded the court that they will never get to see their son again, and they pulled out this picture and said, 'Judge, this is how we celebrate Christmas with our son.' And they showed me a picture of his grave with a Christmas tree on it, covered with decorations. It really made me want to cry, and judges can't do that. We're supposed to show no emotion. I just knew the tears were welling up in me and I just ran to my chambers and cried. I keep the picture under my blotter to remind me of my humility and humbleness. If you ever think things are going bad for you, just look at how these parents visit their kid every Christmas."

WHY CONTINUE WITH DRUG COURT?

"I could have retired last year and still received 75 percent of my salary to do nothing. But I really decided to stay for now — it's a good feeling to know you can stop any day if you want — but I'm staying because I really like the drug court, helping all people get off this disease of drug abuse. I've had everyone from homeless people in my drug court to the vice presidents of major corporations, lawyers. They get busted too for drugs. There's stock brokers, in fact I've got one now. Models, because they take cocaine to stay slim and then get addicted. School teachers, yep. Right now I've got two school teachers. When it comes to drug abuse, they're all the same because of their problem. It doesn't matter if your rich or poor. Kids in Bel Air are just as addicted as a kid coming up in a area filled with poverty ... So, the reason I'm not retiring, is I love it, and secondly, because I really love my staff, and the prosecutors and defense lawyers all have been so great. That's what keeps me in the job."

WHAT ARE YOUR HOBBIES?

"I love being with my wife and my family, especially now that we're getting older. My wife Susan was a former school teacher and principal, so we were both really busy. We deserve some time together. We spend most of our time in Malibu ... It's kind of hard to go anywhere else because of the summer traffic. My two daughters live nearby, so we see them often. One of my daughters, Marni, she's a writer living in Venice, and my other daughter Piper lives in Santa Monica and works for Chrystalis ... I'm so proud of them. They're my whole life. Well, then there's SC. I'm a die-hard SC fan. Going to football games is how I get my stress out."

YOU HAVE SEASON TICKETS?

"Oh yeah. On the 30, right under the press box ... If you look at the way judges have to act in the community and in court, you know, you really have to have a lot of self control and patience. And when you go to a football game, you can get lost in the crowd and shout and scream and swear, and really

come out of yourself, that is, as long as you don't break the law. I go to all of the away games too. It gives me a chance to scream at the referees (laughs)."

YOU GO TO ALL THE AWAY GAMES TOO?

"I've gone to most of the games over the last 15 years ... Besides my wife, SC football is my passion."

HOW DID YOU DECIDE TO GO INTO LAW? WAS IT A CALLING AS A KID?

"Well, I was the head of the student court at UC Santa Barbara. First I was on it, then I was the chair of the student court ... There you hear all kinds of student infractions, like cheating ... There were really no drugs back then, except a little marijuana, but back then, that was a felony. One joint and you could go to prison.

Anyway, serving on the student court, I thought, 'This is great. I really like doing this.' That's when I decided to be a judge. I really never wanted to be a lawyer ... I just had a taste of being a judge and I really enjoyed the role."

ISN'T IT FRUSTRATING WHEN YOU SEE THE SAME PEOPLE OVER AND OVER AGAIN?

"Yes it is. Oftentimes people living on the streets don't want a place to live. All these do-gooders can try all the want to get them help, but half of them don't want it."

SOME WOULD SAY YES, DO IT.

"Well, most of Santa Monica does. We have places to put homeless. A lot of them just don't want to go. My disposition is instead of playing the game with the carrot and the stick, I'm willing to give them more of the carrot than the stick and try to be warmer to them, always courteous respectful and try to guide them through the process."

SO HOW DO YOU FEEL ABOUT THAT?

"There's nothing I can do. That's not my job. Most of the judges are pretty upset with not having sentences upheld ... There is a way to keep people in jail. If they violate probation, then you can hold them in jail until the next court date a week or two weeks away. Put the sentencing over and the jailer can hold them. If you give them a sentence right away, they'll get right out."

WHAT IS YOUR RELATIONSHIP LIKE WITH THE CITY ATTORNEY'S OFFICE IN SANTA MONICA?

"Fantastic. A plus. They're great. I've never worked with finer prosecutors. I find them very hard working. Not that I have to kiss up to them. They kiss up to me (laughs). But in all honesty, they are really terrific and show excellent judgment. The community should be proud of the quality of people they have there. They are dedicated prosecutors. Look at what they're up against. And those who represent the homeless, they're wonderful too. If I didn't have that I probably wouldn't stay on. They enhance the quality of my life in court."

SOME MAY SAY YOU ARE WASTING YOUR TIME WITH THESE FOLKS. WHAT IS THAT MAKES YOU WANT TO WANT TO HELP THEM, MAKE SURE THEY STAY CLEAN?

"You can't answer that in a generic sense. But overall, you just have to zero in and care about one person at a time, whomever you're dealing with for those couple of moments, give them your full attention and care and that's something they don't have. People hate them. People hate the homeless or the drug addicted. They hate to see them walking around with nothing, and maybe its because it takes a little piece from them to see someone so downtrodden. Maybe they feel guilty. I just give the homeless or drug addict attention they don't get elsewhere. Who else is going to give it to them?"

Defense attorney says client is a fall guy

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tionnaires given by the court, said Jane Robison, a spokeswoman for the Los Angeles District Attorney's Office.

"It's a complicated case," Robison said. Johnson's mother, Terry Wark, who lives in Los Gatos, Calif., said she will be present for part of the trial, and when she is not in the courtroom, she will have family and friends there on her behalf.

The high-profile murder investigation and Paleologus' subsequent arrest garnered media attention across the country as police and volunteers searched for Johnson for more than two weeks before two hikers found her body at the bottom of a ravine in Laurel Canyon, a remote neighborhood in the Hollywood Hills. Her ankles were bound and she was covered in a sleeping bag.

Johnson disappeared after she told roommates she was going on a photo shoot in Beverly Hills with a man she met at the Century City Mall earlier that day. Paleologus used a similar ruse on at least eight other victims, according to prosecutors, who in 2003 convinced Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Robert Perry to allow

the other women to testify against Paleologus in front of a jury.

Close to a dozen women are expected to testify against Paleologus, and claim he tried to lure them by posing as a publicity photographer for a James Bond movie, or an industry executive. In most cases, Paleologus asked that the women show up to the photo shoots wearing provocative clothing, including black high heel stiletto pumps, a short black mini skirt and nylons, according to testimony during a 2003 preliminary hearing.

That clothing was consistent with what Johnson was wearing when she was found dead. Johnson also tried on the clothing at her 29th Street apartment for her roommate shortly before she went to meet Paleologus on Feb. 15, 2003, according to court testimony.

Two days after Johnson's disappearance, Paleologus allegedly tried to buy a car at Beverly Hills BMW using the name, social security number and credit history of Robert Wasvary, who owns a home on Wonderland Park Avenue in the Hollywood Hills — just blocks away from where Johnson's body was found.

But when the car salesman asked for

more identification, Paleologus allegedly ran off the dealership lot with the car. He was arrested by Beverly Hills police after they chased him to the Beverly Center parking garage. There, he got out of the car and ran down Third Street and into the kitchen of sushi restaurant, where he was apprehended, according to police testimony in 2003.

Paleologus was taken to Los Angeles Men's Central Jail at the Twin Towers facility, where he was held with no bail because of a parole violation. He was later charged with Johnson's murder.

Paleologus remains in the central jail and is often bound with shackles, his attorney Andrew Flier told the Daily Press earlier this year. Initially, Flier had been retained by Paleologus as his private attorney. But last year, Flier was appointed by the court and is now being paid similar to a public defender.

Flier insists that Paleologus is innocent and the DA's case is weak because it's based on circumstantial evidence only. In the past, Flier pointed out that the prosecution has no scientific evidence linking Paleologus to the murder — no fingerprints were found her car, no blood or DNA was found in any of the places searched by police, or near her body.

Flier said he believes Paleologus is being targeted because of his criminal past. He has been convicted of six felonies since 1998, ranging from grand theft to burglary to assault. He was released from state prison on Jan. 20, 2003, just three weeks before Johnson's disappearance.

Paleologus received three years probation after a jury deadlocked on charges against him in 1991 for attempted rape, assault and false imprisonment. In that case, he allegedly lured a woman into a hotel room after telling her she would meet famous people, including Madonna, at a party for record executives. Paleologus then allegedly tied the woman to a hotel bed and attempted to rape her, but she was able to escape.

Flier said those convictions were results of plea bargains Paleologus made and shouldn't have anything to do with the capital murder charge.

As a three-time convicted felon, Paleologus is facing life in prison. In addition to the capital murder charge, he faces six counts relating to the Beverly Hills case, including identity theft, filing a false financial statement, burglary, grand theft auto, forgery and receiving stolen property.

Victim shot in torso

SHOOTING, from page 1

The victim, who was taken to a local hospital by a private vehicle, is a male Hispanic who

was shot in the upper torso, police said.

The suspect is described as male Hispanic, 15 years old, five feet, eight inches tall, weighing approximately 180 pounds, wearing a white baggy T-shirt and shorts. While preliminary investigation indicates that the incident

appears to be gang related, the victim does not have any gang affiliation, police said.

Anyone having information regarding this incident is encouraged to contact the robbery/homicide unit of the Santa Monica Police Department at (310) 458-8451 or the watch

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AT A GLANCE

AMERICAN LEAGUE

Eastern Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	53	33	.616	_
New York	50	36	.581	3
Toronto	49	39	.557	5
Baltimore	41	49	.456	14
Tampa Bay	39	50	.438	15 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	59	29	.670	_
Chicago	57	31	.648	2
Minnesota	47	39	.547	11
Cleveland	40	47	.460	18 1/2
Kansas City	31	56	.356	27 1/2

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
Oakland	45	43	.511	_
Texas	45	43	.511	_
Angels	43	45	.489	2
Seattle	43	46	.483	2 1/2

Sunday's Games

Baltimore 5, Cleveland 4
 Tampa Bay 6, N.Y. Yankees 5
 Texas 5, Minnesota 2
 Chicago White Sox 6, Boston 5, 19
 innings
 Toronto 11, Kansas City 3
 Seattle 3, Detroit 2
 L.A. Angels 4, Oakland 2

Monday's Games

No games scheduled

Tuesday's Games

All-Star Game at Pittsburgh, 5 p.m.

Wednesday's Games

No games scheduled

NATIONAL LEAGUE

Eastern Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
New York	52	36	.591	_
Philadelphia	39	47	.453	12
Florida	38	47	.447	12 1/2
Atlanta	39	49	.443	13
Washington	38	51	.427	14 1/2

Central Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	47	39	.547	_
Cincinnati	45	43	.511	3
Milwaukee	44	45	.494	4 1/2
Houston	43	45	.489	5
Chicago	33	54	.379	14 1/2
Pittsburgh	30	59	.337	18 1/2

West Division

	W	L	Pct	GB
San Diego	47	40	.540	_
Dodgers	45	42	.517	2
Colorado	44	42	.512	2 1/2
San Fran	45	43	.511	2 1/2
Arizona	42	45	.483	5

Sunday's Games

Atlanta 8, Cincinnati 3
 San Diego 10, Washington 9
 N.Y. Mets 7, Florida 6
 Philadelphia 8, Pittsburgh 3
 Chicago Cubs 11, Milwaukee 4
 Arizona 8, Colorado 5
 L.A. Dodgers 3, San Francisco 1
 St. Louis 7, Houston 5, 12 innings

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BASEBALL

Gagne goes down

Dodgers' all-star closer out for the season with back injury

LOS ANGELES — Eric Gagne will have season-ending surgery Saturday to repair a herniated disc in his lower back, the latest injury to sideline the Los Angeles Dodgers' All-Star closer.

The 2003 NL Cy Young Award winner woke up with back pain last Tuesday and received an epidural injection along with a nerve block, which didn't produced the desired results.

The operation will be performed by Dr. Robert Watkins at St. Vincent Medical Center.

"When things like this happen, there's not really a good time for it to happen," manager Grady Little said. "It's disappointing for all of us, mostly Eric himself. But there's nothing we can do about it."

The injury had nothing to do with baseball-related activity, because Gagne has been on the disabled list with elbow problems that have limited him to 16 appearances since the beginning of last season. The 30-year-old right-hander agreed to a \$19 million, two-year contract before the 2005 campaign.

He underwent surgery on April 7 to remove a nerve from his pitching elbow — the same elbow that required Tommy John surgery in 1997. The three-time All-Star missed the first 51 games and made only two appearances after that. The most recent was on June 6 against the New York Mets, when he struck out Carlos Delgado and David Wright en

route to his 161st career save.

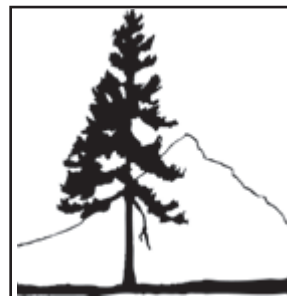
Gagne's 2005 season also ended prematurely when he underwent elbow surgery, but he didn't need a second ligament replacement procedure. Doctors cleaned up a slight amount of residual fraying around a nerve from the original Tommy John surgery, and he was able to begin spring training on time.

Gagne holds the major league record of 84 consecutive saves. He had a club-record 55 saves and 1.20 ERA in 2003.

Takashi Saito is 6-for-6 in save conversions since taking over as closer. The 36-year-old right-hander, who spent the previous 14 years pitching for Yokohama in the Japanese Central League, allowed three earned runs in a span of 22 innings entering Friday and has struck out 54 batters in 40 innings altogether.

"We've got some good arms down there," Little said. "Dany's Baez took on that role early in the year when Eric wasn't able to start the season and he did a good job. And now Saito's been doing a good job. So we have options that we feel confident in. Immediate adjusting doesn't have to be done, because we've been operating without Eric, anyway. So we'll just keep moving forward."

Baez is 9-for-16 in save situations. The right-hander had 96 saves over the previous three seasons with Cleveland and Tampa Bay, including a career-high 41 last year with the Devil Rays.



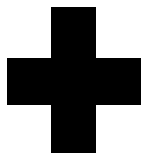
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Woman pleads not guilty to killing royals

BY TERENCE CHEA

Associated Press Writer

REDWOOD CITY — A teenager charged with killing two members of the Tongan royal family and their driver when she slammed her car into their sport utility vehicle has pleaded not guilty.

Edith Delgado, 18, of Redwood City, was held in lieu of \$3 million bail, raised from \$300,000, after her arraignment in San Mateo County Superior Court on three counts of vehicular manslaughter with gross negligence.

Delgado, who received her driver's license in February, was charged with killing Prince Tu'ipelehake, 56, and Princess Kaimana, 46, in Wednesday night's crash on Highway 101 in Menlo Park, about 30 miles south of San Francisco.

Vinisia Hefa, 36, of East Palo Alto, who was driving the red Ford Explorer carrying the prince and princess, also was killed, authorities said.

If convicted of the three manslaughter counts, Delgado faces up to eight years in prison, Deputy District Attorney Karen Guidotti said.

"This collision is extremely tragic," Guidotti said at the courthouse in Redwood City. "There was a loss of three innocent lives. They were just driving down the free-way minding their own business."

Defense attorney Randy Moore described Delgado as an honor roll student and bank teller who has never committed a crime.

"My client is very sorry she was involved in this. It remains to be determined whether she bears any criminal responsibility for what took place," Moore said. "Nobody has proven anything. There have only been accusations."

Delgado was driving a Ford Mustang as fast as 100 mph while racing another vehicle when she crashed into the driver's side of Hefa's SUV, causing it to swerve across several lanes before rolling onto its roof, according to the California Highway Patrol.

Delgado, who recently graduated from high school, was not injured in the crash. The other vehicle was not found.

The prince and princess had traveled to San Francisco to discuss political reforms in the South Pacific island nation with Tongan communities in the Bay Area and other parts of the U.S., according to the Tongan government.

"Their untimely deaths are a national tragedy for Tonga and all Tongans," Prime Minister Feleti Sevele said in a statement released late Friday. "We can only give thanks to God for enriching our nation with their lives and we offer our deepest condolences to their families."

Tu'ipelehake is a nephew of 88-year-old King Taufa'ahau Tupou IV, who owns a mansion in Hillsborough, about 15 miles

south of San Francisco.

The prince was the leading reformist in the royal family. He was head of a national committee studying democratic reforms for the kingdom.

"People are very much concerned, especially the people who are pushing for change," democracy movement leader 'Akilisi Pohiva said from the Tongan capital Nuku'alofa. "I think it's a great loss to the country."

Cabinet leaders and members of the Legislative Assembly met Friday and agreed that the work of the prince's committee should continue despite his death. The government said the couple's remains would be returned to Tonga for interment.

Now the last monarchy in the Pacific, Tonga has been a Polynesian kingdom and a protectorate of Britain, from which it acquired independence in 1970.

The 170-island archipelago about halfway between Australia and Tahiti has a population of about 108,000 and an economy dependent on pumpkin and vanilla exports, fishing, foreign aid and remittances from Tongans abroad.

About 37,000 U.S. residents identified themselves as at least part Tongan in the 2000 Census; 15,000 of them live in California.

Appearing in an orange prison sweat shirt behind a glass window, Delgado said

little during her arraignment, allowing her attorney to enter her plea and answer the judge's questions.

A small group of Bay Area Tongans showed up at the courthouse, but they were outnumbered by teenage friends of the defendant.

"We're here to find out more about what happened," said Saia Fonongaloa, 61, a Pittsburg resident who is a cousin of Prince Tu'ipelehake. "Some people don't understand the car they drive is a deadly weapon that can kill innocent people."

Near the crash site just off Highway 101 in Menlo Park, Tongans set up a roadside memorial Friday that included bouquets of flowers, a large tapestry of art, Tonga's red-and-white flag and pieces of the wreckage.

Hefa's cousin, Tulu Musua Pongi, placed flowers on the shrine Friday morning. She said Hefa worked as the royal couple's secretary in Tonga before emigrating to the U.S. three years ago and served as their driver when they came to the Bay Area.

Pongi described her cousin as a kind woman who worked as a baby sitter and sent money home to support her mother and sister. She said the tragic accident had left the community in shock.

"Everybody's feeling sad," said Pongi, 35, of East Palo Alto. "They didn't expect this happen. They're wondering what really happened that night."

Which of These Costly Mistakes Will You Make When You Sell Your Santa Monica Home This Summer

BY JAMES COSTELLO AND
JOHN MCCORMACK

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Utah, make it dos: Maker scores big in fast-food arena

BY BRICE WALLACE
Associate Press Writer

CENTERVILLE, Utah — On a warm Monday night, the predinner procession at The Taco Maker is steady.

A couple of families dine together, sharing laughs along with their meal. A trio of co-workers munches quickly on Mexican platters bigger than their heads before returning to their jobs. Several parents and grandparents order to-go items, often with a youngster in tow hoping to finish off an ice cream before it melts.

Taco Maker employees try to prepare a customer's food in less than 90 seconds, because they know people are in a hurry.

But few likely realize that the restaurant chain they frequent is based nearby. The worldwide corporate headquarters of the 148-restaurant franchise chain — which has nearly 100 stores in Puerto Rico — is in Ogden.

"The biggest question a lot of people have is, how did a Mexican food place get in Ogden, Utah?" said Steven M. Krolak, vice president of franchise development.

But the answer is simple.
"Well, this is our hometown," Krolak said. "This is where we live."

After Ogden native Gil L. Craig's establishment of The Taco Maker Inc. in 1978, the company grew from a handful of restaurants to an operation with 50 outlets across the country, those dozens in Puerto Rico and a few restaurants in India and the Philippines.

And Mexican fast food is just one of three "concepts" for The Taco Maker Inc. The others are Jake's Over the Top, serving American fare often chased with an "Avalanche" milkshake topping out several inches above the rim of the cup — hence the name — and Mayan Jamma Juice, offering a variety of frozen fruit drinks.

The corporation has used a mix of ingredients — food freshness, intensive franchisee training, co-branding and outlet alternatives — to position itself in the fast-food world and leave The Taco Maker Inc. primed to double its number of outlets over the next five years.

The Taco Maker's beginnings came from its founder's desire to make a better taco. Craig started his Mexican fast-food career in 1968 in California, working with his brother. "They learned how to do things there, but they came back and said, 'We can do this better. We need to do it right,'" Krolak said.

The first restaurant opened in Puerto Rico in 1978, setting the stage for it to become the largest Mexican fast-food chain on the island. A year later, a shop opened in Wayne, N.J., and it remains the oldest operating outlet in the United States. By 1987, there were 100 outlets.

Jake's Over the Top opened its first outlet in 1993 in Ogden. Four years later, a store in Kaysville opened with both Taco Maker and Jake's items on the menu. Many restaurants now feature all three Taco Maker Inc. concepts.

"And it's all in one spot," Krolak said. "When we started the concept of putting the two together right here in Kaysville, it was at a time when there wasn't anybody else doing co-branding with their own brands. They usually were still separate companies focusing on what they did."

The first of soon-to-be five Taco Makers in India opened this year in New Delhi. "Obviously, we've had to make a few adjustments to the menu, so we replaced beef with more chicken and lamb offerings, and we've tied it in with the ice cream, and it's packed," Krolak said. "The place is packed all the time."

The Mexican fast-food industry is exploding, but Krolak

said that wasn't the case in 1978.

"We saw a definite need for things to be done differently and how we could do them differently," he said.

Taco Maker works with U.S. Foodservice to get just the right specifications met for its food, from ingredients and sauces to the proper size of tortillas.

Krolak said that the biggest contributor to The Taco Maker's success is training. While many people know about McDonald's "Hamburger U.," The Taco Maker University was established in 1978 to ensure that owners and operators sing from the same procedural songbook.

The bulk of the training typically occurs within the last month before an outlet opens. It is preceded by a correspondence course that can take several days to complete. The Taco Maker University training follows — 19 days in Ogden, featuring both in-restaurant experience and classroom instruction, plus nightly homework.

"When they're finished, they know everything they need to know to start an outlet," Krolak said.

The company also sends out a couple of operations people for two weeks on-site through a restaurant opening to help the franchisee teach employees.

The latest incarnation of Taco Maker is the Mexican Grill. The first opened in late 2004 in Las Vegas. It allows customers to move quickly through lines as their favorite food elements are added (think Subway).

"We've asked people about what they consider a good amount of time (for food preparation)," Krolak said. "Some people believe 3 1/2 minutes is a good period of time. We shoot for 90 seconds, because people don't have a lot of time."

Taco Maker, like many privately held companies, doesn't disclose financial numbers. "I can tell you that our numbers are up," Krolak said. "They're up consistently every year."

And the corporation, which owns only five restaurants in the chain, is looking to increase the number of outlets. It has 24 restaurants in the Utah-Southern Idaho region and wants to "fill in some gaps" there and perhaps get more people owning multiple outlets. Ditto for the country as a whole.

"You buy one outlet, you bought a job. And you're totally dependent upon yourself, so if you believe in yourself and work, you'll have a successful job," he said. "But you buy two or three or four, you have a business."

A free-standing Taco Maker/Jake's restaurant in Carol Stream, Ill., opened in March, and Krolak said he is working with 12 other people who want to open stores in that area. And Puerto Rico, where the 93rd store recently opened, will have more than 100 by the end of this year.

"We have more than 140 outlets now, and we're looking to double our number within the next five years," he said of the company's overall total. "We have 30 new projects on our boards now."

"There are so many more people in Puerto Rico that are looking to get involved that they are looking for spaces in Florida — in Miami and Orlando and Tampa — where there's a large Puerto Rican population."

But Krolak said the company needs to "grow smart." It doesn't want stores "right on top of each other" and wants to ensure that franchisees are right for the job.

"We're dealing with people throughout the world right now, but we're not the type of company to just take the money and run," Krolak said.

"We want to be sure we have the right person, that they have food service experience, and not just the financial capability of building a restaurant. Anybody can do that, but that's our name on the board."

Dealt it to the smelt: Agency reviews effects of pumping on delta

BY SAMANTHA YOUNG
Associated Press Writer

SACRAMENTO — In a move that could hold implications for farmers and thirsty California cities, the federal government plans to re-examine the effects of pumping water from the Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta.

Federal scientists have agreed to reconsider their previous conclusions in light of recent studies showing the population of the threatened delta smelt may be in steep decline.

"We want to see if there are any changes we need to make in project operations or protective actions," Ronald Milligan, operations manager for the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation, said Friday. "This is a cautionary move."

He requested the study in a letter to the U.S. Fish and Wild Service that was filed Thursday in U.S. District Court in Fresno as part of an ongoing lawsuit.

The government's change in direction is a partial victory for environmental groups that have linked pumping of delta water to what they say may be the near extinction of the federally protected fish.

Fish and Wildlife Service spokesman Al Donner confirmed that the agency would move forward with another scientific review but could not say how long it might take.

The Natural Resources Defense Council and five other environmental groups sued the Fish and Wildlife Service in February 2005. The action followed an agency ruling that said increases in state and federal pumping from the delta to benefit farmers and Southern California cities would not have a negative affect on the federally protected delta smelt.

The environmentalists asked a federal court to invalidate the agency's 2004 biological opinion. That assessment could result in boosting the amount of water pumped out of the delta in the next 25 years.

"We think the evidence is showing we're crossing a threshold, and we need to seriously look at taking less water out of the system," said Barry Nelson, a senior policy analyst at the Natural Resources Defense Council.

He credited Bureau of Reclamation officials for requesting another opinion about the effects of taking more water from the delta. But he also urged the agency to immediately alter water operations to save the vulnerable fish, which averages 2 to 3 inches in length.

Scientists last summer said the delta smelt population had fallen to its lowest level since scientific measurements began in 1959. That troubles environmentalists, who say the plight of the fish may foreshadow further degradation of the delta.

"If they don't change the way they are operating, there's a good chance the smelt and other species may not be around much longer," Nelson said.

The Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta is the largest estuary on the West Coast, draining 61,000 square miles, or 42 percent of California's land area. It provides drinking water to two-thirds of the state's population.

The Los Angeles area is prepared to accept a possible reduction of water diversions from the delta, said Timothy Quinn, deputy general manager of the Metropolitan Water District of Southern California. But he cautioned that such a conclusion was premature and said factors other than water management may be contributing to the smelt's decline.

"We all know something is going on with the smelt, and we need to figure it out," Quinn said. "If it affects project operations, so be it. We're not expecting it to have dramatic impacts on water supply."

The Fish and Wildlife Service in July 2004 issued a biological opinion saying the Bureau of Reclamation's water management plans would not jeopardize endangered and threatened fish populations in the delta. It renewed the opinion in February 2005.

The bureau's management plans included renewing about 200 water contracts that guaranteed Central Valley irrigation districts the same amount of water they've received in the past.

The opinion by the wildlife agency gave the Bureau of Reclamation and the California Department of Water Resources the ability to issue long-term water contracts to rural irrigation districts and urban water agencies. It also furthered proposals to increase water exports from the delta to Southern California.

Together the Central Valley Project and the State Water Project pumped a record 6.5 million acre feet of water last year, enough water to supply 10 cities the size of Los Angeles.

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Gymnast ready to bounce

People in the News

OKLAHOMA CITY

Former Olympic gymnast Shannon Miller is divorcing her husband of seven years.

Miller, 29, and Christopher B. Phillips, 33, married in a lavish ceremony that featured many of her teammates from the 1996 U.S. squad that won the team gold medal in the Atlanta Games.

She filed for divorce in May 2004, but money disputes dragged the case out more than two years. The divorce is expected to become official in September.

Phillips, an eye surgeon, alleges that Miller had an affair with a married male athlete and that she threatened to accuse him of abusing prescription drugs if he didn't agree to her demands during the divorce proceedings.

"I've been put through the wringer over this," Phillips said. "It's been a very bitter and terrible divorce. ... She has really, really hurt me."

Miller denied the accusations, calling them "lies and innuendo surrounding an emotional divorce."

"The worst thing I ever did to my ex-husband was to put unleaded gas in his car and not premium. With gas prices these days, do you blame me?" Miller wrote in an e-mailed response to questions from The Oklahoman for a story published in Sunday's editions.

"We all have choices to make in life. I have chosen to be happy by leaving this painful experience in the past. I hope Chris is able to move on as well."

The couple, who lived in Oklahoma City and a Houston suburb before moving to Boston, have no children.

Miller also won two silver and three bronze medals in 1992 in Barcelona and an individual gold medal in the balance beam in Atlanta.

HONG KONG

Director tackles rings project

There's more to Chinese culture than lanterns and opera, says film director Zhang Yimou _ and he plans to prove it at the 2008 Beijing Olympics.

Zhang, chief director for the opening and closing ceremonies, says he hopes to use lesser-known Chinese elements.

"There are just too many well-known Chinese elements, such as lanterns, kites and Peking operas. There are also many aspects of Chinese culture that few people know," he says in an interview published

Friday in the China Daily newspaper.

"For instance, I saw many different kinds of performances when I went to Yunnan (province) to collect folk arts. They are absolutely new to people outside," he is quoted as saying.

Zhang says the ceremonies will show international solidarity as well as Chinese characteristics, and that Hollywood director Steven Spielberg _ one of a team of international consultants _ wants to be more than just an adviser.

Spielberg "intends to give some concrete suggestions," he says.

Zhang's films include "Hero," "House of Flying Daggers" and "Raise the Red Lantern."

RENO, Nev.

Armstrong switches gears

Seven-time Tour de France champion Lance Armstrong thinks keeping the ball in the fairway at Lake Tahoe will prove as challenging as any climb up the Pyrenees.

The 17th annual American Century Celebrity Golf Championship begins next week at Edgewood Tahoe Golf Course, and the Lance Armstrong Foundation will be one of the charity beneficiaries of the three-day tournament.

"I got a little worried when they told me there would be spectators," Armstrong told reporters during a recent teleconference. "I would just warn them to get out of the way when I hit the ball. If I ever broke 100, I'd be happy. That's how bad I am."

Other celebrity golfers scheduled to appear include Michael Jordan, Charles Barkley, Ray Romano, Donald Trump, Jerry Rice and Mario Lemieux.

"Jordan I know quite well, Barkley a little bit. He says bike riding is not a sport. So I'm bringing him a bike and we're going to find out what's a sport," Armstrong said.

The cycling great won't be in the official competition for the \$500,000 purse because he's scheduled to depart July 14 to crown his successor in France. But he's in the field for Thursday's celebrity-am.

Between appearances for his foundation, the 34-year-old Armstrong has been training for the New York City Marathon in November. He said his goal is to finish within an hour of the winner.

"Actually, I would be happy if I broke three hours. I found running to be more challenging than I had

expected."

NEW YORK

Brigitte a bride once again

Brigitte Nielsen can call it legal now.

The model and actress married her fifth husband, Mattia Dessi, on Saturday _ 17 months after a ceremony that wasn't legal because she hadn't finished divorcing No. 4, People magazine reported on its Web site.

The ceremony last year between Nielsen, 42, and Dessi, a 28-year-old Italian former model, was "more like an official engagement," said Nielsen's manager, Luigi Balduini.

They officially tied the knot in Malta, People reported. Their earlier ceremony took place in the Dominican Republic, while Nielsen was still married to former racecar driver Raoul Meyer.

Nielsen has appeared in such movies as "Rocky IV" and "Beverly Hills Cop II." She was previously married to Sylvester Stallone and has a son with former NFL star Mark Gastineau.

NEW YORK

Director may 'Think Twice'

Twyla Tharp took on the music of Billy Joel and created "Movin' Out," which ran for more than three years on Broadway.

Now the director-choreographer has turned to another pop superstar, Bob Dylan, for her next project _ "The Times They Are A-Changin'." The musical, a coming-of-age story set in a circus, opens Oct. 26 at Broadway's Brooks Atkinson Theatre. Preview performances begin Sept. 25.

"The Times They Are A-Changin'" concerns a young man, played by Michael Arden; his tyrannical father, portrayed by Thom Sesma, and a beautiful circus performer (Caren Lyn Manuel).

The musical received mostly encouraging reviews when it premiered last February at San Diego's Old Globe Theatre. The San Diego Union-Tribune called it an "exciting, flawed, phantasmagoric fable," while the San Francisco Chronicle said it "looks like a success," praising the production's "dynamic performances and imaginatively acrobatic choreography."

Among the Dylan hits in the show _ besides the title song _ are "Blowin' in the Wind," "Mr. Tambourine Man," "Lay Lady Lay," "Subterranean Homesick Blues" and "Don't Think Twice, It's All Right."

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Aero Theatre
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Thursday, July 5
The Jerk (R) 7:30
Friday, July 6
A Fish Called Wanda (NR) 7:30

AMC7 Santa Monica
1310 3rd Street
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The Break-Up (PG-13)
11:35am, 2:00, 4:30, 7:00, 9:30
Cars (G)
10:40am, 1:25, 4:20, 7:05, 9:50
Da Vinci Code (PG-13)
12:25, 3:50, 7:10, 10:30
Nacho Libre (PG)
10:30am, 11:20am, 12:50, 1:40, 3:10, 5:30, 7:50, 10:20
Superman Returns (PG-13)
10:15am, 11:30am, 1:35, 3:00, 4:00, 5:00, 6:30, 7:30, 8:25, 10:00, 10:50
Pirates of the Caribbean: Dead Man's Chest (PG-13)
12:01am

AMC Loews Broadway 4
1441 3rd Street
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The Devil Wears Prada (PG-13)
12:15, 1:45, 2:50, 4:20, 5:25, 7:00, 8:00, 9:40, 10:30
The Fast and the Furious 3: Tokyo Drift (PG-13)
1:15, 5:00, 7:40, 10:15
A Prairie Home Companion (PG-13)
12:45, 4:40, 7:20, 10:00

Landmark Nuwiltshire
1314 Wilshire Blvd
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The Heart of the Game (PG-13)
2:10, 7:10
Thank You for Smoking (R)
11:40am, 4:45, 9:45
Who Killed the Electric Car? (PG)
12:00, 2:30, 5:00, 7:30, 9:50

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An Inconvenient Truth (PG)
12:15, 2:45, 5:15, 7:45, 10:15
Leonard Cohen: I'm Your Man (PG-13)
1:45, 4:30, 7:15, 9:55
Peaceful Warrior (PG-13)
12:45, 3:45, 7:00, 9:55
Wordplay (PG)
12:15, 2:35, 5:00, 7:30, 9:45

Mann's Criterion Theatre
1313 3rd Street
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Click (PG-13)
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Garfield: A Tail of Two Kitties (PG)
11:00am, 1:10, 3:10, 5:20
The Lake House (PG)
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The Omen (R)
7:20, 10:10
Over the Hedge (PG)
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Waist Deep (R)
1:00, 3:20, 5:40, 8:00, 10:20

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In 1890, Wyoming became the 44th state.

In 1919, President Wilson personally delivered the Treaty of Versailles to the Senate, and urged its ratification.

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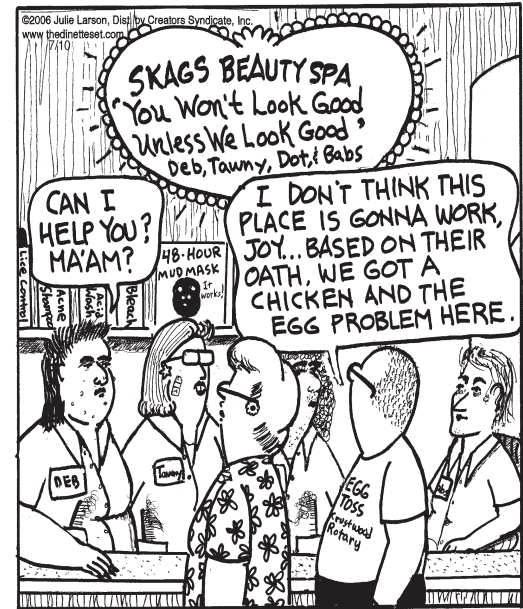
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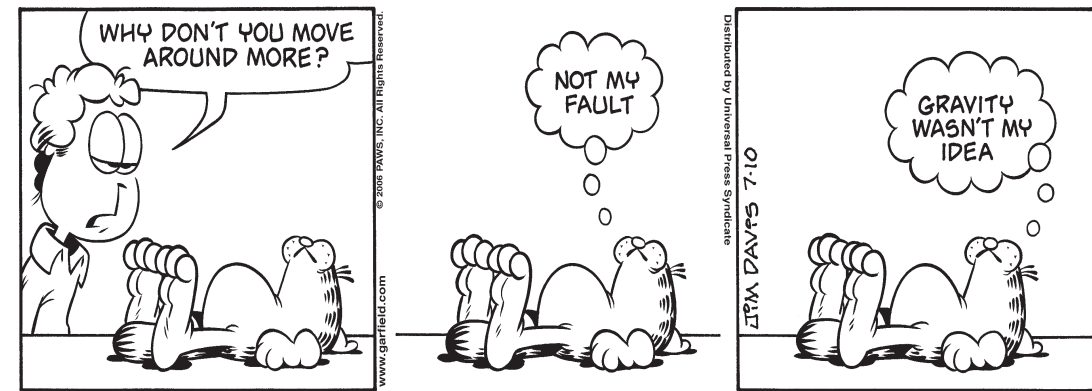
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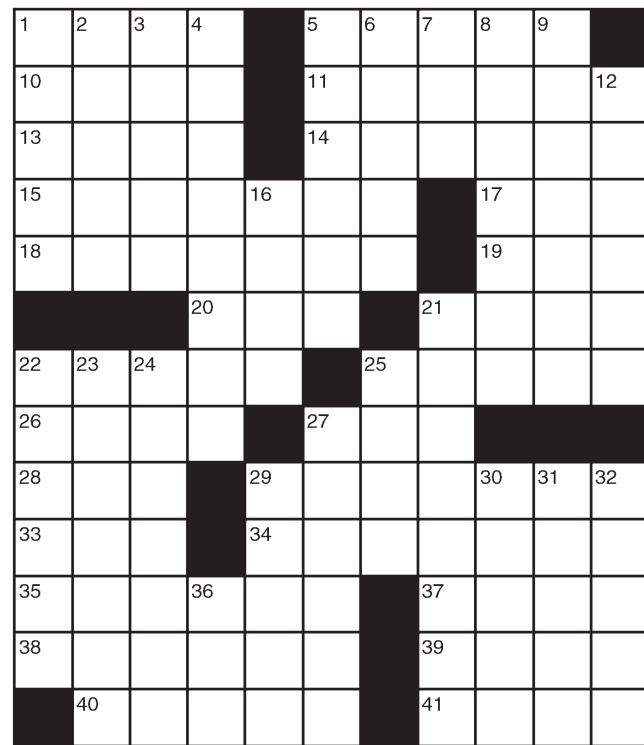
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1363314 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as TIQUICIA SHIPPING, 220 W. IVY, INGLEWOOD, CA 90302. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : LOUIS CORDOBA, 2800 GLENVIEW AVE, LA, CA 90039 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)6/20/2006. /s/: LOUIS CORDOBA
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1354410 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as VAN NUYS COIN LAUNDRY, 7143 SEPULVEDA BLVD., VAN NUYS, CA 91405-2930. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : AKOP KHATCHIKIAN, 12721 TYSON PLACE, GRANADA HILLS, CA 91344 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)6/12/2006. /s/: AKOP KHATCHIKIAN
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1373293 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as VIC'S GARAGE, 12510 PHILADELPHIA ST, WHITTIER, CA 90601. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : ALEIDA BERDEJO, 12510 PHILADELPHIA ST, WHITTIER, CA 90601 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/: ALEIDA BERDEJO
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1385884 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as WORLDWIDE FUNDING GROUP, 1223 WILSHIRE BLVD., SUITE 835, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : KIMBERLY HANDLEY, 935 BERKELEY STREET, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403 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/: KIMBERLY HANDLEY
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1342272 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LUCKY BLING WORLD, #3 DEL AMO FASHION CENTER, TORRANCE, CA 90503. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : HONG VA, 3029 N. BROADWAY, LOS ANGELES, CA 90031 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/: HONG VA
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/19/2006. 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 7/3/2006, 7/10/2006, 7/17/2006, 7/24/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1342312 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LITTLE OUTLET, 741 1/2 S. ATLANTIC BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CA 90022. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MARTHA URENA, 6151 WILCOX AVE, MAYWOOD, CA 90270, PATRICIA URENA, 6151 WILCOX AVE, MAYWOOD, CA 90270 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/: MARTHA URENA, PATRICIA URENA
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/19/2006. 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 7/3/2006, 7/10/2006, 7/17/2006, 7/24/2006

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1345977 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as G&D ENTERPRISES, AI #/ON 2704564, 4712 ADMIRALTY WAY, #450, MARINA DEL REY, CA 90292. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : SEVEN RAY'S INC., 4775 LA VILLA MARINA "H", MARINA DEL REY, CA 90292 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)10/1/1998. /s/: SEVEN RAY'S INC., CEO, GINA DARNELL
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 06/19/06. 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 7/3/2006, 7/10/2006, 7/17/2006, 7/24/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1351862 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as FIRST PLATINUM LENDING, AIR/ON 2681778, 234 E. COLORADO BLVD., #610, PASADENA, CA 91101. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : VULCAN FINANCIAL CORP., 525 EAST COLORADO BLVD., PH FLOOR, 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)6/19/2006. /s/: VULCAN FINANCIAL CORP., CEO, AMIR NASS
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/20/2006. 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 7/3/2006, 7/10/2006, 7/17/2006, 7/24/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1373509 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as EAGLE HOME CARE MANAGEMENT, 3964 EAGLE ROCK BLVD., LOS ANGELES, CA 90065. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : PATMARLOUE F. AZURIN, 1845 CALLE Suenos, GLENDALE, CA 91208 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/: PATMARLOUE F. AZURIN
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/22/2006. 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 7/3/2006, 7/10/2006, 7/17/2006, 7/24/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1363259 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ALOHA FLOWERS & GIFTS, 24456 LYONS AVENUE, SANTA CLARITA, CA 92321. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : CHAEPIL ANDERSON VI, 26910 THE OLD RD, #191, VALENCIA, CA 91381 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/: CHAEPIL ANDERSON
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/21/2006. 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 7/3/2006, 7/10/2006, 7/17/2006, 7/24/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1352796 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PILATES BY THE SHORE, 427 9TH ST, SANTA MONICA, CA 90402. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : NANETTE HOFFEFLIN, 427 9TH ST, SANTA MONICA, CA 90402 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/: NANETTE HOFFEFLIN
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Statement of Abandonment of Use of Fictitious Business Name
Document Record # 06 1428589
Current File No. 05 2008357
State of California, County of Los Angeles
The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious Business name:
COPAWEAR INTERNATIONAL
located at 1112 MONTANA AVE, #170, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403

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The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on 08/22/2005
In the county of LOS ANGELES.
ANTHONY E. BAYER, 67 ESPLANADE, IRVINE, CA 92612, CHRISTINA E. BAYER, 67 ESPLANADE, IRVINE, CA 92612
This business is conducted by: A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP
/s/ ANTHONY E. BAYER, CHRISTINA E. BAYER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 06/28/2006. Published: SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS 7/10/2006, 7/17/2006, 7/24/2006, 7/31/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1385345 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as H&H ELECTRIC COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, RESIDENTIAL, 1562 LAKE SHORE AVE, LA, CA 90026. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : GABY HERNANDEZ, 251 NEWLAND ST, LA, CA 90042 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/: GABY HERNANDEZ
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/23/2006. 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 7/10/2006, 7/17/2006, 7/24/2006, 7/31/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1439970 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ESPERANZA'S FASHION, 3910 SNOW DR., LOS ANGELES, CA 90063. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MAURO FLORES RODELAS, 3910 SNOW DR., LOS ANGELES, CA 90063, FLOR ROJAS ORTEGA, 3910 SNOW DR., LOS ANGELES, CA 90063 This Business is being conducted by, husband and wife. Signed: The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)2/1/2006. /s/: MAURO FLORES, FLOR ROJAS
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/29/2006. 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 7/10/2006, 7/17/2006, 7/24/2006, 7/31/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1388086 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as HANNOL COMPANY OF AMERICA, 9083 LAS TUNAS DR, TEMPLE CITY, CA 91780. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : YU MEI LIU DE CHUNG, 1176 PEBBLEWOOD DR, DIAMOND BAR, CA 91765, NENG HAI WU, 1176 PEBBLEWOOD DR, DIAMOND BAR, CA 91765 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/: YU MEI LIU DE CHUNG, NENG HAI WU
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1388089 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PARLIAMENT FINANCIAL MORTGAGE, RESIDENTIAL BANKERS CORP, MORTGAGE BANKERS; LOANSOEASY.COM, 9083 LAS TUNAS DR, TEMPLE CITY, CA 91780. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : MANDARIN FINANCIAL SERVICES, INC. (CA), 9083 LAS TUNAS DR, TEMPLE CITY, CA 91780 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)1/1/2000. /s/: MANDARIN FINANCIAL SERVICES INC., CORPORATE SECRETARY, LUIS C. WEI
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/23/06. 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 7/10/2006, 7/17/2006, 7/24/2006, 7/31/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1428365 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as DOWNEY, REALTORS; DOWNEY HOME LOANS; NORTH DOWNEY ESCROW SERVICES, 7340 EAST FLORENCE AVENUE, #208, DOWNEY, CA 90240. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : ANGEL D. CASTRO, 10407 DOROTHY AVENUE, SOUTH GATE, CA 90280 This

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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/: ANGEL D. CASTRO
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1492300 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MOTORLOUNGE, CHOPPERCHAIRS, 125 SAN VICENTE BLVD., SUITE D, SANTA MONICA, CA 90402. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : GENE PAUL GURLEY, 125 SAN VICENTE BLVD., SUITE D, SANTA MONICA, CA 90402 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/: GENE GURLEY
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 7/6/2006. 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 7/10/2006, 7/17/2006, 7/24/2006, 7/31/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1439868 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as ON DEMAND POWER WASH, 349 E. SMITH ST, LONG BEACH, CA 90805. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : KEVIN ZELAYA, 349 E. SMITH ST, 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/: KEVIN ZELAYA
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/29/2006. 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 7/10/2006, 7/17/2006, 7/24/2006, 7/31/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1439952 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as MYDOCSERVE, 324 S. DIAMOND BAR BLVD., #611, DIAMOND BAR, CA 91765. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : ANGLEA ICHING YANG, 17849 CRIMSON CREST DR, ROWLAND HEIGHTS, CA 91748, JOHN YANG, 17849 CRIMSON CREST DR, ROWLAND HEIGHTS, CA 91748 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/: ICHING ANGELA YANG, JOHN YANG
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/29/2006. 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 7/10/2006, 7/17/2006, 7/24/2006, 7/31/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1430841 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as FABIAN AUTO SALES, 3424 E. 1ST ST., LA, CA 90063. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : FABIAN CHAVEZ, 1612 PLEASANT AVE, LOS ANGELES, CA 90033 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/: FABIAN CHAVEZ
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1504674 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as UNITED LENDERS GROUP, LOANCREDIBLE.COM, LENDCREDIBLE.COM, AI #/ON 2824683, 13101 WASHINGTON BLVD., SUITE 138, CULVER CITY, CA 90066. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : THE DOWNS GROUP INC., (CA), 4478 VIA MARINA, 993, MDR, CA 90292 This Business is being conducted by, a

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corporation. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: THE DOWNS GROUP, PRESIDENT, JOHN R. DOWNS II
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 7/7/2006. 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 7/10/2006, 7/17/2006, 7/24/2006, 7/31/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1406701 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PEQUENA AMERICA IMPORTS, 221 ST. JOSEPH AVE, LONG BEACH, CA 90803. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JULIE ELIZABETH FLATHERS, 221 ST. JOSEPH AVE, LONG BEACH, CA 90803 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/: JULIE FLATHERS
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/26/2006. 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 7/10/2006, 7/17/2006, 7/24/2006, 7/31/2006

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1439972 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SAM ENGINEERING & CONSTRUCTION, 11600 ALONDRA BLVD., #D27, NORWALK, CA 90650. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : NASIR U. SIKDER, 16439 LONG NORTH AVE, NORWALK, CA 90650 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/: NASIR SIKDER
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 6/29/2006. 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 7/10/2006, 7/17/2006, 7/24/2006, 7/31/2006

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1416501 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CHAKRA INDIAN CUISINE, 151 S. DOHENY DR., BEVERLY HILLS, CA 90211. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : PROGRESSIVE INVESTMENTS GROUP LLC, 1557 AVENIDA ENTRADA, SAN DIMAS, CA 91773 This Business is being conducted by, a managing partner. Signed: Registrant has not yet begun to transact business under the fictitious name or names listed herein.. /s/: PROGRESSIVE INVESTMENTS GROUP LLC, MANAGING

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1430835 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CUSTOM DESING PLUS, 321 W. KELSO ST., #2, INGLEWOOD, CA 90301. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : RONALD SANCHEZ, 321 W. KELSO ST., #2, INGLEWOOD, CA 90301 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/: RONALD SANCHEZ

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAMES STATEMENT FILE NO. 06 1492301 FIRST FILING. The following person(s) is (are) doing business as FTO COMPANY, 811 EUCLID ST, SUITE 55, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403. The full name of registrant(s) is/are : JOSEPH VECCHIO, 811 EUCLID ST, SUITE 55, SANTA MONICA, CA 90403 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/: JOSEPH VECCHIO

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Petitioner or Attorney: ARASH ALI HEKMATNIA filed a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: ARASH ALI HEKMATNIA to ARASH LATIFI

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: AUGUST 9, 2006 Time: 8:30, Div: 11, The address of the court is Los Angeles Superior Court, Beach Cities Branch, 117 West Torrance Blvd., Suite 100, Redondo Beach, CA 90277-3638.

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