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Back to school in SMMUSD

Several issues facing the district as 2016-17 begins

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
Daily Press Staff Writer

Do you know what the Santa Monica-Malibu school district did this past summer?

While students have been out of school, traveling, attending camps and pursuing their interests, local education officials have been busy addressing a variety of academic and non-classroom matters in recent months.

As the 2016-17 school year begins, the Daily Press takes a look at four key issues facing the school district.

CHANGE AT THE TOP

Families will notice that SMMUSD has not one but two chief executives.

Following the departure of Sandra Lyon, who left to become the top administrator of the Palm Springs Unified School District, the local Board of Education appointed Chris King and Sylvia Rousseau to serve as interim co-superintendents for the rest of the calendar year.

Officials have said they wanted two temporary leaders to avoid jeopardizing their retirement benefits and also to keep alive the district's momentum on closing the achievement gap.

"We are living in an era of great challenges and great potential," the interim co-superintendents wrote in a letter to SMMUSD families. "It is a particularly thrilling era in education and we are fortunate to have excellent staff, supportive par-

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Mobility and homelessness cited as Downtown challenges

Editors note: The Downtown Santa Monica annual meeting covers several topics and the Daily Press will address them in all in future stories.

MARINA ANDALON
Daily Press Staff Writer

Santa Monica's Downtown is the envy of many a nearby city but according to local officials, homelessness and mobility are the most significant threats to future growth.

On Aug. 17, Downtown Santa Monica Inc. (DTSM) hosted its annual meeting at the Fairmont Miramar Hotel featuring speakers from the city and DTSM Inc.

Mayor Tony Vazquez opened the program praising Downtown for becoming a model for cities worldwide and said additions like the Colorado Esplanade, have vastly improved the Downtown experience.

Vazquez and City Manager Rick Cole said Downtown's continued growth will be built on a foundation of new transportation options but both said the City would be tackling homelessness as part of the Downtown's continued evolution.

"Now with the Metro you can literally walk down to the pier and to the beaches," said Vazquez. "Downtown is doing a great job making it so pedestrian friendly. I know traffic is one of our key issues and I know the city staff is working diligently on this issue."

Vazquez said the City is targeting traffic by providing mobility options.

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Pico transformed into mural mecca

Beautify Earth backs public art to reduce blight, help businesses



Courtesy Photo

BEAUTIFUL: Beautify Earth has expanded its popular mural program to Pico Boulevard.

BY JEFFREY I. GOODMAN
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Strewn garbage and graffiti-covered walls are commonly found in neglected areas of town. And as far as Beautify Earth is concerned, those ills are invitations for more blight.

"If you have an area that has trash or has an ugly wall that keeps getting tagged, it gives off the impression that the people who live there or the people who own the business don't really care," said Heather Rabun, a project manager for the nonprofit public art organization. "It gives an air of apathy.

"As soon as you put some love and care into the area, even if it's a fresh coat of paint, you notice a shift in the way people carry themselves. There's community pride. People feel inspired."

There's now plenty of inspiration to go around on Pico Boulevard in Santa Monica, which in recent months has become a mural mecca thanks to the efforts of Beautify Earth as

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Monday, August 22

Social Services Commission Meeting
Regular meeting of the Santa Monica Social Services Commission, 7 p.m., Ken Edwards Center, 1527 4th St.

Airport Commission Meeting
CANCELLED

Preschool Story Time
Story time series for 3-5 year olds. August 22 - October 3 (No stories 9/5). A ticket is required to attend. A limited number of tickets are given out on a first-come, first-served basis, 15 minutes before the program, at the Information Desk. 11:15 - 11:45 a.m. Montana Avenue Branch Library, 1704 Montana Ave.

Toddler Time
Story series for toddlers ages 18 to 35 months accompanied by an adult. (20 min.) 10:15 -10:35 a.m. Pico Branch Library, 2201 Pico Blvd.

Tuesday, August 23

Beach=Culture Red Hen Press
A gathering of forthright and fascinating female poets. Amy Uyematsu's latest collection confronts the world of drone warfare and post 9/11 unease. Jacqueline Tchakalian writes on life after loss in her collection of letters to a dead husband, offering an unflinchingly personal memorial. National Book Award finalist Kim Addonizio has been called "one of our nation's most provocative and edgy poets" for her bold and candid work. Annenberg Community Beach House, 415 Pacific Coast Highway, 6:30 - 8 p.m., RSVP at www.eventbrite.com/o/beach-culture-at-the-annenberg-community-beach-house-199463539.

City Council Meeting
Regular meeting of the Santa Monica City Council. 5:30 p.m., City Hall, 1685 Main Street.

Introduction to Pinterest
Discover, save and organize creative ideas using this free, visual bookmarking tool. Learn what Pinterest is, set up an account and start pinning! An email address is required for this class. Advanced Level. Seating is first come, first served. For more information, please visit the Reference Desk or call Telephone Reference at (310) 434-2608, 4 - 5 p.m., Main Library, 1685 Main Street.

Wednesday, August 24

Enemy in the Garden: Anti-Semitism in America, Fact or Fiction?
Author Harriet Pike explores the theme of anti-Semitism through her book Enemy in the Garden and a conversation with the Simon Wiesenthal Center's Rick Eaton. 6 - 7:45 p.m., Main Library, 601 Santa Monica Blvd.

When You Need More Than Google: Finding Good Health Information
UCLA Consumer Health Librarian Kelli Ham shows you the best, easy-to-use websites that provide trustworthy health information and help you decipher "what the doctor said." Fairview Branch Library, 2101 Ocean Park Blvd., 4 p.m.

PowerPoint I (MS Office 2013)
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The City has its newly inaugurated bike share program, Breeze, now with 75 locations and 500 bikes throughout the city. City Hall has revamped all of the Big Blue Bus lines feeding into the Expo station, to encourage people to use public transportation and Downtown has 12 new scramble pedestrian crosswalks to ease the flow of visitors and residents on foot.

However, City Manager Rick Cole said traffic professionals are now saying traffic is the worst it has ever been.

Cole said more needs to be done to address the congestion problems including a planned expansion of the Go With the Flow program and prohibiting left turns during peak at hours at specific intersections.

In addition to mobility, Cole and Vazquez cited homelessness as a top strategic goal for the next three to five years for Downtown Santa Monica.

According to city statistics, more than 40 percent of police calls are due to homeless issues and over 15 percent of fire calls are related to homeless issues.

Cole said diverse resources like librarians, bus drivers, and park staff are constantly dealing with the problem of homeless people of the city.

Officials said during the last annual homeless count, 728 individuals were recorded living on the streets and Cole encouraged the community to work together to find a solution to the homeless problem. However, at least one potential idea — creating a city funded sober living facility — was met with nervous laughter when proposed as part of Cole's speech.

Cole has high hopes to help solve the homelessness issue that surrounds Downtown. He feels the city needs to be more data driven in addressing its problems, including homelessness.

In addition to potential sober living locations, the city will be counting how many times officers, or firefighters contact the same homeless person and will be asking for non-profit organizations to help out.

In the end, both city figures said it would be a community effort.

"I ask the individuals of Downtown Santa Monica, not to ask the city what the city can do to solve this problem," said Cole. "But ask yourself, what we together as partners can do to solve this problem not just here in Santa Monica but as a region."

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ents and committed community members who are willing to collaborate and do whatever it takes so that all of our students have every opportunity to reach their full potential."

Consultants from Leadership Associates are conducting the search for Lyon's long-term replacement. A new superintendent is expected to join the district Jan. 1.

ACHIEVEMENT GAP

As evidenced by the keynote speech given by Pedro Noguera at the recent SMMUSD employee convocation, closing the achievement gap is a chief priority of the district this year.

The district last year hired Noguera, a renowned scholar and education reformist, to improve equity in local schools. Gaps in academic achievement have persisted for years along racial and socioeconomic lines.

The district's goal this year is to implement strategies recommended in Noguera's report, which was presented following numerous classroom visits and meetings with staff. The report outlined a variety of obstacles.

"Our primary responsibility this fall will be to turn the report into a specific plan of action to make both excellence and equity realities for all of our students," King and Rousseau wrote.

EYES ON MALIBU

As much as some advocates in Malibu would want otherwise, the enclave city remains part of the local school district.

SMMUSD officials are awaiting a court ruling on the lawsuit filed by Malibu activists to challenge the district's handling of chemical testing and cleanup at Malibu schools. The district has spent millions of dollars on consultants and legal fees since the discovery of polychlorinated biphenyls in Malibu a few years ago.

Meanwhile, a district committee continues analyzing the obstacles to a possible splitting of SMMUSD into distinct Santa Monica and Malibu entities. The committee, which features representatives from both cities, is scheduled to meet Tuesday night at district headquarters and Aug. 30 in Malibu.

BUDGET DEFICIT

SMMUSD is seeing red.

Officials were informed in late June that the district was facing an approximately $10-million budget deficit, which chief financial officer Jan Maez said will require some "pretty difficult choices" on the part of the school board.

Adding to the financial strain was another shortfall in the Santa Monica-Malibu Education Foundation campaign, which raised $2.03 million in a cycle that closed June 30. The district was expecting a $2.5-million contribution.

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well as local civic and community leaders.

The transformation recently touched the front facade of Ed's Liquor, which now has hummingbirds fluttering on a splashy canvas of blues and whites. The storefront art by Venice-based Christina Angelina accompanies a large mural on the side of the business that sets a black-and-white painting of Brazilian singer-songwriter Claudia Leitte against a brightly colored backdrop.

Beautify Earth sponsored the project, securing the support of Ed's Liquor owner Ali Wazir and receiving funding from the Pico Improvement Organization as well as from the City of Santa Monica.

"Not only is he improving the facade, but he's also working on improving the interior as well," Rabun said of Wazir's contribution, "with an overall goal of creating a more positive, friendly atmosphere in an area where we see a lot of crime and homelessness and drunkenness."

The murals at Ed's Liquor are recent additions to the public art scene of Santa Monica, where Beautify Earth has overseen the creation of more than 50 murals over the last three years.

What started as group founder Evan Meyer's idea to improve the look of Lincoln Boulevard has expanded throughout and beyond Santa Monica. The organization has since worked on projects in New York, Mississippi and India.

Along the Pico corridor, Meyer's organization has backed more than a dozen public murals since early 2015. There's one at Ameritech Signs near 30th Street, another at the CrossFit Reflex gym near 33rd Street and one at Infuse Wellness spa on the same block. Santa Monica High School alumnus Gus Harper completed a series near the Interstate 10 freeway off-ramp near the eastern edge of the city.

Chris Saunders crafted an intricate mural of a tiger at the Goju-Ryu karate studio near 22nd Street. Allison Kunath painted human hands forming the letters of the word "LOVE" at The Brixton near 29th Street. And Brian Allen added artwork to the nearby Pedicure Lounge.

Eye-grabbing art can also be found at Precision Sound (823 Pico Blvd.), Players Club indoor golf studio (3211 Pico Blvd.) and Pico Studio Partners near 21st Street, which features a collaboration by Ruben Rojas and Marcel Blanco.

Beautify Earth has also planned public art projects at Advantage Real Estate (1021 Pico Blvd.), RD Surfboards (3017 Pico Blvd.), UnUrban Coffee House (3301 Pico Blvd.) and the CLARE Foundation.

Advocates said the murals promote pedestrian traffic and help businesses stand out.

"If you can cut that level of blight, people feel better," Meyer said. "That elevates the general vibe of the world. It's a stepping stone to a peaceful planet. It's tangible. You can touch it. It's real."

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Let the games begin

Yes, I'm back. You didn't think I was going to bail out during election season, did you?

Since my last column a month ago, a lot has happened to set the stage for the November 8 election and I've been watching from the wings. Candidates have pulled papers, collected signatures and qualified for the ballot, pursued endorsements and began collecting campaign contributions. All four City Council incumbents are running again. And, one key challenger changed his mind about sitting on the dais. Regrettably.

The Santa Monicans for Renters Rights (SMRR) folks held their annual convention a few weeks ago. That congress, traditionally held about 90 days (give or take a few) before the General Election, is when the powerful political cabal gathers to endorse candidates for City Council, Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District, School Board, Santa Monica College Board of Trustees and Santa Monica' Rent Control Board as well as support/oppose local ballot measures. SMRR has held an iron grip on local politics since the late 1970's when rent control was voted in.

The new resident-advocacy group Residocracy also held meetings. Viewed by many as a rival to SMRR, Residocracy was founded by Santa Monica resident and civil engineer Armen Melkonians to derail the massive controversial 765,000 square foot Bergamot Transit Village development slated for mid-cities neighborhood three years ago. Melkonians recruited hundreds of local residents to fight the project via a referendum/ballot initiative, however council rescinded the targeted development plan themselves eclipsing the need for a ballot proposition.

Melkonians and his grass-roots organization put the brakes on what he and many Santa Monicans saw as one more oversized development contributing to horrendous traffic congestion, parking problems, ballooning costs for housing and a marked deterioration of our quality of life.

SMRR power players, business and development interests and bicycle advocacy groups (such as Santa Monica Next) formed an entity called Santa Monica Forward to response to Melkonians' and Residocracy's continued anti-development efforts and promote unfettered development as being good for the community as well as lobby for more housing/development.

Santa Monica Forward's immediate mandate is to defeat LUVE, Residocracy's latest citizen initiative, the Land Use Voter Empowerment (LUVE). Forward is backing candidates espousing their more housing/development, encouraging more bicycle amenities and discouraging anyone who'd challenge their "Let's make money, Who cares what the taxpayers think" philosophy.

The "fat wallet organization" is already making an aggressive and costly public relations push — including phone polls and door knockers spreading — to spread their anti-LUVE propaganda.

LUVE has qualified for the Fall, 2016 General Election and is Measure LV on the ballot M Melkonians is pursuing a council seat.

If Measure LV prevails at the polls, it would require voter approval of any building taller than 32 feet which is already the City's current, tier 1 limit. Of course, this would tie City Council's hands when it comes to giving final approval to anything higher.

In other words, it would insure a low, but orderly development process by allowing that "the people" have the final approval of overly large projects. There are, by the way exemptions for100 percent affordable housing, senior housing and property previously identified for housing purposes.

Appointments to board and commissions also held few surprises, but one has caused a big stir among residents. Just two weeks ago, Council continued to screw us again by appointing Leslie Lambert (on the Board of developer-backed Santa Monica Forward) to Planning Commission. Wonderful.

The race for Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District (SMMUSD) Board of Education is pretty unremarkable this season, with SMRR insiders and veteran School Board members Ralph Mechur and Maria Leon-Vazquez up for re-election in November. Dr. Jose Escarce is retiring and school board member and local activist Oscar de la Torre announced he's running for Santa Monica City Council.

For decades, the SMMUSD has been heavily criticized for not solving problems or providing the quality of education that a community like Santa Monica should be capable of. A string of reports including the most recent report by Dr. Pedro Noguera have been highly critical of the school board for its lack of management skills and inability to turn the ship around.

Despite all of this, I wasn't surprised when Leon-Vazquez and Mechur received SMRR's endorsement. It proves to me that cronyism and mutual back scratching is still "de rigueur" in SMRR and that "maintaining its network and wielding complete control" is the goal of SMRR's leadership.

The mediocrity of most of our elected public servants is assured because SMRR's leaders don't care about our wellbeing, just ruling the roost. The big question is: When will voters (about three quarters of which are renters) figure it out and begin voting accordingly?

It's also interesting to note how certain community leaders will switch positions and contradict themselves on issues — such as supporting massive new projects they formerly opposed — when the pro-development cliques come a calling. Such is the case with a neighborhood head desirous of being on Planning Commission. In the end, a long- time SMRR crony got the seat.

Lastly, I apologize for being "missing in action" but I've been dealing with some fairly serious health issues. I'm on the mend, now thanks to some great medical care from my Doctors, Santa Monica/UCLA Hospital, my friends, the staff at the Daily Press, my "team mates" in the Homeless Liaison Program (HLP) at the Santa Monica Police Department and most of all, Ron Hooks from West Coast Care who has helped me through this crisis in ways I would have never imagined.

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Wastewater Main Replacement Project

For the week of Aug. 22, the contractor will continue with the removal and replacement of sewer main pipe on Palisades P. N. between 4th Street and 7th Street. During these operations, the alley will be closed to through traffic, local access only. Should you have any questions, please contact Carlos Rosales, Project Manager (310) 458-8721 ext. 2620 or Tim Scheffer, Construction Manager (909) 376-0275.

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ON AUGUST 8 AT ABOUT 4 P.M.

Officers responded to the 2200 block of 28th Street where they met the reporting parties. The reporting parties told the officers about a subject, roommate, who they were concerned about and afraid of. The subject showed them a duffle bag with two guns inside but told them the guns were fake. The subject was not home at the time and the roommates showed the officers the bag that contained the guns. Officers inspected the guns inside the bag and determined they were loaded "zip guns"; homemade guns capable of firing real bullets, usually only one at a time. Officers took possession of the zip guns and booked them into evidence. The reporting parties were asked to call when the subject/roommate returned. On Aug. 9 at 11:45 p.m., officers were called back to the location because the subject had returned. Officers arrived and questioned the suspect about the previously found zip guns. The student admitted they were his and told them about a third gun that was found and also taken into custody. Justin Taylor Bradley, 19, from Santa Monica was placed under arrest for possession of the homemade zip guns. Bail was set at $5,000.

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California Yacht Club's monthly Luncheon

Hear the presentation "Tanzanian Safari - exploring homeland of the largest wildlife herds on the African continent" presented by Hugh McIntyre, M.D. and Cecilia Riddell.

Join fellow nature enthusiasts for the California Yacht Club's monthly Luncheon program, this time featuring a captivating audio-visual presentation by world-class adventurers Doctor Hugh McIntyre and Cecilia Riddell.

Few destinations in Africa can rival Tanzania's diversity of wildlife, cultures and landscapes. This former British Colony of Tanganyika hosts jaw-dropping showpieces including: Africa's highest mountain, snowcapped Kilimanjaro towering above the dusty red savanna o the world's largest intact volcanic caldera, the Ngorongoro Crater o flamingo-carpeted lakes abutting thick green forests, and lush grass plains which seemingly stretch on forever o millions of migrating Wildebeest and Zebras crossing the magnificent Serengeti Plains o natural home to the highest concentrations of cats and other predators in Africa.

Through the well-researched commentary and excellent photography of the presenters, these are landscapes, flora and fauna that will come alive to the viewer, as they have inspired countless wildlife documentaries and Disney movies - evocative spectacles that remain indelibly elegant ... but also raw and rugged.

Happy Half Hour - Noon. Buffet Luncheon - 12:20 p.m., presentation 12:40 p.m., $20 includes Luncheon, tax, service and parking. Open to all who enjoy yachting and adventure, as a public service of CYC. Reservations appreciated: reservations@calyachtclub.net. Thursday Aug. 25, California Yacht Club, 4469 Admiralty Way, Marina del Rey.

- SUBMITTED BY IRA TELLER

Main Library

Enemy in the Garden: Anti-Semitism in America, Fact or Fiction?

Join author Harriet Pike in conversation with the Simon Wiesenthal Center's Rick Eaton for Enemy in the Garden: Anti-Semitism in America, Fact or Fiction? on Wednesday, August 24, 2016 in Main Library's MLK, Jr. Auditorium at 6 p.m., 601 Santa Monica Blvd.

Harriet Pike explores the theme of anti-Semitism through her book Enemy in the Garden, a novel of intrigue and suspense, which uncovers the anti-Semitic strain that lies just below the surface of American life in the suburbs.

Rick Eaton has been a researcher for the Simon Wiesenthal Center/Museum of Tolerance for over 30 years. He currently holds the position of Co-Director - Digital Terrorism and Hate Project at the Center. Harriet Pike, a career writer, has worked as a reporter and managing editor and her portfolio includes articles for the New York Times and Daily News.

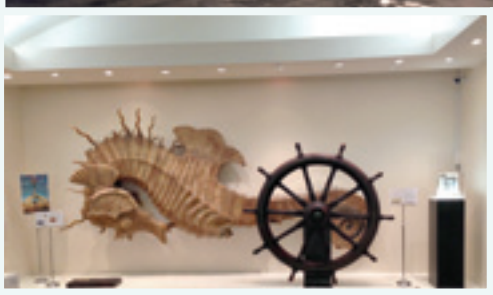
This program is free and all ages are welcome. Space is limited and on a first-arrival basis. This is an event of The Living Room ...a place for adults program series. For more information, visit smpl.org or contact the Santa Monica Public Library at (310) 458-8600. The Santa Monica Public Library is wheelchair-accessible. For special disabled services, call Library Administration (310) 458-8606 one week prior to the event. The Main Library is directly served by Big Blue Bus lines 1, 5, 7, R7, R10, 18. Big Blue Bus lines 2, 3, R3, 5, and 9 also stop within a short walking distance. Ride your bike. Bicycle parking racks are available at the library.

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HISTORIC WHEEL

Courtesy Photos

The Santa Monica History Museum has added the steering wheel from the notorious Rex gambling ship to its permanent exhibit. The ship was anchored of the Santa Monica coast until prolonged legal battles shut it down. Visit the Santa Monica History Museum (1350 7th Street, 310-395-2290 or www.santamonicahistory.org) to learn more about this fascinating story of entrepreneurship, vice, and the triumph of law and order in Santa Monica Bay.

SURF REPORT



SURF FORECASTS

WATER TEMP: **70.7°**

MONDAY – **FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** Knee to chest high
SSW swell eases. Trace NW windswell.

TUESDAY – **POOR TO FAIR** – SURF: **2-3 ft** Knee to chest high
SSW leftover and trace NW windswell.



CROSSWORD

By THOMAS JOSEPH

ACROSS

1 Mosquito attack
5 Plant pest
10 First person
11 Oklahoma native
13 Pack down
14 Polite word
15 "Ta-ta!"
17 Mud bath site
18 Cry of dismay
19 Snapshot
20 Have debts
21 Price
22 Surgery souvenirs
25 Fence openings
26 Great weights
27 Chick's mother
28 Gallery fill
29 Get in touch with
33 Sock part
34 Toronto's province
35 Salad green
37 Dorothy's dog
38 Béchamel and béarnaise
39 Prayer ender
40 Wasn't thrifty
41 Pertness

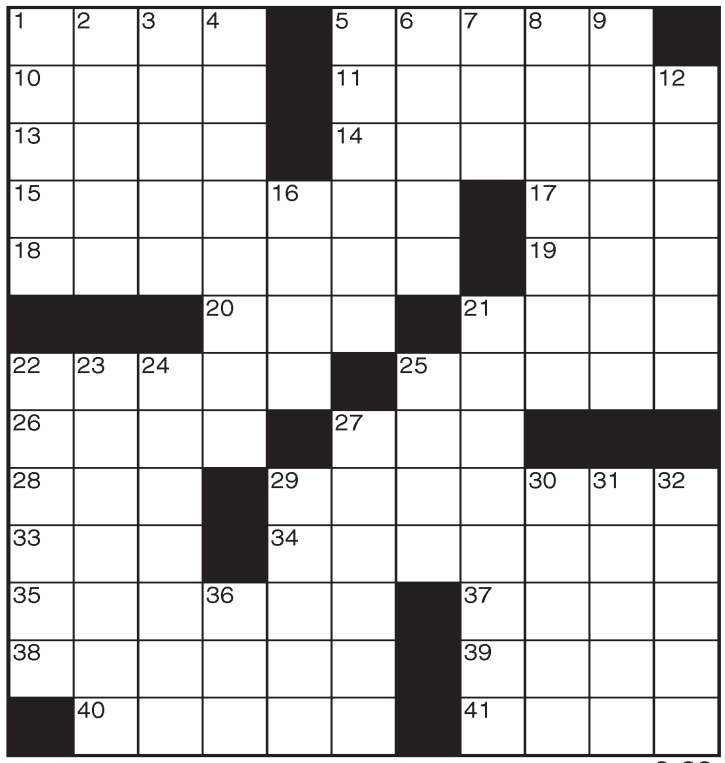
DOWN

1 Cookie quantity
2 Sun Valley's state
3 Circus star
4 Monte-zuma and Napoleon
5 Have high hopes
6 Casual shirts
7 Garden tool
8 Needing help
9 Hate
12 Changes chemically
16 Uses oars
21 Bach works
22 Declares
23 Astronom-ical haloes
24 Paid for a hand
25 Nice guy
27 Truthful
29 Witch group
30 Fragrance
31 Refers to
32 Animated characters
36 Drink cooler

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N	O	R	M	A	L	■	D	I	V	E
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Saturday's answer

THOMAS CROSSWORD BOOKS 1-8! Send $4.75 (check/m.o.) for each book to 628 Virginia Dr., Orlando, FL 32803



8-22

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Sudoku

Fill in the blank cells using numbers 1 to 9. Each number can appear only once in each row, column, and 3x3 block. Use logic and process of elimination to solve the puzzle. The difficulty level ranges from (easiest) to (hardest).

Difficulty Level ★

GETTING STARTED

There are many strategies to solving Sudoku. One way to begin is to examine each 3x3 grid and figure out which numbers are missing. Then, based on the other numbers in the row and column of each blank cell, find which of the missing numbers will work. Eliminating numbers will eventually lead you to the answer.

SOLUTIONS TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE

1	5	9	8	2	3	6	7	4
2	3	7	4	6	1	5	8	9
8	6	4	7	5	9	1	3	2
7	2	6	3	1	4	8	9	5
5	8	1	6	9	2	7	4	3
4	9	3	5	7	8	2	1	6
9	7	2	1	3	6	4	5	8
6	4	5	9	8	7	3	2	1
3	1	8	2	4	5	9	6	7

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TODAY IN HISTORY

1717 – Spanish troops land on Sardinia.

1777 – American Revolutionary War: British forces abandon the Siege of Fort Stanwix after hearing rumors of Continental Army reinforcements.

1780 – James Cook's ship HMS Resolution returns to England (Cook having been killed on Hawaii during the voyage).

1791 – Beginning of the Haitian Slave Revolution in Saint-Domingue.

1795 – The Constitution of the Year III is ratified by the National Convention

1798 – French troops land in Kilcummin harbour, County Mayo, Ireland to aid Wolfe Tone's United Irishmen's Irish Rebellion.

1827 – José de la Mar becomes President of Peru.

1831 – Nat Turner's slave rebellion commences just after midnight in Southampton County, Virginia, leading to the deaths of more than 50 whites and several hundred African Americans who are killed in retaliation for the uprising.

1846 – The Second Federal Republic of Mexico is established.

WELL NEWS BY SCOTT LAFEE

H-2-OH GO AHEAD, DRINK SOME MORE

It's a common notion among dieters that drinking extra water with a meal will make one feel more full, reducing the consumption of foods containing actual calories. There's some new research to suggest the idea is empirically sound.

Scientists had 19 study participants drink a milkshake on an empty stomach, then either quaff a few sips of water or an entire large glass. Magnetic resonance imaging showed that the stomachs of folks who drank the full glass of water stretched nearly twice as much as the sippers, boosting activity in the area of the brain that tells them they should be filling full.

COUNTS

39,000: Average number of new cancer cases linked to human papilloma virus (HPV) in U.S. between 2008 and 2012

33,000: Average number of HPV cancer cases in U.S. between 2004 and 2008

DOC TALK

Clip and strip: to remove surgical staples and adhesive sutures

PHOBIA OF THE WEEK

Phagophobia: fear of swallowing

OBSERVATION

"Despite all our toil and progress, the art of medicine still falls somewhere between trout casting and spook writing."

"Hello! My name is Gasparin,
I'm a three year old Chihuahua mix and
available for adoption at the Santa Monica
Animal Shelter. The shelter staff has been
taking great care of me but I cannot
wait to meet my future family.
I enjoy sleeping, short walks, and sitcoms.
I prefer to live in a single pet home.

P.S. Sometimes when people aren't watching my guilty pleasure is to eat leftover cookies on the floor. Come by and ask for me **(ID # A049961)** – I'm located at 1640 Ninth Street. Santa Monica. You can visit me Tuesday through Saturday from 8am – 5pm or call **(310) 450-6179**"

GASPARIN



Not to be found tonight, Gem

ARIES (March 21-April 19)
★★★★ Push yourself to get a lot done in the morning, when you feel more energized and capable of selling your ideas. You could start acting fussy later in the day. Details count, but try not to get too caught up in them. Focus on the big picture. Tonight: Run errands on the way home.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20)
★★★★ You'll perk up after getting a certain project done. Your creativity energizes those around you. Consider other possibilities more clearly. You tend to do the unexpected. Know that you are in control of the moment. Tonight: As you like it.

GEMINI (May 21-June 20)
★★★ Use the daylight hours to the max. By the evening, you will need to pull back. Others understand where you are coming from. Settle in, and be aware of what others are thinking. Your interactions could resolve a problem. Tonight: Not to be found.

CANCER (June 21-July 22)
★★★★ Accept the limelight, and have confidence that you can do whatever is necessary to accomplish a key goal. You'll get the support of others to achieve a long-term goal. Let your admirers know how much you appreciate them. Tonight: Call several friends.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22)
★★★★ You might need to make a major decision. Understand what is happening between you and a loved one. Realize how impossible it might be to follow through on a quickly made decision. Try to clear the air. Tonight: Share news with a friend and get feedback.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22)
★★★★ Others seek you out. Be willing to state why you have made certain choices. Read between the lines. Let others show you a different path. A call or conversation with someone at a distance will help you see the big picture. Tonight: Your attitude illuminates the moment.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 22)
★★★★ You could feel as if you are going back and forth with someone who is challenging. You will gain helpful information by lying low and saying little. Trust a partner or loved one who shares important news with you. Tonight: Togetherness results in even more feedback.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23-Nov. 21)
★★★★ Defer to others, and you'll be able to find out what is going on with a close friend or associate. Take news with a grain of salt, but also keep in mind that this person rarely exaggerates. You'll have time to mull over your response. Tonight: Go with someone else's idea.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21)
★★★★ You might be prone to do the unexpected, but perhaps a loved one will surprise you instead. You certainly add excitement to the moment. Allow your creativity to flourish, and share what comes up. Goodwill is all around you. Tonight: Know when to call it a night.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19)
★★★★ You come from a solid position. The unexpected is likely to occur around your home life. The conversations you have could be very important. You'll have a sense of what is happening before it actually takes place. Tonight: Allow your imagination to play a stronger role.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18)
★★★★ Keep conversations open and nonjudgmental. One-on-one relating becomes stronger and more necessary to improving your communication skills. Understand what is coming toward you in the near future. Tonight: Buy a favorite dessert on the way home.

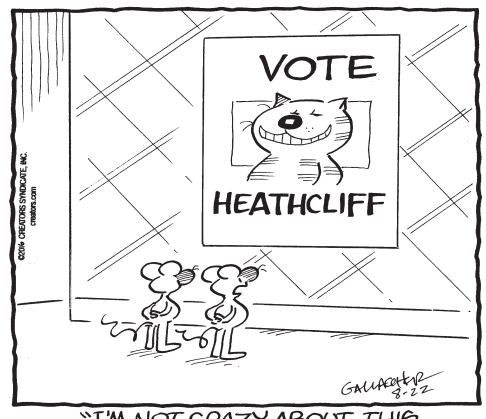
PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20)
★★★★ Keep conversations moving, and don't get hung up on the details of a problem. You'll open up to changes later in the day. Be sure to keep a close eye on your money, as you easily could make a mistake. Count your change carefully. Tonight: Catch up on a friend's weekend.

Monday, August 15, 2016

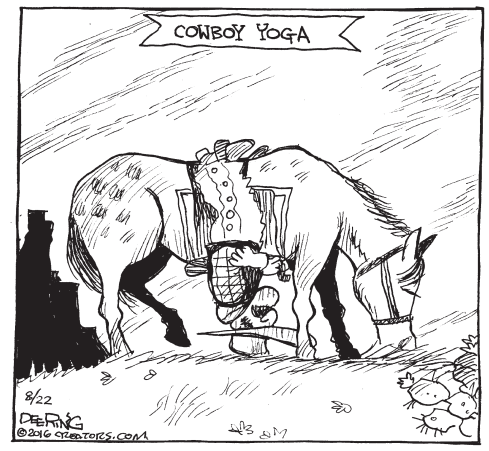
JACQUELINE BIGAR'S STARS
The stars show the kind of day you'll have:
★★★★★Dynamic ★★ So-So
★★★★ Positive ★ Difficult
★★★ Average

This year you often exhibit assertive behavior. One-on-one relating frequently draws unexpected results. You will feel more grounded than you have in the past. You also will have more insight and vision. If you are single, don't settle until you have found Mr. or Ms. Right. Many of you have met this person already. If you are attached, the two of you relate best together without anyone else around. Go on more spontaneous dates or try to recreate your first date. TAURUS seems to be more understanding than you originally thought.

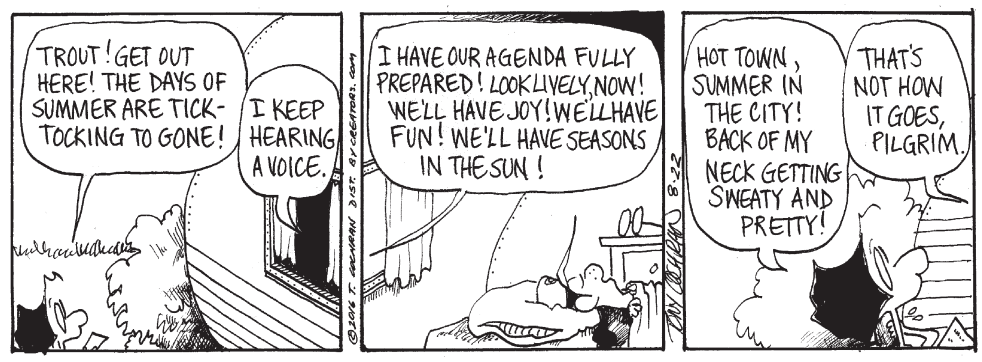
Heathcliff
By PETER GALLAGHER



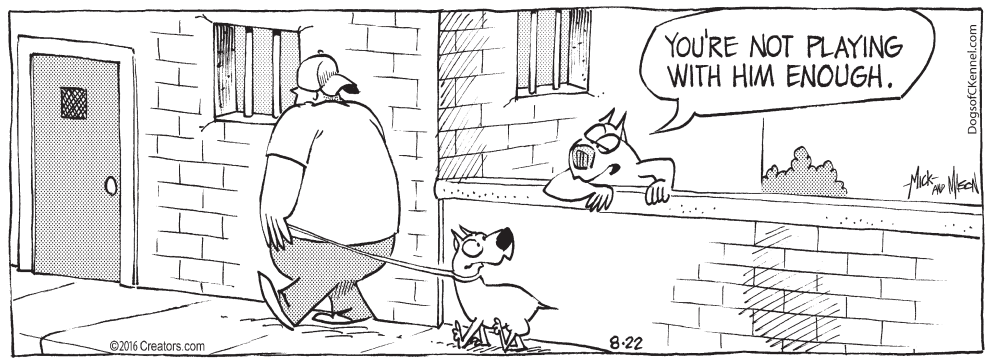
Strange Brew
By JOHN DEERING



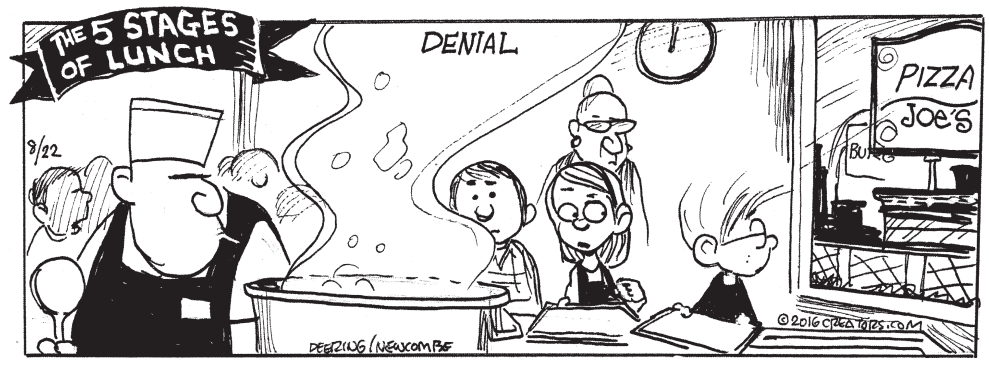
Agnes
By TONY COCHRAN



Dogs of C-Kennel
By MICK & MASON MASTROIANNI & JOHNNY HART



Zach Hill
By JOHN DEERING & JOHN NEWCOMBE



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Name Changes

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. SS026376
Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
Petition of MARY L. RAMIREZ for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner: MARY L. RAMIREZ filed a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: MARY L. RAMIREZ to RUAL M. BERDICHEVSKY. 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: SEP 23, 2016 Time: 8:30 AM, Dept: K, Room: A-203
The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 1725 MAIN STREET, ROOM 102, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.
Date: AUG 01, 2016

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. SS026343
Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
Petition of KRISTINA V. STEPANOVA for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner or Attorney: KRISTINA V. STEPANOVA filed a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: KRISTINA V. STEPANOVA to KRISTINA NOKES. 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: OCT 7, 2016 Time: 8:30 AM, Dept: WE-K, Room: A-203
The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 1725 MAIN STREET, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.
Date: AUG 16, 2016

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. LS028361
Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
Petition of NABILA WAHBA SHAKER MORKOS for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner: NABILA WAHBA SHAKER MORKOS filed a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: NABILA WAHBA SHAKER MORKOS to SOPHIA MILLER. 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: SEP 22, 2016 Time: 8:30 AM, Dept: M, Room: 410
The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 6230 SYLMAR AVE., VAN NUYS, CA 91401, VAN NUYS COURTHOUSE EAST
A copy of this Order to Show Cause shall be published at least once each week for four successive weeks prior to the date set for hearing on the petition in the following newspaper of general circulation, printed in this county: Santa Monica Daily Press.
Date: AUG 11, 2016

ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME
Case No. SS026355
Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles
Petition of ANNE FAYE LIBENSON for Change of Name
TO ALL INTERESTED PERSONS:
Petitioner: ANNE FAYE LIBENSON filed a petition with this court for a decree of changing names as follows: ANNE FAYE LIBENSON to ANNIE BENSON. 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: SEP 16, 2016 Time: 8:30 AM, Dept: K, Room:
The address of the court is SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, 1725 MAIN STREET, SANTA MONICA, CA 90401
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Date: JUL 15, 2016

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016175523 NEW FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 07/14/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as GUIDING GIFTED MINDS EDUCATION, G2M EDUCATION. 11340 WEST OLYMPIC BLVD SUITE 385 , LOS ANGELES, CA 90064. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: GIA KIM 11340 WEST OLYMPIC BLVD SUITE 385 LOS ANGELES, CA 90064. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)08/01/2011. /s/: GIA KIM. GIA KIM. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 07/14/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 08/01/2016, 08/08/2016, 08/15/2016, 08/22/2016.

Statement of **Abandonment of Use of Fictitious Business Name**
Document Record # 2015075585
Current File No.# 2016189772
State of California, County of Los Angeles
The following person(s) has/have abandoned the use of the fictitious Business name:
VENICE SUNSETS, VENICE BEACH SUNSETS. 2620 11TH STREET #10. SANTA MONICA, CA 90405. The fictitious business name referred to above was filed on **MARCH 20, 2015** in the county of LOS ANGELES.
Registered owners: DANIEL RICE. 2620 11TH STREET #10. SANTA MONICA, CA 90405. ANDREW KARL. 34 DUDLEY AVE. #3. VENICE, CA 90291. This business is conducted by: **A GENERAL PARTNERSHIP /s/**
This statement was filed with the County Clerk of Los Angeles County on 07/29/2016
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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016171259 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 07/08/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LIVIN LOUD LIGHTING AND SOUND ENTERTAINMENT. 1244 E 149TH ST , COMPTON, CA 90220. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: MIGUEL ANGEL SARTILLO SANCHEZ 1244 E 149TH ST COMPTON, CA 90220, FELIPE SARTILLO SANCHEZ 1244 E 149TH ST COMPTON, CA 90220. This Business is being conducted by: a General Partnership. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)06/01/2016. /s/: MIGUEL ANGEL SARTILLO SANCHEZ. MIGUEL ANGEL SARTILLO SANCHEZ, FELIPE SARTILLO SANCHEZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 07/08/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 08/08/2016, 08/15/2016, 08/22/2016, 08/29/2016.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016189773 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 07/29/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as VENICE BEACH SUNSETS , VENICE BEACH SOCIAL , VENICE SUNSETS . 2620 11TH STREET #10 , SANTA MONICA, CA 90405. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: DANIEL RICE 2620 11TH STREET #10 SANTA MONICA, CA 90405, JENNIFER MEDINA 2620 11TH STREET #10 SANTA MONICA, CA 90405. This Business is being conducted by: a Married Couple. The registrant has not yet commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /s/:DANIEL RICE . DANIEL RICE , JENNIFER MEDINA . This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 07/29/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 08/01/2016, 08/08/2016, 08/15/2016, 08/22/2016.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016199213 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 08/10/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as OCEAN EXPRESS CARPET CLEANING. 625 MONTANA AVE, STE. L , SANTA MONICA, CA 90403. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: SANDY V. HENRIQUEZ 625 MONTANA AVE, STE. L SANTA MONICA, CA 90403, VICTOR M RUIZ VELASCO 625 MONTANA AVE, STE. L SANTA MONICA, CA 90403. This Business is being conducted by: a General Partnership. The registrant has not yet commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /s/:SANDY V. HENRIQUEZ. SANDY V. HENRIQUEZ, VICTOR M RUIZ VELASCO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 08/10/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 08/15/2016, 08/22/2016, 08/29/2016, 09/05/2016.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016189770 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 07/29/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as WESTSIDERENTALS.COM. 1020 WILSHIRE BLVD. , SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: KOA LEI INC 1020 WILSHIRE BLVD. SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. This Business is being conducted by: a Corporation. The registrant has not yet commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /s/:KOA LEI INC. KOA LEI INC. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 07/29/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 08/01/2016, 08/08/2016, 08/15/2016, 08/22/2016.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016180067 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 07/19/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as SANMO17 PROPERTY. 1111 NO. BRAND BLVD., SUITE 200 , GLENDALE, CA 91202. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: ANTE TRINIDAD 837 3RD STREET APT 203 SANTA MONICA, CA 90403. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)07/01/2016. /s/: ANTE TRINIDAD. ANTE TRINIDAD. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 07/19/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 08/08/2016, 08/15/2016, 08/22/2016, 08/29/2016.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016196938 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 08/08/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as GOLDEN BRIDGE YOGA. 719 BROADWAY , SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: GOLDEN BRIDGE NITE MOON SM LLC 719 BROADWAY SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. This Business is being conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)01/01/2015. /s/: GOLDEN BRIDGE NITE MOON SM LLC. GOLDEN BRIDGE NITE MOON SM LLC. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 08/08/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 08/15/2016, 08/22/2016, 08/29/2016, 09/05/2016.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016198011 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 08/09/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as CARLYLE. 1517 ARMACOST AVE #102 , LOS ANGELES, CA 90025. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: MARILI BRAVO 1517 ARMACOST AVE #102 LOS ANGELES, CA 90025. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant has not yet commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /s/:MARILI BRAVO. MARILI BRAVO. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 08/09/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 08/15/2016, 08/22/2016, 08/29/2016, 09/05/2016.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016190521 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 07/29/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as OCEAN EXPRESS CLEANERS. 625 MONTANA AVE SUITE L , SANTA MONICA, CA 90403. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: GRISELDA HENRIQUEZ 625 MONTANA AVE SUITE L SANTA MONICA, CA 90403. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)04/01/1992. /s/: GRISELDA HENRIQUEZ. GRISELDA HENRIQUEZ. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 07/29/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 08/15/2016, 08/22/2016, 08/29/2016, 09/05/2016.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016199531 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 08/10/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as E ENGINEERS. 1238 7TH STREET , SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: ERIC PERCIC 807 5TH STREET #9 SANTA MONICA, CA 90403. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)08/01/2016. /s/: ERIC PERCIC. ERIC PERCIC. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 08/10/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 08/15/2016, 08/22/2016, 08/29/2016, 09/05/2016.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016204036 NEW FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 08/16/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as LOVE PERFECTION. 8601 LINCOLN BLVD UNIT 4311 , LOS ANGELES, CA 90045. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: ESTELLE MARIA CARTER MATHIS 8601 LINCOLN BLVD UNIT 4311 LOS ANGELES, CA 90045. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names

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FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016191034 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 08/01/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as PEEK # 7001. 1015 MONTANA AVENUE , SANTA MONICA, CA 90403. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: CHARLOTTE RUSSE, INC. 5910 PACIFIC CENTER BLVD SUITE 120 SAN DIEGO, CA 92121. This Business is being conducted by: a Corporation. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)03/01/2016. /s/: CHARLOTTE RUSSE, INC.. CHARLOTTE RUSSE, INC.. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 08/01/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 08/22/2016, 08/29/2016, 09/05/2016, 09/12/2016.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016185826 NEW FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 07/25/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as AL & ED'S AUTOSOUND #10. 2410 WILSHIRE BLVD. , SANTA MONICA, CA 90403. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: JAKE THE SNAKE LLC 2410 WILSHIRE BLVD. SANTA MONICA, CA 90403. This Business is being conducted by: a Limited Liability Company. The registrant has not yet commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed above. /s/:JAKE THE SNAKE LLC. JAKE THE SNAKE LLC. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 07/25/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 08/22/2016, 08/29/2016, 09/05/2016, 09/12/2016.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT FILE NUMBER: 2016202475 ORIGINAL FILING This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES on 08/12/2016 The following person(s) is (are) doing business as JANET O'S BOOKKEEPING SERVICE. 1327 11TH STREET #6 , SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. The full name of registrant(s) is/are: JANET OSTROWIECKI 1327 11TH STREET #6 SANTA MONICA, CA 90401. This Business is being conducted by: an Individual. The registrant commenced to transact business under the fictitious business name or names listed on (Date)05/01/2011. /s/: JANET OSTROWIECKI. JANET OSTROWIECKI. This statement was filed with the County Clerk of LOS ANGELES County on 08/12/2016. NOTICE: THIS FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT EXPIRES FIVE YEARS FROM THE DATE IT WAS FILED IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY CLERK. A NEW FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT MUST BE FILED PRIOR TO THAT DATE. The filing of this statement does not of itself authorize the use in this state of a fictitious business name statement in violation of the rights of another under federal, state, or common law (see Section 14411et seq.,Business and Professions Code). SANTA MONICA DAILY PRESS to publish 08/22/2016, 08/29/2016, 09/05/2016, 09/12/2016.

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New California Incline pays homage to the past, ready for the future

The historic California Incline is set to reopen on Thursday, Sept. 1 after 17 months of reconstruction. The project would not have been possible without funding from the Federal Highway Trust Fund administered through the Federal Highway Administrations' Highway Bridge Program and Caltrans' Division of Local Assistance. The now seismically upgraded and stronger bridge boasts a 16-foot-wide separated shared pedestrian/bicycle path, a reflection of Santa Monica's commitment to multi-modal living.

The Incline closed for reconstruction in April 2015, but the road to get there started in the early 1990s when the City initially worked to secure federal funds to rebuild. The Northridge Earthquake in 1994 put the project on pause until it picked up again in 2007 and the City eventually secured $17 million in federal funding. Now 17 months after construction started, the new Incline, last rebuilt in the 1930's, is ready to serve Santa Monica for decades to come.

"We are thrilled to welcome the new safer and stronger California Incline on the 120th anniversary of the Sunset Trail," said Mayor Tony Vazquez. "This vital link between Santa Monica and PCH demonstrates what federal dollars can do to support significant local infrastructure."

The new balustrades pay homage to the old barrier rail with its streamlined modern design now with more contoured arches and pilasters. The new concrete bridge deck now sits on 96 concrete piles drilled beneath the bluff's surface, supporting the shared bike and pedestrian path, and one lane for vehicles in both directions. Over 1,000 soil nails to stabilize the bluff along the eastern edge. The new Incline exceeds strength requirements and will serve more than just cars in a community that is all about transportation choice.

"Our new California Incline is not only a feat of modern engineering, it's the fruit of great human effort, sure to be with us for some time to come," said Curtis Castle a civil engineer with the Public Works Department. "Hundreds of individuals worked on this project day and night for 17 straight months."

A press conference with Mayor Vazquez, the Santa Monica City Council, and local and state officials will mark the bridge's re-dedication at 9 a.m. on Thursday, Sept. 1. The press conference will include remarks and a Big Blue Bus banner break.

The public is invited to enjoy four hours of access to the Incline and its sweeping views of the coastline from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. There will be light refreshments, a historic photo exhibit and photo booth, DJ music, and a Santa Monica Public Library pop up.

The Incline will open to car traffic at 5 p.m. in time for the Labor Day holiday weekend.

The Incline was originally set to open by the Memorial Day weekend, but when the Idaho Avenue Pedestrian Overcrossing Project was authorized by City Council in November 2015, the project team embarked on an ambitious schedule to complete both projects and open to the public in early July. With the accelerated design process running from December 2015 through March 2016, construction crews broke ground on the Overcrossing in late March 2016. However, the Overcrossing's unique design and structural complexities required additional time to complete outside of the original schedule. The Overcrossing will open to the public in late September after lights and metal safety railing and hand railing are installed.

- SUBMITTED BY CONSTANCE FARRELL, SANTA MONICA PUBLIC INFORMATION COORDINATOR

Citywide

HHS awards $13,074,002 to California to improve health center quality

California is receiving 163 awards totaling $13,074,002 to invest in health center quality improvement efforts, and to provide high quality comprehensive care. Health centers in California will use these funds to expand current quality improvement systems and infrastructure and to improve primary care service delivery in the communities they serve.

"Millions of Americans rely on health centers to provide them with quality health care," said Dr. Mary Wakefield, HHS Acting Deputy Secretary. "These quality improvement awards will support health centers to continue to deliver superior health care that engages patients, improves care coordination and bridges overall access to care."

Health centers are receiving these FY 16 funds based upon high levels of performance in one or more of the following categories: Improving Quality of Care, Advancing Health Equity, Maintaining Patient-Centered Medical Home (PCMH) Recognition, Enhancing Access to Care, and Delivering Value. This funding comes from the Affordable Care Act's Community Health Center (CHC) Fund, which was extended with bipartisan support in the Medicare Access and CHIP Reauthorization Act (MACRA) of 2015.

"Health centers are evaluated on a set of performance measures emphasizing health outcomes and the value of care delivered," said Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) Acting Administrator Jim Macrae. "These measures provide a balanced, comprehensive look at services to manage conditions among the vulnerable populations served by health centers."

Nationally, more than $100 million was awarded to 1,304 health centers in all 50 states, the District of Columbia, and seven territories for quality improvement efforts.

Nearly 1,400 health centers operating over 9,800 sites provide care to more than 24 million people across this nation, in every U.S. state, the District of Columbia, Puerto Rico, the Virgin Islands and the Pacific Basin. Today, health centers employ nearly 190,000 people.

Local recipients include the Westside Family Health Center and Venice Family Clinic. To find a health center in your area, visit: http://findahealthcenter.hrsa.gov.

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