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FINAL SECTION OF CONSTRUCTION WORK ON SANTA MONICA BLVD. UNDERWAY

BEVERLY HILLS—The final section of construction on Santa Monica Boulevard started on Monday, October 16. According to a press release Canyon News received from the city of Beverly Hills, construction on N. Santa Monica Boulevard is moving eastward. Workers started dismantling the south part of the roadway between Alpine and Doheny Drives last week.

Construction on the final segment is expected to be completed in phases, similar to the approach used during the last two previous segments. Until the end of December, four lanes of traffic will be open, two in each direction. Workers will be replacing curbs and gutters and bioswales and raised crosswalks will be

Starting at the end of December and after the holiday season ends, the road will be demolished and rebuilt. A detour plan similar to the two-lane phase of Segments 1 and 2 will be implemented at that time. The work and road closures have been arranged in order to decrease the overall duration of construction, which is now scheduled to be finished by spring 2018. The previous schedule was for a completion date in July 2018.

Bus Stops – Buses will continue to travel westbound on N. Santa Monica Boulevard with stops at Cañon and Camden Drives and Wilshire Boulevard. Buses travelling eastbound will be diverted onto S. Santa Monica Boulevard in Century City. Buses will stop just west of Charleville Blvd and continue on S. Santa Monica Boulevard with stops west of Camden Drive and west of Crescent Drive. The eastbound buses will return to N. Santa Monica Boulevard by way of Doheny Drive.

Turn Restrictions – Left turns are restricted during the construction of this segment. In order to limit vehicles diverting into residential neighborhoods. traffic will be monitored and right turns restrictions could be implemented if necessary.

Intersection Work: Reconstruction of the intersections and construction of raised crosswalks. While this work is underway, intersections will be closed intermittently for both north and southbound traffic. Notice will be provided ahead of time.

Raised Crosswalks: Raised crosswalks will be built at unlighted intersections on the north side of N. Santa Monica Boulevard (Linden, Alpine, Foothill, Elm, Maple, Hillcrest, Arden, Alto and Sierra Drives). These striped, high-visibility crosswalks will connect the Beverly Gardens Park jogging/walking path where it pauses at the intersections. Crosswalks will be constructed at the same level as the curbs, allowing for a safe transition for pedestrians.

An extensive outreach program is currently being mapped to inform the community of the N. Santa Monica Boulevard

By Casey Jacobs Reconstruction progress and ways to navigate streets during construction. Watch for mailers, social media messages, newspapers ads and signage.

Once completed, improvements to N. Santa Monica Boulevard will include:

-Rebuilt roadway with a rubberized asphalt surface to provide a smoother and quieter ride

-Upgraded drainage system

-New curbs and gutters

-Widening of the road on the south side between Cañon Drive and Wilshire Boulevard

-A standardized street-lighting system along the north side

-ADA compliant access upgrades -New sidewalks

-Low impact drainage landscaping (grass swales) that comply with the urban water quality regulations

-Landscaping on the south side of the boulevard

The website www.beverlyhills.org/smblvd will be updated for residents and businesses to be aware of ongoing construction. To sign up to receive emailed notifications via Ask Bev to to www.beverlyhills.org/AskBev, or stay in touch via www.Facebook.com/CityofBeverlyhills and www.Twitter.com/CityofBevHills. For additional questions email smblvd@beverlyhills.org, call the project helpline (424) 339-9033 or contact the Public Works Customer Service line (310) 285-2467.



WEEKLY UPDATE (Subject to schedule changes)

Traffic Alert — Two lanes open each direction with occasional lane closures. Expect delays.

Construction Activity — Removal and replacement of curbs and gutters between Alpine and Doheny drives.

Hours: Mon.-Sat. from 7am-9pm.

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The final phase of construction on Santa Monica Boulevard started on October 16.

NO PARKING EXCEPT BY PERMIT ON HALLOWEEN IN BH

BEVERLY HILLS—The Beverly Hills Police Department announced that in response to resident requests they are establishing "No Parking, Except by Permit" and tow-away zones on Halloween, Tuesday, October 31, on residential streets impacted by the West Hollywood Carnival. Parking restrictions will be in effect from 4:00 p.m., October 31 through 2:30 a.m., November 1.

In general, all parking regulations throughout the city will be enforced on Halloween. Additional restrictions for the neighboring streets bordering the city of West Hollywood (see attached map) will be posted



Map of parking restrictions throughout the city of Beverly Hills from October 31 thru Novem-

with temporary signs indicating: "Tow-Away No Parking, Except by Permit."

Residents affected by the temporary parking restriction will receive three parking permits for use during the restriction. If additional permits are required, they can be requested through the Department of Public Works by calling (310) 285-2467 or on line at AskPW@beverlyhills.org. A maximum of seven permits will be granted per household.

For any parking related issues that may arise during Halloween night, the parking exemption line will be operational until 1:00 a.m. at (310) 285-2548.

BURGLARY NEAR KANYE AND KIM KARDASHIAN WEST HOME By Dylan Gera

ported. According to reports, the suspect snuck onto the propthe home's driveway. He broke into a vehicle and stole a mobile phone belonging to one of the couple's staffers before being chased by armed security staff. An accomplice of the thief was spotted nearby, but fled the scene when security arrived.

BEL AIR—An intruder tres-

passed onto the property of

reality start Kim Kardashian

West and her husband rap-

per Kanye West on Friday,

October 20, TMZ first re-

The intruder went next door to comedian Kathy Griffin's home, where he broke into another vehicle



A burglar attempted to gain access to the home of Kim and Kanye West in Bel Air.

BRUCE PADDOCK ARRESTED OVER CHILD PORNOGRAPHY CHARGES

and stole a purse before fleeing. Surveillance footage captured a still of the suspect, which was submitted to the Los Angeles Police Department for their investigation. This is not the Kim Kardashian has been the target of a crime. Kardashian West was tied up and robbed at gunpoint in October 2016 while at Paris' Rue Tronchet hotel Her husband was performing at a concert in the city. The thieves stole more than

robbery. The investigation and potential prosecution are still ongoing. Friday's burglary is the latest in a string of break-ins and thefts that have taken place throughout the Los Angeles region. On Wednesday, October 18, singer Mariah Carey's home was burglarized where over \$50,000

\$9 million worth of jewelry

from the reality star. Sever-

al people were arrested and

in connection to the armed

worth of handbags and sunglasses were taken from the star's home. In March, thieves stole over \$150,000 worth of jewelry from "Shameless" actress Emmy Rossum's Benedict Canyon

PINK'S HOT DOGS GOES BLUE FOR THE DODGERS



Pink's Hot Dogs is going blue to support the Los Angeles Dodgers in the 2017 World Series.

er, Richard Pink, stated that Pink's Hot Dogs has adopted Dodger blue uniforms, umbrellas, walls, and floors in preparation for the historical sporting event. The "blues" will go until "the Dodgers win the 2017 World Series" Pink said in a statement released on Twitter.

Richard Pink went on to note that this is the first time in 78 years that Pink's has made such a significant change to their storefront.

The organization is selling a new menu item in honor of the Los Angeles Dodgers called "Blue Hots." Blue Hots consists of a hot dog wrapped in bacon, covered in cheese and chili, and topped with mustard and onions. This limited time menu item will be sold throughout the duration of the World Series for \$4.89, and the proceeds will go to support the L.A. Dodgers Foundation. They will also be selling t-shirts featuring the Pink's logo with words of encouragement for the Dodgers printed on them.

LOS ANGELES—The older brother of Las Vegas mass shooter Stephen Paddock

was arrested in Los Angeles on Wednesday, October 25 for possession of images of child pornography.

Bruce Douglas Paddock, 58, was detained and taken into custody by authorities at the Valley Village nursing home in North Hollywood where he is a resident.

The nursing home provides short and long-term care. Before moving into the nursing home, Paddock was homeless, residing il-

By Dylan Geralicitly in businesses throughout the area.

According to police, Paddock left behind evidence of child pornography consumption at a Sun Valley business where he had been known to squat and where he was evicted. Authorities began their investigation of Paddock after obtaining evidence and tracking him to the North Hollywood facili-

Los Angeles County Superior Court documents reveal that Bruce is accused of possessing more than 600 pornographic images of children. Ten or more of the images are believed to depict a child younger than the age

A spokesman for the Los Angeles Police Department revealed that Paddock's arrest was related to an independent investigation and had no apparent connection to his brother's shooting rampage in Las Vegas, Nevada on October 1.

This is not Bruce Paddocks first encounter with the law. He was charged with assault and battery in

1989 (which was later dismissed) and in 1993 he was accused of "annoying a child under 18." He was acquitted on that charge. Prior to Wednesday's arrest, he faced a criminal offense for a vandalism charge in 2014 where he pled no contest.

Bruce and Stephen are two of four brothers. Their father, Benjamin Hoskins Paddock, was a convicted bank robber who appeared on the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Most Wanted

SMMUSD SHORTENS DAY DUE TO EXCESSIVE HEAT

By Barry Ghabaei

SANTA MONICA—Due to the high heat and growing winds, the Santa Monica-Malibu United School District allowed for a shortened day on Tuesday, October 24, with students being dismissed at 1

the first time in 29 years.

Photos posted on the restau-

rant's Twitter account show

that a new blue banner sup-

porting the Los Angeles

Dodgers now covers the

front of the infamous pink

The restaurant's co-own-

building.

The National Weather Service announced that high winds and hot weather will be present throughout the Los Angeles region until Thursday.



Students in the SMMUSD were released from school early because of the excessive heat and winds.

Not all classrooms in the SM-MUSD have air conditioning, which led to Superintendent Ben Drati to implement the completion of air conditioners for all 16 schools.

The SMMUSD allowed for students whose parents were unable to pick them up at the dismal time to stay in air conditioned rooms, or rooms with fans until their parents arrived.

BOB MARLEY'S HOLLYWOOD STAR FOUND DECIMATED By Barry Ghabaei

HOLLYWOOD HILLS-The star of musician Bob Marley on the Hollywood Boardwalk of Fame was found cracked, crumbles and craters on Monday, October 23. The concrete historical landmark was assessed as being attacked with a sledgehammer, by an unknown asssailant.

Marley, the creator behind famous songs such as "One Love," "Get Up, Stand Up," and "Stir It Up," was known for his contributions to Reggae and Ska. The Jamaican born musician formed the band "Bob Mar-



The Hollywood star of musician Bob Marley was vandalized on Monday, October 23.

ley And The Wailers." He was popular throughout the world from 1950-1980. He

died from cancer in 1981, and was touted one of the greatest singers and song-

writers of all time, by Rolling Stone Magazine. It will cost \$3,000 to fix

Bob Marley's star, which will transpire on Wednesday, October 25. He was honored the star at the Hollywood Walk of Fame in 2001.

The last time a celebrity's star was damaged was in October 20016, when President Donald Trump had his star damaged on the Hollywood Boardwalk of Fame. Repeated damage to Trump's star has led to a short and stout wall being built around the Hollywood landmark.

NATASHA BEDINGFIELD LISTS HOLLYWOOD HILLS HOME FOR RENT By Dylan Gera-

HOLLYWOOD HILLS-Pop

singer Natasha Bedingfield has listed her Hollywood Hills home for rent with Inzio Property Management & Leasing.

The 3,386 square foot home consists of three bedrooms, 2.5-bathrooms and features views of Hollywood and Beachwood Canyon. The 21st century, Spanish-style villa is owned by Bedingfield and her husband Matt Robinson. They purchased the property in 2015 for \$1.65 million. The home was initially constructed in 2000 and features a twostory residence on top of a .18-acre ridgeline property.

The residence features a



Natasha Bedingfield's Hollywood Hills home will be available for rent beginning November

formal dining room, private patio, gourmet kitchen, and marble countertops. The property is walled and features both a flat grass yard windows and French doors.

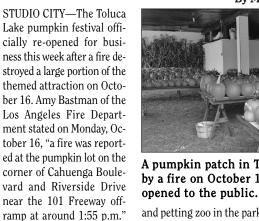
and Zen garden. The interior rooms lie under high wood beamed ceilings and feature both floor to ceiling

The property is available for lease beginning Wednesday. November 1 and can be rented for \$14,500 per month.

Bedingfield owns a larger home in the Laughlin Park community of Los Feliz which has been listed for sale since July. The property can be purchased for \$4.495 million, down from the initial asking price of \$4.75 million.

The listing for Bedingfield's Hollywood Hills home can be found at the Inzio Property Management & Listing website: https:// inzio . appfolio . com / listings / detail / ddf7660d-58b3-4b3e-ae03-92e636808a93.

FOLUCA LAKE PUMPKIN PATCH REOPENS AFTER FIRE



Thirty-one firefighters responded to the emergency and extinguished the blaze within 24 minutes. The popular annual pumpkin festival is run by the Toluca Lake Florist and features a haunted maze, pumpkin patch

SANTA MONICA—A Santa

Monica lawyer is represent-

ing victims of the fires in

Northern California by suing

Bill Robins, a trial lawyer

and managing partner of

Robins Cloud LLP has tak-

en on a case representing

Wayne and Jennifer Harvell,

who live in California wine

country. Their home, along

with almost all their prop-

erty, was lost to the Wine

Country Fires. Robins indi-

cates that Pacific Gas &

Electric Company should be

held responsible for their

losses. He believes this is just

the first of many suits aimed

at PG&E for homes damaged

Robins indicated in a

statement "this lawsuit seeks

by the fires.

PG&E.

A pumpkin patch in Toluca Lake was damaged by a fire on October 16, but has since re-

and petting zoo in the parking lot behind the florist's main building on Riverside Drive in the Toluca Lake neighborhood.

No injuries were reported to people or animals during the incident. A public report from the scene stated that,

"firefighters kept the flames from spreading to the florist's building on the property, but much of the pumpkin patch and maze were destroyed by the flames."

A spokesperson for the Los Angeles Fire Depart-

ment indicated in a statement that there was no immediate word on what sparked the flames, and the cause of the fire is still under investigation.

The owners of the pumpkin festival reported to the Canyon News that the attraction has officially been re-opened to the public. The pumpkin patch and petting zoo will continue its scheduled run through Halloween, but the haunted maze will remain closed due to fire damage for the remainder of the season. Operating hours for the pumpkin festival are from 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. everyday from now though October

LAWYER SUING ON BEHALF OF NORCAL FIRE VICTIMS

By George Morris



A Santa Monica lawyer is suing PG&E for property damages after massive fires ravaged Northern California.

to the change the way PG&E or other utilities operate in the future, resulting in safer idents."

The claim accuses PG&E of negligence, as well as property damage, trespass by

fire, private nuisance and violation of state utilities and public-safety laws. The lawsuit indicates PG&E should have known about the fire risks posed by the Santa Ana winds and drought-like conditions, and did not properly warn customers who utilize their services. The suit alleges that PG&E failed to properly maintain their power lines and that the fires may have been started or propagated by poorly-maintained electric equipment touching nearby vegetation.

The Harvell family are seeking restitution for their destroyed property, as well as the emotional damage they suffered that was created by the devastation.

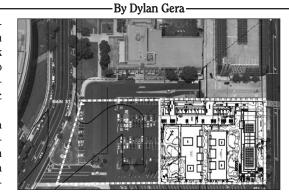
According to his firm's site, Robins has represented tens of thousands of plaintiffs in various cases, including pharmaceutical, medical devices and major personal injury cases.

COASTAL COMMISSION APPROVES CIVIC CENTER PROJECTS

SANTA MONICA—The California Coastal Commission issued its approval last week for the development of two public projects that will expand the Santa Monica Civic Center.

The city of Santa Monica will construct the Civic Center projects – a \$75 million expansion to City Hall and a three-building childcare facility - over the next decade.

The Commission ruled on October 12, during a session in Chula Vista that the projects would not impede public access to the beach, a concern expressed by multiple residents who assert that the finalized facilities will severely limit that amount of parking available at the Civic Center. The op-



Site diagram for the proposed Santa Monica Civic Center expansions.

position to the projects contend that planning has been piecemeal and public notification of the developments' progress has been inconsis-

In June 2017, the Santa Monica City Council approved the construction of a sports field near the Civic Center. Proponents of the sports field noted that if the Civic Center expansion projects move forward, they would impact necessary space and parking away from

the field. "Let's just say it's not a favored project of the City Council," said Maryanne La-Guardia of the Santa Monica Parks and Recreation Task Force, a private advocacy group representing one of the primary challengers to the development of the Civic Center expansions.

Despite the Coastal Com-

mission's official view, La-Guardia believes that any action by the city to remove any more critical parking spaces from the Civic Center is logically incomprehensible. "Taking out 300 spaces is mind-boggling," said La-Guardia. "It's part of the city's war against private automobiles."

MOUNTAIN LION, KNOWN AS P-41, FOUND DEAD

MALIBU—The mountain lion, P-41, known as the "Celebrity Puma" of the Santa Monica mountains, was found dead in his natural habitat of wildlife and vegetated canyons. Traced with an electronic GPS gear fastened around his neck. Officials lost track of P-41, who was later found lying unconscious by residents of the Verdugo Mountains.

Biologists are concerned by P-41's unexplained death because they expect mountain lions to be extinct within the next 50 years in the Los Angeles region because a lack of space to survive in its habitat.

Mountain lions currently reside in the Santa Monica



The mountain lion known as P-41 has died.

Mountains, which is the rampant land enclosed by the 101 and 405 freeways traveling north, and wrapping all the way around to

Pacific Coast Highway. P-41 was a male puma that was 10 years old and believed to have fathered 2 kittens. Though experts believe that the La Tuna fires, which burned 7,000 acres of wildlife, were responsible for the lion's death, it is suspected that his death could have been due to his fear of crossing the freeways

P-41 had been tracked since 2015 by biologists who were curious to see if he would cross the 210 freeway in a journey from the Verdugos to the San Gabriel Mountains.

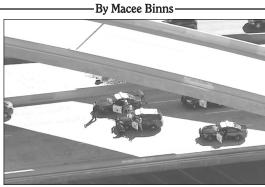
Unlike the P-45 puma, who has been christened "The King of Malibu," and is believed to be a dangerous and vicious cat, P-41 was an "exhibitionist cat" that appeared photogenic.

DRIVER IN CUSTODY AFTER HIGH-SPEED POLICE CHASE

SHERMAN OAKS-The driver of a stolen Ram 1500 led California Highway Patrol officers in a high-speed pursuit through the San Fernando Valley on Monday, October 23.

Officials stated that the high-speed police chase began after authorities attempted to pull the driver over for speeding and reckless driving in the West Los Angeles area at around 1:48 a.m. The pursuit began on the 110 Freeway and moved into the downtown area as the suspect swerved through traffic nearly missing other vehicles, as he speed though the city.

According to reports, the



Authorities apprehended the suspect who led police on a high-speed chase throughout the San Fernando Valley.

driver disregarded traffic signals and stop signs as he sped away from police and continued onto the southbound 405 Freeway at Sherman Way driving at speeds between 80 to 105 mph. According to reports, the suspect preceded to exit the freeway at Wilshire Boulevard and got back on to the 405 driving northbound.

The pursuit continued throughout the San Fer-

nando Valley and into Panorama City and Mission Hills. The chase came to an end when the suspect pulled over on to the side of the eastbound 118 Freeway and exited his vehicle, as officers blocked all lanes of traffic. He attempted to escape by running in between apartment complexes.

The suspect was arrested and taken into custody by the California Highway Patrol without incident. His name has not yet been released to the public. The Los Angeles Police Department and Los Angeles Sheriff's Department assisted in

Neighborhood Association

and the Advocates for Malibu

Public Schools filed a lawsuit

in Los Angeles Superior

Court, stating that the at-

large election system inten-

tionally hindered members

PAM O'CONNOR ORDERED BACK TO DISPOSITION

By Vanessa Arrendondo and Donald Roberts-

SANTA MONICA—Santa Monica City Councilmember Pam O'Connor was ordered back to a disposition after walking out during questioning for a lawsuit alleging that the city of Santa Monica violates the California Voting Rights Act by underrepresenting Hispanics.

In a text message to the Santa Monica Lookout, O'Connor indicated she was acting on the city's advice, and left once questioning began about the controversial firing of communication's director Elizabeth Riel, of which O'Connor was revealed to have influenced.

O'Connor said the questions were inappropriate, but attorney Kevin Shenkman said it was necessary to prove that at-large elections "breed corruption," the Santa Monica Lookout stated. Councilmember Pam O'Connor has championed policies and partnerships that enhance community livability and wellbeing on the Santa Monica City Council since 1994 and her current term will expire on November 2018. She has served as mayor for the city of San-

ta Monica five times. Pam O'Connor is a mem-



Connor.

ber of the Regional Council of the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), the nation's largest metropolitan planning organization. She serves on SCAGs Executive Committee and is Chair of SCAG's Legislative and Communications Committee. As SCAG's President in 2012 she led the 84-member Regional Council in the unanimous adoption of the region's first Sustainable Communities Strategy. She represents SCAG on California's Road Charge Technical Advisory Committee.

According to the city of Santa Monica website, O'Connor holds Masters' degrees in Planning and in Technology Management from Eastern Michigan University and a B.S. in Communications from Southern Illinois University. She views community wellbeing as the natural next step in the evolution of local government, as well as a way to advance the connection between mobility and sustainability issues by looking at their impact through the lens of human flourishing. In April 2016, the Pico

of the community from joining the Santa Monica City Council. Activist Oscar de la Torre lost during the November 2016 election for a seat on the city council and advocated for district-based elections.

For over 70 years, Santa Monica has had an at-large

election system. Advocates state that according to the California Voting Rights Act, these kinds of elections can be prohibited if they are found to be racially polarizing, the Santa Monica Daily Press reported.

Attorneys for the city of Santa Monica have argued that the current system allows the council to focus on city-wide issues and makes it so that the council members give their attention to all neighborhoods in Santa Monica. Currently, two Hispanics, Antonio Vazguez and Gleam Davis, serve on the city council.

SANTA MONICA AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION, MOVING FORWARD

-By Barry Ghabaei – mental reviews" were disthe Brown Act between the

SANTA MONICA—Attempts made by pilots James Babinski and Kate Scott to stop the construction process to shorten the Santa Monica Airport Runway, were successful for a temporary period. Judge Ronald Lew decided to allow the construction process after claims that the construction work required "permits, public hearings, and environ-

missed. airport will be going through is a "shortening" process. In the case of a "realignment" or "extension" of the runway,

would require a permit. Earlier this month, the plaintiffs argued a violation of

the city of Santa Monica

city of Santa Monica and FAA

in court that the process the halt the process, and give the closed all day and night durpublic a chance to speak. Lew announced that the city of Santa Monica will move forward with shortening the runway from 5.000 feet to 3,500 feet.

Construction is expected to resume this week as

planned, and access to the SMO Airport will be closed Babinski and Scott argued where Judge Lew decided to overnight during Phase 1 and ing Phase 2.

The deal agreed upon between the FAA and the city of Santa Monica, once completed in December 2028, will give City Manager, Rick Cole the opportunity to turn the SMO Airport into a park.

ANNUAL HALLOWEEN CARNAVAL HAPPENING OCTOBER 31

By George Morris

WEST HOLLYWOOD-The annual West Hollywood Halloween Carnaval is returning to Santa Monica Boulevard on Tuesday, October 31 from 6 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. between Doheny Drive and La Cienega Boulevard. Children and pets are discouraged from attending because of dense

crowds. There will be several live DJs throughout the event to keep people entertained. The bars and shops in the area will be serving special drinks and food to all Carnaval attendees. The event is free to the public. Drinking in public is banned and no backpacks, tote bags or camera bags are allowed. Only plastic or clear bags can be brought to the event.

According to a press release from the city of West Hollywood, Mayor Jon Heilman, and several members of the city council will attend the event and will host a special program at 8:45 p.m. at the San Vicente stage.

"The annual Halloween Carnaval is always such an exciting event," said Mayor John Heilman. "I'm amazed each year by the imagination and talent that go in to creating elaborate and inventive costumes. The joy of the crowd is palpable and the celebration is a wonderful line. The City will suspend pertestament to the City of West

Hollywood's creativity." Due to the Halloween Carnaval, there will be street closures in the city from Tuesday, October 31 until and the morning of Wednes-

day, November 1. Main closures are San Vicente Boulevard between Santa Monica Boulevard and Melrose Avenue from 12 a.m. on Tuesday, October 31, to 7 a.m. on Wednesday, November 1; 1.Santa Monica Boulevard

between La Cienega Boulevard and Croft Avenue/Holloway Drive from 6 a.m. on Tuesday, October 31, through 6 a.m. on Wednesday, November 1; 2. Santa Monica Boulevard

between Doheny Drive and La Cienega Boulevard and all adjacent side streets just to the north and south of Santa Monica Boulevard between Doheny and La Cienega from 12 p.m. on Tuesday, October 31, through 6 a.m. on Wednesday, November 1; and 3.La Cienega Boulevard

will close northbound/southbound traffic in the vicinity of Santa Monica Boulevard at 2 p.m. on Tuesday, October 31. Additional street closure

information is available on the City's website at: www.weho.org/visitors/events -in-the-city/halloween-carnaval/street-closures. Due to street closures, there will be modifications to CityLine and CityLineX routes on Halloween day — details can be found at www.weho.org/city-

mit parking restrictions for the Halloween Carnaval from 11 a.m. on Tuesday, October 31, to 12 p.m. on Wednesday, November 1. Parking meters will be waived citywide from 6 p.m. on Tuesday, October 31, to 2 a.m. on Wednesday, November 1. Carnaval-goers are reminded to observe the boundaries of West Hollywood. If parking occurs in the city of Los Angeles or in the city of Beverly Hills, all parking restrictions must be strictly observed. Public parking will be available at lots throughout the City for a fee; lot location and price information is posted on the city's website at: www.weho.org/visitors/events -in-the-city/halloween-carnaval/parking-information.

West Hollywood encourages Carnaval-goers to leave cars at home, to carpool, or to use public transportation options. Metro offers several transit options to get to West Hollywood. A trip planner is available at www.metro.net.

The city will offer Carnaval-goers three free transit options to help get to and from the Halloween Carnaval:

1.CityLineX (Modified Service) – will run from 5 p.m. to 8 p.m. from Hollywood and Highland to Santa Monica Boulevard/Sweetzer Avenue:

2.Hollywood Link (Special CityLineX Service to and from La Brea Only) – will run from 8 p.m. to 1 a.m. between Hollywood and Highland and Santa Monica Boulevard/La Brea Avenue. (Connect to The PickUp's Special Service from the stop at La Brea, on the south side of the street, to reach the Halloween Carnaval); and

3. The PickUp (Special Service) - will run from 8 p.m. to 11 p.m. along Santa Monica Boulevard and will stop at all regular eastbound stops between Sweetzer Avenue/La Brea Avenue. Once the PickUp reaches its La Brea Avenue stop, it will take an express route west toward the Halloween Carnaval via Melrose Avenue to its special Halloween stop on Kings Road/Santa Monica Boulevard. From 11 p.m. to 3 a.m., The PickUp will only run eastbound from Kings Road/Santa Monica Boulevard to La Brea Avenue/Santa Monica Boulevard.

loween Carnaval was launched in 1987 and is rooted in the foundation of the City of West Hollywood's diverse culture and community. Each year, the event is a gathering of phenomenal costumes, entertainment, culture, and self-expression with a myriad of observers, revelers, exhibitionists, and performers. People come from all over the region to take part in the fun.

West Hollywood's Hal-

For additional information about the West Hollywood Halloween Carnaval visit www.weho.org/halloween or call (323) 848-6503. To contact the City's Communications staff during the event, please call (323) 513-7861 or (213) 248-1391. For people who are deaf or hearing impaired, please call TTY (323) 848-6496.



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FATAL COLLISION KILLS BICYCLIST ON PACIFIC COAST HIGHWAY WHERE DRIVER FLED THE SCENE

By Casey Jacobs

SANTA MONICA—The Santa Monica Police Department revealed that a fatal traffic collision occurred on Sunday, October 15 at around 7:03 p.m. after receiving a radio call for service involving a bicyclist at the 200 block of Pacific Coast Highway (PCH).

Lt. Saul Rodriguez of the SMPD indicated to Canyon News that officers found the bicyclist on the roadway suffering from significant trauma, later dving from injuries sustained. Lt. Rodriguez indicated that the Department will not be releasing the name of the victim at this time. The vehicle involved in the incident initially fled the scene, but later returned. The driver was not injured during the incident.

SMPD's Major Accident Response Team arrived on the scene to conduct a preliminary investigation that revealed the bicyclist was riding his bicycle northbound along PCH. The involved driver was travelling northbound along PCH and struck the bicyclist from the rear.

The driver is cooperating with the investigation and there are no preliminary indications the driver was impaired. SMPD Traffic Investigators will be conducting a thorough investigation into the incident and the circumstances surrounding the driver fleeing the

When Canyon News asked Lt. Rodriguez about rather the driver could face charges, he responded, "Yes, Traffic Investigators will be reviewing and presenting their findings to the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office for

Carrie Wick, and her friend Kinya Claiborne were both witnesses on the scene, spoke to Canyon News via phone about what they saw. They were traveling southbound on PCH at around 7 p.m., when Claiborne spotted something in the northbound lane of the road and screamed. She informed Wick to do a U-turn and that's when they found the victim lying in the road. Wick and Claiborne were first to be on the scene, and upon realizing the victim was unresponsive called 9-1-1 for assistance.

Wick informed Canyon News that the victim had a huge backpack and tattoos over his body, and that 3 males perhaps in their teens or early 20s chased the driver who struck the victim and drove away from the scene. The three males followed the driver honking the horn, in an attempt to get the driver to stop. They also took pictures of the vehicle (which was reported as a White BMW) and later contacted the police as they were "afraid" once arriving at the driver's home. Both witnesses praised the 3 gentlemen who were responsible for helping authorities locate the driver who fled the scene.

Both Claiborne and Wick revealed that other vehicles pulled over to the side of the road because of the debris in the roadway. Claiborne revealed it took about 10 minutes before firefighters first arrived on the scene to treat the victim. She revealed after attempting to revive the victim, a sheet was placed over the victim to cover the body.

Police later arrived on the scene and asked witnesses if they saw the driver of the vehicle collide with the victim. Claiborne and Wick indicated that authorities dismissed



The Santa Monica Police Department are investigating a fatal collision involving a biker that occurred on the PCH on October 15.

from taking their statement after they revealed they did not see the actual collision take place. Wick revealed that the victim's leg was badly injured and blood was covered over the victim's face, calling the crime scene "horrific and grue-

BEVERLY HILLS—The city

of Beverly Hills is sending

out rental registry notices to

tenants in Beverly Hills of

multi-family units to verify

information from the city's

According to a press re-

lease from the city of BH, the

notice is aimed to verify the

base rent amount reported

to the city by the landlord,

which will be used to calcu-

late the amount of rent in-

creases that will be allowed

each year. Only tenants of

units currently registered

will receive the notices in

rental registry.

some."

Claiborne informed Canyon News that a young couple who was near the region saw the victim and his bicycle fly into the air after being struck. The victim has been identified as 23 year old Kazumasa

The case is still under investi-

RENTAL REGISTRY NOTICES BEING SENT TO TENANTS

gation, and authorities are looking to speak to anyone who witnessed the incident transpire. Anyone with additional information is asked to contact Investigator Pace or Olson at (310) 458-8954; or the Santa Monica Police Department at (310) 458-8491.

BEVERLY HILLS—The city of Beverly Hills Community Service Department will be offering two gardening workshops for kids between the ages of 8-12 years old on Sunday, October 22 and Sunday, October 29 from 10 a.m. to 12 p.m. at Greystone Mansion Demonstration Garden.

According to a press release Canyon News received from Dana Beesen, Publicist for the city of Beverly Hills, children can enroll in an individual workshop or both. is \$15 for residents of Beverly Hills and \$19 for nonresidents.

The gardening workshops offer kids an opportunity to interact and learn what it takes to grow fruits and vegetables and develop their own garden. The workshop



Two workshops to teach kids about the importance of gardening and how to start their own garden will be held on October 22 and October

types, preparation and maintenance, introduction to seeds, plant selection, transplanting seedlings, plant nutrition and fertilizer, irrigation, mulching, seed tape and more.

Greystone Mansion & Gardens has a region that is aimed for a demonstration

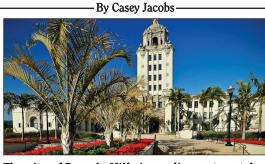
will teach children the im- garden to showcase outportance of tool safety, soil door venue where individuals can come together to promote the benefits of locally grown, organic food that is environmentally friendly, sustainable and cost-effective. Ongoing classes and community gardening efforts assist in keeping the demonstration gar-

The Doheny Estate includes a 46, 000 square foot mansion and formal gardens on over 8.5 manicured acres. It was built in 1927 by the Doheny family, and the Greystone estate was purchased by the city of Beverly Hills in 1965. The grounds are open daily to the public, while private or group tours for the mansion are seasonal. The venue is available for private, corporate and non-profit event rental.

To register for the workshops, register online at gOnline or contact the Registration Office at (310) 285-6850.

For additional information about the gardening classes, contact Master Gardener Instructor, George Pessin at gp305@yahoo.com or call (310) 779-8816.

The Beverly Hills City



The city of Beverly Hills is sending out rental registry notices to tenants in Beverly Hills.

Council passed a rent stabilization ordinance earlier this year that halts rent increases to 3 percent per year, all tenants who are evicted without cause and estab-

database. The ordinance allows landlords to appeal the rent increase limit as well.

If the rent amount in the requires relocation fees for notice is accurate, no further action will be required. If the rent amount is incorrect, lishes a rental unit registry tenants can file an appeal

within 15 days of the date on the notice. Appeals of incorrect rent amount can be filed online at www.beverlyhill.org/BHrentAppeal, in person at City Hall, First Floor Reception Desk at 455 North Rexford Drive, or by postal mail to the City of Beverly Hills - Rent Stabilization Program - 455 North Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90210.

For those residents with questions about the notice or the appeal process, staff is available to assist at: (310) 285-1031 or visit www.beverlyhills.org/BHrent.

this page. Thanks to all who

have reached out and offered

support as well as share the

According to reports,

Bertollo was living out of his car and surviving on food

samples from places such as

Costco and Whole Foods.

He is believed to have lost

information."

NANNY INJURED WHILE SAVING 2-YEAR-OLD FROM CAR

GRIFFITH PARK-California nanny, Caroline Maurer, is recovering from the multiple injuries she sustained after being struck by a car. Maurer saved her employer's 2-year-old son from an oncoming vehicle, that ran a stop sign in the Atwater Village neighborhood surrounding Griffith Park.

The incident occurred as Maurer was strolling the toddler around their neighborhood in Atwater Village at about 10:00 a.m. on March 28. The police report states that Maurer was at an empty four-way intersection, with the child in his stroller, as the pair began to cross the street. A car approached the intersection without stopping, and made a left-hand turn toward Maurer and the 2-year-old little boy, named Fox. On Monday, October



Nanny, Caroline Maurer, with 2-year-old Fox who she saved from an oncoming vehicle in Atwater Village.

16, Maurer told Canyon News, "We were only about a block away from Fox's home when the car ran a four-way stop sign and turned directly into us. I was terrified."

In a video that was shared on her YouCaring page this week Maurer stated, "It was going to be him hit since he was kind of more in front of me. So, as the car turned in - I was screaming, 'Stop! Stop!' - and pushed Fox as hard as I could to get him out of the way." The nanny was struck by the car, after she placed herself between the oncoming vehicle and the child's stroller. Fox escaped the incident unharmed, while Maurer received multiple injuries including fractured bones in her hands, wrists and arms. She was hospitalized for more than two weeks after

the incident. She has undergone three surgeries to repair the damage she received to her arms, and recently began undergoing physical therapy because of the weakness in her hands.

Fox's parents recently started a YouCaring fundraising page to help Maurer, who is credited with saving their son's life, to recover some of the cost of her medical expenses. They say Maurer has been unable to work or go to school since she was injured in the incident, and she may never fully regain strength in her hands. Fox's parents, Courtney Davis and Bill Wolkoff, wrote on the YouCaring page, "Caroline is a true hero, and we are forever grateful to her for saving our son's life.'

HELP NEEDED TO LOCATE TOMMY BERTOLLO

By George Morris and Donald Roberts

WEST HOLLYWOOD—The family of Tommy Bertollo is asking for the public's help to locate him. Bertollo is originally from the East Coast and has been reported missing by his family, and was last seen in the West Hollywood region. Bertollo, 35, of New Jer-

sey, has not been heard from in over a month. He was traveling from New Jersey to Los Angeles, "on a whim" WEHOville reported. He left his home on the East Coast in July. Bertollo's family and friends set up a Facebook page to help locate him. A post was made on October 11 reading:

"If you're here, thanks for accepting the invites. So far, there still hasn't been any news about Tommy's whereabouts. However, his car was located at Cynthia Street in West Hollywood

partment released surveil-

lance footage to the public

showing two thefts taking

place inside a Whole Foods

grocery store in the Mid-

Wilshire area over the week-

end. According to the LAPD,

the thefts occurred on Sep-

tember 10, between the hours

of 1:05 p.m. and 3:25 p.m. at

the Whole Foods located on

the 6300 block of West 3rd

Street in Los Angeles.



Tommy Bertollo, 35, was last seen in West Hol-

and was towed for a parking violation on October 2nd. So now in addition to Culver City, Venice and Newport Beach, he also has some connection to West Hollywood.

Some friends of Tom-

my's are going to California to try and look for him but

there really isn't too much

more we can do. His phone

is off and it appears that he

now has no place to stay.

Please continue to share his

picture and invites friends to

weight and may have grown a beard. Steven Casola posted on Facebook, "I just found out about Tom being missing from Danielle. I haven't seen Tom in forever, I hope he's OK. Ive been in Venice and Santa Monica since Feb 17 of this year. If I can help at

all call me or text me,

13107545836.

Bertollo is a white male who stands 6 feet and 1 inch tall. Anyone who has information about his whereabouts is asked to contact the police.

GRAND

BEVERLY HILLS—Detectives from the Los Angeles Police Department Wilshire Station are asking the general public for help in identifying a grand theft suspect that was caught stealing on video. On Tuesday, October 17, the Los Angeles Police De-

A grand theft suspect caught on video at the Mid-Wilshire Whole Foods market.

According to the LAPD Blog, the targeted victims were female shoppers who placed their purses in their shopping carts while looking at items on the shelves. During both incidents, the unidentified man approached his victims from behind, while

their backs were turned, and

reached into their purses taking their wallets as he calmly walked away.

The suspect is described by the LAPD as a 30 to 40-yearold African-American male, with black hair, and brown eyes. He stands approximately 5 foot and 11 inches tall and weighs around 180 pounds.

Surveillance video from the store shows that the suspect was wearing a white shirt, gray pants and black tennis shoes with white soles on the day of the incident.

Anyone with information about this case is asked to call Detective R. Hernandez or Detective J. Cardenas at 213-922-8216. During non-business hours, calls should be directed to 1-877-LAPD-24-7 (1-877-527-3247). Those who wish to provide tips anonymously can do so by contacting Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (800-222-8477) or by visiting www.lapdonline. org, and selecting the "Anonymous Web Tips" option.

HUNT FOR BURGLARY SUSPECT AT APARTMENT COMPLEX By Donald Roberts

HOLLYWOOD—The Los Angeles Police Department is asking for the public's assistance to locate the suspect responsible for a burglary that transpired at a Hollywood Apartment complex on October 6 at around 6:30

According to the LAPD Blog, the suspect entered a large apartment complex's subterranean garage and loitered at the front door steps before gaining access to the

livery man exited the establishment. The suspect went to the second floor and used an unknown pry tool to open the victim's apartment door, and placed the items into the bags obtained from the victim's residence and exited the building.

apartment lobby when a de-

Police are describing the suspect as an African-American male, 25-30 years old, with a beard. He stands approximately 5 feet and 9 inches tall and weighs around 170 to 190 pounds. He was wearing a bright orange Under Armor hooded sweatshirt, camouflage pants, and grey running shoes.

Anyone with information about this case is asked to contact Hollywood Burglary Detective Aluotto at (213) 972-2929 or Detective Childs at (213) 972-2931. During non-business hours or on weekends, calls should be directed to 1-877-LAPD-247 (1-877-527-3247). Anyone wishing to remain

anonymous should call Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-TIPS (800-222-8477). Tipsters may also contact Crime Stoppers by texting to phone number 274637 (C-R-I-M-E-S on most keypads) with a cell phone. All text messages should begin with the letters "LAPD." Tipsters may also go to www.lapdonline.org, and click on "Anonymous Web Tips."

MOUNTAIN LION P-55 MAKES HISTORY CROSSING FREEWAY

By Macee Binns-

SANTA MONICA-A 2-yearold mountain lion, known as P-55, made history last week when he successfully crossed the 101 Ventura freeway for the second time.

On Tuesday, October 17, the National Park Service announced via Facebook that P-55 ventured over 10 lanes of freeway traffic crossing through a "relatively developed part of Thousand Oaks," just west of State Route 23.

"P-55 is full of surprises," said Ranger Kate Kuykendall in the post. He is the first mountain lion to successfully cross the freeway twice, and he represents one of only 4 successful crossings by mountain lions since the National Park Service began studying the movements of local cougars in 2002. GPS tracking data from the animal's collar showed the adventurous feline's path.

In late July, P-55 made his



A mountain lion known as P-55 made history by crossing the 101 freeway

way across the freeway for the first time, crossing state routes 23 and 118, where he was caught on camera in the backyard of a Newbury Park home. Kuykendall stated that after his dangerous twopart journey, "P-55 is now back to roaming the western end of the Santa Monica

Mountains, likely looking to avoid other males so that he can one day establish his own territory.'

A study released in 2016 concluded that mountain lions in the Santa Monica range are facing possible extinction within the next 50 years. Researchers have documented 17 mountain lion deaths on Southern California roadways since 2002. In an attempt to preserve the regions feline wildlife, officials and activists are now advocating for construction of a landscaped wildlife crossing over the 101 Freeway in the Agoura Hills area.

MISSING WOMAN KIMBERLY LIU FOUND SAFE

SANTA MONICA-Kimberly Liu, 29, who is suffering from a brain tumor, was reported to Canyon News as being "found this morning at the corner of Lincoln Blvd and Olympic" on Tuesday. October 17, by the Santa Monica Police Department. Kimberly's tumor causes her to become delusional and anxious.

Liu was last seen at 7:30 p.m., on Monday, October 16 at a dance studio in Santa Monica. She was last seen wearing black tights, pink shorts, and a multi-colored sweatshirt. Authorities have not disclosed details regarding Liu's disappearance and where she was found as of print.

The SMPD tweeted: "SMPD Officers have located Kimberly LIU in SM. She is unharmed and will be reunited with her family shortly. Thank you for your help."



Kimberly Liu who went missing on Monday, October 16, was found safe

MAYOR GARCETTI EXPANDS TURF REBATE PROGRAM

LOS ANGELES—Los Angeles Mayor Eric Garcetti announced Friday, October 13 that rebates provided by the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power (LADWP) for residential and commercial turf removal will rise over the next three months.

Rates will increase from \$1.75 to \$2 per square foot up to a maximum of 1,500 square feet. The rebates are designed to encourage residents and businesses to reduce water consumption through the removal of turf from their yards. They are part of the city of Los Angeles' expansive "Save the Drop" program which aims to reduce the total war consumption of the city by 20 percent. Additional components of the turf replacement program include emphasizing the importance of sustainable landscaping, rainwater capture, and drip irrigation.



Turf removal rebates are one component of Mayor Garcetti's "Save the Drop" program.

"Save the Drop" endeavors to help the city of Los Angeles reach Mayor Garcetti's goal of cutting the amount of imported water purchased in half by 2025. Other elements of the plan include projects to clean the San Fernando Valley aquifer and to encourage greater water recycling, stormwater repurposing, and groundwater recharging efforts.

"We are pleased to continue offering our turf replacement rebate — the most popular of all our water conservation programs," said LADWP General Manager David H. Wright in a press release from the Office of the Mayor. "Since 2009, Angelenos have removed nearly 50 million square feet of grass, yielding about 2 billion gallons in annual

water savings."

"Save the Drop" is a program of the Mayor's Fund of Los Angeles, the Los Angeles Department of Water and Power, and the creative agency Omelet LLC.

To obtain additional information visit www. SavetheDropLA . org and www.CadaGotitaCuentaLA . org.

SAUDI PRINCE SUED FOR ASSAULT -By George Morris

BEVERLY HILLS—Saudi Prince Khalid Bin Faisal Bin Sultan Bin Abdulazia Al Saud is being sued after allegedly putting Martin Bertucci, a temporary security guard of his security detail, in a violent headlock.

According to Patch.com, Bertucci's case, which was filed in Los Angeles Superior Court on Friday, October 6, claims assault, battery, negligence, and both negligent and intentional infliction of emotional distress by the defendant. The suit reportedly states that Bertucci's employer, Amgroup Inc. should have informed him that the prince was "unstable and dangerous," and

failed to do so. The plaintiff relocated to California to protect the



prince and is an air force vet-

eran who worked in the public sector for over 12 years. Bertucci suffered a severe cervical-spine injury,

ization. According to the lawsuit, he required spinal surgery, which has impacted his ability to gain employment.

fendant for.

The suit does not disclose a specific amount of money Bertucci is suing the de-

POLICE COMMISSION APPROVES LAPD DRONE USE

By George Morris and Donald Roberts-



The Los Angeles Police Commission is set to vote on a controversial proposal to allow the LAPD to use drones.

uations, active shooter incidents, and counterterrorism operations, and are trained to operate specialized equipment and technology to safely resolve incidents

System (sUAS) refers to a re-The LAPD has been pushmotely-operated, lightweight ing for the program, so aircraft and its associated drones can be used to search components. The Special for armed, dangerous crim-Weapons and Tactics Team inals, hazardous materials, (SWAT) is a highly trained explosive devices and more. and specialized cadre of De-The proposal states that the partment personnel under drones would allow for "sitthe command of Metropoliuational awareness." An tan Division and the CounsUAS shall not be deployed when weather conditions or terterrorism and Special Operations Bureau (CTSOB). other hazards prevent the SWAT personnel respond safe operation of the airto high-risk tactical incicraft and will not be dedents including hostage sitployed in a manner that ex-

deploy small, aerial drones

to crime scenes. The pro-

posal for the plan indicates

that drones would be both

unarmed and "shall not be

deployed in violation of the

law or Constitution." All

drone use would require a

search warrant in advance.

tim of an attempted car bur-

glary shot the perpetrator on

incident occurred on Bick-

nell Street, in the Ocean

Park neighborhood several

Captain Kenneth Semko

Department tweeted, "On

300 Bicknell shooting non

PD related suspect in cus-

tody. Please stay away from

area investigation on-go-

According to the SMPD,

the victim, who has still not

been identified by authori-

ing."

blocks from the ocean.

Small Unmanned Aerial

ceeds the manufacturer's recommendations An sUAS shall not be deployed or used with any weapons capabilities including any nonlethal or less-than-lethal weapon systems.

LAPD Police Chief Charlie Beck indicated to the Police Commission, a program manager would be assigned from Air Support Division (ASD) to manage the pilot program and utilization of the device. The operation of the device would be limited to specifically trained personnel from the Special Weapons and Tactics team.

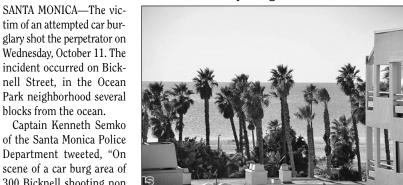
The program has been met with some criticism. The Stop LAPD Spying

Coalition held a protest outside the LAPD Headquarters Tuesday to fight the proposal. Protestors chanted "drone-free LAPD" and "no drones, LA." Some have argued the use of drones could lead to invasions of privacy or police militarization. Chief Beck indicated those opposed were concerned that the Department could not be trusted to follow its own rules, regardless of how stringent the guidelines are designed. While those in support had similar concerns as those opposed to drone usage, but approved of adding new technology, but some of guidelines were too stringent and could hamper timely response to situations.

This is not the first time a police department has tried utilizing drones; a similar proposal was brought forward in Seattle in 2014. That proposal was not approved.

The proposal was passed by the Police Commission in a 3-1 vote. Los Angeles is now the largest city to ever pass such a program.

MAN SHOT IN ATTEMPTED CAR BURGLARY



A suspect was shot while attempting to steal the shooter's car.

ties, heard commotion outside his home. He called the police, explaining that there was a carjacking in progress.

The man then went out to confront the suspect, wielding a handgun, at around 5

According to the Santa Monica Daily Press, the victim found the suspect in his car, which led to a confrontation and the victim threatened the suspect. The suspect attempted to flee, but was shot in the chest by the victim. Authorities arrived on the scene and located the suspect who attempted to flee the scene. The suspect, Vidas Sileikis was arrested and bail was set at \$50,000. The victim could face charges because the suspect did not enter the victim's home and was unarmed at the time of the shooting.

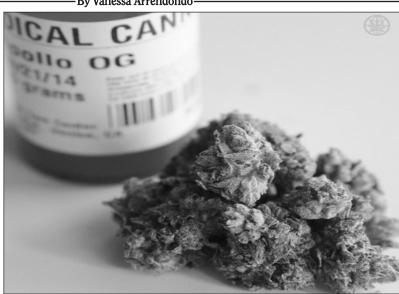
ORDINANCE ALLOWS TWO MEDICAL CANNABIS SHOPS

SANTA MONICA—The city of Santa Monica may allow two medical marijuana dispensaries to operate within city limits and permit some "light manufacturing" of cannabis products, while prohibiting commercial non-medical use.

The Santa Monica Daily Press reported the three designated areas in the city available to two cannabis retail shops include: Wilshire Boulevard between Lincoln and Centinela Avenue. Santa Monica Boulevard between Lincoln and 20th Street, or Santa Monica between 23rd Street and Centinela Avenue.

The Santa Monica City Council during the council's meeting on Tuesday, October 10 further discussed how to implement Senate Bill 94, which created the Medicinal and Adult-Use Cannabis Regulation and Safety Act (MAU-CRSA) in 2017.

Existing zoning ordinances allow for two medical cannabis dispensaries, each 2,500 square feet, at least 600 feet away from



Two medical cannabis retail shops will be allowed to operate in Santa Monica, but, commercial use, distribution, and cultivation is prohibited. Photo courtesy of Tumblr.

schools, daycare centers, parks, libraries and social services offices. The Santa Monica City Council announced that the new city of Santa Monica Cannabis Ordinance will maintain this limit and establish a selection process for two medicinal cannabis retailer permits.

The ordinance will prohibit commercial use, cultivation and distribution. Medical dispensaries will be allowed to grow a limited amount of product within the store. SB-94 was created following California's approval of Prop 64, which legalized adult use, growth and possession of marijuana in California on November 2016.

Under MAUCRSA, Santa Monica can establish regulations for medicinal and adult use cannabis markets, specify permit types, and authorize state agencies to establish rules governing cannabis operations, the council staff report states.

The council's next course of action will be to decide whether a ballot measure should be created to make a business license tax for cannabis businesses.

ANN RUTHERFORD MANSION LISTS FOR \$40 MILLION

By Dylan Gera-

BEVERLY HILLS—The Greenway Drive home of late actress Ann Rutherford, known primarily for her role in "Gone with the Wind" as Carreen O'Hara, has been listed for sale.

According to Variety, the French Revival-style Beverly Hills mansion is available with an asking price of \$39.9 million. The Westside Estate Agency is colisting the house with Hilton & Hyland.

Though now known as The Rutherford House, the mansion was built in 1938 for real estate developer and Beverly Hills Mayor Edward Paul Dentzel. It was later purchased by Rutherford and her second husband William Dozier, creator of the 1960s "Batman" television series.

Rutherford died in June 2012 due to heart problems and the home was



The Rutherford House.

sold in 2013 to Mark Cohen, owner of Cohen Financial Group, and his wife Laurie for \$7.55 million. The Cohens renovated the home which consists of 10,500-square-feet of living space including, 5 bedrooms, 10 bathrooms, a li-

brary, a swimming pool, and staff lodgings. The listing agent for the home is Kurt Rappaport.

In addition to her role in "Gone with the Wind," Rutherford starred in the long-running Andy Hardy film series as Polly Bene-

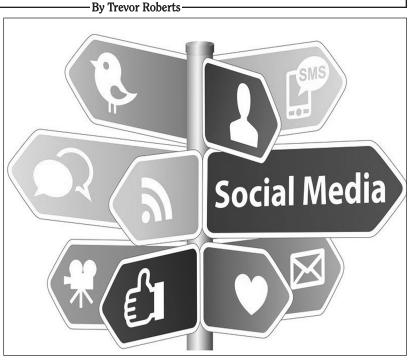
dict, the on-again-off-again love interest of leading man Mickey Rooney. She also appeared in the films "Pride and Prejudice," "Wyoming," "Murder in the Music Hall" and the 1947 film "The Secret Life of Walter Mitty.

SOCIAL MEDIA AND MAINSTREAM AMERICA

UNITED STATES—Social media, it has its benefits, but at the same time it has massive drawbacks. I still think back to nearly a decade ago, where social media was just beginning to become prevalent, but was not as prevalent as it has become today. Why? It is everywhere and no matter what you do it can easily make the internet with the snap of a finger. This is most notable for those utilizing Facebook, Twitter and Instagram, where one post can make you a viral sensation, the laughing stock of America or the enemy of the peo-

So the question of the hour remains: should we refrain from utilizing social media to let the world know how we feel all the time? Hmm, that is indeed a tough question and I waiver back and forth on it. The one great thing about social media is that it allows instant gratification for most people. They are able to get out how they feel RIGHT AWAY without delay; it allows public consumption to take place. However, one of those drawbacks is once you make a statement it doesn't just go away; you can delete, but by the time you do that, someone has already screen shot what you wrote and shared it across the web America.

I think I'm more concerned about Twitter, because all it takes is one tweet or one statement to cause uproar or a division in the world. I'm bringing this issue to concern because of recent issues with NFL players choosing not to stand during the national anthem. President Trump made his thoughts clear on the issue, and what was a wave of madness a few weeks ago has di-



Everyone has a voice when it comes to social media nowadays, which has gotten plenty of people in trouble.

minished slightly. However, Vice President Mike Pence decided to leave an Indianapolis Colts game after several players kneeled. What was the problem with this? Nothing, but the concern was that Pence didn't really do this on his own volition; he did it after being informed by President Trump if it transpired to vacate the premis-

That is just one incident, because things have become dicey with Dallas Cowboys owner Jerry Jones noting that any player who chooses not to stand for the national anthem will not play. I'm not going to get into the politics of these issues, because to be honest if you look at the First Amendment there is a case that would not be that difficult to argue in the courtroom about one's rights being infringed upon. Anyway, the result of that statement led to ESPN host

Jemele Hill, who already

faced a bit of heat after sending out a tweet a few weeks ago calling President Donald Trump a white supremacist. Many were on Hill's side, while others argued that was a risky claim to make, and to some degree it is. Hill was suspended this week from ESPN after tweeting about hitting Jerry Jones where it hurts most: his pockets. How? To go after the advertisers that helps secure money for the organization. ESPN noted Hill was being suspended for 2 weeks for vio-

lating company policy. So the question we all have to ask is should we be refrained from utilizing social media in our personal lives if we work for a company where voicing your opinion or being in the news media arena causes issues? That's a very tough call. I think it sucks that you can work for an organization and not make statements about certain things that you feel without

of conflict.

Some of you might think

this isn't such a big deal, but I'm arguing that this is a big deal. Why? We could run into a situation where you are seeing more and more employers indicate in contracts for employees that they could be reprimanded as a result of partaking in making public statements that could reflect badly on the organization or place them in a situation where they have to address the comment at hand. For all the good that social media does in this country, there are plenty, and I mean plenty of drawbacks, which means: in this world today you have to be careful what you say.

being reprimanded, but at the same time I totally un-

derstand why if you work in the news arena TWEETING or utilizing social media to express how one feels about political issues can be problematic. The goal is to remain unbiased. It creates an issue

WILDFIRE CONTINUES TO BURN THROUGHOUT ORANGE COUNTY

CALIFORNIA—Thousands of residents were forced to flee their homes after a wild fire burned throughout the canyons of Orange Country and destroyed several residences in the area. Residents were allowed to return home after the fire was partially contained on Tuesday, October 10.

It was reported that 24 structures were destroyed and 7,500 acres were burned in Orange County, but progress in containing the wildfire has been made, according to fire officials.

Orange County Fire officials stated, "about 3,500 structures continue to be threatened, but added that they stopped the forward progression of the fire and expect full containment by Saturday.'

"The blaze was 25% contained as of Tuesday morning. Fire crews had managed to halt the blaze's westward progression, and were focusing on stopping its eastern advance beginning on Tuesday after-



Anaheim Hills fire seen from Disneyland.

noon," said Captain Larry Kurtz, a spokesman for the Orange County Fire Authority in a press release.

By 12 p.m. on Tuesday the dry, fire inducing Santa Ana winds shifted to moist, ocean breezes, which allowed fire crews to begin attacking the blaze directly in an attempt to contain the fire. Over 40 percent of the blaze was reported to be contained by

8:00 p.m. on Tuesday. The wildfire could be seen from Southern California and created a smoke filled view over Disneyland, which prompted a flood of pictures depicting the fire on social media. The exact cause of the wildfire has yet to be determined, but fire officials state that they will be conducting a full investigation to determine the source of the flame.

HEPATITIS A PLAGUES SAN DIEGO, WORST UPRISING IN DECADES By Alexandra Evans

SAN DIEGO-Reports began surfacing on Friday, October 6 that Hepatitis A has plagued the San Diego area, impacting members of the homeless population and illegal drug users. The outbreak, which was first discovered about a year ago, is

the worst in decades. Public health officials have shared that the heavily contagious virus is transported through fecal, oral, or sexual contact. Touching objects or eating food which handled by an infected person can cause the disease to spread.

In 1996, a vaccine for the disease was cultivated and has led to the decline in the number of cases.

Dr. Monique Foster from the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention confirmed that illegal drug users, those who travel to regions where hepatitis A is a natural case, and amongst homosexual and bisexual males are at a higher risk of infection. Outbreaks can surface for up to 2 years.

There is currently no treatment, and those with liver diseases and the elderly population are also at a high risk of contracting the virus. Some symptoms are not discovered until about a month after an individual has contracted the illness and can lead to liver failure and

death. On October 3, public health officials discovered 481 cases of the virulent

Hepatitis A virus (via WebMD). liver disease, and 337 victims were hospitalized and 17 died. Eighty-five percent of verified cases have been located in San Diego, prompting street maintenance crews to rid local areas of bodily fluids (including blood and feces) by dousing the streets with a mixture of bleach and high-pressure water. Movable hand-washing stations were set up in

areas with a large percentage

of homeless individuals. Additional cases of the virus have been reported in Los Angeles and Santa Cruz, but no deaths have occurred. Dr. Eric McDonald of the San Diego County Health and Human Services Agency indicated that medical officials are taking action to fight the plague; 54,000 city

residents have received vac-

cinations thus far.

SEXUAL HARASSMENT IN HOLLYWOOD

UNITED STATES—I was in utter shock to learn in recent days that Hollywood film executive Harvey Weinstein had been accused of sexual harassment in the past and that it had been transpiring for decades. This is the guy who established Miramax films and helped usher in The Weinstein Company. Not to mention he has been the name behind some massive blockbusters and dramas that have walked away with the coveted Academy Award for Best Picture. After news broke across the world of the New York

Harvey Weinstein has been the talk of the town as numerous reports have surfaced of his involvement in countless sexual harassment incidents.

harassment in the past, he lawyered up. As the days progressed more and more Weinstein came out issuing detail surfaced about Mr. a statement that was be-Weinstein and several of yond disturbing. Noting his his victims including acbehavior was a result of tress Ashley Judd and Rose behavior that he grew up McGowan. Over the weekknowing about in the inend, attorney Lisa Bloom dustry. Are you kidding me? resigned as an advisor for That may be the most pathe film executive and on thetic excuse I have ever Sunday, The Weinstein heard someone deliver Company announced that without comprehending Harvey, the guy who startthe magnitude of the mated the company had been ter at hand. That is indeed fired. It's amazing that such a very disturbing claim, behavior has transpired by and the fact that he thought this media mogul for years. it was acceptable because it and no one inside his inner was perceived as being ok is circle was willing to call worrisome even more. him out on his antics and behavior. However, things

Times writing a piece about

Weinstein and multiple al-

leged incidents of sexual

exploded, and I mean ex-

ploded Tuesday, when the

New Yorker released a sto-

ry chronicling many more

victims of Weinstein, and

the floodgates opened with

A-list actresses Gwyneth

Paltrow and Angelina Jolie

coming forward noting they

had encounters with Wein-

stein that was nothing to

Several of the victims

came forward, but now

their voices are just being

heard. Its despicable be-

havior: it's sad and it's sick-

ening and unbelievable that

laugh about.

In Hollywood, we've all heard tales about certain rules having to be 'played' in order to climb to the top, and the idea is that it still seems to echo not in small waves, but tidal waves. Why is this still the case? Well, victims who speak out are ignored and worse, those who commit the crime pay off the victims or continue to be in a position of power at the studios and make such advances. In the world of celebrity, some are willing to make sacrifices to climb to the top, while oth-

ers find themselves in un-

comfortable positions and are not 100 percent certain of what to do, and what they should say if in such a compromising situation.

Big names have come out in support of the victims who suffered despicable actions at the hands of Harvey Weinstein, I mean Meryl Streep, God bless the woman did not mince words in the statement she issued on Monday morning, as did Kevin Smith, who has worked with Weinstein for close to 15 years. Other celebs voicing concerns included actresses Jessica Chastain, Jennifer Lawrence and Dame Judi Dench. However, what

many have argued is that more MEN in the industry need to come forward and discuss the issue at hand. That transpired as the week progressed with more men in the industry coming out and denounced Weinstein and his behavior.

Weinstein's ouster at The Weinstein Company is certainly going to impact the studio moving forward as it attempts to market films just in time as awards sea-

son comes to fruition Some have even called for the Board of Directors at The Weinstein Company to be fired. A settlement in most situations is a claim that something transpired, and people want to have things swept under the rug, that can no longer be done. I don't believe that a bevy of industry insiders had no idea what Weinstein was doing behind the scenes. Someone had to know something and just kept auiet.

An open dialogue and conversation needs to be had in this industry where men have all the power, and many use that power to their advantage making promises to kick-start ones career in return for sexual favors. Is it going to be difficult to change the world of sexual harassment in this industry? Yes, but it all starts not only with the victims speaking in waves, but for those closest to the perpetrator speaking out and alerting the authorities of such incidents. Make it be known what this person is doing rather it's a male or female. If you're tarnishing one's reputation, and the pieces fit the crime I'm all for it.

It's unacceptable and no one should have to endure such behavior rather it's in the entertainment world, or everyday life. This is the problem with power and money: they go hand and hand and some people use it to their advantage to keep people quiet and to get the things they want out of life. Sexual harassment is wrong America, and Hollywood has a long history with this issue that is just now making national headlines. That little secret has exploded and hopefully this will lead to more changes in the industry to halting such deplorable behavior.





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SUSPECT SENTENCED IN HIGH-SPEED CHASE

HOLLYWOOD—The suspect responsible for leading police on a high-speed chase that ended at Hollywood Boulevard and Highland Avenue was sentenced to 3 years in state prison on Thursday, October 5, the Los Angeles District Attorney's Office revealed.

Tony Carl Calloway Jr., 24, or Rancho Cucamonga pleaded no contest to one felony count of fleeing a pursuing peace officer's cruiser while driving recklessly, Deputy District Attorney Robert DuFour stat-



A suspect who led police on a high-speed chase throughout Hollywood was sentenced to 3 years in state prison.

On March 9, Calloway stole a car in Colton and was later spotted by authorities driving the stolen vehicle on the 101 Freeway near Parkway Calabasas. A pursuit that lasted nearly 1 hour commenced, before ending in Hollywood when police used spike strips to stop the vehicle.

After the pursuit stopped, the suspect lit a cigarette and refused orders by police to exit his vehicle. He was later arrested. The case was investigated by the Los Angeles Police Department, Hollywood Division.

DAVID GEFFEN GIVES \$150 MILLION TO LACMA BUILDING

BEVERLY HILLS-David Geffen pledged \$150 million to the Los Angles County Museum of Art (LACMA) planned Zumthor building on Wednesday, October 4. The pledge is the largest single cash gift from an individual in the museum's history.

"This historic commitment propels LACMA's twodecade expansion and rebuilding project forward," said Michael Govan, LACMA CEO and Wallis Annenberg Director. "David Geffen is one of Los Angeles's, and our nation's, most generous philanthropists. This gift, for which we are incredibly grateful, ensures that our new building becomes a reality. Pledges of this magnitude are incredibly rare, and David's commitment demonstrates his belief in the power of art museums to reach a broad and diverse public and create significant civic benefit.

WOODLAND HILLS—Pierce

College is planning to use

the property on De Soto Av-

enue and Victory Boulevard

to supplement the Agriculture Department, quelling

resident's fear about the fate

of the urban farm after the

Farm Center vacated the

"The developers that drive

past there everyday, their

mouths water, and they just

can't believe that property

doesn't have something on

it," said John Walker, the ex-

ecutive vice president of the Woodland Hills Homeown-

ers Organization (WHHO).

Administrative Services Rolf

Schleicher and Vice Presi-

dent of Academic Affairs

Sheri Berger met with the

homeowners on September

27, at Kaiser Permanente

in Woodland Hills and as-

sured them that no com-

mercial development would

"We are a farm in the city,

and that is very unique. We

need to preserve that," said

Berger. "We are serving stu-

dents who grew up in the

city, who may have never

seen a cow, who don't know

where their food comes

According to Berger, an

agricultural education cen-

ter is set to be built in 2020.

The building will be 8,000

square feet and will act as

anchor to the Agriculture

Program and fill the area left

by the Farm Center. Two

greenhouses, each 1,000

square feet, will be built to allow future expansions.

The Farm Center, owned

and directed by Robert McB-

room, occupied the land

from 2005 to 2015. The Los

Angeles Daily News report-

ed when the five-year lease

ended in 2010, McBroom

was given a year to vacate

the property. After refusing

to leave the property, the Los

Angeles Community College

District and McBroom came

from."

be built on the property.

Pierce Vice President of

area two years earlier.



The early designs for the David Geffen Galleries.

PIERCE COLLEGE INTENDS TO KEEP ITS URBAN FARM

DIGICE COllege

Pierce College in Woodland Hills.

close indefinitely to the pub-

lic the day after Christmas

2014, and the area would be

vacated by April 15 the fol-

According to Berger, the

Farm Center lease was not

renewed because the col-

lege decided a better use to

the property would be to

educate its agricultural stu-

dents, and the present en-

terprise wasn't educational

that the college is here to

meet the educational needs

of our students. Our pri-

mary goal is for students to

further their education, have

them transfer and enter the

Schleicher added that the

Farm Center was good for

the community and provid-

ed K-12 educational servic-

es, but it conflicted with

the institution's focus to

provide optimal post-sec-

"Across the state, there

was a need for education in

agricultural and plant sci-

ences; there was a high de-

mand for students, and our

program was not fulfilling

ondary education.

workforce," said Berger.

"Our intention all along is

or monetarily profitable.

lowing year.

The Zumthor building, will be named the David Geffen Galleries and is \$150 million away from the necessary \$650 million needed to break ground and begin construction. The David Geffen Galleries, which will replace four of the museum's seven current buildings, is intended to enable LACMA's vast encyclopedic collection to be shown and experienced in innovative ways.

"I am excited to see the positive effects this new building will have on Los Angeles's art and architectural communities. This innovative addition to the LACMA campus will ensure ongoing and expanded access to their permanent collection. LACMA will be able to touch millions of lives and create an even healthier and more vibrant community for everyone," said Geffen.

He continued, "At a time when federal funding for the arts is threatened, it's important that we foster public-private partnerships, like this one, to support arts and cultural institutions. We must ensure that the

go in this direction," said

After the Farm Center's

departure, the Woodland

Hills area was concerned

that it would be lacking in

community-engaging

events. Pierce administra-

tion assured WHHO that ef-

forts would be created with-

in the Agriculture Depart-

ment to draw in the com-

munity. A community gar-

den, equestrian shows, and

a farm store are tentative

"There's more than run-

ning events that are enter-

prise oriented," Schleicher

said. "Could I make more

money putting enterprises in

there? Absolutely. But that's

not what we are here for."

for the land have been avail-

able online since April 4,

2015, however, the lack of

progress on the vacant plot

has caused residents to ques-

tion if Pierce intends to pre-

serve the entire farmland.

time when a developer will

go by that property and say,

'I'm glad it's a farm," said

Walker. "They will always

"There will never be a

According to Berger, plans

projects.

Schleicher.

public, everyone, has access to these venerable institutions. I am proud to partner with the County and other members of the community in helping LACMA move this remarkable project from vision to reality. Together, we can and must make sure every person has access to the arts."

The building was originally designed to resemble the tar from the nearby La Brea Tar Pits, but has been updated and changed. It will bridge Wilshire Boulevard. If the funds are secured, the proposed project will officially break ground in 2019. The building is expected to be finished by 2023 if the timeline is not delayed.

The Los Angeles County Museum of Art is located at 5905 Wilshire Boulevard (at Fairfax Avenue) in Los Angeles. For additional information call (323) 857-6000 or visit www.lacma.org.

that to do something with

it?' It's just the nature of the

beast that floats through

Founded in 1947, the

Clarence W. Pierce School of

Agriculture was created to

educate Los Angeles school

children about agriculture

and animals, the Los Ange-

les Times reported in a 1997

article. The college began in-

struction on 392 acres in

According to the Pierce

College website, as the San

Fernando Valley grew, the

need for public secondary

education grew. Enrollment

grew from about a hundred

students in 1947, to more

than 25,000 in the early 1980s. Though the college

has been modernized and ex-

panded to include addition-

al areas of study, the Agri-

culture Program and the

farm have remained through

Pierce College is now 426

acres, with 226 dedicated

to the Agriculture Program.

Berger indicated the farm

has 100 chickens, several

goats, sheep, and cattle,

three donkeys, a pot belly

pig, a llama and a tortoise.

ture Program were not dis-

cussed at the meeting, but

Berger indicated they are

still present and important,

but the current focus is

bringing this part of the

program up to industry stan-

The fields along Victory

Boulevard will be used for

instructional food produc-

tion, an area that was previ-

ously lacking. Berger noted,

the students will learn to

plant, learn irrigation tech-

niques and learn about soils

"To a lot of people on the

outside, you see just land.

And you don't see anything

on it and people think, 'Oh,

I can put something on it,"

said Berger. "Not us. We see

instruction. We see labora-

and soil conditions.

dard.

All aspects of the Agricul-

the decades.

Woodland Hills.

the community."

BEACH CURFEWS TO BE RE-EVALUATED IN LOS ANGELES

-By Vanessa Arrendondo-

PACIFIC PALISADES—The city of Los Angeles has reached a settlement in court that would have officials go before the California Coastal Commission (CCC) to defend and re-evaluate the 30-year-old beach curfews, which close beaches to the public between midnight and 5 a.m.

The curfews, implemented in 1988 to deter crime in the area, span 11 miles of shoreline, including Pacific Palisades and San Pedro, the Los Angeles Times reported. The nighttime closures were put into effect without the CCC's advice and were extended along the coast as crime increased during the 1990s. The CCC and Venice Beach activists have been fighting the curfew since its implementation. Activists state that the beach is public land and should be accessible to residents at all hours.

The California Coastal Commission contested the issue in 2010, when homelessness was on the rise in the region. The city denied the commission's request, and expanded the curfew off the sand to the Venice Boardwalk. The CCC reopened the discussion in 2014, the Los Angeles Times reported, and requested that the city of Los Angeles provide proof that crime was still high enough to warrant the ordinances.

In 2015, the city of Venice sued, stating Los Angeles County created the curfews in defiance to the CCC. To placate them, Los Angeles City Attorney Mike Feuer was asked to draft an ordinance for 10-foot wide walkways on Dockweiler and Will Rogers Beach, that would be excluded from the curfew.

Los Angeles County remained firm on its position stating that the commission did not have jurisdiction on the shorelines. According to the Los Angeles Times, under the settlement agreement, the city will seek a permit from the city engineer and the commission, and will warn curfew violators before issuing citations.

The first hearing to discuss the issue will be Thursday, October 12 at the Westchester Senior Center in Venice, the Los Angeles Times reported.

on campus. The woman,

whose name department of-

ficials have repeatedly de-

PROFESSOR DETAINED AFTER FALSE CAMPUS SHOOTING INCIDENT

By Macee Binns-

LOS ANGELES—A USC professor was detained after the false active shooter report and claims of gunfire prompted a campus wide lockdown and substantial response from the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD) on Monday, October

After the news of the mass shooting in Las Vegas on Sunday, October 1, a second shooting was reported on the campus of USC. A massive police presence was visible on the college campus after USC issued an alert telling students to shelter in place at 12:23 p.m. Within about half an hour, police had verified that there was no active shooter. The LAPD tweeted, "No danger to com-



Reports surfaced of an active shooter on the USC campus on Monday, October 2 that turned out to be false.

munity."

After completing a search of a third-floor classroom in Fertitta Hall, a building of the business school where the incident was reported, John Thomas, head of USC's Department of Public Safety, wrote in an email statement:

"It was reported a faculty member during class falselv told her students there was an active shooter in the building." LAPD Deputy Chief Phillip Tingirides said, "the female professor appeared to have some sort of

episode," and told students

there was an active shooter

Marqueece Harris-Dawson,

California Assemblyman

Reggie Jones-Sawyer, Los

Angeles Unified School Dis-

trict Board member George

McKenna and UCLA Chan-

cellor Gene Block came to-

gether to visit Horace Mann

clined to release, was not booked on any criminal charges, but she was detained for questioning by authorities. Officers with the school's department of public safety let students return to classrooms around 2 p.m. In a statement released late Monday afternoon, USC Provost

Michael Quick praised the rapid response from the LAPD as well as students, staff and faculty for their appropriate reaction to the alert before referring to the mass shooting in Las Vegas, which left more than 59 people dead and 527 people injured.

UCLA Community School,

where they helped about

THOUSANDS OF UCLA STUDENTS VOLUNTEER OVER THE WEEKEND By George Morris-

WESTWOOD—Thousands of UCLA students were scattered throughout Los Angeles over the weekend as part of the annual UCLA Volun-

Over 3,500 freshman and new transfer students mobilized on Saturday, October 7 to volunteer across the region. They were led by over 400 additional UCLA Bruins including alumni, returning students, staff, faculty, parents and community members. The volunteers will be distributed throughout the city by a

teer Day.

fleet of 60 school buses. The annual event sends Bruins all over the city, working on projects in K-12 schools, parks, food banks, veterans' service centers,



Thousands of Bruins mobilized on October 7 as part of UCLA's annual Volunteer Day.

and senior and neighborhood sites. The projects include helping move supplies, clearing brush, pulling weeds, tutoring younger students and painting murals to support schools.

Los Angeles Councilman

200 other Bruin volunteers work on different projects around the school. The volunteer event began in 2009 as the largest community participation event for new students in history. It has served as a model for other similar programs in

> the United States. UCLA is one of the leading

other parts of California and

public schools in the nation, which represents itself with three pillars: education, research and service. Volunteer Day promotes and represents the service pillar, giving students the tools and transportation to support the community around

"the worst weapon I had to

use was a pie to the face."

He wrote columns for "Star

and Stripes," boosting troop

"I LOVE LUCY" WRITER BOB SCHILLER DIES

By George Morris-

PACIFIC PALISADES—Bob Schiller, writer of the hit TV series "I Love Lucy," passed away on Tuesday, October 10 at the age of 98. He cowrote the show with Bob Weiskopf who passed away in 2001.

Schiller worked with actress Lucille Ball once the series ended on "The Lucy-Desi Comedy Hour" and "The Lucy Show." He also worked with Weiskopf on other well-known shows that included "All in the Family," "Maude," "The Carol Burnett Show," "The Red Skelton Show" and "Archie Bunker's Place." Schiller spent a vast majority of his career with comedic writing. In 1935, he attended UCLA, where he penned



Bob Schiller, acclaimed writer for shows such as "I Love Lucy," died on Tuesday, October 10.

comedy pieces for The Daily Bruin and used the pen name "Bob Tales."

During the 1940s, he was drafted into World War II, where he once said that

morale. Schiller received two Emmys during his career, both victories which he shared with Weiskopf. Those awards were for his work on "All in the Family" and "Flip." Both Schiller and Weiskopf also won the Paddy Chayefsky Laurel Award for lifetime achievement from the Writer's Guild of America. The duo collaborated during the 50s, 60s, 70s and 80s, until Schiller retired in 1988. He passed away inside his Pacific Palisades home with his daughter, Sadie Novello by his side.

CITY COUNCIL CONTRACTS FIRM ABOUT FLOODPLAIN MAPS

By Dylan Gera and Donald Roberts-

MALIBU—The Malibu City Council contracted the consulting firm of Moffatt and Nichol to assist the city with appealing the Federal Emergency Management Agency's proposed floodplain maps of the region.

City council is challenging FEMA on the grounds that the agency's current maps are outdated, do not account for seasonal tide fluctuations, and are incorrect. According to reports, residents contend that the current proposed floodplain maps- which overlie many homes and businesses- adversely imibu's Floodplain Adminispact opportunities for fair

Malibu website, the maps are preliminary until they are adopted during the summer 2018. A Public Appeal Period started on August 9, 2017 and will run for 90 days. During this appeal period, residents may submit appeals and protests if they disagree with the maps and believe an error has been made. Property owners who want to appeal are required to submit the scientific or technical data intended to negate or contradict FEMA's findings to Mal-

concludes, the city will

evaluate all appeals and submit its findings to FEMA. Once FEMA reviews all appeals and protests and incorporates any needed map changes, a Letter of Final Determination will be issued. Six months later, maps will be adopted and become effective, as will any new flood insurance requirements. Currently, the city intends to use these flood hazard maps to help determine requirements velopment.

posed map revisions. A public outreach meeting was held on August 22.

The firm plans to present its findings to the Malibu City Council at the council's next meeting on Monday, October 23. Assistant Public Works Director Rob DuBoux stated that the firm's report to the city council would determine the city's final decision on whether or not to file an official appeal with FEMA.

Moffat and Nichol levied challenges against FEMA on behalf of Ventura and Dana Point. A deadline of November 6 is set for all appeal proposals. All of the firm's findings must be science based for FEMA to accept the revisions. If no revisions are accepted, the current maps will go into effect August 2018.

to a settlement, which stipthat demand. So we made an go by that property and say, tory space. We see training ulated that the center would assessment and decided to 'How can I get my hands on for our students.' BODY FOUND IN CAR NEAR LAUNDROMAT UNDER INVESTIGATION

around 4:30 p.m. a body was discovered inside a vehicle on the 7900 block of Santa Monica Boule-

vard. Officials from the

was discovered by a clerk near a laundromat in the region.

"Right now, it appears to

nation," said LASD Deputy Kimberly Alexander to City News Service.

According to reports, the

body has been identified as a male, but the name of the victim and cause of death has not yet been disclosed to the public. Authorities are investigating the case.

ance premiums. According to the city of

priced mortgages, constructions loans, or insur-

trator. Once the Appeal Period

for construction and de-The city of Malibu will conduct a series of community meetings to inform the public about these pro-

-By Eugene Achim be death by natural causes, WEST HOLLYWOOD—On Los Angeles Sheriff's De-Sunday, October 8, at partment were called to but the coroner will have to make the final determithe scene after the body

WEST HOLLYWOOD-A

concert promoter who

conned investors by con-

vincing them he had booked

well-known musicians for

his concerts is expected to

plead guilty to a felony

Gabriel "Gabe" Reed did

business under the compa-

ny Gabe Reed Productions

and identified himself as an

organizer and promoter of

several hard rock concerts.

as well as a few wrestling

matches for World Wrestling

scammed investors by tout-

ing longstanding relation-

ships with well-known mu-

sicians, showing props from

alleged previous tours, and,

in some instances, creating

fabricated financial records

He stole around \$1.4 mil-

lion from 15 different in-

vestors over the course of 8

1/2 years. In one instance,

representing himself as a

concert promoter, he con-

vinced one Los Angeles in-

related to music events.

Reed

Entertainment.

charge.

BRIDGE LINKING GRIFFITH PARK AND GLENDALE PASSED

By George Morris and Donald Roberts-

GRIFFITH PARK—A new, \$20 million bridge to link the cities of Griffith Park and Glendale was passed by the California State Assembly.

The 300-foot-long span will start at the Los Angeles River Greenway, which includes both the pedestrian and bike paths that snake around Griffith Park's side of the Los Angeles River. It will connect to the Glendale side of the river, allowing resdients from Glendale to access the park and the River Greenway. The bridge is expected to have paths for both pedestrians and cyclists as well as resting areas.

Assemblywoman Laura Friedman, stated:

"We've worked for years to get this project off the ground. Thousands of residents on the Glendale side live in the shadow of Griffith Park with no way to get there without braving the freeway or driving for miles on city streets through Burbank or Los Angeles.



Proposed plans for the new, \$20 million bridge connecting Griffith Park and Glendale was passed by the state assembly.

"The bridge isn't just a link between neighborhoods, it's connecting people with open space, miles of bike paths, and economic opportunity, all while creating jobs and reducing greenhouse gas emissions and congestion on our streets and freeways," she added.

"I've supported this project for many years and I'm thrilled that it is now coming to fruition," said Congressman Adam Schiff (D- Burbank). "This investment of state funds is welcome news and consistent with our priority of building innovative projects that keep Californians moving. Hats off to Laura Friedman for her tenacity in making the vision of a bike friendly Los

Angeles come true." "These are the kinds of bridges we like to build in Los Angeles," said Los Angeles City Councilmember David Ryu. "We are lucky to

have Griffith Park in Council District 4, and with this bridge and bike path, we will be able to connect more people to one of LA's greatest treasures."

courses

"Our river

through many neighborhoods in Los Angeles and other cities throughout the county," said Los Angeles City Councilmember Mitch O'Farrell. "Today we are supporting funding that will help connect the cities of Los Angeles and Glendale. Thanks to Assemblywoman Laura Friedman, and our state partners, we will finally see this major element of the Los Angeles River Master Plan come to fruition."

The bridge bill passed through the state assembly earlier this month. It is now waiting on the signature of California Governor Jerry Brown. If approved by the legislature, it will appear on the ballot for voters to approve in 2018.

GABRIEL REED ENTERS PLEA IN WIRE FRAUD CASE

By George Morris-



Gabriel Reed, 46, solicited over \$1 million from investors by conning them into paying for fake concerts

vestor to give him \$100,000 for a concert called "Titans of Rock." Most of the musicians he reached out to did not agree to perform at the concert.

FBI officials tracked the stolen money which was used for personal expenses including child support, costs related to a birthday, and meals at Ruth's Chris Steakhouse and Mr. Chow in Beverly Hills, according to the affidavit. Over the course of several months in 2015, the \$100,000 "had been depleted," due in part to ATM withdrawals, and the FBI

was "unable to identify the

payment of any expenses related to a concert or tour," the affidavit states. The FBI also found he allegedly used another promoter's name in relation to the wire fraud.

He was charged in May 2017 with wire fraud and aggravated identity theft, and could face up to 20 years in prison. He entered a guilty plea deal, but his sentence is expected to be shorter. As part of the plea deal, Reed has agreed to provide full restitution to all his victims. A court date has been set for November 20. Investors who provided money to Reed and believe they were defrauded should contact the FBI's Los Angeles Field Office at (310) 477-6565. The case against Reed is being investigated by the FBI and is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney Poonam Kumar of

UCLA RANKED TOP U.S. PUBLIC UNIVERSITY

WESTWOOD—UCLA ranked first in the secondannual Wall Street Journal/Times Higher Education Top Colleges as the best public university in the United States. According to the UCLA

website, the ranking was based on levels of student engagement, student outcomes, resources and learning environments. The results were based on the Times Higher Education U.S. Student Survey, which polled about 200,000 students nationwide.

UCLA ranked 26th overall for best public or private college, receiving a total score of 81.9, compared to top-ranking Stanford University, which received a score of 92.0.

The public university was

UCLA campus.

praised for its campus diversity and inclusion, ranking eighth out of more than 800 universities surveyed in that category of the more than 1,000 public and private institutions that were assessed.

Student demographics include 20.9 percent Hispanics, 32.1 percent Asian or Pacific Islander, 4.8 percent African American or Black and 11.9 percent international students. In addition, nearly one-third are first generation, with more than 90 percent graduating in 2015.

Leading the list of colleges in this most recent "Top Colleges" ranking were Harvard University (No. 1), Columbia University (No. 2)

and the Massachusetts Institute of Technology and Stanford (tied for No. 3). Among leading public universities, UCLA was followed by the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, second (No. 27 overall), and the University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, third (No. 33 overall).

Eleven California universities made the top 100 including: Cal Tech, USC, Pomona College and UC San

UCLA has ranked high in nationwide polls. In early September, it ranked No. 1 in the 2018 U.S. News and World Report's for the best public colleges in the coun-

LARRY KING INVOLVED IN BEVERLY HILLS CAR CRASH rear-ended Kennedy's con-

BEVERLY HILLS-Journalist Larry King was involved in a car accident with another driver in Beverly Hills on Tuesday, September 26.

The 83-year-old TV and radio show host was seen assessing the damage to both his Lincoln MK and the other driver's Mercedes-Benz after the crash, TMZ reported. Paramedics examined both King and the driver of the Mercedes. King and the other driver did not sustain any serious injuries from the crash. King and the other driver were not given citations by authorities.

BRENTWOOD—Hundreds

gathered on Sunday, Octo-

ber 1, in the streets alongside San Vicente Boulevard,

to support families and friends in the 5K

Run/Walk/Stroll called

"Kickin' Cancer." Among

those who crossed the finish

line were young children

ages 10 and under, running



Talk show host Larry King was involved in a car accident in Beverly Hills.

King was involved in another car accident in 1958 with former president and then-Senator John F. Kennedy. While driving in Palm Beach, Florida, King Kennedy was angry, but later calmed down and promised to forget the incident if King voted for him in the upcoming presidential elec-King grew to fame as a journalist in Florida in the

vertible. According to King,

the Major Frauds Section.

1950s, but later became known for his hit series "Larry King Live" which aired on CNN from 1985 to 2010. He currently is the host of "Larry King Now" on

101 IMMIGRANTS ARRESTED IN NATIONAL ICE SWEEP

By Macee Binns



According to a press release issued by U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement Officials, also known as 'ICE,' the operation was targeted towards immigrants in violation of U.S. immigration laws.

Officials stated that "Operation Safe City," as the



Over 101 immigrants were arrested by ICE on September 28.

raid was termed, "prioritized aliens with criminal convictions, pending criminal charges, known gang members and affiliates, immigration fugitives and those who re-entered the U.S. after deportation." Local sanctuary cities that were affected in this nationwide immigration sween include: San Bernardino, Santa Ana and Malibu. Officials noted to the press that no one registered under the Deferred Action for Childhood Arrivals program was targeted during the raid.

ICE officials reported that with their parent or family out of the 498 immigrants member. arrested during the nation-Funded by the Lynn Coal sweep, 101 people arresthen Foundation, the 16th ed were from Los Angeles annual event, brought food and surrounding areas. The and music, replenishing drinks, arts and crafts, and series of arrests placed other fun activities for par-Philadelphia with the highticipants to engage in. There est number, 107, and Los was even a bounce house in Angeles a close second with the island divider for chil-101 arrests. According to dren to play. An Emcee enreports, more immigration tertained the crowd with sweeps are expected to take music and fun facts. place by ICE in the coming

The Lynn Cohen Foundation, dispersed at four clin-

Flooring

Painting

KICKIN' CANCER IN THE COMMUNITY By Barry Ghabaei

Participants during the "Kickin Cancer" event on October 1.

ics, aims to prevent ovarian and breast cancer among women and families who are at-risk. Founded by the voungest daughter of Lynn Cohen (who died of ovarian cancer after a five-year battle), Amy, took strides at the age of 21 to make an impact in the community, and help women "kick cancer" once and for all.

Over half the number of women who have joined a Lynn Cohen clinic have been able to catch their cancer by professionals. With educational programs, the foundation provides women and their families with the knowledge, tools, and clinical support they need to take action early, "survive," and "thrive."

Supporters cheered and waved in celebration near the finish line, and applauses were given. Water bottles were dispensed by volunteers. The emcee announced finishing times to those who crossed the finish line. In spite of the grey and overcast morning, the race went off without a hitch.

CHRIS PAUL SELLS HIS BEL AIR MANSION

BEL AIR—NBA star Chris Paul, point guard for the Houston Rockets has sold his Bel Air mansion for \$8.7 million. The lion. home sits in the Bel Air

chased the home from musician Avril Lavinge in 2012 for \$8.495 mil-

Crest region. According ing his property in Wood-

to reports, Paul pur- land Hills. The 12,184square-foot Bel Air home has a 12-seat movie theater, a wine cellar and

billiards room. The home

The athlete is also sell-

includes an elevator and 10-car garage.

Paul previously played for the Los Angeles Clippers, but was traded to consists of 8 bedrooms, the Houston Rockets and 11 bathrooms and over the summer.

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