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By Macee Binns - Oct 24, 2017

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The restaurant's co-owner, 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.

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# FINAL PHASE IN PROGRESS

## FINAL SECTION OF CONSTRUCTION WORK ON SANTA MONICA BLVD. UNDERWAY

By Casey Jacobs

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 built.

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

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/smbld](http://www.beverlyhills.org/smbld) will be updated for residents and businesses to be aware of ongoing construction. To sign up to receive emailed notifications via Ask Bev to [www.beverlyhills.org/AskBev](http://www.beverlyhills.org/AskBev), or stay in touch via [www.Facebook.com/CityofBeverlyhills](http://www.Facebook.com/CityofBeverlyhills) and [www.Twitter.com/CityofBevHills](http://www.Twitter.com/CityofBevHills). For additional questions email [smbld@beverlyhills.org](mailto:smbld@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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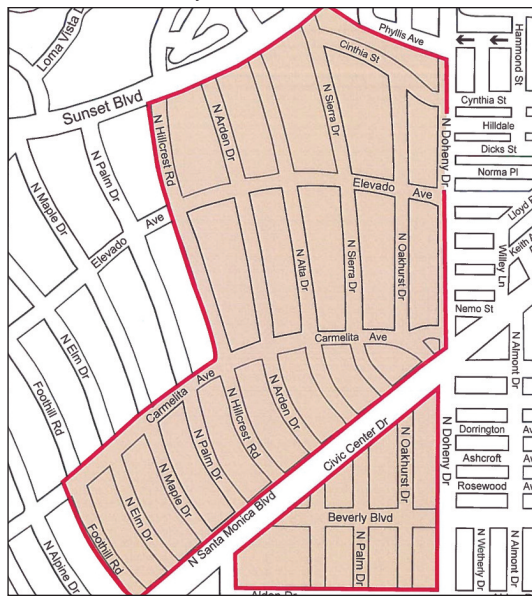
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## NO PARKING EXCEPT BY PERMIT ON HALLOWEEN IN BH

By Donald Roberts

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 November 1.

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](mailto: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

BEL AIR—An intruder trespassed onto the property of reality star Kim Kardashian West and her husband rapper Kanye West on Friday, October 20, TMZ first reported.

According to reports, the suspect snuck onto the property at around 4 a.m. near the 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.

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.

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 first time 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

\$9 million worth of jewelry from the reality star. Several people were arrested and in connection to the armed 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 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 home.

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## BRUCE PADDOCK ARRESTED FOR CHILD PORNOGRAPHY

By Dylan Gera

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-

licitly 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 facility.

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 of 12.

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 Paddock's 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 list.

## 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 with cracks, crumbles and craters on Monday, October 23. The concrete historical landmark was assessed as being attacked with a sledgehammer, by an unknown assailant.

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-



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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.

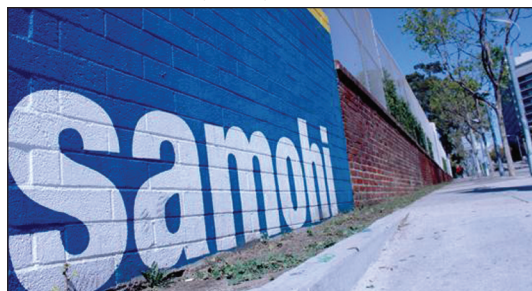
The last time a celebrity's star was damaged was in October 2016, when President Donald Trump had his star damaged on the Hollywood Boardwalk of Fame. Repeated damage to Trump's star has led to a short and stout wall being built around the Hollywood landmark.

## SMMUSD SHORTENS DAY DUE TO EXCESSIVE HEAT

By Barry Ghabaei

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

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 SMMUSD 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.