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THE WEATHER, BEVERLY HILLS

☁ Friday	73° 53°
☁ Saturday	77° 55°
☁ Sunday	78° 57°
☀ Monday	78° 58°
☁ Tuesday	70° 56°
☁ Wednesday	66° 53°
☁ Thursday	64° 50°

The Candidates Speak to the Courier | Part Two of Two

Bob Hertzberg Makes His Case in the L.A. County Supervisor Race

BY ANA FIGUEROA

On Nov. 8, voters will choose a new Los Angeles County Supervisor for the powerful 3rd District seat currently held by Sheila Kuehl, who is retiring. The district, which includes Beverly Hills, stretches from Santa Monica and Malibu to the San Fernando Valley and out as far as Westlake Village. Its population of 2 million residents exceeds that of 14 states. Contending for the seat are two high-profile runoff candidates, West Hollywood City Councilmember Lindsey Horvath and State Sen. Bob Hertzberg. Both have granted interviews to the Courier about the most pressing issues in this high-stakes race. Part One of this series featured Horvath and ran in our Oct. 21 issue. This week Part Two spotlights State Sen. Bob Hertzberg, the former California State Assembly Speaker and Senate Majority Leader.

BHC: You and your opponent have both spent approximately the same amount of time in public service. Why do you think



Photo courtesy Hertzberg for Supervisor State Sen. Bob Hertzberg

your experience in Sacramento makes you the better candidate for a countywide seat?

Hertzberg: She is a city official in a city that has a part-time City Council. It's called a General Law City, which means all the laws are written by us in the state. You meet twice a month.

I came into the legislature, served for six years and quickly became Speaker of the House. I left for 12 years and worked
See HERTZBERG, page 10

Community Rattled by Another Antisemitic Flyer Incident

BY EMILY HOLSHOUSER

The Beverly Hills Jewish community is reeling after dozens of antisemitic flyers were distributed in Westside neighborhoods last weekend. Beverly Hills, Westwood, and Beverly Grove residents woke up on Oct. 23 to see pieces of paper, weighed down by plastic bags with dry rice, touting COVID-19 conspiracy theories and hateful antisemitic rhetoric.

“Every single aspect of the COVID agenda is Jewish,” the leaflets read, naming several prominent government officials, including CDC Director Rochelle Walensky. The papers were distributed just a day after a group of demonstrators, who were livestreaming at the time, hung banners over the 405 Freeway declaring, “Kanye is right about the Jews,” and the name of a well-known hate group that is believed to be behind the banners and flyers.

The banners reference a long list of
See FLYER, page 10

Beverly Hills Welcomes Back NEXT NIGHT With High Turnout

BY OMAR REYES BENÍTEZ

On Oct. 22, over 5,000 community members gathered to celebrate at the fifth annual NEXT NIGHT. Families, City Council members, school board members and more met at a closed South Beverly Drive to enjoy a night filled with good food, great music and wholesome family fun.

NEXT NIGHT is sponsored by the Next Beverly Hills Committee, which was formed in 2015 to represent the next generation of Beverly Hills. As part of its work, Next Beverly Hills plans events, holds meetings and other activities to increase community engagement among the youth. This year, the Committee has focused on leadership development, historical appreciation, economic development and charitable engagement.

See NEXT NIGHT, page 14



Photo courtesy City of Beverly Hills
A crowd of 5,000 attended NEXT NIGHT

BHPD Arrest Suspect in Connection with August Shooting

BY ANA FIGUEROA

The Beverly Hills Police Department (BHPD) has arrested a suspect in connection with a shooting on Aug. 15 on North Canon Drive. The announcement came as the Courier was going to press on Oct. 27.

The shooting in question took place on Aug. 15 at 10:47 p.m. Police officers responded to the 100 block of North Canon Drive following the report of a possible shooting in the vicinity of the Nusr-Et Steakhouse. They found a gunshot victim at the scene with non-life-threatening injuries.

After conducting an extensive
See SHOOTING, page 15

HAPPY HALLOWEEN & DÍA DE LOS MUERTOS!

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Courier Calendar

NOW - OCT. 30

**MR. BONES PUMPKIN PATCH
9 A.M. - 9 P.M.**

Mr. Bones Pumpkin Patch is open in Culver City for the fall season until Oct. 30. Activities include pumpkin village, Mr. Bones' Super Slide, Tipi Village, Giant Rocking Horses, Itsy Bitsy Spider Bounce, Straw Maze, Petting Zoo, Pumpkin Decorating, Dancing Spider Bounce, Rainbow Slide, and face painting. Entertainment for Oct. 28, 29, and 30 includes Bank of Harmony, Robert Baxt, California Feetwarmers, The Miners, Holy Crow, and Rhythm Child. Food trucks are onsite. Standard admission is \$15. VIP tickets are available on weekends. Single activity tickets are \$1, available in person and online. Ticket packages are available for bulk purchases. Unused tickets are valid for the entire season. Details about ticket costs for activities and schedules are online. Mr. Bones Pumpkin Patch is located at 10100 Jefferson Blvd., Culver City. Closed-toed shoes are recommended. Pets are not allowed.
mrbonespumpkinpatch.com

NOW - OCT. 30

**LACMA: "ARCHIVE OF THE WORLD:
ART AND IMAGINATION IN SPANISH
AMERICA, 1500-1800"**

**MON., TUES., THURS. 11 A.M.-6 P.M.
FRI. 11 A.M.-8 P.M.**

SAT.-SUN. 10 A.M.-7 P.M.

LACMA presents an exhibit made up of its notable holdings of Spanish American art. After the arrival of the Spaniards in the Americas in the 15th century, the region developed complex artistic traditions that drew on Indigenous, European, Asian, and African art. The show contains 90

works, representative of the creative power of Spanish America. Tickets to LACMA are free every day for attendees 17 and under, and for everyone after 3 p.m. Monday through Friday. Otherwise, tickets are \$20 for adults and \$16 for seniors (65+) and students (18+) with ID.
lacma.org

NOW - OCT. 31

**SHAQTOBER: A HALLOWEEN
FESTIVAL**

Shaquille O'Neal (Shaq) presents "Shaqtober," a running festival celebrating Halloween. The festival has the Queen Mary as a backdrop and features many activities and events. Midway Madness is a street carnival with rides, games, food, a funhouse with clowns, trick-or-treating during the day, and adult activities at night. Diesel's Pumpkin Patch is a traditional experience during the day for all ages, and at night, the patch is blasted with Shaq Diesel mix and a light show to produce a mixed Halloween-EDM experience. Lost City Boardwalk is located beneath the gangways along the Queen Mary, themed after the 1920s. Guests can trick-or-treat during the day among the timely characters or get dessert at the waterfront Ice Cream Shaq, before becoming scarier and adult-themed after dark. Themed trick-or-treating is also available at Shipwreck Graveyard and Deadman's Wharf, with a themed alcoholic experience available at Pirate's Cove. Hours vary each day. Events transition from family to adult focus after 8 p.m. General admission is \$35 for adults and \$30 for children 12 and under. Fast passes are available for

\$50 for adults and \$45 for children. VIP tickets are \$100. The festival is located in Long Beach at 1126 Queens Highway.
shaqtoberfest.com

OCT. 28

**CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD:
LAURENT JOCHUM
7:30-8:30 P.M.**

The Church of the Good Shepherd will host French organist Laurent Jochum for a concert on Oct. 28. Jochum presides at the Cavaillé-Coll organ of Saint Jean Baptiste Church in the Belleville neighborhood of Paris and is award-winning. Included in the program are "Suite on the 2nd Tone" by Michel Corette, "Passacaglia & Fugue in C. Minor" by J.S. Bach, "Sonata VI" by Felix Mendelssohn, "Prelude, Fuge & Variation" by Cesar Frank and "Final" from Sonata I by Félix-Alexandre Guilmant. Doors open at 7 p.m. The Church of the Good Shepherd is located at 504 N. Roxbury Drive, Beverly Hills. A \$10 minimum donation is suggested at the door.
gsbh.org

OCT. 28 - DEC. 18

**THE FOUNTAIN THEATRE:
"IF I FORGET"
MON., FRI., SAT. 8 P.M.
SUN. 2 P.M.**

The Fountain Theatre has extended the production of "If I Forget." The play is written by Steven Levenson, Tony Award-winning writer of "Dear Evan Hanson," and directed by Jason Alexander. The show is a powerful, funny and complex tale that explores the lasting impact of the Holocaust on a Jewish family at the beginning of the 21st

century. Performances are held at the Fountain Theatre at 5060 Fountain Ave., Los Angeles. Tickets are \$40 for regular seating and \$45 for premium seating. Seniors are \$35 and students are \$25, and Monday nights have pay-what-you-want tickets (subject to availability). On-site parking is \$5.
fountaintheatre.com

OCT. 29

**WALLIS ANNEBERG PETSPACE:
HOWL-O-WEEN
11 A.M.-3 P.M.**

Wallis Annenberg PetSpace presents a spooky haunt for critters of all size. Attractions include a hay maze, pup-kin patch, dog trick-or-treat trail, crafts, haunted photo ops, and more. Food will also be available, such as kettle corn and hot cider. Pets in costume are welcomed, and pet-owner coordinated outfits are encouraged. Guests are asked to not wear Halloween masks that fully cover their face, only family-friendly, appropriate costumes, and not to bring real or fake weapons. Waivers must be completed for dogs that will attend, which are available online. The venue also asks that all dogs be up to date on vaccines. The Wallis Annenberg PetSpace is located at 12005 Bluff Creek Drive, Playa Vista. Admission is free, but reservations are required.
annenbergpetspace.org

OCT. 29

**THE ACADEMY MUSEUM OF MOTION
PICTURES: "MONSTROUS: THE DARK
SIDE OF NEW KOREAN CINEMA:" "I
SAW THE DEVIL" AND "THIRST"
3 P.M., 7:30 P.M.**

The Academy Museum of Motion Pictures presents a series, "Monstrous: The Dark Side of New Korean Cinema." The films featured in this series reflect the time of monumental development for South Korea during the turn of the millennium, fueled by political and economic changes of the 1990s. These developments gave opportunities to a new generation of directors to break boundaries and curate their own artistic vision. Through the influence of these new directors, new narratives emerged, breaking away from typical Korean horror plotlines that featured vengeful female ghosts, driven by family drama. "I Saw the Devil," directed by Kim Jee-woon, is a gruesome revenge thriller where secret agent Soo-hyun pursues an obsessive hunt for his fiancé's psychopathic murderer. "Thirst," by acclaimed director Park Chan-wook, is an inventive, satirical reimagining of a vampire genre film with a quirky sense of humor. In the film, Song Kang-ho plays a moral priest who is accidentally turned into a vampire after volunteering for a medical experiment and must grapple with the dilemmas of his new existence. This showing also features writer-director Park Chan-wook for a post-screening discussion. All tickets to "I Saw the Devil" are \$5. Tickets to "Thirst" are \$10 for adults, \$7 for seniors, and \$5 for students.
academymuseum.org



Photo courtesy Wallis Annenberg Petspace

A canine guest at Wallis Annenberg Petspace's Howl-O-Ween 2021, which returns this year on Oct. 29

The Marketplace

BY MICHAEL J. LIBOW



Beverly Hills



JUST SOLD

809 N. Linden Drive \$13,800,000
Grand 1988-blk Trad 6BD 6.5BA championship tennis estate. Sunlit. X-hi clngs. Wd flrs. French drs. Library. 2 Fam rms. 22,000 sq ft lot. Endless potential here!

Beverly Hills



JUST SOLD

711 N. Oakhurst Drive \$10,800,000
Custom remodel in 2006. 1.5sty Euro Villa. Lush 20,000sqftlot. 5BD 5.5BA. Greatrm. Motorcourt. X-deep grounds. Lawns/patios/pl/spa/privacy. Quiet road.

Beverly Hills



JUST SOLD OVER ASKING

630 N. Alta Drive \$9,380,000
Authentic & grand sunlit 2sty courtyard Spanish. Over 15,000sf lot. Prime quiet rd. 5BD 5.5BA Sep den & fam rm. 3FP's. Deepyrd. Pl/lawn/patios. Trustsale. Curb appeal.

Beverly Hills



JUST SOLD OVER ASKING

723 N. Bedford Drive \$8,495,000
1st time avail in 58yrs. Immac older 2sty 5BD Tradit. 14,340 sf lot. Sep office & huge fam rm. Grand 1st flr owner's ste. Pl, rec rm/cabana. Endless potential.

Beverly Hills



NEW X | BY APPOINTMENT

505 N. Roxbury Drive \$5,995,000
1st time avail in 51 yrs! Older 1sty 4BD 3BA+ outdoor guest unit w.kitch/ba. Sunlit rms. Open plan flows to rear grounds w.mature foliage/cacti. Uber prime block moments to all.

Little Holmby



JUST SOLD OVER ASKING

811 Holmby Avenue \$4,295,000
1st time avail in 50 yrs. Immac classic 1930's 2sty Trad. 13,540 sf lot. 3 + mds + fam rm. Drk wd flrs. Lg lush yrd w/lawn/patios. Curb appeal. Trust sale..

Beverly Hills



JUST SOLD

138 N. Carson Road \$3,795,000
Spacious 1990 2sty gated Contemp Med. Prime quiet street N. of Wilshire. 4BD 4.5BA. Fam rm. Mstr w/office/balc. Lwr lvl rec rm. Roof deck. Grassy yard.

Beverly Hills



NEW EXCLUSIVE | DO NOT DISTURB OCCUPANTS

159 N. Arnaz Drive \$2,995,000
Fab 1933 Spanish duplex. 3BD 2BA each. Deco-era detail. Hi clngs. Wd flrs. Updated kitchens. Central AC. 4car garage. Rear patios/gardens. Quiet historic road.

Beverly Hills



JUST SOLD

463 S. Beverwil Drive \$2,749,000
Authentic Deco-era 1.5sty Spanish Hacienda. 1st time avail in 48yrs. Huge inner courtyard. 3BD 3BA. Sunlit. Wd flrs. Beams. Outdr office. Curb appeal!

Century City



JUST SOLD

2331 Century Hill \$1,399,000
Fab 1-level 2BD 3.5BA 2nd flr unit. Over 2,300 sq ft. Great room. Lg balcony. Peek-a-boo vus. Updated granite kitch. Primary ste w/2 baths/walk-ins. Quiet!

Century City



JUST SOLD OVER ASKING

2166 Century Hill \$1,575,000
Stunning all redone as-new 1 level spacious 2BD 2.5BA. Sunlit rms. Hi clngs. Wd flrs. Glass walls. Grt rm. 2 big patios. Full srvc gated community.

Beverly Hills



BEST VALUE | BY APPOINTMENT

406 N. Oakhurst Drive, Unit 205 \$1,050,000
1st time avail in 43 yrs! Immac spacious older unit. 1,471 sq ft. 2BD + den + 2BA. Lg covered balc. FP. Quiet rear location. Low HOD's. Side x side parking..



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COMPASS

BHUSD Board Approves Resolution Against Iran

BY BIANCA HEYWARD

At its Oct. 25 meeting, the Beverly Hills Unified School District (BHUSD) Board of Education unanimously approved a resolution titled “Human Rights: Women, Life, Freedom” condemning the atrocities committed by the Iranian government’s morality police that resulted in the deaths of Mahsa Amini, Sarina Esmailzadeh, Nika Shakarami and others. The resolution stands with a similar one approved by the City Council on Oct. 11, condemning the government of Iran for the wrongful death of Amini and calling upon the United States government and the United Nations to increase sanctions against Iran. Amini’s death sparked sustained protests worldwide and prompted a movement in the name of women’s rights and human rights. In Los Angeles, a city home to the biggest Iranian community outside of Iran, Beverly Hills is known as its own hub.

To shed light on how the movement is impacting many in Beverly Hills, the board invited Mayor Lili Bosse, Councilmember Sharona Nazarian, former BHUSD School

Board President Nooshin Meshkaty, district parent (and aunt of Board Member Gabriel Halimi) Maryam Halimi, and Beverly Hills High School Associated Student Body President, Ashley Jourabchi to share their perspectives as part of the BHUSD Community Spotlight.

“There’s an unprecedented number of women fighting for human rights in Iran,” President Mary Wells said. “These women and their supporters are putting their lives at risk and are calling for the world to amplify their voices. The City Council of Beverly Hills has taken the lead with a resolution calling for action. Although our lens is an educational one, we stand with all women of Iran and their bravery and fighting for what are unabashed violations of fundamental human rights.”

“Our community is an exceptional one, with residents from around the world,” Nazarian said. “Many Iranians immigrated to Beverly Hills 43 years ago because they were exiled when the Islamic regime and the Islamic Revolution took over. They felt
See RESOLUTION, page 17

Fentanyl, Vaccines and Fires on Health and Safety Agenda



The Health and Safety Commission met Oct. 24.

Photo by Carl Robinette

BY MATTHEW BLAKE

There have been 49 total COVID-19 deaths in Beverly Hills, according to a report presented by Meena Janmohamed, emergency manager for the city, with deaths and cases in sharp decline throughout 2022.

“We’re in a great place,” the emergency manager said, during a city health and safety

commission meeting on Oct. 24.

But she then quickly noted that COVID cases increased sharply in the late fall of 2021 and 2020.

Janmohamed recommended that residents receive the bivalent vaccine, which the Food and Drug Administration has recommended as a booster that can specifically
See HEALTH AND SAFETY, page 17

Business WITH Mayor Bosse

Please join us at the **next** Business with Bosse event! This initiative was created by Beverly Hills Mayor Lili Bosse to put a spotlight on local businesses and **just how special they are!**

The community is invited to meet at each showcased business and enjoy a sampling of what makes our Beverly Hills businesses so special.

For more information and to view upcoming events, visit beverlyhills.org/businesswithbosse

Questions? Email us at businesswithbosse@beverlyhills.org



Wednesday, November 2, 2022

Drop-in between 5:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Sant’olina
The Beverly Hilton

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*Sample bites will be available!

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again &
have fun*
as a
community
while
supporting
our local
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Recreation and Parks Welcomes New Team Members



Photo by Nathan Ansell

The 49th Annual Beverly Hills Fall Art Show took place last weekend.

BY NATHAN ANSELL

A couple of fresh faces were in attendance as the Recreation and Parks Commission met to hear about a range of programs, events and agreements on Oct. 25.

Recreation and Services Manager Christopher Paulson formally introduced Norma Mower and Andrew DeLeon at

the beginning of the meeting, the newest Recreation Supervisor and Recreation Coordinator, respectively. Mower and DeLeon each had a chance to address the Commission, with the former detailing her nearly three decades of experience in parks and recreation service and the latter discussing more recent projects.

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Author Brianna Wiest to Speak at Mayor's Mental Wellness Series



Brianna Wiest


BY OMARE REYES BENÍTEZ

On Nov. 4, bestselling author Brianna Wiest will join Mayor Lili Bosse for the fourth installment of her Mental Wellness Series. Bosse and Wiest will sit down for a live conversation at the Crescent Drive Side of City Hall.

Wiest is an American author and poet who has sold over 1 million books in over 20 languages. Her published titles include "101 Essays That Will Change the Way You Think," "The Mountain is You," "Salt Water" and more. Her next book, "The Pivot Year," is set for release in the spring of 2023. In addition to writing books, Wiest has contributed to Forbes, Huffington Post, Teen Vogue, Allure and is currently a partner at Thought Catalog.

At the Nov. 4 event, Wiest and Bosse will discuss topics such as mindfulness, spirituality and emotional intelligence. "I'm excited to join Mayor Bosse to talk about mental wellness next week," Wiest told the Courier. "It's an important topic and I'm happy to join her series."

See WIEST, page 15



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Local Students Help Raise Funds for Foster Youth



Photo by Leila Kashfian

Leila and Noa Kashfian

BY EMILY HOLSHOUSER

For some high school students, extracurricular activities include basketball or debate club. For Leila and Noa Kashfian, two cousins at Brentwood School, extracurriculars are a way to give back. The seniors started a club dedicated to supporting foster youth in Los Angeles in 2020, when they were

sophomores. The club holds fundraisers for foster care groups and works to educate others about the foster care system.

"We both wanted to bring awareness to a cause that we felt is not spoken about enough," Leila said. "Our club at school serves as a way to give back to the Los Angeles community and help children and
See FOSTER YOUTH, page 15

Rotary Club of Beverly Hills Toy Drive Success



The Rotary Club of Beverly Hills collected 300 toys and blankets on Oct. 22 in front of the Beverly Hills Fire Station. The collection benefited the Boys and Girls Club and the Westwood Transitional Village. Participating in the collection with the Rotary Club were UCLA Rotaract Club, the BHHS Interact Club, and Beverly Vista Middle School students, Charlie Sarabia and Mia Sagie.



Mayor's Mental Wellness Series with guest Brianna Wiest

American writer, author and poet, known for her work on mindfulness, spirituality and emotional intelligence.

Friday, November 4, 2022

11 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Outside on the Crescent side of Beverly Hills City Hall

*Limited seating available

Come join us for our next Mayor's Mental Wellness Series where the community has an opportunity to hear from health and mental wellness experts who will inspire us to be resilient and connect with ourselves and each other.

MORE INFORMATION AT

Beverlyhills.org/mentalwellness

"Happiness is not having the best of everything, but the ability to make the best of anything."
~ Brianna Wiest



Veuve Clicquot Solaire Culture Exhibit Launch



Photo by Charley Gallay/Getty Images for Veuve Clicquot
 (From left) Gwyneth Paltrow, Gal Gadot and Laura Harrier attend the Veuve Clicquot Solaire Culture Exhibit Launch on Rodeo Drive on Oct. 25. The exhibition unites world-renowned art and history with multi-sensory experiences that provide an immersive glimpse into the past 250 years of the iconic champagne house.

Halloween Haunts in Beverly Hills



All Hallows' Eve is but a few days away, and once again the City of Beverly Hills is second to none when it comes to holiday decor in the spooky spirit. The Courier captured these impressive examples, including the world-famous landmark 'Witch's House,' pictured above, owned by prominent philanthropist, realtor and musician Michael J. Libow. "The true treat for me on Halloween is being able to witness nearly 5,000 happy faces parading in front of my house in the span of only four hours," Libow told the Courier.

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TRAFFIC ADVISORY

FOR

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 29TH
& SUNDAY, OCTOBER 30TH
7AM-10PM

- Wilshire is closed in all directions from N Maple Dr to N Almont Dr.
- Intersection of Wilshire Blvd. and Doheny Dr. closed
- Alleyways and parking near street closure will also be impacted

MAP KEY

Parking Restrictions

Street Closures

“Holy Spider” – Come Into My Web

BY NEELY SWANSON

“Holy Spider” is the thrilling, complex, revealing story of a serial killer in Iran who targeted prostitutes and was hailed a hero.

Rahimi has arrived in the holy city of Mashhad to investigate the unsolved killings of prostitutes in this holiest of holy cities in Iran, the equivalent of Mecca to Shia Muslims. She is on assignment and there is much at stake. Encountering the first of many rebuffs, she is refused the lodging she has reserved when the clerk discovers she is a single, unmarried woman. So sorry for the mistake but they are fully booked, that is until she announces that she is a journalist and public note will be made of this slight. Suddenly a room is found.

Reporting to the local office of her paper, she has Sharifi, her journalist guide, bring her up to date with the killings. A new victim has recently been found, dumped in the same location as the others. Questioning the police officer in charge of this case, she would like to know what is being done to catch him. He shrugs and indicates that they are waiting for him to make a mistake. Are they not concerned that he will go on killing? Not particularly. He will eventually slip up and then they will find him. Rahimi is appalled but not surprised. In this strict religious hierarchy, women matter little and prostitutes matter not at all. Even the police feel that the unknown killer is doing society a service by ridding the streets of “corrupt” women. That it is men who feed this problem is not an issue.

Some lip service is given by the head of the police to the fact that these women are trapped because they are poor and have no income or means to support their families. But this is not a view shared by society in general.

Ali Abbasi, the director who co-wrote the script with Afshin Kamran Bahrami, is more interested in illustrating the hypocrisies built into a society that seems to blame women for all transgressions, even those by men, because their mere presence is a sinful temptation to all. The morality police actively work to subvert the investigation.

This is not, strictly speaking, a mystery thriller. Early on in the film, the viewer is aware of the killer, a banal family man named Saeed who is in thrall to the Iman Reza, the patron “saint” so to speak of the largest mosque in the world. He prays to Iman Reza for the strength and guidance to perform his war on corruption in the streets.

It is Rahimi, putting herself at great danger, who successfully unmasks Saeed and leads to his apprehension by an ambivalent police force. But the hunt and capture is only a side story. It is Abbasi’s exposure of the media circus surrounding Saeed’s prosecution that reveals more about this society than anything else. As Rahimi, now monitoring the trial, depressingly knows, even with his admission of guilt, too many feel that Saeed is a righteous soul doing God’s work. He has become a hero. His well justified execution, if it ever comes to that,



Photos courtesy of Utopia

Top: Zar Amir Ebrahim as Rahimi, Bottom: Zar Amir Ebrahim as Rahimi and Arash Ashtiani as Sharifi

would make him a martyr. The victims, it becomes clear, have no one to speak for them, not even their families, shamed by the actions of their dead daughters, sisters, mothers.

As your stomach tightens, waiting to see what will or won’t happen to Saeed and how blame will be showered on Rahimi, you are witness to a history that happened and continues to happen in Iran. This movie is based on serial killings carried out by Saeed Hanaei in Mashhad in the early 2000s and the media circus that followed his eventual capture, but not before he had killed 16 women, the same number of killings by the Saeed of this story.

How long, Abbasi posits, can this continue? How long can women be denied rights and blamed for all the wrongs? Zar Amir Ebrahimi, who plays Rahimi, will have to watch from afar because she was hounded out of Iran when a private sex tape was leaked, ending her career. There was, of course, no retribution for her partner. She now lives in Paris. For her performance

in this film, she received the Best Actress award at the Cannes Film Festival. As Rahimi, her determination shows through in the quiet set of her jaw and the simmering anger that is held back in her speech but clear in her eyes.

Mehdi Bajestani in the role of Saeed, remarkably conveys a sympathy, confusion, and naivety present at all times whether choking a prostitute or instructing his son in manhood. As though trapped in a role he created but didn’t fully understand, his Saeed is guilty and innocent at the same time.

Nadim Carlsen, director of photography, has perfectly captured the seamy side of the location, with Amman, Jordan substituting for Mashhad. This is an important juxtaposition that underpins the movie. It should not be surprising that Abbasi was denied permission to film in Iran. Ironically, although that may not be the apt term, “Holy Spider” is Denmark’s submission to the Academy Awards.

In Farsi with English subtitles.

“Holy Spider” opens November 4 at the Laemmle Royal and the Alamo Drafthouse Downtown. ●



Neely Swanson spent most of her professional career in the television industry, almost all of it working for David E. Kelley. In her last full-time position as Executive Vice President of Development, she reviewed writer submissions and targeted content for adaptation. As she has often said, she did book reports for a living. For several years she was a freelance writer for “Written By,” the magazine of the WGA West and was adjunct faculty at USC in the writing division of the School of Cinematic Arts. Neely has been writing film and television reviews for the “Easy Reader” for more than 10 years. Her past reviews can be read on Rotten Tomatoes where she is a tomato-approved critic.

USC Shoah Foundation Announces New Leadership

BY OMAR REYES BENÍTEZ

USC Shoah Foundation – the Institute for Visual History and Education has appointed Dr. Robert J. Williams as the new Andrew J. and Erna Finci Viterbi Executive Director. The institute also announced that Joel Citron has been named Chair of the Board of Councilors.

Steven Spielberg established the Shoah Foundation in 1994, shortly after the release of his Academy Award-winning film “Schindler’s List.” In 2006, it became a part of USC. The institute’s crown jewel is the Visual History Archive (VHA), a digital library of testimonies from survivors and witnesses of the Holocaust, the Armenian Genocide, the Nanjing Massacre and more. The VHA collection includes 55,000 video testimonies gathered in 43 languages from 65 countries. In addition to the VHA, the institute also engages in global education, outreach and research, showcasing its resources in six different continents. At USC, it hosts lectures, events and conducts programs for students, faculty and staff.

The mothers of both Beverly Hills Mayor Lili Bosse and Councilmember Lester Friedman have contributed their experiences to the VHA.

Robert J. Williams most recently served as the Deputy Director of International Affairs for the United States Holocaust Memorial



Dr. Robert J. Williams and Joel Citron

Museum (USHMM). He first joined the USHMM in 2008 as a researcher but eventually went on to help create the office of International Affairs. While there, he played an advisory role to several intergovernmental organizations, forming relationships with policymakers and elected officials across Europe, Israel and more. Williams has also been a longstanding U.S. Delegate to the International Holocaust Remembrance Alliance, where he is a senior member of the Global Taskforce Against Holocaust Distortion and chair of the Committee on Antisemitism and Holocaust Denial.

Williams is excited to apply his decades of experience to his new role at USC Shoah

Foundation. “A lot of very, very solid work has been done on the educational front by Shoah Foundation. Over the years, a lot of technological innovation has taken place there, through holograms and various ways to engage with the testimony, to keep the hopes and aspirations of the survivors alive,” Williams told the Courier. “The trick is continuing to expand that footprint to ensure sustainability and fortunately, there’s a really strong foundation for doing that. Both in terms of the resources at hand, staff expertise and the great team there.”

Williams believes USC Shoah Foundation’s work is more important now than ever. To him, preserving the voices and experiences of these victims can nurture a more accepting future. “The most recent set of incidents, and the attention being paid to known hate groups who are trying to profit off of unfortunate public statements, is actually, in a strange way, showing that there’s an opportunity for our better angels to peek on through,” said Williams. “Shoah Foundation, because of its subject matter expertise and providing education in various environments, is a really proactive organization. So, it can be in the process of anticipating these moments and really providing people with the resources necessary to recognize the dangers of hatred, know how to respond to it and inform others of

the consequences when you let these forms of hate go unchecked.”

On Oct. 31, Williams will start his new position, taking over for the interim administration led by Dr. Kori Street.

Citron is currently a member of USC’s search committee and has been the USC Shoah Foundation Board of Counselors Vice Chair for the past three years. The counselors serve as an advisory board to the institute. As chair, Citron will be in charge of leading the board through meetings and helping members align their time and talent with the needs of the institute. He has an incredibly close connection to USC Shoah Foundation because both of his parents and an aunt have given testimonies for the VHA. “I feel the mission of the Institute is really part of every fiber of my being,” Citron told USC News. “It’s my parents, and it’s my community. It is very, very important to me to do the best I possibly can.”

Citron is succeeding Lee Liberman, who will take an emeritus role after over two decades with the institute. ●

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around the world. Now I've been in the State Senate for eight years.

Here's what I will tell you. L.A. County is not the normal local government. By population, L.A. County is larger than the state of Michigan. The county is a deep partner with the state of California. There's not a single issue the county deals with that we don't deal with in the state.

So having a deep understanding and deep relationships at the state is critical to getting things done.

What I'm trying to express is that this position isn't about local government. It's about state government operating on the local level. I've worked on dozens of issues across the board. The Governor endorsed me because he knows I know how to get stuff done.

I wasn't intending to run. I thought about it a lot. The job needs someone with deep experience. I decided to run because I have those relationships and I can deliver.

Crime is one of the most troublesome issues facing the electorate right now. What actions are within the purview of a Supervisor to address the rise in crime?

First, let me say that every law enforcement agency, whether it's the county or the city, has endorsed me. My opponent has a very different view about public safety than I do.

One of the reasons why I decided to run was after talking to so many of my friends. The wife of one friend orders everything online; she won't go out. They're scared to death. Homelessness and crime are moral issues; you shouldn't be in a society where you have that fear. You're supposed to protect people. But it is different on the county level versus the city level.

With respect to the crime issue, one of the problems is that we have 684 vacancies at the Sheriff's Department, and the County Supervisors are in a fight with the Sheriff. Now, I'm not going to give an opinion one way or the other about the nature of that fight. But we've got to protect the public.

So, number one, you need more officers, absolutely number one.

And I haven't always agreed with law enforcement. But they know I'm the adult in the room. They know I can get things done. I'm not a flip flopper. I'm consistent. I'm old school; I like to have the senior lead officers work in the community, get to know the community, go to the neighborhood councils and so forth.

I know we have issues with some bad cops. We have to have transparency and correct that. A lot of the crime-related issues are either mental health or drug-related issues. Not every incident needs to be met with a gun and handcuffs. The mental health piece is gigantic, and we need to focus attention on that as well.

How do you propose to focus more attention on mental health services, especially for the vulnerable unhoused population?

On the homelessness issue, my response is informed by my experience in government. When I was Speaker of the House, I formed a commission on regionalism. Why is that? I did it because there is no such thing as the Sherman Oaks pollution control authority

because it doesn't stay within the boundaries of Sherman Oaks. It's the same thing with homelessness.

When you look at the number of homeless, my opponent's numbers are down. The numbers in Beverly Hills are up. You're next door to her. Are they just being moved around? Is this really solving a regional problem?

I get that if you're a local politician, you want to say you reduced homelessness. That's fair for a local politician. But it's not fair for a county official who represents 88 cities, 86 school districts, 526 subdivisions of government and has to take a look at the whole big picture. That is not a record of success in the county.

The county has \$2 billion sitting in the bank now from the millionaire's tax, most of it was paid by people in your area. They paid the tax, and it is sitting in the bank, and the county has done nothing. It was supposed to fund training for mental health workers. As a partner, the county has been a horrible partner to the state. We've gone out and given them a revenue stream. They have the ability to get stuff done, and they're not getting it done. So, we have to.

You seem to imply that the Board of Supervisors as presently constituted is a bit dysfunctional. Why do you want to be a part of that group?

I want to change it. I got endorsed by [5th District Supervisor] Kathryn Barger, so that puts two of us in alignment. There are five members in total, so all I need is a third one to vote with us. I was Speaker of the House, I had to deal with people from Fresno, from Imperial County. I had to deal with Republicans and Democrats. West Hollywood is a wonderful place but it's relatively harmonious. As Supervisor, I've got to represent from Santa Monica to Beverly Hills to Granada Hills to Porter Ranch, Sylmar and all those communities. I've worked in those places and been able to bring people together. I was the first person in over 50 years to be elected Speaker of the House unanimously by both parties, so that has to tell you something.

By the way, the other Supervisors, Sheila Kuehl, who I'm seeking to replace, served in the Assembly and the Senate. Holly Mitchell served in those places and so did Hilda Solis. You can't hit the ground running if you don't know how everything works.

What else about your background, both in public service and the private sector, makes you better qualified to be Supervisor than your opponent?

It's all about experience. What I mean by experience is this. It's very different to talk about something and be at a press conference than it is to actually take a tough vote when you're in the meat grinder and people on all sides are really after you. It's about character. I'm not somebody who's flip flopped all over the place in terms of something as essential as a woman's right to choose. My life is consistent. I've made mistakes. I'll admit them, no problem. But my opponent was a Republican writing stuff for George Bush. Now she's a super progressive Democrat supported by the Democratic Socialists of America. My opponent on the choice issue was way over on one end, now she's way

over on the other end after she moved to California from Notre Dame. My level of experience and my consistency is there, and my values are there.

Another thing, she is supported by and is supporting D.A. George Gascón. I would venture to guess there's not many people in the City of Beverly Hills that support Gascón. I did not get involved in the recall, but I do not support him.

I'm not thinking only about what's in front of us today in terms of crime, public safety and homelessness. I'm also thinking about economic development. We're going to face a recession. I'm the only one who has been through a downturn. Try to lead when there are big budget cuts, see what that looks like. It's easy when there's a bunch of money. We better think about jobs down

the corner. All the Chambers of Commerce have endorsed me, including the one in my opponent's city. They know I'm the one who can bring in the revenue to pay those taxes in the first place. I've started two businesses of my own.

One last thing is this idea that she is the change agent is exactly wrong. She is endorsed by four members of the Board of Supervisors. Do you think she is going to go against what they're doing? The Board of Supervisors is at 17% popularity with the public. No one likes what they're doing. No one sees what they're doing as effective. She's in a situation where she can't challenge them because she's been endorsed by all of them. She's not change. She may be younger, but she is status quo. I'm the one who's change. ●



Photo courtesy of Sam Yebri

One of the flyers recently distributed on L.A.'s Westside

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antisemitic remarks made by Kanye West, now known as "Ye." Ye has been dropped by his talent agency and received widespread backlash after a series of comments on television interviews and in Instagram posts saying that systemic issues of wealth and power can be traced back to Jewish people. His rhetoric has lit a fire in antisemitic circles, including the White Lives Matter movement and several other hate groups.

Brian Levin, a researcher with the Center for the Study of Hate and Extremism, told the Courier how statements like the ones Ye made often embolden hate groups.

"We're already seeing public displays of antisemitism become tolerated," Levin said. "Even if you have poor atmospherics, but there's a lot of dry kindling, having prominent influencers throw a lot of matches onto it brings it to another level."

The Beverly Hills Police Department (BHPD) is investigating the flyer drop. And the Los Angeles Police Department is conducting its own investigation after surveillance video surfaced of three men performing a Nazi salute outside the home of a Jewish family.

This is the fourth time flyers have been distributed this year alone. According to BHPD Spokesperson Lieutenant Giovanni Trejo, the papers were distributed in the early hours of the morning. Security footage reviewed by the Courier shows a dark SUV throwing papers onto a front lawn.

"I'm glad my kids didn't pick it up and see it," said Sam Yebri, an L.A. City Council candidate who lives in Westwood. Yebri,

who has received the same flyers in the past, walked outside on Oct. 23 to see the small packages on his doorstep. "We felt really violated, especially when we knew it was our entire neighborhood."

Ivan Wolkind, chief operating officer and head of the community security initiative of the Jewish Federation of Greater Los Angeles, echoed Levin's concerns that these flyer drops and spurts of hateful speech might lead to more dangerous incidents.

"What I really worry about is who they might be inspiring to take this to the next level," Ivan said. "The biggest worry in the community is that this will turn violent."

Wolkind added that incidents like this often make Jewish families reconsider their safety, even in a place as welcoming to their community as Beverly Hills.

"I think it's a real shame that this is where we've gone to in the United States of America at this point," Wolkind said. "A real shame."

Hate crimes in Los Angeles during the pandemic have made local and national news. Asian Americans were violently assaulted in record numbers across California in 2021, according to a report from the California Department of Justice. In March, two men were arrested for a hate crime attack on a family-owned Turkish restaurant in Beverly Hills that happened in 2020.

Beverly Hills Mayor Lili Bosse has also decried the actions of the group and the flyers distributed. Bosse took to Twitter on Sunday to speak out.

"ENOUGH Hate meant 2 silence us," Bosse posted on Twitter. "I will speak LOUDER." ●

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The City Council of Beverly Hills, at its regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall, 455 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90210; will hold a public hearing to consider adopting:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS ADOPTING BY REFERENCE THE 2022 CALIFORNIA BUILDING CODE; THE 2022 CALIFORNIA RESIDENTIAL CODE; THE 2022 CALIFORNIA ELECTRICAL CODE; THE 2022 CALIFORNIA MECHANICAL CODE; THE 2022 CALIFORNIA PLUMBING CODE; THE 2022 CALIFORNIA ENERGY CODE; THE 2022 CALIFORNIA FIRE CODE; THE 2022 CALIFORNIA GREEN BUILDING STANDARDS CODE; THE 2022 CALIFORNIA HISTORICAL BUILDING CODE; THE 2022 CALIFORNIA EXISTING BUILDING CODE; THE 2022 CALIFORNIA REFERENCED STANDARDS CODE; AND THE INTERNATIONAL PROPERTY MAINTENANCE CODE, 2021 EDITION; INCLUDING CERTAIN AMENDMENTS, ADDITIONS, AND DELETIONS; AND AMENDING TITLE 9 OF THE BEVERLY HILLS MUNICIPAL CODE

The Ordinance will adopt by reference the 2022 California Building Standards Code (excluding the Administrative Code), also known as Title 24 of the California Code of Regulations (CCR), including the following:

• 2022 California Administrative Code: CCR Title 24 Part 1	• 2022 California Mechanical Code: CCR Title 24 part 4	• 2022 California Fire Code: CCR Title 24 part 9
• 2022 California Building Code: CCR Title 24 Part 2	• 2022 California Plumbing Code: CCR Title 24 Part 5	• 2022 California Existing Building Code: CCR Title 24 part 10
• 2022 California Residential Code: CCR Title 24 Part 2.5	• 2022 California Energy Code: CCR Title 24 Part 6	• 2022 California Green Building Standards Code: CCR Title 24 part 11
• 2022 California Electrical Code: CCR Title 24 Part 3	• 2022 California Historical Building Code: CCR Title 24 Part 8	• 2022 California Referenced Standards Code: CCR Title 24 Part 12

The 2022 edition of the California Building Standards Code as adopted by the California Building Standards Commission (Commission) and published in the California Code of Regulations, is effective on January 1, 2023. The Health and Safety Code allows local jurisdictions to amend the State building standards based on findings of local geologic, climatic, or topographic conditions. In addition, all local amendments to building standards must be more restrictive than the State codes and filed with the Commission to be enforceable.

The proposed Ordinance adopts by reference (1) the 2022 California Building Standards Code (excluding the Administrative Code), including amendments, (2) the 2021 International Property Maintenance Code, and (3) administrative provisions for the administration and enforcement of these codes. All proposed amendments to State building standards provide for a higher order of structural safety, fire safety, occupant safety, and environmental sustainability. As required by state law, all proposed local amendments to building standards are justified with appropriate findings based on local geologic, climatic, and/or topographic conditions.

The Council conducted a first reading and introduced the Ordinance on October 18, 2022, and set the public hearing for November 15, 2022, as required by law.

All interested persons are invited to attend and speak on this matter. Written comments may also be submitted and should be addressed to the City Council, c/o City Clerk, 455 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90210 and should be received prior to the public hearing.

Please remember, if you challenge the Council's action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else has raised at the hearing before the City Council or in written correspondence delivered to the City, either at or prior to the hearing.

If there are any questions regarding the matters contained in this notice, please contact **Supervising Plan Review Engineer, Arlen Eskandari at 310-285-1113**. Copies of the Proposed Ordinance, the Beverly Hills Municipal Code and 2022 California Building Standards Code are available for public review and inspection during normal business hours at the City Clerk Office located at 455 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90210, Second Floor, Beverly Hills, California.

HUMA AHMED
City Clerk



SUMMARY NOTICE

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In accordance with the requirements of State law, the City intends to adopt by reference and incorporate within the Municipal Code, the following editions of codes contained in the 2022 California Building Standards Code and set forth in California Code of Regulations, Title 24, Parts 1 - 12. The 2022 California Residential Code, Building Code, Mechanical Code, Plumbing Code, Electrical Code, Energy Code, Fire Code, and Referenced Standards Code, together with certain amendments, deletions, exceptions, and qualifications, generally deal with all aspects of building construction, specification of building materials, structural, plumbing, electrical, and HVAC design, construction and techniques, energy efficiency, water supply and drainage systems, engineering formulas for building design, and special fire and seismic safety regulations for residential, commercial and industrial structures and facilities. The Ordinance also adopts special provisions regulating construction in high fire risk areas. The 2022 California Green Building Standards Code generally establishes mandatory and voluntary standards for sustainability of structures and systems. The Ordinance also adopts the 2022 California Historical Building Code which provides regulations for the preservation, restoration, rehabilitation or reconstruction of

designated historic buildings and properties. The 2022 California Existing Building Code being adopted provides alternative approaches to achieve compliance with minimum requirements to provide reasonable levels of safety, health, property protection, and general welfare related to the repair, alteration, and relocation of existing structures. Finally, the Ordinance adopts the 2021 International Property Maintenance Code which establishes nationally recognized standards for maintenance of property, buildings and structures. The Ordinance adopts penalties and authorizes establishment of fees applicable to the various Codes being adopted.

A certified copy of the entirety of the text of the Ordinance is available for public review in the office of the City Clerk, City Hall, 455 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, California 90210. The City Council of the City of Beverly Hills will conduct a public hearing to consider adoption of the Ordinance during the regular City Council meeting on November 15, 2022. Further information may be obtained by contacting **Supervising Plan Review Engineer, Arlen Eskandari at 310-285-1113**.

HUMA AHMED
City Clerk



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The festivities at NEXT NIGHT started slowly as the sun set and residents assembled in the middle of the street. By nighttime, the event had grown to a bustling block party. Attendees enjoyed the mouth-watering refreshments available, making a tough choice between mini donuts, Middle Eastern food and New York deli-style sandwiches. While adults went for a stroll in one of the two wine and beer gardens, those under the age of 21 happily engaged with ceramic tile painting, skeeball and contributing to a community drawing.

Former Next Beverly Hills Chair Noelle Freeman said that this year's NEXT NIGHT was the most ambitious in history. After a two-year hiatus caused by COVID, planners of the event wanted to include representation from the entire city. Information booths from the Beverly Hills Unified School District (BHUSD), Police Department, Public Works Department, Historical Society, JUST IN CASE BH, and American Red Cross were open to answer community members' questions while also raffling away small prizes. "The idea was not only to have entertainment and a good time for the entire community, but really bring everyone back together after two years of not having this event," Freeman told the Courier. "The NEXT NIGHT committee did a great job of engaging every facet of the city... It was a beautiful mix of every key player in our community."

BHUSD Superintendent Michael Bregy was more than open to the invitation and excited to engage with the parents and families of the school district. "This is such a great opportunity for the community to have access to us in an event where they're here for many different reasons," Bregy told the Courier. "We love these invitations the city keeps giving us and we will show up every

time because we're proud of our city and proud of the programming that we do at the school district."

The main attraction at NEXT NIGHT was the event's performance stage, hosting a variety of top-notch talent throughout the entire night. DJ Keybo warmed up the crowd, playing nothing but top hits and classic favorites. The next act was Rod Lightning & the Thunderbolts of Love performing a handful of upbeat and timeless covers, like "I'm Still Standing" by Elton John. The following act was Kelsie Watts from NBC's "The Voice." Watts gave emotional and powerful vocal performances of touching tunes, including one of her latest songs, "I Can't Say Goodbye."

The headlining act was the Pop 2000 Tour, which united the boy band powerhouses Lance Bass of *NSYNC, O-Town and LFO all on one stage. O-Town hit the stage first, performing new and old songs from the group's repertoire, like "We Fit Together" and "Hello World." Brad Fischetti of LFO joined the group to perform favorites, like "Summer Girls." Fischetti decorated his microphone stand with two pairs of sneakers in honor of LFO's two late members, Rich Cronin and Devin Lima.

Finally, Bass walked on stage, welcomed by an ocean of screaming fans and a light drizzle of rain. Bass stood alongside O-Town to sing renditions of legendary songs like "Bye Bye Bye."

After two years without the block party, the community took full advantage of NEXT NIGHT, partaking in everything the event offered and dancing as freely as possible. "It's so nice to see friends and neighbors we haven't actually connected with or seen in so long," said Beverly Hills resident Libby Pour. "Community events like these are where we have that chance to connect." ●

Maple Counseling Center Celebrates 50th Anniversary

BY BIANCA HEYWARD

Named in 1972 after its original Maple Drive location, the nonprofit Maple Counseling Center celebrated its 50th anniversary with a "Tea and Tequila" afternoon high tea on the Garden Terrace at The Maybourne Beverly Hills on Oct. 23. The evening benefitted Maple Center's mission, which is to provide low-cost comprehensive mental health services to adults, children, couples, and families, while also providing training for graduate and postgraduate students working towards licensure in the mental health field. The afternoon included Claridge's teas and Casamigos tequila tastings, plus an awards presentation hosted by NBC4 news anchor and reporter, Robert Kovacik. Featuring Miss Universe Juri Watanabe as the keynote speaker, the event honored Judy Briskin and Rex Wilder with the Humanitarian Award, and Kristin and John Jameson with the Philanthropic Leadership Award. The program also provided a look ahead to the new developments at the center that will color the next 50 years.

"COVID, Black Lives Matter, a rise in hate crimes, school shootings – they affect us all, every single day," Kovacik said. "Maple Counseling, with its new expanded services, will reach an even bigger community whose voices need to be heard. And the community needs to know that it is okay to not be okay."

Students in the city have too benefitted from the counseling center's high-quality services, at an accessible price. For years, the Beverly Hills School Unified District has contracted with the Maple Center to provide individual and group counseling services to students on campus at the high school. While the average fee per counseling



Gina Seidel, Gail Millan, Councilmember Sharona Nazarian, Joan Seidel, and LuNel Lemieux at the Maple Counseling Center's 50th anniversary celebration on Oct. 23 at The Maybourne

session is \$25, no one will be denied if they cannot pay.

Over the last few months, the Maple Center has raised over \$1.1 million on behalf of its mission and honorees. Of those funds, \$700,000 is specifically earmarked for the new Briskin Wilder Welcome Center. Characterized as both a program and a place, the Welcome Center allows for expanded mental health care services either through the Maple Center or an outside agency.

This year marks more than one milestone for Maple Counseling, with new headquarters opening in mid-city Los Angeles. The new 10,000-square-foot state-of-the-art facility is located near the intersection of La Cienega Boulevard and the I-10 Freeway.

"We are thrilled to honor Judy Briskin, Rex Wilder, and John and Kristin Jameson at this year's Maple Counseling 50th Anniversary Gala," said Hon. Myra Lurie, Chair of the Maple Counseling Board of Directors. "Mental health impacts people from all walks of life. They have helped transform the lives of countless individuals and families seeking mental health care for themselves or a loved one in Los Angeles County." ●

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Scary clown show on South Keck Drive



Top: An otherworldly pirate crew salutes drivers Bottom row: Oversized black cats and pumpkins; Cobwebs, ghosts and scarecrows are signs of the season.

Fatal Accident in Beverly Hills

BY EMILY HOLSHOUSER

A motorcyclist was killed in a fatal traffic accident at the intersection of Wilshire Boulevard and Santa Monica Boulevard on the morning of Oct. 26, shutting traffic down for several hours while authorities completed an investigation.

According to Beverly Hills Police Department (BHPD) Lieutenant Giovanni Trejo, a black SUV was traveling eastbound on Wilshire Boulevard when the car collided with a motorcycle traveling eastbound. The motorcyclist was treated on scene by paramedics and later died at the hospital.

Trejo said that although several occupants were in the SUV, none were injured, and the damage to the vehicle was minimal. The driver stayed at the scene and is cooperating with police.

The intersection was closed from the time of the accident until around noon. Anyone with information about the crash is urged to call BHPD at 310-550-4591. ●

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investigation, Max Alexander Whitehead, a 20-year-old male citizen of the United Kingdom, was identified as the primary suspect.

A felony criminal complaint for PC 664/187 and PC 245(a)(1) – attempted murder and assault with a semi-automatic firearm with significant bodily injury – was filed against Whitehead by the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office last month.

On Oct. 27, Whitehead was located in the city of Santa Ana, 50 miles south of Beverly Hills. The Santa Ana Police Department assisted BHPD detectives in safely taking Whitehead into custody. A search warrant was also executed on the 2900 block of South Fairview Road, and additional evidence was recovered.

Whitehead is currently being held on \$1,080,000 bail at the BHPD jail and is scheduled for arraignment at the Los Angeles Superior Court Airport Branch on Oct. 28. Detectives are still determining a motive in this case, and anyone with information is urged to call the Beverly Hills Police Department at 310-285-2125.

Anonymous reports can be made by text to TIP BHPDAlert followed by the tip information to 888777. Calls can also be made to Crime Stoppers at 800-222-8477. To access Crime Stoppers, download the "P3 Tips" Mobile APP or the website www.lacrimestoppers.org. ●

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young adults in need."

Growing up in Beverly Hills, Leila and Noa saw their parents helping foster care groups. The cousins wanted to help, too.

"Since we were in elementary and middle school, each of our families had connections to organizations supporting foster care," Leila said. "In 10th grade, we were offered the opportunity to create a club and immediately thought of foster care."

The teens run donation drives using Amazon's registry system. Anyone can donate anything on the registry they create, such as blankets, shoes, or clothing. Everything purchased is sent to Beverly Hills-based foster youth organizations Hope in a Suitcase and Make Good, Inc. which promote literacy in underserved neighborhoods and place educational materials in transitional housing. One of the hallmark services offered is the TAY shop, a retail-like space where kids who are about to age out of foster care can purchase supplies for themselves in a way that feels independent and dignified.

"Everything we do has an immediate, tangible impact," Ruth Stalford, the founder and executive director of Make Good, told the Courier. "At a certain age, all of the services you qualify for fall off a cliff."

The involvement of the Kashfians' club has been an enormous help to Hope in a Suitcase and Make Good, especially at the



Photo by Leila Kashfian

Donation drives help support foster youth.

beginning of the pandemic.

"During COVID, everything shut down," Stalford said. "Leila and Noa managed to engage all of their friends and all of their resources. They got us the things that we needed to provide to these families who were struggling during that period."

Over two years, the donation drives run by the Kashfians have purchased thousands of dollars worth of supplies, often lovingly adorned with drawings and bracelets made by the students. The club has also raised over \$1,000 for foster care organizations through bake sales at Brentwood School.

Leila and Noa encourage the Beverly

Hills community to get involved and help make a difference.

"Any donation no matter how large or small will have a significant impact on the foster youth and make them feel more supported and loved in their varying communities," Leila said. "As a whole, our club at school serves as a way to give back to Los Angeles and help children and young adults in need."

To support the Kashfians' club, visit @ LA.fostersupport on Instagram. Readers can sign up to volunteer with Hope in a Suitcase or Make Good at www.hopeinasuitcase.org and www.makegoodinc.org.

Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce Leadership PAC Endorses Marcus and Manouchehri for the BHUSD Board

The Board of Trustees of the Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce Leadership Political Action Committee (PAC) has endorsed Rachele Marcus and Judy Manouchehri for the Beverly Hills Unified School District Board for the upcoming Nov. 8 election. In a statement, the Beverly Hills Leadership indicated that it "believes that these candidates have the vision and skills necessary to manage the financial and educational issues which currently confront the BHUSD and which will benefit our students in the years ahead."

The Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce recently hosted a BHUSD Candidate Forum on Oct. 17. All five candidates participated in the Forum.

The Beverly Hills Leadership PAC's activities may include, but are not limited

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Bosse's Mental Wellness Series launched in July. Best-selling author and Holocaust survivor Dr. Edith Eger and her daughter, Dr. Marianne Engle, were the inaugural speakers and gave deep insight into freeing oneself of negative thoughts and behaviors. The second event was a community dance party, in which residents were invited and encouraged to shake their stress away one song at a time. The most recent installment of the series was a conversation with Dr.

Deepak Chopra, during which he shared his formula for happiness.

"Brianna brings inspiring, soulful wisdom at just 30 years old and brings a fresh, new perspective," Bosse told the Courier. "I am constantly amazed at how she connects with the human spirit. There is so much to learn from different generations about their experiences with mental wellness."

The event will take place on Nov. 4 at 11 a.m. ●



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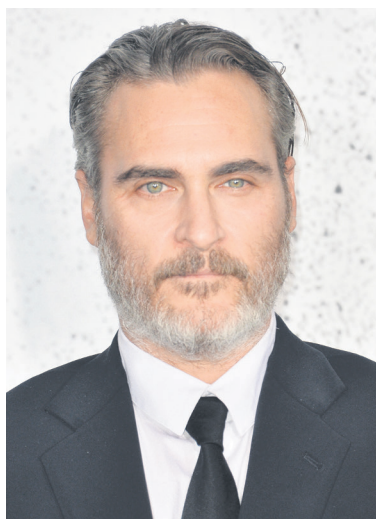


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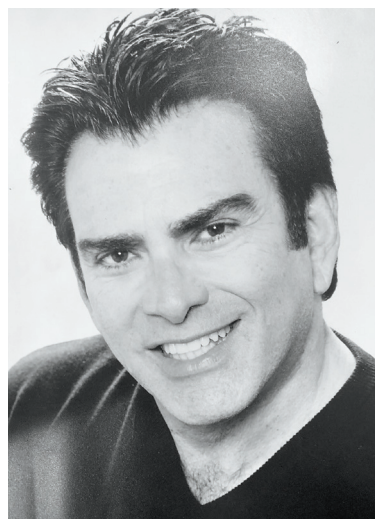
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Astrology

BY HOLIDAY MATIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). Day holds golden potential, particularly in the morning hours. Even if you don't mean to create beauty, you will. Because you can't resist making things and once you get involved, your taste and preferences make the rest inevitable.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). You can save yourself hundreds, if not thousands, of wasted hours by doing your research before setting your aim. Start with someone who already has what you're after. Are they happy with it? Ask for tips.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Remember when you couldn't get motivated? But you made it easy for yourself, pushed for one tiny step, then a little more and more... now you're well on your way. You can use your experience to help someone else.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). Kindness is your rule. It doesn't always work out that way but as you set the intention repeatedly, you work toward a state of being in which the kind thing to do is your automatic default.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You may notice yourself seeking validation from someone. You don't need this, especially since it gives that person the chance to invalidate you as well. If anyone is going to give you points for good behavior, let it be you.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Long ago you got in the way of your own success. This time around, you'll do it differently. It's not an identical situation, but it's alike enough to give you the satisfaction of directly applying what you learned to good effect.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). For some, it's not having love, but (SET ITAL) getting (END ITAL) love that drives them. You enjoy the chase too, and there is much excitement to be had in this regard. But you will wisely cherish your catch.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Your attitude is upbeat and confident. Because you care more about helping others than you do about forwarding your own interests, you'll forge bonds of trust and land easily in situations of mutual admiration and promotion.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). In the thick of a learning process, it's totally normal to get worse at it before you get better. But if the trend continues, get some space between you and the project.

Perspective is needed.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). "Location, location, location..." is not just the mantra for business success, it's a consideration for all. The crucial step to getting what you want will be showing up at the location where what you want is happening.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). You wonder if someone thinks of you. They do, although less than you hope or fear.

If thoughts had any mass at all, if they could be seen like clouds or weighed like pennies, you'd find this math both intriguing and liberating.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Having to learn a thing can be humbling, certainly a worse feeling than simply learning what's being taught. But the mandatory lesson lands with more emphasis and staying power. The hard way cuts to the quick.



This week's featured adoptable puppy is Petunia. She's a 1-year-old, 16-pound Parsons Jack Russell Terrier and is ready for a new home. To inquire about her please contact Shelter of Hope at 805-379-3538.

shelterhopepetshop.org

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work against the Omicron variant.

Though 73% of the L.A. County population is recorded as vaccinated, according to county public health statistics, just 8% has received the bivalent shot.

“The current boosters that are in circulation appear to provide protection against variants,” Janmohamed said.

The Emergency Manager acknowledged that there is “some level of fatigue” in the population to get another shot, but surmised that residents are now more cautious, generally, since the pandemic.

“We used to go out with a common cold,” she said. “But now we see the ramification and domino effect of that.”

Lee Hilborne, a Commissioner as well as medical director at both Quest Diagnostics and the UCLA health system, described a “flashing yellow light” right now for COVID due to potential variants plus the oncoming flu season.

California’s state of emergency for COVID-19 is set to end on Feb. 28.

Fentanyl Fears

Beverly Hills school officials are now being provided an antidote to the deadly opiate fentanyl, and are expected to know how to use it.

“Administrators have now been trained in the use of Narcan,” said Beverly Hills Unified School District Board Member Rachele Marcus at the Oct. 24 meeting.

Narcan is a brand-name drug manufactured by parent company Emergent BioSolutions, though generic versions of it made by the companies Teva and Sandoz are also sold. A version of the drug naloxone that can close a body’s opioid receptors, Narcan is generally cited by public health and law enforcement agencies as effective in reversing an overdose. It works by pumping a spray into a person’s nasal passages.

An array of national and local reports points to the growing, and often times unwitting, abuse of fentanyl, a prescription painkiller. For example, the Los Angeles County Unified School District has reported

seven students who have accidentally overdosed on fentanyl in 2022.

At the meeting, Commissioner Cathy Baker asked Marcus how Narcan would be distributed in the schools.

“I guess they have it in the nurses’ office,” Marcus replied. “But it may also have to be in the main offices. The administrators are the ones trained to use it.”

Marcus added that she was concerned about those trained to deploy Narcan being absent from the school.

Baker suggested to Marcus that Narcan availability not be limited to school grounds. “Will Narcan be available at parks?” she said. “Buses on long trips? That might be something to look into.”

Baker noted that the Los Angeles County Board of Supervisors approved one week ago placing Narcan into every library.

Wildfire Season

The Beverly Hills Fire Department has received 6,057 calls year-to-date compared to 5,840 through Oct. 24, 2021. Fire Department Battalion Chief Michael Hand attributed the uptick to the “reopening of the economy.”

Hand also noted that it is fire season and the department recently partook in a wild fire simulation. So far, Hand said, the department has not dealt with a major conflagration during the season.

Non-smoking Area

Beverly Hills has some of the strictest non-smoking laws in the country, with prohibitions on lighting up along sidewalks, alleyways and streets plus within 20 feet of outdoor dining.

At least for 2022, the policies seem to be followed. Through the end of September, the city has opened 48 cases, according to Gabrielle Ressa, management analyst for the city, 36 initiated by citizen complaints. However, it has issued just 11 citations.

According to Ressa, there are rarely repeat complaints from the same locale, a sign, she said, “That enforcement has been working.” ●

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that Beverly Hills was a safe place and a welcoming space.”

Nazarian herself moved to the United States as a young girl, being “among the first wave of immigrants from Iran.” She is the first Iranian American female to serve on the Beverly Hills City Council.

“Our amazing young people have the intellect, courage and strength to make a difference and bring about global change,” Nazarian said. “With resolutions like these, we are showing them why they matter, and the reason why we are united as part of our international stance of solidarity with the people of Iran.”

“What makes Beverly Hills so unique is that we value human rights,” Bosse said.

“And that no matter where we came from, one thing that we have in common is that we will always stand up and stand strong for one another.” The words ‘Justice for Mahsa Amini’ continue to shine on Beverly Hills City Hall “until there is justice,” Bosse said.

Meshkaty asked the community to save the date for a “peaceful rally through the

city, just to let everyone know that a city as glamorous as Beverly Hills is not there just for merchandise...They also stand there for what’s right.” The rally will be held on Nov. 5 at 1 p.m. with more details to come.

Halimi, a parent with three children enrolled in the district, was born in Iran during the Islamic Revolution and lived there until 1993, when she left her country in search of freedom. In sharing her story, she recalled being “constantly harassed” by the morality police during her teenage years for “anything from a little hair showing out of our hijab to laughing with friends. Sometimes, even for being good looking.” Halimi’s mother, a pediatric physician forced to work at a government clinic, suffered from a heart condition, and died at age 48 after being denied leave for a specialized treatment overseas. “Since we were Jewish, we were not permitted to leave Iran,” Halimi said.

“A few years after my mom’s passing, the government, not having any use for the rest of us, allowed us to leave Iran for a duration of two weeks,” she said. “But we took advantage of it, and fled Iran.” At

RECREATION, from page 5

After each had a chance to speak, Senior Recreation Supervisor Paul Paolone recapped last week’s Beverly Hills Fall Art Show and previewed some future programming. Paolone hailed the fall show as a success, declaring it “a very memorable bash for the community to partake in.”

Additionally, he gave a sneak peek of next year’s Spring Art Show, the 50th anniversary of the event. Paolone confirmed the date of the event as May 17-18 and responded to some of the meeting attendees’ feedback, suggesting that the milestone exhibition could have interactive painting stations if residents felt inspired to create their own art.

Paolone also provided updates about the ArtWalk Guided Tours, two of which are scheduled before 2023. Next year, he explained his plan to incorporate new sites into the walking tours, such as a history of Rodeo Drive and analysis of the art in City Hall.

After briefly touching upon the annual Harvest Festival, Paolone concluded his presentation with holiday announcements about the Greystone Mansion. He promised visits with Santa and crafts for children, but only hinted at what was in store for December.

“Now that it’s back, there’s no other option but to go big,” Paolone said.

Paulson followed with an in-depth look into the drafted Memorandum of Understanding that the City negotiated with the American Youth Soccer Organization (AYSO). A plan to “clearly delineate the various responsibilities of the entity versus the city,” the draft agreement gives AYSO priority to use local fields from August until December – Little League would retain access for the first half of the year. The Memorandum also prohibited subletting to clubs or other groups, outlined participant fees for resident and non-resident players, allowed storage in city and district closets, and set training session maximums for referees, coaches, and volunteers.

Paulson elaborated on the city’s duties as well, including lining the fields and securing goals. In response to questioning, he clarified that rangers already included the field

areas in their regular rounds and argued the supervision would be adequate security.

Under the agreement, AYSO would also be allowed one “large-scale special event” per season. AYSO Beverly Hills Region 76 plans to revive the Sportsmanship Cup, last held in 2019, for this year’s allotment.

The next major item on the agenda was a breakdown on permits handed out by the Filming and Special Events Division of the Community Development Department. Magdalena Davis, the Community Services Manager, described the difference in two types of permits. Filming and Photography permits, for example, are required for all Beverly Hills commercial shoots except those in Greystone.

Special Events permits, on the other hand, come into play when the event is “in the public right-of-way” or the operations of the park are changed – for example, with rental equipment. These permits are unnecessary if the rentals can occur within standard public procedures.

Next, Assistant Director of Community Services Patty Acuña gave a report on the 2022 Recreation and Parks Award. She detailed the nomination process – nominations could occur via the public or a commissioner, with the recipient being invited to a later meeting to receive the award.

Acuña and Paulson commented on other happenings as the meeting went on, from the upcoming Beverly Hills Fire Department Girls Empowerment Camp to facets of Universal Transitional Kindergarten training. Paulson also congratulated several members of the Commission, shared winners of a “Bright Idea” employee excellence award for June’s Beverly Hills Pride Night.

Finally, Commissioner Alissa Roston fielded questions and gave quick updates on other City matters. One of the last topics mentioned was the pickleball pilot program, as meeting attendees were eager to hear results, especially with notable Major League Pickleball investments from the likes of Tom Brady and LeBron James.

“We are working with a third-party vendor to help us with the survey,” Roston said. “We want to get opinions...before we evaluate it as a whole.” ●



Mayor Lili Bosse, Councilmember Sharona Nazarian, Former Board President Nooshin Meshkaty, parent Maryam Halimi, and BHHS ASB President Ashley Jourabchi shared their stories at the Board of Education BHUSD Community Spotlight in support of the women of Iran, human rights and freedom.

the time, Halimi was 15 years old.

As a first-generation Persian American high school student, “we’ve been severely, severely affected by these tragedies,” Jourabchi said. “And now, seeing the rise in antisemitism, we’ve been baffled by what’s been happening at this day and age.”

Jourabchi, whose father fled Iran some 35 years ago, hopes to ignite change by increasing awareness beyond the Persian and Jewish community. “It’s important for us to stand for what we believe in,” she said. “And I really believe that we truly can make a difference as we stand together as a community.” ●

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TERMINAL CONNECTIONS
BY PAOLO PASCO / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Paolo Pasco is a recent Harvard graduate, now working in data science in San Diego. He's been making puzzles for The Times since he was 15. His job interview was partly about crosswords and included a programming problem to find words, Boggle-style, in a grid. How lucky was that? He says he thought of this puzzle's theme during a class back in April and fleshed it out while walking back to his dorm. — W.S.

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| <p>54 Chief ____ (rapper with a rhyming name)</p> <p>55 Where feudal workers worked</p> <p>57 French equivalent of "Stephen"</p> <p>58 ____ van der Poel, Olympic speedskater</p> <p>61 Academic acronym</p> <p>62 *Grand</p> <p>63 Hits shore unintentionally</p> <p>65 *Early French Protestants</p> <p>66 Burden</p> | <p>67 *Basic rivalry</p> <p>69 "Continuing where we left off last time ..."</p> <p>70 *"G.I. Jane" star, 1997</p> <p>71 Field goal avg., e.g.</p> <p>73 Believers in Jah, informally</p> <p>75 Fatalistic sort, in slang</p> <p>78 Place in an overhead bin</p> <p>80 No ____! (punitively named dairy-free chocolate brand)</p> <p>83 Explosive stuff</p> | <p>84 U.S. ID?</p> <p>87 Bad place to pour grease</p> <p>88 "Have ____ make my email stop" (Destiny's Child lyric)</p> <p>90 Cable in the middle of a tennis court</p> <p>92 Would really rather not</p> <p>97 "What's up, everyone!"</p> <p>98 -ish</p> <p>100 *"Encore!"</p> | <p>102 Fidel ____, 1990s Philippine leader</p> <p>103 Tehran's home</p> <p>104 Fork prongs</p> <p>106 *Actress Angela</p> <p>108 How to play solitaire</p> <p>109 They have high ratings on the Beaufort scale</p> <p>111 Jokester's arsenal</p> <p>112 "Leave it," on paper</p> <p>113 Alien-seeking org.</p> <p>115 Strip near Tel Aviv</p> <p>118 Beverage at un café</p> <p>119 Business-card abbr.</p> |
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Police Blotter

The following incidents of arson, assault, burglary, DUI arrest, motor vehicle theft, robbery, theft, vandalism have been reported. Streets are usually indicated by block numbers.



ARSON

10/11/2022, 7:07 a.m. at 500 Block of S. BEVERLY DRIVE

ASSAULT - AGGRAVATED

10/23/2022, 12:16 a.m. at 300 Block of N. BEVERLY DRIVE

ASSAULT - SIMPLE

10/22/2022, 1 p.m. at 400 Block of S. MAPLE DRIVE

10/22/2022, 11:32 a.m. at 200 Block of N. LA PEER DRIVE

10/19/2022, 10:30 a.m. at 400 Block of N. CANON DRIVE

10/19/2022, 12 p.m. at 400 Block of S. MAPLE DRIVE

10/19/2022, 5 p.m. at 400 Block of ROBERT LANE

10/16/2022, 10 p.m. at 300 Block of N. BEVERLY DRIVE

10/15/2022, 11:30 p.m. at 100 Block of S. REXFORD DRIVE

10/14/2022, 3 p.m. at 400 Block of N. REXFORD DRIVE

10/12/2022, 7:30 p.m. at 400 Block of N. REXFORD DRIVE

10/11/2022, 10:10 a.m. at 300 Block of FOOTHILL ROAD

BURGLARY - COMMERCIAL BUILDING

10/24/2022, 4:22 p.m. at 300 Block of N. RODEO DRIVE

10/18/2022, 12 p.m. at 8400 Block of WILSHIRE BLVD.

10/16/2022, 12:03 a.m. at 8400 Block of WILSHIRE BLVD.

10/12/2022, 10 p.m. at 9600 Block of WILSHIRE BLVD.

BURGLARY - FROM A MOTOR VEHICLE

10/22/2022, 4:20 p.m. at 100 Block of N. HAMILTON DRIVE

10/21/2022, 12:30 p.m. at 300 Block of N. PALM DRIVE

10/16/2022, 4 p.m. at 100 Block of S. BEDFORD DRIVE

BURGLARY - RESIDENTIAL (NO ONE HOME)

10/22/2022, 2:40 p.m. at 400 Block of CASTLE PLACE

10/20/2022, 5:06 a.m. at 200 Block of S. CANON DRIVE

10/13/2022, 10 a.m. at 700 Block of N. BEVERLY DRIVE

DUI ARREST

10/13/2022, 3:50 a.m. at S. DOHENY DRIVE / CHARLEVILLE BLVD.

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

10/22/2022, 10:15 a.m. at 400 Block of S. MAPLE DRIVE

10/21/2022, 6:14 p.m. at 800 Block of N. CAMDEN DRIVE

10/21/2022, 7:39 p.m. at 9000 Block of OLYMPIC BLVD.

10/15/2022, 4:30 p.m. at 600 Block of N. ROXBURY DRIVE

ROBBERY

10/23/2022, 1:43 a.m. at 300 Block of S. DOHENY DRIVE

10/14/2022, 8:30 a.m. at 9100 Block of ALDEN DRIVE

THEFT - GRAND

10/20/2022, 5:40 p.m. at 100 Block of N. CANON DRIVE

10/19/2022, 12:50 p.m. at 400 Block of BARRIE DRIVE

10/19/2022, 8:54 p.m. at 8600 Block of WILSHIRE BLVD.

10/18/2022, 3:24 a.m. at 9900 Block of S. SANTA MONICA BLVD.

10/17/2022, 11 p.m. at 9400 Block of OLYMPIC BLVD.

10/16/2022, 5:45 p.m. at 300 Block of N. BEVERLY DRIVE

10/16/2022, 9:43 a.m. at 300 Block of N. CANON DRIVE

10/14/2022, 5 p.m. at 300 Block of N. CANON DRIVE

10/13/2022, 12:55 p.m. at 8800 Block of BURTON WAY

THEFT - PETTY

10/22/2022, 1:32 p.m. at 200 Block of S. BEVERLY DRIVE

10/20/2022, 10 p.m. at 1000 Block of WOODLAND DRIVE

10/20/2022, 10:03 a.m. at 9800 Block of S. SANTA MONICA BLVD.

10/20/2022, 8:24 p.m. at 9600 Block of WILSHIRE BLVD.

10/18/2022, 6 p.m. at 300 Block of REEVES DRIVE

10/15/2022, 12:07 a.m. at N RODEO DRIVE / N SANTA MONICA BLVD.

10/15/2022, 12:18 a.m. at 200 Block of N. RODEO DRIVE

10/15/2022, 3 p.m. at 9400 Block of OLYMPIC BLVD.

10/14/2022, 10 p.m. at 300 Block of N. BEVERLY DRIVE

10/12/2022, 3:45 p.m. at 9000 Block of WILSHIRE BLVD.

10/12/2022, 3:50 p.m. at 1200 Block of BENEDICT CANYON DRIVE

10/11/2022, 8:30 a.m. at 200 Block of N. LA PEER DRIVE

THEFT - PETTY (FROM VEHICLE)

10/20/2022, 11:06 a.m. at 300 Block of MCCARTY DRIVE

10/12/2022, 10:22 a.m. at 9500 Block of OLYMPIC BLVD.

VANDALISM

10/19/2022, 1:51 a.m. at 400 Block of N. DOHENY DRIVE

10/19/2022, 12:01 a.m. at 9100 Block of WILSHIRE BLVD.

10/18/2022, 5 p.m. at 600 Block of N. MAPLE DRIVE

10/16/2022, 6:46 p.m. at 200 Block of S. ROBERTSON BLVD.

10/15/2022, 2:01 a.m. at 8600 Block of WILSHIRE BLVD.

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
 2022208138 The following is/are doing business as: NYKO TECHNOLOGIES 1642 Westwood Blvd. #300, Los Angeles, CA 90024; OKYN Holdings, Inc. 1642 Westwood Blvd. #300, Los Angeles, CA 90024; The business is conducted by: A CORPORATION (#4589484), registrant(s) has NOT begun to transact business under the name(s) listed on: Herschel Naghi, President. Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: September 22, 2022; Published: October 14, 21, 28, November 04, 2022 LACC N/C BEVERLY HILLS COURIER

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT
 2022217509 The following is/are doing business as: IMELDA INTERIANO 2091 W. 30th St., Los Angeles, CA 90018; Josefa Interiano 2091 W. 30th St., Los Angeles, CA 90018; The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL, registrant(s) has begun to transact business under the name(s) listed on October 2022: Josefa Interiano, Owner. Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: October 05, 2022; Published: October 28, November 04, 11, 18, 2022 LACC N/C BEVERLY HILLS COURIER

NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

The Council of the City of Beverly Hills, at its regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, November 15, 2022 at 7:00 p.m., or as soon thereafter as the matter may be heard, in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, 455 N. Rexford Drive, Beverly Hills, California, will hold a public hearing to consider:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS EXTENDING INTERIM ORDINANCE NO. 21-O-2853 TO PROVIDE OBJECTIVE STANDARDS FOR SENATE BILL 9 PROJECTS IN SINGLE-FAMILY RESIDENTIAL ZONES
 The proposed ordinance would extend Interim Urgency Ordinance No. 21-O-2853 for an additional one-year period, pursuant to Government Code Section 65858. The interim ur-

gency ordinance established objective development standards for residential developments in the single-family zones constructed pursuant to Senate Bill (SB) 9 for a period of 45 days, which was thereafter extended for 10 months and 15 days. The proposed ordinance would extend these regulations for an additional year (extending the expiration date to December 6, 2023), in order to provide additional time for continued study of the potential effects of enacting such regulations, and to provide an opportunity to discuss whether such regulations should be considered for permanent adoption. The staff report for the December 7, 2021 City Council meeting describes the contents of Urgency Ordinance No. 21-O-2853, and is available on the City's website.

ENVIRONMENTAL REVIEW

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 The draft ordinance has been assessed in accordance with the authority and criteria contained in the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA, Public Resources Code Sections 21000 et seq.), the State CEQA Guidelines (California Code of Regulations, Title 14, Sections 15000 et seq.), and the environmental regulations of the City. Upon review, the ordinance does not appear to be considered a project under CEQA, and it can be seen with certainty that there is no potential for such ordinance to have a significant adverse effect on the environment. This is because the draft ordinance does not authorize construction and consists of additional regulations on future development, which will be treated ministerially pursuant to the stipulations of SB 9.
HOW TO PARTICIPATE IN THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
 Members of the public may participate in the meeting by attending in-person or telephonically; and may view the meeting through live web-cast or BHTV Channel 10 on Spectrum Cable. To submit Audio/Oral comments during the hearing call: 310-288-2288, to submit writ-

ten comments please email: cityclerk@beverlyhills.org, to submit video comments (during public comment only) use <http://beverlyhills.org/comment>. To Watch Video Live us <http://beverlyhills.org/live> or On-Demand use <http://beverlyhills.org/citycouncilmeetings>. In-Person comments can be submitted with a speaker card to the City Clerk at the meeting.

It is recommended that public written comments be submitted to the City Clerk's office by 12:00 p.m. on the meeting date. Public comments will also be taken during the meeting when the topic is being reviewed by the City Council. Written comments should identify the Agenda Item Number or Topic in the subject line of the email. In order to be read at the meeting, written comments will be allowed with a maximum of 350 words, which corresponds to approximately 3 minutes of speaking time. If a comment is received after the agenda item is heard, it will not be a part of the record. Public comment via video conference will be 3 minutes per each individual comment, subject to City Council discretion. Any interested person may participate in the meeting and be heard or present written comments to the City Council. According to Government Code Section 65009, if you challenge the Council's action in court, you may be limited to raising only those issues you or someone else raised at the public hearing described in this notice, or in written correspondence delivered to the City, either at or prior to the public hearing.
 In Person Participation:

All interested persons are invited to attend and speak on this matter in person. Please see the above information on the location and time of this meeting.

If there are any questions regarding this notice, please contact Cindy Gordon, AICP, Principal Planner in the Planning Division at (310) 285-1191, or by email at cgordon@beverlyhills.org. The case file, including a copy of the proposed urgency Ordinance, is available for review by contacting the planner above. In addition, a staff report on this matter will be available a least ten days in advance of the meeting date by contacting the planner above.

Notice Calling for Requests for Proposals

REQUEST FOR PROPOSALS ("RFP") NO. 2223-PUR010 REAL ESTATE AGENT SERVICES FOR THE POTENTIAL LEASE OF PROPERTY

Notice is hereby given that the Beverly Hills Unified School District ("District") of Los Angeles County, California, acting by and through its Governing Board ("Board"), will receive up to, but not later than, **4:00 p.m. on October 28, 2022**, proposals for the award of a contract for:

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The District seeks an entity or person with the expertise and knowledge necessary to assist the District pursuing a lease the District's property. Interested firms who have the expertise necessary are invited to submit a Proposal (three (3) bound copies and/or one (1) electronic version by email or on a thumb drive) to the following address no later than the due date specified above:

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 Attn: Gilda Keshishyan, Director of Purchasing
 255 South Lasky Drive,
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GKeshishyan@bhUSD.org

Faxed or late proposals will not be accepted. Each RFP must conform with and be responsive to the RFP documents. The District reserves the right to reject any or all proposals or to waive any irregularities or informalities in any proposal or in the bidding. No proposal may be withdrawn for a period of sixty (60) days after the date set for the opening of proposals.

RFQ documents are available at https://www.bhUSD.org/apps/pages/index.jsp?uREC_ID=31867&type=d&pREC_ID=1074500

The Contract for the services, if awarded, will be by action of the District's Board of Education to the Bidder that meets the qualifications established by the RFP documents.

This document is for informational purposes and shall not relieve the Bidder of the requirements to fully become familiarized with all the factors affecting the Proposal. All inquiries and clarifications about the RFP documents shall be submitted to the District no later than **4:00 p.m., October 21, 2022**. Inquiries shall be made in writing to Gilda Keshishyan via email at GKeshishyan@bhUSD.org. Verbal communication by either party with regard to this matter is invalid.

All prospective respondents are hereby instructed not to contact any District staff member, other than the noted contact related to this RFP, at any time during the process. Any such contact shall be cause for rejection of the RFP.

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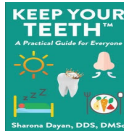


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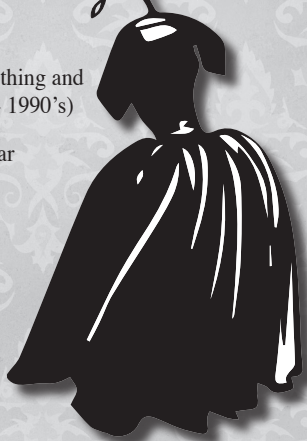
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