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Mayor Dr. Julian Gold Reflects on the State of the City at Greystone Address



Photo by Eric Licas

Mayor Dr. Gold gave his State of the City Address on Sept. 28.

BY ANA FIGUEROA

More than 350 attendees gathered on the stately outdoor terraces of the Greystone Mansion's Formal Gardens on the evening of Sept. 28. The occasion: the annual "State of the City Address" during "An Evening with the Mayor." Sponsored by the Beverly Hills Chamber of Commerce, the event is one of the highlights of the city's municipal

calendar. It was also the second high-profile gathering of community leaders and residents in as many nights. The previous evening, the Beverly Hills Police Officers Association held its annual gala. (See right hand column story on Pg. 1)

Guests at the Greystone event mingled on the breezy courtyard while a violinist played classical selections and Local LA See STATE OF THE CITY, page 9

Public Service Honored at Beverly Hills Police Officers Association Gala

BY ERIC LICAS

Fire leapt from the engine bay of a car that had slammed into a tree on Santa Monica Boulevard moments before Beverly Hills Police Sgt. Jeffrey Newman pulled out of an alley between RExford and Crescent drives. He rushed over to the driver's side and found a man passed out behind the wheel.

"People don't actually realize how hot a fire really is as you're leaning into that car and feeling just a fraction of what those flames could be," Newman told the Courier.

Newman tried to yank the driver out of the vehicle as heat and smoke filled its cabin. But the unconscious man's leg was trapped beneath a mangled steering column and dashboard. So, Newman raced back to his patrol car to get a fire extinguisher and used it to prevent flames from sweeping through the rest of the wreck and devouring its occupant.

After firefighters put out the blaze, they had to use the jaws of life to methodically free the driver. The man was taken to a hospital with broken bones and other serious injuries.

See PUBLIC SERVICE HONORED, page 11

Myra Demeter Declares 2024 City Council Candidacy

BY CLARA HARTER

Planning Commissioner Myra Demeter is the latest candidate to toss her hat in the ring for the 2024 Beverly Hills City Council election and hopes her three decades of dedicated community service will set her apart in a crowded field of candidates.

Demeter has a long tenure of service in the community. She served two terms on the BHUSD Board of Education and was twice elected president; served seven years on the Health and Safety Commission; and is currently serving her second term on the Planning Commission where she is the immediate past chair.

She is hoping to win one of two open seats created by the departures of Councilmember Lili Bosse and Mayor Dr. Julian Gold.

Beverly Hills is her home of 27 years and



Myra Demeter

the place where she and her husband Dan watched their four children, all of whom attended local schools, grow up and blossom.

See MYRA DEMETER, page 10

BHUSD Implements New Strategies to Tackle Student Behavioral Issues

BY CLARA HARTER

The Beverly Hills Unified School District (BHUSD) is implementing a new set of creative strategies to address student behavioral problems following an uptick in incidents

See BHUSD, page 13

Courier Calendar

NOW - SEPT. 30

**HOLOCAUST MUSEUM LA:
“WHO WILL TELL OUR STORIES”
10 A.M.-5 P.M.**

Holocaust Museum LA presents the exhibition “Who Will Tell Our Stories,” which revisits the story of Slovak Jewish women during the Holocaust who were murdered, imprisoned, hidden, and forced to flee. Slovakia was the first German ally to deport its Jewish residents as part of the Nazis’ genocidal plan to murder upwards of 11 million Jews. Deceived by their own government, Jewish women were shocked to be locked up, strip searched, beaten, and forbidden to return home, where parents and families waited in fear, confusion, and worry. The exhibition features documentary and portrait photography, film, artifacts of the wartime era, and artistic interpretations, alongside historical documentation. It remembers those who perished and honors those who survived. Tickets for the museum are \$15 for adults, \$10 for seniors (65+) and military, and free for teachers with valid ID, students with valid student ID, and children 17 and under. Admission is free all day on Sundays.

holocaustmuseumla.org

NOW - SEPT. 30

**GETTY VILLA:
“THE GOSPEL AT COLONUS”
FRI.-SAT. 8 P.M.**

This fall, Getty Villa Museum and Court Theatre, the Tony Award-winning professional theatre of the University of Chicago, present The Gospel at Colonus, the 17th annual Villa Outdoor Classical Theater production. This one-of-a-kind theatrical event breathes new life into the

Oedipus myth with a score of powerful gospel music. The blinded Oedipus arrives at the town of Colonus, near Athens, seeking rest and redemption after a lifetime of tragedy. But he is pursued by enemies, including his own son. Based on Sophocles’ Oedipus at Colonus from the 5th century BCE, this adaptation blends Greek myth with Black spiritual practice for a jubilant, life-affirming, musical journey. Tickets are online and are \$50 for Friday nights and \$55 for Saturday nights. The Getty Villa is located at 17985 Pacific Coast Highway, Pacific Palisades. getty.edu

NOW - OCT. 2

**ROGUE MACHINE THEATRE:
“HEROES OF THE FOURTH TURNING”
MON.,THURS.-SAT. 8 P.M.
SUN. 3 P.M.**

Rogue Machine Theatre presents the Los Angeles premiere of “Heroes of the Fourth Turning” by Will Arbery. The play, directed by Guillermo Cienfuegos, takes place on a dark night, in the middle of America, where four young conservatives gather to toast the newly inducted president of their tiny Catholic college. Their reunion spirals into chaos and clashing generational politics, becoming less a celebration than a vicious fight to be understood. Will Arbery’s Pulitzer Prize Finalist play speaks to the heart of a country at war with itself, offering both grace and disarming clarity. Tickets are \$45 for general admission, \$25 for students and \$35 for seniors. The Rogue Machine Theatre is located at 7657 Melrose Ave., Los Angeles. roguemachinetheatre.org

NOW - OCT. 2

**THE BROAD: “KEITH HARING:
ART IS FOR EVERYONE”
TUES., WED., FRI. 11 A.M.-5 P.M.
THURS. 11 A.M.-8 P.M.
SAT.-SUN. 10 A.M.-6 P.M.**

The Broad presents the first-ever museum exhibition in Los Angeles of Keith Haring’s expansive body of work and features over 120 artworks and archival materials. Known for his use of vibrant color, energetic linework and iconic characters like the barking dog and the radiant baby, Haring’s work continues to dissolve barriers between art and life and spread joy, all while being rooted in the creative spirit and mission of his subway drawings and renowned public murals: “Art is for Everybody.” Divided into ten galleries in total, the expansive exhibition features the breadth of mediums Haring worked within, including video, sculpture, drawing, painting, and graphic works, as well as representations from the artist’s enormous output of public projects, from the subway drawings to his public murals. Works presented span from the late-1970s when he was a student at the School of Visual Arts in New York up until 1988, just two years before the artist died from AIDS-related illness at the age of 31. Haring’s participation in nuclear disarmament and anti-Apartheid movements are featured prominently in the show, as well as works that take on complex issues that remain crucial today from environmentalism, capitalism, and the proliferation of new technologies to religion, sexuality and race. In the last gallery, significant works from the late 1980s are accompanied by framed posters illustrating the artist’s activism within the HIV/AIDS crisis. Tickets are \$22 for adults,

\$15 for students, and free for children 17 and younger. thebroad.org

OCT. 1-7

**BOLD BEAUTY PROJECT EXHIBITION
10 A.M.-5 P.M.**

Bold Beauty Project presents a visual art exhibition that celebrates the beauty of local women with disabilities through the lens of local, Los Angeles, photographers. The event also serves as a fundraiser for Disability Rights Now. The art show takes place at The Art Room Los Angeles at 908 S. Olive St., Los Angeles. Admission is free. boldbeautyproject.com

OCT. 7-29

**SANTA MONICA PLAYHOUSE:
“ABSOLUTELY HALLOWEEN”
SAT. 2 P.M.**

SUN. 12:30 P.M.
Santa Monica Playhouse presents the return of the Rudie-DeCarlo Family Theatre favorite, “Absolutely Halloween,” the heartwarming tale of the aptly named “Candy,” a sweet young girl who learns some surprising lessons about life, love, laughter and sugar, from a delightful array of colorful costume-come-to-life characters who take her on a magical All Hallows’ Eve adventure. Audiences are encouraged to participate by answering riddles and keeping track of ongoing mysteries throughout the show. Tickets are \$12.50 for kids 12 and under and \$15 for adults. Santa Monica Playhouse is located at 1211 4th St., Santa Monica. santamonicaplayhouse.com

OCT. 11

**PAUL REVERE WILLIAM
FUNDRAISING EVENT
6:30 P.M.**

In celebration of 75 years since Paul Revere Williams redesigned The Beverly Hills Hotel and 100 years since he became the first African American member of the American Institute of Architects, The Beverly Hills Hotel will host the inaugural fundraising event for The Paul R. Williams Scholarship and Education Fund on Oct. 11 in the Crystal Ballroom. With the goal of inspiring future generations through the legacy of Mr. Williams and other trailblazing figures within the field, the Fund will introduce K-12 students to career paths within the field of architecture. The Fund will also provide financial support and mentoring to students of color on their journey to professional licensing, with scholarships for fourth and fifth-year architecture students attending one of the seven Historically Black Colleges and Universities offering an accredited architecture program, as well as at the University of Southern California, Mr. Williams’ alma mater. Tickets are \$500 and can be reserved online. thepaulwilliamscollection.com



Photo courtesy of the Beverly Hills Hotel

The Beverly Hills Hotel, the venue for the Paul Revere William fundraising event on Oct. 11

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Hearing in Tree Cutting Case Delayed to November



The city is involved in litigation regarding the trees on Robertson Boulevard.

BY CLARA HARTER

In the latest development in the Robertson Boulevard tree cutting case, a trial setting conference scheduled for Sept. 26 has been moved to Nov. 28.

The legal battle pits activists, who are fighting to prevent the city from removing some 36 remaining Ficus trees on Robertson Boulevard, against the city, which is seeking to fell the trees in the name of sidewalk repairs.

See **TREE CUTTING CASE**, page 13

Peter Ostroff To Launch Courier Column



Peter Ostroff

BY ANA FIGUEROA

The Beverly Hills Courier is pleased to announce that its Oct. 6 issue will feature an inaugural column by Peter Ostroff, who will contribute on a regular basis. Ostroff is a highly respected community leader who has devoted considerable time and expertise on municipal matters since retiring from the

practice of law in 2017 (after an impressive 50 years). Ostroff served an eventful, six-year term on the Planning Commission that impacted major issues such as state policies intended to diminish local control over development and encourage the construction of housing; the Mixed-Use Ordinance; high-profile developments such as One Beverly Hills and the Cheval Blanc proposal, as well as the development of the former Friars Club site and the office project proposed for Lot 12. His term on the Planning Commission will end on Dec. 31, 2023, and he will refrain from commenting on city land use issues until his term has been completed.

Ostroff joins a prestigious roster of columnists selected by the Courier for their expertise in a wide array of disciplines. The Courier's goal is for Ostroff's columns to engage the community on matters of great public interest.

Ostroff served as Co-Chair of the Citizens Advisory Committee for the City's Climate Adaptation and Action Plan now being prepared. He is a graduate of the Team

See **PETER OSTROFF**, page 13

Next stop: more subway.

PURPLE (D LINE) EXTENSION TRANSIT PROJECT
Section 2 – Beverly Hills Update

SEPTEMBER CONSTRUCTION
Appendage excavation on S Beverly Dr is anticipated to begin the second week of September.

TRAFFIC DETOUR INFORMATION
S Beverly Dr will be reduced to one lane in each direction at the Wilshire Bl intersection.

No left turns from Beverly Dr onto Wilshire Bl will be permitted during weekdays from 8:15pm to 7am.

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Judge Dismisses Fired Firefighter's Remaining Retaliation Claim



A judge has dismissed a retaliation claim that was the only remaining cause of action in a lawsuit filed by one current Beverly Hills firefighter and a former member of the department who both challenged the city's decisions in enforcing Los Angeles County's health care worker COVID-19 vaccination mandate.

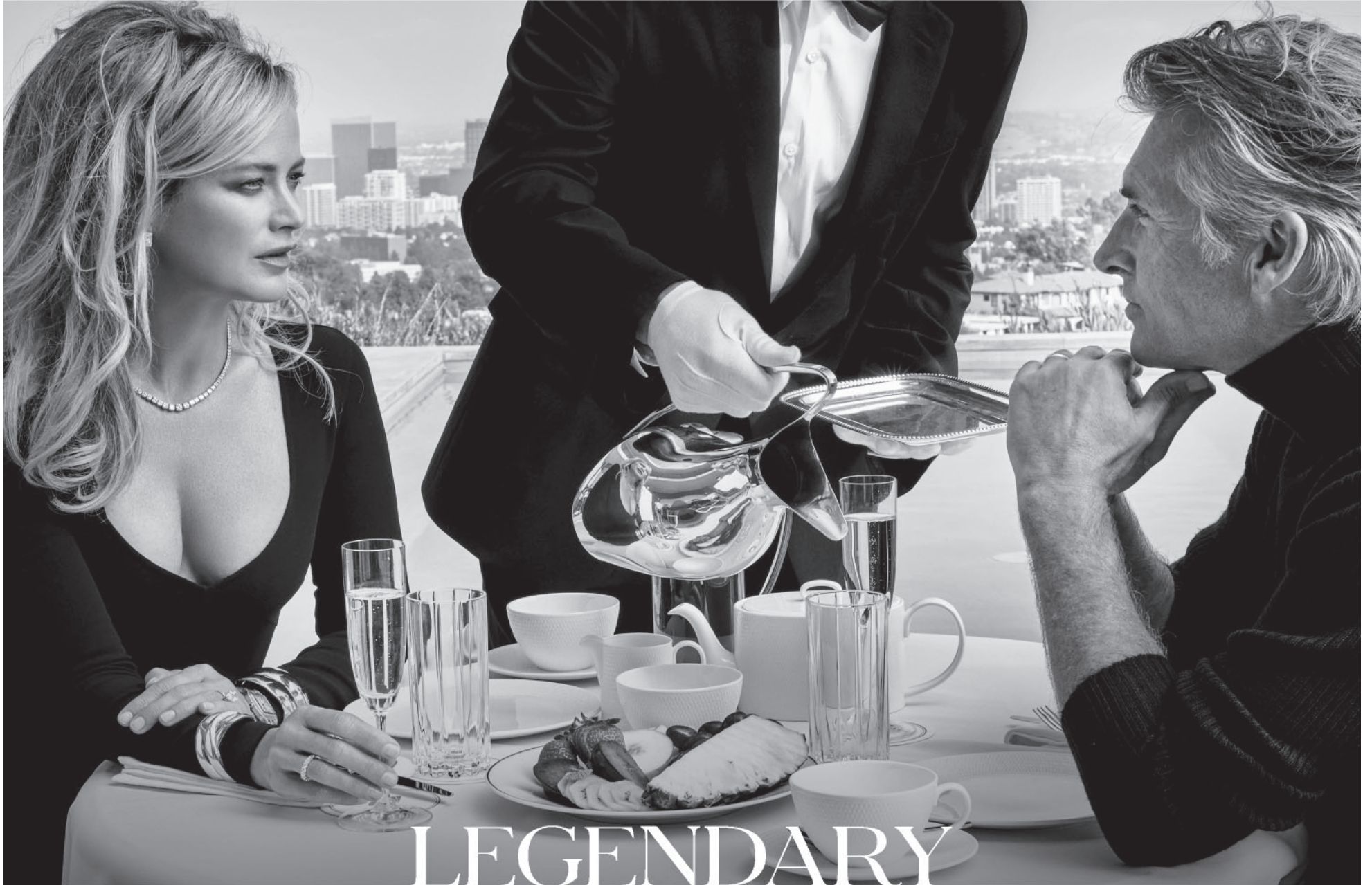
Plaintiffs Josh Sattley, who was fired for not getting vaccinated, and Ettore Berardinelli Jr., who was granted a religious exemption and is still with the department, sued the city of Beverly Hills, Los Angeles County and Beverly Hills City Councilman

John A. Mirisch.

On Sept. 19, Los Angeles Superior Court Judge Barbara M. Scheper granted the city's motion to dismiss Sattley's retaliation claim, the remaining cause of action in the complaint that she had pared in a separate ruling last December.

In her latest ruling, the judge found that Sattley had not used up his internal city grievance options before suing and that he did not present evidence supporting his claim that his termination was due to his social media criticism of the city's policies.

See **RETALIATION CLAIM**, page 13



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City's Next Night Street Fest Draws 5,000 Attendees



Photo courtesy city of Beverly Hills

NEXT NIGHT Street Festival gathered members of City Council and other leaders to S. Beverly Drive, on Sept. 23.

BY RYAN TOROK

On Sept. 23, the sixth annual NEXT NIGHT

Street Festival gathered an estimated 5,000 people for a joyous, bustling program featuring food trucks, arts-and-crafts, games,

live music, schmoozing and more.

The program was held from 4-9 p.m.

"This is just pure fun," NEXT NIGHT Chair Tiffany Davis told the Courier. "It's just about coming out together and having fun."

Every year, the city's NEXT NIGHT block party is hosted by the city of Beverly Hills in partnership with its Next Beverly Hills Committee, which is tasked with engaging the next generation of the city's residents through innovative initiatives.

This year, an array of kids-friendly attractions during the evening-long program included a rock-climbing wall, a face painter, a mini manicure station and Ferris wheel. Additionally, businesses along South Beverly Drive offered unique experiences and promotions throughout the late afternoon and evening. Allowing the little ones to explore their artistic sides, an activation with S. Beverly Drive's Color Me Mine allowed kids to paint tiles before having them fired in the kiln at the arts-and-crafts studio.

"Thank you to the Next Beverly Hills Committee for organizing another spectacular NEXT NIGHT out," Mayor Dr. Julian Gold said in a statement. "I love the fact that our next-generation leaders have created an event for the entire community—young,

older and everything in between. This was an opportunity for all of us to come to South Beverly Drive to celebrate our community."

The festival took place on the 200 block of S. Beverly Drive, prompting a full street closure between Charleville Drive and Gregory Way, from 6 p.m., Sept. 22, to 4 a.m., Sept. 24.

The event's headlining live act, the Legendary Wailers, performed beloved hits by late reggae singer Bob Marley, including "Stir it Up," "Is This Love" and "Three Little Birds." The uplifting, sing-along energy of the setlist's songs provided the perfect soundtrack to get the all-ages crowd boogying during the warm, end-of-summer evening.

Additional musical performers included The Tokens, the doo-wop group known for inescapable classics including "The Lion Sleeps Tonight." The band's drummer, Noah Margo, known throughout the Beverly Hills community for his role as president of the Beverly Hills Unified School District Board of Education, is equally impressive behind the drumkit.

DJ Keybo also spun feel-good tunes.

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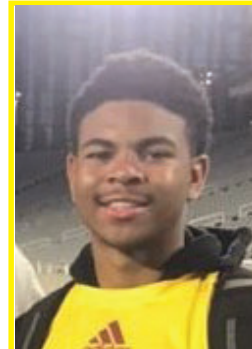
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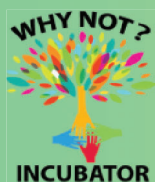


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Level 3 And Me: Testing the Autonomous Driving Mercedes-Benz

BY TARA WEINGARTEN

What if you could push a little button in your car that allowed you to take your eyes off the road long enough to watch a movie while safely threading through thick traffic on the Santa Monica Freeway? What would you do with your newfound time if the car you were “driving” didn’t require you to pay attention because your new wheels, in fact, have a virtual super-tech chauffeur?

I did just that last week. I hopped behind the wheel of a new electric Mercedes-Benz EQS, got onto the Santa Monica Freeway, activated a divine heated/massaging seat, and handed the driving power over to the car while I blithely watched a YouTube video about tulips in the Netherlands. I didn’t die, and I’m here to write about it.

We’ve all been experiencing various levels of autonomous driving in our own cars for decades. Cruise Control was the first piece of the puzzle. That technology now seems quaint compared to much more recent advances that allow vehicles to stay in step with traffic, change lanes, and park our cars, all without driver input. If you own a Tesla or another luxury car that offers these assisted driving features, you are familiar with these perks. But even they are somewhat passé, as these systems are under the umbrella of Level 2 autonomy and require that our hands remain on the steering wheel at all times and our eyes stay fixed to the road.

What I experienced in that Mercedes-Benz on the 10 Freeway—with my feet not touching the pedals, my hands not touching the steering wheel, and my eyes glued to a generously sized hi-res video screen (and not facing the windshield)—was the next step in what will one day have us completely riding as passengers in our own vehicles. Welcome to Level 3 autonomy, which promises, under the right conditions, hands-free and feet-free steering, braking and accelerating.

For now, Mercedes-Benz is the only car-maker authorized in the U.S. to sell Level 3 autonomous features on its passenger vehicles. By the end of this year, Mercedes will offer California and Nevada drivers its proprietary autonomous driving system it calls Drive Pilot. Just push a button on the steering wheel and the system takes over. You can now take your eyes off the road. Yikes!

Drive Pilot hardware will be optional equipment on the 2024 Mercedes EQS (electric) sedans and the S-Class (gas version sedans.) Other models may include the option next year. An annual \$2,500 subscription will activate Drive Pilot.

Of course, the program’s disclaimers are littered with caveats and warnings. But basically, under the right conditions—for now, this means that on certain California and Nevada freeways with clearly marked lane dividers, in dry and clear weather, and at speeds that are currently limited to 40 mph—the Mercedes-Benz will fully take over driving duties. You can read, watch a



Photos courtesy Mercedes-Benz

Autonomous Mercedes-Benz and the Drive Pilot activation button on the steering wheel

movie, or browse the internet in traffic. You can’t—like some Tesla owners who think otherwise and have met with doom—fall asleep or be otherwise out-of-it so as to not be ready to quickly resume driving responsibilities should an emergency or change in traffic/road conditions occur. At over 40 mph, the Level 2 system will engage, which requires a driver’s attention and hands on the steering wheel.

A camera mounted in the Mercedes video gauge cluster behind the steering wheel pays attention to eye movement and will notice if you nod off. In that case, the seat belt will vibrate and tug at you, bells will go off, and lights will flash. In other words, catnaps are a no-no.

Though Level 3 autonomy is new to the U.S., Mercedes-Benz has offered it as an option in Germany for about a year, with no deaths or accidents. A Mercedes spokesman declined to reveal how many vehicles on Germany’s highways are equipped with the technology.

As I rode along, passenger-like, in the driver’s seat of the Mercedes EQS in spotty traffic moving east approaching Downtown L.A., a Jeep in the lane to my left drifted uncomfortably close to my lane. I waited

for the Drive Pilot to sense it and move to the right or at least brake to let the Jeep move in front of me.

There was a car in the lane to my right, and my vehicle had little wiggle room. Luckily, the Jeep driver realized he was moving into my lane and corrected his steering. I don’t know what would have happened if the Jeep guy had not realized his mistake. I didn’t sense that the Mercedes braked or moved a bit more to the right in my lane, so...

And there was a second incident where I felt concerned. Traffic was now moving at around 60 mph, and so the car was operating in Level 2 capacity. My hands were on the steering wheel, but my feet were not on the pedals. Traffic ahead was slowing and I felt we were traveling too fast for the stopped traffic ahead.

I waited for the brakes to apply automatically, but it didn’t seem to be coming in time for me to not sweat it. A bit shy of panicking, I applied the brakes and overrode the assisted driving system. The Mercedes engineer sitting shotgun assured me that the car would have applied the brakes and all would have been fine, but for my comfort level, it was a bit too close for comfort.

Of course, it could be that I was hyper-aware. Or hyper-concerned. I mean, I was sitting in a moving vehicle with a video playing, the extraordinarily adept massaging seat doing its thing, and the car acting as boss tooling down a crowded freeway. Maybe those two moments in an otherwise uneventful drive through Los Angeles traffic were nothing to worry about because this cutting-edge technology works. I’m eager to try it again! ●



Tara Weingarten is an award-winning journalist who wrote a decade-long weekly car review column in Newsweek and was Editor-in-Chief of VroomGirls, a popular automotive-focused website for women. Her work covering food, wine, spirits and travel, has appeared in Fortune, The Los Angeles Times, The New York Times, Wine Spectator, Los Angeles Magazine, Variety and GQ.



Photo by Eric Licas

Mayor Dr. Julian Gold greets firefighters before his State of the City Address.

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Catering by Chef David Lefevre served a selection of food and beverages. They then moved up to the manicured, fountain-bedecked lawn, where video screens were set up for the formal program.

“This is an event that we’re extremely proud of because of the way it brings the community, business and government all together. This may be the luxury capital of the world, but everybody knows everybody here,” Chamber of Commerce President and CEO Todd Johnson told the Courier.

This year marked a milestone of sorts for the evening’s speaker, Mayor Dr. Julian Gold. He began his remarks by reflecting on this, his third term in office.

“People have said that the third time must be easier, after all you have so much more knowledge. Perhaps, but one needs wisdom also. The difference? Knowledge is knowing a tomato is a fruit; wisdom is not putting it in a fruit salad,” he said, drawing laughter.

After recognizing and thanking the city officials and other VIPs in attendance, Gold went on to highlight some of his accomplishments of the past six months. He also spoke frankly about the opportunities and challenges for the future.

“Generally, the city is doing very well,” Gold remarked. “The hard days of the pandemic seem in the distant past, thankfully. But we are still recovering and while things are better, my conversations with many of you suggest there is still a way to go to meet your revenue expectations. The same is true for the city. Our net revenues are approximately where they were in 2019 before the pandemic.”

He praised the work of the Chamber, noting that a dozen new restaurants and a number of new retail stores have opened in the city.

“We are seeing areas of the city, previously very quiet, becoming hubs for restaurants and night life. There are unparalleled investments by big brands with store redesigns-Chanel, Cartier, Rolex and Patek Philippe to name a few. Despite TikTok proclamations to the contrary, our commercial spaces are occupied and the few vacancies we have, are mostly in transition between businesses,” said Gold.

Public safety also made Gold’s topic list.

“I know we have described the advances by our Police Department several times in the last months. Today, I am pleased to report that recently we achieved full staffing at 145 sworn officers. Additionally, the Real Time Watch Center is up and running 24 hours a day and our drone is flying 12 hours a day across the entire city,” said Gold.

He addressed another topic on the minds of residents, and that is the unhoused. Gold noted that the council recently committed to a \$14 million appropriation over 10 years for the support of housing the homeless. The money will go toward 30 permanent supportive homes and 20 temporary housing sites annually.

“While none of the housing will be within Beverly Hills, all of it will be earmarked for those in our city identified as needing these services. I believe it is the right thing to do but there are also good legal reasons to do it. For instance, it allows us to enforce our laws which don’t allow camping in our parks. Being homeless is not illegal and the fact that housing is available doesn’t allow us to force anybody into it. But if someone chooses not to avail themselves of it, we can then enforce our laws,” said Gold.

Gold then spoke with pride about his initiative to develop a unified medical system for residents and visitors. At its core is the nurse practitioner program which operates within the fire department’s Emergency Medical Services (EMS). It was the one of the first in the country to be embedded into a Fire Department’s medical response model and has seen great success.

Gold pointed out, however, that industry-leading police and fire department programs such as these come at considerable cost.

“Today we spend nearly \$170 million on public safety alone. Our total general fund budget is about \$320 million; public safety is approximately half perhaps a little bit more. Based on a 4% annual inflation rate over the next five years, we will spend nearly \$30 million more in 5 years than we are spending today on public safety alone. This does not consider the opening of new subway stations and the impact on our public safety costs. That

nearly \$30 million is the minimum increase we will see. I am concerned about how we will afford this and maintain our current level of service,” he said.

He then lamented the loss of the Cheval Blanc Beverly Hills hotel project and its anticipated revenue stream. That revenue will have to be replaced from other sources, said Gold. For this reason, he has created the Mayor’s Blue-Ribbon Committee to understand what current spending is, what proposed future spending will be, and how best to pay for the things the city needs in the future.

Looking forward into that future, Gold spoke about the upcoming City Council election to fill his seat and that of Councilmember Lili Bosse.

“The choice of our replacements is critical as this next council will quickly need to take that financial blueprint and turn it into actionable programs which support city revenues. We cannot afford to lose the next Cheval Blanc. We need strong businesses which support the city’s economic well-being in order to sustain our current levels of service. For me, our next council must be unequivocally and strongly pro-growth. Anything less, jeopardizes our ability to provide world class services,” he stated.

As important as the need to keep revenues strong, so is the need for a strong electrical infrastructure. Gold has been upfront in his desire to protect the city from electric grid failure. To that end, he is working with a consultant to determine viable steps the city can take and will report more by year’s end.

Finally, he turned to a few community-facing initiatives implemented this term. One of them is the “Mayors’ Minutes” initiative, which highlights businesses large and small in the city. Similarly, his “Office Hours with Dr. Gold” program has enabled him to spend time in a sit and chat format with residents. The next installment takes place Oct. 12.

After that, it will be but a few short weeks until the holiday season kicks off. Gold made sure to put in a plug for the city’s programming.

“We have a wonderful holiday lighting ceremony planned with world class entertainment the night of November 16, of course on the world class Rodeo Drive. Food, entertainment, fireworks-Santa!! We hope to see you all there,” said Gold.

And, in an announcement sure to please pet-lovers, Gold also announced that the city has just been granted the “Pet Friendly City” award.

In closing, Gold noted, “Cities are organic, like people. The status quo doesn’t last very long. Circumstances change. The best cities are those which anticipate change, prepare for it, remain resilient and then adapt to the new realities. Even then, life can throw a curve ball. Covid for instance.

He added, “As Martin Luther King Jr. said, ‘All progress is precarious, and the solution of one problem brings us face to face with another problem. We are doing very well as a city, but we must recognize that there are problems to solve. Which will likely bring other problems to solve. That is ok. That’s life. We will meet that challenge - Beverly Hills always does.’” ●

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Correction:

An article appearing in the Courier’s Sept. 22 issue stated that the Architectural Commission unanimously approved a project at 413 Rodeo. The actual vote was 4-1, with strong disagreement from Commissioner Rebecca Pynoos. The Courier regrets the error.



Demeter with her family

MYRA DEMETER, from page 1

“My family has benefitted from our exceptional police department, emergency medical services, and public schools” said Demeter. “I am running to be a voice for our residents to maintain our quality of life and world-class services as Beverly Hills enters a period of immense change, external pressures and opportunities.”

For Demeter, ensuring high-quality public safety is paramount. She seeks to ensure the police department is equipped to meet both the challenges of today—including

a spike in high-profile burglaries and antisemitic crime—as well as of tomorrow, such as two soon-to-open metro lines.

In doing so, Demeter plans on drawing on her experience as a member of BHPD’s Citizen Police Academy, as block captain of her Neighborhood Watch/Just in Case programs and as a former Health and Safety Commissioner.

“We need to engage with a metro system that has recently witnessed increased violent crime, homelessness and public drug use,” she said. “The knowledge I gained from two

terms on the Health and Safety Commission gives me insight and practical ideas to meet this challenge.”

She also seeks to foster a close relationship between residents and the BHPD and continue to equip the department with the latest in law enforcement technology.

“My family and friends in Beverly Hills have personally felt the steep rise in crime and antisemitism,” said Sam Yebri, co-founder and former President of 30 Years After. “We need leaders like Myra who are committed to ensuring the safety of every family, school, and house of worship.”

Beyond public safety, Demeter’s top priorities include ensuring responsible development and revitalizing commercial corridors.

She recognizes the steep challenge the city faces as it struggles to come into compliance with the state’s challenging housing mandates.

State law requires that the city enact new policies and zoning to create capacity for over 3,000 additional units, or risk losing local zoning control over some housing developments.

“The state has yet to approve Beverly Hills’ plan which could mean forfeiting the city’s ability to approve or deny certain projects,” she said. “I will use my experience on the Planning Commission to lead us out of this mess.”

Demeter has also been troubled by a recent trend in resident serving retailers either closing down or exiting the

community. She recognizes the vital role the business community plays in providing exciting and useful amenities for residents as well as in generating tax revenue to fund city services.

She pledges to encourage neighborhood and resident serving retail in the business triangle, and throughout the city, in addition to enacting policies that promote walkability and alleviate traffic.

Demeter also promises to continue to keep a close eye on the school district, which as an educator by trade and former ten-year member of the BHUSD Board of Education, has a special place in her heart. She holds a Ph.D. and master’s degree in education from New York University and a bachelor’s degree in literature and languages from Bennington College.

In shaping her priorities and planning her campaign, Demeter has invested significant time in meeting with residents and gathering their perspectives.

“I’ve met with hundreds of community members—our residents and businesses—to listen to and understand their current concerns and hopes for the future,” she said. “My nearly three-decade record of service to Beverly Hills residents and my skills as an investigator allow me to best represent our community’s interests and serve as their voice as our City Council navigates unprecedented challenges.” ●

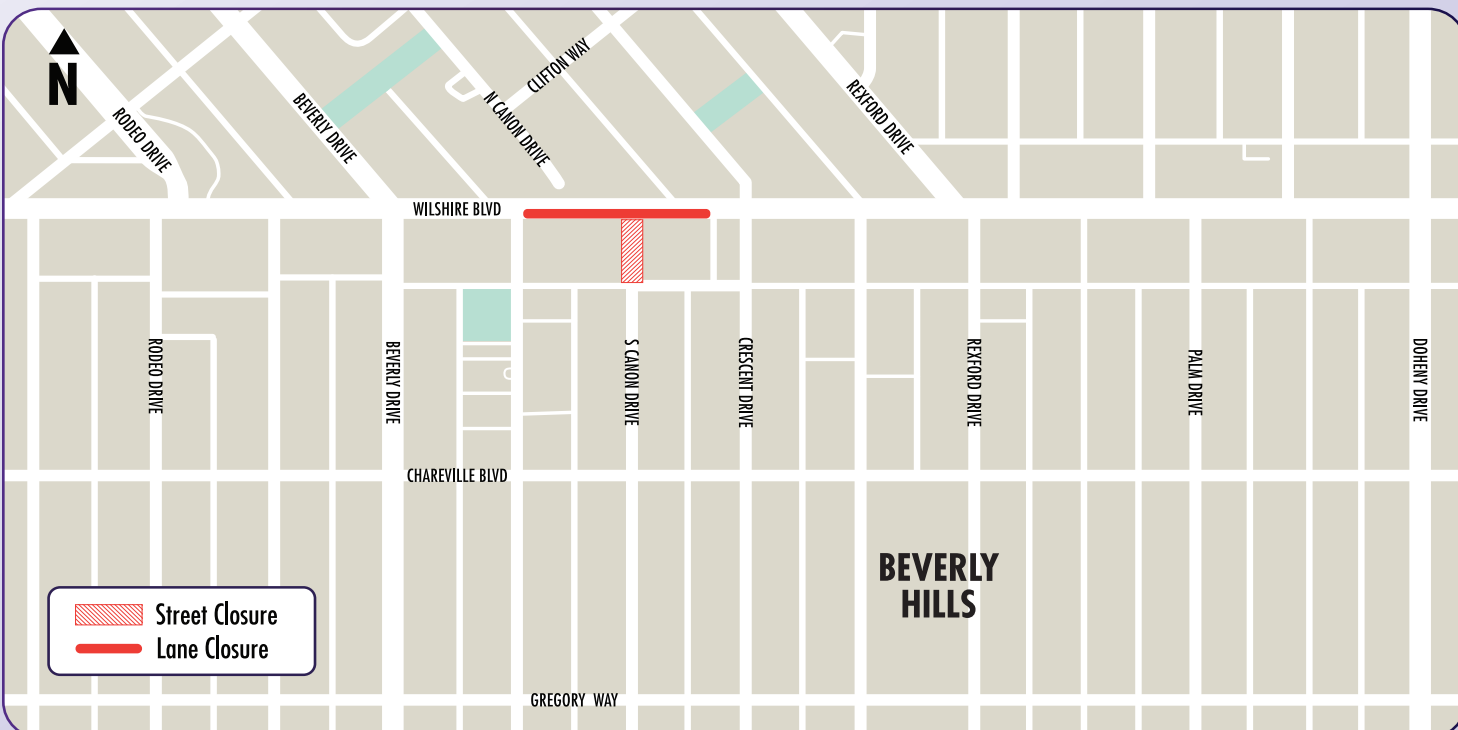


TRAFFIC ADVISORY

Weekend piling and decking work on S Canon Dr. will begin on Friday, October 6th through Monday, October 9th. S Canon Dr. at Wilshire Blvd. will be **CLOSED** to through traffic. Access to S Canon Dr. will be available from Charleville Blvd. Detour signs will be in place.

Work Hours: 8 p.m. Friday to 7 a.m. Monday, occurring over five consecutive weekends until late October.

For any questions, please contact the 24/7 Metro Project Hotline at (213) 922-6934.





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(L-R) Husband and wife Franco Duran and Officer Berlynn Duran, Police Chief Mark Stainbrook, Franco's brother Addison Gallardo as well as their parents, Oscar and Monique Medina, pose for a photo during the Beverly Hills Police Officers Association Gala.

PUBLIC SERVICE HONORED, from page 1

"Well, that was my job," Newman said. "I know every officer would have done the same."

Newman's heroic actions were publicly lauded on the evening of Sept. 27. He was among 15 officers, two civilian employees and one community member honored during the Beverly Hills Police Gala at the Waldorf Astoria Beverly Hills. All were recognized for their life-saving actions in the line of duty or ongoing commitment to serving the public.

Mayor Dr. Julian Gold, Vice Mayor Lester Friedman, Councilmembers Lili Bosse and Sharona Nazarian as well as City Manager Nancy Hunt-Coffey were among those attending the fundraising event. They were joined by Fire Chief Greg Barton and Deputy Chief Alfred Poirier. And Beverly Hills Parent Teacher Association Council Co-President Rose Kaiserman (a member of the Courier's Advisory Board) was also on hand as the recipient of this year's Gabriel A. Coyoca award for her support of the police department.

The crowd of several hundred mingled while enjoying signature bites from the Espelette restaurant in an indoor-outdoor setting. Everyone gathered inside when it was time for the program to begin.

"I want to thank the City Council," BHPD Chief Mark Stainbrook said in his opening remarks. "It starts with them, their policies and their funding of the department. And to our officers and professional staff, thank you. I'm so proud of you. My whole job is to support you and you have my commitment to do that every day."

The Lifesaving Medal was awarded to Sgt. Newman and 12 other recipients. The commendation recognizes actions that directly prevented the loss of life.

Additional honorees included Officer Billy Blair and Detective Marcus Moloznik. They were part of a SWAT team that had been tasked with finding someone who had broken into a home in the flats and barricaded himself inside in 2021.

The officers heard glass and porcelain breaking, then found the man bleeding on the floor of a bathroom after apparently cutting his own arms and neck. The two of them applied a tourniquet and packed the man's wounds, stabilizing him until paramedics arrived.

Blair, as well as officers Andrew Bromley, Jesse Lyga, Joshua Serranon and Sgt. Ryan Dolan, also worked together to prevent an attempted suicide from turning fatal in 2022. They responded to a home where a man was found hanging from a rope around his neck. Officers immediately cut the man loose and performed emergency first-aid before paramedics arrived to take him to a hospital.

"Frankly, if we had opened that door 60 seconds later, it would have been a different outcome that day," Blair, a trained medic, said.

Dispatcher Selina Agunoy helped a mother save the life of a two-year-old who had stopped breathing in 2021. She coached the distressed parent as she administered CPR, successfully returning her child to consciousness.

The friend of a woman who had overdosed after ingesting methamphetamine and fentanyl was shaking and appeared to be on the verge of tears when officers Berlynn Duran and Joseph Carrott responded to his apartment late one evening two years ago.

"She was in the living room, on the couch," Duran said. "She was completely pale, blue lips, obviously not breathing."

Duran and Carrott used two doses of the overdose reversal drug Narcan and CPR to pull the patient back from the brink of death. The woman made a "complete 180," and was alert enough to speak with paramedics as they took her to a hospital, Duran said.

Gold capped off the evening with a sentiment no doubt felt by everyone in the room.

"For everything you do, for every day you serve, for every time you're out there making the hard decisions, protecting our residents, we are grateful," he said. "Thank you." ●



(L-R) Beverly Hills City Councilmembers Sharona Nazarian and Lili Bosse, Mayor Dr. Julian Gold and Vice Mayor Lester Friedman address attendees at the gala.



Chief Mark Stainbrook (R) hands the lifesaving award to Sgt. Jeffrey Newman (L). Newman helped save the life of a man trapped in a burning building on April 30, 2022.



Police Capt. Max Subin (L) and Deputy Fire Chief Alfred Poirier mingle during the Beverly Hills Police Officers Association Gala.

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Astrology

BY HOLIDAY MATIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). You want to make a memory for someone dear, and you'll achieve this. Note that for an event to be a memory, it helps if it is different from anything that comes before or after it.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). A mystery lingers. Logic will only take you so far. Art will get your mind going in the right direction to glue together the pieces and either solve the mystery or come to terms with its perplexity.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). You are so used to taking care of the others around you that you may lose track of your own needs. What do you do when you're anxious? Let that clue lead you to better understand and care for yourself.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). You slip into solving mode. Group problems are the complex ones with many varying opinions about what's best for all. You'll compromise to satisfy, and it's worth it because it allows you to move on.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). It's not your

responsibility to give everyone the sense of completion they want, but if you can do it, you will. It could be through closure, letting go, starting new or all of the above. You'll put your whole heart into it.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). The value of gold is measured in pounds, while the value of words is measured in the emotional weight they deliver. Pause to think about how your expression might be received, especially if you're going to put it in writing.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). Your gratitude practice is bringing blessings to your door. Focus as wide as you can. There may be some distortion around the edges, but your broader view of the possibilities is more important than accuracy today.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Some people's serious drive to win turns every game into war. You want to win by lifting and loving. You turn every game into an opportunity to learn and play with others.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21). The world was built by people who were not so different from you -- people who contributed their ideas

and added to the ideas of others. People who kept putting resources behind the thought. Take heart and continue.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). It will play out just how you prefer, the mood upbeat, the activities off-beat. The direction things take is a trajectory of the sunshine you are beaming from your heart. Friends bask in it.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). Don't

overthink your place or your plans. Consider that maybe nothing about you needs to change at all. Just by doing the next right thing, you'll favorably impact the world.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). Someone feels free to be themselves around you, so you'll know a wider range of the good and the bad, including hidden qualities, habits and behaviors others would hide from the less astute.



This week's eligible dog for adoption is Fez. He's an 11-year-old, 20-pound shih tzu and needs a new home. If interested in this very sweet boy, please contact Shelter of Hope at 805-379-3538.

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TREE CUTTING CASE, from page 4

In July, Los Angeles Superior Court Judge James C. Chalfant issued a preliminary injunction preventing the city from removing any more Ficus trees while the case is pending. The city had already removed some 50 trees before the suit was filed on March 29.

Plaintiffs' attorney Jamie T. Hall told the Courier that his clients were encouraged by the injunction.

The city, however, was less pleased.

"The city strongly disagrees with the preliminary injunction issued in July to stop removal of the trees," City Attorney Laurence Wiener told the Courier on Sept. 28.

The extension of the trial setting date allows the two parties more time to reach a potential settlement. Ideally, the plaintiffs would like to see the city agree to preserve the Ficus trees and pursue alternative sidewalk repair methods such as root pruning, Hall has told the Courier.

Wiener, however, did not express great optimism in reaching an agreement in the next two months, noting that "to date negotiations have not been successful."

The city seeks to move forward with its initial plan to remove the trees, perform the necessary sidewalk repairs and replant crape myrtles and Mexican fan palms. The city prefers these trees to Ficuses as their roots are less likely to cause future sidewalk damage.

The plaintiffs argue that these alternative trees do not provide equivalent environmental benefits as the mature shady Ficus trees, which are around 60 years old.

Weiner told the Courier that it is important to note that in early August, the city proactively decided to prepare an Environmental Impact Report (EIR) because the city believes the EIR is the most expedient method to bring the matter to a conclusion. ●

BHUSD, from page 1

in the aftermath of the pandemic.

These strategies include better collection and sharing of behavioral incident data, greater clarity around behavioral expectations and consequences, new wellness centers at elementary schools, increased parent engagement and in-school alternatives to suspensions.

These new recommendations were produced by BHUSD's Behavior and Accountability Advisory Panel, which was formed at the end of last academic year at the behest of Superintendent Dr. Michael Bregy.

The panel spent the summer engaging with stakeholders and developing new approaches to student behavioral issues and discipline. They presented an update on the strategies already implemented and those still in development to the Board of Education on Sept. 26.

For the most part, School Board members were grateful for the hard work of the panel and excited to see their ideas implemented.

"You brought the parent perspective, the administrative perspective and the community perspective all together, so I commend you for making that happen and I am excited to hear about the next steps," said Board Member Judy Manouchehri.

Board President Noah Margo also thanked the panel for its work, but expressed frustration that the district is now burdened with the additional responsibility of "parenting," which he believes distracts from its core mission of educating.

The newly implemented strategies include a standardized system for recording behavior incidents—such as bullying, fighting rude comments, plagiarism, absences, cheating, etc.—and regularly sharing data with parents.

"This won't be the noise that you're hearing in chat rooms, people speculating about what they heard," said Bregy addressing parents. "We are going to share with you important actual data, because our parents said to us over and over again, 'If you have a problem that's happening in our schools, we have to know about it.'"

By standardizing the recording procedure, the district also seeks to make it easier for administrators to pull student behavior records and identify any trends in behavioral problems.

In addition, the district is working to provide greater clarity around behavioral expectations and consequences for breaking those expectations.

To that end a "BHUSD behaviors and

response" matrix is currently being developed that classify incidents as level 1, level 2 and level 3.

A level 1 incident, such as a rude comment to a fellow student, will be addressed by the classroom teacher with potential responses including a meeting with parents, a written reflection exercise or a classroom detention.

Level 2 incidents are more serious actions such as plagiarism, which require an administrative response such as community service, a school counselor referral or an alternative to suspension agreement.

Level 3 incidents are the most serious of all, such as selling an illegal substance or severe bullying, and will be responded to at an administrative level with actions including suspension, expulsion or law enforcement involvement.

The district is also piloting a new "alternatives to suspension program" at Beverly Vista Middle School, whereby students aren't sent home for bad behavior—which can sometimes be a student's desired outcome—but are kept at school with an adjusted schedule that includes time for social emotional learning and working with a counselor.

The goal is to use this as an opportunity to address the root cause of students' bad behavior and ensure it doesn't happen again. It may be expanded to other schools in the future.

Another strategy in progress is the opening of wellness aid centers at elementary schools to support young students' mental health and emotional needs. Mental health services are already widely available at the middle and high school level.

"It's very prudent to look at the fact that mental health goes hand in hand with matters of discipline," said Board Member Rachelle Marcus. "As we know, since the pandemic we've had an acute increase in mental health difficulties with anxiety, depression, and things like that."

One additional panel recommendation that was not implemented is the hiring of a new "parent liaison" staff position to work with the district and parents to address behavioral problems and provide referrals to services such as family counseling or substance abuse help.

The panel recommended hiring panel member Ellie Samadi with a \$77,000 salary for this position. Board President Noah Margo made a motion to table the item and vote on it at a future meeting. ●

RETALIATION CLAIM, from page 4

Sattley's lawyers argued in their court papers that their client's social media posts challenging the city's COVID policies were "protected activity" because the messages involved some degree of opposition to or protest of employer conduct or practices he believed were unlawful.

In her earlier ruling, the judge dismissed Berardinelli's and Sattley's claims against the city for declaratory relief and both religious and disability discrimination. "Here, plaintiffs have failed to allege requisite facts regarding the belief held by Sattley that conflicted with mandatory COVID vaccination," Scheper wrote.

The judge previously dismissed the county and Mirisch as defendants.

Dr. Muntu Davis, the county's health officer, issued an order in August 2021 requiring all health care workers in Los Angeles County

get a COVID-19 vaccine, including firefighters. While some employers have recognized requests for religious and medical exemptions, Beverly Hills wanted universal vaccination, according to the suit. "It subjected firefighters who requested a religious exemption, like Mr. Sattley and Mr. Berardinelli, to cross-examination designed to undermine their credibility and to pressure them, under threat of prosecution, to give up their religious freedom and get the shot," the suit stated.

Although Berardinelli received a religious exemption that was extended in the fall of 2021, he has been under constant review by the city and subjected to retaliation, including being reassigned to a different job that receives fewer calls, the suit alleged. Berardinelli recovered from a COVID-19 infection and believes he has natural immunity, the suit stated.

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PETER OSTROFF, from page 4

Beverly Hills program and the Citizens Police Academy and has resided in Beverly Hills for more than four decades.

"I feel enormously privileged to have the opportunity to write periodic columns about Beverly City events and issues for the Beverly Hills Courier," said Ostroff.

"Service on the Planning Commission, among other things, provides a unique observation point from which to learn about issues that are most important to our residents and the operations of the city government and city services. During the course of this service, I

have learned a great deal about both the city government and its structure and departments and about our residents. Spoiler alert: all are pretty good but none are perfect," said Ostroff.

He added, "My approach up to now has been, 'See Something, Do Something.' Now the 'Do Something' component will include informing my fellow residents of issues that I believe they should be aware of."

Ostroff's columns will appear on an ongoing basis in the Courier. He welcomes suggestions for topics and can be reached at 310-488-9884 or via email at petero@ostroff.la. ●

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Police Chief Mark Stainbrook and community members at NEXT Night

NEXT NIGHT, from page 6

NEXT NIGHT was conceived by Gold during his previous stint as the city's mayor in 2015. The street festival's inaugural event was held in 2016. COVID-19-related challenges prompted a two-year hiatus in 2020 and 2021.

"This is his baby," Davis said, describing the close association between the current mayor and NEXT NIGHT.

Unfortunately, there was one disturbing incident during the event. According to Beverly Hills Police Department (BHPD) Public Information Officer Lt. Reginald Evans, Daniel Luke Cardenas, 43, of Los Angeles, was arrested by BHPD for "holding a sign with a swastika on it while yelling at families with children present, instigating a fight."

Cardenas was arrested on two separate disturbing the peace charges. He was booked

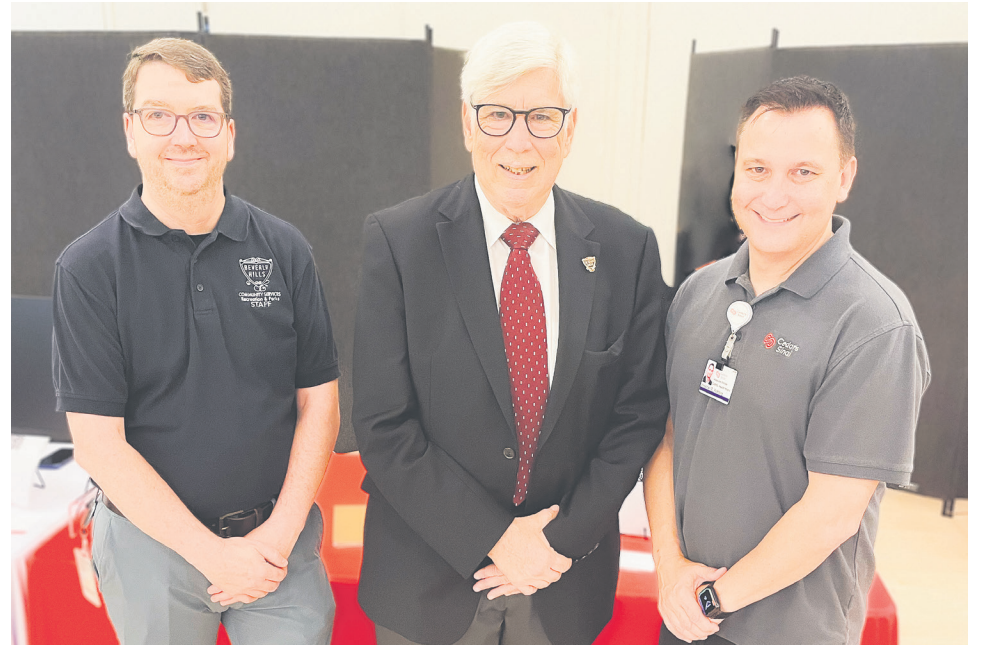
into the BHPD jail and later released with a citation. Video circulating on social media showed him holding up the sign while standing amidst the crowd by the event's main stage while one of the bands was performing.

While the Next Beverly Hills Committee was launched to address the lifestyle, economic and civic needs of those in their 20s, 30s and 40s, the committee's members have been pleased to see how its marquee event appeals to families with small children.

"Next Night was a great success again this year bringing all parts of our community together," Noah Etessami, Chair of Next BH Committee told the Courier.

They hope to expand the event in the future, to perhaps add an additional block of street space while continuing to provide the community with a wholesome evening of feel-good entertainment and programming.

Senior Health Fair Held at Roxbury Park



The city of Beverly Hills and its Community Services Department, in partnership with Cedars-Sinai Medical Center, hosted the annual Senior Health Fair on Sept. 18 at Roxbury Park Community Center. Hundreds of seniors were provided free access to health screenings, including a wellness assessment, blood pressure and cardiovascular check, nutrition assessment, flu immunization and registration, osteoporosis screening and more. Additionally, seniors had the opportunity to explore various support services from over 35 information booths. Pictured (from left): Matthew Brown, City of Beverly Hills Recreation Services Manager, Mayor Dr. Julian Gold and Jonathan Vickburg, LMFT, Associate Director, Community Health Improvement, Cedars-Sinai Medical Center



Courtesy city of Beverly Hills

NEXT NIGHT Street Festival attractions included live music, a Ferris wheel and more.



Photo by Nina Prommer

Beverly Hills resident Donelle Dadigan (Co-Founder/President of the José Iturbi Foundation) and The José Iturbi Foundation hosted an event celebrating the release of the coffee table book, "From Hollywood To The World: The Rediscovered Recordings by Pianist and Conductor José Iturbi," and Hispanic Heritage Month. The event took place at The Hollywood Museum, whose founder and president is also Dadigan. Pictured (from left): Leonard Maltin, Charles Fox, Diane Warren, Dadigan, Michael Feinstein, Ruta Lee and Allan Rich

TOO TOXIC TO TRASH

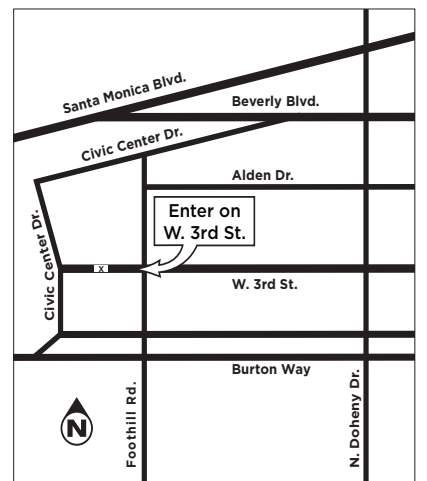
Household Hazardous Waste & Electronic Waste Drive-Thru Collection Event

Saturday,
September 30, 2023
9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Beverly Hills City Streets
West 3rd Street between
Foothill Road & Civic Center Drive
Beverly Hills

For more information or an event schedule, call (800) 238-0173, or visit: www.CleanLA.com, or www.lacsd.org/HHW

Old paint. Solvents. Batteries. Computer monitors. These are some of the household hazardous waste and electronic waste items you can bring to a Roundup for recycling. It's a great opportunity to clean out your garage and clean up the environment. Our free drive-thru, drop-off events are a quick, convenient, and common-sense way to dispose of materials too toxic to trash, pour down a sink, or dump in a storm drain.



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Home-generated sharps waste such as hypodermic needles, pen needles, syringes, lancets, and intravenous needles **SHOULD NOT** be placed in your trash. Bring them to the Roundups or visit www.CLEANLA.com for alternate disposal options.

You can also take your used motor oil to more than 600 oil recycling centers in Los Angeles County. Call 1(888) CLEAN-LA for a complete listing.

Northwest Passage



Photos by Larry Swanson

Tundra overlooking the Kangia Icefjord of Greenland

BY NEELY SWANSON

My husband and I do not consider ourselves adventure travelers. Give me a stroll down the Boulevard Saint Michel and I'm a happy camper. But a trip to Antarctica several years ago whetted our appetites for more challenging exploration and when we learned about the Northwest Passage, we were determined to go, finally able to schedule it for 2023. Because of ice conditions, the optimal sailing season is about 12 weeks, from July through September.

The Northwest Passage has an allure that has captivated travelers and explorers for hundreds of years. Captain Cook approached the Passage from the west in 1776, making one wrong turn after another and never quite got past what we now know as the Bering Strait. Recognizing the value of a shorter passage across North America, the British continued to fund expeditions, the most famous of which was in 1845, led by Sir John Franklin, a marginally qualified, underfunded and poorly prepared naval officer. Full speed ahead in two ill-suited ships, he made it farther than most before disappearing. His ships became mired in ice and eventually all crew died of a combination of scurvy, starvation, exposure and, as it turns out, lead poisoning from their canned goods. After his disappearance, rewards offered by the government and the tabloid press attracted a massive search. Although most of the buccaneers

who followed in pursuit died, the end result was a more complete map of the waterways of the Northwest Passage. It wasn't until many years later, in 1906, that Norwegian explorer Roald Amundsen triumphed in traversing the passage. Amundsen, with a small ship and a crew of six, often having to winter over when his ship became ice-bound, interacted with the native Inuit, something the Brits refused to do. From them he learned how to survive the winters and how dogs could be used to traverse the ice (a technique he would use successfully in becoming the first to land at the South Pole). Cruising the Northwest Passage in luxury is a very recent phenomenon.

Our trip began in Reykjavik, Iceland, a truly charming and interesting location offering tectonic plates, massive fjords and glaciers, geysers and beautiful waterfalls. From there, we flew to Kangerlussuaq, Greenland to board our ship, the Seabourn Venture. Kangerlussuaq, a desolate spot on the sea, did, however, give us an introduction to the kinds of glaciers we would see throughout the cruise. So much of this very brown landscape was created by the silt deposited by the glaciers pulled by gravity inexorably to the sea.

Our first port stop was in Sisimiut, 24 miles north of the Arctic Circle. That it is the second largest city, 5,600, gives you an idea of the sparse population spread out over 836,300 miles, 80% of which is ice. We toured the village with its colorful

buildings, each color signifying a specific purpose: Blue—fishing; Grey—community government; Yellow—schools; and Red—historic preservation. It rained incessantly and foolishly forgoing our “wet” wear, the protective overpants worn for landings, we returned soaked to the gills. Luckily each stateroom had a “warming” closet equipped with a high-powered towel warmer where we could hang our clothes and set our shoes out to dry.

Our next stop, and in retrospect my favorite, was Ilulissat, located on a fjord. It has been populated for 4,000 years, but the story of the Inuit migration from Siberia over millennia is another story entirely. It is not coincidental that Ilulissat in Greenlandic

means iceberg because it is home to the Jakobshavn Glacier that produces 10% of all the Greenlandic icebergs. Learning from our previous mistake, this time we layered up properly.

One enters Ilulissat through the mandible of a whale, much like a bower greeting the many passengers that stop there. The smell of fish permeates the air where halibut and turbot are the big exports. Walking south to the Ice Fjord Center, an undulating building nestled into the hillside, we climbed up the roof for our first view of the fjord's icebergs. A long wooden boardwalk leads most of the way down to the Kangia icefjord through yellow tundra speckled with tiny red flowers. The sheer expanse of the icebergs,



Whiskered Seal in Johannesen Bay on the south coast of Victoria Island



Karrat Fjord Iceberg

riddled with fissures and literally sculpted into unearthly shapes, is breathtaking. Later that afternoon we returned for a boat tour. Zipping around the icebergs, the captain asked if we'd like to see whales. There's only one answer to that question and we began to follow the gulls that flew overhead, a sure sign of the presence of whales who are a harbinger of fish. We soon found ourselves in the midst of an area brimming with humpbacks playing, flapping their white flippers, and waving their tails as they pec slapped mere feet from the tiny trawler. The Karrat Fjord was our final Greenlandic excursion where we sailed between two glacier land masses that are over 150 million years old.

Crossing Baffin Bay to the Nunavut Territories and the Canadian Arctic Archipelago, we left Greenland, arriving in Pond Inlet, an Inuit village with no visible source of income. Although the waters are rich with Arctic char and cod, the fish are not exported globally like they are from other Nunavut villages. There is a modest industry of hunting and fishing tourism for the polar bears and caribou that populate the hills. This is a very isolated and private area where photography of residents is restricted and, in some cases, forbidden, something that is probably true of all Inuit cultures and villages.

On Philpots Island, we toured the icebergs and shore by Zodiac. Our guide gave us a lesson in global warming, explaining that as the ice cap increasingly melts each year, so do the water level and temperature rise. That afternoon, climbing on land, we saw several walrus as we explored the tundra and rocky hills that yielded great views of the surrounding islands.

Croker Bay, a fjord on the south coast of Devon Island, was where we had our first polar bear sighting. Looking forward to the Zodiac ride that would follow the bear along his shoreline excursion, we had to keep a considerable distance from land. These lumbering creatures are surprisingly agile, fast, graceful and capable of swimming swiftly for prey. And that's what we were in our Zodiac—the bottom half of an Eskimo Pie.

Next stop was Beechey Island, famous for its role in the Franklin expedition. It was here that the graves of several seamen from his ill-fated trip were buried, headstones marking the graves. Recent exhumation revealed a great deal about their lives, cut short, as suspected, by the aforementioned scurvy, starvation, lead poisoning and exposure. It's difficult walking terrain with no growth, just rocks, shiny pebbles and some ancient coral reef riddled with lichen but worth it for the views of its yellow-gray buttes reminiscent of Arizona's Monument Valley: sheer cliffs of rock slabs with pebble slides cutting through them.

The first of several days at sea began promisingly enough with a pod of bowhead whales recognized by their spouting. But that's all we got, blows. Truly they were teasing us because they put on a water spray show worthy of the Bellagio Hotel.

Continuing around the Nunavut Territory on our way through Coningham Bay on Prince of Wales Island, we are delighted to see three polar bears—a mother on land and two cubs frolicking in the water. Clearly, mom was looking for some quiet time away from the kids who would be staying by her side for three years. Farther to the left, three more adult bears appeared. The afternoon Zodiac ride was very eventful as we got an up close and personal view of even more bears.

After another day at sea and the endless blue of the water, we landed in Cambridge Bay, population 2,000, the largest of the Inuit towns we would visit. It was here that Roald Amundsen's historic ship, the Maud, ended up. Bought by the Hudson Bay Company in 1925, the Maud sank in the harbor and was left in the mud for almost 100 years. Recently a small band of Norwegian "tourists" rescued it and brought it back to Norway for restoration. The smart bet is that it never returns to Canadian shores. The highlight of Cambridge Bay was the recently completed Canadian Arctic Research Center, a scientific center that conducts research on all plant and animal life in the polar regions. It was also here in the bay that the Martin Bergmann, the ship used



Humpback Whale with gulls overhead

by the Arctic Research Foundation (ARF), was docked. The ARF recently discovered the long-lost "Terror," one of the two ships in Franklin's ill-fated attempt to cross the passage. Ironically, the "Terror" was found beneath Terror Bay. Had anyone asked the Inuits in the region, they'd have found the ships long ago. Had Franklin asked their advice, he might have lived.

Continuing along the shore of Victoria Island, we visited Johansen Bay by Zodiac. Overcast and cold, we were treated to the sight of two whiskered seals frolicking in the choppy water. The rock strata on shore were magnificent, manifesting many colors. As the weather became more threatening, our Zodiac guide booked it back to the ship. The afternoon was spent on Edinburgh Island where the flora and lichen were exceptionally bright and, like Johansen Bay, the rock strata exhibited many colors. An ambitious group of hikers working their way up the hill spotted a grizzly bear in the distance.

A dense fog settled in preventing us from seeing the famous Smoking Hills, a natural phenomenon caused by sulfuric ponds and smoking rocks. The fog lasted several days, a monotonous gray over choppy waves. Finally, on the morning of September 14, close to the end of the tour, we opened our curtains to find sun and a horizon in view; even better, a sea of small ice, more cubes than floes, appeared, making it more scenic for those hardy souls to take the polar plunge scheduled for later in the day. Hardy, in this case, is a euphemism for anyone crazy enough to jump into 31-degree water primed only with a shot of vodka and an awaiting sauna several decks up. It would turn out

that it was even too cold to watch from our balcony.

This day was magical for reasons other than watching people jump into ice cold water. We were soon treated to the sight of families of walrus lined up on the ice floes, visible to the naked eye but better seen through binoculars. Their large brown bodies looked like fat blobs on the ice; groups huddled together keeping warm 100 miles from shore. The ship was able to maneuver silently toward them to give us a better look. A polar bear eventually popped into view, necessitating a move and delay of the polar plunge. Later that evening, a pod of gray whales was spotted off the bow. Although it was 10:15 p.m., they could still be seen spouting and occasionally tail slapping.

The next day, we spotted a couple of humpback whales. That evening we left the drapes open, hoping for the Northern Lights, nirvana for Arctic travelers. Roused from a sound sleep at 1 a.m., the hoped-for announcement came that the Northern Lights could be spotted. Groggily rising from bed and throwing on a robe and slippers, we ventured out on our veranda where above, a green haze filled the sky.

Looking back on this 3-week journey, all things promised came to pass. We saw whales, walrus, seals, polar bears, magnificent land formations, historical sites and peoples, cultural education and even the Northern Lights. The experience of passing where so many tried and failed throughout history is extraordinary. So is the realization that what we experienced is not only irreplaceable, but also disappearing fast. ●



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.

Police Blotter

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



9/19/2023, 1 p.m. at SUNSET BOULEVARD / MOUNTAIN DRIVE
 9/18/2023, 4 p.m. at 300 Block of S. REXFORD DRIVE
 9/14/2023, 7 p.m. at 300 Block of S. DOHENY DRIVE
 9/14/2023, 5 p.m. at 9500 Block of BRIGHTON WAY

THEFT - PETTY

9/26/2023, 9:50 a.m. at 400 Block of N. BEVERLY DRIVE
 9/25/2023, 11:10 a.m. at 300 Block of N. CRESCENT DRIVE
 9/24/2023, 12:40 p.m. at 9000 Block of WILSHIRE BLVD.
 9/20/2023, 9 a.m. at 100 Block of N. ROBERTSON BLVD.
 9/19/2023, 8:06 a.m. at 400 Block of N. BEVERLY DRIVE

9/17/2023, 2:42 p.m. at 9800 Block of S. SANTA MONICA BLVD.

9/15/2023, 9:50 a.m. at 300 Block of N. CANON DRIVE

9/14/2023, 9:25 p.m. at 300 Block of N. CANON DRIVE

9/13/2023, 6:22 p.m. at 200 Block of S. DOHENY DRIVE

9/13/2023, 6:20 a.m. at N. PALM DRIVE / WILSHIRE BOULEVARD

THEFT - PETTY (FROM VEHICLE)

9/15/2023, 5 p.m. at 200 Block of REEVES DRIVE

VANDALISM

9/18/2023, 2 p.m. at 400 Block of N. PALM DRIVE

9/16/2023, 5 p.m. at 700 Block of N. CAMDEN DRIVE

9/16/2023, 11 a.m. at 700 Block of N. RODEO DRIVE

9/14/2023, 9:37 a.m. at S. DOHENY DRIVE / OLYMPIC BOULEVARD

ASSAULT - AGGRAVATED

9/25/2023, 3:50 a.m. at 400 Block of N. REXFORD DRIVE

ASSAULT - SIMPLE

9/18/2023, 5:35 p.m. at 300 Block of N. CANON DRIVE

9/18/2023, 10 a.m. at 200 Block of SPALDING DRIVE

9/17/2023, 12 p.m. at 200 Block of N. CANON DRIVE

9/16/2023, 11:12 p.m. at S. SANTA MONICA BOULEVARD / N. CANON DRIVE

9/15/2023, 7:58 p.m. at 200 Block of S. BEVERLY DRIVE

9/14/2023, 10:38 a.m. at WILSHIRE BOULEVARD / S. LA PEER DRIVE

BURGLARY - COMMERCIAL BUILDING

9/22/2023, 12 p.m. at 400 Block of N. ROXBURY DRIVE

9/15/2023, 12:55 a.m. at 8400 Block of WILSHIRE BLVD.

BURGLARY - FROM A MOTOR VEHICLE

9/21/2023, 6 p.m. at 100 Block of N. ALMONT DRIVE

9/16/2023, 12:30 a.m. at 9300 Block of OLYMPIC BLVD.

9/15/2023, 12:01 a.m. at 300 Block of S. ELM DRIVE

BURGLARY - RESIDENTIAL (COMMON AREA)

9/16/2023, 1:43 p.m. at 100 Block of N. HAMILTON DRIVE

BURGLARY - RESIDENTIAL (NO ONE HOME)

9/26/2023, 2:59 a.m. at 200 Block of N. DOHENY DRIVE

9/25/2023, 6:10 p.m. at 100 Block of MCCARTY DRIVE

9/25/2023, 10 a.m. at 200 Block of S. ARNAZ DRIVE

9/24/2023, 1 a.m. at 100 Block of N. HAMILTON DRIVE

9/20/2023, 6:30 p.m. at 300 Block of N. PALM DRIVE

9/20/2023, 7 a.m. at 100 Block of N. LE DOUX ROAD

DUI ARREST

9/21/2023, 2:55 a.m. at N. LA CIENEGA BOULEVARD / WILSHIRE BOULEVARD

MOTOR VEHICLE THEFT

9/17/2023, 10:30 p.m. at 400 Block of S. BEDFORD DRIVE

9/17/2023, 7 p.m. at 9600 Block of OLYMPIC BLVD.

9/16/2023, 12 p.m. at 200 Block of N. ROBERTSON BLVD.

9/14/2023, 3 p.m. at 8900 Block of OLYMPIC BLVD.

9/14/2023, 2:55 p.m. at 200 Block of S. LA CIENEGA BLVD.

ROBBERY

9/18/2023, 6:30 p.m. at S. DOHENY DRIVE / WHITWORTH DRIVE

THEFT - GRAND

9/24/2023, 1 a.m. at 900 Block of WHITTIER DRIVE

9/23/2023, 10:30 a.m. at 100 Block of LASKY DRIVE

9/21/2023, 6 p.m. at 400 Block of N. RODEO DRIVE

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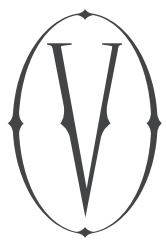
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THEFT - GRAND (FROM VEHICLE)

9/20/2023, 10 p.m. at 100 Block of N. CARSON RD

9/19/2023, 8:15 p.m. at 200 Block of N. BEVERLY DRIVE



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PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO BIDDERS
Construction of
THREE RESERVOIR MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS
 In
COLDWATER, SUNSET, AND GREYSTONE RESERVOIR SITES
 Within the City of
BEVERLY HILLS, CALIFORNIA

City of Beverly Hills (City), California invites electronic bids for the **THREE RESERVOIR MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS** in **COLDWATER, SUNSET, AND GREYSTONE RESERVOIR SITES** within the City of Beverly Hills, California. The City will receive such bids electronically via PlanetBids up to **2:00 p.m.**, on **Monday, October 23, 2023**. Bid results will be sent to all respective bidders via PlanetBids. <https://pbsystem.planetbids.com/portal/39493/bo/bo-detail/107703>

An **in-person MANDATORY pre-bid meeting and site walk** to discuss the requirements of the Project will be held at **9:00 am on Tuesday September 26, 2023** at the following location:

Beverly Hills Public Works Building
 Conference Rm 217
 345 Foothill Rd
 Beverly Hills, CA 90210

SCOPE OF THE WORK - The work to be done shall consist of furnishing all the required labor, materials, equipment, parts, implements and supplies necessary for, or appurtenant to, the construction and completion of the **THREE RESERVOIR MANAGEMENT SYSTEMS** in **COLDWATER, SUNSET, AND GREYSTONE RESERVOIR SITES** in accordance with Drawing No. 10426, Sheets 1 through 70 and the specifications prepared for this project.

Copies of the Specifications and Proposal Form may be inspected and downloaded from the City's PlanetBids webpage: <https://pbsystem.planetbids.com/portal/39493/bo/bo-detail/107703>

REQUESTS FOR CLARIFICATION - Any questions regarding any error, omission, ambiguity or conflict in the Plans and Specifications and general clarifications, should be submitted to the Project Manager through PlanetBids no later than **12:00PM, Thursday October 10, 2023**. Requests for clarification received after this date or sent/posed directly to the Project Manager will be disregarded.

ENGINEER'S ESTIMATE - The preliminary cost of construction of this Work has been prepared and the said estimate is **\$3,560,000**.

CITY CONTACT - Any questions or requests for information can be directed to the Project Manager, **Samer Elayyan, P.E.**, via PlanetBids.

PUBLIC WORKS CONTRACTOR REGISTRATION NUMBER - The Contractor is required to register with State of California Department of Industrial Relations (DIR) and meet requirements to bid on public works contracts. A Public Works Contractor Registration No. shall be submitted with the bid. All subcontractors are also required to register with the DIR.

CONTRACTORS LICENSE- In compliance with Public Contract Code Section 3300, the City has determined that the Bidder must possess the following license(s): **"Class A and C-34" - Contractor License**

THE CITY RESERVES THE RIGHT TO REJECT ANY BID OR ALL THE BIDS AND TO WAIVE ANY INFORMALITY OR IRREGULARITY IN ANY BID, BUT IF THE BIDS ARE ACCEPTED, THE CONTRACT FOR THE IMPROVEMENT WILL BE LET TO THE LOWEST RESPONSIBLE BIDDER FOR THE PROJECT AS A WHOLE

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE TO CREDITORS OF BULK SALE
 (UCC Sec. 6105)
 Escrow No. 23140-HY

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that a bulk sale is about to be made. The name(s), business address(es) to the Seller(s) are: **STACY'S SUDS LLC, 11205 WOOLFORD STREET CULVER CITY, CA 90230**

Doing Business as: **WEHO WASH**
 All other business name(s) and address(es) used by the Seller(s) within three years, as stated by the Seller(s), is/are: The name(s) and address of the Buyer(s) is/are: **EDGAR MOTA, 16808 E. GRAGMONT STREET, COVINA, CA 91722**

The assets to be sold are described in general as: **FURNITURE, FIXTURES, EQUIPMENT, TRADE NAME, MACHINERY, GOODWILL, LEASE, LEASEHOLD IMPROVEMENTS AND COVENANT NOT TO COMPETE, SUPPLIES, TELEPHONE NUMBERS** and are located at: **7757 SANTA MONICA BLVD., WEST HOLLWOOD, CA 92545**

The bulk sale is intended to be consummated at the office of: **NEW CENTURY ESCROW, INC, 500 S. KRAEMER BLVD STE 275, BREA CA 92821** and the anticipated sale date is **OCTOBER 10, 2023**
 The bulk sale is subject to California Uniform Commercial Code Section 6106.2.

The name and address of the person with whom claims may be filed is: **NEW CENTURY ESCROW, INC, 500 S. KRAEMER BLVD STE 275, BREA CA 92821** and the last day for filing claims shall be **OCTOBER 9, 2023**, which is the business day before the sale date specified above.

Dated: **09/11/2023**
 BUYERS:
EDGAR MOTA
1884462-PP BH
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PUBLIC NOTICES

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023161841 The following is/are doing business as: **THE MAN CAVE BARBERSHOP N SPA 998 Robertson Blvd. Ste #201 Los Angeles CA 90035**; Cresent Franklin 848 S. Sherbourne Dr. #4 Los Angeles, CA 90035; The business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL**, registrant(s) has begun to transact business under the name(s) listed on June 2011: **Cresent Franklin, Owner**: Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: July 26, 2023; Published: September 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 LACC N/C

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023190008 The following is/are doing business as: **FEINSTEIN FINANCIAL INSURANCE SERVICES** 820 Gretna Green Way, Los Angeles CA 90049; Bobbi Feinstein 820 Gretna Green Way, Los Angeles CA 90049; The business is conducted by: **AN INDIVIDUAL**, registrant(s) has begun to transact business under the name(s) listed on AUGUST 2003: **Bobbi Feinstein, Owner**: Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: August 29, 2023; Published: September 8, 15, 22, 29, 2023 LACC N/C

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023167778 The following is/are doing business as: **BOOKS 2 CHERISH 10401 Wilshire Blvd #917, Los Angeles, CA 90024**; Bookfield Productions, Inc. 2554 Lincoln Blvd #619, Venice, CA 90291; The business is conducted by: **A CORPORATION**, registrant(s) has begun to transact business under the name(s) listed on October 2013: **Bookfield Productions, Inc., Fern Field, President**: Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: August 2, 2023; Published: 2023 LACC N/C

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2023178107 The following is/are doing business as: **BEVERLY HILLS NEWSSTAND 216 S. Beverly Drive, Beverly Hills, CA 90212**; Mader News, Inc. 508 S. Varney Street, Burbank, CA 91502 The business is conducted by: **A CORPORATION**, registrant(s) has begun to transact business under the name(s) listed on July 2023: **Mader News, Inc. Evan Mader, CEO**: Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: August 15, 2023; Published:

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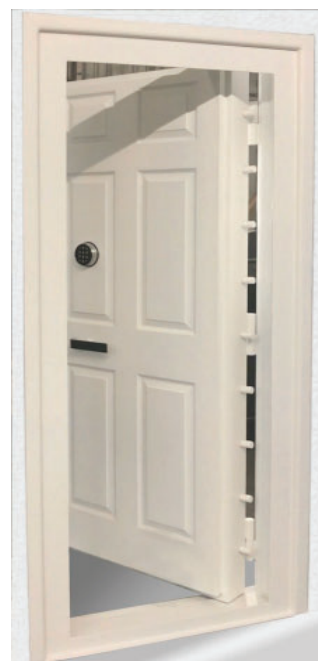
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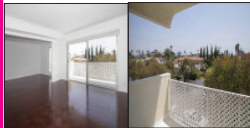
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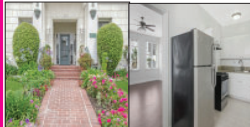
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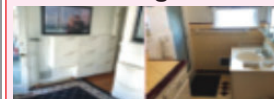
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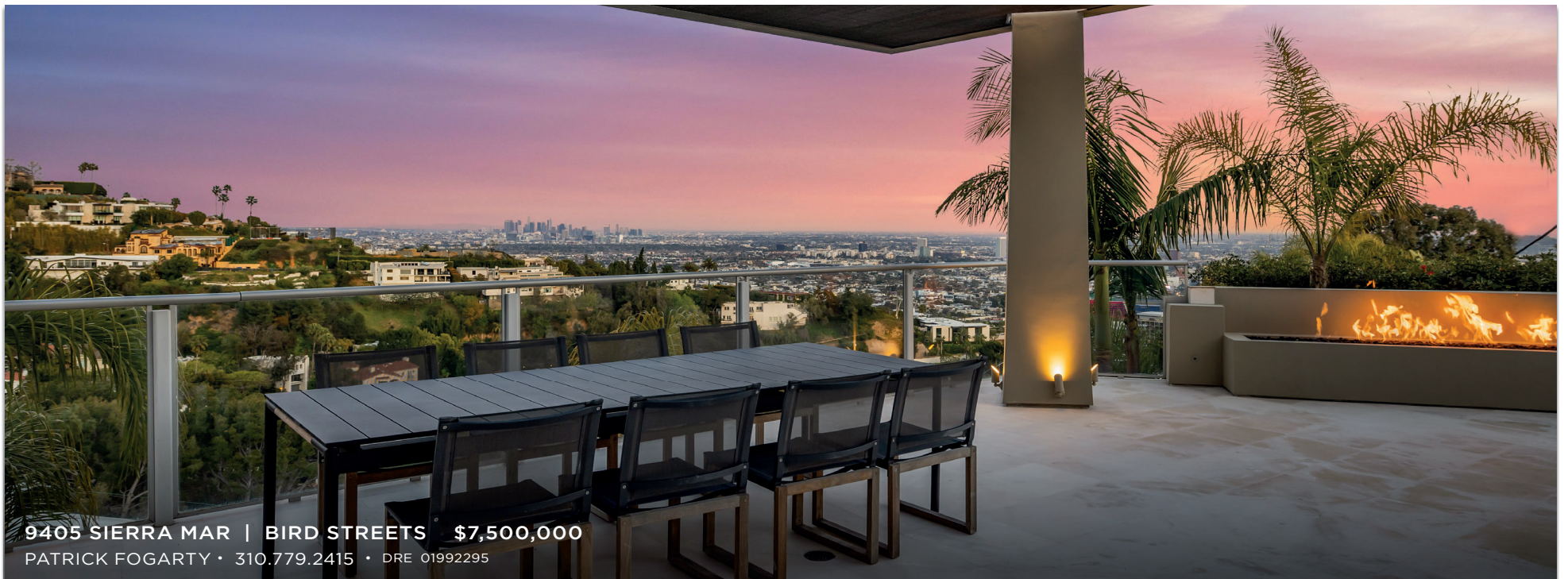
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