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BHUSD Board Looks Ahead to Middle and High School Opening

BY BIANCA HEYWARD



Schools reopened for in-person learning this week. Photo by Bianca Heyward

After a year of meeting virtually, the Beverly Hills Unified School District (BHUSD) Board of Education held its first in-person regular meeting on March 9 at the Jon Cherney Lecture Hall at Beverly Hills High School (BHHS). The meeting took place the same

week that elementary students returned to in-person instruction at Hawthorne and Horace Mann Elementary Schools. (School Opening continues on page 3)

BHPD Seeks Help in Il Pastaio Shooting and Robbery

BY SAMUEL BRASLOW

A week after an armed robbery and shooting at Il Pastaio, Beverly Hills continues to grapple with the aftermath of the brazen crime. On March 4, three men held up a patron at the storied Italian restaurant at gunpoint, stealing a watch worth \$500,000 and shooting a nearby woman. The assailants remain at large, escaping in the moments before the Beverly Hills Police Department (BHPD) arrived. Now, both BHPD and the robbery victim have put out pleas for assistance, with the latter promising a reward of \$50,000.

Two days after the incident, Acting Police Chief Dominick Rivetti condemned the crime as "appalling" and sought to reassure residents and guests of the city's safety. "I want the world to know that Beverly Hills is a very safe community. We invest significantly in our police department to ensure our officers have every resource necessary to do their jobs effectively," he said in a March 6 statement.

(Il Pastaio Shooting continues on page 15)

Planning Commission Examines Housing Solutions

BY SAMUEL BRASLOW

The Beverly Hills Planning Commission considered the city's Housing Element and the controversial Regional Housing Needs Assessment (RHNA) at its March 11 meeting. The Commission heard the results of a failed attempt to appeal the city's RHNA allocation, the number of units needed in the city over an eight-year time period.

The Commission also discussed a possible ordinance to enable greater construction of Accessory Dwelling Units (ADU) in order to meet the city's RHNA requirements. The hearing comes as the Commission draws closer to presenting a Draft Housing Element, which it estimates will take place in April or May of this year.

The subject of ADUs drew considerable interest from the commissioners. "I don't think this is going to solve our RHNA numbers," said Commissioner Myra Demeter

about ADUs. "But I think that, generally, many, many people are interested. They have elderly parents, they have kids coming back from college."

Every eight years, cities and jurisdictions around the state draft a new Housing Element, a part of the General Plan which considers the housing needs of the community and anticipates how that need will change. With the housing cycle currently underway, localities are preparing their Housing Elements for approval by the State.

The core component of the Housing Element is the RHNA, an evaluation of the number of units needed in the next eight years and the land use plans and regulations necessary to accommodate them.

(Planning Commission continues on page 11)

Beverly Hills Mayor's Last Cabinet Meeting

BY BIANCA HEYWARD

Mayor Lester Friedman presided over his last Mayor's Cabinet Meeting on March 8. The meeting traditionally serves as a venue in which the chairs of the city's 12 commissions can update the mayor on the matters before them. Friedman, whose last day as mayor is April 6, took the opportunity to praise the city's commission system.

Mayor's Report

"Since our last meeting, the openBH program was significantly expanded in terms of Spago and Nusr-Et restaurants requesting and being granted from City Council the ability to have a tent on the cul-de-sac created at Canon and Wilshire," Friedman said. (Cabinet Meeting continues on page 10)



Courier Calendar

NOW

SKIRBALL CULTURAL CENTER "NOAH'S ARK AT THE SKIRBALL: THE
ART OF IMAGINATION"

The Skirball Cultural Center presents "Noah's Ark at the Skirball: The Art of Imagination," a suite of virtual programs and free educational resources developed for pre-K through grade five distance learning. Based on the artistry and storytelling of the children's and family destination Noah's Ark at the Skirball, the initiative includes streaming videos and interactive lesson plans, virtual field trips facilitated by Noah's Ark educators, and online professional development courses focused on arts integration. The programs will remain available even when schools resume in-person instruction and the Skirball reopens. https://www.skirball.org/education/

for-your-students

NOW

AUTRY MUSEUM OF THE AMERICAN WEST - "WHAT'S HER STORY: WOMEN IN THE ARCHIVES" ONLINE EXHIBIT

In honor of the 100th anniversary of women winning the right to vote, "What's Her Story: Women in the Archives" reveals compelling stories of women found in the Autry's collections. This online exhibit will showcase Assistance League of Los Angeles, Caroline Boeing Poole, Gladys Knight Harris, Native Voices theatre ensemble, and Women's March participants as 20th and 21st century women who documented their activities and created archives as a way to preserve a legacy in their own voice. https://theautry.org/exhibitions/whats-her-story-women-in-the-archives



NOW - MARCH 14 GEFFEN PLAYHOUSE: "THE FUTURE"

Geffen Playhouse launches a series of live, virtual and interactive world premiere productions from its Geffen Stayhouse banner. "The Future" is the anticipated follow-up to Helder Guimarães' "The Present," and marks the third collaboration between him and director Frank Marshall. Helder Guimarães takes interactive at-home illusions into "The Future." In this show, participants decide which version of events they prefer to see. Guimarães' story takes them on a personal journey including stops at a high-stakes poker game and a pub in the south of France, as it explores the seedy underbelly of the gambling world. Participants never know what mystery or long-kept secret will be revealed. A new mystery package will be shipped to the participant in advance of the show. https://www.geffenplayhouse.org/shows/ the-future/

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LOS ANGELES CHAMBER ORCHESTRA DIGITAL 2020-21 SEASON "CLOSE QUARTERS" WITH STRAVINSKY'S "THE SOLDIER'S TALE" 6:30 p.m.

Los Angeles Chamber Orchestra's (LACO) digital "Close Quarters" series continues with a musically and visually rich take on Stravinsky's "L'Histoire du soldat" ("The Soldier's Tale"), interpreted by the musicians of LACO for 2021 and conducted by Music Director Jaime Martín. The musical tale composed at the end of WWI for three actors and septet is based on a Russian parable about a soldier who trades his magical violin in a dangerous bargain with the Devil. The new episode is available to the public at no cost and can be streamed on demand following its premiere on March 12 at 6:30 p.m. on LACO's website, YouTube and Facebook live channels. A digital pre-concert conversation begins at 5:30 p.m. https://www.laco.org/close-quarters/



MARCH 12 ECHO THEATER COMPANY: "BOLD FACED SECRET" STORYTELLING SERIES 7:30 p.m.

Echo Theater Company creates laughs and breaks hearts with its monthly "Bold Faced Secret" series, an online hour of curated personal stories. This month's theme is "The Skin of Your Teeth." Storytellers were invited to submit stories about near misses, close calls, narrow escapes, hanging on by a thread, barely getting by, being perilously close to the edge, falling off, and clawing back to the top. Admission is free. Obtain the Zoom link on the website.

https://www.echotheatercompany.com/

MARCH 13 PASADENA SYMPHONY: "PASADENA PRESENTS" SPRING LINE-UP

Music Director David Lockington and the Pasadena Symphony present the 2020/21 "Pasadena Presents" Spring Season of online concerts through May 22. The spring series continues the format of chamber music with a twist, with each concert featuring a renowned guest artist performing a popular concerto in recital, and Pasadena Symphony musicians performing chamber music masterpieces. Musicians from the orchestra's string section take center stage for Bach, Puccini and Mozart on March 13, with Music Director Lockington also performing on Milhaud's Sonatine for Violin and Cello. https://pasadenasymphony-pops.org/ pasadena-presents/



MARCH 14
WALLIS ANNENBERG CENTER FOR
THE PERFORMING ARTS: "HERSHEY
FELDER - PUCCINI - LIVE FROM
FLORENCE"
5 p.m.

Wallis Annenberg Center for Performing Arts presents the live streamed world premiere musical event produced by "Hershey Felder Presents - Live from Florence" benefiting The Wallis of "Hershey Felder: Puccini - Live from Florence." The performance features actor, playwright and virtuoso pianist Hershey Felder, and is about the music and life of Giacomo Puccini. With music from La Bohème, Tosca, Turandot and more, it is the story of Puccini's scandalous life, his female characters, and how the real women in his life affected the women he created on stage. The production will be filmed live on location and is available for on-demand streaming through March 21. https://thewallis.org/HFP

MARCH 16 BEVERLY HILLS WOMEN'S CLUB: "WAKE UP & MOVE" 9-10 a.m.

Join Beverly Hills Women's Club for "Wake Up & Move" on Tuesdays. Relax and renew with simple morning moves that will energize the day. Daily movement promotes chemical changes in the body that stimulate neural pathways and ignite cerebral capacity. Founded in 1916, the Beverly Hills Women's Club is the oldest philanthropic organization in Beverly Hills. They are involved in a variety of philanthropic endeavors that support many local and national causes. https://www.thebhwc.org/event-details/wake-up-move-tuesdays-9-00-to-10-00



MARCH 16 HOLOCAUST MUSEUM LA - "BEBA EPSTEIN: THE EXTRAORDINARY LIFE OF AN ORDINARY GIRL" 11 a.m.

The YIVO Bruce and Francesca Cernia Slovin Online Museum's inaugural exhibition, "Beba Epstein: The Extraordinary Life of an Ordinary Girl," uses the true story of Beba Epstein, a girl born in Vilna in 1922 who survived the Holocaust, to explore East European Jewish life in the 20th century. Join the museum for a discussion about the exhibition featuring YIVO's Executive Director and CEO, Jonathan Brent; the Chief Curator of the YIVO Bruce and Francesca Cernia Slovin Online Museum, Karolina Ziulkoski; Beba Epstein's son Michael Leventhal; and the VP of Education and Exhibits at Holocaust Museum LA, Jordanna Gessler. https://www.holocaustmuseumla.org/event-details/beba-epstein-the-extraordinary-life-of-an-ordinary-girl

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THE BRANDEIS MEN'S GROUP: LISA NAPOLI, AUTHOR - "UP ALL NIGHT" 10 a.m.

Share fellowship with like-minded senior men who support Brandeis University at an online event on March 17. The featured speaker in this virtual event is Lisa Napoli, who will discuss her new book, "Up All Night." It is the story of Ted Turner's founding of CNN, an upstart TV Network that changed the way news is delivered. Visit the website for the Zoom link. http://bncla.org/

MARCH 17 HAMMER MUSEUM: ART TALK ON KANDIS WILLIAMS 12:30 p.m.

The Hammer's curatorial department leads free, insightful, short discussions about artists in Made in L.A. 2020 online. This talk on Kandis Williams is led by Nika Chilewich, curatorial assistant. The link to join will be posted on the website two hours before the Zoom program starts. It will also be recorded, which will be available soon after. https://hammer.ucla.edu/programs-events/2021/lunchtime-art-talk-kandis-williams



MARCH 18 THEATRE 40: "VACUUM" 7 p.m.

Theatre 40 presents a Zoom reading of the play "Vacuum" by Leda Siskind on March 18. Siskind describes her play as "a modern re-telling of 'Oedipus the King'- if Odeipus was a white supremacist who worked in a vacuum repair shop." The cast includes David Hunt Stafford, Landon Beatty, Eric Keitel and Rebecca Driscoll. Siskind is a company member of Theatre 40. Her previous plays include "The Surveillance Trilogy," "How Things Fall," "The Liar's Punishment," and "All My Distances Are Far." She is also an actor. To access the event, use this Zoom link: https://us02web.zoom. While this is a free event, tax-deductible donations are appreciated to continue the artistic offerings.

https://theatre40.org/

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The BHUSD Board met in person this week. Photo by Bianca Heyward

(School Opening continued from page 1) At Hawthorne, there are currently 409 students enrolled in hybrid learning, 110 students enrolled in virtual learning and 45 students are in the Independent Learning Center (ILC). At Horace Mann, 389 students are enrolled in hybrid learning, 166 students remained in virtual learning and 57 students are in the ILC. BHUSD Superintendent Dr. Michael Bregy began his report on Tuesday by congratulating staff on a momentous week, with more to come on the horizon. "Today we have moved from 7.2 as an adjusted case rate to 5.2. So, our next step is looking at

reopening our middle school and high school," he said.

Under state guidance, counties with an adjusted case rate of 25 or fewer cases per 100,000 residents are eligible to reopen elementary school. For middle and high school campuses to reopen, the adjusted case rate must fall to seven cases or below per 100,000 – a threshold that the County met this week.

"We want to thank teachers, our office staff, our security, office managers, administration at all of our schools," Bregy said. "They did such a great job welcoming people back, and it was great to see everybody."

Students in grade levels TK-2 returned on March 8, and grades 3-5 on March 9. All are required to comply with new safety protocols. Upon arrival, elementary students must show staff their completed health screening before receiving a stamp on the hand to signal that a student is clear to enter the school. The stamps also serve as a way to monitor and encourage hand washing among students. Students pass through thermal scanners when entering and are given different colored lanyards to indicate their grade level and allow staff to help direct students. Students who are placed in the morning cohort are in class from 8:30 a.m. to 10:50 a.m. and those in the evening cohort are on campus from 12 p.m. to 2:20 p.m.

Vaccines for School Personnel

"As I have indicated through some correspondence, we have allocations that are being provided to us for a vaccine for our employees through L.A. County," Bregy said at the meeting. "And so last week, we started our first set of allocations." Through a partnership with AmWest Ambulance, vaccines are being administered on BHUSD grounds and allow staff the chance to bypass a trip to one of the county's mega vaccination sites. According to Bregy, 50 vaccine doses were allocated to the district last week. This week, that number rose to 100.

"Our biggest factor used to be the adjusted case rate," Bregy said regarding the reopening of high school and middle school.

"The biggest factor now is the L.A. County Department of Public Health providing us with a definition of what a stable cohort is and how a stable cohort will change into the intermingling of our cohorts with changing classes. We are expecting that information any day."

Currently, cohorts are defined as groups of up to 14 students and two supervising adults that maintain stable membership and do not mix with other groups. However, the size of each group is dependent on the available classroom space to allow for the optimal six feet of space between all students and staff.

"Now that the case rate has changed and we are below seven, the county is looking at new metrics," Bregy said. "And so, we don't have a final say on how the metrics will be used. The most important thing, and I want to be really clear about this, is that we are below seven (adjusted case rate). We are well on our way to being ready to open our middle school and our high school."

According to Bregy, middle and high school staff were given the required 10-day official notice to return on March 9.

He added: "We look forward to meeting with our labor partners, as these changes have just come in and we have not had the opportunity to sit down with them and discuss some of the changes." •



News

Beverly Hills Teen Booked in Fatal Car Crash

BY SAMUEL BRASLOW



A photo of Monique Munoz at her roadside memorial Photo By Samuel Braslow

A Beverly Hills teenager has been booked for vehicular manslaughter for the Feb. 17 collision that took the life of 32-year-old Monique Munoz. The 17-year-old teen crashed a Lamborghini SUV into Munoz's car on Olympic Boulevard and Overland Avenue. Emergency responders declared Munoz dead at the scene. The incident provoked widespread outrage over allegations of speeding and concerns that the teen's wealthy background would insulate him from prosecution. The case currently sits

before the Los Angeles District Attorney, who will decide whether to pursue charges.

"Monique's death is a giant loss for her family, our community and for all of us as Angelenos," a representative for the D.A.'s office told the Courier. "This case was recently presented to our office and is under review." The representative declined to provide additional information, citing confidentiality standards in juvenile court proceedings under California's Welfare & Institutions Code.

According to a statement released by the Los Angeles Police Department (LAPD), the incident took place around 5:10 p.m. when the driver of the black Lamborghini SUV heading east on Olympic collided with a silver, four-door, Lexus negotiating a left turn onto Overland. Images and video from the scene show the mangled wreckage of the Lexus with a deep concave impression in its right flank. The Los Angeles Fire Department responded to the crash and declared Munoz dead after extracting her from the car. "The male, juvenile driver of the Lamborghini was transported to a local hospital where he was admitted for medical attention," the statement reads.

The Courier has not identified the driver due to his age and the fact that he has not been charged with a crime.

The 17-year-old was booked on suspicion of vehicular manslaughter on Feb. 23 but has remained in the hospital due to his injuries. In the weeks after the collision, Munoz's family and their supporters have called on the D.A.'s office to file charges. A protest is scheduled for March 13 at the site of the crash.

The teenager's father, e-commerce entrepreneur James Khuri, confirmed his family's involvement in the case in an Instagram post apologizing for the tragedy. "Knowing that this will never do justice for the family of Monique Munoz, I want to apologize to the Munoz family for the tragic loss of their daughter," Khuri wrote. "There are no words I can say to alleviate the pain that you are experiencing. And I realize none of my words or actions will be able to bring back your daughter."

The lawyer for Khuri's family did not respond to a request for comment by press time.

Munoz, who worked as a secretary and hoped to attend law school, was described in a GoFundMe campaign as a "beautiful, accomplished woman [who] was the heart and happiness of her family."

"Her family and friends were her life, she never missed a family gathering or a chance to help a friend and she only had love and kindness in her heart," said the campaign, which has raised over \$43,000 by press time. "We are all in shock and finding it impossible to fathom the reality of her unexpected passing." •





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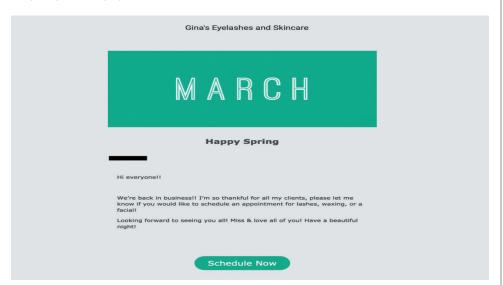
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Gina Bisignano Returns to Beverly Hills–For Now

BY SAMUEL BRASLOW



Gina Bisignano, the Beverly Hills salon owner arrested for her participation in the Jan. 6 Capitol attack, has returned to Beverly Hills on conditional release. After a magistrate judge initially released her on bail, Bisignano was taken back into custody late January where she remained for over a month. Bisignano was indicted by a grand jury on seven charges in February. She will remain in the city for 45 days while she closes her business, before joining family in Philadelphia to await her trial.

Bisignano and two other Beverly Hills residents, John Strand, 37, and Dr. Simone Gold, 55, were arrested over the Martin Luther King Jr. Day holiday weekend by the FBI, with assistance by the Beverly Hills Police Department, pursuant to federal charges filed in Washington, D.C. They appeared in U.S. District Court for the Central District of California in downtown Los Angeles on Jan. 19. Both Gold and Strand were released on bail. Bisignano was granted bail in her initial hearing, but a D.C. judge stayed her release on appeal and ordered her sent to D.C.

On Feb. 4, a grand jury charged Bisignano with Obstruction of an Official Proceeding, Aiding and Abetting, Civil Disorder, Destruction of Government Property, Entering and Remaining in a Restricted Building or Grounds, Disorderly and Disruptive Conduct in a Restricted Building or Grounds, Engaging in Physical Violence in a Restricted Building or Grounds and Disorderly Conduct in a Capitol Building. Bisignano has pleaded not guilty to all seven charges.

In a Feb. 26 hearing for Bisignano's release, defense attorney A. Charles Peruto, Jr., argued that his client had been subjected to "cruel and unusual punishment" as a part of her transfer to D.C. Bisignano had "gone from bus to bus," Peruto said, transporting her from Los Angeles to county jails in Oklahoma on her way to D.C. "In these County jails, she doesn't even get a bed because of the overcrowding and for three nights, she was made to sleep on the floor with blankets," he said.

Judge Carl J. Nichols pressed the government on why Bisignano could not be

released under certain conditions.

"Why does the government believe that there is no set of circumstances that would assure the safety of her community if we were to impose continued GPS monitoring?" he asked.

Assistant U.S. Attorney Kimberly Louise Paschall pointed to cellphone screenshots submitted in a supplemental filing. In one exchange, someone sent Bisignano a link to a video titled "Watch this NOW! INVASION IMMINENT!!!"

"That was me," Bisignano responds. "We invaded yesterday."

"What we're seeing on her cell phone is a full understanding of her participation in the events and asking people to, in the government's opinion, destroy those events by deleting photographs and deleting messages," Paschall said. "That's something that could continue into the future. Ms. Bisignano, if she was released, would have the opportunity to reach out to other people who may have evidence for the government."

Judge Nichols opted to release Bisignano under a High Intensity Supervision Program. Under the conditions of her release, she must submit to supervision and wear a GPS ankle monitor. She is restricted to her residence at all times with exceptions for employment, religious services, medical treatment, and other activities approved in advance. Additionally, she may not access social media, communicate with anyone who attended the events on Jan. 6, or return to D.C. for non-court related matters.

After some confusion over how she would return to Los Angeles from Oklahoma given her financial situation, Bisignano has now returned to Beverly Hills. Friends of hers who spoke on the condition of anonymity told the Courier that she began moving out of her salon almost immediately. According to an email reviewed by the Courier, Bisignano put out a call on March 5 to former clients for new appointments, which friends say take place in her apartment. "We're back in business!! I'm so thankful for all my clients, please let me know if you would like to schedule an appointment for lashes, waxing, or a facial!"

BHPD Cautions Against Overindulging on St. Paddy's Day



The Beverly Hills Police Department (BHPD) is asking anyone celebrating St. Patrick's Day on March 17 to do so responsibly. Those planning to drink should make arrangements to get home safely.

This St. Patrick's Day, the BHPD will have officers on patrol looking for drivers suspected of driving under the influence of alcohol and/or drugs.

"If drinking is part of your plans, plan on designating a sober driver and find a safe way home," Beverly Hills Police Chief Dominick Rivetti said. "Don't make poor choices and allow yourself to mix alcohol or drugs with driving."

On St. Patrick's Day 2019 in California, seven people were killed, and 116 others were injured in crashes caused by driving under the influence.

Driving under the influence is a risky venture, not only in terms of safety, but in terms of finances, as well. Attorneys' fees, fines, court costs, insurance rate hikes and car repairs can reach \$15,000 or more in California.

California's public health guidance advises residents to limit mixing with people not in the same household, in order to curb the spread of COVID-19. Although many St. Patrick's Day celebrations will be held virtually this year, those planning to go out should still designate a sober driver.

Anyone who sees a suspected drunk driver on the road should call 911. •

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Education

Returning to Classrooms After One Year Away

AS ELEMENTARY STUDENTS RETURN TO CLASSROOMS IN BEVERLY HILLS THIS WEEK, THE COURIER'S EDUCATION COLUMNIST JENNIFER WINWARD, PH.D. REFLECTS ON LESSONS LEARNED DURING THE PAST YEAR.

BY JENNIFER WINWARD, Ph.D.



Beverly Hills Courier columnist **Jennifer Winward, Ph.D.**, is a nationally recognized teaching expert, a renowned professor at the University of California, San Diego, and the founder and CEO of Winward Academy (<u>www.inwardacademy.com</u>) an award-winning educational platform supporting middle and high school students with math courses, ACT/SAT prep, and college applications. Dr. Winward has received numerous honors during her 20 years in the field. Her work as an adolescent learning and brain development expert has garnered her recognition as a "Top 5 Female Entrepreneur" by the Women in IT Awards, "Top 40 Under 40" by the San Diego Business Journal, and as the "Most Influential Education Leader" by the San Diego Transcript. Dr. Winward earned her Ph.D. with a dual emphasis in Neuroscience and Developmental Neuropsychology from the University of California, San Diego.

ne year ago today, I was in a school cafeteria presenting to hundreds of juniors of Newark, New Jersey's Great Oaks Legacy High School the day before their scheduled SAT. I'd flown across the country to provide last minute tips and pointers and to get the students fired up for a test they'd been studying for since the prior August. During the course of my presentation, every five minutes or so, the principal or college counselor would graciously interject to announce another SAT site cancellation. By the end of my presentation, every single student's testing site had been cancelled. We all, like so many, left the school campus that Friday afternoon and haven't set foot on a school campus since.

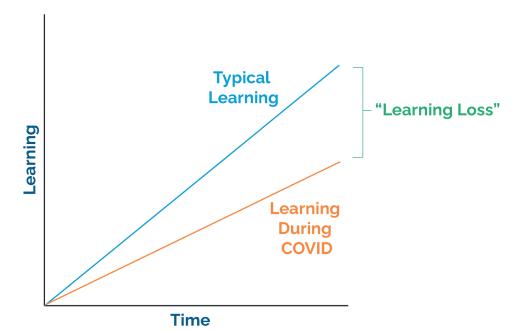
No one could have predicted the tumultuous nature of the past year, the deleterious impact to education that we'll likely be digging ourselves out of for years to come. Even now, as some find themselves returning to school for the first time and others are still waiting to get back, we're still forming a plan to address the learning loss that was an inevitable side effect of COVID-related school closures.

As someone who spends her life training teachers, leading workshops for teens, and supporting parents, I know the pain and frustration that so many of you feel. And as we all sit here and reflect on the one-year anniversary of school closures, we're all longing to find anything positive from the past year - what is that silver lining, if any.

I've dug deep to share some of the positives of a year of distance learning. To be honest, coming up with this list was not easy as the fears and frustrations tend to come more readily to the surface. But I have seen some positives in the past year, not always in the most expected of places, and I'm honored to share them with you in the hopes that we can embrace a ray of hope in our youths' futures as we all reflect on the past year of school closures.

Developing Self-Advocacy — It's an incredibly important skill for young people to learn how to advocate for themselves and to communicate clearly. The environment of the past year has forced many to develop this skill earlier than they would have otherwise. I've seen many students learn how to better identify their strengths and weaknesses, recognize what they need to be successful, and then communicate that to their teachers, mentors, and parents. Students feel more empowered and confident when they speak up for themselves and gain the tools to navigate their lives.

Learning How to Learn – With so many schools shifting to a model that incorporates less time with a teacher and more time for independent work, students have found themselves needing to figure out what they need to do to access, organize, and retain information. In the education space, we term this experience as "metacognition" – an awareness or understanding of one's own thinking. Simply put, students no longer had



to wait for college to learn how they learn. In this more independent environment, they were forced to figure out how to plan, monitor, and assess their own understanding of concepts to maximize their performance and growth.

Resisting the Urge to Cheat – Educators are fully aware about how rampant cheating has been in this past year. Students put post-its on their laptops for notes during quizzes or create group chats with friends to collaborate and compare answers during tests. The reality is that, when unsupervised, students find themselves enticed by the urge

culture, and many students have directly experienced why those values are so critical and can speak to that experience in their applications.

Building Soft Skills – Recent times have also given students an opportunity to hone soft skills vital for their futures. While youth tend to be savvy with technology when it comes to swiping and streaming, distance learning has allowed them to gain exposure to use of technology for a more mature, responsible purpose. Many students are expected to stay on camera, mute until talking, ensure their name shows up appro-



"I've seen many students learn how to better identify their strengths and weaknesses, recognize what they need to be successful, and then communicate that to their teachers, mentors, and parents."

to cheat. That being said, the vast majority of students have risen above this temptation and still take pride in academic honesty. They perhaps got a B+ when everyone who cheated got an A, but they're proud of that grade because they actually earned it. For many colleges, integrity in academics and in character are prioritized as part of campus

priately, and to be aware of their background and noise. It's also likely that the 21st century workplace is forever changed, and that remote teamwork is here to stay.

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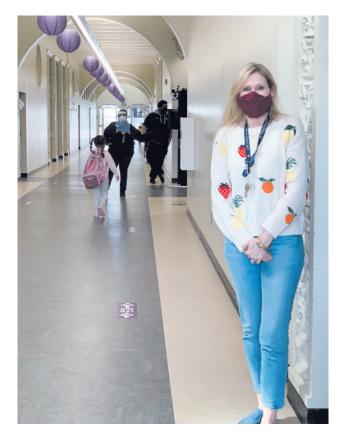
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Back to School

Beverly Hills Unified School District elementary school students, teachers and parents enthusiastically welcomed the return in-person learning on March 8 and 9. At both Hawthorne Elementary School and Horace Mann Middle School, the back-to-school scene was filled with excitement and (masked) smiles.



Horace Mann student Photo courtesy of BHUSD



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Assistant Principal Kevin Painter, Superintendent, Dr. Michael Bregy and Principal Sarah Kaber at Hawthorne Elementary. Photo courtesy of BHUSD



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Community

Academy Museum of Motion Pictures To Debut Virtual Programming

BY ANA FIGUEROA



The Renzo Piano-designed museum opens in September. Courtesy Academy Museum of Motion Pictures

The vision of the much-anticipated Academy Museum of Motion Pictures came into much clearer focus this week. The Courier was amongst invited media attending a virtual tour and press update on March 10 that offered the most extensive preview to date of the museum's design, mission and experiential tone

The event included remarks by Academy Museum Director and President Bill Kramer, Academy Museum Chief Artistic and Programming Officer Jacqueline Stewart and the celebrated, Pritzker Prize-winning architect Renzo Piano, who designed the structure. Academy Award-winning actress and Academy Museum Trustee Laura Dern led much of the virtual tour, with guests such as Guillermo del Toro and Spike Lee appearing as well.

New Landmark, New Mission

The country's largest institution devoted to the arts, sciences, and artists of movie-making makes its formal debut on Sept. 30, 2021. Piano's design has restored and revitalized the iconic Saban Building – formerly known as the May Company building (1939) – at the corner of Wilshire Boulevard and Fairfax Avenue. Together with a soaring spherical addition, the new museum will contain 50,000 square feet of exhibition spaces, two state-of-the-art theaters, an education studio, restaurant, retail store, and public spaces.

Movies will come home to the new museum. And they will do so in an immersive, dynamic format befitting a medium that has captured the world's imagination since the latter part of the 19th century. The collections and expertise of the Academy of Motion Picture Arts and Sciences serve as the building blocks of exhibitions and programs. As moviemakers tell stories, so will the museum. The history, technology, artistry, social impact and even controversy surrounding films and filmmaking is on display. Cinematic icons, such as the sole surviving full-scale model of a shark ("Bruce") from Jaws (1975) will undoubtedly appeal to the masses.

Pre-Opening Virtual Programming

During the presentation, the museum announced a series of virtual conversations, screenings and educational programs to coincide with the 93rd Academy Awards on April 25. They are meant to be prologues to the museum's core exhibition, "Stories of Cinema." Shared voices of renowned film artists will explore the art, technology, history, and social impact of the movies. When the museum opens formally, it will offer a vibrant roster of programs, screenings, discussions and events designed to incorporate its facilities and the shared experience of the cinema. For additional information about plans for the Academy Museum and its inaugural exhibits, visit the website at academymuseum.org. •

Israeli Officials Voted in L.A. for Israeli Knesset

BY ANA FIGUEROA



Dr. Hillel Newman casts his vote on March 10

Approximately 4,000 Israeli officials abroad serving in more than 100 missions around the globe voted on March 11 for the elections of the 24th Knesset, the Israeli Parliament. Voting on the west coast took place at the Consulate in Los Angeles.

"We are celebrating Israel's strength of democracy by voting today. We hope for a stable government which will continue the positive trend of Israeli innovation and normalizing of relations with the Arab world," said Dr. Hillel Newman, Consul General of Israel for the Pacific Southwest, as he cast his vote.

This election is historic, in that Israeli citizens in Morocco, Dubai and Abu Dhabi were able to vote at polling stations in those countries. Official Israeli missions have been established there as part of the "Abraham Accords."

Soraya Melamed 1941-2021

BY ANA FIGUEROA



Soraya Zargarian Melamed

The Beverly Hills community is mourning the loss of Soraya Melamed, who passed away on March 6 at the age of 80. She is described as a visionary leader who was ahead of her time in fighting for women's rights and for those who couldn't fight for themselves.

Soraya began a new life in Beverly Hills in 1979 following the Iranian Revolution. Soraya's accomplishments in the community

were many. She served as Founder and Board Member of the Golda Group of Magbit Foundation. She was a Board Member of The Maple Counseling Center; Co-Chair of the Beverly Hills Police Officers Association Black & White Ball; Co-Chair of the Beverly Hills Firemans Association Backdraft Ball; Board Member - L.A. Free Clinic's Auxiliary (Saban Free Clinic); Board Member of the Iranian American Jewish Federation and the first Iranian-American woman to run for elected office in Beverly Hills.

"On behalf of the entire City Council and our residents, I'd like to express our deepest condolences to the Melamed family. Soraya was an important part of our community, a prolific philanthropist, and an amazing leader. She will be dearly missed," said Mayor Lester Friedman in a statement to the Courier.

Soraya is survived by her husband, Dr. Ruben Melamed of Beverly Hills, and her four children, Shahram (spouse Sari), Farshad (spouse Jenny), Michelle and Kathy and five grandchildren, Nick, Alex, Natasha, Nicole, and Taylor. The family is asking that any donations in Soraya's honor be made to the city's police and fire associations.

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Health and Wellness

Cedars-Sinai Cautions Against Letting Guard Down After Vaccines

BY BIANCA HEYWARD



Michael Ben-Aderet, M.D. Photo courtesy Cedars-Sinai

The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) released new guidelines for those who are fully vaccinated against COVID-19. Despite the temptation, it's important to not throw out those masks just yet.

"This isn't an invitation for a free-forall," said Michael Ben-Aderet, MD, associate medical director of Hospital Epidemiology at Cedars-Sinai. "The virus is not yet defeated. All of us need to remain vigilant but those who are completely vaccinated can enjoy a bit more freedom."

This week, the CDC declared it safe for vaccinated people to gather inside in small groups without wearing masks or observing social distancing. Those who are fully vaccinated can also safely participate in small indoor, unmasked gatherings with those who aren't vaccinated, but considered low risk. For example, vaccinated grandparents

can now safely visit grandchildren.

"That's a big deal," Ben-Aderet said. "It's really allowing people to have meaningful connections that they've put off for so long."

These guidelines apply only to people who are fully vaccinated, meaning at least two weeks have passed since receiving the second dose of a two-dose vaccine from Moderna or Pfizer/BioNTech, or a single dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine. According to the CDC, the two-week time frame gives the body a chance to build up the full immunity the vaccines provide.

The agency didn't give specific guidelines regarding what constitutes as a "small gathering."

However, Ben-Aderet advises that the more important issue is being mindful about who is in attendance.

"It's really meant to just add to the conversation about risk," Ben-Aderet said. "We know that if you are a vaccinated person, you are at a very low risk of getting COVID. You are at a very low risk of shedding COVID. But these low risks don't mean no risk."

"The whole reason for all of us to get vaccinated is so that we can resume our lives safely, without leading to another surge like what we experienced in December and January," Ben-Aderet said. "There's really good evidence that there is a certain degree of safety conferred by the vaccines and there's no reason people shouldn't take advantage of that."

Those who are fully vaccinated still need to wear face coverings, maintain physical distancing, and stay outdoors if they are visiting someone who is immunocompromised, has active cancer, is pregnant, or is part of another group considered at high risk of developing severe COVID-19.

And everyone, vaccinated or not, is still advised to wear a face mask and maintain at least six feet of distance from others when in public, and to avoid large gatherings. CDC travel advisories remain in place.

The CDC issued the guidance in an effort to entice more people to get vaccinated, and to allow those who are vaccinated to begin to resume their normal lives, Ben-Aderet said.

As data comes in that illustrates the efficacy of the vaccination in preventing the spread of COVID-19 in public settings, the overall vaccination rate increases. "This is an important first step," he said, "but it's definitely not the final step."



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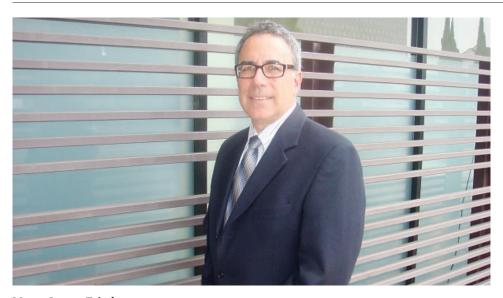
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Mayor Lester Friedman

(Cabinet Meeting continued from page 1) To allow restaurants the opportunity to recoup the cost of the structure, Council has approved that the tent be in place through the end of the year. Friedman also announced upcoming plans to reopen restaurants on the ground floor of the Maybourne Beverly Hills.

"In terms of the robbery that occurred at Il Pastaio. We know there have been several of these types of criminal activities in the region recently, particularly on Melrose Avenue, and it finally hit Beverly Hills. This was an event that could not have been prevented. I just want everybody to know that our police department did, in fact, respond within 91 seconds of the first call that was logged at the 911 center," said Friedman.

He added, "Every call that comes into the call center is logged automatically by the computer. When the operator sends a response to the police department to dispatch, that is logged. When the car leaves the station, that is logged. And when it arrives on scene, that is logged. So, there was a very quick response. The criminals did get away. There are very, very, positive leads that our police department has, and they are following up with it."

In response to concerns regarding callers receiving a busy signal when dialing 911, Friedman said, "over 300 calls were coming in on the same event that occurred, and it jammed the lines. But the dispatch occurred way before those calls and people were placed on hold."

The issue of 911 call wait times will be addressed during the March 16 City Council Study Session and Regular Meeting.

"Since this is my last cabinet meeting as mayor (he still has another year in his City Council term) I want to thank everybody," Friedman said. "We say this over and over again, but the work that gets done, the really hard work, is at the commission level. It's presented to us as a council in a nice package and generally, we accept what the commission says. Occasionally, we go in a different direction. But no matter what we do, it's always appreciated."

Architecture Commission

At its Feb. 17 meeting, the Architecture Commission approved a request related to a temporary art installation on 300 North Rodeo Drive by Van Cleef & Arpels. The applicant requested a temporary installation of a three-dimensional graphic that would be projected on the façade of the retail building. The installation is proposed to be active from March 19, 2021 to June 2, 2021.

Chair Sheri Hirschfeld shared that the

Commission's Restaurant Subcommittee is also reviewing design plans for a new restaurant, Impasta, which will be taking over the former Roxbury Cafe space at 459 North Roxbury Drive.

Arts & Culture Commission

The Arts & Culture Commission has begun distributing the Art Walk brochure and continues to work on the installation of Ai Weiwei's "Iron Root" and Alexandra Nechita's "Love Anatomy." Co-chair Deborah Frank shared that the Arts and Culture website is slated be complete in the spring and reminded residents that the city continues to offer an array of virtual arts programming online.

The Arts and Culture online workshops will also have new sessions beginning March 22 through May 28.

Charitable Solicitations Commission

During their March meeting, Charitable Solicitations Commissioners will appoint two members to serve on the Community Assistance Grant Fund ad hoc committee with the Human Relations Commission. Commissioners will be tasked with reviewing the fiscal status of each applicant.

Cultural grants applicants must be current Beverly Hills organizations that have demonstrated a history of exemplary cultural opportunities that respond to the community needs.

Cultural Heritage Commission

Last week, the City Council approved three Golden Shield nominations: Nate 'N Al's Delicatessen, Gearys Beverly Hills and the site of the former Gershwin residence. The next Cultural Heritage Commission meeting will be held on April 14, during which six more Golden Shield nominees will be reviewed before being presented to the City Council.

Design Review Commission

The commission is conducting interviews for one upcoming opening, as Commissioner Ilona Sherman's term comes to an end on Dec. 31. Seven people have applied.

Health & Safety Commission

Health & Safety Commission Chair Cathy Baker reminded the public that the city's code enforcement department will continue to perform inspections at the city's tobacco retailers to ensure compliance with the new tobacco sales ban ordinance. Residents are encouraged to contact code compliance to report violations by calling 310-285-1119.

The California State Legislature passed Senate Bill 793 (Hill) - Flavored Tobacco Products in August 2020, which banned the sale of flavored tobacco products in the state. The legislation was supposed to go into effect on Jan. 1 of this year. "However, the Secretary of State's office has confirmed that the minimum number of signatures has been collected to qualify the ban referendum to be on the ballot for Nov. 8, 2022 election," said Baker.

Human Relations Commission

The Human Relations Commission reminds the public that Beverly Hills promotes positive human relations in all aspects of community life, inviting every member of the community to support an environment where stability, respect and responsible actions prevail.

"The commission has made our homeless initiative work plan a top priority for this year," Chair Ori Blumenfeld said. "The initiative consists of an education component, designed to help the community learn more about homelessness and the services provided in the city, and an advocacy and innovation component to find new ways to address homelessness through expanded services and partnerships."

The ad hoc committee will be meeting in the coming weeks to review each of the 31 applications submitted for the community assistance grant fund.

Planning Commission

Planning Commission Chair Peter Ostroff relayed that the commission has been busy with their efforts to develop a revised housing plan for the city.

"As you recall, we were given our target number of housing sites that we were obliged to identify was tentatively 3,096, which is about 25 percent of the market housing as well as the various categories of affordable housing," Ostroff said. "We appealed that unsuccessfully."

On April 8, the commission is holding an additional meeting to consider the supplemental environmental impact report for the One Beverly Hills project.

Public Works Commission

Public Works Commission Chair Chuck Alpert highlighted the commission's continued work around sustainability, promoting the use of city tap water over bottled water to reduce use of single-use plastics. The commission has also set up a Drinking Water Outreach/Single-Use Plastics Ad-Hoc committee, which will continue to find ways

to reduce and possibly regulate the use of said materials.

The commission continues to monitor the upgrades being made to the water treatment plant, the transmission line, and the groundwater wells along La Cienega Boulevard that are being developed.

"We haven't produced any of our own city water since 2016," Alpert said. "And so, these are major projects to get the city back in the water business so that we have water in case of an emergency."

Recreation & Parks Commission

Recreation & Parks Commission Chair Susan Mishler detailed updates on a bevy of virtual library events, community programs and special events, including preschool and Adventure Camp, the city's childcare program. Adventure Camp returned to Hawthorne Elementary school this week to provide afternoon programming.

This week, the Pickleball program also returned at both La Cienega Tennis Center and Roxbury Park. Library programs that are being presented virtually include Jim J's Jukebox, discovering America's music January book club, on March 18 and on March 22, editor Denise Hamilton will discuss her new book titled "Speculative Los Angeles" with contributors Francesca Lia Block, Lisa Morton, and Luis J Rodriguez.

Traffic & Parking Commission

At the last Traffic and Parking Commission meeting on March 4, the commission discussed ongoing plans for Connect Beverly Hills, the first in a series of streetscape plans the city launched in May of 2020. The "Connect Beverly Hills: Meet Me on Wilshire and La Cienega" project will develop a streetscape plan and design standards for Wilshire and La Cienega Boulevards.

The Traffic and Parking Commission serve on the Project Advisory Committee (PAC) for Connect Beverly Hills, and reviewed designs for benches, trash cans, transit shelters, bicycle racks and more.

Chair Nooshin Meshkaty also relayed that the neighborhood Slow Streets program was approved by the City Council, giving residents the chance to request that their streets be designated as a "slow street." The slow streets will still be open to local traffic, deliveries and other services. A draft of the Complete Streets Plan is tentatively scheduled to be reviewed by the City Council at the March 16 Study Session. •



Commissioners gave reports during the March 8 meeting. Photo by Bianca Heyward

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(Planning Commission continued from

The State Department of Housing and Community Development (HCD) first determines the housing needs in each region of California by examining population data. The agency also considers economic and demographic trends, overcrowding, and overpayment of rents and mortgages. The number that HCD calculates gets passed to a local regional planning agency-the Southern California Association of Governments (SCAG), in the case of Beverly Hills-that looks at more local data and distributes the total among its jurisdictions.

In 2019, as cities across California grappled with soaring rents and a homelessness crisis, HCD announced an ambitious goal of about 3.5 million new units over the new Housing Elements cycle. Southern California's share of the load came out to 1.3 million units. For Beverly Hills: 3,096 units. In comparison, in the last housing cycle, Beverly Hills' allotment was only three.

Although city staff advised that RHNA appeals were rarely granted, the City Council nonetheless instructed staff to file an appeal to SCAG requesting a reduction to 1,486 units. In total, 52 other jurisdictions in Southern California also filed RHNA appeals. On Jan. 13, SCAG held a public hearing for the appeals, rejecting all but two, including that of Beverly Hills. However, as a result of the two partially successful appeals by Riverside County and the City of Pico Rivera, SCAG had to redistribute the units subtracted from their allotments. This increased Beverly Hill's RHNA number by eight.

While the city is required to plan for a certain level of growth and take efforts to facilitate it, the RHNA is "not a development mandate," the staff report notes. Jurisdictions must ensure that bureaucratic hurdles like zoning and planning do not obstruct development, but they do not need to build housing or issue permits themselves. But, if the state determines that a jurisdiction has not done enough to foster development, it can withhold certification of its General Plan. This results in loss of certain state funds, more frequent updates to the city's Housing Element, and loss of control over housing project decisions.

Cities face similar penalties for not meeting their RHNA obligations. Jurisdictions will have to implement a streamlined review process to approve housing development projects.

At the March 11 meeting, commissioners heard the results of an online survey conducted as a part of its public outreach for the Housing Element process. The survey received responses from 81 people by March 2, the majority of whom live or work in the city. Most respondents have lived in Beverly Hills for 21 years or more, own their home, with an age range of 56 to 74 years old. Though a small sample, the staff report compiled for the hearing claims that "the results have provided insight into the various perspectives of community members regarding how or in what ways the city should accommodate future housing needs in Beverly Hills."

Among the results, 70 percent of respondents answered that they were "very satisfied with their housing situation." People who replied to the survey listed maintaining a diverse housing market and maintaining the character of existing neighborhoods as "very important."

Lower down on the list of priorities, respondents indicated as their least important concerns: "ensuring that children who grow up in Beverly Hills can afford to live in Beverly Hills, providing shelters and transitional housing and services for the homeless, integrating affordable housing to create mixed-income neighborhoods, and establishing programs to help at-risk homeowners keep their homes."

Most people who participated in the survey expressed support for greater density in mixed-use zones and multi-family residential zones, taking advantage of the future metro stations. Staff expect to release a second online survey by the end of March.

In addition to mixed-use zoning, the city hopes to meet its RHNA goals by incentivizing the construction of ADUs, additional structures that share a lot with a primary structure (like a guest house, for instance).

Given the lack of vacant land in Beverly Hills, ADUs take advantage of the city's large number of single-family residences. For HCD to count future ADUs toward the city's RHNA requirement, the agency will evaluate ADU permitting trends and the extent to which city regulations encourage ADU development.

"I think that if we can at least meet or exceed the state standards, we will be demonstrating good faith to HCD in our efforts to accommodate to the overriding purpose of the Rena allocation," said Commissioner Thomas Hudnut.

As the staff report notes, a scant nine ADUs were permitted in the city in 2020. At that rate, the city would barely scratch two percent of its RHNA allocation. But the city's current ADU regulations adopted in 2017 have already become outdated. The staff report suggested updating the ADU ordinance and adding additional incentives to boost RHNA credit.

Some recommended incentives include increasing the maximum height from 16 feet (which prevents two-story ADUs) to 22 feet and two stories in the Central Area, and 18 feet and two stories in the Hillside Area. Staff also recommended streamlining the review process and reducing the parking requirements. •

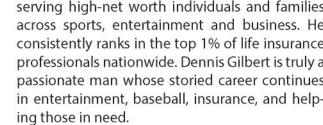
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Astrology

BY HOLIDAY MATIS

ARIES (March 21-April 19). People only take risks in hopes of achieving goals they think are possible. You'll paint a picture of your vision with well-chosen words and provide the inspiration others need to move forward.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20). Are glamour and authenticity at odds? Of course. Don't let that stop you from moving forward with both at the same time. The best things in life are mixed bags.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21). Both sides of the argument can't be right, but there is a rightness in each stance. It will bring you good fortune to look for it. Do it quietly, gingerly and with great respect.

CANCER (June 22-July 22). If you don't have an "elevator pitch," then this is the perfect time to come up with one. It's not for the influential people you might meet; rather, it's your clarity of purpose.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22). You're efficient and impressively productive, appearing to balance many things at once, when really you are balancing

one thing at a time, giving your full attention to each, however briefly.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22). Toogood-to-be-true almost always is, but sometimes the karma of one situation pays for the karma of another. Be a little open-minded on the matter today.

LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23). People fear their vulnerability and imagine far worse outcomes than would typically occur. Opening yourself to vulnerability is the most admirable, attractive and relaxing response to the day's challenges.

scorpio (Oct. 24-Nov. 21). Others don't know what they want, so how are you supposed to? You'll either have to help them find out what they want

or create a new appetite from scratch.
SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).
The sky is a masterpiece we take for granted because it's always over us. But you won't make that mistake today. You'll choose your moments for appreciating the sky outside as well as a reflective appreciation of the sky inside you.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19). You're influential. Maybe you won't detect it, but you can be certain that people believe something different after they've interacted with you than what they believed before they encountered you.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18). It's all about thinking ahead today. You'll anticipate potential pitfalls and either avoid them or, if they are unavoidable, deal with them as quickly as possible.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20). The foundation of friendship is important, and you'll lay it well. It takes several more months and years to build the rest, especially the shelter that you can live inside that will weather the storms of life. Be patient and keep building.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (March 12). Your creativity soars high. This year, you'll follow a wild idea to full realization. The golden question is this: Which one? You have so many! The criteria your idea must meet to be successful: It helps others, is needed and doesn't exist in the world already, and there's a clear vision to the first dollar you'll make to sustain it. Libra and Leo adore you. Your lucky numbers are: 8, 18, 44, 17 and 30.



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Students returned to classrooms this week in Beverly Hills. Photo by Bianca Heyward

(Returning to Classroom continued from page 6)

We have an entire generation of young people who will be savvier and more comfortable with the global practices shaping future careers. These new skills – coupled with self-advocacy – are contributing to a more entrepreneurial mindset among the young. In a time of crisis and uncertainty, the ability for each of us to think and operate like an entrepreneur, being agile and flexible, is more essential than ever.

Discovering a Niche in Education – While it might be hard to believe, there are some students who have been thriving during remote learning. Without in-class distractions of disruptive students, without bullying, and with less pressure to "fit in," students who tend to be more shy, hyperactive, anxious, or highly creative have found themselves to be doing better than they were in a physical classroom. Yes, many students are struggling with remote learning, but it is reassuring to know there are some students doing really well.

Rethinking Overextended Schedules -The reality is that many youth and their parents were quite overextended in their schedules prior to COVID. Lunches were filled with club meetings; after school with sports and extracurriculars; weekends with part-time jobs, family obligations, volunteer work, and endless hours of homework. Many students who have seen their jam-packed schedules loosen have been able to rethink their priorities and identify what they really loved doing for themselves. Students often felt an enduring pressure to impress colleges by being overscheduled, and hopefully now they feel more connected to what they actually care about, so they're able to better understand who they are and what makes

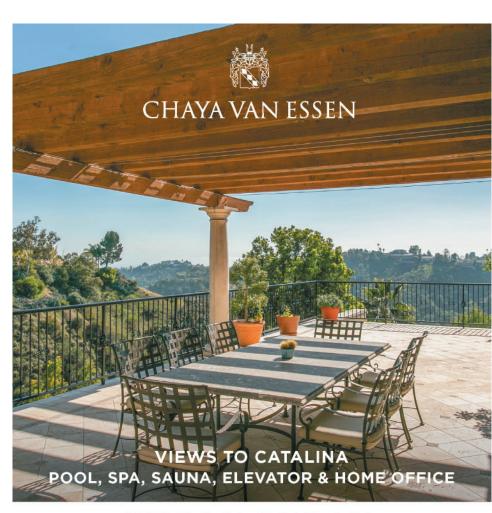
them tick.

As we enter our 366th day of virtual school, there are still many unknowns of what's to come in education. Will schools shift bell schedules to give students more opportunity to sleep? Will schools continue hybrid models (as Beverly Hills is doing) allowing some students to learn online while others return to school? How will schools assess students and develop interventions to address areas of learning loss? At this point, I know most are still trying to open their doors, but as the crisis subsides, it will be interesting to track if students return to the classroom to continue the status quo or if we will have found a better alternative. •

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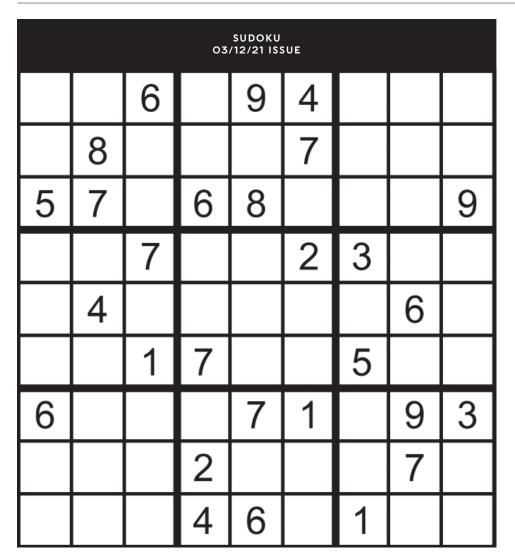
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TAKE TWO BY CELESTE WATTS AND JEFF CHEN / EDITED BY WILL SHORTZ

Celeste Watts, of Bloomfield Hills, Mich., is a retired elementary school teacher. After years of solving puzzles in her spare time, she decided to try making one herself. Her first 14 attempts for The Times were rejected, but she persevered. For this one, she collaborated with Jeff Chen, a writer and professional crossword constructor in Seattle, whom she calls "a gifted, patient mentor." The theme idea is Celeste's. Jeff helped her execute it. Finally, success! "One off my bucket list!" — W.S.

ACROSS

- 1 After the fact, as a justification
- 8 Co-star of "The Golden Girls'
- 17 Knock over, so to speak
- 20 Quaker fare
- 21 Go poof
- 22 Drop the ball
- 23 ILLUS_RA_ORS
- 25 What a third wheel might see, in brief
- 26 Setting for most of "Life of Pi"
- 27 Tests the weight of
- 28 One of the Greats?
- 30 Oscars of the sporting $\ 73$ Word with small or world
- 33 Good sign for an angel

34 Intl. org.

- headquartered in Geneva 37 Some bad sentences
- 39 ACC L RATOR
- 44 Grapple, in dialect
- 47 Exercise too much,
- say
- 48 A as in Arles
- 49 LUXUR___ACHT
- '____ Agnus Dei" (Mass phrase)
- 55 Peak in Turkey mentioned in both the ''Iliad'' and the "Aeneid"

ANSWERS FOUND IN NEXT WEEK'S PAPER..

- 56 Runner Sebastian who once held the world record for the mile
- 57 What you might get
- from a trailer
- 59 Sport played at British boarding
- schools 60 Post production? mater.
- membrane surrounding the brain
- 65 Popular 90-min. show 125 Some kitchen
- 66 ENDANGER_EN_ 70 Man's name that
- coincidentally is Latin for "honey"
- fish
- 74 Weak
- 75 What may result in a handshake
- 76 Help to one's destination 82 The Blue Javs, on
- scoreboards 83 Comeback to a
- challenge of authority
- 84 Bitter
- 85 CONFIG_ _ATION
- 90 Actor Somerhalder 91 Most in the style of comedian Steven
- Wright 92 Unfocused
- 93 POI_T OF _IEW
- 100 Go all out 101 French fashion inits.
- 102 "Kinda sorta"
- 103 Pan-cook, in a way

- 107 Supermodel
- 109 Pepé skunk)
 - 111 Drop off
 - 112 Admit (to)
 - 113 __OTIC__
 - 120 Hit the weed?
 - 121 Have guests over
 - 122 Guest, e.g.
 - 123 Place full of guests
 - 124 Start of a seasonal
 - request
 - utensils

DOWN

- 1 Entourage
- 2 Hall's partner in pop 3 Part of a thong
- 4 "OK, you can stop the
- story right there'
- 5 Old-fashioned "cool" 6 One might speak
- 7 Co-star of Kline in "A Fish Called Wanda"
- 8 Start of a compilation heading
- 9 Times for some vigils
- 10 Letters on many towers 11 Busy mo. for C.P.A.s
- 12 Go bad 13 Three-sport event, for
- 14 A chest often has a
- large one 15 States 16 Recharge
- 17 Photocopy, e.g. 18 It's the law!

- 19 Item said to have been burned in Bündchen protest, once
 - 24 Musical prefix with
 - beat 29 Memphis-to-Nashville
 - dir. 31 Emphatic assent
 - 32 Lively dance genre 34 Hone
 - 35 Contract details
 - 36 Beehive State city 38 Aerodynamic
 - 40 Bishop's jurisdiction 41 Antagonist
 - 42 Hotel-room staples
 - 43 Top-notch
 - 44 Booties 45 Playwright Chekhov
 - **46** Garbage 50 Drink similar to a
 - slushie 51 About 460 inches of rain per year, on Kauai's Mt.
 - Waialeale 52 HBO satire starring
 - Julia Louis-Dreyfus bar
 - 54 Org, that takes the lead on lead?
 - 58 Baby fox 60 How a flirt may act
 - 62 NaOH 63 Radio broadcaster:
 - Abbr. 66 Legislation that was part of F.D.R.'s New Deal
 - 67 Ethnic group of Rwanda and Burundi 68 Two, for four
 - 71 Hollywood composer Bernstein with 14 61 Football stat: Abbr. Oscar nominations

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- 73 Like pets and parking meters _ Slam (tennis 75
 - feat) 76 Julius Caesar's first name
 - 77 Words of hopelessness

- 121 122
- 69 Coin with 12 stars 70 "Zoom-Zoom"
 - 79 ____ Write Workshop sloganeer
- 72 Guarded
 - 88 Ear: Prefix
 - badges
- a way _ Writers'
- 80 Electronic Hasbro toy 81 One side of the coin
- 83 Arias, typically 86 Scottish folk dance
- 87 Alternative explanation for a lucky guess, in brief
 - 89 Letters on some
- - 97 Brown shade
- 98 Kids' observation
- an "Emerald City Sequence's
- 104 Yoke 105 HP product
- 78 Mature naturally, in 94 "Stillmatic" rapper 108 Singer James
 - 95 Seen 96 Kind of skate
 - game 99 Hit musical with

 - 106 Narrowly beats
- 118 Things for happy
- 115 Hosp. areas 116 The Jazz, on scoreboards 117 Brown shade

114 ____ Majesty

this

campers? 119 Picky person's pick?

109 Drink for un bébé

110 A full moon will do

112 Life force, in China



Il Pastaio in the aftermath of the March 4 robbery and shooting

(Il Pastaio Shooting continued from page 1)

"We work closely with our businesses so that shoppers and restaurant guests feel comfortable and secure. And we are vigilant in investigating and bringing to justice those who make the grave mistake of committing crimes here."

It's unclear whether the assurances were strictly necessary. In the days following the shooting, Il Pastaio's outdoor dining appeared as busy as ever, if not more so. Nonetheless, Rivetti committed to increasing security measures with additional private, armed security guards.

Already, the city has seen private security companies including Covered 6 and Nastec, International, patrolling the Business District since the unrest around the election. According to BHPD spokesperson Acting Captain Max Subin, both companies will provide four armed guards each.

"They will be on foot and drive around

in cars, providing high visibility," he told the Courier. "The private armed security will be present through this weekend in this fashion. The security companies will be reevaluated as to the numbers of private armed security to provide safety and visibility to the Beverly Hills community."

The BHPD also put out an appeal to witnesses who may have filmed the incident. "If you captured video footage of the armed robbery at Il Pastaio on March 4, you can submit the footage to the BHPD," the Department posted on its Twitter account, including a link to https://beverlyhills.org/PDEvidencePortal. Video can also be submitted anonymously.

In a conversation with the Courier, Il Pastaio founder Giacomino Drago and his wife Alessandra described their feelings after first hearing the news of the attack. "[Our first thought] was just to make sure everybody was safe," Ms. Drago said. "We have a lot of family working in the restaurant, we

have people that come every day. We wanted to make sure that everybody was okay."

Instead of driving away customers, the incident has galvanized support in the community for the Beverly Hills institution.

"The residents, our guests have been amazing, amazing," Mr. Drago said. "The next day, they were all there, because they were hungry for the support. That's what made us feel better, because it was pretty tense to be all over the news."

In response to the robbery, Il Pastaio has added additional security of its own to its lunch hours. Mr. Drago says that he will continue to work with the city and with BHPD to ensure the safety of his guests.

In a March 4 statement, BHPD said it first received reports of a robbery and gunshots around 2:09 p.m. and arrived on the scene "within 90 seconds." The three suspects nonetheless escaped. According to Subin, "We are working with our Federal partners and local Law Enforcement agencies

to apprehend the suspects that committed the robbery at Il Pastaio."

Beverly Hills has seen a number of high-profile robberies since the new year. In the last month alone, luxe retailers on Wilshire Boulevard and Rodeo Drive have experienced thefts of their own. In a Feb. 16 incident on the 200 block of Rodeo Drive, an unknown suspect absconded with a charm valued below \$950 that they placed inside a purse, which was purchased legally. That same day, two suspects entered a luxury department store in the city, grabbed over \$950 worth of clothing from a shelf, and fled to a getaway vehicle. The car's license plate was captured and the suspects were arrested in Los Angeles.

But at least in January, the most recent month for which data is available, crime still remains at a statistical low. According to the January 2021 BHPD Executive Summary, total crime remains down at "-13 percent year-to-date."



Shay Belhassen, shortly after assailants stole his Richard Mille watch

Police Blotter

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

BEVERLY HILLS ASSAULT - AGGRAVATED

3/9/2021, 2:22 p.m. at 8500 Block of WILSHIRE BLVD

THEFT - PETTY

3/8/2021, 6:55 p.m. at 300 Block of N CANON DR

3/2/2021, 10:12 a.m. at 9600 Block of S SANTA MONICA BLVD

3/1/2021, 8:00 a.m. at 100 Block of S CA.M.DEN DR

3/1/2021, 3:16 p.m. at 200 Block of S CA.M.DEN DR

ROBBERY

3/8/2021, 2:50 p.m. at 9000 Block of WILSHIRE BLVD 3/4/2021, 2:09 p.m. at 400 Block of N CANON DR

THEFT - GRAND (FROM VEHICLE)

3/8/2021, 12:00 p.m. at 400 Block of DOHENY RD

3/5/2021, 1:20 p.m. at 200 Block of S CANON DR

3/1/2021, 4:00 p.m. at CIVIC CENTER DR / N OAKHURST DR

3/9/2021, 9:00 p.m. at 100 Block of N ALMONT DR

VANDALISM

3/7/2021, 5:00 p.m. at 8300 Block of WILSHIRE BLVD 3/6/2021, 2:00 p.m. at 9800 Block of S SANTA MONICA BLVD

3/9/2021, 9:10 p.m at 200 Block of TOWER DR

BURGLARY -COMMERCIAL BUILDING

3/5/2021, 8:00 p.m. at 8900 Block of WILSHIRE BLVD

3/5/2021, 4:30 p.m. at 8900 Block of WILSHIRE BLVD

DUI ARREST

3/5/2021, 4:29 p.m. at 100 Block of N ELM DR

ASSAULT - SIMPLE

3/4/2021, 5:32 p.m. at 9400 Block of DAYTON WAY

3/4/2021, 11:04 a.m. at N RODEO DR / S SANTA MONICA BLVD

BURGLARY -RESIDENTIAL (NO ONE HOME)

3/3/2021, 3:27 p.m. at 300 Block of N OAKHURST DR

3/3/2021, 6:30 p.m. at 700 Block of ALPINE DR

3/9/2021, 7:50 p.m. at 1000 Block of N REXFORD DR

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AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS EXTENDING INTERIM ORDINANCE NO. 21-O-2833 AMENDING SECTION 10-2-303 OF THE MUNICIPAL

CODE REGARDING ADJUSTING LOT LINES THAT ARE BETWEEN JURISDICTIONAL BOUNDARIES AND DECLARING THE URGENCY THEREOF

ORDINANCE NO. 21-O-2834

THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF BEVERLY HILLS HEREBY ORDAINS AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1. Legislative Findings.

The City Council of the City of Beverly Hills is concerned about lot line adjustments which create or increase the size of parcels crossing the boundary of the City. Of particular concern is the fact that the City's regulations permitted the adjustment of lot lines to create or expand parcels located both within the City and another City. The City does not have authority over the development of land within the jurisdiction of another City. Accordingly, when a parcel is located both within the City and another city, a portion of the parcel is subject to the City's regulations and development standards, and a portion of the parcel is subject to the regulations and development standards of that other city. Because the City's General Plan and zoning and building ordinances would not apply to the portion of the lot which is located in another city's jurisdiction, a lot line adjustment creating or expanding a lot that crosses the City boundary will not conform to the City's General Plan or the City's zoning and building ordinances. This negatively impacts the public health, safety, and welfare because buildings that do not comply with City codes can be built with City access, utilities, and other services and buildings can be built under another city's zoning regulations without appropriate setbacks. Consequently, the City Council wishes to consider enacting appropriate regulations regarding if and under what circumstances adjusting a lot line to create or expand a parcel that crosses the City boundary may be appropriate.

Because the public process of adopting permanent regulations may be lengthy, and to prevent the adjustment of lot lines which will create or expand parcels that cross the boundary of the City in the intervening period, the City Council adopted Ordinance No. 21-O-2833, an interim ordinance that took effect immediately on January 26, 2021 (the "Interim Ordinance"). The Interim Ordinance amends Section 10-2-303 of Article 3 of Chapter 2 of Title 10 of the Beverly Hills Municipal Code to prohibit a lot line adjustment which would either create or expand a lot that crosses the City boundary.

Section 2. Authority.

Pursuant to Government Code Section 65858, the City Council may adopt, as an urgency measure, an interim ordinance to protect the public health, safety, and welfare to prohibit uses that may be in conflict with a zoning proposal that the legislative body, planning commission, or the planning department is considering or studying or intends to study within a reasonable time. After public notice, the City Council may extend the interim ordinance by a period of ten (10) months and fifteen (15) days, pursuant to Government Code Section 65858. Notice of the public hearing at which the City Council considered adopting this extension ordinance was duly published.

Section 3. Urgency Findings.

The City Council finds and determines that failing to implement immediate changes to the City's lot line adjustment regulations would result in an immediate threat to the public health, safety, and general welfare. As described in Section 1, the City's regulations permit lot line adjustments which create or expand parcels crossing City boundaries, resulting in parcels subject to both the City's zoning and building regulations and another city's zoning and building regulations. Because the City's General Plan and zoning and building ordinances would not apply to the portion of the lot which is located in another city's jurisdiction, such lot line adjustments will not conform to the City's General Plan or the City's zoning and building ordinances. Accordingly, without appropriate regulations, the continued adjustment of lot lines to create or expand parcels under split jurisdiction will negatively impact the public health, safety, and general welfare. Thus, to preserve the public health, safety, and general welfare, the City Council declares it is necessary that this Ordinance take immediate effect to prevent these harms.

Section 4. CEQA Findings.

The City Council hereby finds that the adoption and implementation of the Interim Ordinance or extension thereof is exempt from the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) pursuant to Section 15305 of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations because the average slope of the City is less than 20 percent and the extension of the Interim Ordinance represents a minor alteration in land use limitations and does not result in any changes in land use or density. In addition, the City Council finds that the adoption and implementation of the Interim Ordinance or extension thereof will not have a significant environmental impact and is exempt from CEQA pursuant to Section 15061(b)(3) of Title 14 of the California Code of Regulations, which states that CEQA applies only to projects which have the potential for causing a significant effect on the environment. This exemption is applicable because the extension of the Interim Ordinance would not result in physical changes to the subject properties and no potential for causing a significant effect on the environment exists.

Section 5. Severability.

If any section, subsection, subdivision, sentence, clause, phrase, or portion of this Ordinance or the application thereof to any person or place, is for any reason held to be invalid or unconstitutional by the final decision of any court of competent jurisdiction, the remainder of this Ordinance shall be and remain in full force and effect

Section 6. Approval and Extension of <u>Ordinance.</u>

This Ordinance, adopted as an urgency measure for the immediate protection of the public safety, health, and general welfare, containing a declaration of the facts constituting the urgency, and passed by a minimum four-fifths (4/5) vote of the City Council, shall take effect immediately upon its adoption and shall amend and extend the effect of the Interim Ordinance for a period of ten (10) months and fifteen (15) days. After notice pursuant to Section 65090 of the California Government Code and public hearing, the City Council may extend the effectiveness of the Interim Ordinance for an additional one year period, as provided in Government Code Section 65858

Section 7. Publication.

The City Clerk shall certify to the adoption of this Ordinance and shall cause this Ordinance and her certification, together with proof of publication, to be entered in the Book of Ordinances of the Council of this City.

ADOPTED: March 2, 2021

LESTER J. FRIEDMAN Mayor of the City of Beverly Hills, California

HUMA AHMED (SEAL) City Clerk

APPROVED AS TO FORM: LAURENCE S. WIENER City Attorney

APPROVED AS TO CONTENT: **GEORGE CHAVEZ** City Manager

VOTE:

AYES: Councilmembers Gold, Bosse, Mirish, Vice Mayor Wunderlich, and Mayor Friedman NOES: None **CARRIED**

PUBLIC NOTICES

SUPERIOR COURT OF CALIFORNIA, COUNTY OF LOS ANGELE CASE NO: 21 SMC P00069 ORDER TO SHOW CAUSE FOR CHANGE OF NAME

In the Matter of the petition of: RYAN NIMA TABATABAI

To all interested person(s): Petitioner:

Ryan Nima Tabatabai Presently over 18 years of age, current residence: 504 North Crescent Drive, Beverly Hills, CA Beverly Hills, CA 90210 filed a petition with the Superior Court of California, County of Los Angeles, 1725
Main Street, Santa
Monica, CA 90401 on
February 23, 2021 for
a Decree changing a Decree char names as follows:

Present Name: Ryan Nima Tabatabai Proposed Name: **JAMES**

ZOHOURY THE COURT ORDERS that all persons interested in this matter shall appear before this court at the hearing indicated below to show cause, if any, why the petition for change of name should not be granted. NOTICE OF HEARING: Date: April 30, 2021 Time: 8:30 AM

Department: K The address of the court

1725 Main Street, Santa 90401 Monica,

Reason name change: Petitioner is already known by HIS proposed name wishes to be known by his proposed name in all personal/business affairs.

declare under penalty of perjury under the laws of the State of California that the foregoing is true and correct. Sianed

Ryan Nima Tabatabai Judge of the Superior Court: Lawrence Cho Clerk: Sherri R. Carter Deputy: T. Rhodes Dated: February 23, 2021 Published: 03/05/21, 03/12/21, 03/19/21, 03/26/21 BHC-R25321

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS STATEMENT 2021029530

The following is/are doing business as: CARING HEARTS CAREGIVER PLACEMENT **SERVICES**

601 N. Kings Rd. #103, West Hollywood, CA 90048; Susan Kraut 601 N. Kings Rd. #103, West Hollywood CA 90048; The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL, registrant(s) has begun to transact business under the name(s) listhess under the name(s) listed January 2016: Susan Kraut, Owner: Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: February 03, 2021; Published: February 19, 26, March 05, 12, 2021 LACC N/C

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2021039726

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The following is/are doing business as: SHARP AND ASSOCIATES PR ASSOCIATES PH 1516 N. Fairfax Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90046; **Pamela Sharp** 1516 N. Fairfax Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90046; The pusiness is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL, registrant(s) has begun to transact businas begun to transact business under the name(s) listed January 2021: Pamela Sharp, Owner: Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: February 12, 2021; Published: February 26, March 05, 12, 19, 2021 LACC N/C

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2021039724

The following is/are doing business as: **SMALL TOWN WEIRDO**

312 S. Beverly Dr. #7150 Beverly Hills, CA 90212 Molecule Productions, LLC 312 S. Beverly Dr. #7150, Beverly Hills, CA 90212; The business is conducted by: A LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, registrant(s) has begun to transact business begun to transact business under the name(s) listed January 2021: Adam Reich, Member: Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: February 12, 2021; Published: February 26, March 05, 12, 19, 2021 LACC N/C

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2021039728

The following is/are doing RMC MENTAL HEALTH

9041 W. 24th St., Los Angeles, CA 90034; Riana Chagoury-Leake 9041 W. 24th St., Los Angeles, CA 90034; The business is conducted by: AN INDIVIDUAL, registrant(s) has NOT begun to transact business under the name(s) Riana Chagoury-Leake, Owner: Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: February 12, 2021; Published: February 26, March 05, 12, 19, 2021 LACC N/C

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2021050823

The following is/are doing

business as: DOCTORS' CHOICE TRUST 528 Palisades Dr. #706, Pacific Palisades, CA 90272; **Doctors' Choice** Personnel Service, Inc. 528
Palisades Dr. #706, Pacific
Palisades, CA 90272; The
business is conducted by: CORPORATION, registrant(s) has begun to transact business under the name(s) listed January 2021: Terri Mathieson, CEO: Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: February 26, 2021; Published: March 12, 19, 26, April 02, 2021 LACC N/C

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT 2021050827

The following is/are doing business as: BLUME INDUSTRY

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BUSINESS STATEMENT **FICTITIOUS** NAME 2021050825

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Rodney Yadidi 737 S.
Genesee Ave. #310, Los
Angeles, CA 90036; The
business is conducted by:
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name(s) listed November
2018: Rodney Yadidi,
Owner: Statement is filed
with the County of Los with the County of Los Angeles: February 26, 2021; Published: March 12, 19, 26, April 02, 2021 **LACC N/C**

FICTITIOUS BUSINESS NAME STATEMENT NAME 2021050829

The following is/are doing business as: CABRELLA INSURANCE **SHIPPING**

7164 Melrose Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90046; Meslee Insurance Services, Inc. 7164 Melrose Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90046; The business is conducted by:

A CORPORATION, registrant(s) has begun to transact business under the homo(s) listed April 2015: name(s) listed April 2015: Beniamin J. Meskin, Benjamin J. Meskin, President: Statement is filed with the County of Los Angeles: February 26, 2021; Published: March 12, 19, 26, April 02, 2021 **LACC N/C**

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